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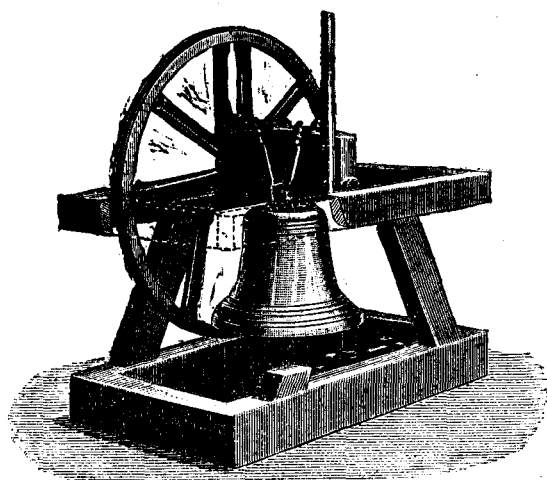
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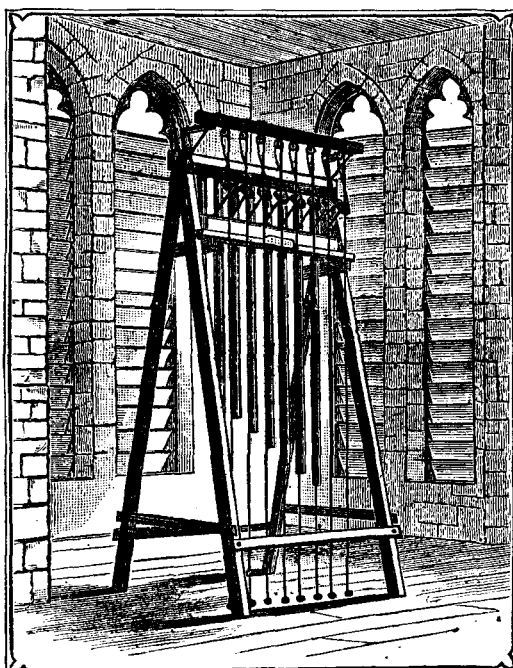
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A CENTRAL COUNCIL OF CHANGE-RINGING ASSOCIATIONS.

As the time is approaching when a large proportion of the ringing societies hold their general meetings, I should like to draw the attention of their Presidents and Secretaries to the following resolution which was unanimously adopted at the Birmingham gathering in March last:—

"This meeting is of opinion that great benefit would accrue to the Exercise if a Committee, consisting of one or more selected members from each Association, could meet from time to time to consider and decide such ringing matters as are a cause of perplexity."

There seems to have been for some time past a widely prevalent feeling that some sort of Central Council would be beneficial to the general interests of the Exercise. I took the liberty of bringing the subject forward at Birmingham, and, from the strong opinion there expressed in favor of such a Council, I gathered that its desirability was generally recognised. Under these circumstances I trust that the various meetings about to take place will, in the interests of the Exercise at large, give a short time to a discussion of the question.

If the resolution above quoted could be put before each meeting and the result of voting upon it be forwarded to me by the respective Secretaries, I would tabulate the returns and place them before the Exercise through the medium of "THE BELL NEWS." As the resolution purposely relegates all detail to future consideration its discussion would involve but a small expenditure of time. If, as I suspect is the case, the need proves to be generally admitted, but little difficulty will be found in selecting a provisional Council to arrange preliminaries.

I refrain from the needless task of dilating upon the many points on which the decision of a Central Committee would be of value, for I imagine there are few thoughtful ringers who could not at once suggest them; but it is worth attention that at present the Exercise has absolutely no representative body to act as its mouthpiece and ensure its rights. It is by no means improbable that the absence of such representation has been in a large measure the cause that change-ringers have never been invited to occupy their rightful position among Church officers. The attitude of the Church of England to her ringers has always been, and, I most unhesitatingly assert, for the most part still is, one of endurance of a necessary care rather than the truer one of intelligent interest in their work and recognition of the value of their adhesion. That such a Central Council as is proposed might do much to improve the status of the Exercise I most firmly believe.

A. PERCIVAL HEYWOOD.

Duffield Bank, near Derby, April 13th.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

A District Meeting will be held at Harlow, on Saturday, April 27th. The tower of St. Mary's church (eight bells) will be open to members from 2.0 till 8 p.m. Business meeting at 4.30 p.m. Tea (price 6d. each to members) after the meeting. Return tickets to Harlow at reduced fares will be granted by the Great Eastern Railway to members who inform the Secretary on or before Wednesday, April 24th, from what station they propose to travel, and exhibit at the booking office their receipt for the current year's subscription. It is particularly requested that subscriptions still due for the year ending at Whitsuntide next will be paid at once.

T. L. PAPILLON, Hon. Sec.

Writtle Vicarage, Chelmsford.

SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

The next Quarterly Meeting will be held at Sedgley, on Saturday, April 27th. Members assemble at the tower at 2.30 p.m. Railway Station, Deepfields. J. R. KEBLE, Hon. Sec.

THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS. ANNUAL DINNER.

On Friday evening, the 5th inst., several members and friends sat down to a substantial dinner at head-quarters, the "Green Man," St. Martin's Lane, and several excellent courses in the best of standard methods were accomplished in good style.

Mr. Master Hannington, after adorning his breast with the society's medal, assumed the chair, and gave the usual loyal toasts, which were duly honoured.

R. H. DANIEL, ESQ., gave the toast of "The Royal Cumberlands" in a very appropriate manner, and Mr. J. ROGERS, the oldest member present, responded by sketching the society's history from the years 1850 and 1851.

During the evening several songs were well rendered. Mr. Rusk, of the Battersea branch, appeared as a negro minstrel, and Mr. H. Hopkins and others also demonstrated their vocal abilities. The piano accompaniments were by Mr. W. D. Porter in his usual and effective style.

Mr. A. H. GARDOM gave "The Society's Conductors," and Mr. G. NEWSON responded, who said ringers and conductors were suppliant and compliant.

A plain course of Grandsire Cinques upon the large bells was then given in capital form.

Mr. A. G. THOMAS gave "The Society's Officers and Steeplekeepers" in very complimentary terms, which was received by musical honours, bringing forth well-meant responses from several quarters.

Votes of thanks ended a very friendly meeting.

THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

The Annual Meeting will be held at St. Albans on Easter Monday, April 22. The towers of the Cathedral and St. Peter's churches will be open for ringing from 9.30 till 12.30, and in the afternoon from 3.30. At 12.45 p.m. there will be Divine Service in the Lady Chapel of the Cathedral, with an address by the Ven. Archdeacon Lawrance. Dinner will be provided at "The Peahen" hotel at 1.30 (the charge to members is 1s. 9d. a head) after which the business meeting will be held, at which the officers for the ensuing year will be elected, and other general business transacted. The chair will be taken by the president, Leonard Procter, Esq. Cheap tickets will be issued from London by certain trains on the Midland and Great Northern lines, irrespective of membership, further particulars of which I shall be happy to supply; and it is hoped that many friends in the metropolis will avail themselves of the opportunity to visit the ancient city.

In order that proper arrangements may be made I shall be glad to receive, not later than Wednesday, the 17th instant, the names of those who intend to be present at the dinner. Members are reminded that when applying for the cheap tickets, it is necessary to produce at the provincial booking offices their receipts for the current year; and I have to add that Easter Monday is pay-day.

To avoid confusion, I would ask members and friends arriving during the hours of ringing to make for St. Peter's in the first instance.

E. P. DEBENHAM, Hon. Sec.

THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

The Annual Meeting of the above Association will be held at Bedford on Easter Monday next. St. Paul's (eight bells), and St. Mary's (six bells), will be at the service of the ringers. Members subscriptions received by the Treasurer at 2 p.m. Meat Tea (1s. 6d.), at 3. Business Meeting at 4. Short special choral service at St. Paul's, with address by the Rev. W. W. C. Baker, at 5. Business and tea at the Mission Room, All Hallows Lane.

CHARLES HERBERT, Hon. Sec.

