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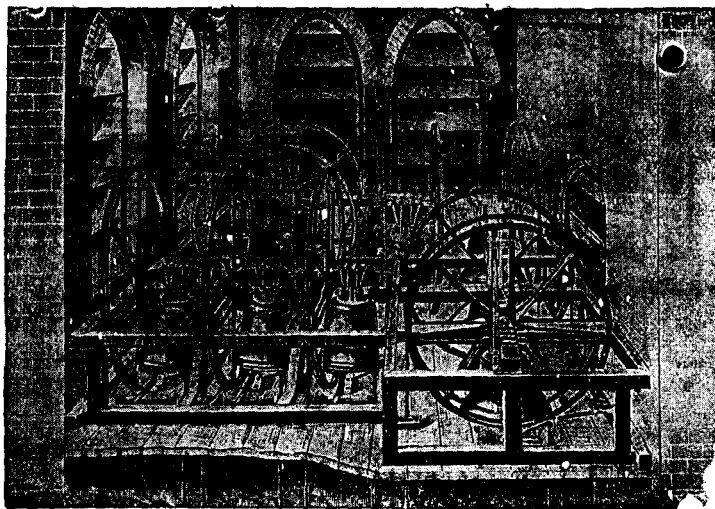
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THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

ANNUAL MEETING AT BIRSTALL, JANUARY 18TH.

The official work began with the audit, carried out by Mr. Thomas Maude, one of the elected auditors, and by Mr. William Elliott, of Birstall, who kindly allowed the president to appoint him in the place of Mr. Stickney, of Hull, who wrote expressing inability, through indisposition, to attend. The annual service was arranged by the Vicar, the Rev. W. Romaine Hervey, and was chorally rendered by an efficient choir. The sermon was preached by the Rev. C. C. Marshall, a qualified ringing member of the Birstall tower, from the text "Quit you like men: be strong."—1 Cor. xvi. 13. He said:—

My friends, it is my privilege to-day to welcome you as members of the Yorkshire Association of Change Ringers in the house of God, and to speak to you some message for God, and I do so with feelings both of joy and fear. Fear, because I feel my unworthiness to voice the message; and joy, because I also feel that it is a great privilege and opportunity of addressing men which is seldom given to us clergy. And then, too, that joy is increased by the knowledge that the men whom I am speaking to are bound to me by a very close tie of sympathy—the sympathy that springs from a common work. As members of this Association we are all joined in this common work, the work that your first rule so clearly states, of advancing "the true and lasting interest of change ringers and their art, considered both in its scientific aspect and as a branch of church work." For thus it must always be; change ringing is an art, and is a part of church work, and your presence here in this church to-day shows that you at least recognize the last part of that rule. Yes, we are all workers together with God, and for that reason I cannot help feeling inspired by this gathering. I cannot help feeling, alongside that fear and shrinking, a certain joy in addressing you—a joy which comes from the knowledge that we are all bound by that common tie of sympathy which is so strong and powerful for good in this world of ours.

The preacher, having exemplified the love of the Creator for His children, and His special love for those who were endeavouring to do His work and will, continued:—

God tells us that in our work there are two great things we must aim at—viz., true manliness and true courage. "Quit you like men, be strong," He says. Show in your work that you have the true courage always, even in the face of the greatest opposition, to do what is right.

Now it is well that we should consider what we really mean by manliness. Men were content with an incomplete ideal of manliness; that whereas we were all wishful in our hearts to hear the echoes of the beautiful words, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant," we allowed ourselves to be satisfied with a much lower standard than that which is within our reach: men forget that they were made in the image of God, and were intended to advance themselves for fellowship with the Divine when this short life below is ended. If this were really grasped, how much more useful our lives would be here on earth.

The next mistake that men made was in holding an idea that in religion there was something weak, something unmanly; that to follow Christ was to lose something of their independence. But think, it was *not* so. Think for a moment of the Saviour's independence and courage. Who, more than He, ever stood alone in this world? And yet who in His courage and independence ever showed Himself more submissive to the Father's will? It was He that taught us that newer type of true man-

liness, to distrust ourselves amongst the hidden dangers of this world, and in all our difficulties to turn to God for help.

And so it is, my friends, God speaks to us to-day, His fellow-workers, and, as we go forth into the world once more, He gives us this watchword: "Quit you like men, be strong." He tells us to be men then in the truest, completest sense of the word; men made in the image of God, redeemed by His Son, with a noble future, a glorious heritage before us; men who have learnt to be independent, but who have also learnt that higher, nobler type of manliness, to be dependent upon God. And He tells us to be strong and brave, not only in that strength which knows no fear in face of danger, but in that higher, truer strength; strong to uphold what is right; strong to stand up against what is wrong; strong in that strength which, having learnt to own its weakness, has also learnt to rely on the power of God, and ready, whatever others may do, to go forth as knights of old resolved to do some good in the world—resolved to hold up our church, our Christ; resolved, as has been so beautifully put by the poet, to "bear the white lily of a blameless life."

