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CORRECTING AMERICAN IMPRESSIONS

Dr. Arthur H. Nichols, of Boston, who is doing such splendid work in the cause of ringing in the United States, has, by a timely article in a widely read American magazine, "The Nation," rendered further valuable service to the art. Among our cousins across the Atlantic a good deal of ignorance and misconception exists as to the practice of ringing, and the musical critic of "The Nation" having been pleased to call the art a "curious sport," Dr. Nichols thought it necessary to correct him, and this he has done very effectively. As the periodical reaches the very class of readers in every part of the States whom those responsible for ringing desire to appeal to, the article, concisely written, yet fully setting forth the advantages of the English style over the method generally adopted in America, should have no little influence in shaping opinion.

A few points quoted from the article should prove as interesting to our readers as to those less cognizant of the real facts who reside in the States. Dr. Nichols refers to the fact that the art has been cultivated in England for more than two centuries, and goes on to remark:—

It should be appreciated, by musicians at least, that scientific change ringing, designated in your columns as "a most singular sport, quite unknown here," is in reality a distinct branch of music constructed on mathematical formulæ and hence perfect from its inception. This remarkable discovery of producing with certainty on a set of bells all possible permutations, or sequences, of notes served to develop the full capacity and particularly the harmonics of the instruments, and thus awakened at once an interest in bell ringing and casting. The immediate result was that societies, or guilds, were formed for the study of the art, and have since continued to flourish. In England, therefore, as in no other country, there exists an impressive method of giving dignified utterance to occasions of festivity and mourning.

After alluding to what has been done in America, and showing the advantages of English methods of bell hanging over those adopted by American founders, Dr. Nichols adds:—

Visitors to belfries are apt to manifest surprise at the moderate muscular force necessary to guide heavy bells, properly equipped, through the maze of an intricate peal. But it is the mental faculties which are chiefly engaged. Hence, the exercise is quite as appropriate for women as tennis, golf, or rowing. Indeed, one society in England is composed exclusively of that sex; and in illustration of their accomplishments it may be added that there has been recently unveiled in Christ Church, Isle of Dogs, a tablet to record a successful peal of 5040 changes rung in three hours by eight ladies.

There are gratifying signs that this fascinating art which gives free scope to the intellectual faculties, and is also of value from an athletic standpoint, may receive more extended recognition in America. Its introduction would insure a needed reform in the treatment of belfries, and present a novel recreation to those individuals who possess the physical organisation requisite for the apprehension of this particular music.



St. Peter's Collegiate Church,
Wolverhampton.
Tenor (33 cwt.) of the New Ring of 12.

WULFRUN CHAMBERS, WOLVERHAMPTON,
MESSRS. GILLETT and JOHNSTON, CROYDON. 4th March, 1912.
Gentlemen,

The re-casting of the peal of ten bells with the addition of two new ones in the tower of St Peter's Collegiate Church, Wolverhampton, recently carried out by you has proved most successful, and given general satisfaction.

I am authorised by the Rector and Wardens to say how pleased they are with the result. In the opinion of those well qualified to judge, we have now, undoubtedly, one of the best peals in the Kingdom.

Yours faithfully, F T. BECK,
Architect, Diocesan Surveyor.

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TEN BELL PEAL.

PAINSWICK, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.
GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
(STROUD AND DISTRICT BRANCH)
THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF PAINSWICK YOUTHS.
On Saturday, November 15, 1913, in Three Hours and Twenty-four Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5147 CHANGES;

Tenor 26 cwt.	
FRANK COLE Treble	ALBERT WRIGHT 6
THOMAS BALDWIN 2	*ARTHUR S. BOAR 7
WILLIAM HALE 3	FRED MILLARD 8
HUBERT SCRIVENS 4	EX-SERGT. J. WILLIAMS ... 9
*JOSEPH T. DYKE 5	†JAMES SINGLETON Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS, and
Conducted by ALBERT WRIGHT.

* First peal of Grandsire Caters. † First peal.

EIGHT BELL PEALS.

CRAYFORD, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, November 13, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST PAULINUS,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 12½ cwt.	
*WILLIAM FLOYD Treble	JOHN WHEADON 5
REGINALD BROUGH 2	FREDERICK W. RICHARDSON 6
*GEORGE POVEY 3	WILLIAM J. JEFFRIES ... 7
ISAAC EMERY 4	EDWIN BARNETT, Senr. ... Tenor

Composed and Conducted by EDWIN BARNETT, Senr.

* First peal of Double Norwich.

LONG EATON, DERBYSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, November 15, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAURENCE,

A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 10½ cwt.	
NEVILLE H. WIDDOWSON ... Treble	*JOSEPH BAILEY 5
*R. ALLAN HICKTON 2	*JOSEPH HALL 6
ALBERT COPPOCK 3	J. CHARLES DICKEN 7
PERCIVAL PRICE 4	FREDERICK S. PRICE ... Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS, and
Conducted by NEVILLE H. WIDDOWSON.

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

LAVENHAM, SUFFOLK.
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, November 15, 1913, in Three Hours and Nineteen Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

STEDMAN H. SYMONDS ... Treble	THOMAS W. GARRARD ... 5
WILLIAM R. J. POULSON ... 2	*JAMES MARTIN 6
†VICTOR CORNELL 3	ARTHUR SYMONDS 7
†ALFRED PERRY 4	THOMAS PRYKE Tenor

Composed by J. A. TROLLOPE, and
Conducted by S. H. SYMONDS.

* First peal. † First peal in the method. Messrs. Cornell and Martin hail from St. Waldingfield, and A. Perry from Sudbury. W. R. J. Poulson's 50th peal.

PULHAM, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, November 15, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALENE,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 14 cwt. 1 qr. 16 lbs.	
FRED ROOPE Treble	CHARLES ROOPE 5
CHARLES BAKER 2	WILLIAM ROOPE 6
*HENRY GARNHAM 3	FREDK. R. BORRETT ... 7
*ERNEST WHITING 4	EDWIN WHITING Tenor

Conducted by FREDK. R. BORRETT.

* First peal in the method.

BISLEY, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.
GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
(STROUD AND DISTRICT BRANCH.)

On Sunday, November 16, 1913, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S TEN-PART. Tenor 17 cwt.

*GEORGE DOWDESWELL ... Treble	WILLIAM HALE... .. 5
FRANK COLE 2	ALBERT WRIGHT 6
WILLIAM IRELAND 3	THOMAS ANSLOE 7
*FRANK PONTING 4	WILLIAM BANYARD ... Tenor

Conducted by ALBERT WRIGHT.

* First peal in the method.

TODMORDEN.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(ROCHDALE BRANCH.)

On Monday, November 17, 1913, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 23 3/4 cwt., in E flat.

*LUKE SUTHERS Treble	*JAMES WHITEHEAD 5
JAMES RICHARDS 2	*HARRY WHITEHEAD... .. 6
*FRANK FIELDEN... .. 3	WILLIAM CRABTREE 7
HERBERT DAVENPORT ... 4	*SAM HARTLEY Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM CRABTREE.

* First peal in the method. First peal in the method as conductor.
First peal in the method on the bells and first peal in the method by
eight members of the Rochdale Branch.

LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, November 17, 1913, in Three Hours,
AT THE BELL FOUNDRY TOWER,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 6 1/2 cwt.

HORACE STUBBS Treble	EDWIN H. LEWIS 5
JOHN SMITH 2	ERNEST CARTWRIGHT ... 6
*ERNEST LESLIE 3	JAMES HUTCHBY 7
JOHN OLDHAM 4	EDWARD READER Tenor

Composed by H. DAINS, and

Conducted by E. READER.

* First peal of Major.

CAVERSHAM, OXON.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
(ST. PETER'S SOCIETY, CAVERSHAM.)

On Monday, November 17, 1913, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

HENRY TUCKER Treble	ALBERT D. CULLUM 5
WILLIAM J. PAICE 2	EDWIN J. MENDAY 6
HUBERT HATTO 3	HARRY W. SMITH 7
RICHARD T. HIBBERT... .. 4	AMBROSE OSBORNE Tenor

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW, and

Conducted by R. T. HIBBERT.

LAWTON, CHESHIRE.
STOKE-ON-TRENT ARCHIDIACONAL ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, November 17, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-eight Minutes,
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

GEORGE A. SMITH Treble	JAMES W. WASHBROOK, JUNI. 5
*EDWIN HARPER 2	WALTER R. WASHBROOK... 6
WILLIAM RIGBY 3	SAMUEL GROVE... .. 7
JAMES E. GROVES 4	†WALTER LONGMAN Tenor

Composed by J. CARTER, and

Conducted by SAMUEL GROVE.

* First peal of Stedman. † First peal.

CHISLEHURST, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, November 17, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-eight Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

GROVES' VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.
Tenor 17 1/4 cwt.

*JOHN MITCHAM Treble	GEORGE FRENCH 5
ROBERT BRETT-SMITH ... 2	GEORGE DURLING 6
†HARRY DURLING 3	THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE, Sen. 7
ALBERT E. NEWICK 4	JOHN NEWICK Tenor

Conducted by THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE.

