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UNDERSTANDING

The other man's viewpoint is constantly being exemplified. In the field of international politics some regard it as the basis of world peace; in industry it is the starting point towards team spirit; and among the all sorts and conditions of men who go towards forming the Church it is one of the secrets of unity. For example, the question might be asked, What is the price of coal? £4 a ton or more might be the answer. Through other spectacles the price is the mining village, the miners' homes, the conditions under which they live and work and the fatherless children.

True understanding will only be reached when we see the other side of the picture. The principle applies with equal force to ringers and parsons. Ringers are frequently reminded of their duty to the Church, and it is right that such talks and, if necessary, admonitions should be given. On the other hand mutual understanding will only be achieved if the parson succeeds in understanding the outlook of those in the belfry. The Rev. C. Carew Cox, in his notes as Master of the Salisbury Diocesan Guild, makes a timely observation on this subject. He writes:—

'I do want to appeal especially for a knowledgeable backing of their ringers' work by the clergy generally, and would dare to suggest that the incumbent of every affiliated tower should become at least an honorary member of the Guild, if not a ringer. Also, that he should, whenever possible, accompany his ringers to the quarterly and annual meetings of the branches. The proceedings at the business meetings do help to widen interest and give some insight into the technicalities of ringing, and every parish priest should qualify himself to some extent to appreciate the prowess of his ringers beyond just thinking of them, perhaps, as pulling the bells.'

There is a school of thought which advocates that affairs in the belfry go sweeter without the presence of the incumbent. We do not subscribe to that view. Ringers desire to rank as servants of the Church in the same manner as the choir, and they need their priest just as much as any other section of Church workers. Their pride in service to the Church takes a different footing if it is understood that it is not the mere 'pulling of bells.' The Gospel for St. Bartholomew's Day has this telling phrase: 'They that exercise authority upon them are called bene-

factors.' Yes we ringers want our priests to be benefactors—not in the financial sense, but in the spiritual sense; and the basis of benefaction is doubly increased when it is given with understanding.

TWELVE BELL PEAL

LEICESTER.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thurs., Aug. 21, 1947, in 3 Hours and 50 Minutes,

AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN,

A PEAL OF YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAXIMUS, 5280 CHANGES;

Tenor 25 cwt.

ERNEST MORRIS ... <i>Treble</i>	REDVERS F. ELKINGTON ... 7
HAROLD J. POOLE ... 2	LESLIE W. G. MORRIS ... 8
MRS. H. J. POOLE ... 3	SIDNEY O. CHENEY ... 9
ERNEST W. RAWSON ... 4	HERRICK B. BOWLEY ... 10
HARRY G. WAYNE ... 5	WILLIAM J. ROOT ... 11
SHIRLEY BURTON ... 6	JOSEPH T. DYKE ... <i>Tenor</i>

Conducted by HAROLD J. POOLE.

* First peal of Yorkshire Surprise Maximus.

TEN BELL PEALS

HULL, YORKSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Thurs., Aug. 21, 1947, in 3 Hours and 30 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5057 CHANGES;

Tenor 25 cwt. 2 qr. 18 lb. in D.

BERNARD MOODY ... <i>Treble</i>	CLEMENT GLENN ... 6
THOMAS H. TAFFENDER ... 2	RONALD H. DOVE ... 7
GEORGE F. WILLIAMS ... 3	DAVID VINCENT ... 8
JOHN H. LENTON ... 4	*BERT SUTTON ... 9
GEORGE DOWLING ... 5	LEONARD RODMELL ... <i>Tenor</i>

Composed and Conducted by CLEMENT GLENN.

* First peal on ten bells.

BURTON-ON-TRENT, STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD.

On Fri., Aug. 22, 1947, in 3 Hours and 18 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5003 CHANGES;

Tenor 29 cwt.

*HAROLD HARRISON ... <i>Treble</i>	†SIDNEY D. AINGER ... 6
JOSEPH T. DYKE ... 2	*EDWIN H. NASH ... 7
†WILLIAM J. LEACH ... 3	SIDNEY H. JONES ... 8
BARNABAS G. KEY ... 4	†GEORGE J. RODEN ... 9
GORDON HARRISON ... 5	EDWARD H. WHITE ... <i>Tenor</i>

Composed by J. CARTER. Conducted by BARNABAS G. KEY.

* First peal on ten. † First peal of Grandsire Caters. ‡ First peal of Caters 'inside.' Rung in honour of Princess Margaret's 17th birthday. J. T. Dyke's 600th peal.

EIGHT BELL PEALS

HETHERSETT, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Fri., Aug. 15, 1947, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. REMIGIUS,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5168 CHANGES;

Tenor 9 cwt. 74 lb. in G.

WALTER C. MEDLER ... <i>Treble</i>	LESLIE W. HOUGHTON ... 5
CYRIL J. BURNS ... 2	HENRY TOOKE ... 6
NOLAN GOLDEN ... 3	CEDRIC CURSON ... 7
GEORGE SAYER ... 4	WILLIAM CLOVER ... <i>Tenor</i>

Composed and Conducted by NOLAN GOLDEN.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.

THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Fri., Aug. 15, 1947, in 3 Hours and 18 Minutes,

AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5162 CHANGES;

Tenor 23 cwt. 3 qr. 8 lb. in D.

CHAS. W. R. GRIMWOOD ... <i>Treble</i>	FREDK. A. MUNDAY ... 5
ALFRED H. PULLING ... 2	WALTER H. DOBBIE ... 6
WILLIAM J. ROBINSON ... 3	HAROLD A. MAY ... 7
HAROLD F. WOOD ... 4	TONY PRICE ... <i>Tenor</i>

Composed by A. KNIGHTS. Conducted by ALFRED H. PULLING.

Arranged and rung to commemorate the second VJ-Day.

WROTHAM, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Aug. 16, 1947, in 3 Hours and 15 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GEORGE,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 20 cwt. 10 lb.

E. S. JOHN HATCHER ... <i>Treble</i>	*LEONARD C. WELLS ... 5
*MARGARET E. GREEN ... 2	*REGINALD L. SILLS ... 6
†EDNA M. SILLS ... 3	PETER C. WRIGHT ... 7
†COLIN F. MILLS ... 4	‡ROBERT PALMER ... <i>Tenor</i>

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD. Conducted by PETER C. WRIGHT.

* First peal of Major and first in the method. † First peal. ‡ First peal in the method. In honour of the fifth wedding anniversary of Dr. and Mrs. E. S. J. Hatcher.

HANDSWORTH, BIRMINGHAM.

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

On Sat., Aug. 16, 1947, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF BELGRAVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 12 cwt.

EDGAR C. SHEPHERD ... <i>Treble</i>	ALAN F. THIRST ... 5
ARTHUR D. COOK ... 2	G. WILLIAM CRITCHLEY ... 6
JOHN S. WALTON ... 3	HENRY H. FEARN ... 7
JOHN PINFOLD ... 4	GEORGE E. FEARN ... <i>Tenor</i>

Composed by C. W. ROBERTS. Conducted by GEORGE E. FEARN.

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

ILKESTON, DERBYSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(Sheffield District Society.)

On Sat., Aug. 16, 1947, in 3 Hours and 6 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5152 CHANGES;

Tenor 17 cwt. 9 lb. in E.

EDWARD C. GOBEY ... <i>Treble</i>	LEONARD TREVOR ... 5
F. BERNARD DITCHER ... 2	ARTHUR FIRTH ... 6
W. ERIC CRITCHLEY ... 3	EDWARD F. GOBEY ... 7
J. EDWARD CAWSEY ... 4	JOHN E. TURLEY ... <i>Tenor</i>

Composed by A. KNIGHTS. Conducted by J. EDWARD CAWSEY.

First peal in the method on the bells. In honour of the 70th anniversary of Mr. E. C. Gobeys' birthday and his granddaughter's 12th.

ECKINGTON, DERBYSHIRE.

THE DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION AND THE SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.

On Sat., Aug. 16, 1947, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 16½ cwt.

WALTER ALLWOOD ... <i>Treble</i>	GORDON C. BRIGGS ... 5
JOSEPH SAXTON ... 2	HERBERT ROOK ... 6
HAROLD WAGSTAFFE ... 3	LESLIE W. BACON ... 7
CYRIL WRIGHT ... 4	G. GORDON GRAHAM ... <i>Tenor</i>

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD. Conducted by G. C. BRIGGS

First peal as conductor.

CHESTER.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Aug. 16, 1947, in 3 Hours and 30 Minutes,

AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. WERBURGH,

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

Tenor 29 cwt. 3 qr. in C.

PERCY SWINDLEY ... <i>Treble</i>	WALTER ALLMAN ... 5
JOHN W. GRIFFITHS ... 2	JAMES S. WEBB ... 6
JOHN HAYES ... 3	HARRY PYE ... 7
JOHN E. BIBBY ... 4	A. PATRICK CANNON ... <i>Tenor</i>

Composed by A. P. HEYWOOD. Conducted by A. P. CANNON.

MARKET HARBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Aug. 16, 1947, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. DIONYSIUS,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 18 cwt. 3 qr. 5 lb.

HARRY BAXTER ... <i>Treble</i>	CHARLES W. BIRD ... 5
BRIAN AUSTIN ... 2	B. D. J. SADDINGTON ... 6
RAYMOND H. IDLE ... 3	PATRICK I. CHAPMAN ... 7
WILLIAM HECTOR ... 4	GEOFFREY E. WATSON ... <i>Tenor</i>

Composed by J. E. BURTON. Conducted by G. E. WATSON.