Tea was served in the schools, to which between 200 and 300 sat down.

The business meeting followed in the same room, with the president in the chair, supported by the Vicar and his churchwarden, Mr. Taylor, the two vice-presidents, &c.

The minutes of the previous meeting having been read and passed, the president expressed what he felt sure was the feeling of the meeting with regard to their sympathy with the senior trustee of the association, who had recently lost his wife. Mr. William Whitaker had not only been the hon. sec. for many years, but he had been most attentive in watching the welfare of the association since its very foundation.

The treasurer's balance sheet was passed, and the report of the committee was accepted, on the motion of the auditors, both of whom made complimentary references to the way in which the books of the society had been put before them.

There being no contested election, the president declared Mr. Howard re-instated as vice-president, Mr. Thomas Hattersley steward, and Mr. B. T. Copley hon. sec., with Messrs. Harry Williams, Charles Jackson, and Joseph Yeadon members of committee. The president spoke of the want they felt of a good committee-man for their western borders, a place for whom they had vacant, if anyone could make a suggestion of a likely man for the position. He also regretted the indisposition of the hon. sec. On the motion of Mr. James Oddy, seconded by Mr. George Moxon, of Sandal, a vote of thanks was passed to the hon. auditors and other officers for their year's work.

Dealing with the next place of meeting, Mr. William Foster, of Bingley, proposed that town, and this was seconded by another Bingley member, Mr. George Whitaker, and was unanimously accepted.

On the motion of the chairman, seconded by Mr. Howard, votes of thanks were passed to the Vicar for arranging the service and for the use of the bells and schools; also to the Rev. C. C. Marshall for his sermon; to Mr. Taylor, churchwarden, and to the organist and choir for their services during the proceedings. In moving the resolution the chairman said he did not know which to compliment the more—the Vicar for encouraging his curate to

qualify in the belfry, or Mr. Marshall for the enthusiasm he had thrown into his work. The replies of both the clergy and the churchwarden were friendly and brief, it being understood that the sermon necessitated nothing in the way of speeches at the schools.

Mr. Clayton made a neat reply to a vote of thanks passed to the local branch for their generous arrangements for the tea, and to the ladies presiding at the tables. If, said Mr. Clayton, you have enjoyed yourselves half as much as we have in preparing for you, there must be, and he hoped there was, some grounds for satisfaction. The motion was in the hands of Mr. Charles Jackson, seconded by Mr. Oddy.

No other business being brought forward, Messrs. Bolland and Howard made themselves responsible for a vote of thanks to the chairman, who said the day's proceedings had, he thought, been crowned with success by the excellent attendance in church.

We are sorry to hear from the president, and in this regret we are sure to be joined by a great number of our readers, that Mr. Copley has felt himself compelled to resign his office as hon. sec., which he has held since October 1889, a period that embraces twelve years of the society's existence. Increasing work, attended, unfortunately, by decreasing health, has necessitated this step.

We have received the following note from Mr. B. T. Copley:—

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Sir,—Will you kindly permit me to inform the members that, owing to the continued unsatisfactory state of my health, and the heavy calls upon my time, I have reluctantly felt myself compelled to resign my office of Honorary Secretary. At the same time, I would express my acknowledgment of the many kindnesses I have received at their hands during my twelve years of service. B. T. COPLEY.

SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

A meeting of this society was held on Saturday, February 1st, at Wednesbury. Upwards of sixty ringers attended, and a most successful enjoyable gathering resulted. The ring of ten in the tower has recently been rehung by Messrs. Barwell, of Birmingham, and the general verdict of those present was that the difficulty of hanging ten bells in so small a ringing-chamber had been most successfully dealt with. In fact the "go" of the bells leaves nothing to be desired. The usual short service was conducted by the Vicar of Wednesbury, who also gave the address. Several members of the church choir attended, and with their kind efficient help the musical portions of the service were heartily rendered.

The service was afterwards alluded to by one of the elder ringers present as a proof of the change effected by Ringing Associations. Certainly the change effected in the last twenty years has been very great, and it is much to be regretted that there are so many bands of ringers who are not yet members of any society.

At the Committee Meeting which followed, twelve ringing members were elected, while the Vicar of Wednesbury, the Rev. T. W. Wilkes, and the churchwarden, Mr. B. C. Knowles, kindly joined the society as Hon. Members. Amongst the ringing members elected were four of the Wednesbury band. It is much to be hoped that now the bells have been put into such good order, every member of the band will become a member of this Association.

