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TANFIELD, 1959

THEY (the English) are *powerful in the field*, successful against their enemies, impatient against anything like slavery; vastly fond of Great Noises that fill the ear, such as the firing of Cannon, drums and the *ringing of bells*, so that in London it is common for a number of them to go up into some belfry and ring the bells for hours together, for the sake of exercise. . . . So wrote Paul Hentzner in his 'Travels in England,' 1598, and today, almost 400 years later, we can still see those characteristics vividly portrayed in the Englishman, especially those of power in the field (of cricket!) and the ringing of bells.

On first reflection there would not appear to be any close relationship between the ringing of bells and the game of cricket, but in actual fact they have many common features. A cricketer needs to play with a straight bat while a bellringer must keep a straight rope, and in each case the participant must have a keen eye and an alert mind. Again, both the game of cricket and the exercise of ringing require the element of team spirit for their success and, above all else, both are peculiarly English. Thus the annual cricket match-cum-ringing meeting held in the village of Tanfield, Co. Durham, over the past three years (an event resumed after a lapse of 60 years) presents an occasion as typically English as any scene from Merrie England could be.

This year the event took place on Saturday, July 18th, when teams selected by the Vicar of Tanfield (the Rev. R. Race) and the President of the Durham and Newcastle Diocesan Association of Change Ringers (Mr. K. Arthur) met on the vicarage lawn for the cricket encounter. The wicket itself proved one of the best ever, although the boundaries were on the short side and some local rules had to be agreed upon before the start—no fast bowling, no big hitting and no faculty required to remove any ball hit into the churchyard! Both teams played lady ringers, so, as in previous years, ladies would bowl to ladies. It was agreed to play 20 overs each side.

The uncertain weather of the morning had cleared by 2.30 p.m., when the two captains came out to spin the coin, and with a successful call the Vicar elected to bat first. Messrs. R. W. Leighton (Blaydon) and G. S. Deas (Newcastle Cathedral), the umpires, then took up their positions, and Tanfield opened with the Rev. O. Dickinson

(Vicar of Stanley) and Miss P. Brabban (Tanfield), who provided a solid first wicket stand until the 12th over, and took the score to 15 runs. Wickets then fell more regularly, and the side were all out for 49 in the 20th over.

Following a short break for tea in the Vicarage, the President's team went in to bat, but they were soon in trouble when the first wicket fell with the score at 1. Another quick wicket fell, and the position looked grim, but Billy Shewen (S. Shields) and Alan Patterson (Cramlington) came together and put on a stand which produced 30 runs before another wicket fell. The score was now 39 and the Tanfield attack became intensified with the scent of victory in the air. A determined President then came to the crease and with the help of first one and then the other of his lady players managed to weather the storm and produced the winning hit with a four into the churchyard. The remaining wickets fell rapidly and the side was all out for 57 runs, and the 'ashes' returned once again to their niche in Newcastle. Details:—

TANFIELD XI

Rev. O. Dickinson . . .	8
P. Brabban	6
H. Thompson	4
Rev. R. Race	4
D. Parker	5
D. Dickinson	1
K. Armin	2
K. Ather	1
K. Cheeseman	1
C. T. Lamb	0
R. Oliver	1
Extras	16

Total . 49

NEWCASTLE XI

I. Walker	1
M. Shewen	13
E. Harrison	2
A. Patterson	22
E. Castling	2
K. Arthur	8
M. Deas	2
M. Prophet	5
D. A. Bayles	0
S. Hewett	1
F. W. Cooke	0
Extra	1

Total . 57

Players and spectators then gathered round the Vicarage porch and the President conveyed the thanks of all to the Vicar of Tanfield and his helpers for the splendid arrangements. In reply the Vicar expressed a hope that the event would be continued and become even more popular with the succeeding years.

Following said Evensong in the Church of St. Margaret, the ringing programme of the occasion began, and the pleasant ring of eight bells (tenor 13 cwt.) was kept fully manned until nearly 9 p.m. Ringers of all stages were provided for, and ringing ranged from rounds for beginners to London Surprise Major for the more experienced members. Thus was concluded another 'Tanfield.' K. A.

WEST COUNTRYMEN'S TOUR

OSWESTRY, SHROPSHIRE.

THE SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., July 25, 1959, in 3 Hours and 16 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. OSWALD,

A PEAL OF 5056 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 15 cwt. in F.

RONALD D. SHORT Treble	DAVID HOARE 5
REGINALD W. REX 2	GEORGE W. MASSEY 6
COLIN J. B. TAYLOR 3	GWILYM SALMON 7
BARWELL B. DIBBEN 4	RONALD N. MARLOW Tenor

Composed by C. H. HATTERSLEY.

Conducted by DAVID HOARE.

BANGOR, CAERNARVON.

THE NORTH WALES ASSOCIATION.

On Mon., July 27, 1959, in 3 Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. DAVID, GLENADDA,

A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 13 cwt. 1 qr. 21 lb. in F sharp.

ANTHONY J. SANGER .. Treble	GEORGE W. MASSEY 5
*DAVID HOARE 2	VICTOR ROBERTS 6
RONALD D. SHORT 3	BARWELL B. DIBBEN 7
COLIN J. B. TAYLOR 4	GWILYM SALMON Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON.

Conducted by GWILYM SALMON.

* 150th peal. First of Surprise Major as conductor.

LLANDUDNO, CAERNARVON.

THE NORTH WALES ASSOCIATION.

On Tues., July 28, 1959, in 3 Hours and 15 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

A PEAL OF 5088 ALDENHAM SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 15 cwt. 2 qr. 5 lb. in F.

BARWELL B. DIBBEN .. Treble	*DAVID HOARE 5
*REGINALD W. REX 2	*VICTOR ROBERTS 6
*ANTHONY J. SANGER 3	*GWILYM SALMON 7
GEORGE W. MASSEY 4	*†RONALD N. MARLOW .. Tenor

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW.

Conducted by DAVID HOARE.

* First peal in the method. † 200th peal.

GRESFORD, DENBIGHSHIRE.

THE NORTH WALES ASSOCIATION.

On Wed., July 29, 1959, in 3 Hours and 25 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF 5024 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR

Tenor 24 cwt. 3 lb. in D.

REGINALD W. REX Treble	COLIN J. B. TAYLOR 5
ANTHONY J. SANGER 2	VICTOR ROBERTS 6
RONALD D. SHORT 3	DAVID HOARE 7
GEORGE W. MASSEY 4	RONALD N. MARLOW Tenor

Composed by SIR A. P. HEYWOOD.

Conducted by RONALD N. MARLOW.

DERBYSHIRE PEAL WEEK

ALL PEALS RUNG FOR THE DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

MATLOCK, DERBYSHIRE.

On Mon., July 27, 1959, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES,

A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 14 cwt.

JOHN R. KETTERINGHAM .. Treble	*PETER G. BELLAMY-KNIGHT 5
J. FRANK SMALLWOOD 2	GEORGE H. PAULSON 6
MRS. PATRICIA A. M. HALLS 3	GORDON A. HALLS 7
MICHAEL BLORE 4	RONALD H. BULLEN Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON.

Conducted by GORDON A. HALLS.

* First peal in the method.

HEANOR, DERBYSHIRE.

On Tues., July 28, 1959, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

A PEAL OF 5088 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 15 cwt. 2 qr. 4 lb. in F.

JOHN R. KETTERINGHAM .. Treble	*PETER G. BELLAMY-KNIGHT 5
MRS. PATRICIA A. M. HALLS 2	HAROLD TAYLOR 6
*DAVID K. WALKLATE 3	†GORDON A. HALLS 7
J. FRANK SMALLWOOD 4	JAMES H. PAILING Tenor

Composed by E. CRITCHLEY.

Conducted by GORDON A. HALLS.

* First peal in the method. † First in the method as conductor.

DUFFIELD, DERBYSHIRE.

On Wed., July 29, 1959, in 3 Hours and 4 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ALKMUND,

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 17 cwt. 2 qr. 11 lb. in E.

JAMES H. PAILING Treble	DAVID K. WALKLATE 5
ERNEST MORRIS 2	PETER G. BELLAMY-KNIGHT 6
GORDON A. HALLS 3	JOHN R. KETTERINGHAM .. 7
*VIVIANNE CARLISLE 4	MICHAEL BLORE Tenor

Composed by J. CARTER.

Conducted by MICHAEL BLORE.

* First peal of Major. First of Major as conductor.

ATTENBOROUGH, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.

On Thurs., July 30, 1959, in 3 Hours and 2 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

A PEAL OF 5056 NEW CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 11 cwt. 21 lb. in F sharp.

P. G. BELLAMY-KNIGHT Treble	EDWIN WALKLATE 5
*VIVIANNE CARLISLE 2	DAVID K. WALKLATE 6
MRS. PATRICIA A. M. HALLS 3	JOHN R. KETTERINGHAM .. 7
GORDON A. HALLS 4	JAMES H. PAILING Tenor

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW.

Conducted by MRS. PATRICIA A. M. HALLS.

* First peal of Surprise Major.

TWELVE BELL PEALS

OXFORD.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Sat., Aug. 1, 1959, in 3 Hours and 28 Minutes,

AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF CHRIST,

A PEAL OF 5050 STEDMAN CINQUES

Tenor 31 cwt.

WILLIAM HIBBERT Treble	STEWART F. W. KIMBER .. 7
JOHN CHILCOTT 2	BRIAN D. THRELFALL 8
BROOK K. LUNN 3	J. RICHARD CHAUNDY 9
MICHAEL P. MORETON 4	JOHN H. CRAMPION 10
ALAN J. FROST 5	WILFRID F. MORETON 11
RAYMOND G. BURTON 6	FRANCIS A. WHITE Tenor

Composed and Conducted by JOHN CHILCOTT.

SHREWSBURY, SHROPSHIRE.

THE SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Aug. 1, 1959, in 3 Hours and 49 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. CHAD,

A PEAL OF 5039 GRANDSIRE CINQUES

Tenor 39 cwt. 2 qr. 7 lb.

*FREDERICK LEECH Treble	†PHILIP J. EVANS 7
JOHN W. GRIFFITHS 2	‡GEOFFREY PARTING 8
REGINALD WOODYATT 3	EDWARD V. RODENHURST 9
REGINALD H. NEWTON 4	FREDERICK G. BEDDOW .. 10
†JOHN F. BUTLER 5	ARTHUR PRITCHARD 11
*FREDERICK A. H. CATTELL 6	†ERNEST F. WILLCOX Tenor

Composed by NOLAN GOLDEN.

Conducted by JOHN W. GRIFFITHS.

* First peal of Cinques. † First of Grandsire Cinques. ‡ First on 12 bells.

CAMBRIDGE.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Mon., Aug. 3, 1959, in 3 Hours and 42 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-GREAT,

A PEAL OF 5280 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS

Tenor 28½ cwt.

G. WILLIAM CRITCHLEY .. Treble	ARTHUR G. MASON 7
CLAUDIA A. CRITCHLEY 2	HERBERT E. AUDSLEY 8
NORAH M. BIBBY 3	GEORGE H. RANDLES 9
PATRICIA M. BOURN 4	JACK MILLHOUSE 10
JOHN WORTH 5	BRIAN HARRIS 11
LESLIE W. G. MORRIS 6	EDWARD JENKINS Tenor

Composed and Conducted by LESLIE W. G. MORRIS.

LONDON.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Sat., Aug. 15, 1959, in 3 Hours and 59 Minutes,

AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. SAVIOUR, SOUTHWARK,

A PEAL OF 5280 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAXIMUS

Tenor 48 cwt.

*RAYMOND P. BURTON .. Treble	*WILLIAM T. COOK 7
*ALBERT M. TYLER 2	*JOHN PHILLIPS 8
*TUDOR P. EDWARDS 3	STEPHEN J. IVIN 9
WILFRED WILLIAMS 4	EDWARD P. DUFFIELD .. 10
*J. RICHARD CASTLEDINE .. 5	CECIL W. PIPE 11
ALAN F. THIRST 6	PETER BORDER Tenor

Conducted by WILFRED WILLIAMS.

* First peal of Yorkshire Maximus.

TEN BELL PEALS

LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Mon., July 27, 1959, in 2 Hours and 33 Minutes,

AT THE BELL FOUNDRY CAMPANILE.

A PEAL OF 5000 PLAIN BOB ROYAL

Tenor 6 cwt. 2 qr. 13 lb. in C.

BRIAN G. WARWICK .. Treble	JOSEPH W. COTTON 6
*A. JAMES POYNOR 2	DAVID DARBY 7
PATRICIA A. WARDLE 3	ALAN E. HARTLEY 8
ERNEST MORRIS 4	RUSSELL S. MORRIS 9
RICHARD J. CLIFTON 5	G. RONALD EDWARDS .. Tenor

Composed by ERNEST MORRIS. Conducted by BRIAN G. WARWICK.

* First peal of Plain Bob Royal 'inside.'

NORWICH.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tues., July 28, 1959, in 3 Hours and 21 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER, MANCROFT.

A PEAL OF 5075 GRANDSIRE CATERS

Tenor 37 cwt. 99 lb. in C.

DORIS E. LIDBETTER .. Treble	H. WILLIAM BARRETT .. 6
NOLAN GOLDEN 2	REV. GILES GALLEY .. 7
STANLEY W. GALL 3	JACK L. MILLHOUSE .. 8
PETER G. W. NEWSTEAD .. 4	BERT GOGLE 9
EDWIN T. CHAPMAN 5	TREVOR N. J. BAILEY .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by NOLAN GOLDEN.

A farewell peal to the Lord Bishop of Norwich, patron of the Association, on his resignation from the bishopric.

NEWPORT, MONMOUTHSHIRE.

THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Aug. 1, 1959, in 3 Hours and 12 Minutes,

AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. WOOLDS.

A PEAL OF 5067 STEDMAN CATERS

Tenor 21 cwt. 2 qr. 20 lb.

SELWYN H. DEARDEN .. Treble	ELISABETH A. G. BOWDEN .. 6
JACQUELINE S. KING 2	THOMAS BOREHAM 7
RICHARD J. BOWDEN 3	*DAVID J. KING 8
E. TREVOR NEWBURY 4	TUDOR P. EDWARDS 9
ALBERT M. TYLER 5	DONALD G. CLIFT Tenor

Composed by W. P. WHITEHEAD. Conducted by ALBERT M. TYLER.

HEREFORD.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Mon., Aug. 3, 1959, in 3 Hours and 45 Minutes,

AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY AND

ST. ETHELBERT.

A PEAL OF 5067 STEDMAN CATERS

Tenor 34 cwt.

ALAN J. FROST Treble	JOHN J. WEBB 6
JOHN CHILCOTT 2	BRIAN D. THRELFALL .. 7
MICHAEL P. MORETON 3	GEORGE DAVIS 8
F. ERIC ROBERTS 4	WILFRID F. MORETON .. 9
FRANK REED 5	AUSTIN T. WINGATE .. Tenor

Composed by CHARLES W. ROBERTS. Conducted by JOHN CHILCOTT.

First peal on the bells since being rehung by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank.

LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Mon., Aug. 10, 1959, in 2 Hours and 33 Minutes,

AT THE BELL FOUNDRY CAMPANILE.

A PEAL OF 5039 GRANDSIRE CATERS

Tenor 6 cwt. 2 qr. 13 lb. in C.

BRIAN G. WARWICK .. Treble	JOSEPH W. COTTON 6
*B. STEDMAN PAYNE 2	*MARTIN FAULKES 7
†MARY C. PAYNE 3	A. JAMES POYNOR 8
HARRY POYNOR 4	RUSSELL S. MORRIS 9
MRS. G. A. HALLS 5	GORDON A. HALLS Tenor

Composed by CHARLES W. ROBERTS. Conducted by BRIAN G. WARWICK.

* First peal of Caters. † 100th peal.

A birthday compliment to Margaret L. Morris.

EIGHT BELL PEALS

BARKWAY, HERTFORDSHIRE.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thurs., June 4, 1959, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALENE,

A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Johnson's variation.

Tenor 16½ cwt.

PETER LANGTON Treble	T. REGINALD DENNIS .. 5
FRANCES SECKER 2	JOHN G. GIPSON 6
JOHN H. SCHOFIELD 3	A. ROBIN HEPPENSTALL .. 7
JOHN PILKINGTON 4	WILLIAM J. RIDGMAN .. Tenor

Conducted by PETER LANGTON.

KIDLINGTON, OXFORDSHIRE.

THE OXFORD SOCIETY.

On Fri., July 17, 1959, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES

Heywood's transposition.

Tenor 23½ cwt.

WALTER F. JUDGE Treble	DONALD R. MARSHALL .. 5
WILLIAM JUDGE 2	FREDK. A. H. WILKINS .. 6
BRIAN R. WHITE 3	FRANCIS A. WHITE 7
DONALD H. NIBLETT 4	NEIL I. ALLNATT Tenor

Conducted by WALTER F. JUDGE.

In memoriam Alfred H. Pulling and Mrs. William Stone, sister of the ringers of 1 and 2.

NEWCASTLE UPON TYNE.

THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Wed., July 22, 1959, in 3 Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GEORGE, JESMOND.

A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

J. J. Parker's Six-part, No. 2.

Tenor 18 cwt.

*WENDY PHILLIPS Treble	SAMUEL C. WALKER .. 5
DENIS A. BAYLES 2	ERIC N. HARRISON 6
CHARLES N. LEA 3	KENNETH ARTHUR 7
KENNETH W. CHEESEMAN .. 4	*THOMAS O. PIERCY Tenor

* First peal.

Conducted by KENNETH ARTHUR.

CROSS STONE, TODMORDEN, YORKSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Thurs., July 23, 1959, in 3 Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL,

A PEAL OF 5056 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qr. 7 lb. in A.

*RITA M. JOWETT Treble	†B. GILLIAN SCHOFIELD .. 5
†PETER SCHOFIELD 2	HAROLD B. SCHOFIELD .. 6
†MRS. H. B. SCHOFIELD .. 3	NORMAN SMITH 7
†JOHN H. FIELDEN 4	†DEREK BUTTERWORTH .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by NORMAN SMITH.