CAMBORNE, CORNWALL. — On August 13th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: R. C. James 1, H. Miles 2, Miss J. E. Withey 3, Rev. A. S. Roberts (conductor) 4, W. J. Sanders 5, W. A. Darlington 6, E. Sanders 7, D. J. Whear 8. First quarter of Triples by 1, 3, 6 and 8.

SOBERTON, HAMPSHIRE.
THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Aug 16, 1947, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes,
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,
A PEAL OF NEW CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;
 Tenor 13 cwt. 1 qr. 24 lb.
 HAROLD A. NOBES ... *Treble* | CHARLES E. BASSETT ... 5
 JOHN H. HUNT ... 2 | TOWER R. TAYLOR ... 6
 *TOM PAGE ... 3 | FREDERICK W. ROGERS... 7
 ERNEST J. MUNDAY ... 4 | FREDERICK W. BURNETT. *Tenor*
 Composed by C. H. HATTERSLEY. Conducted by F. W. ROGERS.
 * First peal of New Cambridge.

HARMSTON, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Aug. 16, 1947, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes,
 AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANCES;
 Tenor 12 cwt.
 *CHARLES BROWN ... *Treble* | †HERBERT LOWMAN ... 5
 †MISS BETTY BROWN ... 2 | KENNETH W. MAYER ... 6
 KENNETH S. B. CROFT... 3 | †CYRIL WARD ... 7
 †ARCHER T. LOWMAN ... 4 | JACK L. MILLHOUSE ... *Tenor*
 Composed by T. B. WORSLEY. Conducted by J. L. MILLHOUSE.
 * First peal on eight bells. † First peal of Superlative Surprise Major. First peal of Superlative Surprise Major as conductor.

DISS, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sun., Aug. 17, 1947, in 3 Hours and 6 Minutes,
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;
 Tenor 23 cwt. 2 qr. 28 lb.
 ALBERT G. HARRISON ... *Treble* | ERIC G. BENNETT ... 5
 SYLVIA R. E. PIPE ... 2 | GEORGE A. FLEMING ... 6
 ALBERT E. WHITING ... 3 | LESLIE G. BRETT ... 7
 WILLIAM J. BUTTON ... 4 | LESLIE C. WIGHTMAN ... *Tenor*
 Composed by C. MIDDLETON. Conducted by L. C. WIGHTMAN.

DARLINGTON, CO. DURHAM.
THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Mon., Aug. 18, 1947, in 3 Hours and 6 Minutes,
 AT THE COLLEGIATE CHURCH OF ST. CUTHBERT,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;
 Thurstans' Five-part. Tenor 18 cwt. 14 lb.
 *JOHN COLLING ... *Treble* | †THOMAS W. DOBSON ... 5
 †BETTY LONGSTAFFE ... 2 | GEORGE F. NEWTON ... 6
 THOMAS SENIOR ... 3 | THOMAS COOKE ... 7
 W. NORMAN PARK ... 4 | LUCIAN VENUS... ... *Tenor*
 Conducted by W. NORMAN PARK.
 * First peal. † First peal in the method. A compliment to Mr. and Mrs. L. Venus for their 70th birthdays.

WARNHAM, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Wed., Aug. 20, 1947, in 3 Hours,
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;
 Tenor 14 cwt. 2 qr. 11 lb.
 WILLIAM J. ROBINSON ... *Treble* | H. WILLIAM BARRETT ... 5
 JANET MATTINSON ... 2 | CHAS. W. R. GRIMWOOD ... 6
 ALFRED H. PULLING ... 3 | HERBERT G. ANDREWS ... 7
 EDGAR R. RAPLEY ... 4 | HAROLD A. MAY ... *Tenor*
 Composed by G. H. CROSS. Conducted by HAROLD A. MAY.
 First peal of Major as conductor.

CALVERLEY, YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Wed., Aug. 20, 1947, in 3 Hours and 2 Minutes,
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. WILFRED,
A PEAL OF LITTLE BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANCES;
 Tenor 10½ cwt.
 KATHLEEN HIGGINS ... *Treble* | †CLIFFORD BENN ... 5
 *JACK F. HODSON ... 2 | RONALD H. DOVE ... 6
 †PATRICIA BARTON ... 3 | GORDON BENFIELD ... 7
 †MOLLY AMBLER ... 4 | CLIFFORD A. VESSEY ... *Tenor*
 Composed by N. J. PITSTOW. Conducted by CLIFFORD A. VESSEY.
 * 25th peal. † First peal in the method.

BIRMINGHAM.
THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.
On Wed., Aug. 20, 1947, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,
 AT BISHOP RYDER'S CHURCH,
A PEAL OF LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;
 Tenor 12 cwt. 3 qr. 24 lb.
 LEONARD TUFFREY ... *Treble* | JOHN PINFOLD ... 5
 G. WILLIAM CRITCHLEY 2 | HENRY H. FEARN ... 6
 *PAUL K. WILLIAMSON... 3 | *FRANK E. HAYNES ... 7
 *THOMAS W. SHEPPARD... 4 | GEORGE E. FEARN ... *Tenor*
 Composed by H. LAW JAMES. Conducted by G. WM. CRITCHLEY.
 * First peal in the method.

WIMBORNE, DORSET.
THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Wed., Aug. 20, 1947, in 3 Hours and 17 Minutes,
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES;
 Tenor 17½ cwt.
 EDWARD F. M. SAMSON *Treble* | W. W. WOLSTENCROFT... 5
 MRS. F. J. MARSHALLSAY 2 | REV. R. F. R. ROUTH ... 6
 MARY E. DAVIS ... 3 | THOS. W. KIMBER ... 7
 DANIEL T. MATKIN ... 4 | ARTHUR V. DAVIS ... *Tenor*
 Composed by F. HOPGOOD. Conducted by ARTHUR V. DAVIS.

QUEENSBURY, YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Fri., Aug. 22, 1947, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes,
 AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANCES;
 Tenor 14½ cwt.
 HARRY WILDE ... *Treble* | WILLIAM BARTON ... 5
 GORDON BENFIELD ... 2 | JACK HODSON ... 6
 *PATRICIA E. M. BARTON 3 | WILLIAM AMBLER ... 7
 GEORGE R. NEWTON ... 4 | SAM LONGBOTTOM ... *Tenor*
 Composed by Sir A. P. HEYWOOD. Conducted by WM. BARTON.
 * First peal in the method.

GILMORTON, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Fri., Aug. 22, 1947, in 3 Hours and 1 Minute,
 AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,
A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5184 CHANCES;
 Tenor 10 cwt. 3 qr. 19 lb.
 HERRICK B. BOWLEY ... *Treble* | REDVERS F. ELKINGTON 5
 ALFRED BALLARD ... 2 | *NORMAN CHADDOCK ... 6
 ERNEST W. RAWSON ... 3 | HAROLD J. POOLE ... 7
 SHIRLEY BURTON ... 4 | J. FREDK. MILNER ... *Tenor*
 Composed by F. DENCH. Conducted by HAROLD J. POOLE.
 * First peal of London Surprise Major.

SIX BELL PEALS

CHIDWORTH, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Wed., Aug. 13, 1947, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes,
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;
 Seven different 720's. Tenor 11 cwt.
 CHARLES ROUSE ... *Treble* | . REV. NOEL E. HOPE ... 4
 MRS. J. THOMAS ... 2 | HERBERT KNIGHT ... 5
 JOHN THOMAS ... 3 | THOMAS W. TIMMS ... *Tenor*
 Conducted by JOHN THOMAS.
 First peal of Minor on the bells.

ALFORD, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thurs., Aug. 14, 1947, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes,
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. WILFRID,
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;
 Seven extents. Tenor 12½ cwt.
 MISS BETTY BROWN ... *Treble* | CHARLES BROWN ... 4
 *SAMUEL H. SUTTON ... 2 | BERNARD H. DALTON ... 5
 *KENNETH KETTERINGHAM 3 | WILLIAM E. CLARKE ... *Tenor*
 Conducted by WILLIAM E. CLARKE.



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TUTBURY, STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Tues., Aug. 19, 1947, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Seven different extents.

*MISS NOREEN BRAIN ... Treble	EDWIN H. NASH ... Tenor 11 cwt.
*MISS RHODA HEMMING ... 2	BARNABAS G. KEY ... 4
GORDON HARRISON ... 3	JOSEPH T. DYKE ... Tenor
Conducted by JOSEPH T. DYKE.	

* First peal of Minor. First peal on the bells since being augmented to six in 1934.

MARTIN, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

(Northern Branch.)

On Wed., Aug. 20, 1947, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being one extent each of Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob, Double Oxford, Double Court, Single Court, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob.

*ERNEST VICKERS ... Treble	†CHARLES BROWN ... Tenor 9½ cwt.
†BETTY BROWN ... 2	†JOHN A. FREEMAN ... 4
JOHN FREEMAN ... 3	FREDERICK W. STOKES Tenor
Conducted by FREDERICK W. STOKES.	

* First peal of Minor. † First peal in seven methods. First peal on the bells. Rung as a compliment to the Rev. J. T. Paddison, Vicar of the parish, who is shortly retiring.

PELSALL, STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Thurs., Aug. 21, 1947, in 2 Hours and 28 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS,

A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being twelve extents of Stedman, eight extents of Plain Bob and twenty-two extents of Grandsire. Tenor 7 cwt. 1 qr. 14 lb.