* First peal. † First peal with a bob.

PRESTBURY, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.
GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Wednesday, November 19, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

GROVES' VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 14 cwt.

WALTER YEEND Treble	JAMES J. CAUSON 5
JOHN AUSTIN 2	CHARLES TOVEY 6
HAROLD HOLFORD 3	EX-SERGT. J. WILLIAMS... 7
GEORGE H. WALTERS ... 4	ALBERT MARTIN Tenor

Conducted by JOHN AUSTIN.

Rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor.

BRISTOL.
GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Wednesday, November 19, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-five Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

SIR ARTHUR P. HEYWOOD'S NO. 1. Tenor 20 cwt.

*FREDERICK J. PORCH ... Treble	WILLIAM A. CAVE 5
*EDWARD GUISE 2	GEORGE CONDICK, JUNI. 6
RAYMOND J. WILKINS ... 3	*SAMUEL J. HECTOR... .. 7
*GEORGE TOMKINS 4	HARRY BROWNJOHN... .. Tenor

Conducted by WM. A. CAVE.

* First peal of Stedman Triples. Arranged for Mr. S. J. Hector, of
Trowbridge.

RIPLEY, DERBYSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Wednesday, November 19, 1913, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;

Tenor 17 cwt.

THOMAS WHITE Treble	JOHN FLOWER 5
HENRY LETTS 2	HENRY GEORGE 6
FRED W. HILL 3	ALFRED C. WRIGHT 7
WILLIAM J. SEVIER 4	ALEX. HUTCHISON Tenor

Composed by JAMES PAGET, and
Conducted by ALFRED C. WRIGHT.

HARPENDEN, HERTS.
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Wednesday, November 19, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 15 cwt.

HERBERT GEORGE COBURN... Treble	*HARRY DAY 5
RALPH COBURN 2	*ARTHUR DAY 6
*WILLIAM HILL 3	†BEN JARMAN 7
*HENRY JARMAN 4	CHARLES DELLAR Tenor

Conducted by BEN JARMAN.

* First peal. † First peal as conductor. First peal rung on the
bells by a local band. The ringers of the 3rd, 4th and 5th were
elected members before starting.

PULHAM, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, November 19, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN,

A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 14 cwt.

ERNEST WHITING Treble	EDWARD LUBBOCK 5
HENRY GARNHAM 2	HARRY ADCOCK 6
CHARLES BAKER 3	EDWIN WHITING 7
RUSSELL RICHES... .. 4	TOWNSEND ADCOCK Tenor

Composed by HENRY DAINS, and
Conducted by ERNEST WHITING.

LONDON.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND
LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wednesday, November 19, 1913, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN, WATERLOO ROAD, S.E.,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 20 cwt.

JOHN H. B. HESSE Treble	FRANK BENNETT 5
*ERNEST E. GRIMES... .. 2	J. ARMIGER TROLLOPE 6
ALFRED W. GRIMES 3	ERNEST BRETT 7
RICHARD N. RUNHAM 4	JAMES E. DAVIS Tenor

Composed by H. WHITTLE, and
Conducted by JAMES E. DAVIS.

* First peal in the method away from the treble, and first attempt.

HEENE, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, November 19, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BOTOLPH,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 10½ cwt.

HORACE TULETT Treble	ALFRED GROVES 5
JOHN PAICE 2	*H. INGLE 6
HARRY EVANS 3	EDMUND LINDUP 7
WILLIAM HILLMAN 4	†P. C. LEONARD LEWIS... Tenor

Conducted by EDMUND LINDUP.

* First peal of Stedman. † P. C. Lewis was elected a member
previous to starting. This was his first peal on eight bells.

PENTRE, RHONDDA.

THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, November 20, 1913, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.

A PEAL OF OXFORD BOB TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

J. J. PARKER'S TEN-PART. Tenor 26 cwt. 3 qr. 10 lbs., E flat.

HERBERT DAVIES Treble	THOMAS HAMLIN 5
TOM PAGE 2	GEORGE WINES... .. 6
HARRY PAGE 3	WILLIAM PAGE 7
GEORGE CROSS 4	JAMES CROSS Tenor

Conducted by TOM PAGE.

First peal in the method on the bells; by all the band, and in
Wales.

WILLENHALL, STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD
AND THE DUDLEY AND DISTRICTS GUILD.

On Thursday, November 20, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-four Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 12½ cwt.

THOMAS HUGHES Treble	CHARLES TYLER 5
*EDWARD HORTIN 2	CHRISTOPHER WALLATER 6
ALBERT LITTLE 3	FRANK W. PERRENS... .. 7
EDGAR MARLOW 4	*JAMES ADAMS Tenor

Conducted by CHRISTOPHER WALLATER.

* First peal of Stedman. Messrs. Marlow and Tyler hail from
Wood Green and T. Hughes from Wednesbury, A. Little from Wol-
verhampton, while E. Hortin, C. Wallater, F. W. Perrens and J.
Adams belong to the local band.

SUNDERLAND.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, November 20, 1913, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. IGNATIUS THE MARTYR,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5152 CHANGES;

Tenor 13 cwt.

*WILLIAM OXLEY Treble	†MICHAEL F. HARRISON 5
*GEORGE S. TAYLOR 2	ROBERT W. LOVIE 6
*JAMES AYERS 4	JOSEPH W. PARKER... .. 7
CECIL O. SAYER 5	†ROBERT L. PATTERSON ... Tenor

Composed and Conducted by JOSEPH W. PARKER.

* First attempt for a peal of Major. † First attempt for a peal of
Double Norwich. First peal of Major on the bells.

SOUTHGATE, MIDDLESEX.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND
LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, November 20, 1913, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,
AT CHRIST CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

Tenor 25 cwt., in D.

†ALFRED G. CRANE Treble	WALTER SOER 5
JOHN ARMSTRONG 2	ALFRED J. TRAPPIT 6
HERBERT ARMSTRONG 3	NORMAN A. TOMLINSON 7
JOHN W. CORNFORD 4	*GEORGE W. FLETCHER ... Tenor

Conducted by JOHN ARMSTRONG.

* First peal, aged 17 years. † First peal away from tenor.

TUNSTALL, STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE STOKE ARCHIDIACONAL ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, November 20, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-one Minutes,
AT CHRIST CHURCH,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 12 cwt. 1 qr.

JOHN DARLINGTON Treble	WALTER R. WASHBROOK... .. 5
GEORGE A. SMITH 2	SAMUEL GROVE 6
JAMES E. GROVES 3	*ARTHUR A. CLAY 7
*JOHN GODBER 4	JAMES W. WASHBROOK, Jr. Tenor

Composed by NATHAN PITSTOW, and

Conducted by JAMES W. WASHBROOK, Junr.

* First peal of Superlative. First in the method on the bells. Rung
after the rehanging of two of the bells by Messrs. Barwell, Ltd., the
work giving the greatest satisfaction to all concerned.

PULHAM, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, November 20, 1913, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALENE,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 14 cwt. 1 qr. 16 lbs.

FREDERICK ROOPE Treble	CHARLES BAKER 5
FREDERICK R. BORRETT 2	WILLIAM ROOPE 6
CHARLES ROOPE 3	EDWIN WHITING 7
HENRY GARNHAM 4	ERNEST WHITING Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS, and

Conducted by FREDERICK ROOPE.

LONGSTANTON.

THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.

On Friday, November 21, 1913, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 7 cwt. 2 qr. 11 lbs.

WILLIAM D. JAMES Treble	REV. H. S. T. RICHARDSON 5
REV. A. H. F. BOUGHEY... .. 2	J. BRUCE WILLIAMSON 6
J. HOWARD R. FREEBORN 3	REV. B. H. TYRWHITT DRAKE 7
*REV. H. B. WOOLLEY 4	REV. H. LAW JAMES ... Tenor

Composed by B. ANNABLE, and

Conducted by Rev. H. LAW JAMES.

* First peal in any method with a bob bell. First peal of Bob
Major on the bells. Rung on first anniversary of dedication of bells.

WHITBY, YORKS.

THE CLEVELAND & NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Friday, November 27, 1913, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

A VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 18½ cwt.

T. STEEL Treble	W. HARLAND 5
WM. BRECKON 2	G. HILL 6
J. T. WATERS 3	F. HODGSON 7
WM. KNAGGS 4	A. COATES Tenor

Conducted by WM. BRECKON.

Rung to celebrate the wedding of John P. Pyman, of Raithwaite, near Whitby, to Miss Pyman, of Cardiff, the marriage taking place at Penarth on the above date. First peal on Whitby bells by an entirely local band.

DEBENHAM, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 22, 1913, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 19 cwt. 2 qr. 14 lbs.

*HOBART E. SMITH ... Treble	ALFRED S. WIGHTMAN ... 5
*LESLIE C. WIGHTMAN ... 2	PETER LAFLIN 6
WILLIAM GRIMES 3	ERNEST F. POPPY 7
WILLIAM GROOM 4	GEORGE E. SYMONDS ... Tenor

Composed by Sir A. P. HEYWOOD, and
Conducted by GEORGE E. SYMONDS.