Tea was provided in the schools, Mrs. Wilkes and

other ladies having kindly made most efficient arrangements, and after tea the Clerical Hon. Sec., the Rev. Donald Jones, proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the Vicar and Mrs. Wilkes and to the Churchwarden, Mr. Knowles, and in the name of the Precentor, the Rev. A. B. Crane, to the Choir for their kind welcome and assistance. The Vicar and Mr. Knowles most suitably responded after the proposition had been duly seconded by Mr. W. Small of Tipton. This gentleman reminded those present that Wednesbury was his native place, as he had been born 62 years previously very near the place where they were then assembled, and his remarks went to show that so far as Wednesbury ringers were concerned the possibilities of good ringing, and the encouragements given to the ringers were greater than at any previous time.

After tea ringing was resumed by some of the members whilst others gathered for social intercourse in the adjoining schoolroom, and spent a pleasant hour in conversation assisted by the genial presence of the Vicar, and the persistent oratory of his energetic gramophone.

The next meeting of the society will be held at Christ Church, West Bromwich, on Saturday, April 19th. The peal of twelve at this church has recently been rehung, also by Messrs. Barwell, with most successful results.

THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

A quarterly meeting was held at Leighton Buzzard on Saturday, January 4th, 1902, and was a good representative gathering, members being present from St. Paul's and St. Peter's, Bedford, Woburn, Apsley Guise, Bletchley, Copal, and Leighton Buzzard, and several other districts. Some excellent ringing was done in the methods of Double Norwich, Treble Bob, Plain Bob, and Grandsire and Stedman Triples. A excellent tea was provided at the coffee tavern, at which over twenty sat down to, and was presided over by Mr. Nicholls of the local band, and needless to say every one had a good tea. The visiting ringers and friends passed a very happy hour. There was no business to bring before this meeting because the annual meeting is always fixed at Bedford on Easter Monday. After tea the ringers adjourned again to the tower and indulged in some more touches. The Rev. G. F. Hills came up into the tower and welcomed the visitors. The ringing was kept up until train time.

THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

A quarterly meeting of this branch was held at Marlborough on Saturday, the 25th inst., the Rev. J. H. Burn, branch chairman in the chair. There were further present the Rev. H. E. Tilney Bassett (General Guild Secretary), Mr. C. D. Heginbotham (branch Secretary), and ringing representatives from Swindon, Burbage, Great Bedwyn, Ogbourne, St. Andrew, and Marlborough, St. Peter and St. Mary. The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed. The Rev. J. H. Burn, of Great Cheverell, was unanimously re-elected branch chairman as was also the branch secretary, Mr. C. D. Heginbotham and both again accepted office and replied in suitable terms.

Devizes was chosen as the next place of meeting, the date to be arranged, if possible, for the first Saturday after Easter. Votes of thanks to the Vicars and churchwardens of the two churches for the use of the bells concluded the business. Several 6-scores of Doubles were rung during the afternoon and evening. The bells, however, at both churches, though ringable, very much require overhauling and screwing up.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.

(BRISTOL BRANCH.)

A meeting of this branch was held at Henbury on Saturday, January 25th, when only a small number (twelve) attended. Owing to this small attendance a service was held in the belfry, conducted by the chairman of the branch (Rev. H. A. Cockey). After the service a business meeting was held, at which the chairman presided. The minutes of the last meeting (annual) were read and confirmed. Three fresh performing members were elected. The next meeting of the branch will be held at Bitton on February 22nd. Tea was provided for the members close to the church, after which a peal of Bob Major was arranged to be started for, which proved successful, this being the first peal on the bells (3 hrs. 22 mins.). The band was as follows: F. G. May, H. Jacques, C. H. Gordon, T. Burford, F. Gooding, W. Sommerville, J. Gould, G. T. Daltry. Conducted by G. T. Daltry.

HEAVY WOOLLEN DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.

The annual meeting of the above society was held at Dewsbury on Saturday, January 11th, Mr. S. Goodall presiding. Members were present from the following towers: Armitage Bridge, Batley, Batley Carr, Dewsbury, Earlsheaton, Liversedge, Lindley, Kirkheaton, Mirfield, Ossett, and Sandal. In a short address the President complained of the poor attendance at meetings during the past year, and he urged upon each company to send a representative for each meeting and pay his expenses, unless it be that they are giving a full company to the meeting. It was decided to hold the meetings monthly during the next twelve months. The balance-sheet for the year ending December 31st, 1901, showed the balance to be £8 5s. 5d. in hand.