* First peal of Surprise. † First of Yorkshire. ‡ 25th tower bell peal. First peal of Yorkshire in Todmorden.

HARROW WEALD, MIDDLESEX.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. & LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thurs., July 23, 1959, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF 5024 KILBURN SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 7 cwt. 3 qr. 3 lb. in A.

G. WILLIAM CRITCHLEY .. Treble	*H. GEORGE HART 5
ALICK CUTLER 2	*VERNON GREEN 6
*ELSIE K. HART 3	*KENNETH R. DUNSTAN .. 7
*CLAUDIA A. CRITCHLEY .. 4	JOHN R. MAYNE Tenor

Composed by RICHARD F. B. SPEED. Conducted by JOHN R. MAYNE.

* First peal in the method. First in the method on the bells.

ERITH, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Fri., July 24, 1959, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes,

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

A PEAL OF 5152 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR

Comprising 1,312 Bristol, 1,280 each London, Superlative and Cambridge; 112 changes of method and all the work for each bell.

Tenor 15 cwt. in G.

FREDERICK J. CULLUM .. Treble	JOHN R. COOPER 5
IAN H. ORAM 2	RALPH BIRD 6
JOAN BERESFORD 3	GEORGE J. BUTCHER 7
GEOFFREY PEARSON 4	PHILIP A. CORBY Tenor

Composed by A. J. PITMAN (C.C.C. 13). Conducted by P. A. CORBY.

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THE COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., July 25, 1959, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF 5024 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 13 cwt. 1 qr. 24 lb. in F sharp.

TOM CHAPMAN Treble	HUBERT E. ASHLEY 5
MARGARET E. L. BEAMISH .. 2	R. ROGER SAVORY 6
LEONARD TREVOR 3	JOHN A. L. THOMPSON .. 7
DOROTHY E. BEAMISH 4	JAMES H. PAILING Tenor

Composed by STEPHEN IVIN.

Conducted by JAMES H. PAILING.

GRAPPENHALL, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., July 25, 1959, in 3 Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. WILFRED,

A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Johnson's variation.

Tenor 12½ cwt.

*JOHN HAYES Treble	WILLIAM S. DEASON 5
*ROGER KING 2	WILLIAM E. ALLMAN 6
DENIS MADDOCK 3	HAROLD WORRALL 7
HENRY PARKER 4	WALTER ALLMAN Tenor

Conducted by WALTER ALLMAN.

* First Surprise peal.

GREAT HOLLAND, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., July 25, 1959, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF 5056 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 15 cwt.

IVAN COOPER Treble	ERNEST W. FURBANK 5
ROY DUESBURY 2	*FRANK B. LUFKIN 6
BERNARD C. FAIRHEAD .. 3	HARRY J. MILLATT 7
URBAN W. WILDNEY 4	†EDWARD E. DAVEY Tenor

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW.

Conducted by FRANK B. LUFKIN.

* 450th peal. † First of Yorkshire Surprise.

MUCH WENLOCK, SHROPSHIRE.

THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., July 25, 1959, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

A PEAL OF 5008 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 16 cwt. 8 lb. in E.

JOSEPH L. STANIER Treble	*HAROLD G. THOMAS 5
*LEO EVANS 2	HARRY GRIFFITHS 6
ERIC E. SPEAKE 3	*HARRY EDGE 7
ALAN A. ELSMORE 4	EDMUND MALIN Tenor

Composed by ALBERT E. THOMPSON.

Conducted by ERIC E. SPEAKE.

* First peal of Major.

SILVERDALE, STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., July 25, 1959, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LUKE,

A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 9 cwt. 2 qr. 21 lb. in A flat.

FRANK TRINER Treble	*GEOFFREY DAVIES 5
FREDK. E. WILSHAW 2	RICHARD J. WARRILOW .. 6
*ROBERT J. WARRILOW .. 3	*DAVID W. FRIEND 7
*CHARLES A. S. WEBB 4	ARTHUR PRITCHARD Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON.

Conducted by F. E. WILSHAW.

* First peal of Cambridge Surprise Major.

SKELTON-IN-CLEVELAND, YORKSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., July 25, 1959, in 3 Hours and 20 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF 5152 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In four methods, being 1,312 Bristol and 1,280 each of London, Superlative and Cambridge, with 112 changes of method, and all the work of each method for every bell.

Tenor 22½ cwt. in E flat.

LESLIE W. G. MORRIS .. Treble	GORDON BENFIELD 5
HOWARD SCOTT 2	J. HENRY FIELDEN 6
ALEXANDER E. MARSH .. 3	FREDERICK A. MUNDAY .. 7
ALFRED SMITH 4	WILFRID F. MORETON .. Tenor

Composed by A. J. PITMAN.

Conducted by LESLIE W. G. MORRIS.

First peal of Spliced Surprise on the bells, and in Cleveland.

SOUTH LEIGH, OXFORDSHIRE.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., July 25, 1959, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

A PEAL OF 5120 PAINSWICK SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 10 cwt. 1 qr. 23 lb.

CYRIL H. KINCH Treble	*CHARLES COLES 5
*CHRISTINE M. WOODWARD .. 2	*DONALD H. NIBLETT 6
EDGAR J. SMITH 3	*MALCOLM S. CLOKE 7
ERNEST J. MUNDAY 4	ALAN R. PINK Tenor

Composed by E. W. TIPLER.

Conducted by ALAN R. PINK.

* First peal in the method. First in the method on the bells.

Rung on the Feast of St. James.

HAWKLEY, HAMPSHIRE.

THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sun., July 26, 1959, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF 5088 NEW CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 7 cwt. 3 qr. 11 lb. in A.

JOHN P. McDERMOTT .. Treble	ROGER BALDWIN 5
ROBIN G. LEALE 2	STANLEY G. PONTING 6
H. MICHAEL WILLIAMSON .. 3	A. PATRICK CANNON 7
S. KATHLEEN M. KNIGHT .. 4	FREDDIE SCOTT Tenor

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW.

Conducted by ROBIN G. LEALE.

DEBENHAM, SUFFOLK.

THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Mon., July 27, 1959, in 3 Hours and 19 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALENE,

A PEAL OF 5088 NEW CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 21½ cwt. in E flat.

*†ANN GEORGE Treble	*JAMES B. MORLEY 5
*MARGARET A. LADD 2	BERNARD W. FAIRHEAD .. 6
*RODERICK W. PIPE 3	*TREVOR N. J. BAILEY .. 7
*†ROGER L. K. WHITTELL .. 4	*LESLIE N. MELTON Tenor

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW.

Conducted by LESLIE N. MELTON.

* First peal in the method. † First of treble bob hunt. ‡ First of Surprise. First of Surprise as conductor.

TICHMARSH, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.

THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tues., July 28, 1959, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN,

A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 17 cwt. 3 qr. 22 lb.

*EDWARD M. THRESHER .. Treble	*MICHAEL F. AMOS 5
PATRICK I. CHAPMAN 2	*ROBIN WILSON 6
*DIANA M. LAWLESS 3	ALAN J. FROST 7
†ERNEST G. ORLAND 4	JOHN A. ANDERSON Tenor

Composed by A. CRAVEN.

Conducted by ALAN J. FROST.

* First peal in the method. † 100th peal. First as conductor.

LONGSTANTON, CAMBRIDGESHIRE.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Wed., July 29, 1959, in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 7½ cwt.

WILLIAM J. RIDMAN .. Treble	T. REGINALD DENNIS .. 5
*HAROLD J. MUNCEY 2	GEORGE THODAY 6
FRANCES A. SECKER 3	GEOFFREY A. LUCAS 7
GEORGE E. CRISP 4	JOHN G. GIPSON Tenor

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW.

Conducted by WILLIAM J. RIDGMAN.

* First peal in the method.

KIBWORTH BEAUCHAMP, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thurs., July 30, 1959, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. WILFRID,

A PEAL OF 5024 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 12 cwt. 1 qr. 9 lb. in F.

A. JAMES POYNOR Treble	MARTIN FAULKES 5
MARY C. PAYNE 2	JOHN A. ACRES 6
B. STEDMAN PAYNE 3	HARRY POYNOR 7
ERNEST MORRIS 4	BRIAN G. WARWICK Tenor

Composed by CHARLES J. SEDGLEY (No. 1).

Conducted by BRIAN G. WARWICK.

BAMBURGH, NORTHUMBERLAND.
THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Aug. 1, 1959, in 3 Hours,

At the Church of St. Aidan,

A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 14 cwt.

*JOHN E. ANDERSON ..	Treble	GEORGE S. DEAS ..	5
ENID SOFTLEY ..	2	J. ALAN AINSWORTH ..	6
MARION S. AINSWORTH ..	3	DENIS A. BAYLES ..	7
KENNETH W. CHEESEMAN ..	4	ERIC N. HARRISON ..	Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON.

Conducted by ERIC N. HARRISON.

* First peal with a treble bob hunt. First of Surprise as conductor.

CAERPHILLY, GLAMORGAN.

THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Aug. 1, 1959, in 3 Hours and 6 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Martin,

A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Parker's Twelve-part (seventh observation). Tenor 13 cwt. in F.

ALLAN SMITH ..	Treble	THOMAS YEOMAN ..	5
WILLIAM H. HARFORD ..	2	JOHN D. WOODMAN ..	6
TREVOR LEWIS ..	3	WILLIAM DARE ..	7
*JANET B. HARVEY ..	4	WILLIAM J. GOODFELLOW ..	Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM DARE.

* First peal.

ELY, CAMBRIDGESHIRE.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Aug. 1, 1959, in 3 Hours and 23 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary,

A PEAL OF 5120 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 18½ cwt.

G. WILLIAM CRITCHLEY ..	Treble	LESLIE W. G. MORRIS ..	5
CLAUDIA A. CRITCHLEY ..	2	BASIL JONES ..	6
PATRICIA M. BOURN ..	3	BRIAN HARRIS ..	7
ARTHUR G. MASON ..	4	EDWARD JENKINS ..	Tenor

Composed by DENNIS KNOX. Conducted by G. WILLIAM CRITCHLEY.

GILLINGHAM, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Aug. 1, 1959, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary Magdalene,

A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 11½ cwt.

CHARLES E. J. NORRIS ..	Treble	*CHRISTOPHER T. LAMB ..	5
JOSEPH E. GRENSTED ..	2	RONALD E. NORRIS ..	6
THOMAS BEAUMONT ..	3	†ALAN WRIGLEY ..	7
GEORGE KENWARD ..	4	WILLIAM A. J. KNIGHT ..	Tenor

Conducted by JOHN R. PRITCHARD.

Conducted by WILLIAM A. J. KNIGHT.

* 60th peal. † First of Major.

LAVENHAM, SUFFOLK.

THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Sat., Aug. 1, 1959, in 3 Hours and 20 Minutes,

At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul,

A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Middleton's. Tenor 23 cwt.

BERTIE A. CORNELL ..	Treble	*MICHAEL D. FROST ..	5
ERIC EDMONDSON ..	2	WILLIAM T. COOK ..	6
*GERALD PENNEY ..	3	ALAN F. THIRST ..	7
THOMAS J. SOUTHAM ..	4	PHILIP MEHEW ..	Tenor

Conducted by THOMAS J. SOUTHAM.

* First peal of Major in the method.

DARESBURY, CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Aug. 1, 1959, in 3 Hours,

At the Church of All Saints,

A PEAL OF 5152 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR

Comprising 1,312 Bristol and 1,280 each of London, Cambridge and Superlative, with 112 changes of method and all the work of each method for each bell.

Tenor 16½ cwt.

*LESTER L. GRAY ..	Treble	*JOHN ASHCROFT ..	5
WALTER ALLMAN ..	2	*THOMAS W. HESKETH ..	6
*WILLIAM S. DEASON ..	3	JOHN F. GROVE ..	7
JOHN E. BIBBY ..	4	*JOSEPH RIDYARD ..	Tenor

Composed by A. J. PITMAN.

Conducted by WALTER ALLMAN.

* First peal of Spliced Surprise. First of Spliced Surprise as conductor.

TRUMPINGTON, CAMBRIDGESHIRE.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Aug. 1, 1959, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes,

At the Church of SS. Mary and Michael,

A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES

Heywood's transposition of Thurstan's Four-part.

Tenor 10 cwt. 2 qr. 22 lb. in G.

JOHN R. MAYNE ..	Treble	*WILLIAM J. RIDGMAN ..	5
FRANCES A. SECKER ..	2	T. REGINALD DENNIS ..	6
EUSTACE W. BULLMAN ..	3	ALICK CUTLER ..	7
JOHN G. GIPSON ..	4	HARRY F. CHURCHMAN ..	Tenor

Conducted by JOHN R. MAYNE.

* 200th peal for the Association.

BETCHWORTH, SURREY.

THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Mon., Aug. 3, 1959, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Michael,

A PEAL OF 5088 SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 11 cwt. in G sharp.

*A. PATRICK CANNON ..	Treble	WILLIAM S. DEASON ..	5
S. KATHLEEN M. KNIGHT ..	2	ROGER BALDWIN ..	6
DAVID A. S. HAWKINS ..	3	FREDERICK R. SCOTT ..	7
BARWELL B. DIBBEN ..	4	ROBIN G. LEALE ..	Tenor

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW. Conducted by A. PATRICK CANNON.

* 200th peal of Major as conductor.

COWBRIDGE, GLAMORGAN.

THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Mon., Aug. 3, 1959, in 3 Hours and 4 Minutes,

At the Church of the Holy Cross,

A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 15½ cwt.

TREVOR M. RODERICK ..	Treble	DONALD G. CLIFT ..	5
JACQUELINE S. KING ..	2	TUDOR P. EDWARDS ..	6
*ROBERT E. COLES ..	3	TREVOR LEWIS ..	7
THOMAS YEOMAN ..	4	DAVID J. KING ..	Tenor

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD.

Conducted by DAVID J. KING.

* 100th peal for the Association.

KINGSBURY, MIDDLESEX.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. & LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Mon., Aug. 3, 1959, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Andrew,

A PEAL OF 5024 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 21 cwt.

JOHN PHILLIPS ..	Treble	PHILIP MEHEW ..	5
J. DESMOND PAINTER ..	2	ALAN F. THIRST ..	6
MICHAEL LAKIN ..	3	THOMAS J. SOUTHAM ..	7
WILLIAM T. COOK ..	4	WILFRED WILLIAMS ..	Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF. Conducted by WILFRED WILLIAMS.

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THURCASTON, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Mon., Aug. 3, 1959, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Groves' transposition. Tenor 10 cwt, 7 lb.
HARRY POYNER Treble ERNEST F. PAYNE 5
MARY C. PAYNE 2 B. STEDMAN PAYNE 6
DEREK M. SAWYER 3 ERNEST MORRIS 7
ROYSTON WILMORE 4 FREDERICK T. BINDLEY .. Tenor

Conducted by ERNEST MORRIS.

The conductor's 50th peal on these bells.

FIVE AND SIX BELL PEALS

CLAYWORTH, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.
THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., July 18, 1959, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being three extents of Single Oxford and four extents of Plain Bob.
Tenor 8 cwt, 1 qr, 15 lb. in G.

*ANN GODLEY Treble ALBERT HULLEY 4
*VALERIE WATERFIELD .. 2 RICHARD HOBBS 5
*FRANK WATKINSON 3 ALEC WILSON Tenor

Conducted by RICHARD HOBBS.

* First peal.

FAIRFIELD, BUXTON, DERBYSHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD
On Sat., July 18, 1959, in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.

A PEAL OF 5040 LONDON SURPRISE MINOR

Being two different 2,160's and one 720.
Tenor 12 cwt, 10 lb. in F sharp.

*EILEEN FEARN Treble *JOHN R. KENNETT 4
*PHILIP G. K. DAVIES .. 2 *FRANK OSBALDISTON .. 5
*CAROL FERNLEY 3 BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE .. Tenor

Conducted by BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE.

* First peal of London Surprise Minor.

SCORTON, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., July 18, 1959, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents. Tenor 20 cwt.
LAWRENCE CLEMENT Treble STANLEY ANDERTON 4
BERYL MAYOR 2 GEORGE E. BRAITHWAITE .. 5
ROLAND F. ECCLES 3 ALAN CAPSTICK Tenor

Conducted by ALAN CAPSTICK.

First peal of Minor as conductor.

THEBERTON, SUFFOLK.
THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Sat., July 18, 1959, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being 1,440 Oxford Treble Bob, 1,440 Kent Treble Bob and 2,160 Plain Bob. Tenor 6 cwt, 2 qr, 9 lb.
JACK PILGRIM Treble JAMES M. BAILEY 4
RAYMOND PECK 2 JAMES BENNETT 5
ERNEST G. PEARCE 3 ALAN R. BRIDGES Tenor

Conducted by ALAN R. BRIDGES.

WAKEFIELD, YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., July 18, 1959, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,
AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents. Tenor 10½ cwt.
*JOHN WHITE Treble WILFRID F. MORETON .. 4
DAVID CUBITT 2 GEOFFREY TOWNEND .. 5
KENNETH PARK 3 DAVID ATKINS Tenor

Conducted by WILFRID F. MORETON.

* First peal.

WALSOKEN, CAMBRIDGESHIRE.
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., July 18, 1959, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents. Tenor 13 cwt, 2 qr, 7 lb.
TOM BUSH Treble G. DREW 4
*FREDA P. GREAVES 2 JOHN WILSON 5
J. SPICER 3 *NORMAN V. HARDING .. Tenor

Conducted by NORMAN V. HARDING.

* 25th peal together.

For Miss Freda Greaves' birthday.

BASSINGHAM, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sun., July 19, 1959, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS.

A PEAL OF 5040 PEMBROKE DELIGHT MINOR

Being two 2,160's and one 720, with all the 5-6's at backstroke.