*ARTHUR G. NEWMAN ... Treble	†ARTHUR BOTTERILL ... 4
*GEORGE W. HUGHES ... 2	HOWARD HOWELL ... 5
†JAMES S. EASTWOOD ... 3	ARTHUR V. PEARSON ... Tenor
Conducted by HOWARD HOWELL.	

* First peal on tower bells. † First peal of Doubles in three methods. ‡ First peal in three methods. First peal in three methods as conductor.

TAYNTON, OXFORDSHIRE.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

(Burford Guild.)

On Fri., Aug. 22, 1947, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes.

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

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720's each called differently. Tenor 8 cwt. (approx.).

*THOS. H. J. PRINCE ... Treble	THOMAS W. TIMMS ... 4
†FRANK SODEN ... 2	BERNARD S. NICHOLS ... 5
FREDERICK W. SODEN ... 3	†WILLIAM J. DIXON ... Tenor
Conducted by BERNARD S. NICHOLS.	

* First attempt for a peal. † First attempt for a peal of Minor. First peal of Minor as conductor and first of Bob Minor. First peal on the augmented six, and believed the first peal ever rung in the tower.

WHITBOURNE, HEREFORDSHIRE.

THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Aug. 23, 1947, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes.

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

A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Comprising two 2.160's and one 720. Tenor 11½ cwt.

WILLIAM RANFORD ... Treble	REGINALD WOODYATT ... 4
GEORGE F. LARGE ... 2	*FREDK. A. MERRICK ... 5
*C. WILLIAM NUTT ... 3	†THOS. W. LEWIS ... Tenor
Conducted by GEORGE E. LARGE.	

* First peal in the Oxford Variation. † First of Oxford Treble Bob Minor.

WADENHOE, NORTHANTS.

THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sun., Aug. 24, 1947, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being two extents each of Single Oxford and Kent Treble Bob and three of Plain Bob. Tenor 7 cwt. 1 qr. 16 lb.

ARTHUR BELLAMY ... Treble	WALTER COPPERWHEAT ... 4
*ARTHUR GBBS ... 2	ERNEST E. WHITMORE ... 5
WILLIAM J. WHITMORE ... 3	JACK STUBBS ... Tenor
Conducted by JACK STUBBS.	

* First peal 'inside.' Rung in honour of the visit of the Lord Bishop of Peterborough.

HANDBELL PEALS

BOURNEMOUTH, HANTS.

THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sun., Aug. 17, 1947, in 2 Hours and 14 Minutes,

IN ST. PETER'S HALL,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Parker's Twelve-part. Tenor size 15 in C.

*MRS. F. J. MARSHALLSAY ... 1-2	ARTHUR V. DAVIS ... 5-6
WILLIAM G. YOUNG ... 3-4	MARY E. DAVIS ... 7-8
Conducted by MARY E. DAVIS.	

* 150th peal. First peal as conductor. A 17th birthday compliment to the conductor.

LEICESTER.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tues., Aug. 19, 1947, in 3 Hours and 7 Minutes.

IN THE CATHEDRAL BELFRY,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5007 CHANGES;

Tenor size 15 in C.

CHARLES MARSHALL ... 1-2	*ERNEST MORRIS ... 7-8
WALTER P. WHITEHEAD ... 3-4	HAROLD J. POOLE ... 9-10
ALFRED BALLARD ... 5-6	JOSIAH MORRIS ... 11-12
Composed by WALTER P. WHITEHEAD. Conducted by H. J. POOLE.	

* 50th peal of Stedman Cinques.

NUNEATON, WARWICKSHIRE.

THE COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thurs., Aug. 21, 1947, in 2 Hours and 33 Minutes.

AT 32, KING EDWARD ROAD,

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

*LEONARD TREVOR ... 1-2 †WILLIAM A. STOTT ... 5-6

*WALTER P. WHITEHEAD ... 3-4 *THOMAS W. SHEPPARD ... 7-8

Composed by W. P. WHITEHEAD. Conducted by T. W. SHEPPARD.

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

LINCOLN.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

(Northern Branch)

On Fri., Aug. 22, 1947, in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes.

AT 32, RUSKIN AVENUE,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5038 CHANGES;

Tenor size 15 in C.

*P. MICHAEL FREEMAN ... 1-2	KENNETH S. B. CROFT ... 5-6
†JOHN FREEMAN ... 3-4	JACK L. MILLHOUSE ... 7-8
†KENNETH W. MAYER ... 9-10	
Composed by REV. H. LAW JAMES. Conducted by J. FREEMAN.	

* First peal of Caters. † First peal of Grandsire Caters. ‡ First ten-bell peal 'in hand.'

LEICESTER.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tues., Aug. 26, 1947, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes.

IN THE CATHEDRAL BELFRY,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAXIMUS, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor size 15 in C.

PETER J. STANFORTH ... 1-2	WALTER P. WHITEHEAD ... 7-8
JILL POOLE ... 3-4	ALFRED BALLARD ... 9-10
HAROLD J. POOLE ... 5-6	ERNEST MORRIS ... 11-12
Composed by SAM WOOD. Conducted by HAROLD J. POOLE.	

First peal of Treble Bob Maximus on handbells by all, and first handbell peal on twelve bells by ringer of 1-2.

LEICESTER.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wed., Aug. 27, 1947, in 3 Hours and 9 Minutes.

IN ST. MARGARET'S BELFRY,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5999 CHANGES;

Tenor size 15 in C.

HAROLD J. POOLE ... 1-2	CHARLES MARSHALL ... 5-6
WALTER P. WHITEHEAD ... 3-4	*ERNEST MORRIS ... 7-8
JOSIAH MORRIS ... 9-10	
Composed and Conducted by WALTER P. WHITEHEAD.	

* 999th peal, with which the odd changes were specially composed to coincide.

LEICESTER.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thurs., Aug. 28, 1947, in 3 Hours.

UNDER THE TOWER IN ST. MARGARET'S CHURCH,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5019 CHANGES;

Tenor size 15 in C.

JILL POOLE ... 1-2	ERNEST MORRIS ... 7-8
WALTER P. WHITEHEAD ... 3-4	ALFRED BALLARD ... 9-10
HAROLD J. POOLE ... 5-6	JOSIAH MORRIS ... 11-12
Composed by ERNEST MORRIS. Conducted by HAROLD J. POOLE.	

1,000th peal by Ernest Morris. 100th peal of Stedman by Alfred Ballard.

BERRINGTON, SALOP.—On August 24th, at All Saints', 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Mrs. Noel Evans 1, Miss E. M. Duppa 2, S. Weir 3, W. H. Downes 4, W. H. Lloyd (conductor) 5, F. Owen 6. Rung half-muffled as a tribute to the Ringing Master, the late W. J. Beniams, Ludlow.

BIRMINGHAM.—On August 24th, at the Cathedral, 1,248 London Surprise Major: G. Wm. Critchley 1, Albert Walker 2, Sidney O'C. Holloway 3, John Pinfold 4, Henry H. Fearn 5, James F. Harvey 6, Frank E. Haynes 7, George E. Fearn (conductor) 8.

BRIISTOL.—On August 21st, in the belfry of SS. Philip and Jacob's Church, on handbells, 1,344 Bob Major: Miss A. Brown 1-2, T. Harris 3-4, E. J. Brown (conductor) 5-6, R. C. Seager 7-8.

BURLESCOMBE, DEVON.—At Higher Eastbrook Farm on Friday, August 15th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles, on handbells: G. Walford 1-2, W. Stevens (conductor) 3-4, Miss G. Stevens 5-6. First quarter as conductor and first quarter on handbells by ringers of 1-2 and 5-6.

COUND, SALOP.—On August 23rd, at St. Peter's, 1,260 Doubles, being 240 Plain Bob, 240 April Day, 780 Grandsire: E. Hill 1, Miss R. J. Lloyd (first quarter inside) 2, P. J. L. Purslow (conductor) 3, F. Owen 4, C. E. Edwards 5, E. Garbett 6. Rung half-muffled as a tribute to the late W. J. Beniams, Ringing Master, Ludlow District.

EASTBOURNE, SUSSEX.—At St. Mary's Church on August 23rd, 1,312 Double Norwich Court Bob Major: H. G. F. Reynolds 1, R. Pankhurst 2, A. M. Humphrey 3, Frank Bennett (conductor) 4, F. Perrins 5, F. Dallaway 6, A. Levett 7, H. Stalham 8. First quarter in the method for the ringers of 2 and 3. Also at St. Saviour's Church on August 24th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: R. Percy 1, F. Waymark 2, R. Pankhurst 3, E. Gower 4, G. Beeny 5, H. G. F. Reynolds 6, F. Dallaway (conductor) 7, C. H. Gatland 8.

QUARTER PEALS

EGHAM, SURREY.—On August 24th, 1,280 Bob Major: Miss N. E. Shorter 1, W. C. Parker 2, E. W. Butler 3, W. Shepherd (conductor) 4, E. Armstrong 5, R. C. Knight (Cambridge) 6, J. B. Hessey 7, R. Lathbury 8.

FAIRWARP, SUSSEX.—At Christ Church on August 9th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: P. Davis 1, J. Petrott 2, T. Blow 3, W. Brownett 4, J. Hayward 5, Miss E. George 6, H. Simmons (conductor) 7, F. Jones 8.

GRESSENHALL, NORFOLK.—On August 24th, at St. Mary's, a quarter-peal of Bob Minor half-muffled as a tribute to the late Mr. John Godfrey: G. Chambers 1, G. P. Adams 2, R. Bunning 3, G. Bunning 4, A. J. Smalls 5, B. Gogle (conductor) 6.