* First peal in the method. Composition No. 221 C.C. Collection.

STREET, SOMERSET.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 22, 1913, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF HOLY TRINITY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLLIS' FIVE-PART. Tenor 23 cwt. 3 qr.

THOMAS DOBLE Treble	ALBERT E. COLES 5
HARRY PARISH 2	REV. W. M. K. WARREN ... 6
HENRY J. TRIM 3	GABRIEL CHAMBERLAIN ... 7
*HARRY FRY 4	WALTER FARLEY Tenor

Conducted by G. CHAMBERLAIN.

* First peal with a bob bell.

BOCKING, ESSEX.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 22, 1913, in Three Hours and Fourteen Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 18½ cwt.

ANDREW SHUFFLEBOTHAM Treble	FRANK CLAYDON 5
*FREDERICK RADLEY 2	ERNEST NEWMAN 6
WALTER SADLER 3	DAVID ELLIOTT 7
ERNEST W. BECKWITH ... 4	WILLIAM KEEBLE Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS, and
Conducted by WILLIAM KEEBLE.

* First peal in the method.

ROTHERHAM.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 22, 1913, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. STEPHEN, EASTWOOD,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

SIR A. HEYWOOD'S VARIATION OF THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 12½ cwt.

MISS WINIFRED M. HAGUE Treble	*THOMAS SMITH 5
*CHARLES W. KING 2	ARTHUR HAGUE 6
CLEMENT GLENN 3	*HERBERT LUDKIN 7
JOHN W. J. COTTAM 4	*JOSEPH DRAKE Tenor

Conducted by CLEMENT GLENN.

* First peal in the method, and hail from Goole.

NEWMARKET, CAMBRIDGESHIRE.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 22, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-two Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 11 cwt.

FRANK E. KEMPTON ... Treble	ABRAHAM WILKERSON ... 5
*REGINALD LATHBURY ... 2	T. REGINALD DENNIS ... 6
*L. GEORGE MALLION ... 3	WILLIAM D. JAMES 7
J. BRUCE WILLIAMSON ... 4	FREDERICK DENCH Tenor

Composed and Conducted by FREDERICK DENCH.

* First peal in the method. First in the method and quickest peal on the bells. W. D. James' fiftieth tower. The band wish to thank the Rev. Douglas Hamilton for the use of the bells, and Mr. Pindar for having everything in readiness.

MORTLAKE, SURREY.

ST. MARY ABBOT'S GUILD, KENSINGTON.

On Saturday, November 22, 1913, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 14 cwt.

WILLIAM J. DAUBNEY ... Treble	CLARENCE H. DOBBIE ... 5
ERNEST G. STIBBONS ... 2	ARCHIBALD F. HARRIS ... 6
WALTER G. MATTHEWS ... 3	JAMES R. MACKMAN 7
WILLIAM A. GARRARD ... 4	WILLIAM E. GARRARD ... Tenor

Composed by FREDERICK DENCH, and
Conducted by WILLIAM E. GARRARD.

WHITWICK, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 22, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-seven Minutes,
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

HAROLD PEGG Treble	HENRY PARTRIDGE 5
JOSEPH CADLE 2	JOHN RAWSON 6
EPHRAIM W. RANDS ... 3	GERALD GRIFFEN 7
*PERCY HADFIELD 4	WALTER FERN Tenor

Conducted by EPHRAIM W. RANDS.

* First peal.

STAINES, MIDDLESEX.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, November 22, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

V. F. SINKINS Treble	JOHN J. PRATT 5
ALFRED C. FUSSELL ... 2	ARTHUR BLAKE 6
THOMAS T. SMITH 3	GEORGE MARTIN 7
WILLIAM A. GARRAWAY ... 4	*ALFRED PETHER Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE MARTIN.

* First peal on eight bells. This peal was arranged especially for Mr. Pether, in honour of his 58th birthday. After the peal the band sat down to supper at the Bee Hive Hotel.

HALESOWEN, WORCESTERSHIRE.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION

(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, November 22, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-Nine Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 19 cwt.

ROBERT MATTHEWS ... Treble	JOSEPH FIGOTT 5
JOHN BASS 2	WILLIAM PAGE 6
GEORGE N. COCKIN ... 3	WILLIAM FISHER 7
VICTOR WHITE 4	ADFRD HACKETT Tenor

Conducted by R. MATTHEWS.

SIX BELL PEALS.

HUSBORNE CRAWLEY, BEDS.
THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 15, 1913, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALENE,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES ;

Being 720 each of London and Cambridge Surprise, College Exercise,
London Scholars', Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob.

Tenor 18 cwt. 2 qr. 12 lbs.

HERBERT L. HARLOW ... <i>Treble</i>	JOHN W. BARKER 4
MISS EVELYN STEEL 2	FRANK WEBB 5
*EDMUND J. HOBBS 3	HORACE SMITH <i>Tenor</i>

Conducted by HORACE SMITH.

* First peal in seven methods. First peal in seven methods. as conductor.

WRENTHAM, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, November 18, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes.
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES ;

Being two 720's of Oxford Treble Bob, two of Canterbury Pleasure,
and three of Plain Bob, called differently. Tenor 10½ cwt.

JOHN SPENCER <i>Treble</i>	*ERNEST W. HALL 4
ALBERT J. NAUNTON... .. 2	ALBERT J. L. NAUNTON ... 5
WILLIAM H. P. MELLIN... 3	FRANCIS W. NAUNTON ... <i>Tenor</i>

Conducted by FRANCIS W. NAUNTON.

* First peal in three methods. Rung with the bells half muffled as a last tribute of respect to Canon Yerburch, of Tewkesbury Abbey, brother of the Rector of the above church.

GREAT MUNDEN, HERTS.

THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, November 19, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-one Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES ;

Being 720 each of Double Oxford, Duke of York, Woodbine, Oxford
Delight, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob and Plain Bob.

Tenor 11 cwt.

*WILLIAM K. NORTH <i>Treble</i>	WILLIAM H. LAWRENCE ... 4
HENRY WALLACE 2	NATHAN PATMORE 5
ERNEST OVERALL 3	BARNARD PATMORE <i>Tenor</i>

Conducted by BARNARD PATMORE.

* First peal.

BARCOMBE, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, November 19, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-eight Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANCES ;

Being 42 Six-Scores with nine different callings.

Tenor 7 cwt. 3 qr. 9 lbs.

ALBERT E. ANSCOMBE ... <i>Treble</i>	ALBERT E. EDWARDS 4
FREDERICK J. MARTIN 2	WILLIAM H. BANKS... .. 5
LUKE VERRALL 3	HARRY FUNNELL <i>Tenor</i>

Conducted by ALBERT E. EDWARDS.

This peal was rung in honour of the marriage of Mr. William Harriot (formerly organist of the above church), now organist at Isfield Parish Church, to Miss E. F. Norman, the happy event taking place at Cowfold Church on the above date. It was also rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. F. J. Martin.

COLSTERWORTH, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

(SOUTHERN BRANCH.)

On Thursday, November 20, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANCES ;

Tenor 9 cwt.

WALTER BRITAIN <i>Treble</i>	CYRIL WRIGHT... .. 4
CHARLES KELLY 2	WILLIAM ALEXANDER ... 5
HARRY WATSON 3	ARTHUR SKINNS <i>Tenor</i>

Conducted by ARTHUR SKINNS.

This is the first peal on the bells by an entirely local band. First peal by Arthur Skinns as conductor, and the quickest peal on the bells.

GEDNEY, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

(ELLOE DEANERIES BRANCH.)

On Thursday, November 20, 1913, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALENE,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES ;

Being 720 each of Single Court, Single Oxford, Double Court, Double
Oxford, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 17 cwt.

HARRY V. FLETCHER ... <i>Treble</i>	ARTHUR J. FARR 4
REV. C. J. STURTON 2	GEORGE R. TRUSS 5
JOHN B. HALLIFAX 3	RUPERT RICHARDSON ... <i>Tenor</i>

Conducted by RUPERT RICHARDSON.

This is the first peal of Minor on the bells, a new treble having lately been added by Messrs. J. Taylor & Co., of Loughborough.

ELSTREE, HERTS.

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 22, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-two Minutes,
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES ;

Being 720 each of College Single, Canterbury Pleasure and Plain
Bob, and two 720's each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob.

ARTHUR TIMUSS... .. <i>Treble</i>	CHARLES JEFFS 4
JAMES PAYNE, JUNR. 2	RICHARD CHALKLEY ... 5
JOHN MALYAN 3	FREDERICK JEFFS <i>Tenor</i>

Conducted by JOHN MALYAN.

First peal in five methods by all.

HARROLD, BEDS.

THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 22, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES ;

Being three 720's of Oxford Bob and four 720's of Plain Bob, each
72a being called differently. Tenor 13 cwt.

*CHARLES ASHTON <i>Treble</i>	WILLIAM STOCK 4
JOSEPH M'GRATH 2	HERBERT ROBINSON ... 5
HENRY W. GUYTON 3	CHARLES WM. CLARKE ... <i>Tenor</i>

Conducted by CHARLES WM. CLARKE.