Mr. F. Schofield proposed that the best thanks of the meeting be given to the retiring officers for their past services, which was passed unanimously.

The following officers were elected for the next twelve months: President, Mr. S. Goodall, Liversedge; Vice-President, Mr. J. Blackburn, Batley Carr; Treasurer, Mr. J. Garforth, Dewsbury; Secretary, Mr. Walter Idle, 47, Vulcan Road, Dewsbury; Messrs. James Haigh, New Mill, Tolston Hall, Earlsheaton, Auditor.

During the evening the bells were kept going with Oxford Minor, Grandsire Triples, and Kent Treble Bob Major.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

(NORTH-EASTERN DISTRICT.)

A meeting of the above was held at Colchester on Saturday, January 25th, members being present from Maldon, Mistley, Great and Little Bentley, Therington, Kelvedon, Feering, and Coggeshall, besides the Colchester members and the hon. sec (Rev. H. Eyre) from Totham. Touches of Bob Major, Double Norwich, Treble Bob, etc., were rung on the bells of St. Peter's during the afternoon and evening, special praise being given to Messrs. Taylors for the way in which they had re-hung the seventh and tenor. A tea meeting was held at 5 o'clock at Toyne's restaurant, one hon. member and one ringing member being elected, and a vote of thanks passed to the Vicar of St. Peter's for the use of the bells.

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On Wednesday night, January 29th, the bells of All Saints' church were re-opened and rung in honour of the sixtieth birthday of the Rev. G. F. Sams, Rector of this parish, when the following methods were rung: 720 Bob Minor. J. Lett, J. Lovell, S. Smith, W. Mynard, H. Lett, W. Freeman conductor. 720 College Single. W. Mynard, J. Lett, J. Lovell, W. Freeman conductor, T. Wright, H. Lett. 360 Bob Minor. H. Lett, J. Lett, W. Freeman conductor, T. Wright, F. Mynard, J. Lovell. The bells have been re-tuned, quarter-turned, and re-hung in an iron frame on steel girders, with all the latest improvements and the treble re-cast. The go of the bells is excellent and reflects great credit on Messrs. John Taylor and Co., of Loughborough, who satisfactorily carried out the work.

NOTES TO PEALS.

THE PEAL AT CHEPSTOW.—(REPORTED LAST WEEK.)—This peal was rung after the ceremony of unveiling a peal-board Prior to withdrawing the covering the Vicar (Rev. E. J. Hensley) explained the object of the gathering, which was, he said, to place on record a successful peal rung in that belfry on November 9th last. On some previous occasions the Chepstow ringers had been assisted by strangers, but with one exception, the peal rung in honour of the King's birthday was by Chepstow bell-ringers, so that practically all the credit was due to them. It was thought that it would be well if it could be commemorated in some way. Mr. Prickett kindly undertook to make the board and it was his (the Vicar's) pleasure to offer to pay for the writing on it. The peal in question was a very successful one, the striking, time and tone being excellent. It was felt that perhaps in years to come future bell-ringers would like to glance at the successful performances accomplished by their predecessors and be the means of urging them to practice regularly. He heartily congratulated the Chepstow ringers upon their success. In small places a difficulty was sometimes experienced in getting a band together; but there was no doubt that in Chepstow they had an efficient and painstaking band.

THE PEAL AT WEST BROMWICH.—These bells have gone through the bell-hangers' firm of Messrs. J. Barwell, of Birmingham, and have been placed on a new cast iron frame, with steel girders let into the tower, new fittings and new wheels were necessary, and the go of the bells is giving every satisfaction. The peal has 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, in regular order behind the 9th and is the first peal on the bells since rehanging.

THE PEAL AT BORDEN.—This peal was rung to celebrate the centenary of the augmentation of the bells to the octave, also as a birthday compliment to C. Millway, his brother-ringers wishing him the best of health and prosperity and a long life. It is the first peal in the method on the bells, and first by the ringers of the 2nd, 7th, and tenor. The conductor (who was elected a member of the Association prior to the commencement of the peal) is from London, Harman from Bromley, Willshire from Guildford, G. Wood from Faversham, H. Wood from Dover.

THE PEAL AT OLDHAM.—It is fifty years since the last peal of Maximus was rung at Oldham, having taken place on November 16th, 1851. It is also the first peal of Maximus by all with the exception of W. Jakeman, A. Adams, and Ben Thorpe. It is also the first peal as conductor by S. Stott in the method. Messrs. Stott, Shaw, Schofield, Hoyle, and Priestly, were elected members of the Ashton-under-Lyne Society previous to starting for the peal. Messrs. Adams, Thorpe, Harrison, Crabtree, Gill, and the brothers Jakeman, hail from Ashton, Hoyle from Rochdale, the rest belong to St. Mary's, Oldham.