Tenor 10 cwt, 1 qr.
JACK L. MILLHOUSE .. Treble JOHN F. PEARSON 4
*GEOFFREY R. PARKER .. 2 *RONALD APPLEWHITE .. 5
MARGARET A. SWANN .. 3 LOUIS WILLIERS Tenor

Conducted by JACK L. MILLHOUSE.

First peal in this method by all the band, and for the Guild.

SHIPDHAM, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sun., July 19, 1959, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

A PEAL OF 5040 TREBLE BOB MINOR

Being four extents of Oxford T.B. and three extents of Kent T.B.
Tenor 12 cwt.

*S. H. WATERFIELD .. Treble *TED HOWES 4
*MISS M. MADDISON .. 2 *THOMAS E. SPIGHT .. 5
†BEVAN WILLGESS 3 *GEOFFREY R. DREW .. Tenor

Conducted by GEOFFREY R. DREW.

* First peal of Treble Bob. † First of T.B. 'inside.'

OWSTON FERRY, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN BRANCH.
(West Lindsey Branch.)

On Mon., July 20, 1959, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN.

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being one extent of Cambridge Surprise, and two each of St. Clement's, Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 12½ cwt.

PAULINE BULL Treble G. LESLIE A. LUNN 4
*DELIA E. SMITH 2 T. ALAN GILBERT 5
MRS. E. GREY 3 A. ROBIN HEPPENSTALL .. Tenor

Conducted by A. ROBIN HEPPENSTALL.

* First peal in four methods.

NORTH OCKENDON, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Wed., July 22, 1959, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALEN.

A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Being four extents each of Stedman, Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, St. Nicholas', Winchendon Place, New, Huntspill, St. Simon's, St. Martin's and Plain Bob (four callings), with six extents of Grandsire.

Tenor 11 cwt.
FRANK V. GANT Treble MICHAEL N. BLAND 4
ANDREW J. SALISBURY .. 2 CHAS. E. WILLMINGTON .. 5
DONALD M. SALISBURY .. 3 *EDWARD G. BAILEY Tenor

Conducted by FRANK V. GANT.

* First peal. First in ten Doubles methods for all the band.
Rung for the Patronal Festival.

TENDRING, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Thurs., July 23, 1959, in 2 Hours and 34 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. EDMUND, KING AND MARTYR.

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being one 720 each of Double Oxford Bob, St. Clement's Bob, Kent T.B., Oxford T.B., and three 720's of Plain Bob. Tenor 7½ cwt.

ANN PRYKE Treble WALTER R. FELGATE 4
JOHN F. FELGATE 2 FRANK B. LUFKIN 5
GEORGE WATERMAN 3 URBAN W. WILDNEY Tenor

Conducted by FRANK B. LUFKIN.

A birthday compliment to Walter R. Felgate.

SHOTWICK, CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Fri., July 24, 1959, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL.

A PEAL OF 5040 OXFORD TREBLE BOB MINOR

Tenor 8½ cwt.
WALTER ALLMAN .. Treble ROGER KING 4
JOHN HAYES 2 JOHN ORME 5
WILLIAM S. DEASON .. 3 DENIS MADDOCK Tenor

Conducted by WALTER ALLMAN.

First peal of Oxford Treble Bob Minor for all.

BENWELL, NEWCASTLE UPON TYNE.

THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., July 25, 1959, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being 720 each of St. Clement's, Double Oxford, Single Oxford, Cambridge Surprise and Oxford Treble Bob, and two 720's of Plain Bob.

Tenor 16½ cwt.

*NICHOLAS I. WRIGHT .. Treble	KENNETH ARTHUR 4
GEORGE S. DEAS 2	J. ALAN AINSWORTH 5
KENNETH LAWSON 3	ERIC N. HARRISON Tenor

Conducted by J. ALAN AINSWORTH.

* First peal of Minor.

Rung on St. James' Day.

BRANSTON, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., July 25, 1959, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being one extent each of Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob, Cambridge Surprise, Double Court, Single Court, St. Clement's and Plain Bob.

Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qr. 23 lb.

JOHN WALDEN Treble	JOHN F. PEARSON 4
PETER A. SHARP 2	RONALD APPLEWHITE 5
AMOS INGALL 3	LOUIS WILLIERS Tenor

Conducted by LOUIS WILLIERS.

Rung as a last token of respect for Moses Billings, 30 years a ringer at Branston Church, was was interred in the above churchyard on July 22nd. R.I.P.

EASTHAM, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., July 25, 1959, in 3 Hours and 12 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being two extents each of St. Clement's and Single Oxford, and three of Plain Bob.

Tenor 12 cwt. 1 qr. 11 lb. in G.

*GILLIAN SCARTH Treble	ROBERT W. WINSTANLEY .. 4
KENNETH C. EDWARDS .. 2	RICHARD HAMM 5
CAROL F. FERRIS 3	F. ROBERT FERRIS Tenor

Conducted by F. ROBERT FERRIS.

* First peal. First as conductor.

FLOOKBURGH, LANCASHIRE.

On Sat., July 25, 1959, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes,

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

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being two extents of Oxford T.B., one each of Kent T.B., St. Clement's and Oxford Bob, and two of Plain Bob.

Tenor 17½ cwt.

THOMAS F. METCALFE .. Treble	FRANK ANDERTON 4
RONALD W. DENNISON .. 2	JAMES E. DICKINSON .. 5
KEITH NEWBY 3	NICHOLAS M. NEWBY .. Tenor

Conducted by NICHOLAS M. NEWBY.

First peal in five methods by all except the conductor.

Rung for the tenth anniversary of the bells being augmented to six.

WANLIP, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., July 25, 1959, in 2 Hours and 26 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF OUR LADY AND ST. NICHOLAS,

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being seven extents in six methods: (1) Grandsire, (2) St. Clement's Bob, (3) Cambridge Surprise, (4) Oxford Treble Bob, (5) Kent Treble Bob, (6) and (7) Plain Bob.

Tenor 7 cwt. 3 qr. 3 lb.

PETER R. JOHNSON Treble	MARTIN C. FAULKES 4
ALAN E. HARTLEY 2	ERNEST J. JELLEY 5
JOHN M. JELLEY 3	ALAN CATTELL Tenor

Conducted by JOHN M. JELLEY.

SEALE, SURREY.

THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., July 25, 1959, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents.

Tenor 7 cwt. 1 qr. 12 lb.

MYRTLE CASS Treble	WILLIAM H. VIGGERS 4
*STELLA P. TATE-MITCHELL 2	G. KENNETH WILLIAMSON .. 5
PETER SHERWOOD 3	EDWARD J. BRAGG Tenor

Conducted by EDWARD J. BRAGG.

* First peal of Minor.

A farewell peal for Myrtle Cass.

LAXTON, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.

THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., July 25, 1959, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL-THE-ARCHANGEL,

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents.

Tenor 12 cwt. 2 qr. 10 lb.

VALERIE WATERFIELD .. Treble	ALEC WILSON 4
KATHARINE BURCHNALL .. 2	HAROLD DENMAN 5
GRACE BURCHNALL 3	RICHARD HOBBS Tenor

Conducted by RICHARD HOBBS.

GREAT ADDINGTON, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.

THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tues., July 28, 1959, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR

Being two 2,160's (E. Banks James' arrangement) and one 720.

Tenor 10 cwt. 12 lb.

JOHN A. ANDERSON Treble	ROBIN WILSON 4
PATRICK I. CHAPMAN 2	MICHAEL F. AMOS 5
EDWARD M. THRESHER .. 3	ERNEST G. ORLAND Tenor

Conducted by ERNEST G. ORLAND.

First peal of Surprise Minor for all except the ringer of the second.

PACKWOOD, WARWICKSHIRE.

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

On Wed., July 29, 1959, in 2 Hours and 32 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES,

A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Being 42 extents: 22 Grandsire and 20 Plain Bob. Tenor 6½ cwt. in B.

HELEN M. THACKER Treble	MAURICE C. HUGHES 4
PAMELA M. TURNER 2	MICHAEL HART 5
ROGER E. TALLIS 3	ROBERT D. HENEURY Tenor

Conducted by MICHAEL HART.

First peal by all except the conductor.

Rung in memory of Mr. A. Wilson, churchwarden.

MERSTHAM, SURREY.

THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Thurs., July 30, 1959, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. KATHERINE,

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being two 720's of Cambridge Surprise, one 720 of Oxford Treble Bob, one 720 of Kent Treble Bob, and three 720's of Plain Bob.

Tenor 14 cwt. in F sharp.

*REV. C. J. B. MARSHALL Treble	A. PATRICK CANNON 4
†BRIAN A. CRACKNELL .. 2	TREVOR A. CROSS 5
ANDREW M. MACVE 3	RALPH BIRD Tenor

Conducted by A. PATRICK CANNON.

* First peal of Minor. † First in four methods.

BARKING, SUFFOLK.

THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Sat., Aug. 1, 1959, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being one extent each of Double Oxford, St. Clement's, Ipswich Surprise, Cambridge Surprise, Kent Treble Bob, Double Court and Plain Bob.

Tenor 11 cwt. 1 qr. 17 lb.

JOHN L. GIRT Treble	*ALLEN W. CANSDALE 4
ROSEMARY J. SEABROOK .. 2	SAMUEL J. TWITCHETT .. 5
ROBERT E. LESTER 3	WALTER G. PERRY Tenor

Conducted by ROSEMARY J. SEABROOK.

* 50th peal.

BLUNSDON, WILTSHIRE.

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Aug. 1, 1959, in 2 Hours and 25 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LEONARD,

A PEAL OF 5040 SPLICED SURPRISE MINOR

Being ten methods in seven extents, viz.: (1) Hexham, Berwick and Primrose; (2) Beverley and Cambridge; (3) Surfleet and Cambridge; (4) and (5) London and Wells; (6) York and Durham; (7) Beverley and Surfleet; with 110 changes of method. Tenor 5 cwt. 2 qr. 21 lb.

WALTER H. TRUEMAN .. Treble	LESLEY J. HAWES 4
*RONALD A. WRIGHT 2	BRIAN BLADON 5
VICTOR GRIFFIN 3	ANTHONY R. PEAKE Tenor

Conducted by ANTHONY R. PEAKE.

* First peal of Surprise. First peal of Spliced Minor and in ten Surprise methods by all the band, on the bells, and for the Association.

LEADENHAM, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD

On Sat., Aug. 1, 1959, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. SWITHIN.

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being seven extents in five methods, viz.: St. Clement's, Fulbeck Bob, Double Bob, Single Court and three extents of Plain Bob.

Tenor 13 cwt. 9 lb. in F.

JOHN H. BENNETT Treble	PETER A. SHARP 4
G. LEONARD THOMPSON 2	JOHN F. PEARSON 5
GEORGE SCOTT (82) 3	LOUIS WILLIERS Tenor

Conducted by LOUIS WILLIERS.

SUTTON-ON-HULL, YORKSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(Beverley and District.)

On Sat., Aug. 1, 1959, in 3 Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being one extent of Cambridge Surprise, two of Oxford T.B., two of Kent T.B. and two of Plain Bob.

Tenor 13 cwt. 2 qr. in F sharp.

*LEONARD RODMELL Treble	CLEMENT R. ROBINSON 4
†BARBARA FISHER 2	ANTHONY J. BROUGHTON 5
HENRY RODMELL 3	RONALD DUCKER Tenor

Conducted by RONALD DUCKER.

* 100th peal for the Yorkshire Association. † First peal.

ST. PAUL'S WALDEN, HERTFORDSHIRE.

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Aug. 1, 1959, in 3 Hours and 4 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being three extents of Kent Treble Bob and four of Plain Bob.

Tenor 11½ cwt.

ARTHUR DAY Treble	LESLIE COBURN 4
SHEILA CAMERON 2	FRED C. JACKLIN 5
AMY COBURN 3	DESMOND PAINTER Tenor

Conducted by DESMOND PAINTER.

Rung with the loyal greetings of the band to H.M. Queen Elizabeth, the Queen Mother, a native of this parish, for her birthday.

MEDBOURNE, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Aug. 1, 1959, in 2 Hours and 31 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES,

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents with 5-6 the right way.

Tenor 8 cwt. 3 qr. 3 lb. in A.

BRIAN SMITH Treble	PATRICIA A. WARDLE 4
PAUL MARTIN 2	A. JAMES POYNOR 5
BRIAN G. WARWICK 3	RUSSELL S. MORRIS Tenor

Conducted by BRIAN G. WARWICK.

OLD BRAMPTON, DERBYSHIRE.

THE DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Aug. 1, 1959, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF 5040 KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR

Comprising seven different extents. Tenor 12 cwt.

*KENNETH R. GOODALL .. Treble	GEOFFREY N. GOODALL .. 4
MARION ARCHER 2	LEONARD GOODALL 5
MALCOLM P. PHIPPS 3	IAN M. HOLLAND Tenor

Conducted by LEONARD GOODALL.

* First peal (aged 12 years). First of T.B. Minor by all.

HARSTON, CAMBRIDGESHIRE.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Mon., Aug. 3, 1959, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

In 42 methods, being one extent each of Rev. Plain, Canterbury Pleasure, Stedman S.C., Coxwell Place, St. Botolph, St. Bartholomew, Rev. All Saints, St. Sebastian, Uffington, Stowe Place, Datchet, St. Alphege, St. Andrew, St. Gregory, Rev. New, Rev. Huntspill, Rev. St. Vedast, Rev. St. Simon, Rev. St. Martin, Rev. St. Osmund, Rev. St. Nicholas, Rev. Winchendon Place, Rev. St. Remigius, Union, St. Faith's S.C., St. Julian, Westminster II, Blackburn Place, St. Hilary, New, Huntspill, St. Vedast, St. Simon, St. Martin, St. Osmund, St. Nicholas, Winchendon Place, St. Remigius, Rev. Canterbury Pleasure, Plain, Antelope and Grandsire.

Tenor 9½ cwt.

HARRY F. CHURCHMAN .. Treble	PETER J. SHIPTON 4
PAMELA LATCHFORD 2	DEREK E. SIBSON 5
DEREK E. LATCHFORD 3	FRANCES A. SECKER Tenor

Conducted by DEREK E. SIBSON.

First peal in 42 methods by all the band, and for the Association.

MADELEY, STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION

On Mon., Aug. 3, 1959, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being one extent each of Single Oxford, Double Oxford, St. Clement's, Plain Bob, Cambridge Surprise, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob.

Tenor 11 cwt. 26 lb.

FREDK. E. WILSHAW .. Treble	ROBERT J. WARRILLOW .. 4
GEOFFREY DAVIES 2	ALAN D. STEEL 5
CHARLES A. S. WEBB 3	*RICHARD J. WARRILLOW .. Tenor

Conducted by FREDK. E. WILSHAW.

* 200th peal. First in seven Minor methods by all except the treble ringer.

PACKINGTON, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Mon., Aug. 3, 1959, in 2 Hours and 25 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY ROOD,

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents (C.C.C. Nos. 51, 49, 36, 34, 37, 48 and 50).

Tenor 6 cwt. 2 qr. 19 lb. in B flat.

BRIAN SMITH Treble	BRIAN G. WARWICK 4
PATRICIA A. WARDLE 2	A. JAMES POYNOR 5
MARTIN FAULKES 3	RUSSELL S. MORRIS Tenor

Conducted by BRIAN G. WARWICK.

HADDISCOE, NORFOLK.

THE EAST GRINSTEAD AND DISTRICT GUILD.

On Tues., Aug. 4, 1959, in 2 Hours and 36 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB DOUBLES

Tenor 7 cwt. in A.

*NORMAN P. J. COSSEY .. Treble	†MARGARET A. LADD .. 3
†ANN GEORGE 2	PETER M. ADCOCK 4

TREBOR N. J. BAILEY .. Tenor

Conducted by TREBOR N. J. BAILEY.

* First peal at first attempt. † First of Doubles. ‡ First 'inside.'

DANBURY, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Wed., Aug. 5, 1959, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,

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

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being one extent each of Ipswich Surprise, Cambridge Surprise, Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Treble Bob, Double Oxford, St. Clement's and Plain Bob.

Tenor 12 cwt.

IVAN J. M. SAUNDERS .. Treble	DENNIS A. S. SYMONDS .. 4
TOM R. ROAST 2	JOHN WEST 5
RICHARD J. HARRISON .. 3	HOWARD W. EGGLESTONE .. Tenor

Conducted by IVAN J. M. SAUNDERS.

Rung to celebrate the wedding this day of Mr. J. E. G. Roast and Miss Mary Dowsett, both ringers at this church. Also a 30th wedding compliment to Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Roast.

MOUNTSOREL, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wed., Aug. 5, 1959, in 2 Hours and 32 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being four extents of Plain Bob and one each of Cambridge Surprise, Oxford T.B. and Kent T.B.

Tenor 8½ cwt.

MARY C. PAYNE Treble	ROYSTON WILMORE 4
*DEREK M. SAWYER 2	B. STEDMAN PAYNE 5
*ERNEST MORRIS 3	HARRY POYNER Tenor

Conducted by HARRY POYNER.

* 25th peal together. First as conductor of a four-method peal.

BIDSTON, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(Wirral Branch.)

On Thurs., Aug. 6, 1959, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. OSWALD,

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being seven extents, viz.: Cambridge Surprise, Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob, Double Oxford, St. Clement's, Oxford Single Bob and Plain Bob.

Tenor 5 cwt. 1 qr. 24 lb. in B.

MRS. C. B. PEMBERTON .. Treble	*DAVID G. MARSH 4
*MARGARET R. JEACOCK .. 2	A. RAYMOND M. WATKIN .. 5
*J. FRASER CLIFT 3	CHARLES B. PEMBERTON .. Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES B. PEMBERTON.

* First peal.

A wedding compliment to Mr. J. M. Pemberton, of Bidston, and Miss M. Murphy.

**NEWTON HALL, NORTHUMBERLAND.
THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

On Sat., Aug. 8, 1959, in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being 720 each of London Surprise, Double Court, Thelwall, Single Oxford, Cambridge Surprise, Oxford Treble Bob and Plain Bob.