THE NORTH NOTTS. ASSOCIATION.

The next Meeting of this Association will be held at Everton near Bawtry, on Easter Monday, on the kind invitation of the Vicar of the parish.

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GRANDSIRE TRIPLES.

By J. J. PARKER, Farnham Royal, Bucks.

(Continued from page 14.)

I will now proceed to show what chances there were of obtaining a peal with the calling the same in the second half. I must here draw attention to the centre problems previously mentioned, by referring again to the table with the 7th always called before—for 120 calls C-H is the centre problem and since we must avoid C on account of it producing three-lead bits, we must add thirty more calls, out of sixteen problems (not including fourteen's reverse), for peals with 150 calls there would be two centre problems:—A-E-H and B-D-H. Here we have the ordinary and reverse bob plan combined, but unfortunately both of these problems produce three-lead bits. In connection with the different plans I am able to say that the question of having a six-part peal with each part alike is a complete failure. It occurred to me at one time that there might be a possibility of having the peal with no reverse bobs. It could not come with one bell called before sixty or thirty times, so it only remained to call the 6th and 7th before thirty times each, and bob one set of 6-7s behind, and one set in the middle, giving only two problems to no purpose. With no bells fixed, the greatest length is obtained with no reverse bobs, the touch (4956) which I have previously given will do for illustration, although it is obtained with ninety bobs.

Although only four peals are to be had in six parts with two singles, an almost endless number may be had similar to those I gave in your issue for February 4th, 1888, containing fourteen or more singles.

Since we may consider the ten-part question settled, I hope my friend the Rev. C. D. P. Davies, will not think me trespassing in making one or two remarks in order to show more clearly why the calling is reversed in the second half of ten-part peals. It will not be necessary to give here a table when that one by Mr. Davies in "Grandsire" will do, but special attention must be given to the set of ten courses with the 2nd in the hunt, which should be obtained from the shunting courses in order to get the centre; the whole thing is then in perfect unison, and will show at a glance all reverse problems and peals. I give below two of these courses which will be sufficient to represent the whole set. I have chosen to place the second half of the set first commencing with the 59th lead, and 23 for the second half:—

A 237465	E 273645
B 243576	D 267534
C 254637	C 256473
D 265743	B 245367
E 276354	A 234756

For peals with 100 calls it seems there were only three problems:—A, B, and C, E being the reverse of A, and D the reverse of B. A problem will produce ten 504's, and with ten shunting bobs Mr. Davies obtained his No. 1. B will produce Holt's ten-part, with A and D Mr. Davies gets his No. 2, and No. 3 is the B problem with the 2nd called before fifty times—for my part I should prefer this peal with the second always called before. On referring to the above courses it is seen that A, B, D, and E does not occupy the same position in each half of the set, therefore, as each of the above-mentioned peals are on the reverse bob plan, it can be seen pretty clearly that the second half is reversed because the previous arrangement of the table is upset by the reverse bobs.

I have dwelt upon this reverse bob plan because it applies to Triples in all methods having a bell in the hunt, and I must leave those of my readers who are acquainted with Stedman to judge for themselves how far this reverse bob plan applies to that most interesting of all methods. My readers will now have the key to obtaining peals in the various methods, for although it appears that Holt knew this secret it seems that very little has been known of it since, for Shipway attaches some importance to the difficulty in obtaining peals of Triples in methods having a bell in the hunt, and the ten-part peal of Court Bob is the only instance of the secret appearing to have been known to him; yet it seems strange, if Shipway really knew the secret, that he did not apply it to other methods—unless the task appeared too complicated, this seems to me to be the reason why Holt did not apply it to Union Triples, for I must tell my readers

that although there are only three problems for a ten-part peal of Grandsire with 100 calls, in methods in which we can use only three bobs at a time for a ten-part with 120 calls the number of problems would be about 39, after deducting all reverse problems, and yet, perhaps, only five peals would be attainable, and for a six-part with 108 calls 91 problems for one plan alone.

I will now conclude with a word or two about Holt's singles. The ten-part single appears particularly suited to ten-part peals in all methods in which there is a bell in the hunt, and the 2nd the observation. There are but few people I think who will disagree with on this point. I have previously stated that plain-lead singles are objectionable, it will interest my readers to know why we cannot use Bob-singles with 5-6-7 fixed. I have tried a variety of experiments, and I have not confined my attention to Grandsire alone, and I find that with the 7th always called before—if we bob 234567, its reverse row, 235476, will occur in the same half of the peal; again, if the 5th or 6th is always called before, and 234567 is bobbed, its reverse row will occur anywhere in the second half, except at the end, so that it can be seen that Holt's bob-singles are not suited to six-part peals; unfortunately, neither of the peals with 5-6-7 fixed will admit of any other kind of bob-single. It has always occurred to me that in a six-part the 5th should be allowed to remain in 5th's place at all the part ends. To do this 2-3 and 6-7 must lie still at the half-way and home, thus allowing the single to partake of as much Grandsire as possible. This kind of single is suited to the reverse variations of each peal given in your issue for February 4th, 1888, also to the peal given below, which is not devoid of interest. It is an interesting specimen of what can be done with a centre problem:—

5040.			
S 572634	1	537642	2
S 645372	1	S 365274	5
726534	3	S 243765	1
457326	1	652374	2
354672	5	746235	2
653247	5	357624	2
726453	1	S 423765	2
		S 754623	1
		237465	2
		542637	1
		235476	3
		642735	1
		356274	2
		423756	1
		354267	3
		723654	1
		547362	2
		235647	1
		542376	3
		635742	1
		426573	2
		354726	1
		423567	3

Five times repeated.

ERRATUM.—In our last number line 3, second column, for "123 calls," read "120 calls." Line 33, for "twenty-one times each," read "twenty-five times each."

SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

On Friday evening the 12th inst., the bells of St. Martin's were rang half muffled, as a mark of respect to the memory of H.R.H. the late Duchess of Cambridge, who was for so many years a resident in the royal parish. This half-muffled peal also commemorated the decease of the late Robert Richardson, who was for upwards of sixty years a member of this society. It will undoubtedly interest our readers to know that this church has just been fitted throughout with electric light, and the belfry is thus illuminated upon each occasion of practice ringing, and this is the first muffled peal rang here under such conditions.

NORTH LINCOLNSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

The Annual General Meeting will be held at Lincoln, on Saturday, April 27th. Tea will be provided at one shilling each (free to members) in the Guild Court, at the foot of the steep hill, at 5 p.m., after which the General Meeting will be held. Permission has kindly been granted for the use of the bells of the Cathedral, 8; St. Peter-at-Arch, 8; St. Peter-at-Gowts, 6; and St. Botolph's, 5. Those intending being present at the tea are requested to inform me as early as possible.

15, Knight Street, Lincoln.

JOHN W. WATSON.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

THE QUARTERLY MEETING will be held on Easter Saturday, April 27th, at St. Peter's church, Swinton, near Manchester. Ringing from 2 p.m. Meeting in the schools at 6 p.m.

JOEL REDFORD, Hon. Secs.
A. E. WREAKS,

SHARNBROOK, BEDS.—PRESENTATION.