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GUILD OF ST. IGNATIUS THE MARTYR, SUNDERLAND.

On Thursday, January 30th, the members of the above guild, at the kind invitation of Mr. and Mrs. R. Matkin, assembled at their residence for their third annual supper. The whole of the members were present, and also the Vicar (Rev. F. L. Cope), the senior curate (Rev. F. W. Sears), and Messrs. R. Matkin and J. J. Bentham (churchwardens).

After a most exciting game of progressive whist, at which Messrs. W. Denteth and G. S. Taylor won the first and "booby" prizes respectively, the company sat down to a splendid supper, to which full justice was done; but one after another the ringers were forced, much against their will, to come to a "stand."

In a happy little speech the captain, Mr. J. W. Parker, proposed, and the secretary, Mr. G. S. Taylor, seconded, a hearty vote of thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Matkin for their kindness. The Vicar and Mr. Bentham supported; and Mr. Matkin, in responding to the vote (which had been carried with enthusiasm), said that when the bells were being put in the bell-hanger prophesied all kinds of trouble with the new band of voluntary ringers, but happily this had been falsified, and instead of the ringers being a cause of trouble they had been a great help in the work of the church.

Songs were sung by Messrs. W. Denteth and George Matkin, and the Rev. F. W. Sears sang an old Devonshire dialect song which was much enjoyed. Recitations by Mr. G. S. Taylor, and also a good gramophone, contributed to the entertainment. And so ended what was generally conceded to be the most enjoyable supper the Guild has had.

CAVERSHAM, OXON.

On Tuesday, January 21st, the Caversham company had what in their opinion was one of the most pleasant evenings of their ringing career. It had been on the cards for some months past, that although we had no lady ringers, properly speaking, all the band, with the exception of one, have to leave their better halves at home when attempting a peal, so something was to be arranged that the wives might participate in, and so feel that they had some real interest in the peals and touches rung. Under the directing hand and head of Mr. T. Newman, this something soon arrived at a tangible form, and on the above date the men and their wives (and I must say the single man was not to be set back, for he brought his father's wife) met at The Crown hotel, and sat down to a well-served dinner, after which songs by all the male portion of the company, and unplaying by the Caversham handbell band, were much appreciated, especially by the ladies, whose faces showed that a ringers' dinner is not the worst way to spend an evening; in fact it is the intention of the Caversham company to make this an annual affair. Judging by the enthusiasm shown on this particular occasion, the readers of our paper will not be surprised to see recorded in the future a peal of London with the prefix "Mrs." before each of the well-known names of the Caversham company.

R. T. H.

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."

"SCIENCE AND ART."

SIR,—I am sorry that time has failed me to reply to Mr. Daltry and Mr. Trollope this week. I hope to offer a few remarks in your next number.

R. A. DANIELL.

CHURCH BELLS OF SUFFOLK.—BY THE REV.

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Obituary.

JOSEPH S. CLARK.

On January 27th the above-named ringer passed away at Shipley, Yorks., and was interred at the parish church on the 30th. The deceased had been a member of the parish company for upwards of thirty years; although he had not done any ringing for over two years he was an attentive listener. A course of Grandsire Triples was rung at the graveside by J. Ross, 1-2; T. B. Kendall, 3-4; F. W. Dixon, 5-6; G. A. Nettleton, 7-8. The deceased had five peals attached to his name in the Yorkshire Association report book, the last he rang in was a Oddfellows peal of the Manchester Unity. Ringers attended from Calverley, Bingley, Bradford, Tong, and Guiseley, also members from the Masons' lodge and the Oddfellows lodge (Tree of Life) of the Manchester Unity. A muffled peal was rung by eight members of the Yorkshire Association.

JOHN HITCH.

With very much regret we have to record the death of the above-named ringer, who died at Southgate on January 29th, at the age of forty-three, after a lingering illness, from consumption. The deceased was steeple-keeper at Christ church, Southgate, for many years, and was well-known to a good many London ringers. He only took part in one peal, when he rang the tenor to Thurstan's one-part peal of Stedman Triples in October 1892, which was conducted by F. G. Newman. He started learning change-ringing with the Southgate band in 1895, and rang the treble to several 720's of Bob Minor with the late George Newson, and was a regular attendant at the tower when his health permitted him. He was buried at Southgate cemetery on Monday, February 3rd, being carried to the grave by his fellow-workmen of the estate of V. E. Walker, Esq., Arnos Grove. Several of the Southgate ringers followed him to his last resting place. He was a member of the College Youths and Middlesex Association. Holt's original peal of Grandsire was rung with the bells half muffled on the Monday night, a record of which appears in the usual place.