* First peal. All the ringers, with the exception of the conductor, belong to the local band.

WENHASTON, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 22, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-seven Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES ;

Being two 720's of Oxford Treble Bob, two of Canterbury Pleasure,
and three of Plain Bob, called differently. Tenor 14 cwt.

HERBERT G. PRATT <i>Treble</i>	ALBERT J. L. NAUNTON... 4
ALBERT J. NAUNTON 2	JOHN SPENCER 5
WILLIAM H. P. MELLIN ... 3	FRANCIS W. NAUNTON ... <i>Tenor</i>

Conducted by FRANCIS W. NAUNTON.

WILLESDEN, MIDDLESEX.

THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 22, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES ;

Being 720 each of Double Stedman Slow Course, Double Court,
Double Oxford, St. Clement's Bob, Oxford Bob, College Single and
Plain Bob. Tenor to cwt.

FRANK BARRETT <i>Treble</i>	FREDERICK J. HARDY ... 4
GEORGE M. KILBY 2	HARRY KILBY 5
GABRIEL CHALKLEY 3	THOMAS LANGDON <i>Tenor</i>

Conducted by THOMAS LANGDON.

This is the first peal in seven plain methods on the bells, and by all the band.

HORTON, BUCKS.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
(EAST BERKS AND SOUTH BUCKS BRANCH.)

On Saturday, November 22, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES ;

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

WALTER P. CROSS Treble	WILLIAM HENLEY 4
LEONARD STILWELL 2	GEORGE H. GUTTERIDGE... 5
JOSEPH J. PARKER 3	JAMES BLACKMORE Tenor

Conducted by J. J. PARKER.

GROBY, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 22, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PHILIP AND JAMES,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES :

In five methods, being 720 each of St. Clement's, College Single, and Grandsire, and two 720's each of Oxford Bob, and Plain Bob, Tenor 9½ cwt.

LOVELL RICHARDS Treble	GEORGE H. GEARY... .. 4
EDWARD GEARY 2	VICTOR GEARY... .. 5
ERNEST MORRIS 3	FRED STANFORTH Tenor

Conducted by ERNEST MORRIS.

Rung on the eve of St. Clement's Day.

GREAT TOTHAM, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

(THE MALDON AND DISTRICT GUILD.)

On Saturday, November 22, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-one Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES ;

Being 720 each of Norwich Surprise, Cambridge Surprise, New London Pleasure, College Exercise, Woodbine, Kent and Oxford.

Tenor 7½ cwt.

PERCY C. SAYER Treble	WALTER NICE 4
FRED CHALK 2	GEORGE H. NEVILLE ... 5
HORACE J. MANSFIELD ... 3	JOHN D. BUCKINGHAM ... Tenor

Conducted by JOHN D. BUCKINGHAM.

REDGRAVE, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 22, 1913, in Two Hours and Thirty-one Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BOTOLPH,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES ;

Being three 720's of Oxford Treble Bob, three of Plain Bob and one of Double Court.

JOHN BUCK... .. Treble	CHARLES CHENERY... .. 4
CHARLES BAILEY 2	GEORGE BAILEY 5
*JAMES BAILEY 3	ARTHUR BAILEY Tenor

Conducted by A. BAILEY.

* First peal.

OMBERSLEY, WORCESTERSHIRE.

THE WORCESTER AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

(WESTERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, November 22, 1913, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES ;

Being 720 each of College Single and Canterbury, two 720's of Oxford Bob and three 720's of Plain Bob. Tenor 20 cwt.

*ALBERT ATKINS... .. Treble	GEORGE HINTON, JUNR. ... 4
WILLIAM RANFORD 2	CHARLES BEAMAN 5
LIONEL LONGNEY 3	GORDON CHECKRETT... .. Tenor

Conducted by LIONEL LONGNEY.

* First peal of Minor. Mr. Atkins kindly took an absentee's rope at a moment's notice. First peal of Minor on the bells.

BRAMPTON ASH, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 22, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES ;

Comprising 720 of Woodbine and two 720's each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, and Plain Bob. Tenor 13½ cwt.

J. EDWARD CHAPMAN ... Treble	HARRY PEET 4
*BEN. W. YORK 2	†ALBERT E. YORK 5
FREDERICK KILBORN... .. 3	HORACE W. SHARMAN ... Tenor

Conducted by HORACE W. SHARMAN.

* First peal of Minor. † First peal in four methods with a bob bell.

WEST STOW, SUFFOLK.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

AND THE ST. JAMES' SOCIETY, BURY ST. EDMUNDS.

On Sunday, November 23, 1913, in Three Hours,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES ;

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

HORACE W. FOULGER... .. Treble	FREDERICK G. DEWELL ... 4
WALTER RADLEY... .. 2	ROBERT WILDING 5
FRANK J. LEVITT... .. 3	HARRY R. MOORE Tenor

Conducted by H. W. FOULGER.

This is the first peal on the bells.

HANDBELL PEALS.

LONDON.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND
LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, November 18, 1913, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes,

AT 129, BRUNSWICK STREET, HAGGERSTON,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5007 CHANGES ;

*MISS ELSIE L. BENNETT 1-2	ERNEST PYE 7-8
WILLIAM PYE 3-4	*FRANK I. HAIRS 9-10
GEORGE R. PYE 5-6	ALFRED W. GRIMES ... 11-12

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF, and

Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

Umpire: F. BENNETT.

* First peal of Stedman Cinques in hand, and rung at the first attempt.

SHEFFIELD.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, November 19, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-two Minutes,

AT 31, BURGESS STREET,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5003 CHANGES ;

*GEORGE HOLLIS 1-2	WILLIAM J. THYNG ... 5-6
CLEMENT GLENN 3-4	ARTHUR KNIGHTS 7-8
ARTHUR HAGUE 9-10	

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS, and

Conducted by CLEMENT GLENN.

* First handbell peal of Caters.

CROYDON, SURREY.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Wednesday, November 19, 1913, in Two Hours and Thirty-three Minutes,

AT THE RESIDENCE OF A. W. CLARK,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES ;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

HERBERT LANGDON 1-2	CHALLIS F. WINNEY ... 5-6
WALTER S. WISE 3-4	AMOS W. CLARK 7-8

Conducted by WALTER S. WISE.

Umpire: WALTER G. ROWE.

Witnesses: MRS. A. CLARK and SYDNEY R. ROPER.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Mrs. A. Clark. It was also the 8th birthday of Winifred A. Wise, daughter of the conductor.

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BELLS OF ENGLISH CATHEDRALS.— ST. ALBANS.

By J. R. JERRAM.

The late Mr. Stahlschmidt, in his "Church Bells of Herts," gives a most exhaustive account of the Abbey bells from early time up to the present date, from which I have extracted the following:

The church was rebuilt by Paul de Caen, 14th Abbot, in 1077. Mention is then made of his providing bells for the tower, but how many is not stated. Soon after this a nobleman named Lyolf, together with his wife, gave two more bells.

About 1300 we find that Roger Norton, Abbot, provided "a great bell, and a most sonorous one, called by the name of St. Amphibalus," to be used as a curfew bell. Two more bells were added at the same time. Again; about 1340 two new bells were provided, and Amphibalus was recast. It must not be supposed that these bells formed a peal in any sense; but were probably odd bells used for different services.

to the ground, if they had not been, by the contrivance of the workmen, secured and bound by ropes and cords, and attached to the upper roof."

We find that in 1484 John Stoke, Abbot, when he was on his dying bed, bequeathed money for a great bell, called "John," and for new glazing of the cloister. We pass over a considerable period, during which there are numerous records of the bells being rung on special occasions. In 1699 we find there were five mediæval bells, dedicated respectively to Mary, Amphibalus, Alban, Christ, and John. These were broken up in that year and cast into a peal of six by Philip Wightman, a London founder. Four of these still remain, two have since been recast; and in 1730 two trebles were added by Phelps to make the present peal of eight, which are thus inscribed:—

Treble.

C. & G. MEARS FOUNDERS, LONDON. NATU MINOR LAUDE PRIOR.

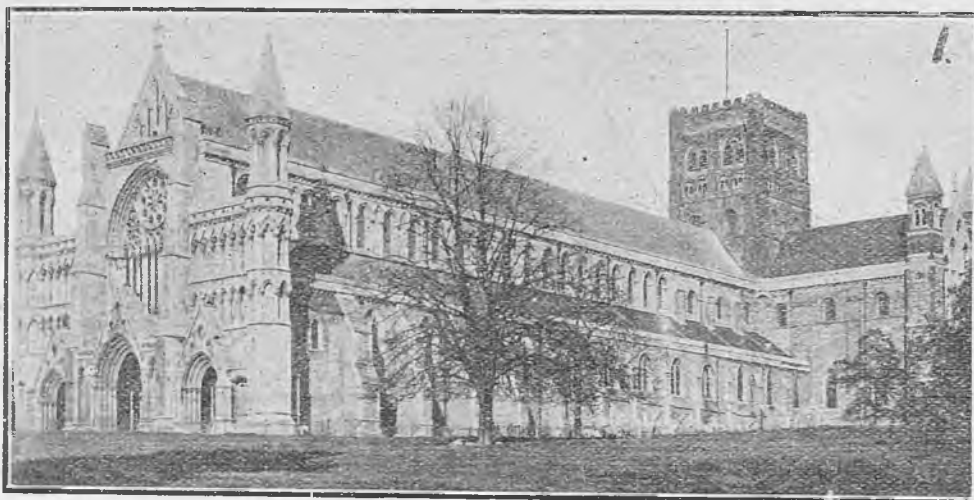
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R. BROOKS,

B. AGUTTER, } CHURCHWARDENS 1845

T. W. KENT,

(The original bell was by R. Phelps 1730).