Tenor 12 cwt.

*THOMAS O. PIERCY Treble	KENNETH W. CHEESEMAN .. 4
KENNETH ARTHUR 2	ERIC N. HARRISON 5
†GEORGE S. DEAS 3	†J. ALAN AINSWORTH .. Tenor

Conducted by J. ALAN AINSWORTH.

* First peal on a working bell. † 50th peal together.

WARMLEY, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Aug. 8, 1959, in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BARNABAS,

A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Being two extents of Stedman and 20 each of Grandsire and Plain Bob.

Tenor 10 cwt. 2 qr. 25 lb.

*PAUL G. KING Treble	*MRS. P. G. KING 4
RITA M. WEBB 2	*ANTHONY W. GIBBS .. 5
SANDRA LEWIS 3	†BRYAN K. LEWIS Tenor

Conducted by ANTHONY W. GIBBS.

* First peal of three Doubles. † First peal. Believed to be the first peal on the bells by a local band.

NORTH WEALD, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Aug. 8, 1959, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In 13 methods, viz.: (1) Chester and Munden Surprise, (2) Beverley and Surfleet Surprise, (3) Ipswich and Cambridge Surprise, (4) Kent and Oxford T.B., (5) Thelwall and Double Oxford Bob, (6) Childwall and St. Clement's Bob, (7) Plain Bob.

Tenor 10½ cwt.

MARGARET E. PANTON .. Treble	DENNIS A. S. SYMONDS .. 4
IAN R. PANTON 2	*PETER J. EVES 5
RICHARD HARRISON 3	*HOWARD W. EGGLESTONE Tenor

Conducted by HOWARD W. EGGLESTONE.

* 50th peal together.

Rung as a birthday compliment to the treble ringer, and to Mrs. D. A. S. Symonds.

LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Aug. 8, 1959, in 2 Hours and 11 Minutes,

AT THE BELL FOUNDRY CAMPANILE,

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In seven methods: one extent each of St. Clement's, Double Oxford, Single Oxford, Plain Bob, Kent T.B., Oxford T.B. and Cambridge Surprise.

Tenor 6½ cwt.

*ERNEST F. PAYNE Treble	†B. STEDMAN PAYNE 4
DEREK M. SAWYER 2	ROYSTON WILMORE 5
†MARY C. PAYNE 3	HARRY POYNER Tenor

Conducted by HARRY POYNER.

* First peal in seven methods. † 50th peal together. First in seven methods as conductor.

OAKS-IN-CHARNWOOD, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Aug. 8, 1959, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES-THE-GREATER,

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being seven extents in three methods: (1) Cambridge Surprise, (2) Plain Bob, (3) and (4) Kent Treble Bob, (5) Plain Bob, (6) Kent Treble Bob, (7) Plain Bob.

Tenor 10 cwt. 1 qr. 12 lb. in A.

*PAUL MARTIN Treble	ERNEST MORRIS 4
*PATRICIA A. WARDLE .. 2	A. JAMES POYNOR 5
BRIAN G. WARWICK .. 3	RUSSELL S. MORRIS .. Tenor

Conducted by BRIAN G. WARWICK.

* First peal in three Minor methods.

HANDBELL PEAL

LEICESTER.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tues., July 28, 1959, in 2 Hours and 6 Minutes,

AT THE WAYSIDE, 150, NARBOROUGH ROAD SOUTH,

A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES

Tenor size 15 in C.

PETER J. STANFORTH .. 1-2	ERNEST MORRIS 5-6
ALFRED BALLARD 3-4	JOHN A. ACRES 7-8

Composed by F. H. DEXTER. Conducted by PETER J. STANFORTH.

A compliment to Ernest Morris on his 70th birthday.

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Miss Frances Secker, who conducted a peal off 5,088 Southwell Surprise Major at St. Andrew-the-Great, Cambridge, on August 13th, has unfortunately had to withdraw the peal as the composition by N. J. Pitstow is false. Had it been a true peal, we believe Miss Secker would have been the first woman to call a peal in the city of Cambridge.

Walthamstow ringers rang a farewell quarter on August 16th to Mr. J. Hales, who is leaving for a three years' stay in Texas.

It is more than 60 years since Mr. J. Jeynes, of Ebbw Vale, left his native village of Linton, Herefordshire, and the quarter peal recently rung there was specially arranged for him to return and ring on the newly-augmented ring of six.

Miss Snowdon, of Cartmel, who recently underwent a rather serious operation in the North Lonsdale Hospital, Barrow-in-Furness, is now on the way to complete recovery. She is going round the village dispensing cheerfulness, as is her wont.

Slough ringers, with some help to complete the band, were highly delighted with the quarter peal of Grandsire Cinques they rang at Reading on July 27th. It was the first of Cinques for seven of the band. They had previously rung Caters and were anxious to take the next step forward.

On August 15th a peal attempt was made at Newington-next-Sittingbourne, Kent, on the occasion of the wedding of Miss Joan Wraight (a local ringer) to Mr. Anthony Baldock. Owing to the tenor rope breaking in the fifth extent the attempt was lost. However, a half peal was claimed. The conductor wishes to thank the band for their loyal support in this, his first attempt at conducting a peal.

BELFRY GOSSIP

The wedding of Mr. Harry Poyner and Miss Mary C. Payne at Syston on August 15th was a happy occasion. Both are members of the scholastic profession, the bridegroom having secured a teaching appointment at Shrewsbury. With Mary's recent experience at Lincoln and Harry's association with Leicester Cathedral from 1948, 12-bell ringing at St. Chad's should be strengthened.

Mr. H. A. Price writes withdrawing his claim to having rung the first quarter of Erin in the Chew Deanery after reading about the Long Ashton performance last year. He offers his apologies to all concerned.

The following advertisement appeared in the Irish Press of August 18th: ASTOR.—Italy's Actor-Director Vittorio de Sica in 'Cannon Serenade.' 'Apparently,' writes our correspondent, 'Dublin is ready for the next ringing tour invasion.'

The bells of Great Hale, near Sleaford, have been swinging again since last summer. Two youngsters who have trained from scratch have now rung their first quarter peal, which was the first on the bells by the local band for almost 30 years.

Pity the poor editor and reader! For originality a District meeting report starts: 'Occasionally an old and well-tried recipe produces a result of transcendent excellence. Such a catalysis occurred at the District meeting.' We can only assume that it was a meeting of high standard which resulted in a changed experience for those attending except the catalyst. Perhaps other readers can give a better interpretation. 'The old and well-tried recipe' might possibly mean the advertisement in 'The Ringing World,' the masterliness of the Ringing Master or the splendid tea.

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KENT HONOURS VETERAN RINGER



The 92nd birthday celebrations of Mr. E. S. Ruck, at Willesborough. Standing (left to right): C. T. Hillis (Ashford District secretary), Rev. R. W. Poil, Messrs. E. S. Ruck, J. Willis (chairman of the Association), J. R. Cooper (District Ringing Master), G. N. Sloan (Christchurch, New Zealand), A. J. Lancefield. Seated: Mr. T. E. Soan and Rev. J. Watts.

[Photo by permission 'The Kent Messenger']

OVER 80 ringers and friends attended a meeting specially arranged at Willesborough on June 20th, to honour Mr. Edward S. Ruck, sole surviving founder member of the Kent County Association, in his home tower on his 92nd birthday.

The service, at which the choir kindly volunteered their services, was conducted by the Rev. R. W. Poil (curate), assisted by the Rev. J. Watts, who read the lesson. Mr. E. Solly, organist and choirmaster, was at the organ. The hymns 'Christ is our corner-stone' and 'Pleasant are Thy courts above' were specially chosen by Mr. Ruck. In his thoughtful address the Rev. Mr. Poil, who has considerable knowledge of the technicalities of ringing, made special reference to Mr. Ruck's long and devoted services to Willesborough, and also to his example in church worship.

An enjoyable tea, which included a splendid birthday cake, was generously given by the Willesborough ringers and friends, and was served by the Mothers Union in the Old School.

After the ordinary business of the meeting had been concluded, Mr. Poil said a few words about the special nature of the occasion, which was to honour the grand old man of Kent ringing, who had been a continuous member of the Association since its inception in 1880, and who still rings regularly every Sunday.

Mr. John Willis, chairman, and—like Mr. Ruck—a vice-president of the Association, said he had known 'Old Ted' for 60 years, and it was Mr. Ruck's teaching and example that had made Sunday service ringing at Willesborough a byword throughout the county, and second to none in the country. Although he rang his first peal as long ago as 1886, and although his name appears, along with many famous peal ringers, in towers all round the district, Mr. Ruck's main aim has always been the improvement of Sunday service ringing. From his tower have come pupils who have rendered official service to the Association or achieved distinction in the Exercise. In presenting him with a cheque for £10 from the Association,

Mr. Willis said it was the earnest and affectionate wish of all that Mr. Ruck would long be spared to continue his good work.

In his reply, Mr. Ruck thanked Mr. Willis and the Association for their kindness. He said that he had always only tried to do his duty, and added, characteristically, that if he had done any good then the credit should be given, not to him but to 'the Giver of every good and perfect gift, which cometh from above.'

Messages of congratulations and good wishes were then read from the Rector, the Rev. T. G. Williams (in hospital recovering from illness), Dr. E. S. J. Hatcher (general secretary, K.C.A.), Mr. B. W. May (hon. treasurer), Mr. B. J. Luck (secretary of the Canterbury District), Mr. E. Barnett, Mr. J. Batchelor, and the St. Mary's, Willesborough, Boys' Club and Youth Fellowship.

Among the distinguished visitors was Mr. G. Nelson Sloan, who conveyed fraternal greetings from the ringers of Christchurch, New Zealand. He said it was his 53rd birthday, and he felt honoured and happy to have 'stood in' a quarter peal of Bob Minor with Mr. Ruck prior to the meeting. The other ringers were Messrs. R. J. Carlton, L. C. Smith, W. J. Lancefield and M. S. Lancefield (conductor). Mr. A. G. Hill conveyed the good wishes of the Lewisham District, of which he is secretary.

Afterwards thanks were accorded to the Rev. R. W. Poil for taking the service, to Mr. Solly and the choir, the Mothers' Union and the Willesborough ringers and their friends for catering to the inner man, and to Mr. Mark S. Lancefield, popular tower captain and Mr. Ruck's most distinguished pupil, for making the local arrangements.

C. T. H.

The peal of Little Bob Royal at Chesterfield (see page 458) was intended to fulfil a dual purpose, writes Mr. Sam Scattergood, 'to mark 25 years' ministry as Vicar of the Ven. T. Dilworth-Harrison and to welcome the new Bishop of Derby, who paid a visit to Chesterfield on the previous Sunday evening.

NOTES ON THIS WEEK'S PEALS

The peal at Fairfield, Buxton, on July 18th, is claimed to be the first of Surprise Minor on the bells.

With the peal at Theberton on July 18th, Mr. James M. Bailey and Mr. Alan R. Bridges 'completed the circle of the tower.' Mr. Bridges did his by taking the bells in rotation. The peal was rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. Bailey's grand-daughter, Christine.

The peal at Cross Stone, Tadmorden, on July 23rd, was a wedding compliment to Mr. Roy Bettley-Cooke, and a birthday compliment to Mrs. D. Ogden.

The new incumbent of Much Wenlock (Rev. E. W. R. David) was welcomed to the parish by a peal on his bells on July 25th. His induction was on July 22nd. Visiting members of the band appreciated the generous hospitality of the Vicar, the wardens and the local ringers after the peal.

The peal at Silverdale, Staffordshire, was rung at the Vicar's request for the Feast of St. James.

The peal at Hawkley, Hants, which was rung for the Guildford Diocesan Guild, was rung to mark the 94th anniversary of the completion of the rebuilding of the church. Evensong was attended by the Bishop of Portsmouth.

With an average age of 19½ years, the band who rang the peal of New Cambridge Surprise at Debenham on July 27th believe they are the youngest team to ring a peal for the Suffolk Guild.

In honour of the wedding of Miss Joan Tubbs, niece of the captain of St. Martin's ringers, Caerphilly, to Mr. Howell Evans, a peal was rung on August 1st, the day of her wedding, at St. Martin's Church. It was also a farewell to Mr. John D. Woodman, who is being transferred to West Hartlepool.

An all-Eastham band rang in the three methods Minor peal at St. Mary's Church on July 25th. It was to mark the first anniversary of the wedding of Carol and Robert Ferris (who rang in the peal), and also a farewell to Robert Winstanley, who is taking up a post at Nottingham. Gillian Scarth, who rang the treble to her first peal, was celebrating her 18th birthday.

Another vicar to be welcomed to his parish with a peal is the Rev. R. F. Canerish, the new incumbent of Laxton, Notts.

Mr. and Mrs. Trevor A. Cross are leaving Mersham, Surrey, for Maidstone. The peal at Mersham on July 30th was a farewell.

Mr. Horace Palethorpe, who for 50 years was a ringer at Fulbeck Parish Church and now resides at Leadenham, Lincs., celebrated his 90th birthday on August 1st. A peal in five Minor methods was rung that day on Leadenham bells. It also marked the birth of a grandson to Mr. George Scott (82), who rang the third.

Mr. Clement R. Robinson rang in the peal in honour of his silver wedding at Sutton-on-Hull on August 1st. It was also a wedding compliment to Miss Barbara Clarkson, a ringer at this church.

Mr. J. E. G. Roast and Miss Mary Dowsett, both ringers at Danbury, Essex, had a peal rung in honour of their wedding at Danbury on August 5th. The peal, one of Minor in seven methods, was also a 30th wedding anniversary compliment to Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Roberts.

With reference to 'Cracked Towers' (page 407), Mr. Peter Crook writes pointing out that in Bolton there are two churches dedicated to St. Peter. It is the Bolton Parish Church of St. Peter to which the article refers, not St. Peter's, Smithills.

COLLEGE OF CAMPANOLOGY CONVENTION

PROCEEDINGS at the College of Campanology convention, held at Portsmouth on July 25th, opened with ringing at Portsmouth Cathedral, followed by the conference in the Cathedral House. The representatives received a cordial welcome from the vice-president (Mr. Harry Miles), who presided in the absence of the president (Mr. Ernest Morris).

Mr. Morris' presidential address, read by the registrar (Miss S. K. M. Knight), was directed mainly towards younger members, with excellent advice on the right attitude to ringing as a service of the church, and the first importance of good striking.

The Principal (Mr. A. York-Bramble) submitted a report of the work and progress of the College since its foundation in early 1956. During the past year, the revised edition of Part I of the Ringers' Manual of Reference (Planned Elementary Training) had been sold out, also the College had recorded its first peal (with pupils), and had participated in its first residential course in ringing. The report concluded with a comparative summary of results over the three years, showing an encouraging position and one in which the widely-found need is being met.

Facts and figures included membership registrations (initial) 86, county and overseas areas represented 31, ringing schools affiliated 2, tutors 32, examiners 16, correspondents 13, talks on ringing given—over 70, courses of training by College members 22, centres of instruction (annual average) 27, beginners helped by College members in their training 244, pupils instructed by members following College lines 438. The report noted that only about 40 per cent. returns were available for compiling statistics so that the cumulative effect of the three-years' work was not calculable. The report was adopted with acclamation.

The bursar, Surg./Capt. A. Lawrey, R.N. (ret'd.), gave a three-year report on College finances. This showed the liquidation of balance of loan account by donation of lecture fees derived from the Somerset Education Authority's Dillington House course, and a credit balance in the general account. The report was adopted.

The registrar reported on administration (at times a full-time job), centred in a small independent office on the premises at 40, Parkstone Avenue, Southsea. The report included a list of books of record and account and of files maintained. An appeal was made for prompt response to College circulars and notices as sent out, to save time and extra postage. The future of the College would rest largely with the Convention.

FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS

The Principal indicated two possibilities for the future: either to wind up the organisation, with modest satisfaction in the three-years' sowing of good seed, and hopes of natural growth; or to redouble efforts towards expanding and developing College activity. To this latter the Convention gave unanimous assent, and discussed future arrangements under four heads:

(1) *General Policy.* This to include (a) Enlarging the panels of tutors and examiners to

provide countrywide coverage. (b) Continuing with the issue of Parts of the Ringers' Manual of Reference (and the possibility of aiding the maintenance of 'The Ringing World' through such publication, as later envisaged). For inclusion in Part V.—Composition and Proof, Mr. A. J. Pitman handed in a paper on the proof of spliced Surprise, which was much appreciated. (c) Extending the scheme of courses, as noted later.

(2) *Finance.* Plans for increasing revenue and for building up reserves to assist in publications.

(3) *Administration.* Plans for closer co-operation by College officers and members, and for fuller discharge of offices.

(4) *Affiliation to Central Council.* Article 2 of the College constitution enjoins loyal observance of and adherence to rules and decisions of the Central Council, and affiliation qualification by the College has now apparently been reached; but application was to be deferred, while further working experience is gained, since already there is indirect representation by several College governors and officers who are members of the Council.

The Conference adjourned for tea, kindly organised by Mrs. Knight. This was followed by a service in the Cathedral, when a chaplain (Rev. E. Jameson) gave an inspiring address, mentioning the place of the College in the service of ringing as a means of worship. The vice-president was at the organ.

Conference was resumed with elections to office. But first came the unanimous election to fellowship of Mr. Harry Miles, not only for his lifelong service to ringing, especially in tuition, but also for his magnificent work in compiling and establishing in St. Paul's Cathedral, London, the Ringers' Memorial Roll. Other elections are: President, Ernest Morris; vice-president, Harry Miles; hon. chaplains, Revs. G. Thurlow and M. Melville; hon. consultant (belfries), Frederick Sharpe; principal, A. York-Bramble; vice-principal, R. Speed; registrar, Miss S. K. Knight; bursar, Surg./Capt. A. Lawrey; Press and P.R.O., R. Baldwin; governors, Miss M. Cross and Messrs. A. L. Bennett, N. Chaddock, F. Dukes, J. Dyke, C. McGuinness, H. Miles, W. F. Moreton, C. W. Pipe, A. J. Pitman, F. Sharpe, R. I. Shepherd.