Date Touches.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

COGGESHALL (Essex).—On Tuesday, January 21st, at the church of St. Peter-ad-Vincula, a date touch of Oxford Treble Bob Major. R. Porter, H. Evers, W. Dyer, J. Newman, J. Sadler, C. Norfolk, E. W. Beckwith, D. Elliott conductor.

THE HEAVY WOOLLEN DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.

LIVERSEDGE (Yorks).—On Sunday, January 5th, for Divine Service at the parish church, a date touch of Kent Treble Bob Major in 1 hr. 8 mins. W. Knott, J. Knott, G. Brook, W. Thomas, J. W. Lang, W. Walker, F. Robinson (composer and conductor), W. Collins.

Miscellaneous.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

FEERING (Essex).—On Saturday, January 18th, 1440 Oxford Treble Bob Major. R. Potter, G. Hum, W. Dyer, H. Evers, J. Sadler, D. Elliott conductor, E. W. Beckwith, J. Newman.

WRITTLE (Essex).—On Saturday, December 21st, for practice, 1728 Kent Treble Bob Major. On Sunday evening, December 22nd, for Divine Service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples. F. Edwards, W. Emery, W. Newman, H. Richell, H. Head, F. Radley, W. Lincoln conductor, A. Head.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

KING'S LYNN (Norfolk).—The following is a list of touches rung by the St. Margaret's and St. Nicholas companies from December 1st to December 31st inclusive. On Monday, December 7th, at St. Margaret's church, 560 Bob Major with 6-8 covering. Also 540 Bob Royal conducted by A. Markwell. On December 14th, 576 Kent Treble Bob Major on the back eight, conducted by J. W. Sedgley. On December 24th, 704 Bob Major, conducted by J. W. Sedgley. On

Christmas Day for early service at 6 a.m., three courses of Bob Major, conducted by J. W. Sedgley. On December 31st, at midnight, 704 Bob Major, conducted by W. G. Cross. Tenor 30 cwt. On December 4th, at St. Nicholas, 768 Kent Treble Bob Major, conducted by W. G. Cross. On Christmas Day for early service, 448 Bob Major, conducted by J. W. Sedgley. Tenor 20 cwt. The ringers who took part in the above were Messrs. Cross, Sedgley, Brooke, Brown, Crome (2), Giles, Curson, Green, and Markwell.

STOWMARKET (Suffolk).—On Sunday, December 1st, 1152 Oxford Treble Bob Major. F. Allard, C. Souter, C. Alderton, G. Melbourne, E. Diaper, W. Tydeman, W. Souter, conductor, W. Rouse. Rung to celebrate the birthday of Queen Alexandra. On December 26th, 1512 Grandsire Triples. F. Allard, C. Souter, W. Souter, G. Melbourne, A. Diaper, W. Tydeman conductor, W. Rouse, W. Welham. Longest length as conductor, also longest touch Messrs. Allard and Melbourne. It was intended to start for a peal of Treble Bob Major, but only seven turning up the above was rung instead.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

GRIMSBY.—On Sunday, January 5th, at St. Andrew's church, 720 Bob Minor (fourteen bobs and twenty-two singles) in 27 mins. W. Meffin, P. Long, J. Bell, G. Wheldon, A. W. Long, J. W. Seamer conductor.

THE LIVERPOOL DIOCESAN GUILD.

TUE BROOK (Lancashire).—On Sunday, December 29th, for evening service, 720 Bob Minor. H. Hutton, F. Larkey, E. Caunce conductor, G. Dickinson, W. Twist, A. Lovell, G. Page. On New Year's Day 630 Grandsire Triples. R. Hutton, F. Larkey, E. Caunce, S. Woods, G. Dickinson, W. Twist conductor, A. Lovell, G. Page.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

CHICHESTER.—On Monday, February 3rd, at the Cathedral Campanile, 864 London Surprise Major, and a course of Superlative. A. D. Stone, G. A. King, A. A. Fuller, G. Smart, F. Bennett, R. J. Dawe, J. N. Frossell, G. Williams conductor. This was rung after an unsuccessful attempt for a peal of London Surprise on the occasion of the induction of the new Dean of Chichester, the Rev. Prebendary J. J. Hannah, who has been Vicar of Brighton since the death of his father, Archdeacon Hannah. St. Peter's became the parish church of Brighton in 1873.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

LONDON.—On Saturday, December 28th, at All Saints Fulham, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples. T. G. Miller, A. F. Harris, W. E. Garrard, J. T. Kentish, G. N. Price, H. Langdon, W. T. Cockerill, R. Burgess. On Sunday, December 29th, at St. Mary Abbots, Kensington, 1259 Grandsire Caters. S. Davie, W. E. Judd conductor, G. Brush, H. W. Cotton, W. E. Garrard, A. E. Bradley, E. Stibbons, H. G. Miles, A. F. Harris, J. Judd.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—FYLDE BRANCH.