On Saturday, April 6th, after the usual practice, the ringers adjourned to the vicarage, where they were met by the Vicar (the Rev. H. B. Wilkinson) who, on behalf of the Sharnbrook company, presented Mr. C. W. Clarke with a purse and £2 11s., for his services as instructor to the Sharnbrook company. Mr. Clarke, in thanking the Vicar and his ringers for the present they had been so kind as to make him, said that the progress the company had made gave him great satisfaction, and if he could do anything in the future for the benefit of the company his services would be at their disposal. The handbells were then brought into use, and several touches of Grandsire Minor and Triples, and tunes were rung. Our correspondent adds—Perhaps it will be interesting to the readers of "THE BELL NEWS" to know the progress this company has made in the art. Since last November 6-scores of Doubles in the following methods have been rung, viz.: Grandsire, St. Simon's, Stedman Doubles, Bob Doubles, Stedman Slow Course, and New Doubles. And in Minor methods, including one 5040 in seven different methods, viz.: Bob Minor, Grandsire Minor, Single Oxford Bob, College Single, College Little Court Bob, Yorkshire Court Bob, Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob, and Woodbine Treble Bob. The above methods will show that this company have taken a great interest in the art to have rung the above methods in so short a time. It is hoped that other companies in this county will start and make such progress as the Sharnbrook company has done.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

LIVERPOOL DIOCESAN BRANCH.—The monthly meeting of the above was held at St. James', West Derby, near Liverpool, on Saturday, April 13th, about seventeen members being present. The bells were set going shortly after 2 p.m., several touches of Grandsire Minor and 6-scores of Grandsire Doubles being rung. The business meeting was held in the parish church schools, the chair being taken at 6 p.m. by Mr. John Martin, warden of Sefton church. Twelve new members were elected, and the next meeting appointed for Wigan, on Saturday, May 11th. Votes of thanks to the Rev. Canon Stewart, Rector of the parish church, for the use of the Schools, to the Vicar of St. James' for the use of the bells, and the local ringers for having everything in readiness, and also to the chairman for presiding brought a pleasant meeting to a close. After the meeting more ringing was indulged in, including a 720 each of Plain and Treble Bob Minor, which appears in another column.

MANCHESTER BRANCH.—A meeting of this branch was held on Saturday, April 13th, at Christ Church, Barlow Moor Road, Withington. Only a few members attended. The following methods were rung during the evening; Grandsire Doubles, Bob Minor, Treble Bob Minor, Grandsire Triples and Bob Major. It was decided to hold the next meeting at the parish church, Flixton, on Saturday, May 11th, and three new members were elected. The proceedings closed with the usual votes of thanks.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

A DISTRICT MEETING will be held at Chailey on Easter Monday. Tower open at 9.30 a.m.; service in the church at 11.30. Luncheon at the "Five Bells" Inn at 1.30. Business Meeting at 2.45. Tea at the "Five Bells" Inn at 5.30. Chairman at Luncheon and Business Meeting—Rev. F. R. Hepburn, rector of Chailey. Other towers in the neighbourhood will be visited during the afternoon and evening.

GEO. F. ATTREE, *Hon. Sec.*

J. E. WORSSELL, *Asst. Hon. Sec.*

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

BLACKBURN BRANCH.—The next meeting will be held at Holy Trinity Church, Burnley (new peal of eight) on Saturday, April 27th. Belfry open at 2.30, meeting in the belfry at 5 o'clock.

J. HORROCKS, *Sec.*

NOTICE.—On Easter Monday, April 22nd, eight members of the Worcester and Adjoining Districts Association will attempt a long peal of Bob Major, 10,080 changes, at Hagley.

THE NORTH MIDDLESEX ASSOCIATION.

The Quarterly Meeting of this Association was held at Edgware, on Friday, April 12th, which was highly successful, owing to the excellent arrangements made by Mr. Nuskins. Upwards of thirty members and friends attended, ringing being freely indulged in. Several 6-scores of Grandsire and Bob Doubles were rung, in which the local company took part. A 720 of Plain Bob was attempted, but was lost owing to the bad go of the bells. These bells have been hung 120 years, and apparently without any substantial repairs during that time, it is hoped that the authorities will soon be able to put them in good ringing order again. A business meeting was afterwards held presided over by Mr. T. Card, Master for the ensuing year. Five ringing and two honorary members were elected, and it was proposed to hold the next quarterly meeting if possible at Barnet, in July, of which further particulars will be duly announced. Various propositions relating to the advancement of the art in the district were made, and finally a committee was appointed to draw up a circular, setting forth the objects of the Association, to be distributed amongst the clergy and any gentlemen interested in church work. A hearty vote of thanks was accorded to the Master for his services as instructor to the Edgware branch. A vote of thanks to the Rector for the use of the bells, and to the Master for presiding, terminated the proceedings.

LEEDS AND DISTRICT AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.

NOTICE.—The first monthly ringing meeting will be held at St. Matthew's church, Holbeck, on Saturday, April 27th. Ringing will commence at 3.0 p.m. Ringing friends are cordially invited.
H. W. NEEDHAM, *Hon. Sec.*

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

By the Angmering Branch at Angmering.—On Monday, April 1st, 720 of Kent Treble Bob Minor, in 23 mins. F. Finch, 1; T. Parsons, 2; T. Linfield, 3; J. Hills, 4; C. Clear, 5; C. Hills (conductor), 6. Also on Saturday, April 6th, 720 of College Single, in 23 mins. J. Hills, 1; H. Evans, 2; T. Linfield, 3; T. Parsons, 4; F. Finch, 5; C. Hills (conductor), 6. Also 720 of Canterbury Pleasure, in 25 mins. F. Finch, 1; H. Evans, 2; T. Linfield, 3; C. Clear, 4; J. Hills, 5; C. Hills (conductor), 6. First touch in method by H. Evans, who hails from Goring.

By the Brighton Branch at St. Peter's.—On Sunday, April 8th, for evening service, 504 of Grandsire Triples, in 18 mins. D. Ross, 1; G. F. Attree, 2; G. Thwaites, 3; G. A. King, 4; E. C. Merritt, 5; H. Cornwall, 6; A. A. Fuller (conductor), 7; Tugwell, 8. Also on Monday, April 9th, 504 of Stedman Triples. H. Weston, 1; C. E. Merritt, 2; J. Searle, 3; F. Morris (first 500 in method), 4; H. Weston, 5; A. A. Fuller, 6; G. F. Attree (conductor), 7; H. Cornwall, 8.

By the Crawley Branch at Charlwood.—On Thursday, March 27th, 720 of Oxford Single Bob, in 24½ mins. S. Jorden, 1; J. Newnham, 2; A. Ellis, 3; A. F. Hillier, 4; W. Collison, 5; G. Wickens (conductor), 6. Also 720 of College Exercise, in 24 mins. G. Wickens, 1; J. Newnham, 2; W. Collison, 3; A. F. Hillier, 4; M. Heffer, 5; F. Wickens (conductor), 6. On April 4th, 720 of College Single Bob, in 24 mins. S. Jorden, 1; J. Newnham, 2; B. King, 3; A. Ellis, 4; A. F. Hillier, 5; F. Wickens (conductor), 6. April 7th, 720 of Oxford Treble Bob, in 24 mins. G. Wickens, 1; J. Newnham, 2; W. Collison, 3; A. Ellis, 4; A. F. Hillier, 5; F. Wickens (conductor), 6. Also 720 of Plain Bob, in 24½ mins. S. Jorden, 1; J. Newnham, 2; B. King, 3; A. F. Hillier, 4; F. Wickens, 5; A. Ellis (conductor), 6.

At Crawley.—On Thursday, April 2nd, 2184 of Canterbury Triples, in 1 hr and 10 mins. W. Ward, 1; J. Newnham, 2; G. Wickens, 3; A. Ellis, 4; A. F. Hillier (conductor), 5; F. Wickens, 6; W. Collison, 7; E. Pearce, 8. This was an attempt for a peal, but failed, owing to a change-course. Also 720 of College Exercise, in 24 mins. G. Wickens, 1; F. Wickens (conductor), 2; J. Newnham, 3; W. Collison, 4; A. F. Hillier, 5; M. Heffer, 6.

By the Eastbourne Branch at Christ Church.—On April 7th, 504 of Grandsire Triples. W. Clements, 1; T. M. Smith, 2; J. Sharp, 3; H. Rann, 4; A. Piper, 5; G. Howse, 6; E. Willoughby (conductor), 7; F. Harding, 8. H. Rann hails from St. Paul's, Brighton. On April 8th, 500 of Union Triples. J. Smith, 1; T. M. Smith, 2; J. Sharp, 3; G. Howse, 4; A. Piper, 5; E. Willoughby, 6; T. Hart (conductor), 7; W. Clements, 8.

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The Bell News & Ringers' Record.

SATURDAY, APRIL 20, 1889.