As to courses, the unexpected invitation to participate in the Somerset Education Authority's residential course in ringing at Dillington House resulted in justification of the policy of the College in this respect, and of the resolve to develop it; also much useful experience was derived. Other local authorities are to be approached as to similar courses, also half-day instructors' courses are envisaged. College meetings with demonstrations are being planned, as proposed by Mr. R. Speed.

The next Convention was agreed as for the London area, probably either at Staines or at St. Lawrence Jewry in the City. Date, last Saturday in August, 1960. Title to be 'Annual Meeting of the College of Campanology.'

Conference closed with votes of thanks to the Provost for permitting the Convention to be held at the Cathedral and Cathedral House, and to all others concerned. Ringing was resumed on the Cathedral bells that evening, and by some members staying overnight for next morning service.

WEDDINGS

TWYFORD RINGER MARRIED ON HER 21st BIRTHDAY

Miss Sonia Spencer, a ringer and chorister at Twyford, Leics, was married on her 21st birthday, August 15th, to Mr. Bernard Maurice Little, of Melton Mowbray.

St. Andrew's Church, Twyford, was beautifully decorated for the occasion for the service performed by the Vicar (the Rev. R. Leader) and a former Vicar (the Rev. C. N. Daybell). The bride, who was given away by her father, wore a beautiful classical style gown of heavy cream brocade embossed with lilies of the valley, the full folds of the long skirt forming a train. Her headdress was composed of a bow of brocade studded with lilies of the valley and mother-of-pearl sequins, with a circular finger-tip veil. She carried cream rosebuds, lilies of the valley and gardenias. She was attended by seven bridesmaids and two pages.

In honour of the occasion a quarter peal of Plain Bob Minor was rung. At the reception to mark her 21st birthday a silver 'key of the door' was suspended over the wedding cake and the key was later autographed by the 126 guests.

HAPPINESS AT HURSTPIERPOINT

Hurstpierpoint was the scene of ringers' rejoicing on Saturday, August 22nd. Miss Mary Carnochan, who learned to ring in this tower under the guidance of the former Ringing Master, Mr. Jack Dearlove, was married to Donald Bartholomew, a ringer from St. Mary's, Watford. The ceremony, followed by Holy Communion, was performed by the Rev. Guy Saunders, former curate of this parish and now the Vicar of Aldingbourne.

The local band rang the tower bells and fixed bellropes over the church porch as a welcome. After the service they and their wives held handbells over the bride and bridegroom as a guard of honour, whilst ringing friends from Hurstpierpoint, Burgess Hill, Bolney and Cuckfield rang a quarter peal of Grandfire Triples in honour of the occasion.

Expressions of happiness and good wishes were shown to the happy couple at the previous practice meeting by the presentation of six glass goblets in various colours. This was made by the 'grandfather' of the band, Mr. Harry Richardson, in the presence of several visitors including Mr. Reg Johnson, Master of the Sussex County Association.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION

The Northern District held a meeting at the Church of St. John, Great Easton, on August 22nd.

Thirty-five members were present and representatives came from 18 different parishes. The Rev. E. S. Spray conducted the choral service. Tea was arranged by the local ringers.

At the meeting which followed, with Mr. Pratt in the chair, four new members were elected. The next meeting will be at Great Bardfield on October 17th.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

BROADCASTING EXPERIENCES AT BARKING

Dear Sir,—In answer to my inquiry about the broadcasting of church bells for services, I should like to thank Mr. Barnett for his post card and letter informing me that he thought that St. Martin-in-the-Fields was the first, but did not know when it was or how long they were allowed to ring. He told me that the last time we met was on Whit Monday, 1918, at Saffron Walden. He and his father cycled from Crayford to Saffron Walden to an Essex Association meeting. What a good ride!

I would also like to thank Mr. Price for sending his letter to the B.B.C. about the time allowed for broadcasting the bells for services, and Mr. Pearl Inskip for answering my inquiry.

Why I asked is that at Barking we have twice had disappointments over broadcasts. The Rev. H. S. Pelham, who was Vicar and afterwards Bishop of Barrow-in-Furness, came to the ringers and said he was going to broadcast a service and an appeal for the restoration of the parish church. Would the ringers kindly ring for the services? Of course we were delighted to do so. Just before the date I met the late Fred Dench and spoke to him about the broadcast. He said he had just the touch for our bells and he sent it on to me. On the date (February 27th, 1927) we met and rang the touch—144 of Stedman—and we were allowed seven minutes. A ringer who styled himself 'well known to many from the wilds of Somerset' heard the touch on the air and took it down on paper with the calling, and sent it on to me with a letter praising the striking.

The next time we broadcasted was when the Rev. L. Hunter, who is now the Bishop of Sheffield, was Vicar. The late Mr. J. Carter sent me some touches of Stedman, and I called his 120 changes and we were on the air for four minutes.

The third broadcast was an appeal by Canon H. Robins, later Dean of Salisbury. I then called a bob course 34-78-12-13, and was allowed four minutes. A photograph was taken of the Vicar and the band before ringing started.

The Rev. T. Bloomer (now Bishop of Carlisle) was next to broadcast. He said he was preaching five Sunday services to Australia and New Zealand—could we broadcast the bells for the services? We were delighted to help. We had a practice, and the first Sunday we rang the calling was these courses, 34-7-12-13. When we came down to the church they told us we had been on the air one whole pull. That was enough for the ringers so they did not turn up for the other four services. I had a letter from New Zealand saying the next time we broadcast, let them have more bells and not so much organ, as they had plenty of that.

The next time was when the Rev. H. Chadwick (now Bishop of Barking) was Vicar. We started to ring. All the radios were tuned in for the bells and service. I was calling the same touch, 34-7-12-13, and when we were put on the air the Vicar was saying the opening prayers and the number of the first hymn—so we were not on the air at all. The Vicar was very sorry but the B.B.C. kept the previous programme on too long.

The same Vicar (Rev. H. Chadwick) asked us to ring again for his next broadcast. I went and saw the B.B.C. engineers in the vestry and told them how we were treated the last time. They were very sorry, and told us to start at once and they would put us on the air as soon as possible. I called 34-7-12-13 and they put us on the air for the last course. I had a letter from some ringers in Kent, asking me if it was a record or did we ring. I wrote and told them what we rang.

Since then I have had a serious operation and a bad stroke on my right side. I am not now able to climb the belfry stairs so my ringing is done for the time being. Again thanking my friends for the information.—Yours truly,

CALEB FENN.

Barking.

THANK YOU, SUSSEX

Dear Sir,—At the quarterly meeting of the Eastern Division of the Sussex County Association, at Salehurst on August 22nd, it was resolved to congratulate all responsible for producing 'The Ringing World' during the difficult times of the printers' stoppage.

Mr. F. I. Hairs, who was present, told members that it was most important to increase the circulation of 'The Ringing World' if it was to survive.—Yours faithfully,

FRANK H. BEENEY,

Hon. Secretary, Eastern Division,
Sussex Association.

Note.—The Editor also thanks the many individual ringers who sent letters of appreciation and congratulation.

PEAL FEES

Dear Sir,—The deletion from its records by the Winchester and Portsmouth Diocesan Guild executive committee of the peals conducted by Messrs. R. G. Leale and F. R. Scott for non-payment of peal fees as per rule does not seem to me to conclude the affair.

It is distasteful for any Society to have to take action to enforce its rules and one wonders why, in this case, these young ringers have chosen to cause all the trouble. It could not be because they cannot afford the sixpence, neither can they plead a principle involved—the Guild is merely trying to raise extra money to meet its liabilities in the midst of continually rising costs.

Then, of course, there is the nonsensical business of the peals rung in the Channel Islands recently. May I say, in parentheses, that I am most surprised that our old friend Mr. A. P. Cannon lent himself to the caper of forming a new Society in order to dodge the peal fee.

I hope I shall not be charged with taking these things too seriously when I say that such doings bring the standard of the Exercise down and lay its members open to ridicule. In other sports and pastimes misbehaviour or 'ungentlemanly conduct' can bring to the offender universal suspension from participation in that sport or pastime for a period.

As most of the ringing Guilds are affiliated to the Central Council, would it be considered too drastic for the member Guilds to support each other in the matter of rule enforcement by similar action?—Yours faithfully,

ARTHUR V. DAVIS.

Southbourne, Bournemouth.

KING'S NORTON CHURCH

Dear Sir,—Your contributor, 'Levis' (page 469), has his dates slightly muddled when he states that no work has been done on King's Norton, Leics, bells for nearly 300 years. The present fine church and tower were built between 1757 and 1775 at the expense of William Fortrey, lord of the manor, and the bells date from that time.

No doubt it depends upon what Levis means by 'work,' but it is quite possible that certain attention was given to the bells following the damage to the spire by lightning in 1843 and its destruction in 1850. At any rate, a considerable amount of voluntary 'work' was done to the fittings in 1952 and 1953 by a visiting band to enable the bells to be rung. Nevertheless, the writer's first attempt to turn in a tenor to a course of Major came to grief there on one of those occasions through the rope casting wheel!

With the help of grants, the church has recently been well restored, and it is to be hoped that the bells will receive attention in due course, though the prospects do appear to be rather gloomy.—Yours faithfully,

'ARCH. HIST.'

Leciester.

MR. E. STITCH'S 500th TOWER

Dear Sir,—The ringers at All Saints', Leamington Spa (captain, Mr. C. C. Burt) were honoured on Sunday evening, August 23rd, by a visit from Mr. E. Stitch, of Penn, near Wolverhampton, who was ringing in his 500th tower.

The reason why Mr. Stitch chose All Saints' was because that is where Mr. A. J. Pitman rings nowadays. There is a very close bond between Mr. Stitch and Mr. Pitman. For over 36 years they rang together for Sunday service on the eight at St. Mary's, Aberavon. They have rung more than 150 peals together, and it was Mr. Pitman who conducted Mr. Stitch's first and 500th peals.

It was a great joy for the Leamington ringers to have Mr. Stitch with them, and some very good ringing was achieved. Courses of Stedman and interesting touches of Grandsire Triples, called by Mr. Pitman, came round to a good rhythm.—Yours faithfully,

HENRY ALLEN.

Leamington Spa.

(Correspondence continued next page)

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LETTERS—Continued

AN ENCOURAGEMENT TO LATE ENTRANTS

Dear Sir,—In 1928 Mr. Thomas Trasler was invited to become a member of Stony Stratford St. Giles' ringing band. He could handle a bell but knew nothing of change-ringing. His age then was 55 years. With this band he gradually became proficient in Grandsire Triples, Bob Major and Stedman Triples. As he grew older his greatest desire was to ring a quarter peal of Stedman Triples. After many abortive attempts he achieved his ambition, when on August 21st he rang the sixth at St. Giles' in an extremely creditable way to an excellent quarter peal of Stedman Triples. He was 86 years old on Sunday, August 23rd.

As conductor of this quarter peal, nothing gives me greater pleasure than recording this tribute to my always cheerful old friend, who will no doubt be well remembered by those bands visiting St. Giles', Stony Stratford, during the last few years.

The ringers in the quarter peal stood as follows: A. W. Dillow 1, F. C. Case 2, H. C. Edwards 3, G. E. Green (conductor) 4, T. E. Roberts 5, T. Trasler (first of Stedman Triples) 6, G. W. Holland 7, S. Miller 8.—Yours faithfully,

G. E. GREEN.

Stony Stratford.

RUSTY FRAMES

Dear Sir,—I wonder if any readers can help us with our problem at Whatley? The bells were augmented to six and rehung in 1937 and then given very little attention till recently when a volunteer band, led by the Rector (not himself a ringer), started to scrape off the rust and repaint. The job proved longer than the time available, and a local firm was called in to finish it. The snag is that the frame fits so tightly to the walls that in places it is impossible to get even fingers between, so that there are inaccessible rusty patches in the corners of the I-sectioned members and also between the uprights and the beams, these latter crossed by a bolt.

Does anyone know of a way of treating these places which could be used by the available talent? Whatley still has no local ringers but is used as a learners' tower from Frome, and the local firm says nothing can be done without dismantling.

Alternatively, if there is no practicable way, is there any point in painting the visible parts of the frame?

Perhaps some tower which has had an iron frame far longer can tell us either what to do or how much it matters if we don't.—Yours sincerely,

EUNICE D. OVEREND (Miss).
Frome, Somerset.

March, Cambs, Ringers' Outing

A party of 24 bell-ringers and friends from St. Wendreda's Church, March, enjoyed their outing on August 8th, when they visited four counties, ringing at Fordham, Chippenham, Lavenham, Castle Hedingham, Haverhill, Willingham and Somersham.

While at Lavenham the ringers gave a demonstration on handbells in the renowned Swan Inn to the obvious delight of the residents. The inn possesses 13 handbells of fine tonal quality, and these are the property of Trust Houses Ltd. The tourists afterwards visited St. Paul's Church—a magnificent edifice—and rang the eight bells: the 'matchless' tenor evoked much admiration.

The Rector of Haverhill very kindly arranged a sumptuous tea for the party, and thanks to him and to all clergy and ringers of the churches visited are due for enabling all to experience a delightful day.

T. A. B.

West Countrymen's Tour of North Wales and Cheshire

IN LIVERPOOL

ON July 25th, a band of 11 ringers assembled for the fourth annual tour of the West Countrymen, under the direction and guidance of David Hoare.

The first call was at Oswestry, where eight of the company duly completed a peal of Yorkshire before departing for Ffestiniog, our first glimpse of the really magnificent scenery to which we were to be treated in the ensuing week.

Ffestiniog was safely reached, whereupon the ability of our organiser was immediately put to the test. Ringing on Sunday morning had been arranged on the pleasant eight at Portmadoc, but the Welsh hoteliers were apparently unaccustomed to the Somerset habit of rising early, and breakfast had to be consumed at an alarming rate. Our morning ring was all too brief, so we returned to pay another visit in the evening. Meanwhile, the party suffered from the archaic licensing laws operating in Wales. Even Dick, renowned for acquiring ale in unusual circumstances, met his match!

Monday saw us bound for Bangor, where a peal of Cambridge was rung. At the end of the peal biscuits and tea were kindly supplied by the local ringers and were much appreciated. The rest of the day was devoted to sightseeing. A visit was paid to Anglesey, where a ring at Beaumaris had originally been planned, but where the bells had been recently deemed unringable. Our route passed near Snowdon, and the more energetic were purported to have climbed the summit. The remainder preferred to view the beautiful scenery from the comfort of a car!

A peal of Aldenham at Llandudno started Tuesday on the right note. Our headquarters for the remainder of the tour were to be in Chester, and ringing was enjoyed at Abergele en route. Sightseeing took us to the Marble Church at Bodewyddan and to St. Asaph Cathedral. Chester contained the most important necessity of the tour—a Chinese restaurant, and good use was made of this establishment for the remainder of the week.

ONE OF SEVEN WONDERS

After receiving a catching Devonian well-wishing, the band rang a peal of Double Norwich on the glorious bells of Gresford. We were left in no doubt as to the reason why these are one of the seven wonders of Wales. More beautiful scenery enthralled us on our journey, on which we rang on the fine eight at Llangollen and the handy six at Overton-on-Dee.

Our successful run of peals came to an abrupt end on Thursday, when Bristol and Spiced were lost at Buckley and Northop respectively. At Buckley we were entertained to lunch by Dennis Millward, whom we met later at the weekly practice at Wrexham. The tower here was very impressive, and the bells, especially the back eight, well befitted it.

Failure on Friday on the first-class bells of Eccleston was greeted by the appearance of Ralph Edwards. Ringing on these bells was a real pleasure, and it was a great pity that a shift after 2½ hours had to terminate proceedings. After free time for shopping and sightseeing, a peal attempt was started on the ten at Chester Cathedral. Ringing on these bells is always somewhat slow, and 'Stand' was called after two hours for fear of our being trapped in the Cathedral after 'locking-up time.' It transpired that all would have been well, but our regrets were soon extinguished with good Chinese food.

Saturday saw us bound for Liverpool, where we were pleased to meet Frank Harris and Laurie Hitchins. The size of the completed portion of the Cathedral amazed us, and our amazement continued when we travelled via two lifts to the ringing room and bells. Good use was made of Ralph by allowing him to pull most of the bells up, and we then attempted Stedman Cinques, Kent Royal and Cambridge Major on the back eight. The proverbial tape-recorder was put to good use as it was for most of the week, except when technical details were overlooked and the operator's efforts rendered fruitless.

The last peal attempt was at 'St. Nicholas', Liverpool, where Stedman Cinques came to a finish after 1½ hours because of a shift. With no more ringing arranged for the day, the party made for Chester, where refreshment and tales went round until a final visit was made to the restaurant of the Orient. The day ended with the tape-recorder doing overtime and book tokens being presented to David Hoare and to Tony Sanger, the latter having arranged accommodation, cleverly procuring for himself a personal bathroom at the Chester hotel!

Sunday dawned and, after packing our bags and ringing for morning service at St. Mary's-Without-the-Walls, we departed, homeward bound. Another week's tour had passed all too quickly, and we left with our memories of the magnificent countryside and of a week well spent.

B. B. D.

A LEARNERS' TOUR

A week's tour was run this year for the second time to cater for ringers in the early stages of method ringing who wish to increase their capabilities. Many thanks are due to those who came to help us with the ringing, the Branch secretaries and others who gave advice on the choice of towers, and all the clergy and tower captains who so kindly gave permission for the use of their bells in this rather unusual venture.

The towers were chosen as far as possible to avoid towns and places where there were likely to be complaints about the noise. This plan had the additional advantage of keeping us off main roads and in some very picturesque parts of Somerset, Dorset and Wilts.

Nineteen ringers took part, the majority travelling by cycle and staying in youth hostels at Winyards Gao, Biddoort, Milton Abbas and Marnhull. Milton Abbas Hostel is in a very rural situation and we were introduced to the joys of 'real hostelling.'