LYTHAM (Lancashire).—On November 20th, at St. John's church, 720 Canterbury Pleasure Minor. J. Tipping, J. Fell, D. McLellan, C. H. Kerr, J. Hardman, E. Tipping. On November 27th, 720 Oxford Bob. J. Fell, C. H. Kerr, *D. McLellan, E. Tipping, T. Allanson. On December 1st, 720 Canterbury Pleasure Minor. C. H. Kerr, J. Fell, D. McLellan, E. Tipping, J. Tipping, T. Allanson. On December 11th, on handbells, 720 Kent Treble Bob. *D. McLellan, J. Tipping, J. Fell, E. Tipping, *T. Allanson, C. H. Kerr. First 720 in the method.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

READING (Berks).—On Monday, January 6th, at the church of St. Giles, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples in 47 mins. A. E. Reeves, H. Coffee, C. Giles, F. Sweetzer, A. W. Reeves, H. Tucker, Albert E. Reeves conductor, Rev. H. C. Bell.

THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.

HEAVITREE (Devon).—On Thursday, December 26th, an attempt for a peal of Stedman Triples came to grief after ringing 2600 changes. C. R. Lilley, F. J. Shepherd, W. Shepherd, W. Richardson, E. Shepherd, F. Davey, F. Shepherd conductor, W. Lowton. On Sunday, December 29th, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, taken from the middle of Holt's Original, in 49 mins. T. Bartlett, F. Murphy, W. Burroughs, W. Midin, J. Sandover, W. Shepherd, W. Lowton.

CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

STOCKTON-ON-TEES.—On Tuesday, January 7th, 576 Bob Major. J. Clarkson, W. H. Stephenson, R. G. Greenwood, J. Waller, N. Kidd,

A. W. Barrett, W. Newton, T. Stephenson conductor. On Sunday, January 12th, 504 Grandsire Triples. W. H. Stephenson, J. W. Newton, J. Clarkson, J. Waller, W. Newton, A. W. Barrett, T. Stephenson conductor, R. G. Greenwood. On Tuesday, January 21st, 546 Grandsire Triples. W. H. Stephenson, W. Newton, J. Clarkson, J. Waller, R. G. Greenwood, A. W. Barrett, T. Stephenson conductor, T. Metcalfe. On Saturday, January 25th, for the wedding of Lady Helen Stewart, of Wynward Hall, Stockton-on-Tees, to Lord Stavordale, 1440 Kent Treble Bob Royal. G. J. Clarkson conductor, W. Newton, A. W. Barrett, R. G. Greenwood, N. Kidd, J. Waller, W. E. Walland, T. W. Waller, T. Stephenson, T. Metcalfe. On Sunday, January 26th, 688 Bob Major. W. H. Stephenson, G. J. Clarkson, W. J. Newton, J. Waller, R. G. Greenwood, A. W. Barrett, W. Newton, T. Stephenson conductor. On Thursday, January 30th, 960 Kent Treble Bob Royal. G. J. Clarkson conductor, F. P. Howcroft, W. C. Hunt, A. W. Barrett, R. G. Greenwood, J. Waller, W. E. Walland, T. W. Waller, T. Metcalfe, T. Stephenson.

THIRSK.—On Saturday, February 21st, 640 Kent Treble Bob Major. G. J. Clarkson conductor, T. Metcalfe, A. W. Barrett, J. Waller, N. Kidd, J. Metcalfe, Rev. W. P. Wright, T. Stevenson. Tenor 17 cwt.

FELISKIRK.—720 Kent Treble Bob Minor. G. J. Clarkson conductor, T. Metcalfe, N. Kidd, J. Waller, A. W. Barrett, T. Stephenson. Also 720 in the same method. W. H. Stevenson (first 720 of Treble Bob). A. W. Barrett, J. Metcalfe, N. Kidd, T. Stephenson conductor, T. Metcalfe. Also 720 in the same method. G. J. Clarkson conductor, W. Newton, J. W. Whittle, W. Pick, Rev. W. P. Wright, T. Stephenson. Also 720 Oxford Treble Bob. G. J. Clarkson, W. Newton, N. Kidd, J. Waller, A. W. Barrett, T. Stephenson conductor. Tenor 8½ cwt.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

HALLOW (Worcestershire).—On Sunday, December 15th, at the parish church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples. A. Harris, C. Bowkett, H. Matthews, W. Rouse, L. Clay, A. Winterton, W. Page conductor, J. Oakley. This is the first quarter-peal on the bells by the local company.