THE announcements of business meetings to be held by the various ringing Guilds and Associations on Easter Monday next proves that this particular season is one peculiarly appropriate for the consideration of questions affecting the progress and well-being of each particular body. It is to be hoped that the various Councils which will be held on Monday next may tend in a greater degree than ever to the promotion of the science, and we would here appeal to every ringer who belongs to either a Diocesan or County organisation to strengthen the hands of the officers of his Guild by a regular attendance at the hour fixed, and a prompt appearance at the Secretary's pay-table.

On another page will be found some practical proposals put forth by Mr. PERCIVAL HEYWOOD. To the leading members of every ringing organisation throughout the empire we commend a very careful perusal of Mr. HEYWOOD's observations. He modestly says that he trusts the various meetings about to be held will give a short time to the discussion of the question of a Central Council. We hope the meetings will see the immense importance of Mr. HEYWOOD's proposals, and that there may be found at every meeting some one to make plain to each of his brethren the necessity of a concerted movement in the Exercise, which in time will be the means of shewing to all Churchmen the value of ringers' adhesion as a bulwark against the Church's foes.

Let the consideration of this matter of a Central Council of Ringers be the chief question next Monday among ringers, so that the hands of those who, like the gentleman above-named, take a great interest in our work, may be strengthened by the co-operation of those for whose benefit their efforts are intended. There is no ringer, however humble, or however remotely he may be located from next Easter Monday gatherings, but what ought to take a warm interest in this movement, and we are sure the invitation to the various Secretaries of the Guilds and Associations to combine in this matter is also extended to the humblest of our brethren who read these lines. May some good attend this effort, made at such a time. May the recognised leaders of opinion among ringers awake from their lethargy, and impress upon those with whom they are brought into contact the necessity in the present day of some corresponding agency among us. If prominent ringers exert themselves to this end there is no fear of the result.

The Provinces.

LONG MELFORD, SUFFOLK—THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, April 10, 1889, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 16½ cwt. in F.

NATHAN JOHN PITSTOW .. Treble.	HENRY DUCE 5.
GEORGE MAXIM 2.	HARRY SMITH 6.
SAMUEL SLATER 3.	PERCY C. S. SCOTT .. 7.
ARTHUR SYMONDS 4.	OLIVER GARWOOD .. . Tenor.

Composed and Conducted by NATHAN JOHN PITSTOW.

This peal, which is now rung for the first time, contains the 4th, 5th, and 6th each twelve times in 6th's place without the 2nd ever dodging with the tenor in 7-8. The peal is in three equal parts, and has a bob at home at every course-end.

WORCESTER.—THE WORCESTER AND ADJOINING DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

(THE WORCESTER SOCIETY.)

On Friday, April 12, 1889, in Two Hours and Sixteen Minutes,

ON HANDBELLS, RETAINED IN HAND,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

PARKER'S SIX-PART (No 1.)

Tenor 15 size in C.

WILLIAM PAGE* 1-2.	SAMUEL COTTON 5-6.
WILLIAM POWELL 3-4.	*LIONEL LONGNEY 7-8.

Conducted by LIONEL LONGNEY.

Umpire—Mr. F. Owen. *First peal on handbells, and was rung at the second attempt, the first attempt coming to grief after 4100 changes had been rung. This peal is the first by the above newly-formed society. The conductor hails from Croome, the rest are local men.

FECKENHAM, WORCESTERSHIRE.
WORCESTER AND ADJOINING DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 13, 1889, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S TEN-PART. Tenor 12½ cwt.

GEORGE HANDY* Treble.	†JOHN MASON 5.
WALTER REA 2.	ALFRED MOORE 6.
GEORGE HAYWARD 3.	OLIVER JAMES 7.
WILLIAM JAMES 4.	*WILLIAM BAYLIS Tenor.

Conducted by WALTER REA.

*First peal in any method. †First peal of Triples. Messrs. Hayward, Rea and Brothers James hail from Bromsgrove; Moore from Hanbury; Mason from Stoke Prior; the others to the local company.

THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD, BIRMINGHAM.

On Saturday, April 13, 1889, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT BISHOP RYDER'S CHURCH,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' ONE-PART. Tenor 12 cwt in G.

HENRY BASTABLE Treble.	*WILLIAM MUNDY 5.
CHARLES WILLIAMS 2.	WILLIAM E. SMITH 6.
CHARLES STANBRIDGE 3.	BERNARD WITCHELL 7.
THOMAS REYNOLDS 4.	WILLIAM JACKSON Tenor.

Conducted by HENRY BASTABLE.

This is the first time this peal has been conducted from any other bell except the 3rd and 7th. *First peal in the method.

MASHAM, YORKSHIRE.

In Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes (no date mentioned),

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 14 cwt.

GEORGE MALLABY Treble.	LEONARD BURTON 5.
JOSEPH PICKERSGILL 2.	WILLIAM HALL 6.
JAMES HORNER 3.	PETER MALLABY 7.
ROBERT BROADLEY 4.	JOHN PICKERSGILL Tenor.

Conducted by PETER MALLABY.

NUNEATON, WARWICKSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES' ASSOCIATION.

(THE LEICESTER BRANCH.)

On Saturday, April 13, 1889, in Two Hours and Fifty-Nine Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S TEN-PART. Tenor 14½ in E.

WILLIAM ADLER* Treble.	*THOMAS W. CHAPMAN 5.
JOHN SWINFELD* 2.	ARTHUR R. ALDHAM 6.
JAMES F. CLARKE* 3.	*HARRY HORWOOD 7.
GLADSTONE I. WINTER* 4.	*THOMAS BATES Tenor.

Conducted by ARTHUR R. ALDHAM.

*First peal. This is the first peal ever rung on the bells by a local band. A. R. Aldham hails from Barwell; J. Swinfeld from Earl Shilton.

WEST BROMWICH, STAFFORDSHIRE.

SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Saturday, April 13, 1889, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF CHRIST,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5021 CHANGES;

Tenor 23 cwt. 3 qrs. 12 lbs.

HENRY HIPKISS Treble.	JAMES HALL 6.
THOMAS HORTON 2.	CHARLES TIMMS 7.
JOHN R. FRISBY 3.	REUBEN HALL 8.
WILLIAM R. SMALL 4.	CHARLES PRICE 9.
SAMUEL REEVES 5.	WILLIAM C. HALL Tenor.

Composed by JOHN CARTER, and Conducted by SAMUEL REEVES.

W. C. Hall hails from Stafford; the rest belong to West Bromwich. This peal has the 6th twenty-four times wrong and right, and the 5th twelve times right.

EYE, SUFFOLK.—THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 13th, 1889, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

BROOK'S VARIATION. Tenor 24 cwt.

WILLIAM MOTTS Treble.	*FREDK. DAY 5.
GEORGE DAY* 2.	*GEORGE MURTON 6.
ISAAC S. ALEXANDER 3.	JAMES MOTTS 7.
WILLIAM P. GARRETT 4.	WILLIAM BUMPSTEAD Tenor.

Conducted by JAMES MOTTS.

*First peal in the method, and first peal of the same upon the bells. Messrs. J. and W. Motts, Alexander, and Garrett, are members of the St. Mary-le-Tower society, Ipswich; the rest belong to the local society.

Date Touches.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

BISHOPS STORTFORD.—On Saturday, April 13th, at St. Michael's church, a date touch of Kent Treble Bob Major (1889 changes), in 1 hr. 15 mins. G. Prior, 1; C. Prior, 2; W. Morris, 3; W. Prior, 4; F. W. Chapman, 5; H. Prior, 6; P. Springham, 7; H. J. Tucker (conductor), 8. Composed by York Green. The bells were muffled as a tribute of respect to the late Duchess of Cambridge.

HINDLEY (Lancashire).—On Wednesday, April 10th, at St. Peter's church, seven members of the Wigan parish church company, with the assistance of E. Prescott, of Hindley, paid a visit to the above church, and rang a date touch (1889 changes), in 1 hr. 7 mins. T. Halliwell (conductor), 1; J. Barker, 2; J. Layland, 3; G. Turner, 4; J. Hall, 5; E. Bentham, 6; A. Shaw, 7; E. Prescott, 8. Tenor 14 cwt. 1 qr.