GOSBERTON, LINCS.—At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul on August 23rd, 1,260 Plain Bob: H. Brooks, sen. 1, R. Sellars 2, N. Hutcheson 3, W. Worthington 4, Fred Payne 5, H. Bennett (conductor) 6. Rung on the birthday of the conductor.

HUGHENDEN, BUCKS.—On Sunday, Aug. 31st, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: J. Cape (first quarter) 1, R. Biggs 2, D. Cox 3, A. J. James 4, A. Heywood 5, W. Lee 6, P. Newton (conductor) 7, V. Evans 8.

KEYNSHAM, SOMERSET.—On Sunday, August 24th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: C. Beal 1, L. Ellis 2, A. P. Cannon (conductor) 3, T. Harris 4, C. J. Ford 5, F. Day 6, J. Owen 7, T. Veale 8.

LONG BUCKBY, RUGBY.—On August 23rd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: V. Perry 1, P. Amos 2, S. Osborne 3, J. Webb 4, E. Orland (first quarter as conductor) 5. Rung for the patronal festival.

MABLETHORPE, LINCS.—On August 29th, 1,440 Treble Bob Minor (720 Oxford, 720 Kent): Dorothy Clark 1, Peggy G. Kitchen 2, Christine Dunnington 3, G. A. Olliffe 4, J. Bramley 5, G. H. Dunnington (first as conductor) 6. First in method for 1, 2, 3 and 6.

POWICK, WORCS.—On August 17th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: I. Cook 1, J. F. Harvey 2, G. Cook 3, G. J. Lewis (conductor) 4, H. Cole 5, F. Hyde 6.

PLYMPTON ST. MAURICE, DEVON.—On August 24th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: A. Cawse (first quarter) 1, R. A. Southwood 2, Mary Jaycock 3, D. G. Rice 4, W. G. Lavers (conductor) 5, G. W. Lavers 6.

SANDHURST, BERKS.—On August 24th, 1,200 Grandsire Doubles (10 callings): G. Searle 1, W. J. Parker (conductor) 2, L. Paice 3, J. Parker 4, C. Barlow 5, F. Purvey 6. First quarter by 1 and 6.

SHIPLAKE, OXON.—On August 17th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: A. Jemmett 1, E. Smith 2, G. Cleave 3, W. Avery (first quarter) 4, E. Nash (conductor) 5, P. Aldridge 6, M. Tanner 7, A. Shepherd 8. Golden wedding compliment to Mr. and Mrs. Dougal, who were married at this church, and sister to Mr. O. Porter, foreman of the Shiplake ringers.

SOUTHPORT, LANCS.—At Emmanuel Church on August 17th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: W. Sumner 1, H. Wright 2, J. Sumner 3, Betty Sumner 4, E. Sumner 5, E. Raynor 6, N. Heaps (conductor) 7, Ernest Sumner 8. First quarter of Grandsire Triples for all except N. Heaps and E. Raynor, who come from Bradford.

SHAW-CUM-DONNINGTON, BERKS.—On August 30th, 1,440 Treble Bob Minor, Kent and Oxford, also 720 Double Oxford: M. Rosin 1, S. F. Tuffley 2, Miss Stella Davis 3, G. Davis 4, R. F. Crook 5, R. W. Rex (conductor) 6. Rung as a farewell compliment to Mr. W. A. D. Morris, for many years schoolmaster, organist and choirmaster in the parish.

WISBECH, CAMBS.—On Aug. 24th, at the Church of SS. Peter and Paul, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: G. Duffield 1, W. Jarvis 2, F. Wigmore (conductor) 3, Miss Margaret Green 4, Miss Mary Whitlock 5, H. Piggins 6, W. Storey 7, W. Freeman 8, H. Means 9, F. Moyes 10. First quarter of Caters by 1 and 4.

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1911 by John Sparkes Goldsmith, who remained
its proprietor and editor until his death in 1942.*

The heartiest congratula-
tions of the Exercise will
go to Mr. Ernest Morris,
of Leicester, who, after 41 years of ringing,
reached the 1,000 peal mark last week. Mr.
H. J. Poole, the conductor, tells us that the
enthusiastic Morris insisted on getting the peal
rung before he, Poole, left for a holiday!

Seventeen-year-old Mary E. Davis has
reached 150 peals with the handbell peal of
Grandsire Triples at Bournemouth on August
17th, and incidentally her first as conductor.

The peal of Grandsire Caters at Burton-on-
Trent on August 22nd was Mr. J. T. Dyke's
600th peal. His first peal was rung at the
same tower 38 years ago.

'Old Joe,' the Leicester Rhythm King on
handbells, still retain his form, in spite of his
80 years, as he very forcibly demonstrated in
the recent peal of Stedman Cinques.

The clock and chimes of St. Lawrence's,
Surfleet, kindly given by the late Rupert
Richardson, will be dedicated by Canon
Carnegie, of Spalding, on September 7th, at
3.30 p.m. Ringing 2.30 and after service.

Had the peal attempt, which preceded the
quarter-peal at Long Buckby, recently, been
successful, it would have been the first peal on
the bells, the only other attempt being in
1856, when unfortunately the 4th bell was
turned over in the last 120.

In the columns of this journal is an appeal
for the church bells of Hanslope, Bucks.
About 18 months ago they were declared unsafe
by the Church Council, and expert opinion
advised that the bells be rehung, new fittings,
new wheels and bell ropes provided; in fact,
a complete overhaul. It was also decided to
add two new bells, not recast the six into a
ring of eight, in order to retain the indi-
viduality and depth of the bells. The cost
will be in the neighbourhood of £750, but the
Council have £500 in hand. The balance is
needed.

BELFRY GOSSIP

The peal at Martin,
Lincolnshire, marks the
achievement of a years
old scheme by the inhabitants of this small
village to provide a peal of bells for their
parish church. The church was built in 1876,
a tower being added in 1911. Soon after this
a bell fund was started, but it was left to the
present Vicar, the Rev. J. T. Paddison, to
bring the project to a successful conclusion.
Only a small 'ting-tang' had been available
for all purposes since the church was built,
until the new bells were dedicated on June
7th this year by the Ven. K. Lamplugh, Arch-
deacon of Lincoln.

The bells are a fine ring of six by Messrs.
Taylor and Co., and are hung in a massive
iron frame designed for eight bells. The tower
being only about 9ft. square, the frame has
had to be constructed in two tiers, the 5th
bell and the two empty pits being in the
upper portion. As there were no ringers in
the village, an entirely new band has been
formed, including three girls of school age,
and instruction is being given weekly by
ringers from the neighbouring tower of
Blankney. Good progress is being made, and
it is hoped that the bells will be rung by an
entirely local band before the retirement of
the Vicar in a few weeks' time.

To celebrate the eightieth birthday of Mr.
Harrison Smith, ringer for over fifty years at
Wickhambreaux Church, Kent, Frank Ellen 1,
Jack Walter 2, Sidney Walter 3, Percy W.
Smith 4, Edward Wood 5, and Stanley White
(conductor) 6, rang a quarter-peal of Minor,
1,260 changes, on Aug. 21st. In spite of a recent
serious operation, Mr. Smith continues to ring
short 'touches.' He has an excellent record
of service to the Kent County Association, and
particularly to the Canterbury District, where
for a number of years he held office as district
representative. His many ringing friends will
wish him well.

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ERNEST MORRIS ACHIEVES AMBITION

SIXTEENTH 1,000-PEAL MAN

Fifty-eight-year-old Ernest Morris, of Leicester, now joins the ranks of those ringers who have rung 1,000 peals. Only 15 men before him have achieved this feat, and of these, five, James Bennett, Frank Bennett, Alfred H. Pulling, James George and George Williams are alive. The last two are no longer active peal ringers.

It has taken Mr. Morris 41 years to fulfil this ambition; in August, 1906, he rang his first peal at St. Andrew's, Grimsby, and on August 28th his thousandth, a handbell peal of Stedman Cinques in St. Margaret's Church, Leicester, to which he has been attached all his life. His father, that grand old man Josiah Morris, rang with him in his first, and with him in this, his latest.

As a boy, Ernest Morris, who was born in Leicester on July 28th, 1889, was not content to simply ring for services and an occasional peal. He wanted to know who made the bells, how they were cast, in fact, all about them. Numerous articles and books are the result. Morris wanted to be able to ring any kind of bell, large or small, good going or bad, and in any method and on any number. His record shows how he carried out this ambition, how he tackled some very tough propositions in remote country places where the bells were deemed impossible, sometimes going two or three times until he got through. With the exception of three only, Morris has rung a full peal on all the possible bells in his own native county. Peals at 125 churches in his native shire is a number not reached by any other ringer in any one county, and this includes 49 first peals on the bells.

Mr. Morris is well known as a conductor, and his first peal as such was at Melton Mowbray, where he called Grandsire Triples in May, 1908. He has rung and conducted peals on all numbers of bells from five to twelve, and he is a ringer who thinks as much of assisting in a peal of Doubles as he does a peal of Maximus.

HIS RECORDS AND LITERARY WORK.