The party was divided for some of the time and, in all, 29 towers were visited. Methods attempted were Grandsire Doubles and Triples, Bob Minor and Stedman Doubles.

Anyone interested in joining a similar venture next year, either as a learner or as an 'assistant,' should write to Hugh B. Makins, Fairview, Harold's Park Farm, Nazeing, Essex.

QUARTER PEALS

BREDBURY, CHESHIRE.—On July 11th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: C. E. Tomkinson 1, Maureen Barker 2, J. S. Webb 3, P. Laffin 4, J. Barker 5, B. Harris 6, C. Bell 7, J. Bell 8. First quarter 2 and 8.

BRIGHTON, SUSSEX.—On July 26th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: Betty Stephenson 1, G. North 2, R. G. Hooper 3, L. Baiting 4, Cherie Paine 5, F. Rowsell 6, W. A. Riddington (cond.) 7, H. W. Woolven 8. A farewell compliment to Miss Cherie Paine, who is taking a teaching post in Birmingham.

BROCKENHURST, HANTS.—On July 13th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: A. W. Fry 1, Miss A. J. Knight 2, M. D. G. Northway (cond.) 3, Miss M. P. Coffin 4, R. Buchanan 5, M. L. Northway 6.

CONDUCTING A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS

By NORMAN CHADDOCK

Most people are agreed that Cater music is some of the best bell music obtainable, but with the popularity of Surprise Major peal ringing the number of efficient Stedman conductors seems to have shrunk considerably. Whilst some of the old expert Stedman peal conductors might smile at this article by a non-expert, it is hoped that some of the less experienced might find it a help in having a go at calling a peal in this attractive method.

In order to check all the instructions given below it is advisable to write out in full a plain course of Stedman Caters. There are 18 sixes (108 changes) in a plain course.

The figures given in touches of Stedman are usually the six ends, and since rounds are normally in the middle of a quick six the first six-end given in most touches and peals is 231456789. It will thus be seen that in the plain course treble is in 3rds place, 3 is in 2nds place and 2 is in firsts place.

MAKING CALLS

Study the following, which is part of a course with 6 in 2nds place, and 978 course-ends. Though calling positions are shown the figures are the changes produced by plain sixes (NO calls actually made).

Bob at 1	2 6 1 4 5 3 9 7 8	Course-end
	X 6 2 4 1 3 5 7 9 8	First six of next course
	2 6 4 3 1 7 5 8 9	
	2 4 6 1 3 5 7 9 8	
	4 2 6 3 1 7 5 8 9	
Bob at 2	= 4 6 2 1 3 5 7 9 8	Six-end
	6 4 2 3 1 7 5 8 9	
	X ² 4 6 3 2 7 1 8 5 9	First change of second six

A Bob at 1 would be called at the change preceded by the dash, made by 9, and 78 would triple dodge in 8-9. The cross shows the change at which the bob would actually be made if called and the figures actually written down to show the effect of such a call are those that would appear at the last row of the six instead of 642317589. A bob at 1 would produce (from 261453978) the six-end 642319578.

A Bob at 2 would be called at = and made at X², etc.; i.e., in Stedman a bob is called two changes before the six to which the figures refer and is made at the first change of the six.

It is recognised that the best music in Stedman Caters is produced with the 6th in 2nds place and 978 course-ends and with the 6th in 5ths place and 879 course-ends. Further improvement is obtained if the 5th is in 5ths in 978 course-ends, and the 3rd in 2nds place with 879 course-ends. In other words, the best music is found in courses ending 060050978 or 030060879, and a peal with these qualities is set out in full below. The opening course is set out in full by six ends and so is the turning course. The last three changes of the peal are written in full after the last course-end (134265879). At the first single 3 makes 7ths, treble makes 8ths and 4 makes 9ths, and at the second single treble makes 7ths, 5 makes 8ths and 2 makes 9ths. In case the conductor wishes to ring the 7th, which is fixed throughout, the position of the 7th, WHEN THE CALLS ARE ACTUALLY MADE, is given.

In this peal a bob at 5 is called when the seventh is making 3rds to first half turn, and a bob at 16 is called when 7 is 4-5 up after quick before course-end. She will do this 4-5 up dodge with 9 in first half of the peal and the 8th in the second half. At the course-end the seventh is 8-9 down after quick.

Bobs should be called immediately after tenor strikes on the 4th change of the six.

5,069 STEDMAN CATERS

By G. LINDOFF

Opening course

Six-end	Position of 7th
2 3 1 4 5 6 7 8 9	
3 4 2 6 1 7 5 8 9	— 1 7ths (make bob)
3 4 6 7 2 5 1 8 9	— 2 6-7 down
4 7 3 5 6 8 2 9 1	
4 7 5 8 3 9 6 1 2	
7 8 4 9 5 1 3 2 6	
7 8 9 1 4 3 5 2 6	— 6 2nd ½ turn
8 1 7 3 9 2 4 6 5	
8 1 3 2 7 6 9 5 4	
1 2 8 6 3 5 7 4 9	
1 2 6 5 8 4 3 9 7	
2 5 1 4 6 3 8 9 7	— 11 8-9 up
2 5 4 3 1 9 6 7 8	
5 3 2 9 4 6 1 7 8	— 13 8-9 down
5 3 9 6 2 1 4 7 8	— 14 " "
3 6 5 1 9 4 2 7 8	— 15 " "
3 6 1 4 5 2 9 7 8	— 16 " "

Note: Bob-making bells are in italics

First half of peal

5	16
3 6 2 1 5 4	—
3 6 4 2 5 1	—
4 6 3 1 5 2	—
4 6 2 3 5 1	—
2 6 4 1 5 3	—
2 6 3 4 5 1	—
2 6 1 3 5 4	—
1 6 2 4 5 3	—
1 6 3 2 5 4	—
1 6 4 3 5 2	—
4 6 1 2 5 3	—
4 6 1 3 5 2	S —
4 6 2 1 5 3	—
4 6 3 2 5 1	—
3 6 4 1 5 2	—
3 6 2 4 5 1	—
2 6 3 1 5 4	—
2 6 4 3 5 1	—
2 6 1 4 5 3	—
1 6 2 3 5 4	—
1 6 4 2 5 3	—
1 6 3 4 5 2	—
3 6 1 2 5 4	—

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Turning Course	Position of 7th
3 6 1 2 5 4 9 7 8	
6 2 3 4 1 7 5 8 9	
6 2 4 7 3 5 1 8 9	— 2 6-7 down
2 7 6 5 4 8 3 9 1	
2 7 5 8 6 9 4 1 3	
7 8 2 9 5 4 6 1 3	— 5 1st ½ turn
7 8 9 4 2 1 5 3 6	
8 4 7 1 9 5 2 3 6	— 7 Last W/T
8 4 1 5 7 2 9 3 6	— 8 Out slow
4 5 8 2 1 9 7 3 6	— 9 4-5 up
4 5 2 9 8 3 1 6 7	
5 9 4 3 2 6 8 7 1	
5 9 3 6 4 7 2 1 8	
9 6 5 7 3 1 4 8 2	
9 6 7 1 5 8 3 2 4	
6 1 9 8 7 3 5 2 4	— 15 Out quick
6 1 8 3 9 5 7 2 4	— 16 4-5 up
1 3 6 5 8 2 9 4 7	
1 3 5 2 6 4 8 7 9	

Second half of peal

5	16
5 3 1 4 6 2	—
5 3 2 1 6 4	—
5 3 4 2 6 1	—
4 3 5 1 6 2	—
4 3 2 5 6 1	—
4 3 1 2 6 5	—
1 3 4 5 6 2	—
1 3 2 4 6 5	—
2 3 1 5 6 4	—
2 3 4 1 6 5	—
2 3 5 4 6 1	—
2 3 5 1 6 4	S —
5 3 2 4 6 1	—
5 3 1 2 6 4	—
5 3 4 1 6 2	—
4 3 5 2 6 1	—
4 3 1 5 6 2	—
4 3 2 1 6 5	—
2 3 4 5 6 1	—
2 3 1 4 6 5	—
1 3 2 5 6 4	—
1 3 4 2 6 5 8 7 9	—
3 1 2 4 5 6 7 8 9	Last three changes
1 3 2 5 4 7 6 9 8	
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9	

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In order to maintain control of the bells during the peal, the conductor should at least memorise and check the going off and turning courses, the quarter peal course-ends and the course-ends with singles in. The trebles (first place) place bells should also be checked. The order of trebles place bells is 34214—43213—1—5412—5421. The trebles place (first place) bells are changed by the bobs at 5.

Whilst each conductor selects his own guides so that he is not just a bob caller, the following notes will be useful, especially if the conductor is ringing the 7th:—

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QUARTER PEALS

HALF PEALS

NEWINGTON-NEXT-SITTINGBOURNE, KENT.—On Aug. 15th, 2,880 Minor (three 720's Single Oxford Bob and 720 Plain Bob): J. Clark 1, Hazel V. Daddon 2, E. C. Barton 3, G. A. Naylor 4, L. Mitchell (longest length as cond.) 5, G. Kenward 6. A compliment to Miss Joan Patricia Wraight (a local ringer) and Mr. Alfred Anthony Baldock on the occasion of their wedding and on the eve of the bride's 21st birthday.

OXFORD.—On July 26th, at the Church of St. Aldate, 2,520 Plain Bob Minor: J. Venn (longest length 1, B. Cogges 2, W. G. E. Collett 3, R. Allsworth 4, E. Venn (cond.) 5, P. H. Toccock 6. A silver wedding compliment to Mr. and Mrs. Allsworth.

BURWASH, SUSSEX.—On April 25th, 1,312 Double Norwich Court Bob Major: Celia F. Whitfield 1, G. Waghorn 2, Kathleen M. Yeo 3, E. Bromley 4, R. T. Lambert 5, F. J. Lambert 6, E. F. P. Bryant (first in method as cond.) 7, R. E. Lambert 8.

BUXHALL, SUFFOLK.—On July 31st, 720 Kent Treble Bob and 600 Plain Bob: T. N. J. Bailey 1, R. Hart (first in two methods) 2, J. B. Morley 3, L. N. Melton 4, R. L. K. Whittell 5, B. W. Fairhead 6. Jointly conducted by ringers of 1, 4 and 6.

CHENIES, BUCKS.—On July 19th, 1,260 Grand-sire Doubles: Rosemary Hawkes (first quarter) 1, Alison Macfarlane 2, Gillian Grancy (cond.) 3, Mikaela Erik 4, A. Hickson 5, B. Hullah (first quarter) 6. First quarter for the Watford Grammar Schools Society of Change Ringers.

CHIGWELL ROW, ESSEX.—On July 5th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: Miss A. Lowings 1, S. Penfold 2, F. V. Gant (cond.) 3, J. Carrott 4, J. Fowler 5, M. Blond 6, A. Gargrave 7, A. J. Salisbury 8. For Marins.

DRONFIELD, DERBYS.—1,264 Plain Bob Major: J. W. Sykes 1, M. Phinps 2, C. Bradley 3, K. R. Goodall (cond.) 4, R. Bradbury 5, G. N. Goodall 6, A. Wilson 7, L. Goodall 8.

STEDMAN CATERS—Continued

NOTES

A bob at 16 is made by the 6ths place bell, putting her in 3rds place. The 7th dodges 6-7 up with this new 3rds place bell just after the bob.

A bob at 5 is also made by the 6ths place bell. The 3rds place bell is 8-9 down becoming the new trebles place bell.

How to check when to call a bob at 5 (apart from counting the bobs at 16).

Watch for the bell due to be the next trebles place bell dodging in 6-7 with the 7th the next six after the bob at 16. This bell is now in 3rds place. Call a bob at the next 5 position to put this bell into trebles place. Immediately after the course-end before this bob at 5 the 7th will meet this bell in 6-5 down.

Treble (First) Place Bell. The 7th passes this bell in 3-4 up always.

2nds Place Bell. (6 in 1st half, 3 in 2nd half.) 7th always passes this bell in 5-6 up and takes

EALING, MIDDLEX.—At the Church of Christ the Saviour, on July 5th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss E. Palmer 1, W. G. Wilson 2, Miss F. P. Greaves 3, J. Mudd 4, B. Colesworth 5, A. Lewry 6, N. V. Harding (cond.) 7, J. Euston 8. Also on July 12th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss E. Palmer 1, G. M. Harvey 2, Miss F. P. Greaves 3, J. E. L. Cockey 4, A. Lewry 5, A. Fulwell 6, W. G. Wilson (cond.) 7, Miss J. Scruton 8. For Evensong.

EASTWOOD, YORKS.—On July 6th, 1,344 Yorkshire Surprise Major: Patricia Walker 1, Elizabeth A. Wardill 2, Mrs. N. Chaddock 3, Susan Chaddock 4, I. Tilling 5, J. N. D. Chaddock 6, D. G. French 7, N. Chaddock (cond.) 8.

ELSTOW, BEDS.—On July 14th, 1,320 Minor (720 Single Oxford, 600 Plain Bob): Mrs. R. G. Corby 1, Deborah Hopkins 2, E. White 3, R. J. Harrison 4, E. L. Duffield 5, R. G. Corby (cond.) 6.

ELVEDEN, SUFFOLK.—On July 19th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: C. Peck 1, L. Wright (first of Plain Bob) 2, L. Shapp 3, Miss D. M. Reeve 4, H. Fuller 5, R. Rose 6, A. Cook 7, J. Paul (cond.) 8.

FELMERSHAM, BEDS.—On July 21st, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: Mrs. H. Marshall 1, Mrs. R. G. Corby 2, Deborah Hopkins 3, J. H. L. Blick 4, E. L. Duffield 5, R. J. Harrison 6, J. H. Edwards 7, R. G. Corby (cond.) 8. First on eight bells for 1 and 3.

FLETON, HUNTS.—On July 19th, 1,260 Grand-sire Doubles: L. Brighton (first quarter) 1, Mrs. M. Parker 2, F. Bovall 3, M. Parker 4, J. Brown (first as cond.) 5. For patronal festival Evensong.

HALSTEAD, ESSEX.—On July 5th, 1,280 Double Norwich Court Bob Major: A. Dale 1, H. Webb 2, K. Smith 3, J. Warner 4, Hilda G. Snowden 5, E. Piper 6, L. W. Wiffen 7, H. J. Millatt (cond.) 8. For Evensong.

HOOLE, CHESTER.—On July 26th, 1,260 Doubles (240 Reverse St. Bartholomew, 240 Reverse Canterbury, 240 Plain Bob, 240 April Day, 300 Grandsire): E. C. Crewe 1, Mrs. R. G. Corby 2, T. Holmes 3, S. W. R. Crewe 4, R. G. Corby (cond.) 5, B. Maund 6. First quarter in four methods for 1, 3, 4 and 6. For the Sunday School festival service.

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OUTINGS

GRAPPENHALL, CHESHIRE

The Grappenhall Branch outing, on July 18th, received the support of 80 ringers and friends. A start was made at 7.30 a.m. from Runcorn and Frodsham. The first tower was the nice Taylor eight at Ripley, Derbyshire, which was followed by a rather mixed but delightful bag of 10 at St. Peter's, Nottingham.

After lunch the quaint old Church of St. Giles, Sandiacre, with its good ring of six, was visited. At St. Michael's, Breaston, the strong smell of disinfectant told of the havoc of the death watch beetle.

We were surprised, after seeing the neat and tidy ringing room at St. Andrew's, Derby (10), to learn that there was no regular Sunday service band for this quite good ring. A substantial tea followed and the last call was at Duffield, where the bells are in keeping with the beauty of the surroundings.

Methods rung and attempted were Cambridge Minor, Major and Royal, London Minor and Major, Stedman Triples and Caters, Plain Bob and Kent Treble Bob Minor, Major and Royal. For over 20 years Mr. C. Raddon has organised this annual outing and thanks are due to him, incumbents and ringers who met the party. On the homeward journey the Runcorn contingent made a presentation to Mrs. Winstanley, whose birthday was that day. W. A.

HITCHIN, HERTS

Hitchin ringers had a full and enjoyable day in the Cotswolds on July 11th, the coach starting to pick up its complement at 6.30 a.m.

Brailes, the first stop, was reached 25 minutes before time, but not too early to sample Cotswold beer. Unfortunately, justice was not done to these bells although London and Cambridge came round. Moreton-in-Marsh proved a pleasant and easy-going eight. Following lunch at the Cotswold Restaurant, Moreton, came the most unusual ring of the day at Bourton-on-the-Hill. Here the two trebles are hung in a maze of timbe: above the other bells.

Slow-in-the-Wold bells were up and ready and some of the best ringing of the day took place on these bells. Full justice was done to the tea of cold ham and tongue at the White Hart Hotel, Chipping Norton. After the speechmaking the journey was resumed to Hook Norton. Bristol went well on this beautiful eight.

Rain had set in by the time Adderbury was reached. These were the best bells of the day, but by 8.45 p.m. everyone was just a little bit sore and thirsty, so with thanks to Mr. Roper the journey for home was continued. A word of praise is due to the driver who not only stuck rigidly to the timetable but visited every ringing chamber.

CHELFORD, CHESHIRE

For their outing this year on August 8th, Chelford ringers selected the North Derbyshire and Nottingham district. At the first stop, Chapel-en-le-Frith, some moderate touches were rung on a varied six. With the sun smiling on us we made our way to Eyam, a grand six in a most picturesque part of Derbyshire. Great Longstone, the next tower, has so small a belfry that some of the ringers had some difficulty in handling the ropes.

After an excellent lunch at Bakewell, a good 30 minutes' ringing was enjoyed at Barlborough. The route was by way of Worksop to the Dukeries, to ring at Edwinstowe, followed by Sutton-in-Ashfield (a very good eight). Here Mr. and Mrs. Sollis and lady bell-ringers had organised a very enjoyable tea.

The evening ringing was at Brassington, reached via Alfreton and Matlock. F. G. F.

her off slow." At the course-end this bell is going to first $\frac{1}{2}$ turn.