FECKENHAM (Worcestershire).—On Sunday, April 14th, for morning service, a date touch of Grandsire Triples, 1889 changes, in 1 hr. and 7 mins. G. Handy, 1; W. Rea, 2; W. James, 3; G. Hayward (composer and conductor), 4; J. Mason, 5; A. Moore, 6; O. James, 7; W. Baylis, 8. This touch contains all the 6-7s and the 7-4s.

Miscellaneous.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

BACUP.—On Sunday afternoon, April 7th, for special service at Christ Church, 720 Plain Bob (forty-two singles). W. Ormerod, 1; J. Hardman, 2; Z. Lord, 3; A. A. Downing, 4; A. White, 5; W. Smith (conductor), 6. Also for evening service, 720 Oxford Single, standing as before.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

RINGMER.—On Sunday evening, March 3rd, for Divine Service at the parish church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples in 42 mins. G. Taylor, 1; A. Washer, 2; A. Slarks, 3; C. Painter, 4; H. Jones, 5; G. Washer, 6; Rev. C. D. P. Davies (conductor), 7; F. Banks, 8. And on Saturday evening, April 6th, for practice, 504 Stedman Triples in 20 mins. *T. Miller, 1; *A. Washer, 2; *A. Slarks, 3; Rev. C. D. P. Davies (conductor), 4; H. Jones, 5; *G. Washer, 6; C. Painter, 7; F. Banks, 8. *First 504.

WORCESTER AND ADJOINING DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

NETHERTON (Worcestershire).—On Thursday, April 11th, for practice at the parish church, 720 Association Exercise in 25½ mins. W. Prestidge, 1; S. Spittle, 2; J. Townsend, 3; R. Round, 4; W. Micklewright (conductor), 5; J. Smith, 6. This is the first 720 in the method by all, the first on the bells, and the first by this Association.

STOURBRIDGE (Worcestershire).—On Saturday, April 6th, at St. Thomas's church, 336 Grandsire Triples. W. A. Pugh, 1; A. Orford, 2; C. Beasley, 3; G. H. Pagett, 4; C. Barrett, 5; H. Martin (conductor), 6; H. Harris, 7; J. Crump, 8. Also 360 in the same method. F. Molineux, 1; H. Dakin, 2; H. Morris, 3; J. Smith, 4; W. Short (conductor), 5; H. Harris, 6; W. F. Hartshorne, 7; A. Orford, 8. Beasley belongs to Cradley; Martin to Bellbroughton; Molineux, Morris, Smith, and Short to Hagley; the rest are local men.

THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

SHARNBROOK (Beds).—On Saturday, March 30th, for practice, at the parish church, 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor (nine bobs). C. W.

Clarke, 1; L. Bell, 2; C. Allen, 3; E. Coleman, 4; W. Page, 5; A. J. Barcock (first 720 in the method, conductor), 6. Also 720 of Grandsire Minor (thirty-eight bobs and twenty-two singles). J. Dickens, 1; C. Allen, 2; A. J. Barcock, 3; L. Bell, 4; E. Coleman, 5; C. W. Clarke (conductor), 6. And on the handbells, 120 Stedman Doubles. C. W. Clarke (conductor), 1-2; L. Bell, 3; A. J. Barcock, 4; W. Page, 5-6. Also on Saturday, April 13th, 720 Oxford Treble Bob (nine bobs). C. W. Clarke (conductor), 1; E. Chapman, 2; E. Coleman, 3; A. H. Martin, 4; A. J. Barcock, 5; W. Page, 6. And 720 Woodbine Treble Bob (nine bobs). C. W. Clarke, 1; C. Allen (first 720 in the method), 2; E. Coleman (first 720 in the method), 3; A. H. Martin, 4; W. Page (first 720 in the method), 5; A. J. Barcock (first 720 in the method, conductor), 6. Also 120 Stedman Doubles. C. W. Clarke, 1; C. Allen, 2; E. Coleman, 3; A. H. Martin (conductor), 4; W. Page, 5; A. Robins, 6. A. H. Martin hails from Higham Ferrers; E. Chapman from Rushden, Northants; A. Robins from Riseley, Beds; and C. W. Clarke from Bedford. The remainder are of the local company.

THE ST. JAMES' SOCIETY, BRISTOL.

BRISTOL.—On Sunday morning, March 31st, for Divine Service at the church of St. James, 252 Stedman Triples. W. W. Porch, 1; A. Howell, 2; H. Tucker, 3; F. Gooding, 4; F. Perrin, 5; W. Paddock, 6; H. Porch (conductor), 7; F. Jewell, 8. Also 200 of Forward Major. A. Howell, 1; W. Paddock, 2; F. Perrin, 3; G. Pymm, 4; F. Porch, 5; W. W. Porch, 6; H. Tucker, 7; H. Porch (conductor), 8. And on Monday evening, April 1st, for practice, 848 Double Norwich Court Bob Major. F. Porch, 1; W. Paddock, 2; H. Tucker, 3; G. Pearce, 4; A. Howell, 5; F. Perrin, 6; W. W. Porch, 7; H. Porch (conductor), 8. Also on Monday evening, April 8th, for practice, 640 Forward Major. H. Tucker, 1; A. Pearce, 2; G. Pearce, 3; F. Gooding, 4; A. Howell, 5; F. Perrin, 6; W. W. Porch, 7; H. Porch (conductor), 8. And on Sunday morning, April 14th, for Divine Service, 416 Double Norwich Court Bob Major. F. Gooding, 1; A. Howell, 2; H. Tucker, 3; G. Pearce, 4; G. Pymm, 5; F. Perrin, 6; W. W. Porch, 7; H. Porch (conductor), 8.

BIRMINGHAM AND DISTRICT AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.

BIRMINGHAM.—On Monday, April 1st, at St. John's, Deritend, an attempt was made for Mr. John Carter's twelve-part peal of Grandsire Triples, but after getting in the tenth part it came to grief. J. Jenning, 1; C. Carmell, 2; W. Brook, 3; G. Walker, 4; F. H. James, 5; J. T. Perry (conductor), 6; A. Hackley, 7; J. Jones, 8.

THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

ST. ALBANS (Herts).—*Chiming*.—On Sunday evening, April 14th, for Divine Service at St. Peter's church, the last 742 of Holt's Original. A. Barnes, 1-2; P. F. Debenham, 3-4; W. H. L. Buckingham, 5-6; T. Waller, 7-8.

THE ST. GEORGE'S GUILD, BRISTOL.

On Sunday, March 17th, six members of the above Guild rang 216 Grandsire Minor. A. E. Thomas, 1; W. Lansdown, 2; A. E. Turner, 3; H. Thomas, 4; H. Howell (conductor), 5; A. Knight, 6. On Sunday, March 31st, the same band met for morning service to go for their first 720 in the same method, which was rung in 25 mins. A. E. Thomas, 1; W. Lansdown, 2; H. Howell, 3; A. E. Turner, 4; H. Thomas (conductor), 5; C. Tomkins, 6. This 720 is the first by the first five and the second they have attempted, the first breaking down after ringing over 400 changes, owing to a mis-call, the following taking part: A. E. and H. Thomas, Messrs. Howell, Turner, Lansdown and Knight. Some little credit is due to the above for their perseverance, especially to the young conductor. On Sunday, April 14th, for evening service, 360 Grandsire Minor. A. E. Thomas, 1; A. E. Turner, 2; H. Howell, 3; A. Knight, 4; H. Thomas (conductor), 5; C. Tomkins, 8.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—LIVERPOOL DIOCESAN BRANCH.

WEST DERBY (near Liverpool).—On Saturday, April 13th, on the occasion of the monthly meeting, 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor, in 28 mins. J. R. Pritchard (conductor), 1; C. E. Wilson, 2; H. Coley, 3; W. James, 4; J. Aspinwall, 5; G. Fisher, 6. Also 720 Plain Bob Minor, in 28 mins. P. Barton, 1; G. Fisher, 2; C. E. Wilson, 3; W. James, 4; H. Coley, 5; J. Aspinwall (conductor), 6.

THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

CODDINGTON.—On Friday, April 12th, at All Saints' church, 720 Bob Minor, in 25 mins. R. Thomas, 1; J. Thomas, 2; C. Greening, 3; H. Jeans, 4; A. Layton, 5; C. Layton (conductor), 6. This is the first in the method by all, and the first on the bells. And on Sunday,

April 14th, 720 Grandsire Minor, in 25 mins. A. Layton, 1; W. Hadley, 2; D. Greening, 3; C. Layton, 4; W. Powell, 5; *J. Thomas (conductor), 6. *First 720 as conductor.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

STOKE-BY-NAYLANDS (Suffolk).—On Sunday, April 14th, for Divine Service in the evening at the parish church, 720 Bob Minor, in 30 mins., taken from "Rope-Sight" (four bobs fourteen singles). C. Ablitt, 1; W. Hazell, 2; A. Fuller, 3; J. Starling, 4; J. W. Smith, 5; W. J. Nevard (conductor), 6. Tenor 28 cwt. It is upwards of seven or eight years ago since a 720 was rung on these bells. Albitt and Smith hail from Heigham, Suffolk.

SUNDBURY (Suffolk).—*Handbell Ringing*.—On Saturday, April 13th, the members of the local company met at their meeting house St. Gregory's Street, and rang on handbells retained in hand, 360 of Forward Major. W. B. Ransom, Esq., 1; W. Howell, 2; G. Brown, 3; M. Silvester, 4; W. Bacon, 5; A. Scott, 6; W. Cross, 7; C. Sillitoe (conductor), 8. Also 252 of Stedman Triples. C. Sillitoe (conductor), 1-2; G. Brown, 3; A. Scott, 4; W. Bacon, 5; W. Cross, 6; W. Howell, 7-8. This is the first attempt by all the band except the conductor.

THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

CROYDON (Surrey).—On Sunday morning, April 14th, for Divine Service at St. Peter's church, 546 Grandsire Triples. A. E. Collins, 1; ———, 2; W. C. Palmer, 3; H. Brooker (conductor), 4; G. Burt, 5; R. E. Pearson, 6; F. G. Hermon, 7; B. Blake, 8. And in the evening, 504 Grandsire Triples. A. E. Collins, 1; G. Burt, 2; W. C. Palmer, 3; *R. E. Pearson (conductor), 4; A. Bruce, 5; C. H. Kitching, 6; F. G. Hermon, 7; B. Blake, 8. *First attempt as conductor.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

HIGH WYCOMBE (Bucks).—On April 14th, at the parish church, 120 Grandsire Doubles. H. Markham, 1; W. Smith, 2; F. Biggs, 3; R. Biggs, 4; A. W. Tubb (conductor), 5; B. Page, 6. The ringers of the third fourth and tenor belong to the Hughenden Society.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

GRAVESEND.—On Saturday evening, April 13th, at St. George's church, with the bells muffled, the usual whole pull and stand, as a mark of respect to the late Mr. H. Pearce, of Maidstone. Also 504 Grandsire Triples. L. Digweed, 1; F. Hayes, 2; H. D. Davies, 3; J. Broom, 4; B. Spinner, 5; G. Lindoff (R.E., conductor), 6; G. Hayes, 7; C. Waters, 8.

SWANSCOMBE (Kent).—On Sunday, April 14th, for Divine Service in the evening, 720 Bob Minor. H. Digby, 1; L. Digweed, 2; W. Jackson, 3; F. Ring, 4; G. Hayes, 5; W. Harper (conductor), 6.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

WANDSWORTH (Surrey).—On Saturday evening, April 13th, at the parish church, with the bells half-muffled, being the occasion of the Duchess of Cambridge's funeral, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, in 46 mins. W. E. Garrard, 1; G. T. McLaughlin, 2; C. F. Winny (conductor), 3; J. M. Hayes, 4; J. W. Driver, 5; W. T. Cockerill, 6; *J. W. Kelly, 7; S. How, 8. Tenor 16 cwt. 3 qrs. *First quarter-peal of Stedman.

BATH.—On Saturday, April 13th, at the Abbey, 1260 Grandsire Triples, on the back eight, in 53 mins., with the bells half-muffled, as a mark of respect to the late Duchess of Cambridge. W. Lanham, 1; G. Temple, 2; J. Holman, 3; J. Smith, 4; H. Wotton, 5; J. Wotton, 6; H. Brown (conductor), 7; N. Wake, and A. Crocker, 8. The above contains the twelve 6-7's, and the twelve 7-4's. First quarter-peal by H. Brown, and first as conductor.

BISHOPS STORTFORD.—On Sunday, April 7th, for Divine Service at the parish church, 504 Plain Bob Triples. T. Newman, 1; F. Harris (first 500), 2; H. J. Tucker, 3; F. W. Chapman, 4; G. Prior, 5; H. Prior, 6; P. Springham, 7; G. Cowling (first 500), 8. And on Thursday, April 11th, for practice, 167 Grandsire Triples. T. Newman, 1; W. Prior, 2; H. Prior, 3; P. Springham, 4; G. Prior, 5; F. W. Chapman, 6; H. J. Tucker (conductor), 7; G. Cowling, 8. Also 720 Kent Treble Bob. H. Prior, 1; W. Prior, 2; F. W. Chapman, 3; G. Prior, 4; P. Springham, 5; H. J. Tucker (conductor), 6. All are members of the Essex Association with the exception of G. Cowling and F. Harris.

BRISTOL.—On Tuesday, April 9th, at St. Nicholas' church, 575 Grandsire Caters. G. Staddon, 1; F. Elles, 2; G. Colston, 3; C. Burden, 4; W. Parish, 5; C. Trevett, 6; W. Parsons, 7; F. Price, 8; J. Hinton (conductor), 9; J. Richmond and J. Viney, 10. Also 252 Stedman Triples, on the back eight. H. Pring, 1; C. Burden, 2; G. Colston, 3; C. Trevett, 4; S. Phillips, 5; J. Hinton (conductor), 6; F. Elles, 7; W. Parsons, 8. The above was rung on the first anniversary of the

death of the late Mr. D. Morgan with the bells muffled. Also, recently, 575 Grandsire Caters. G. Temple, 1; G. Colston, 2; J. Holman, 3; C. Trevett, 4; F. Elles, 5; G. Daltry, 6; S. Phillips, 7; J. Hinton (conductor), 8; H. Brown, 9; J. Richmond and G. Colston, 10. G. Temple, J. Holman, and H. Brown, hail from Bath.

GREAT CROSBY (Lancashire).—On Sunday evening, April 7th, for Divine Service at St. Luke's church, 720 Grandsire Minor in 26 mins. W. Hale, 1; J. Howard (conductor), 2; J. Sefton, 3; J. R. Pritchard, 4; J. Roughley, 5; J. Hale, 6. Tenor 10½ cwt.

GREAT MARLOW (Bucks).—*Handbell Ringing.*—On Wednesday, April 10th, at the residence of Mr. Truss, 720 Grandsire Minor. C. Smith, 1-2; J. W. Washbrook (conductor), 3-4; J. C. Truss, jun., 5-6. Also 360 Bob Minor, and 252 Stedman Triples with J. C. Truss, sen., 7-8.

HACKNEY (Middlesex).—On Tuesday, April 9th, at the parish church of St. John, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1260 changes), in 50 mins. J. Davidson, 1; J. Carmichael, 2; W. B. Manning, 3; T. Page (conductor), 4; G. Page, 5; W. Burkin, 6; H. T. Scarlett, 7; W. D. Smith, 8. This was rung in commemoration of the golden wedding of the parents of the rector, the Rev. F. E. Gardiner.