Morris has taken part in many record lengths, including conducting the longest by the Midland Counties Association of Doubles (6,600), Minor (7,200 and 10,080), Bob Major (7,008 and 13,440), Kent Treble Bob (10,912) and Oxford Treble Bob (7,840). He also conducted the longest lengths of Bob Major by Central Northants Association, one of 7,488, and another of 9,760 with 400 singles. He called the record peals of Little Bob (6,720), Little Canterbury (6,720), Spliced Treble Bob (Ilkeston arrangement, 9,120), and rang in 9,600 Kent and Oxford Spliced. He also took part in the record peals of Cambridge Major (7,008 and 12,896), and the recent record 12,663 Stedman Cinques at Oxford Cathedral.

He called the quickest tower-bell peal ever rung, a 5,040 Cambridge Minor in 1 hour 50 minutes; and also the only 'Ernest' peal. He has rung peals with four sets of brothers, four fathers and sons, and five fathers and sons, while his handbell peals range from Doubles to Maximus and include the lightest and heaviest sets ever rung. His peals have been spread over 219 towers in 24 counties for 25 associations and guilds.

It is, however, not only in peal ringing that Mr. Morris has done some excellent work. He served the Midland Counties Association as its honorary secretary from 1925 until it was divided into Diocesan Guilds in 1945. He is now vice-president of the Leicester Guild and acts as consultant for bells on the Advisory Committee for the Leicester Diocese.

With a penchant for historical research, Mr. Morris has a complete record of every bell in Leicestershire and all historic facts known of them. He has completely revised and corrected North's book up to date, and it is hoped that this will be printed as soon as the paper



MR. ERNEST MORRIS

crisis permits. He is the author of a 'Chronology of British Bell Founders' and many historic articles on other subjects, but he is, of course, best known to ringers as the author of 'History and Art of Change Ringing' and 'Legends of the Bells,' two volumes of great interest and value. He has in the publisher's hands a new work entitled 'Bells of All Nations,' which covers every type of bell in all lands.

He transcribed all the ancient baptismal, marriage and burial registers of St. Margaret's, where he is now Parish Clerk and Clerk of the Vestry, and for this and other works was made a Fellow of the Royal Historical Society and a Fellow of the Royal Geographical Society. He is a member of the Johnsonian Society.

Latest is the contribution of an illustrated article on bells for the new edition of Chambers' 'Encyclopedia' and others to the B.B.C., Apollo Magazine, Nautical Magazine, Meccano Magazine and many journals on subjects as widely removed as horse brasses, fire backs, door knockers and, of course, 'Bells.' The art of illuminated design Mr. Morris taught himself, and this has enabled him to write peal tablets and peal books.

And all this has been achieved with one eye. Ernest Morris has been blind in the right eye from birth. Following is a list of the 1,000 peals.

DOUBLES		Rung Conducted	
One method	...	33	32
Two methods	...	16	16
Three methods	...	11	10
Four methods	...	16	16
Five methods	...	3	3
Six methods	...	2	2
Fourteen methods	...	1	
		82	79
MINOR			
Plain Bob	...	57	51
Kent Treble Bob	...	3	3
Oxford Treble Bob	...	1	1
Single Oxford	...	1	1
Cambridge Surprise	...	6	4
York Surprise	...	1	

Two methods	...	11	9
Three methods	...	17	15
Four methods	...	8	8
Five methods	...	3	3
Six methods	...	1	1
Seven methods	...	5	4
Twelve methods	...	1	
		115	100

TRIPLES

Grandsire	...	99	72
Stedman	...	94	17
Canterbury Pleasure	...	1	1
		194	90

MAJOR

Plain Bob	...	83	54
Little Bob	...	7	7
Plain and Little Bob	...	1	1
Canterbury Pleasure	...	2	2
Little Canterbury	...	3	3
Canterbury and Plain	...	1	1
Bob Major & Grandsire	...		
Triples	...	2	2
Double Norwich	...	38	13
D.N.C.B. and Plain Bob	...	1	1
Forward	...	1	1
Duffield	...	1	1
Shilton	...	1	1
Kent Treble Bob	...	28	13
Oxford Treble Bob	...	4	2
Ilkeston 'Spliced'	...	7	3
Worcester 'Spliced'	...	2	1
Liversedge 'Spliced'	...	1	1
Granta 'Spliced'	...	1	1
Spliced three methods	...	1	1
Spliced six methods	...	1	1

Surprise:—

Superlative	...	42	10
Real Superlative	...	1	1
Cambridge	...	55	12
New Cambridge	...	2	
London	...	31	1
Bristol	...	24	1
Yorkshire	...	3	
York	...	1	
Staffordshire	...	1	
Pudsey	...	1	
Bognor	...	1	
Spliced Camb. & Sup.	...	1	1
		349	135

CATERS

Grandsire	...	22	14
Stedman	...	88	14
Spliced Stedman and Gr.	...	1	1
		111	29

ROYAL

Plain Bob	...	10	5
Kent Treble Bob	...	11	5
Oxford Treble Bob	...	1	1
Spliced Kent and Oxford	...	1	
Double Bob	...	1	
Surprise:—			
Cambridge	...	34	5
New Cambridge	...	1	
Goldsborough	...	1	
Leicester	...	2	
Pudsey	...	2	
York	...	2	
Yorkshire	...	1	
Melton	...	1	
		68	16

CINQUES

Grandsire	...	3	2
Stedman	...	51	2
		54	4

MAXIMUS

Plain Bob	...	3	1
Kent Treble Bob	...	3	1
Cambridge Surprise	...	14	
New Cambridge Surprise	...	1	
Yorkshire Surprise	...	3	
York	...	1	
Pudsey	...	1	
Superlative	...	1	
		27	2

On tower bells 866. Handbells 134. 1000 455

Leicester Diocesan Guild

MEETING AT MEASHAM.

Breaking fresh ground, the Loughborough District of the Leicester Diocesan Guild held its first meeting at this north-western outpost of the diocese on August 23rd. The officers had every cause for satisfaction, for, blessed with beautiful weather, over 40 members attended, the following towers being represented: Asby-de-la-Zouch, Copt Oak, Oaks-in-Charnwood, Hugglescote, Ibstock, Shepshed, Quorn, Loughborough and Whitwick, with members of the local band, and visitors from Netherseal, Deptford, Chilvers Coton and an officer cadet from Newark. Cups of tea (complete with 'jam sugar') were kindly provided by the wives of the local ringers.

At the business meeting, Mr. H. O. Over being in the chair, five new members were elected, and it was decided to hold the next meeting in September at Mountsorrel. The secretary also stressed the importance of early application for tickets for the diocesan festival on October 25th. At the request of the chairman, members stood in silence for a few moments as a mark of respect to the late Mr. J. A. Trollope.

It was hoped that this meeting might result in another district being formed to cover an otherwise isolated and neglected area. Unfortunately, support for this project was not sufficiently strong enough. Mr. H. Kirby, of Shepshed, voiced the thanks of those present to the Vicar for the use of the bells and the ladies for liquid nourishment.

Methods rung included Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Little Bob, Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Treble Bob, Double Norwich and Cambridge Surprise Major, and good striking was the order of the day.

WEDDING BELLS

The bells were rung and afterwards 'fired' at the wedding of Mr. Burley P. Morris, only son of Mrs. Morris and the late Mr. Morris, of Warkton, Northants, to Miss Mary Swift, younger daughter of Mrs. Swift and the late Mr. Swift, of 86, Normandy Avenue, Chipping Barnet, Herts, which took place at Chipping Barnet Parish Church on August 23rd. The ceremony was conducted by the Rev. C. A. Roche.

The bride, who wore a dress of white organdie, with veil and headdress to match, was attended by her sister, Mrs. J. Chapman, as matron of honour, whilst two little attendants were Miss Patricia Gardner and Master Roger Chapman. The best man was Mr. E. E. Whitmore, of Raunds, a friend of the bridegroom.

A reception was held at the bride's parents' residence, after which the happy couple left for Bournemouth, where the honeymoon is being spent. In the evening a peal of Grand-sire Triples was rung.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSN.

TEWKESBURY BRANCH MEETING.

Most of the towers in the branch were represented at the annual meeting of the Tewkesbury Branch of the Gloucester and Bristol Association, held at Tredington on August 16th. Visitors from outside the diocesan area from Upton-on-Severn, Kempsey, Rington, Hinton, Ross-on-Wye, Gloucester and Cheltenham were also present. The service was conducted by the Vicar, the Rev. O. C. Hughes, who also presided at the business meeting. An excellent tea was provided by the local ladies.

Five new members were enrolled, and the Rev. O. C. Hughes was elected an hon. member. Mr. A. R. Lister was elected chairman and also representative on the Management Committee. Mr. E. T. Newbury was re-elected hon. secretary. The annual outing, which this year takes in the Wye Valley district, was discussed.

The musical ring of five bells (tenor 7 cwt.) was kept going till nine o'clock to various methods, and a very enjoyable afternoon and evening were enjoyed by all.

FROM THE EDITOR'S MAILBAG

Ringling and Music

CONDUCTOR ANSWERS.

Dear Sir,—Why the peal of Kent Treble Bob Minor rung at Elland, Yorks, brings to Mr. V. A. Jarrett's mind the correspondence of the Basingstoke peal I cannot imagine. Musically incorrect or not, the calling was true, and, most important to me as conductor, the striking was of the best.

The ringers' ropes were as tight in the last seven twentys as the first.

The light six were chosen for the benefit of two young ringers attempting their first peal, and the smiles of happiness which lit up their faces when they heard 'This is all' amply rewarded the efforts of Mr. F. Linfoot and myself.

This is not the first nor the last peal which has been rung on the front six at Elland, and if at any time it was deleted from the records of the Association, it will still be seen recorded on a peal board in the bell chamber of St. Mary's, Elland.