ST. ALBANS CATHEDRAL.

In 1380 we have the following record of a supposed miracle: "Now the fourth day prior to the Feast of the Passion of the glorious martyr (St. Alban) was at hand, on which, according to the custom of the conduct of spiritual works, the Office of the Dead was said in the convent for the commendation of the late most invincible King of England, Edward of Wyndeshores, when, as is the custom at such chief anniversaries, all the great bells were rung. Whilst they were being pealed, suddenly the bell which was the largest but one, and which was called Alban, becoming detached from its bearings, fell and broke the floor of the tower and two beams upon which the same bell then rested. Now was to be seen a fearful spectacle, the bell lying upon broken beams, which were unable to support themselves when relieved from the weight of the bell, and these becoming stronger as if from that immense burden, and so supporting it throughout the whole day, to the admiration of all beholders. But as soon as the bell had, by the skill of the carpenters, been lifted, the very beams which before had sustained it, proved unable, when lightened, to maintain their position, and being broken into pieces would have forthwith fallen

Second.

THESE 2 LEAST BELLS WERE BOUGHT BY FREE GIFTS OF SUNDRY GOOD PEOPLE OBTAINED BY YE. REV'D. MR. IOHN COOLE VIC: R: P: FEC: 1730.

Third.

MADE BY PHILIP WIGHTMAN 1699

Fourth.

(Ditto)

Fifth.

RICHARD PHELPS MADE ME 1731.

Sixth.

THOS. KINDER & WM. HUNT & CHRS. DOMVILLE CHURCHWARDENS 1758. LESTER & PACK OF LONDON FECIT.

Seventh.

MADE BY PHILIP WIGHTMAN 1699

Tenor.

IEREMIAH CARTER IOHN COOKE CHURCHWARDENS 1699.

VIVOS AD CELVM MORTVOS AD SOLVM PVLSATA VOCO
MADE BY PHILIP WIGHTMAN LONDON.

Ting-Tang.

[No inscription].

The tenor is 52¼ inches diameter, weight about 25 cwt.

There is a tablet in the belfry recording a peal rung in 1765.

The inscription on the treble "Natu minor laude prior" means "younger by birth but greater in merit." That on the tenor "I being struck call the living to heaven and the dead to earth."

ODD CHANGES.

There is a family of ringers at Swanmore, Hants, and all are members of the Winchester Guild. On Sunday week the proud father (Mr. W. Linter) conducted his three sons and two daughters through 720 of Bob Minor on handbells, Miss May Linter 1, Miss Ethel Linter (first 720) 2, Walter Linter (first with a bob bell) 3, Frederick Linter 4, Roy Linter (first 720) 5, Willian Linter (conductor) 6.

The Holy Trinity Guildford Company have retrieved their false peal of Guildford Surprise, by ringing the first true one in the method on Tuesday last.

His many friends in Manchester and district will be pleased to learn that Mr. Richard Newton, who has been holding a good position at Boston, U.S.A., is relinquishing it for an important confidential position in one of the prominent banks.

The young band at Colsterworth, an out-of-the-way Lincolnshire village, deserve congratulations upon having scored their first peal. Until the bells were increased to six about 18 months ago not one of them knew anything about change ringing, and the only instruction they have had has been some half dozen lessons by the Rev. H. Law James. Their success is, therefore, all the more creditable.

To celebrate the birthday of the veteran captain of St. Lawrence's tower, Reading (Mr. W. Newell), a peal of Stedman Caters was attempted, but, unfortunately, after 3 hrs. 27 mins. ringing the conductor found that a shift course had taken place. The ringers were: E. Holloway, W. J. Paice, H. White, R. T. Hibbert, F. Webb, C. Pullen, W. H. Fussell, A. Osborne, F. Hopgood (conductor), R. Sawyer. It was the first attempt on Stedman Caters by Messrs. Holloway, Pullen, Paice and Webb.

Mr. C. J. Hamblin, the latest acquisition to the band at Auckland, New Zealand, reached the end of his long journey from England on October 1st, and as a welcome, a quarter peal of Grandsire Triples was rung at St. Matthew's Church on Sunday, October 5th, for morning service by J. F. Colgrove 1, N. Smallwood 2, J. Heather 3, O. Throssell 4, J. Davies 5, C. J. Hamblin 6, A. J. White (conductor) 7, S. C. Hamblin 8.

Those taking part in the peal at Ombersley, on Saturday, had an unpleasant experience. When they had fairly settled down to the task before them, one of the two oil lamps began to smoke, and presently the flame drew up to the top of the glass and finally set fire to the outside of the lamp. Through the fourth, fifth and sixth 720's the ringers could scarcely see each other for smoke, but the lamp then burnt itself out and the peal was finished in safety, but by that time all of them were almost as black as colliers.

Those ringers who have accepted invitations to Mr. George's birthday celebration on Saturday, are reminded that the tea takes place at St. Martin's Hotel, in the Bull Ring, Birmingham, at 6 o'clock prompt. As many visitors will not be taking part in any peals on that day, they may be interested to know that Mr. Harry Withers will be playing on the fine carillon at Bournville (Cadbury's Garden Village), from 3 to 4 p.m., and any who care to make the journey, of about four miles from the city, will hear something worth listening to. The bells of St. John's, Deritend (8) will be available during the afternoon for touches.

Miss Elsie Bennett has scored another success in her unique handbell record, for she has now added Stedman Cinques to her list, after having just recently rung Stedman Triples. Stedman Caters she achieved some time since, and she is the first lady to ring Stedman double-handed from Triples to Cinques.

Mr. W. White, of Raglan, Mon., writes confirming Mr. Hesse's measurements of Wedmore tenor, and says that he classes the bell as 33 cwt. St. Mary's, Taunton, tenor is 29 cwt. 3 qrs. 20 lbs., with a diameter of 58½ inches, which, by comparison, is further proof that Wedmore is not 38 cwt. But to ring a peal at Wedmore, Mr. White adds, is a great credit to the band, both on account of the "go" of the bells and the noise of 7 and 8.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION MANAGEMENT.

To the Editor.

Sir,—It seems a most deplorable thing that just when we should be most united, and almost at the moment when we are about to add "Diocesan" to our title, dissension appears in our midst. I do not know what the grievance of our friends is, but everyone, of course, is entitled to grumble—and Englishmen have the reputation of being born grumblers—but as you rightly say there are constitutional methods. If members are dissatisfied with their officers the remedy is in their own hands, and can be summed up in three words—Elect fresh ones. I feel sure, however, that if our friends in the North-Western division were to lay their grievances before those in authority they would be remedied.

May I, therefore, appeal to my brother ringers, many of whom are personally known to me, to do nothing which would cause injury or bring discredit to our Association, as I am certain that by all pulling together a way out of the difficulty will be found. Although criticism is always easy, it is far better to embark on a constructive rather than a destructive policy.—Yours faithfully,
GEO. A. BLACK.

NOTEWORTHY PEAL RECORDED.

There has just been fittingly recorded in the tower of Leiston, Suffolk, that memorable performance by the eight brothers Bailey. It is in the form of a tablet of Corre Pine, the handsome top having been designed by the Rector, who dedicated the board prior to Matins on Sunday week. The tablet contains the following records of the achievements of the St. Margaret's Society:—

Norwich Diocesan Society of Change Ringers, St. Margaret's Society. Performances accomplished by members of the above Society.

Monday, May 31st, 1909. Peal of Double Norwich Court Bob Major, 11.040 changes in 6 hrs. 32 mins. The longest peal on the bells.

Saturday, October 21st, 1911. Peal of Bob Major (5024 changes) in 2 hrs. 58 mins.: Allen F. Bailey 1, Fredk. W. Bailey 2, Leonard P. Bailey 3, James M. Bailey 4, Norman R. Bailey 5, Ernest S. Bailey 6, Charles F. Bailey 7, Edgar F. Bailey 8. The first peal ever rung by eight brothers. Composed by G. Lindoff, of Dublin (late of Leiston). Conducted by C. F. Bailey.

Wednesday, January 1st, 1913. Peal of Kent Treble Bob Major (5088 changes), in 3 hrs. Composed by G. Lindoff. Conducted by C. F. Bailey. Rung in honour of the golden wedding of Mr. J. M. Button, for 50 years Master of the St. Margaret's Society. Mr. Button the treble bell in this peal, in spite of his advanced age.