HINDLEY (Lancashire).—On Saturday, April 13th, at St. Peter's church, the local company, assisted by E. Benthams, of Wigan, rang with the bells muffled at hand-stroke, the first half of Holt's ten-part peal of Grandsire Triples (2520 changes), in 1 hr. 29 mins., called the reverse way, as a mark of respect to the late Mrs. Ryle, wife of the Lord Bishop of Liverpool. T. Tickle, 1; E. Brown, 2; J. Brown, 3; R. Calland, 4; E. Prescott, 5; E. Benthams, 6; J. Prescott (conductor), 7; G. Lang, 8. Tenor 14 cwt. 1 qr.

LANCASTER.—On Sunday, April 14th, at St. Mary's church, for evening service, 1020 of Grandsire Triples, in 25 mins. R. S. Hirst, (conductor), 1; W. Clayton, 2; R. Walker, 3; T. G. Parker, 4; H. Wilcock, 5; R. Holiday, 6; W. Jackson, 7; G. Winn, 8. It was rung as a farewell touch to one of the ringers, Robert Holiday, who is leaving for Canada.

LONDON.—On Sunday, April 14th, for Divine Service in the evening at St. Stephen's, Westminster, 1248 of Double Norwich Court Bob, in 49 mins. E. Gibbs, 1; G. T. McLaughlin, 2; J. N. Oxborough, 3; H. R. Newton, 4; E. Carter, 5; E. Pemberton, 6; F. G. Newman, 7; J. M. Hayes (conductor), 8.

OLDBURY (Worcestershire).—On Saturday, April 6th, at Christ Church, an attempt was made for a muffled peal of Stedman Triples, in memory of the late John Bright, but owing to the shortness of time, the bells were stopped at half-way in 1 hr. 15 mins. S. Reeves (conductor), 1; W. Cheshire, 2; E. Goodreds, 3; T. Horton, 4; G. Hughes, 5; W. R. Small, 6; R. Hall, 7; J. Hall, 8. Also 350 Grandsire Triples. J. W. Sayers, 1; S. Reeves (conductor), 2; W. R. Small, 3; E. Goodreds, 4; W. Cheshire, 5; T. Horton, 6; R. Hall, 7; J. Hall, 8.

RAWTENSTALL (Lancashire).—Recently for Divine Service at the parish church, 168 Grandsire Triples. J. Harling, 1; J. Ramsbottom, 2; W. Haworth, 3; E. Whittaker, 4; E. Nuttall, 5; J. Smith, 6; J. Rollerson, 7; F. Nowell, 8. And another touch with W. Jemison, 8. The above is the first attempt by all. Tenor 14 cwt. in F.

SITTINGBOURNE (Kent).—On Saturday, April 6th, at the parish church, the St. Michael's society assisted by Messrs. Lindoff and Haigh, from Gillingham, rang a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples. J. Mann, 1; E. Price, 2; Rev. E. W. Carpenter, 3; G. Lindoff, 4; W. Haigh, 5; C. Willshire, 6; S. Snelling (conductor), 7; J. Jordan, 8. Rung with the bells half-muffled as a mark of respect to the late Mr. Harry Pearce, of Maidstone.

STANSTEAD (Essex).—On Thursday, April 11th, at the church of St. Mary-the-Virgin, for practice, 720 Plain Bob Minor (eighteen singles three bobs), in 24½ mins. J. Cavill, 1; T. J. Watts (first 720 with a bob bell), 2; I. Hammond, 3; G. Gray, 4; J. Luckey, 5; I. Cavill (conductor), 6. And a plain course each of the following methods:—Double Oxford, Oxford Bob, Double Court, Plain Bob Minor, College Single, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob. J. Cavill, 1; W. Watts, 2; J. Luckey, 3; G. Gray, 4; I. Hammond, 5; I. Cavill, 6. And on Sunday, April 14th, for morning service, 600 Plain Bob Minor. T. J. Watts, 1; J. Luckey, 2; I. Cavill, 3; G. Gray, 4; I. Hammond, 5; W. Watts (conductor), 6. Also, for afternoon service, 540 in the following methods:—Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, Plain Bob, Double Court, College Single, Oxford Bob, Double Oxford. T. J. Watts, 1; W. Watts, 2; J. Luckey, 3; G. Gray, 4; I. Hammond, 5; I. Cavill (conductor), 6. Tenor 13 cwt.

STOURBRIDGE (Worcestershire).—On Saturday, April 13th, at St. Thomas's church, 720 Canterbury Pleasure Minor, in 29 mins. C. Barrett, 1; H. Harris, 2; W. J. Sevier, 3; *R. Cartwright, 4; *A. Orford, 5; †G. H. Pagett (conductor), 6; W. A. Pugh, 7. *First 720 in the method. †First 720 as conductor. First in the method on the

bells. Also 168 Bob Triples, conducted by R. Cartwright. R. Cartwright hails from Wombourne, Staffordshire; W. J. Sevier from Barnwood, Gloucestershire.

STRATFORD ST. MARY (Suffolk).—On Sunday, April 14th, after Divine Service in the morning at the parish church, 720 Bob Minor, in 26 mins. G. Winny (Stratford), 1; W. Hazell (Little Bentley), 2; W. Ransom (Stratford), 3; J. Starling (Great Bromley), 4; A. Fuller (Little Bentley), 5; W. J. Nevard (Great Bentley, conductor), 6.

TIPTON (Staffordshire).—On Tuesday, January 8th, at St. Martin's church, 224 Canterbury Pleasure Major. W. H. Horton, 1; H. Mills, 2; B. Gough, 3; E. Goodreds, 4; G. Hughes (conductor), 5; S. Jesson, 6; W. Cheshire, 7; W. R. Small, 8.

WOMBOURNE (Staffordshire).—On Sunday, April 14th, for morning service, 720 Oxford Bob Minor (eighteen bobs and two singles), in 22 mins. G. Little, 1; H. Deans, 2; A. Little, 3; J. E. Claridge, 4; W. J. Sevier, 5; R. Cartwright, 6. For afternoon service 720 Double Oxford Bob Minor (eighteen bobs and two singles), in 23½ mins. G. Little, 1; H. Deans, 2; R. Cartwright (conductor), 3; A. Little, 4; W. J. Sevier (first in the method), 5; J. E. Claridge, 6. Tenor about 12 cwt.

Correspondence.

While allowing the utmost freedom for the expression of opinion, it must never be considered that we are in any way bound to statements made by correspondents.

To the Editor of "THE BELL NEWS AND RINGERS' RECORD."

THE SEVEN-BELL PEAL AT SOUTHGATE.

SIR,—In your issue of the 13th inst., Mr. R. T. Woodley is guilty of a mis-statement in saying I allowed him to be "an authority upon the fitness of intending candidates for Colney Hatch." Those words are his own, and they convey the impression that he thinks admission to the Institution in question is obtained by competitive examination, and that he is prepared to act the part of "coach" to persons desirous of entering. Mr. Woodley's further statement that his only object in starting an abusive correspondence was to bring into prominence what he calls a "bastard" peal is scarcely credible. His voice was not raised in protest when some time since the account of a seven-bell peal, not rung by the Tottenham Society, appeared in "THE BELL NEWS." This circumstance clearly shows that Mr. Woodley has used your columns, not in the interests of change-ringing, but to vent his personal spite against our company.

T. C. GROVE,
Sec. of the Tottenham Society.

[Correspondence upon this subject must now cease.—ED.]

PEAL RINGING IN LENT.

SIR,—“Free Lance,” in supporting your leader upon ringing in Lent, makes the bold assertion that the Church has not given any settled rules, etc. This is a point on which I should like to cross quills with him, but as no doubt your columns will be fully occupied after Easter, I will reserve it to a more convenient season. There is just one point I should however like for him to explain. If he counts the number of clergy that are peal ringers I think he will find he has not far short of a score. He brings forward one solitary rev. gentleman to back up his opinions, and declares him to be a sound churchman. What says “Free Lance” to those other clergymen who abstain from peal ringing during Lent? Are they unsound churchmen.

A SON OF THE CHURCH.

MR. TUCKER CORRECTED.