5ths Place Bell. (5 in 1st half, 6 in 2nd half.) 7th turns this bell from lead as she (7th) does LWT, courses her up behind and down to lead.

In the first half 7th always cuts 9th in 8-7 down and dodges her in 4-5 up after quick. The 8th courses 7th up behind to course-end and then down to lead. The work with 9th and 8th is 'exchanged' in second half of the peal.

If the 'weaker' ringers are put on the 8th, 9th, 2nds or 5ths place bells the ringer of the 7th can look after them better.

COURSING ORDER

The coursing order is almost clear going to course-end. After the course-end the 7th meets the bells in the natural coursing order. If the conductor can retain the coursing order in his mind he can check every course. If not, he can at least check selected courses.

Position of 7th	Bell 7th strikes over
9ths	8 (9 in 2nd half)
8ths	9 (8 in 2nd half)
7ths	5ths place bell
6ths	3rds " "
5ths	1st (Trebles) place bell
4ths (First Blow)	2nds place bell
4ths (Second Blow)	4ths " "
4ths (Third Blow)	6ths " "

The work of this bell
8-9 up with 7th
6-7 up
6-7 up with 7th
4-5 up
4-5 up with 7th
Last W/T
First $\frac{1}{2}$ turn
Quick Bell out

The information given in this article on conducting Stedman Caters is confined to that necessary to help the uninitiated to call a peal of Stedman Caters without spending a lot of

time on research. For some, too much information is given; others will wish to avail themselves of more; that depends on the individual.

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HANDBELLS WANTED.—Up to 12 bells, on any key, are wanted by this parish for change-ringing, carols, etc.—Came, Stanborough House, Halwell, Totnes, Devon. 4798

MISCELLANEOUS

MANCHESTER UNIVERSITY GUILD.—Practice, Tuesday, Oct. 13th, 7.30 p.m., Sacred Trinity, Salford. Freshers coming up next session are asked to contact the secretary, Patricia Walker, 3, Mowbray Place, East Dene, Rotherham, Yorks. 4803

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MEETINGS

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Northern District.—King's Walden, Saturday, Sept. 5th, 5.30 p.m. Special method. Warkworth Surprise.—E. Buck, Dis. Sec. 4788

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Watford District.—Meeting, Elstree (6), Saturday, Sept. 5th, 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m.—K. R. Dunstan, Dis. Sec. 4786

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Canterbury District.—By-meeting, Ash, Saturday, Sept. 5th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea 2s. 6d. per head.—B. J. Luck, 20, Beaconsfield Road, Canterbury. 4742

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION (Tonbridge District) and **LADIES' GUILD** (Kent District).—Joint meeting, Chiddingstone, Saturday, Sept. 5th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Please bring your own tea. 4787

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Sonning Deanery Branch.—Combined practices will be held at Sonning on Saturday, Sept. 5th, and Binfield on Saturday, Sept. 19th, at 6 p.m.—B. C. Castle. 4801

SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.—Monthly meeting, Conisbrough, Saturday, Sept. 5th. Bells (8) from 3 p.m. All welcome.—J. Seager. 4752

SUSSEX ASSOCIATION.—Northern Division.—Quarterly meeting, Balcombe (8), Saturday, Sept. 5th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. 4758

MIDDLESEX ASSOCIATION.—Practice meeting at St. Giles-in-the-Fields (one minute Tottenham Court Road tube station) on Monday, Sept. 7th, at 7 p.m. 4794

BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.—Taunton Branch.—Meeting, Saturday, Sept. 12th, North Curry. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Names for tea, please.—A. H. Reed, Mimosa, George Street, Taunton. 4748

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Biggleswade District.—Meeting, Old Warden, Saturday, Sept. 12th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Special methods: St. Clement's, Norwich Surprise. Everyone welcome.—A. Smith, Dis. Sec. 4820

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Northwich Branch.—Meeting at Witton, Northwich, Saturday, Sept. 12th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 5. Tea 5.30 p.m. Names for tea by Thursday previous to Mr. H. Parker, 64, Church Road, Northwich. 4804

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Macclesfield Branch.—Third quarterly meeting at St. Peter's, Congleton (8), Saturday, Sept. 12th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Sept. 8th to H. C. Longon, 8, Cardigan Close, Macclesfield. Frequent buses and trains from Manchester, Macclesfield, Stoke, etc. 4745

DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Chesterfield District.—Monthly meeting, Creswell, on Saturday, Sept. 12th, 3 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. L. Barlow, Lilac House, Mansfield Road, Creswell, Worksop.—A. B. Cooper. 4772

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE ASSOCIATION.—Eastern and Northern Districts.—Gateshead, Saturday, Sept. 12th, 3 p.m., annual meetings. Names for tea, not later than Sept. 9th, to Mr. N. Elliott, 18, Mersey Road, Gateshead-on-Tyne. 4822

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Cambridge District.—A meeting will be held at Great Wilbraham on Saturday, Sept. 12th. Bells (5) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m.—E. W. Bullman, Dis. Sec. 4809

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—S.W. District.—Crusader meeting, Saturday, Sept. 12th, Wanstead. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Leytonstone (St. John's) (8) also available at 6.30 p.m. Names for tea, please, to Mr. J. Chalk, 6, Latchett Road, Wanstead, E.18. 4750

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.—South Forest Branch.—Meeting, Staunton, near Coleford, Saturday, Sept. 12th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to H. M. Combe, Oaklands Farm, Newnham, Glos. 4825

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.—Stow Branch.—Meeting at Broadwell, Saturday, Sept. 12th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 o'clock. Names for tea to F. Newton, 44, Bishops Drive, Bishops Cleeve, Cheltenham, Glos. 4815

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Guildford District.—Meeting at Wonersh, Saturday, Sept. 12th. Bells (8) 3.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15 p.m. Names for tea by Tuesday, Sept. 8th, to W. E. Enticknap, Redlands, Poplar Road, Shalford.—D. A. Kirk, Dis. Sec. 4821

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Western District.—Meeting, Tring, Saturday, Sept. 12th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Bring own food—cups of tea only.—J. Good, Dis. Sec. 4766

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Maidstone District.—By-meeting, Igham, Saturday, Sept. 12th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. at The Chequers for those who notify me by Thursday, 10th.—R. L. Sills, St. Vincent's Lane, Addington, W. Malling, Kent. 4761

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Rochester District.—By-meeting, Northfleet, Saturday, Sept. 12th. (N.B.—Not Hoo on Sept. 5th.) Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by previous Wednesday, please, to Mr. G. J. Butcher, 51, Dover Road, Northfleet.—T. Barton, Hon. Dis. Sec. 4753

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Furness and Lake District Branch.—Practice meeting, Beetham, Saturday, Sept. 12th, 2.30 to 4 p.m. Milnthorpe 5.30 to 7 p.m. Names for tea to me, 45, Oakwood Drive, Ulverston.—N. M. Newby, Branch Sec. 4807

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Preston Branch.—Meeting, Eccleston, Saturday, Sept. 12th. Names, by Sept. 9th, to W. Hunter, The Bridge, Eccleston, Chorley.—L. Walmsley, Hon. Sec. 4826

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Rochdale Branch.—Meeting, St. Mary's, Oldham, Sept. 12th. Bells (12) 2.30. Business 6 p.m. in tower. For tea, cafes near.—Hudson, Hon. Sec. 4827

LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Leicester District.—Quarterly general meeting, Saturday, Sept. 12th. Ringing arrangements: Blaby (5), 2 to 3; Whetstone (6), 2 to 3; South Wigston (8), 3 to 4.30 and 6.30 to 7.30; Countesthorpe (6), 7 to 8; Willoughby Waterless (5), 7 to 8; Peatling Magna (4), 7.15 to 7.45. Service, South Wigston, 4.30. Tea (followed by meeting) in Sunday School, 5 p.m., price 2s. 6d., only for those who notify undersigned by Thursday, Sept. 10th. Important business affecting date of annual meeting for 1960. General committee meeting in vestry of St. John-the-Divine's, 7.45, Monday, Sept. 7th.—B. G. Warwick, Hon. Gen. Sec., 12, Dorothy Avenue, Glen Hills, Leicester. Tel.: Wigston 3244. 4755

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD (North Lindsey Branch) and **LADIES' GUILD.**—Joint meeting at Bigby (6), Saturday, Sept. 12th. Names for tea by Sept. 9th to Canon H. Thackeray, Bigby Rectory, Barnetby, Lincs. 4780

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.—Eastern Branch.—Meeting at Old Bolingbroke, Saturday, Sept. 12th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea, Parish Hall, 5 p.m. Names for tea by Monday, Sept. 7th, to W. E. Clarke, 99, Norfolk Street, Boston. 4749

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Southern District.—Meeting, St. Mary's R.C., Clapham Common, Saturday, Sept. 12th, 3-4 p.m. Tea and business follows immediately. Further ringing St. Mary's, Battersea, 6.30 p.m. Names for tea by phone, please.—Miss Powell, Tulse Hill 8190. 4813

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Central Bucks Branch.—Quarterly meeting at Nether Windendon (5), Saturday, Sept. 12th. Bells 3.15 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Names for tea by Tuesday previous.—D. G. Wheeler, 47, Whaddon Chase, Aylesbury. 4756

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—V.W.H. Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Shrivenham, Saturday, Sept. 12th. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Names for tea, please, by Wednesday, Sept. 9th, to R. F. J. Gilling, Branch Sec., Fernham, Faringdon, Berks. 4757

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.—Peterborough Branch.—Quarterly meeting on Saturday, Sept. 12th, at West Deeping (6). Bells 2.45 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday, Sept. 9th, please. 4777

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.—Salisbury Branch.—Practice meeting, Saturday, Sept. 12th, Shrewton (6). Chitterne (5) also available in evening. Names to reserve tea (2s. 6d.) by Sept. 8th, please, to Miss Sweeney, 26, The Close, Salisbury. 4778

SALISBURY GUILD.—West Dorset Branch.—Meeting, Powerstock, Sept. 12th. Bells (5) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Names for tea, please.—Barrett, 120, Gerrards Green, Beaminster. 4814

SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.—Quarterly meeting, Little Aston, Saturday, Sept. 12th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15 p.m. Names by Wednesday, Sept. 9th, to Mr. D. J. Tranter, 36, Seven Acres, Aldridge, Staffordshire. 4793

SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.—Meeting at Chislehurst, Kent, on Saturday, Sept. 12th, The Church of the Annunciation, High Street. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m., followed by tea and meeting. Bus No. 227 from Chislehurst Station (S.R.) or Nos. 161 and 161A from Motttingham Station (S.R.) to High Street. Green Line No. 725. Names for tea not later than Monday, Sept. 7th, to Mr. I. H. Oram, 18, Crown Court, Home Park Lane, Lee, S.E.12. St. Nicholas' bells available after meeting. 4790

SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.—North Notts District.—Crawford cup contest and meeting, Clayworth (6), Saturday, Sept. 12th, 3 p.m. Ham and tongue tea (4s. 6d.) only for those who notify by 8th Rev. C. Blomely, Clayworth Rectory, Retford.—H. Denman, 4763

SURREY ASSOCIATION.—Southern District.—Quarterly meeting, Charlwood (6), Saturday, Sept. 12th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by previous Wednesday to Mr. A. J. Ede, Claremont Villas, Charlwood. 4766

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Western Division.—Practice meeting at Pulborough (8) on Sept. 12th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Names for tea to:—E. W. Keys, Greystones, Salthill Road, Fishbourne, Chichester. 4828

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH GUILD.—Andover and Basingstoke Districts.—Combined meeting will be held on Saturday, Sept. 12th, at Kingsclere (6), 1.30 to 3 p.m.; Sydmonton (6) 3.15 to 4.15. Service, Burghclere, 4.30, followed by tea in the Parish Room. Burghclere (6), 5.30 to 7: Highclere (8), 7.15 to 9 p.m. Names for tea essential not later than Sept. 7th to the Rev. Mr. Ince, Burghclere Rectory, near Newbury.—G. K. Dodd, Sec. 4775

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.—Christchurch District.—Quarterly meeting, Lymington (8), Saturday, Sept. 12th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Ringing after meeting 6.30 to 8 p.m. Names for tea by previous Thursday, please, to W. T. Godfrey, Pinehurst, Shorefield Way, Milford-on-Sea, Lymington Hants. 4799

WITNEY FEAST.—The Witney Ringing Society invites you to an Open Day held on Sept. 12th, the eve of the Feast. Bells (8) at 2.30. Tea available in the town. 4808

ST. BARTHOLOMEW'S, CREWKERNE, SOMERSET.—Tower Sunday, Sept. 13th. Ringing 5 p.m. and after service at 6.30 p.m. Preacher, Preb. E. V. Cox (president, Guild of Devonshire Ringers). All ringers welcome. 4779

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF PAINSWICK YOUTHS.—273rd anniversary, Saturday, Sept. 19th. Bells (12) 2.30 p.m. Tea (2s. per head) 5 p.m. Names for tea not later than Tuesday, Sept. 15th, to C. D. Launder, Spring Cottage, Painswick, Stroud, Glos. Painswick Feast, Sunday, Sept. 20th. Ringing at 2 and 5.15 p.m. 4805

DEVON GUILD.—East Devon Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Kilminster, Saturday, Sept. 19th. Bells from 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea and business after. Names for tea by Sept. 16th to W. Webb, Oakwell, Millhead Road, Honiton. 4784

LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Melton Mowbray District.—Meeting at Kirby Bellars, near Melton Mowbray, on Saturday, Sept. 19th. Bells at 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea in Village Hall 5 p.m. Names for tea, by Wednesday, Sept. 16th, please, to:—Mrs. A. Hinman, Kirby Bellars, near Melton Mowbray.—T. Templeton, Hon. Dis. Sec. 4830

NATIONAL POLICE GUILD.—Annual meeting, Derby, Saturday, Sept. 19th. Ringing: St. Andrew's, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.; St. Luke's, 1 to 2.25 p.m.; Cathedral, 2.30 to 5.30 p.m.; St. Peter's, 3 to 5.30 p.m. Own arrangements for lunch. Business meeting at Police Headquarters, Central Police Station, Derby, at 3 p.m. Dinner and social evening at the Friary Hotel, Friar Gate, Derby, 6.15 for 6.30 p.m. Tickets for dinner 12s. 6d. each from J. A. Smith, 17, Glen Way, Oadby, Leicester. Last date for tickets Tuesday, September 15th. All ringers and friends, etc., will be welcome to join us at the Friary Hotel for the dinner and social evening, if not earlier in the day. 4776

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Eastern Branch.—Meeting, Reedham, Saturday, Sept. 19th. Bells (5) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday, 16th, certain, please, to Mrs. F. O. Petherick, The Hills, Reedham, Norwich.—P. Newstead, Branch Hon. Sec. 4760

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—North Berks Branch.—Half-yearly meeting, East Hendred, Saturday, Sept. 19th. Service 3.30 p.m. Tea 4.30 p.m. Please notify by Tuesday, 15th, for tea.—A. E. Lock, 35, East St. Helen Street, Abingdon, Berks. 4806

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—North Bucks Branch.—Quarterly meeting at Hanslope, Sept. 19th. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 3.45 p.m. Names for tea, by Sept. 15th, to Mr. A. Keaves, 3, Williams Close, Hanslope, Wolverton.—F. Vickers. 4812

SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.—Newark District.—Meeting, North Muskham, Saturday, Sept. 19th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea for those who notify by Tuesday previous Mr. C. J. Copp, North Muskham, Newark, Notts.—W. L. Exton. 4768

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD for the DIOCESE of BIRMINGHAM.—Quarterly meeting at Coleshill on Sept. 19th. Bells (8) available 3.30. Please notify for tea by Sept. 15th.—G. E. Fearn, 92, Etwell Road, Birmingham 28, Phone SPR 1025. 4811

WORCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Northern Branch.—Meeting at Cookley, near Kidderminster, Saturday, Sept. 19th, 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea and business. Names by Wednesday, 16th, please.—Bernard C. Ashford, Sec., 17, Ham Lane, Pedmore, Stourbridge, Worcs. 4817

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Next general meeting at Pudsey on Sept. 19th. Bells (8) available 2.30 p.m. General Committee meet 3.15 p.m. in Parochial Hall, Radcliffe Lane. Service 4.30, followed by tea and general meeting in Parochial Hall. Names for tea, by Sept. 16th, to A. E. Marsh, 19, Priestley Gardens, Pudsey.—L. W. G. Morris, Hon. Gen. Sec., 65, Lilycroft Road, Bradford 9. 4829

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Annual dinner, Saturday, Sept. 26th, Corn Exchange, Rochester, 6.30 for 7 p.m. Tickets (10s. 6d.) from District Secretaries or direct from Dr. E. S. J. Hatcher, Chimneys, Offham, Maidstone. Chatham bells from 4 to 6 p.m. 4754

MIDDLESEX ASSOCIATION.—N. and E. District.—Meeting at Christ Church, Southgate, Saturday, Sept. 26th. Ringing 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. followed by business meeting and further ringing until 8 p.m. 4810

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.—Preliminary notice.—The annual dinner will be held in the Guildhall, Worcester, on Saturday, Oct. 10th, at 5.45 p.m. Tickets (9s. each) shortly available and obtainable from Branch secretaries, the dinner committee or J. D. Johnson, Gen. Sec., Aubyns, Cheltenham Road, Sedgberrow, Evesham. 4785

OUTINGS

CHILVERS COTON, WARWICKS

The annual outing on July 11th was much enjoyed by ringers and friends from Bulkington and Coventry, as well as by our own band. We rang at Gloucester Cathedral, where we were pleased to meet Mr. W. T. Cox, late of Coventry. We did not show to the best advantage here as the bells were much heavier than those to which we are accustomed.

Tea in the hall of St. Mary-de-Crypt's was prepared by ladies of the parish and, although we arrived in twos and threes, some being half-an-hour late due to a misunderstanding about the location of the hall, we all did full justice to a very nice meal. Votes of thanks were accorded the ladies who had provided it, and to Mr. Leslie Barry who had made the local arrangements.