Saturday, March 13th, 1913. Peal of Stedman Triples (5040 changes) in 2 hrs. 57 mins. Heywood's variation of Thurstans'. Conducted by C. F. Bailey. The first peal in the method by all, and on the bells, by the above Society.

Chelmsford Cathedral.



The new ring of 12 bells (Tenor 34 cwt. 2 qrs. 22 lbs.) for Chelmsford Cathedral was dedicated by the Lord Bishop of St. Albans on Saturday, September 27th, 1913.

MESSRS. JOHN WARNER & SONS, Ltd., of the
Spitalfields Bell Foundry, London, have in hand
the restoration of the following rings of 12 bells:

YORK MINSTER (Tenor 50½ cwt.)

ST. LEONARD'S CHURCH, SHOREDITCH (Tenor 28½ cwt.)

WINCHESTER GUILD.**STRONG POSITION OF GUILDFORD DISTRICT.**

The Guildford District of the Winchester Guild maintains its strong position, and since the amalgamation with the Leatherhead District, has a membership of over 300. The annual meeting took place on Wednesday of last week at Guildford, and was largely attended.

During the afternoon touches were successfully brought round in the local towers, and at a service in S. Nicolas' Church an able and helpful address was given by the Rev. G. Harding, of Godalming. The offertory, amounting to £1 6s. 3d., was on behalf of the Titchfield bells.

Tea was served at the Sart Inn, ringers being present from Cobham, Shere, Cranleigh, Godalming, Haslemere, Chiddingfold, Witley, Womersley, Clandon, Merrow, Aldershot, Farnham, Woking, Worplesdon, Shalford, etc. At the annual meeting which followed, in the absence of the Mayor of Guildford, Ald. E. Bridger (Godalming) presided, and was supported by the Revs. G. F. Coleridge (Crowthorne), W. W. S. Fleet (Woking), G. Harding (Godalming), J. B. Francis (Farncombe), and C. Compton (Haslemere), and Messrs. G. Williams (general secretary of the Guild, Southampton) and J. J. Jones (district secretary), etc.

Mr. J. J. Jones presented the district report, in which regret was expressed at the destruction by fire at West Clandon Church of a fine peal of six bells. It had been pointed out to the Rector that the same amount of metal would make a fine peal of eight. The strength of the district with the amalgamation of the Leatherhead district was 30 towers, 275 ringing members, and 38 hon. members. The towers of Womersley and Rammore had been affiliated to the district, and instruction was given at Ash, Bentley and Womersley. At present there was a balance in hand of £14 (applause).

The following officers were elected: Chairman, Mr. C. Willschire; district secretary, Mr. J. J. Jones; assistant secretary, Mr. T. H. White (Dorking); representatives on the Central Committee, Messrs. R. Whittington and C. Edwards; ringing master, Mr. A. H. Pulling; auditor, Mr. W. H. Tunnell; and chaplain, the Rev. G. Harding.

The meeting approved of the following meetings: February, Aldershot; April, Shere; May, Haslemere; June, Leatherhead; August, Rammore; September, Farnham; November, Guildford.

It was unanimously agreed to attempt four district peals next year. The question of a badge was postponed to the next meeting of the Guild, the Rev. G. F. Coleridge stating that he had been deputed to bring the matter of a badge for the ringers of England before the Central Council.

Mr. A. H. Pulling presented the ringing master's report, which stated that eleven peals were rung on six bells, thirteen on eight, two on ten and eighteen on handbells, making a total of 44.

Thanks were accorded Ald. Bridger, on the motion of Mr. F. E. Dawe, who also apologised for the absence from the meeting of Mr. J. Hunt, and extended the sympathy of all ringers to the Clandon band on the loss of their tower, bells, and records. He hoped that out of evil might come good, and that as a result a peal of eight bells might be installed at Clandon.

Following the meeting a touch of Stedman Triples was rung on handbells by Messrs. A. H. Pulling, M. Smithers, G. Williams and S. Radford. The Farncombe band (the Rev. J. B. Francis, Messrs. W. Moorey, W. Hooker and Wood) also gave an exhibition of ringing and songs were sung by the Revs. G. Harding and J. B. Francis, and Messrs. B. Ward, S. Bennett, Nells, T. Mack, F. E. Dawe, G. W. Brion, T. Lodge, H. Mason and E. Etheridge. The arrangements for the gathering were most satisfactorily made by Mr. Willschire.

BASINGSTOKE DISTRICT'S PROSPECTS.

The annual meeting was held at Basingstoke, on Saturday, and proved an attractive gathering. Happily, the day was beautifully fine, so that the larger number, who come by road, found travelling pleasant. The members began to assemble about 4 o'clock, and the bells of St. Michael's tower were soon set swinging to Stedman and Grandsire Triples and a six-score or so of Doubles for the less advanced. At 5.30 all attended a hearty service in the church, where the ringers' form of service was used; and the music was led by the choir, who kindly attended at the request of the Vicar (the Rev. D. Bonstead), who himself took the service, the lessons being read by the Rev. P. Hume, the district secretary. Afterwards, 56 sat down to an excellent tea at the Church Cottage, well served by Mr. Philpott, as of yore. It was hoped that the Rev. C. E. Matthews (Master) and Mr. George Williams (general secretary) would have been present, but both of them were prevented. However, the Rev. W. E. Colchester (general treasurer), and Mr. C. Russell were present from Winchester, and Mr. F. Shepherd from Hersham.

At the general meeting which followed, the Vicar took the chair. The accounts (which are not closed till January) showed a substantial estimated balance on the right side. The president (Dr. Bonstead), district secretary (Rev. F. G. Hume), representative on Central Committee (Miss Alice White), and auditor (Mr. H. White) were unanimously re-elected.—The dates and places for annual and quarterly meetings were fixed, as far as possible; the names of 15 young members were added, by election; and several who had left the district were found to have returned, and met a welcome.

It was reported that there was a prospect of bringing five more

towers into union; and that a ring of four was soon to be augmented to a ring of six by the presentation of two trebles.

An interesting feature of the meeting was, that one of the Deane ringers, who is quite deaf, but very keen, was piloted, quite successfully, and to his own great delight, through a touch of Grandsire Triples, on the treble. This ringer, Mr. George Leaves, rings the treble to a six-score of Grandsire Doubles, and a touch of Plain Bob Minor quite accurately.

The towers represented were: Basingstoke, Oakley, Sherfield, Whitchurch, Dummer, Rotherwick, Hockfield, Bramley, Overton, Deane, and Andover, besides the visitors from Winchester and Hersham. Three members of the Ladies' Guild were present, and took part in the ringing. Some money was given in the room by the Basingstoke and Whitchurch bands, towards the Master's fund for augmenting the peal at Titchfield; and it was hoped that a fair sum will be placed in the hands of the district secretary, by the district, for that purpose, before the close of the year.

A return to the tower, and continued ringing until 9 o'clock, brought to a close a very successful meeting.

PRESENTATIONS.**CREWE RINGER'S SERVICES ACKNOWLEDGED.**

Through the kindness of the President of the Crewe branch of the Chester Guild (Mr. C. J. Bowen Cooke, M.Inst.C.E.), the ringers of Christ Church, Crewe, met at "Chester Place" on Sunday, Nov. 16th, after morning service, to make an interesting presentation (on behalf of the branch) to Mr. R. T. Holding, senr., who has this year completed 21 years as instructor to the branch.

Mr. Cooke opened the proceedings with some well-chosen remarks, and the presentation, which consisted of an enlarged photograph of Mr. Holding, with a purse of gold, was made by Mr. Langford, the oldest member of Christ Church tower, who spoke in high terms of the work rendered by Mr. Holding, in connection with change ringing in the district.—The Vicar (the Rev. W. Bidlake) and churchwardens also endorsed these remarks, and said, that although Mr. Holding had not been able to get to the belfry as often as previously, owing to illness, they all hoped that he would be among them again before long.—Mr. Holding thanked them for their kind gifts, and said that what he had done in the past had not been done for any personal gain, but for the love of the art.—Mr. Cooke was thanked for the interest he had taken in the ringers in the district.

RINGERS' GIFT TO VICAR.

An interesting presentation took place in the belfry of St. Outhbert's Church, Kirkby Ireleth, on Saturday week, when the Vicar (the Rev. A. Partridge) received from the ringers of the churches of Broughton-in-Furness and Kirkby Ireleth, a beautifully chased silver cigarette case, suitably inscribed, on the occasion of his leaving Kirkby to take up duties at his native place, Great Barr, near Birmingham. Mr. H. Casson, who presided over the little ceremony, voiced the regret of the parishioners at the departure of the Vicar, and Mr. J. Spry (the conductor) then handed the gift to Mr. Partridge. He spoke in appreciative terms of the way in which the Vicar had assisted the ringers and joined with them in the practice of the art, and on behalf of the subscribers wished him every success and happiness in his new sphere.—The Vicar acknowledged the gift in a feeling speech, in the course of which he said he should always look back with pleasure on the happy times spent with the ringers both in the belfry and on the many little trips they had had together. He appreciated the gift, not alone for its value, but for the spirit that prompted it, and it would always be a pleasant reminder of the happy hours he had enjoyed with them.