The tenor is 15 cwt. 3 qr. in F, the fifth is odd struck, the sixth rope slips the wheel if not kept tight, and the seventh is apt to drop when ringing. In the light of the above stated faults, these bells cannot be truly termed an excellent ring of bells.—Yours truly,

FRANK RHODES.

—AND A RINGER.

Dear Sir,—I was surprised to read Mr. Jarrett's letter on the musical demerits of the Elland peal, and was more than surprised when he stated that our bells were an excellent ring of eight and should provide no difficulty for a Minor peal on the back six. This is contrary to the opinion of many local ringers, whose considered judgment I have every reason to respect, and who for years have been telling me that the tenors run badly.

I can assure Mr. Jarrett that I considered which six would be best to ring before we started the peal, and decided on the light six in the interests of (1) good striking, which to my way of thinking is the major point next to the truth of the peal; (2) of the comfort of the ringers; and (3) in consideration for the ringer of the 3rd, who on the back six would be ringing the odd-struck 5th, and who incidentally is a young first pealer of 15 years. We started with the hope of ringing a good peal, well struck, and we were highly satisfied with our performance.

Elland, Yorks.

FRED LINFOOT.

LONGEST MINISTRY?

Dear Sir,—In reply to Mr. Amos regarding length of a ministry at Marston Trussell over a period of 61 years, I would point out that Gulval, near Penzance, had a 73 years' ministry by the Rev. W. W. Winkfield. Gulval had three bells prior to 1889, when they were made six to commemorate 50 years' incumbency, and in 1913 another two bells formed the octave. These were in memory of the late Vicar, who was parson, guide and friend for 73 years. He was born before Waterloo, lived in six reigns, and was Vicar of Gulval under seven bishops.

W. SHEPHERD.

Addlestone, Surrey.

ANOTHER CLAIM FOR IRELAND

Dear Sir,—In your issue of August 15th I see Mr. Dukes claims his peal of Doubles to be the first peal in two methods rung in Ireland, but this is not quite correct, as I myself conducted a double-handed peal of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob Minor at Lamberton Lodge, Arklow, Co. Wicklow, about the year 1915. This peal with several others of Minor from one to seven methods will be found in the Irish Association's peal book. I feel quite sure Mr. Dukes will not resent this correction.—Yours truly,

A. HADLEY.

West Ewell, Surrey.

Tribute to a Great Man

Dear Sir,—May I also be allowed to pay my humble tribute at the passing of a great man? All in all, there is no doubt that Mr. J. A. Trollope is the greatest ringer of all times. Of course, there are some who in one particular line have outshone him, whether it be, say, Mr. J. W. Parker in certain branches of composition, or the few great names one can think of in the sphere of practical ringing, but considering everything, there is nobody who has reached so great heights in so many ramifications of the art, and it is hard to imagine that anyone ever will reach such heights again. One hopes that it won't be long before plans are set on foot for some worthy memorial—personally a memorial library seems to be most fitting (this could take any of several forms), but perhaps I am a little premature in this.

I am grateful for your leading article. I am sure you speak for all members of the Council in regretting that what was intended as helpful suggestions should have been wrongly thought to be lack of appreciation of all that Mr. Trollope had done for ringing. But perhaps it is almost inevitable that this is the case whenever both are required. Personally I believe one can be both critical and appreciative at the same time, and that the two are not necessarily incompatible—here was a case in point. Be that as it may, we shall be all agreed that in the passing of Mr. Trollope we have lost an exponent of our art unique and irreplaceable, and I shall always be proud to know that I did talk with him on one occasion.—Yours faithfully,

Southampton. K. W. H. FELSTEAD.

HANSLOPE CHURCH BELLS

Dear Sir,—At a meeting of the Hanslope Parochial Church Council, I was instructed to write and ask if your paper would assist us with our appeal for £250 needed for the addition of two bells to the present ring of six. The two bells will be a memorial to our late Vicar, the Rev. W. J. Harkness, and his wife, and to those who served in the two Great Wars. Anything you can do to assist us would be more than appreciated.

The existing six are as follows: Treble, 32½ in., 6½ cwt., Bowell, Ipswich, 1906; 2nd, 35½ in., 8½ cwt., Taylor, 1815; 3rd, 36½ in., 9½ cwt., Hall, Drayton Parslow, 1752; 4th, 38 in., 10½ cwt., Robert Atton, Buckingham, 1625; 5th, 42½ in., 14½ cwt., Robert Atton, Buckingham, 1626; 6th, 49 in., 22 cwt., Briant, Hertford, 1814. In the key of 'D', and a lovely mellow tone. No. 4 was recast by Bowell in 1906.

The two new bells were cast on Aug. 22nd at the Whitechapel Foundry, and it is hoped the dedication service will take place the last week in September.—Yours sincerely,

STANLEY W. PLATTEN,

Hanslope, Bucks. Hon. Sec., H.C.C.

P.S.—We shall be the only village with eight bells in the north of the county.—S.W.P.

CONGRATULATIONS!

Dear Sir,—Please allow me to congratulate Mr. J. C. E. Simpson and his ringers. I note that they rang my composition of Spliced Surprise Major, London, Bristol, Cambridge and Superlative, which was published in 'The Ringing World' on April 11th, in which all the bells have to do all the work of each method, at St. Lawrence's, Frodsham, on July 18th, and again on August 15th.

Seeing that most of the ringers sang their first peals of Spliced Surprise Major, their performances are all the more remarkable.

I think anyone studying the composition will agree that it is one of the most difficult in the four methods.—Yours faithfully,

A. J. PITMAN.

Port Talbot.

OBITUARY

MR. E. D. TAYLOR.

Bells of Loughborough's memorial carillon on August 28th sounded the sombre tones of Chopin's Funeral March as a token of homage to one of the world's foremost bell founders, Mr. Edmund Denison Taylor, whose death occurred on the same day at Loughborough, at the age of 83.

Mr. Taylor, whose home was at Buckland, Burton Walk, Loughborough, had been ill for about a week in a local nursing home.

A great-grandson of Mr. Robert Taylor, who founded the firm of Messrs. John Taylor and Co., the Loughborough bell founders, Mr. Denison Taylor took an active interest in the business for the greater part of his life, and even up to the time of his death concerned himself with its progress.

MR. T. LOFTHOUSE.

By the death of Mr. Tom Lofthouse, people's warden and ringer at Chorley Parish Church, the church has lost one of its most willing workers. Mr. Lofthouse, who was 68 years of age, had been ill for some time, but his death in hospital on August 15th was unexpected. He had taken part in ringing for both morning and evening services the previous Sunday.

Tom, as he was called, had been a ringer for over fifty years, and a member of the Lancashire Association for 40 years. He was one of the few practising ringers who were in the 'old Lancashire Six-Bell Association.' Though not a great peal ringer—he rang only seven—he took part in the only local peal in Chorley.

As a young man he was a Sunday School teacher, and later chairman of the Bible Class, sidesman and for the last 12 years people's warden. He was a member of the parish committees and at times was on the Church Council.

Prior to the interment in the local cemetery, a service was held at the Parish Church, a large congregation of his friends and fellows being present to pay their respects to one who was described by the Rector of Chorley, in his words of appreciation, as an honest Christian gentleman. Before the service the whole pull and stand was rung 68 times and then a touch of Stedman Triples by the following: F. Rigby, T. Barker, F. G. Bradley, H. Southworth, Ruth Bradley, A. Rigby, A. Tomlinson and A. Hatch.

MR. A. PRESTIDGE.

His many friends will hear with regret of the death of Mr. Albert Prestidge, who until 1936, when ill-health forced his retirement, was for over 37 years a ringer and for upwards of 30 years the leader of St. Andrew's Parish Church, Netherton, ringers. Mr. Prestidge died at his residence on August 10th after a long and painful illness. He was one of the oldest members of the Worcestershire and Districts Association and the Dudley and District Guild, and a life member of the Society for the Archdeaconry of Stafford.

As a tribute to his memory a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, composed by James George, was rung by the following ringers: Thomas A. Townsend, H. Hill, H. Hubball, Miss M. Tromans, H. J. Shuck, L. Clissett, W. Davies (conductor) and L. Prestidge.

MR. O. J. SMART.

The Andover District of the Winchester and Portsmouth Diocesan Guild has suffered a severe loss in the death, after a short illness, of Oscar James Smart, Ringing Master for 16 years and steeple captain of Andover Parish Church for even longer. As Ringing Master he was untiring in his efforts to promote the art in his district, and many in and around Andover owe their knowledge of ringing to his kindly and patient instruction. The funeral service on August 23rd was conducted by the Rector, the Rev. R. A. C. Fletcher, assisted by the Rev. S. A. Gidlow, chairman of the district. The bells, which had recently been rehung, were rung fully muffled in his honour.