SIR,—In your issue of the 30th ult. a peal of Bob Major, 5056 changes, appears under the name of the above gentleman, said to have been rung for the first time on December 31st, 1888. That gentleman will no doubt pardon me for drawing his attention to the fact that the same peal identically, call for call, appeared in your issue of December 17th, 1887, and was rang for the first time in reality at Ormskirk, on December 10th, 1887, conducted by myself. It has been rung also at the following places: Helmingham, Suffolk, February 11th, 1888; Southport, Lancashire, July 7th and 26th, 1888; Romford, Essex, October 25th, 1888. I trust the Essex Association in publishing their report will note this correction. I may also add that the date touch of Treble Bob Major by Mr. Sykes is false, if the made change given in the same issue is used.

Liverpool.

JOHN R. PRITCHARD.

THE STANSTEAD METHOD.

SIR,—I see in last week's issue that Mr. R. Cartwright says that the method I published is not a double method; he also says that it has been produced before. If Mr. Cartwright will give me a little more information about it and inform me what method it is and where it has been produced before I should be obliged. I don't wish to claim it if it has been produced before, but I have shewn it to two or three well-known ringers, and they could not give me any information as to what method it was.

ISAAC CAVILL.

WORCESTER AND ADJOINING DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

The Annual Meeting of this Association will take place on Easter Monday, April 22nd, in the Chapter House, Worcester Cathedral, at 2 p.m. prompt, the tower of which will be open for a short time for ringing. Towers of the other churches in the city will be open during the day for ringing. The new peal of handbells, the property of the Association, will be rung for the first time at this meeting. All members are requested to meet at the house of Mr. J. Perks, "Pack Horse" Hotel, Worcester, and to note that all subscriptions not yet paid should be handed over at this meeting. The Hon. Secretary hopes to receive, on or before the above date, the names of each company in union, so that a correct list may appear in the Annual Report. Members to take this as sufficient notice, should they receive no other. Business—Election of officers for the ensuing year.

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THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

THE NEXT QUARTERLY MEETING will be held at Camberwell, by the kind permission of the Vicar, on Easter Monday, April 22nd. Tower open from three to five p.m. Service at five. Tea at the Surrey Masonic Hall at six p.m., followed by business meeting. All those who wish to have tea must please send word to the Manager, Surrey Masonic Hall, Camberwell, not later than Friday, April 19th. Tower open again after meeting. The tea will be free to all those members who have paid their subscriptions, and who send notice of their intention to be present as requested. All others will be charged 1s. 6d. a head.

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THE WALTHAM ABBEY SOCIETY.

The Second Annual Ringing Festival of the above society will be held on Easter Monday next. The steeple will be open to visitors for ringing from 10 a.m. until 8 p.m. Dinner will be provided at the "Green Dragon" Inn, Market Place, at 1.30 p.m. Tickets 2s. 6d. each. All visitors whose intention it is to dine with the company, are particularly requested to notify the same not later than Tuesday, April 16th, to

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THE MIDLAND COUNTIES' ASSOCIATION.

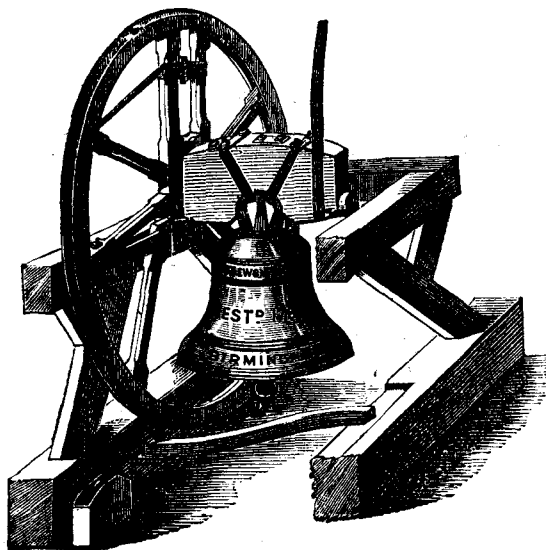
The Seventh Annual Meeting of this Association will be held at Derby, on Easter Monday, April 22nd, 1889, when the following towers will be open for ringing from 10 a.m., viz.: All Saints, 10 bells; St. Alkmund's, 8 bells; St. Andrew's, 8 bells; and St. Werburgh's, eight bells. Committee meeting in St. Andrew's parish room at 4 o'clock; Tea in the schools at 4.30, tickets 1s. 2d. each; General Meeting and election of officers immediately after tea.

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THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

A District Meeting is fixed for Easter Monday at Elham. Permission has also been obtained to ring at Lyminge. There will be a Committee Meeting in the Elham National School-room at 12 noon. Allowances (2s. and 1s. 6d.) will be paid between eleven and one at Elham. Those who purpose attending are requested to communicate with

Winsted Court. R. B. KNATCHBULL-HUGESSEN, Hon. Sec.



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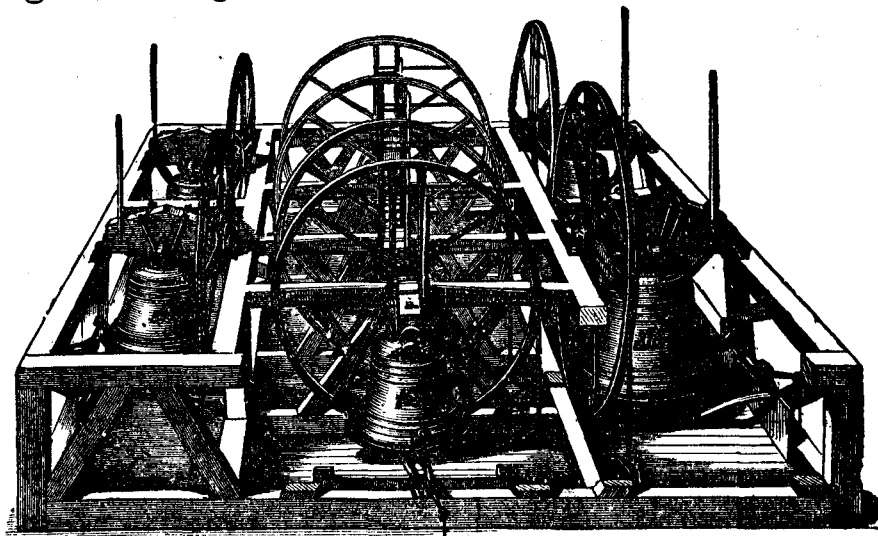
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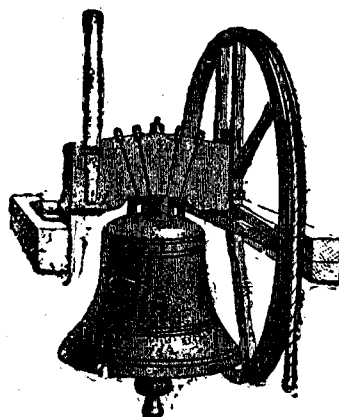
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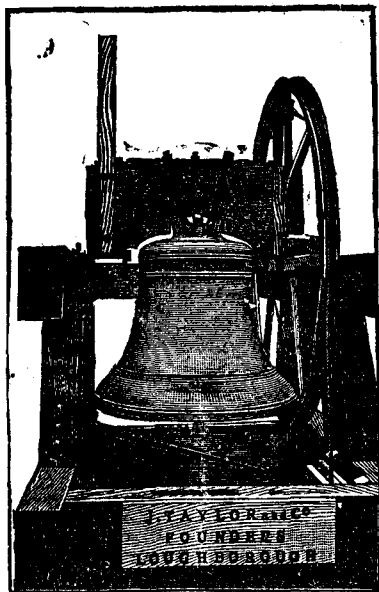
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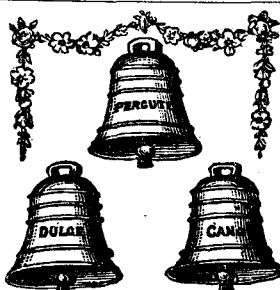
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