WEDDING GIFT.

On Thursday of last week, Mr. R. G. Black, the esteemed captain of the Geddington company and a well-known ringer in the district, was married at Kettering Parish Church to Miss S. E. Darker, of Kettering. In honour of the event, his brother ringers rang at Geddington 720 Grandsire Doubles: W. Moore 1, C. Swann 2, C. Cooper (conductor) 3, E. Reed 4, C. Moore 5. Illness near the church unfortunately prevented a peal attempt.

After the ringing the bridegroom was present in the belfry, and on behalf of the Geddington band, Mr. W. Moore presented him with a handsome set of knives and forks. In a happy speech, Mr. Moore wished the bride and bridegroom long life and happiness.

Subsequently the ringers were entertained to supper at the residence of the bridegroom's parents (Mr. and Mrs. G. Black), and an enjoyable evening was spent in singing and handbell ringing.

DURHAM & NEWCASTLE ASSOCIATION.

A meeting of the Northern district was held at Christ Church, North Shields, on Wednesday week, with an attendance of eighteen members representing four towers. Rounds were rung for the benefit of the beginners, and the following methods were practised: Stedman Caters, Kent Treble Bob Royal, Plain Bob Royal and London Surprise Major. Four members had their first practice on ten bells. The next meeting will probably be held at Newcastle.

A NEW SUSSEX CHURCH. MUNIFICENT GIFT CONSECRATED.

One more has been added to the beautiful churches of Sussex by the consecration on Thursday, November 13th, of Holy Trinity Church, Coleman's Hatch, which has been erected by a local resident, Mr. J. McAndrew, J.P., of Holly Hill. The church forms a landmark in its stately position at the top of Shepherd's Hill, and has a fitting background of very fine trees. Mr. McAndrew has not only defrayed the cost of erecting the church—estimated at about £16,000—but has endowed it and thoroughly furnished it throughout with every requisite, including a full peal of beautifully-toned bells, which rang out their joyous welcome before the service. The church consists of a nave and north aisle, a tower and spire, and the usual arrangements of chancel and organ chamber and vestries, advantage being taken of the steep slope of the ground at this point to place the choir vestry and heating chamber under the organ and clergy vestry, both of which are at the same level as the body of the chancel. At the west end there is a small baptistery containing a stone font. The total accommodation of the church is 300, including the choir. The exterior of the church is of Sussex stone, the interior having dressings of the same stone, the walls being plastered. The fittings throughout are of oak, and include the altar, altar rail, choir stalls, pulpit and seats in nave and aisles. The church is heated by hot air. There is a clock in the tower, which is fitted with Lord Grimthorpe's double three-legged gravity escapement and all the latest improvements, and which chimes the "Westminster" quarters and drives the hands of gilt skeleton dials. The consecration of the new church, tower, bells and clock took place in the presence of a crowded congregation, many of whom were unable to find seats, and was performed by the Bishop of Chichester in the course of a most impressive service.

After the service, the congregation were entertained to tea by Mr. McAndrew, the company numbering between 500 and 600.

Before and after the service the new bells were rung by the ringers from St. Peter's, Brighton, under the direction of Mr. Keith Hart, and after a hurried tea the band returned to the tower and rang an excellent peal of Stodman Triples as recorded in last week's issue.

The tenor of the ring weighs 12 cwt., and is in the key of G; and all the bells have been hung in a steel and iron frame, and tuned on the five-tone "Simpson" principle, which soon becomes apparent to the listener.

The whole of the bell and clock work has been carried out by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, of Croydon, who were complimented on all sides for the manner in which their contract had been completed, and particularly for the sweet tone of the bells and the ease with which the ringers were able to handle them.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD. NORTHERN BRANCH MEETING.

A meeting of the Gainsborough district was held at Kirton Lindsey on Saturday week, ringers and friends being present from Gainsborough, Willingham, Barnetby and Bigby. Although the gathering was not so large as it might have been, yet from a ringing point of view the meeting was very successful. During the afternoon and evening several well-struck touches of Grandsire Doubles, Plain Bob, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob Minor were accomplished. At tea at the Red Lion Hotel, the ringers were joined by the Vicar of Kirton Lindsey (the Rev. H. R. Garvey), Messrs. Silverwood and Kent (choir-master), and some of the local company. The subsequent business meeting was presided over by the Vicar, and it was the pleasing duty of those present to elect the Rev. H. R. Garvey as an hon. member. Votes of thanks to the church authorities for the use of the bells, to Mr. R. Johnson for making the necessary arrangements, and to the host and hostess were unanimously carried and responded to in a very cordial manner by the Vicar and Mr. Johnson. Mr. Silverwood also expressed the great pleasure it gave him to be with them on that occasion.

This concluded the business, after which some of the visitors returned to the tower and indulged in further ringing, including a 720 of Kent Treble Bob Minor, by: C. H. Baker 1, F. S. W. Butler (conductor) 2, G. W. Blanchard 3, J. C. Tinker 4, W. T. Herring 5, J. T. Ladd 6. This was the first 720 of Treble Bob by Mr. Herring, and is believed to be the first in the method on the bells. The meeting proved one of the most successful ever held by the Gainsborough district.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

The members of the Manchester branch held their usual monthly meeting at the famous tower of St. Michael, Ashton-under-Lyne, on Saturday week. The meeting was of a very representative character, members being present from Manchester, Pendleton, Worsley, Eccles, Hyde, Stockport, Oldham, Middleton, Penkull (Staffordshire), etc.—Mr. Jas. Barratt (vice-president of the Association) presided over the business proceedings, at which Mr. J. Broadbent and Mr. A. Sumner were elected members.—Manchester Town Hall was chosen for the next meeting place.—A hearty vote of thanks was accorded the Rector and local ringers for the use of the bells.

EXCURSIONS.

AN OUTING TO LEEDS.

On Saturday week, the members of the Bolsover band journeyed to Leeds for their annual excursion. Arriving at our destination about 10 a.m., writes one of their number, we were met by the genial Mr. H. Williams, who proved a most capable guide, and whose attractive programme included visits to the town hall and other places of interest. At St. Michael's, Headingley, a disappointment awaited us, for owing to the illness of a parishioner we were not permitted to ring. The Rev. C. C. Marshall, Vicar of St. Chad's, and President of the Yorks Association, received us most courteously, and gave us a hearty invitation to have a pull on the beautiful peal of eight bells of which his church boasts. Touches of Norfolk, Treble Bob and Superlative were brought into rounds, and after expressing our thanks to the Vicar for his kindness, we proceeded to Beckett Park, formerly the seat of Lord Grimthorpe, and now the Leeds Training College. After crossing the park, we arrived at the famous Abbey of Kirkstall, and our interest in the venerable pile was enhanced by Mr. Williams' narrative of its history and past greatness. The morning's exertions, and the bracing air of Headingley, made dinner unusually welcome. The meal was partaken of at Leeds, and afterwards, as Mr. Williams was compelled by a business engagement to leave us, the duties of cicerone were undertaken by Mr. Johnson, who conducted us to Hunslet Parish Church. Here, Mr. Cotterill, of Halifax, and several ringers were awaiting us, and touches of Cambridge, Norfolk and Bob Major were successfully brought into rounds. We next visited the parish church of Holbeck, and came to grief over a touch of London, after succeeding with touches of Superlative and Double Norwich. Tea provided a welcome respite, and subsequently we concluded our tour with a visit to the Leeds Parish Church, where we again failed with a touch of London, but brought into rounds touches of Stedman Caters and Superlative. The very warm welcome we received on every hand contributed to the day's enjoyment, and we desire to extend our heartiest thanks to the Vicars of the churches at which we rang, and to all who in any way ministered to our pleasure.

LUTON RINGERS VISIT NORTHAMPTON.

The ringers of Luton Parish Church visited Northampton for a half-day, at the kind invitation of the Vicar of St. Giles (the Rev. T. A. Gurney), who was senior curate at Luton some twenty years ago. After having a look round the town, a move was made to the belfry, where, during the afternoon and evening, the following methods were rung on the nice peal of ten, with tenor 25 cwt.: Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Kent Treble Bob Major, Grandsire and Stedman Caters, Bob and Kent Treble Bob Royal. By the kindness of the Vicar, tea was partaken of at the St. Giles' Churchrooms, and the tables presided over by three ladies, including Miss Gurney. After tea, Mr. A. King, on behalf of the visitors, proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the Rev. A. T. Gurney for his kind hospitality, and for the use of the bells.—The Vicar, in reply, said how pleased he was to entertain the ringers from his old parish, and spoke of the happy time he spent at Luton, under the late Vicar (the Rev. James O'Neill). He hoped at some future date to have the opportunity of inviting them to Northampton again.—Thanks were also expressed to the ladies for their help at the tea tables, and to Mr. W. Rogers and his colleagues for having everything ready at the belfry, and making the outing a success.—Owing to a prior engagement, Mr. F. Wilford, general secretary of the Northamptonshire Association, was unable to be present to welcome the visitors.