Analysis of Handbell Peals rung during 1946

Association.	CINQUES		ROYAL		CATERS		MAJOR				TRIPLES		MINOR			DOUBLES		TOTALS															
	Stedman	Grandsire	Kent Treble Bob	Plain Bob	Little Bob	Stedman	Grandsire	Yorkshire	Cambridge	Kent Treble Bob	Oxford Treble Bob	Double Norwich	Plain Bob	Hereward Bob	New London Ct. Bob	Little Bob	Double Bob		Spliced	Stedman	Grandsire	St. Clement's Coll. B.	Spliced	11 Methods	7 Methods	5 Methods	4 Methods	3 Methods	1 Method	8 Methods	3 Methods	2 Methods	1 Method
Cambridge U. Gld												1	4			1	1																15
Chester Diocesan																																	7
Coventry D Guild																																	2
Durh'm & Newcle																																	5
Ely Dio. Assn.																																	3
Essex Association																																	24
Glouc't'r & Bristol																																	1
G'ld Clerical R. ...																																	1
Hertford County																																	5
Kent County																																	1
Lancashire Assn.																																	14
Leicester Diocesan																																	32
Lincoln Diocesan																																	4
Middlesex County																																	39
North Staffs																																	3
Norwich Diocesan																																	3
Oxford Diocesan ...																																	3
Oxford University																																	10
St Martin's Guild																																	7
Salisbury Guild																																	1
Scottish Assn. ...																																	1
Shropshire Assn.																																	1
Southwell Dio. ...																																	6
Soc. R. Cum. Yths																																	2
Stafford Arch. ...																																	2
Sussex County																																	14
Truro Diocesan ...																																	1
Universities Assn.																																	9
Win. & Ports. Dio.																																	8
Worcester & Dia.																																	1
Yorkshire Assoc.																																	1
Totals	6	1	5	13	1	15	9	1	11	6	2	9	7	1	1	1	1	4	12	15	1	1	1	4	1	1	6	24	1	1	3	11	240

*St. Clement's, Crayford College. Double Bob and Plain Bob. †Kent and Oxford. ‡Plain, Double, Reverse, Hereward, Pershore, Double Oxford and Double Norwich Court Bob. §Oxford Bob and Grandsire.

AN APPRECIATION

Members of the West Norfolk Branch of the Norwich Diocesan Association assembled at their meeting at Caston on Saturday last, stood in silence on hearing the news of the passing of John Arthur Godfrey, a former chairman and Ringing Master of the branch.

Elected a member of the Norwich Association in 1899, Mr. Godfrey was known to every ringer in Norfolk, he having lived in turn at Yarmouth, Cromer, Fakenham, Cawston, Dereham and Gressenhall. His first peal was also the first peal on Gorleston bells, then a peal of six, on April 11th, 1901, and altogether Mr. Godfrey had taken part in about 180 peals, 167 of which were for the Norwich Association—10 of them being on handbells.

John Godfrey was a great enthusiast and a great friend. He taught numbers of ringers, was diligent at his church on Sundays and would go anywhere at a moment's notice to assist in any special ringing or to take part in a peal attempt. He was a good striker, on six bells especially, where he was particularly 'at home.' He was rarely absent from meetings and never without a happy smile and a cheery greeting for everybody.

From 1934-9 he was the efficient Ringing Master of the branch, and then became chairman, an office he relinquished in 1944 owing to failing health. Recently he had gone to live with his son at Caythorpe, Lincolnshire, where he died on August 19th, aged 73. He will be much missed in the Norwich Diocese. N. G.

DEVON GUILD OF RINGERS

SPECIAL VISIT TO HIGHWEEK.

A number of members of the Devon Guild of Ringers, which included the president of the Guild (the Rev. Preb. E. V. Cox) and a visitor, Mr. E. Maurice Atkins, of London, spent an enjoyable evening at Highweek on Thursday, August 21st, at the invitation of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Lilley, of Perry Farm, Highweek. Assembling at the Parish Church, an hour's ringing under the supervision of Mr. Lilley included some very good touches of Grandsire Triples, Stedman Doubles and Triples, and Plain Bob Minor.

At Perry Farm light refreshments were provided by Mr. Lilley and his relatives, after which a few courses of double-handed Grandsire Triples were rung on handbells. At the conclusion of the visit the President voiced the great appreciation of the visitors to Mr. and Mrs. Lilley and their family for the arrangements made and for their very kind hospitality, and he mentioned that it was his first visit to Perry Farm. The fine weather and pleasant surroundings added to the enjoyment of the visit.

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PUBLICATION

'COLLEGE YOUTHS,' by J. A. Trollope, 5s. 6d. post free.—'The Ringing World' Office, c/o The Woodbridge Press, Ltd., Guildford.

KENT COUNTY ASSN.—Tonbridge District.—By-meeting at Lamberhurst (6) on Sept. 6th at 3. Service 4.30. Break for tea 5, followed by business meeting. Please bring own food. Cups of tea provided. 1829

ESSEX ASSN.—Northern District.—Meeting at Great Easton (6) on Sat., Sept. 6th. Bells 2.30. Service 4.15.—H. A. Pratt, Dis. Sec., 6, Council Houses, Black Notley, Braintree, Essex. 1839

KENT COUNTY ASSN.—Maidstone District.—Boxley (6), Sept. 6th. Bells 2.15. Service 4.15. Tea 5.—Dr. E. S. J. Hatcher, Kimmeridge, London Road, Ditton, Maidstone. 1847

YORKSHIRE ASSN.—Eastern District.—Quarterly meeting, Howden, Sat., Sept. 6th. Bells (8) from 2 to 8 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m.—H. S. Morley, 28, Church Hill, Selby. 1846

SUSSEX ASSN.—Northern Division.—Quarterly meeting Balcombe, Sept. 6th, 3. Service and tea. Names for tea to G. T. Jennings, 5, Malt-house Road, Crawley. 1826

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSN.—Abbots Langley (6), Sat., Sept. 6th, 3. 1855

ESSEX ASSN.—Reopening St. Barnabas', Great Tey, on Sat., Sept. 6th, 6.—H. J. Millatt, Dis. Sec. 1881

HEREFORD GUILD.—Combined practice will be held at Bromyard on Sat., Sept. 6th, at 5.30.—A. S. Tomkins. 1867

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH GUILD.—Winchester District.—Meeting Old Alresford (6), Sat., Sept. 6th, 2.30; also New Alresford (8). Service 4. Tea Village Hall 5. 1854

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSN.—Quarterly meeting Bidford-on-Avon, Sat., Sept. 6th. Bells (6) 3. Service 4.30. Small charge for tea. 1858

LADIES' GUILD.—Meeting Balcombe, Sept. 6th, in conjunction with the Sussex Association (Northern Division) meeting.—Miss L. Skeet, 8, Cobbles Crescent, Crawley. 1827

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Crewe Branch.—Wrenbury (6), tomorrow (Sat.), Sept. 6th, 2.30. Refreshments provided.—Richard D. Langford, Hon. Branch Sec. 1897

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.—Meeting St. Dunstan's, Stepney, Sat., Sept. 6th, 3.—A. B. Peck. 1905

BATH AND WELLS ASSN.—Dunster Deanery.—Meeting Wiveliscombe, Sept. 13th. Bells 3. Service 4.15. Tea and business to follow.—G. Stacey, Minehead. 1857

KENT COUNTY ASSN.—Canterbury District.—By-meeting St. Nicholas-at-Wade, Sat., Sept. 13th. Bells 2.30. Service 4.15. Tea (2s. per head) to those who notify Mr. J. A. Russell, 40a, Station Road, Birchington, not later than Wednesday, Sept. 10th.—B. J. Luck, Hon. Dis. Sec. 1868

ST. DAVID'S GUILD.—Quarterly, Llanbadarn Fawr (8), Sept. 13th, 2.30. Service 4. Tea and business to follow.—C. H. Hawkins, Hon. Sec., 2, Machynis Road, New Dock, Llanelly, Carm. 1853

LADIES' GUILD.—Eastern District.—Meeting Beccles, Suffolk, Sat., Sept. 13th. Bells available from 2.30. Tea 4.45 at Y.M.C.A. Meeting to follow. Names for tea to Mr. E. R. Goate, 47, Smallgate, Beccles, without fail by Sept. 10th. Gentlemen cordially invited.—Sylvia R. E. Pipe, Grundisburgh, Woodbridge, Suffolk. 1852

YORKSHIRE ASSN.—Western Division.—Quarterly meeting at Otley, Sept. 13th. Tea, apply to Mr. G. Appleyard, 35, South View Terrace, Otley, not later than Sept. 6th. Bells (8) available 2. Tea 5. Business meeting 6.—Wm. Ambler, Hon. Dis. Sec., 38, Littlemoor, Queensbury. 1880

ESSEX ASSN.—North-Eastern Division.—Meeting Harwich, Sat., Sept. 13th. Bells from 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea and business to follow. Tea only for names received by Sept. 8th.—H. J. Millatt, Dis. Sec., Thornton, Colchester. 1859

LADIES' GUILD.—Western District.—Quarterly meeting will be held at Clevedon on Sept. 13th. Bells from 3. Service 4.15. Tea and business meeting 5. Will all requiring tea please send cards by Sept. 10th.—N. C. Williams, Hon. Sec., Weston House, Bath. 1864

GUILDFORD DIO. GUILD.—Chertsey District.—Horsell (6), Sept. 13th, 3. Service 4.30. Tea 5 for those who notify me by Tues., Sept. 9th.—F. E. Hawthorne, 39, Queen's Road, Thames Ditton. 1873

ESSEX ASSN.—N.W. District.—Meeting at Newport (6), Sat., Sept. 13th. Bells 3. Service 5. Tea 5.30. Names for tea by Sept. 10th, please, to G. Blake, Dis. Sec., 96, Burford Street, Hoddesdon, Herts. 1876

LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Leicester District.—Gilmorton (8), Sat., Sept. 13th. Bells 3. Service 4.30. Tea 5. Names by Wed., Sept. 10th, to W. J. Root, 8, The Portway, Leicester. 1898