We rang next on the eight bells of St. Mary-de-Crypt's, and felt that we did ourselves justice there. On to Evesham, where we were welcomed by Mr. Roger Savory in the absence of Mr. Geoff. Hemming. The clapper of the treble bell being tied, and no key being found for the belfry door to gain access to the bells, we contented ourselves by ringing ten bells. Half a course of Cambridge Royal went well, as did Kent Treble Bob Royal, Grandsire and Stedman Caters came round in fine style but not so the London Surprise Major on the back eight.

Dinner at the Northwyck Arms Hotel followed the ringing, and a social hour of impromptu entertainment proved most hilarious. Geoff. Hemming and son Gerald had by this time put in an appearance and gave us tunes on handbells, as well as yarns which convulsed the listeners.

We reached Coton after midnight, having enjoyed a very full and memorable 12 hours.

D. E. B.

WATFORD, HERTS

Watford ringers and friends started their annual outing on August 15th with ringing at Little Munden, where they were met by Arthur Phillips. It was also pleasing to see Canon Thorpe again, one-time rector of St. Mary's, Watford. Good use was made of the pleasant six, and methods rung ranged from Grandsire Doubles to Cambridge Surprise.

Owing to poor navigation, the visitors were late arriving at Finchfield (Essex), and ringing was curtailed to plain courses, including one of Cambridge Surprise Major. They then continued to Saffron Walden for an excellent lunch at the Abbey Hotel, but were unable to sample the ring of 12 because of a wedding.

At Trumpington (Cams) Miss Kitty Willers welcomed the party, and the eight by Taylor proved the highlight of the day. Although a touch of Spiced refused to come round, a course of London—among other things—somewhat made up for it. After a satisfying repast at the Chaise and Pair, Barkway, the ringers proceeded to the tower, and touches rung included Spiced, Bristol and Bob Major. Mr. Bysouth also joined in the ringing. They continued to Norton and were greeted by Miss Sanderson. The light eight were put to good use, and two touches of Stedman and a course of Yorkshire were rung. Thanks are due to incumbents for the use of their bells, and also to Steve Hoare for arranging a most enjoyable day.

B. B. H.

LATE NOTICE

DEVON GUILD.—Exeter Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Upton Pyne, Saturday, Sept. 12th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15 p.m. 4831

QUARTER PEALS

APPLETON BERKS.—On July 23rd, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: J. M. Parsons 1, G. Holifield 2, W. R. White 3, G. Bishop 4, F. Messenger 5, F. White 6, A. H. Webb 7, B. R. White (cond.) 8, F. C. White 9, E. Drewitt 10. For the induction of Dr. A. Tyndal Hart as Rector.

ASSTEAD, SURREY.—On July 8th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Marilyn Gibbs 1, Geraldine Piper (first of Triples 'inside') 2, Kathleen Beasley 3, Diana Prynn 4, T. Lewis 5, B. Piper 6, J. Hayns (cond.) 7, H. H. Hayns 8. For the silver wedding of Mr. J. T. Symonds (tower captain) and Mrs. Symonds.

BALDOCK, HERTS.—On July 2nd, 1,280 Bristol Surprise Major: J. Dear 1, P. Hutton (first in method) 2, C. Harwood 3, L. Scoot 4, D. Sutcliffe 5, A. Leggett 6, E. Buck 7, R. Castledine (cond.) 8. For the patronal festival.

BARKING, ESSEX.—On July 29th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: H. Sherwood (first in method) 1, A. W. Beard 2, V. Hester 3, D. Mitchell 4, C. Wilmington 5, S. J. Holgate 6, F. V. Gant (cond.) 7, E. Lucas 8. For the institution of Prebendary John Denis Wakeling, M.C., M.A., to the benefice of St. Margaret's, Barking.

CANNOCK, STAFFS.—On July 25th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles (with 4, 6, 8 covering): K. Abel (first quarter) 1, H. Butler, jun., 2, W. Benton 3, T. Fowell 4, A. Armstrong 5, Miss J. Ansell (longest length) 6, G. Bradbury (cond.) 7, H. Butler 8. In honour of the wedding of Joyce Irene Borley, eldest daughter of Mr. E. Borley, a local ringer, to William Stewart, of Glasgow.

CAPE TOWN.—On July 5th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: V. Sheppard 1, R. Law 2, L. Hewitt 3, J. Riley 4, W. Smith (cond.) 5, W. Abraham 6, O. Lamb 7, J. Ernsten 8. For Evensong on the centenary of the church. A farewell to W. Abraham.

CHIDDINGFOLD, SURREY.—On July 26th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Joan Beeson 1, O. L. Warner 2, A. V. Queen 3, R. Cooper 4, J. P. McDermott (cond.) 5, A. Edwards 6. Rung on the 80th birthday of Mr. Humphrey Bowman, Rector's warden.

CHISLEHURST, KENT.—At the Church of the Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, on July 25th, 1,280 Spliced Surprise Major (480 Bristol, 320 London, 160 each Rutland and Superlative, 96 Yorkshire, 64 Cambridge, with 31 changes of method): Miss I. Inman 1, G. Pearson 2, Miss J. Beresford 3, I. H. Oram (cond.) 4, J. R. Cooper 5, T. Cullingworth 6, R. Bird 7, B. D. Threlfall 8. First of Spliced on the bells. Rung for the Feast of St. James, and as a compliment to Leslie W. Inman and Margaret Schollon, two local ringers, on their engagement.

CHORLEY, LANCs.—On July 18th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: J. H. Gartside 1, S. Walmsley 2, T. Barker 3, J. Pilkington 4, N. Smith 5, B. A. Tomlinson 6, C. Crosswaite (cond.) 7, L. Walmsley 8.

COMPTON DANDO, SOMERSET.—On July 7th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: J. Naish 1, Hilda Kimber 2, S. J. Orman 3, Josephine M. Haskins (first of Minor) 4, R. M. Virgin (first of Minor) 5, J. W. Owen (cond.) 6.

CROYDON, SURREY.—On Aug. 2nd, at the Church of St. John-the-Baptist, 1,260 Stedman Triples: Miss H. Talbot 1, Mrs. W. F. Oatway 2, Mrs. P. G. Humphries 3, F. E. Mitchell 4, R. G. Abbott 5, W. F. Oatway 6, N. G. T. Steere (first of Stedman as cond.) 7, P. G. Humphries 8.

DARTFORD, KENT.—On July 20th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: G. Clarke 1, C. Jones 2, Mrs. D. Hall 3, R. Rayfield 4, T. Easterby 5, S. Ball (cond.) 6, A. Hall 7, D. Hall 8. A compliment to Miss Janet Ball (of the local band), daughter of the conductor, and niece of the second ringer, on attaining her 21st birthday.

DERBY.—At St. Andrew's Church, on July 16th, 1,277 Grandsire Caters: A. R. Pocklington 1, G. Halls 2, C. Walklate 3, D. Walklate 4, F. R. Lowe 5, G. Freebrey (cond.) 6, P. Bellamy-Knight 7, C. Walklate 8, M. Blore 9, S. Walklate 10. Also on July 23rd, 1,280 Cambridge Surprise Major: J. K. Smith 1, S. Walklate 2, Mrs. G. Halls (cond.) 3, G. Freebrey 4, D. W. Brunning 5, D. Walklate 6, P. Bellamy-Knight 7, G. Halls 8.

GREAT HALE, Lincs.—On Aug. 10th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: H. A. Williams 1, Daphne P. Brown (14) 2, A. Bird (14) 3, E. A. Cole 4, R. Brown (cond.) 5, G. T. Brown 6. First quarter for 3, 5 and 6.

GREAT DALBY, LEICS.—On July 25th, 1,260 Doubles (St. Simon's, Reverse St. Bartholomew, Reverse Canterbury, Plain Bob, April Day and Grand-sire): W. Ward 1, A. E. Hinman 2, H. T. Bonshor (cond.) 3, Miss R. Tyler 4, C. E. Cooper 5. For the wedding of Miss Mary Chandler and Mr. Barry Queenboro.

HANDSWORTH, WARWICKS.—On July 26th, 1,296 Cambridge Surprise Minor: A. R. Crump 1, Miss D. J. Perrins 2, I. D. Thompson 3, R. H. C. Johnson 4, J. A. Acres 5, A. N. Stubbs (cond.) 6. First in method for 1, 3, 4 and 6.

HARLOW, ESSEX.—On July 21st, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: E. Elliott 1, F. Whitby 2, V. Tipton 3, W. Wheeler 4, S. Clark 5, J. Alely 6, R. Young 7, L. Whitby (cond.) 8. Rung in affectionate remembrance of Charles Tucker, who for many years was captain of the band and who passed away on July 15th.

HASTINGS, SUSSEX.—At Christ Church, Blacklands, on July 12th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Mrs. J. Downing 1, Mrs. A. Levett 2, Miss M. A. Wilson 3, Miss J. M. Downing 4, A. Levett 5, J. Downing (cond.) 6, E. F. P. Bryant 7, A. Jackson 8. For the baptism of Neil Timothy, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Price. Also on July 19th, 1,259 Grandsire Triples: Miss A. Godfrey 1, Miss M. A. Wilson 2, Miss J. M. Downing 3, E. F. P. Bryant (cond.) 4, A. A. Price 5, J. Downing 6, A. Jackson 7, B. Skinner 8. Rung for the 78th anniversary of the dedication.

HEAVITREE, DEVON.—On July 16th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: N. Mallett (cond.) 1, F. Wills 2, B. Thompson 3, C. Yates 4, E. Glass 5, G. Skinner 6, F. Wreford 7, A. Mitchell 8. A 21st birthday compliment to Heather Royal, daughter of the Vicar of Heavitree; also birthday compliments to Mrs. A. Michel and F. Wills (captain of St. Boniface).

HELLINGLY, SUSSEX.—On Aug. 10th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Diane Kenward (13, first quarter) 1, Sybil Tonkin 2, Laura Beency 3, G. Beency 4, F. Beency (cond.) 5, Judith Funnell 6. A 21st birthday compliment to both the conductor and David Kenward, brother of the ringer of 1.

HERSHAM, SURREY.—On Aug. 6th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: E. Pizley 1, Mrs. P. Bird 2, C. N. Chinnery 3, D. Brock 4, D. Boniface 5, H. Colcombe 6, J. King (cond.) 7, D. Scott 8. Rung half-muffled in memory of Frederick Shephard, of Sunbury and Hershams, who was interred on the following day at Sunbury.

HEYWOOD, LANCs.—On July 5th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor (with 6, 8 covering): A. Ward 1, G. Dyson 2, J. P. Partington 3, G. Rothwell (first 'inside') 4, R. Maher 5, B. Cole (first quarter) 6, G. S. Mills (cond.) 7, K. Abbott 8. For the Sunday School anniversary.

HONITON, DEVON.—On Aug. 16th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: C. Manley 1, A. Hodge 2, G. Coombe 3, A. Crabb 4, W. Webb (cond.) 5, T. Clouston 6. For morning service.

ISLEWORTH, MIDDLEX.—On Aug. 10th, 1,277 Grandsire Caters: L. Way (first quarter) 1, Mrs. O. L. Rogers 2, W. G. Wilson 3, Miss F. Greaves (first of Caters) 4, Mrs. K. F. Parr 5, C. H. Rogers 6, S. J. Way 7, J. Mudd 8, H. W. Rogers (cond.) 9, Miss B. Humphrey 10. First quarter on ten for 6, 7 and 10. Rung half-muffled in memoriam Mrs. Edgeley, an old and faithful member of the church and wife of a former churchwarden.

KEMERTON, GLOS.—On Aug. 2nd, 1,260 Doubles (April Day, Grandsire, Plain Bob, Reverse St. Bartholomew): E. T. Newbury (cond.) 1, A. Pulley 2, F. Wood 3, C. Brazier 4, D. Devereux 5, F. Trotman 6. Rung before morning service to welcome the new Rector (the Rev. E. C. C. Price).

KEMPSTON, BEDS.—On Aug. 4th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: K. Hutching 1, C. Gilbert 2, Myra Gilbert 3, W. Izzard 4, Pearl Inskip (cond.) 5, C. Izzard 6, L. Turner (covering) 7. For the silver wedding of Mr. and Mrs. George Hutching.

KNOWLE, WARWICKS.—On Aug. 5th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Helen M. Thacker 1, M. S. Hart (cond.) 2, Judith Gwilt 3, Pamela M. Turner 4, R. Warburton 5, J. K. Foot 6, M. C. Hughes 7, R. D. Henebury 8. First of Triples 1, 3, 4 and 7. A farewell to the ringer of 3.

LINTON, HEREFORDS.—On Aug. 1st, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss J. Dunning (first quarter) 1, Miss A. Evans 2, R. Stephens 3, T. Stephens 4, J. Alsop (cond.) 5, J. Jeaynes 6.

LYDNEY, GLOS.—On Aug. 6th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: A. C. Berry (first quarter) 1, R. E. Scudamore 2, B. D. Sims (first as cond.) 3, W. F. Scudamore 4, R. I. Thomas 5, G. T. Horritt 6. An engagement compliment to Mr. H. Taysom and Miss Janice Organ.

NUTFIELD, SURREY.—On Aug. 3rd, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Rosemary Blyth (12) 1, D. Herschell 2, G. D. Robinson 3, W. Parrott 4, N. D. J. Webb (cond.) 5, J. Munton 6. First quarter for 1, 2 and 6. Rung by members of Christ Church, Epsom, band.

PETERSFIELD, HANTS.—On Aug. 3rd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: B. C. Kercher (first quarter) 1, K. Tipper 2, K. Sansom (first quarter) 3, D. Hughes (first quarter) 4, J. F. M. Maybrey (cond.) 5, N. H. Bassett 6.

STAFFORD.—On Aug. 9th, at the Church of St. Mary, 1,260 Stedman Triples: F. R. Wiggan 1, R. J. Warrilow, jun., 2, Miss S. K. Seery 3, E. Malin 4, R. K. Mowforth 5, A. E. Garbett 6, R. J. Warrilow (cond.) 7, F. Eley 8. For morning service and as a farewell compliment to Miss Seery.

STRATTON, CORNWALL.—On July 30th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: H. Stacey 1, C. Sangwin 2, Miss M. Prockson 3, C. Taylor 4, B. Perkins 5, M. H. Sinden (cond.) 6, W. Prockson 7, R. Sanders 8. Rung for the opening of the annual church fete.

THURLBY, Lincs.—On July 6th, 1,260 Doubles (720 Grandsire, 540 Plain Bob): C. Broughton (first quarter) 1, C. Wade (cond.) 2, W. Oldman 3, A. Wade 4, T. Courton 5. Rung to the memory of Edmund Stevenson, for many years a ringer at this church, interred this day.

USK, MON.—On Aug. 2nd, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: D. G. Clift (cond.) 1, D. Hughes 2, E. W. Luff 3, G. Knight 4, F. Hobbs 5, G. Hawkins 6, L. Jones 7, N. Biddiscombe (first quarter) 8. Rung at the request of church authorities before a presentation service marking the silver wedding of the Vicar (the Rev. D. I. Jones, M.A.).

WALPOLE ST. ANDREW, NORFOLK.—On June 15th, 1,260 Minor (720 Cambridge, 540 Spliced Oxford and Kent): H. Follen 1, S. G. Eley 2, J. Fox 3, W. W. Cousins 4, E. H. Mastin (cond.) 5, C. Cousins 6.

WALPOLE ST. PETER, NORFOLK.—On June 28th, 1,260 Minor (720 York, 360 Cambridge, 180 Plain Bob): H. Follen 1, S. G. Eley 2, J. Fox 3, W. W. Cousins 4, E. H. Mastin (cond.) 5, C. Cousins 6. A compliment to Mr. F. Elmer, who was admitted a lay reader, June 15th, 1929.

WALTHAMSTOW, ESSEX.—On Aug. 9th, 1,280 Plain Bob Major: F. C. Maynard 1, P. D. Chapman (first 'inside' in method) 2, H. Rumens 3, G. Battell (first in method) 4, D. Hewitt 5, F. W. Sykes 6, A. J. N. Boyack 7, T. Hawkins (cond.) 8. For Evensong.

UPLYME, DEVON.—On Aug. 15th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: F. Parr 1, C. Webb (cond.) 2, A. Hodge 3, W. Sparks 4, Rev. Preb. E. V. Cox 5, W. Webb 6. First quarter on the bells since they were rehung.

WATFORD, HERTS.—On Aug. 2nd, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: B. B. Hullah (first away from tenor) 1, R. D. Bell (first 'inside') 2, S. H. Hoare 3, R. G. Smith 4, S. F. Dolley 5, R. G. Bell (cond.) 6, G. W. Seaman 7, M. Howard (first quarter) 8. For Evensong and to mark the occasion of the wedding the previous day of Peter E. Pratt and Pamela D. Lyle.

WEST RETFORD, NOTTS.—On July 12th, 1,260 Minor (720 Single Oxford, 540 Plain Bob): C. Scott 1, Jill Eason (first in two methods) 2, Valerie Waterfield 3, T. Randall 4, D. McNeil 5, R. Hobbs (cond.) 6. For Evensong, also as a compliment to the ringers of 3 and 6 on their engagement.

WEST WICKHAM, KENT.—On July 26th, 1,440 Kent Treble Bob Minor: W. A. Hughes 1, A. B. Skinner 2, L. W. G. Skinner 3, J. Faircloth 4, A. S. Richards (cond.) 5, A. Mace 6. First of Treble Bob for 2 and 4.

WISBECH, CAMBS.—On Aug. 5th, at St. Mary's, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: G. Burrows 1, E. Shippey 2, Miss D. Green 3, A. Gower 4, L. Harvey 5, J. Bird (first as cond.) 6. First quarter for 1 and 2. Rung half-muffled in memoriam the Rev. F. C. Woodhouse, whose funeral took place this day.

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