DEATH OF CANON YERBURGH.

A RINGING CLERIC.

Readers of the daily papers will have seen with regret the announcement of the sudden death of Canon Wardell Yerburgh, Vicar of Tewkesbury, on the 14th inst. In losing him, the Tewkesbury company lose a genial and kind-hearted president, the Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association lose an earnest supporter and well-wisher, and the Exercise in general loses one of the comparatively few clergy who not only took a deep interest in the art, but who at one time himself practised change ringing, and was a College Youth. Charming and delightful in manner, he won the admiration of all who came into contact with him. He had held the living of Tewkesbury for some twelve or thirteen years, and was deservedly popular in the parish. The dignity and beauty of the services in the glorious Abbey were his constant care, and the void that he leaves behind will be hard to fill.

The following ringing took place at Tewkesbury Abbey Church, with the bells muffled as a last token of respect: On Sunday morning, the 16th inst., for Divine service, 532 Grandsire Triples: W. Hampton 1, R. H. Wetherington 2, F. S. Wilson 3, F. Smith 4, John Wathen 5, T. Devereux 6, Jos. Wathen 7, W. Haines 8. Also for evening service, 714 Grandsire Triples, standing as before, with the exception of C. W. Dyson 4 in the place of F. Smith. Both touches were composed and conducted by Jos. Wathen. On Monday evening, the 17th, before the memorial service, 600 Grandsire Triples were rung.

NOTICES.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Blackburn Branch.—A branch meeting will be held at Colne on Saturday, November 29th, 1913. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting 6.30 p.m.—J. Watson, Branch Secretary.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.—North and East District.—A meeting will be held at St. Giles-in-the-Fields on Saturday, November 29th. Bells available from 3.30. Short service at 5, to which all ringers are earnestly invited. Tea at the Church House, Dyott Street, at 5.30, by the kind invitation of the Rector (Rev. W. H. Davies). Business meeting after tea. The bells of St. James', Clerkenwell, will also be available from 7.30 to 9 p.m.—C. T. Coles, Honorary Secretary, 49, Wood Street, Walthamstow.

THE DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.—A quarterly meeting of the above Guild will be held at Blakenhall on Saturday, November 29th. Bells available at 4 o'clock. Service in church 5 o'clock. Business meeting afterwards.—Herbert Sheppard, Honorary Secretary, 66, Himley Road, Dudley.

THE HERTS ASSOCIATION.—A meeting will be held at Kings Langley (8 bells) on Saturday, November 29th. Bells available at 3 p.m. Tea, in the Institute, 6d. each. It is hoped that members will take this the first opportunity of visiting Kings Langley since augmentation from 6 to 8 bells.—H. Eden, Honorary Secretary, West District.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637).—Meetings for practice will be held at St. John's, Hackney, on December 2nd and 16th; Southwark Cathedral, on the 2nd and 30th; St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on the 4th and 18th; St. Mary-le-Bow, Cheapside, on the 9th; and St. Michael's, Cornhill, on the 23rd; also at St. Mary's, Walthamstow, on Saturdays; St. Magnus, 7.30; the others, 8 p.m. The subscription of 1s. 8d., which entitles members to vote on matters of finance, should be paid before February 28th.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Secretary, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.

GUILD FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF SALOP.—The next quarterly meeting of the above Guild will be held at Wellington on Saturday, December 6th, 1913. Ringing at 3 p.m. Business meeting at 5 p.m. Tea at 5.30 p.m.—Rev. H. B. Beckwith, Honorary Secretary, Ridgemount, Shrewsbury.

THE SHEFFIELD DISTRICT AND OLD EAST DERBYSHIRE AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.—The next meeting of this society will be held at Staveley on Saturday, December 6th. Church of St. John the Baptist, 8 bells, tenor 19 cwt., available 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. I shall be glad to receive at this meeting all outstanding subscriptions for 1913, particularly from unattached members. I would remind members of the new rule, by which all those who are two years in arrear now lose their membership. Also I shall be glad to receive any further donations towards the Eckington Bells Funds at this meeting, as this fund will shortly be closed.—J. E. L. Cockey, Honorary Secretary, 38, Rutland Park, Sheffield.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD (North Bucks Branch).—A quarterly meeting will be held at Bletchley, on Saturday, December 6th next. Service at 3 p.m.—Thos. Best, Secretary, Bletchley.

THE TOWCESTER AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Cold

Higham, on Saturday, December 6th, ringing at 3 p.m., tea at 5 p.m. Business after tea. Will those who intend to be present kindly let me know by Wednesday, December 3rd, and not later. A free tea.—J. Slarke, Brackley Road, Towcester.

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Stockport Branch.—The annual meeting will be held at St. Mary's, Stockport, on Saturday, December 6th.—A. T. Beeston, Hon. Secretary, New Mills.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Rossendale Branch.—The next branch meeting will be held at St. Mary's, Bury, on Saturday, December 6th. Bells ready at 3 p.m. Meeting at 6.30 p.m.—J. H. Haydock, Branch Secretary.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.—Southern Branch.—A meeting for practice will take place at Crophorne, on Saturday, December 6th. Bells available at 3 p.m.—J. Hemming, Branch Secretary.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—A ringing meeting will be held at Bicester, Oxon, on Saturday, December 13th, at 2.30 p.m. Service at 4 p.m., tea (6d. per head) 4.30. Will those who wish to attend please notify me by December 11th.—Rev. C. Jenkyn, Broadlands, Caversham, Reading.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—North-Western District.—The annual meeting for this district will be held at Bishop Stortford, on Saturday, December 13th. Service at 4.45 p.m. Short address by the Vicar (the Rev. H. T. Lane). Tea and business meeting will be held at the Chequers Hotel at 5.30 p.m. Bells available afternoon and evening. Tea, 6d. each, to members giving notice not later than first post Thursday, December 11th.—William Watts, District Secretary, Mont House Cottage, Stansted, Essex.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Manchester Branch.—The next monthly meeting will be held at the Manchester Town Hall, on Saturday, December 13th. The bells will be available for ringing from 3 to 7 p.m., the meeting to follow immediately after. The annual reports can be had at this meeting. Subscriptions are now due.—W. W. Wolstencroft, Branch Secretary.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Rochester District.—A quarterly meeting of this district will be held at St. Mary Magdalene, Gillingham, on Saturday, December 13th. Tower open from 3.30 p.m. till 9 p.m. Business meeting at 6 p.m.—Edward A. G. Allen, Hon. Secretary.

HALIFAX AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.—A meeting for practice will be held at Batley Carr, on Saturday, December 13th. Bells available from 3 p.m.—F. Salmons, Secretary.

THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.—Ringing for Divine service at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields the first Sunday in the month, and at St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, the third Sunday, both at 10 o'clock. Meetings for practice at Shoreditch the second Wednesday and at St. Sepulchre's, Snow Hill, the fourth Wednesday in every month, at 7.30.—F. Bennett, Honorary Secretary.

COOKHAM, BERKS.—The restored bells will be re-dedicated on Sunday, Dec. 7th, during the morning service, by the Ven. the Archdeacon of Berkshire. As the services will not allow of much ringing on that day, visitors will be most heartily welcome any evening during the week, except Wednesday, when there is evening service.—T. J. Fowler, Hon. Sec., Cookham.

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ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS AND SHOREDITCH BELLS.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—Our society's thanks and compliments are due to Mr. Herbert J. Bradley for his researches among parish records and the interesting tit-bits of ancient history he has discovered and published. His find in Shoreditch Library of "Dawson's Diary," having a record of a peal rung on Shoreditch bells in October, 1746, is of more than ordinary interest, and, as he suggests, may be the peal by the London Scholars (which society was founded A.D. 1603) rung in honour of Royal Duke.

Thanks are also due to the past master, Mr. J. D. Mathews, for his search of the society's old peal books, as the extracts therefrom of the two "first" peals of Grandsire Cinques rung there in 1807 and 1823, at once clinch the point that the present is the third ring of twelve bells put up in that tower.

One other of the treasured possessions of this society is documentary evidence of subscription lists for the original ring of twelve bells at Shoreditch, and also for keeping them in repair years after they were put up.—Yours truly,
H. DAINS.

BADDOW RINGERS' BEREAVEMENT.

It is with sincere regret we have to record the death of Mrs. Green, wife of Mr. George Green (one of the local ringers), of Great Baddow, Essex. Deceased had been suffering for the last two years from consumption, and passed away on Monday week at the age of 31 years. The deceased leaves a husband and three sons (the eldest of whom is 10 years of age), with whom we all deeply sympathise in their great loss.

The funeral took place on Friday at Great Baddow, when a great number of mourners assembled, and 28 floral wreaths and crosses were sent. In the evening, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples was rung at the Parish Church with the bells half-muffled as a last token of respect by: W. J. Rice 1, H. R. Dawson 2, A. Head 3, H. Richell 4, H. Bush 5, H. F. Cooper (conductor) 6, A. Richell 7, F. Newman 8.

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