SOUTHWELL GUILD.—North Notts Branch.—Crawford Cup contest at Gamston (6), Sat., Sept. 13th, 3. Good bus service. Names for tea to Mr. S. Carnall, Gamston, Retford, by Sept. 9th. Ringing after contest until 9. Reports for 1946 now ready.—H. Denman. 1899

NAILSEA HARVEST HOME, SOMERSET.—Sept. 13th, ringing all day. Service 3. Tea 4.15. Sports, fun fair and dancing. All ringers welcome.—Leonard Derrick. 1911

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH GUILD (Christchurch Branch) and **SALISBURY GUILD** (Wimborne Branch).—Combined meeting Bournemouth, Sept. 13th. Ringing St. John's (Surrey Road) (8) 2.30. Tea in Central Bournemouth 5.30. Ringing St. Peter's (8) 6.30. Short business meeting.—Rev. C. A. Phillips and Arthur V. Davis, Hon. Secs. 1913

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSN.—Eastern Division.—District meeting at Hunsdon, Sat., Sept. 13th. Bells (8) 3. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15, followed by business meeting. Names for tea by Tuesday, Sept. 9th, to G. Radley, Dis. Sec., 6, Nursery Road, Turnford, near Hoddesdon. 1902

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Stockport and Bowdon Branch.—Next meeting Mobblerley, Sat., Sept. 13th. Bring own food; cups of tea provided.—T. Wilde, Hon. Sec. 1903

BARNESLEY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.—Meeting at Shelley, Sept. 13th, 2.30 p.m. Tea provided for those who notify Mr. F. R. Brook, Lilac Nook, Shelley, near Huddersfield, not later than Sept. 10th.—D. Smith, Hon. Sec., 28, Chapel Street, Shafton, near Barnsley. 1910

LANCASHIRE ASSN.—Furness and Lake District Branch.—Annual branch meeting, St. Mary Magdalene Church, Broughton-in-Furness, Sat., Sept. 13th. Bells (8) available from 2.30. Service 3.30. Tea 4, 2s. Important: Names for tea to F. Langtree, Laurel Bank, Broughton-in-Furness, not later than Wed., Sept. 10th.—N. M. Newby, Branch Sec. 1909

OXFORD GUILD.—Central Bucks Branch.—Meeting Quainton (5), Sept. 13th. Bells 2.45. Service 4. Tea and business to follow.—F. Gibbard, Hon. Sec., 30, Horn Street, Winslow, Bucks. 1908

EAST GRINSTEAD GUILD.—Bolney (8), Sept. 13th, 3. Tea 5. Twineham (5) after. Names to Mr. A. Gillings, Bolney Lodge Gardens, Bolney, by Sept. 11th.—C. A. Bassett. 1904

PETERBOROUGH GUILD.—Guilborough Branch.—Meeting on Sept. 13th, 3, at Oxendon (5). All welcome. Please bring own food; cups of tea provided.—T. H. Loakes, Branch Sec. 1907

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSN.—Western District.—Great Gaddesden (6), Sat., Sept. 13th. Bells 3. Service 5. Bring own food; cups of tea available.—W. C. Hughes, Dis. Sec. 1906

LANCS ASSN.—Preston Branch.—Meeting Brindle, Sat., Sept. 13th, 2.30. Bring food; cups of tea provided.—F. Rigby, Hon. Sec. 1883

LANCASHIRE ASSN.—Rossendale Branch.—Bacup, St. Saviour's (8), Sat., Sept. 13th, 3. Meeting in tower 6. Bring food; cups of tea provided.—J. Porter, Chesham Green Cottages, Chesham, Bury. 1861

BEVERLEY AND DISTRICT RINGING SOCIETY.—Monthly meeting, Barton-on-Humber, Sept. 13th. Bells, two rings (8) 2. Service 4.15. Meat tea (3s.). Notification to Mr. A. W. Hoodless, Holydyke, Barton-on-Humber, by Sept. 10th.—Albert E. Sellers. 1885

DERBYSHIRE ASSN.—Ilkeston District.—Monthly meeting, West Hallam, Sept. 13th, 2.30. Cups of tea provided.—Fred Shaw, Dis. Sec. 1870

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSN.—Swindon Branch.—Purton (heavy six), Sept. 13th. Tea 5.—W. B. Kynaston, 37, Vicarage Road, Rodbourne Cheney, Swindon, Wilts. 1890

ELY DIOCESAN ASSN.—Cambridge District.—Meeting at Bottingham (5), Sat., Sept. 13th. Bells 3. Service 4.15. Tea 5 at British Legion Hut. All welcome.—H. L. Martin, Dis. Sec. 1892

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Macclesfield Branch.—On Sat., Sept. 13th, St. Peter's Church, Cargleton. Bells available (8) from 3. Own arrangements for tea.—C. Lawton, Branch Sec. 1886

LANCASHIRE ASSN.—Bolton Branch.—Next meeting Blackrod, Sat., Sept. 13th. Bells 2.30. Tea 5. Names for tea to S. Jolly, 112, New Street, Blackrod, by Sept. 11th.—Peter Crook, Hon. Sec. 1887

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.—West Dorset Branch.—Meeting Netherbury, Sept. 13th, not Sept. 6th as previously advertised.—C. H. Lathey, Branch Sec. 1888

LANCASHIRE ASSN.—Liverpool Branch.—Meeting St. Luke's, Great Crosby, Sat., Sept. 13th. Bells 3. Service 5. Cups of tea provided; please bring a sandwich.—G. R. Newton, Branch Sec. 1896

CHISLEHURST (ST. NICHOLAS').—Weekly practice on Tuesdays at 7.45 will be resumed on and from Sept. 16th. Sunday ringing at 5.45 as usual. 1889

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSN.—North Norfolk Branch.—Meeting at Paston, Sat., Sept. 20th. Bells from 2.30. Service 4.30. Bring own food; cups of tea 5, in Village Hall. Knapton bells after tea.—H. Tooke, The Lizard, Wymondham, Norfolk. 1912

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD and **SOUTHWELL GUILD.**—Joint meeting North Collingham (6), (six miles from Newark), Sept. 20th, 2.30. Cups of tea only. South Collingham available after tea.—J. Freeman, Hon. Sec., Lincoln District. 1901

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.—Elloe Deaneries Branch.—Quarterly meeting Quadring, Sept. 20th. Meat tea for those who notify me by Sept. 13th.—J. E. Allen, Virginia Cottages, Donington, Spalding. 1834

YORKSHIRE ASSN.—A general meeting of the association will be held at Barnsley on Sat., Sept. 20th. Bells (8) 2.30. Committee meet 3.30 in vestry. Tea (3s. 6d. per head) served at 5 at Hagenbach's Cafe. Names to D. Smith, 28, Chapel Street, Shafton, near Barnsley, by September 16th. General meeting at Royal Hotel 6.—Leslie W. G. Morris, Gen. Sec., 65, Lilycroft Road, Heaton, Bradford. 1874

DEVON GUILD.—S.W. Branch.—Meeting Kelly, Sept. 20th. Bells 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea (1s. 6d. each) 5. Special coach from Plymouth 1 p.m. Fare 7s. 6d. Names by Sept. 15th to T. G. Myers, 79, Regent Street, Plymouth. 1871

PETERBOROUGH GUILD.—Daventry Branch.—Meeting Lower Heyford (6), Sat., Sept. 20th. Names for tea to Mr. H. Collins, The Green, Lower Heyford, by Thursday, Sept. 11th, please.—F. W. Hancock, Hon. Sec. 1894

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN.—Meeting at St. Augustine, Kilburn, on Sat., Sept. 20th, 3. Service 4.45, followed by tea. Further ringing at St. Mary's, Willesden, 6.30.—T. J. Lock, Dis. Sec. 1884

NATIONAL POLICE GUILD.—Annual meeting, Birmingham, Sept. 20th. Ringing: 11-12, Aston Church; 12-1, St. Chad's R.C. Cathedral, Bath Street, Bishop Ryder's Church, Gem Street; 3-4, St. Philip's Cathedral, Colmore Row; 4-5, St. Martin's, Bull Ring. Lunch 1. Tea 5, Police Headquarters, Steelhouse Lane; inclusive cost 6s. 6d. (limited). Names to L. Tuffrey, 52, Lakey Lane, Hall Green, Birmingham, by Sept. 13th. Social 7.30-10.30, Police Headquarters.—H. G. Jenney, Sec. 1895

SUSSEX ASSN.—Cuckfield.—Sunday service ringing 10 to 11 a.m., 5.30 to 6.30 p.m. Practice Fridays, 7.30 to 9 p.m. Visiting ringers always welcome. Nearest station Haywards Heath. Frequent bus service. 1467

CHARLTON KINGS, GLOS.—On Aug. 23th, at the Church of St. Mary, 1,260 Stedman Triples: A. Ruck 1, C. Martin 2, G. Walters 3, G. Simmons 4, T. Boreham 5, G. Kilminster 6, J. F. Ballinger (conductor) 7, Frederick Simmons 8. Rung as a golden wedding compliment to Mr. Reuben Hemming, Ringing Master at Charlton Kings.

SUTTON-ON-TRENT, NOTTS.—On August 27th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: P. N. White 1, Miss K. Burchall 2, F. W. Foster 3, Miss G. Burchall 4, N. T. Moxon 5, F. G. Hooper (conductor) 6, A. E. Chilton 7, R. Sleep 8. First quarter of Stedman Triples by ringers of 1, 7 and 8. Rung to mark the birth of a son to J. W. Raikhy and a daughter to G. Elsey, both of St. Mary's, Newark.

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