CAPEL (Surrey).—On Friday, November 29th, for practice, 720 Oxford Treble Bob and 720 College Pleasure. T. Weller, J. Akehurst, T. M. Stedman, F. Tullett, C. Taylor, E. Jordan conductor. On Sunday morning, December 15th, for Divine Service, 360 Kent Treble Bob. T. Weller, J. Akehurst, E. Holloway, E. Tullett, T. M. Stedman, E. Jordan conductor. For evening service 720 London Scholars' Pleasure. E. Holloway, J. Akehurst, T. M. Stedman, F. Tullett, C. Taylor, E. Jordan conductor. On Christmas morning December 25th, before the 7 o'clock service, 720 College Exercise. T. Weller, J. Akehurst, T. M. Stedman, F. Tullett, E. Jordan, D. Jordan conductor. For the eleven o'clock service 720 London Scholars' Pleasure. T. Weller, J. Akehurst, T. M. Stedman, F. Tullett, C. Taylor, E. Jordan conductor.

HORSMONDEN, KENT.—On Sunday, December 22nd, at St. Margaret's church, 720 Plain Bob Minor, in 29½ mins. F. J. Lambert, G. Hodge, H. Brhwn, E. Lambert, C. H. Sone conductor, G. Hadaway. Also 720 Kent Treble Bob in 29 mins. G. Hodge, E. C. Lambert, E. Lambert, F. Butchers, C. H. Sone, F. J. Lambert conductor. Tenor 20 cwt.

LEATHERHEAD (Surrey).—On Sunday, December 29th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, taken from Holt's Original, in 42 mins. J. Harding, H. Wood, T. Newnham, W. Otway, W. Marks, E. Hull, A. Dean conductor, W. Copley.

RUGBY (Warwickshire).—On Monday, January 20th, at St. Andrew's church, a quarter-peal of Bob Major, 1280 changes, in 54 mins. J. Coales, A. Dubber, F. Sear, A. J. Gillings, A. Bramall, J. B. Fenton, T. Holmes, J. George. Composed by James George, and conducted by Joseph B. Fenton.

WALTHAMSTOW (Essex).—On Sunday evening, December 29th, on handbells (lapped), a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples in 41 mins. J. Maynard, R. Maynard, jun., conductor, F. Maynard, W. Banfield. Composed by A. G. Freeman.

WALTHAMSTOW RALEIGH (Devon).—On Saturday, December 21st, at the church of St. John the Evangelist, an attempt was made for a peal of Grandsire Triples which came to grief after ringing 4000 changes in 2 hrs. 20 mins. owing to a change-course. G. Stocker, J. Snow, R. C. Manley, H. Burch, J. Pike, A. H. Snow, F. Shepperd, R. B. Snow. This is the first attempt for a peal by the above, and the longest touch by all except the conductor.

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The Bell News & Ringers' Record.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 1902.

AN intimation was given last week that an issue of coupons for handbell prizes for the benefit of our readers would commence in our next number. We may verify this, and state that it is intended to present four peals of handbells to those of our friends who will take the trouble to save these coupons, and in accordance with the regulations given return them to us by a given date. It is hoped that our friends will see in this not only a desire to enhance the circulation of "THE BELL NEWS" somewhat, but a willingness on our part to enable a company requiring handbells to get them in an easy and inexpensive manner. The first coupon will appear next week on the last page but one; and they will be issued for twenty successive weeks, at the end of which period they must be returned to us as before. The sheet of photographs we also mentioned last week is in hand, and this feature will be found worthy the attention of all our readers. Further particulars of this will appear shortly. Should any suggestions reach us relative to the management or *modus operandi* of this coupon scheme, they will receive every consideration.

An unfortunate and unpleasant practice is increasing relative to the sending of reports for publication. It constantly happens that peal and other reports are put into type, and then just before going to press we get a sheaf of post cards asking that such and such an item may be added, or some particular may be varied. This causes a great deal of trouble, and also expense, which it is not right that we should incur. We hope correspondents will prevent this in future.

THE CENTRAL COUNCIL.

PRELIMINARY NOTICE.

The next meeting of the Council will take place at Worcester, on Whit-Tuesday, May 20th. The last day on which notices of motion can be received will be Tuesday, 22nd April. Committees having reports to present are requested to have them ready a fortnight before the date of meeting, in order that they may be printed in "BELL NEWS" previous to presentation.

Hon. Secretaries of societies are respectfully reminded that the contributions for the year 1902 became due on the first day of January, and should be remitted, without delay, to the hon. secretary and treasurer of the council at the rate of 2s. 6d. for each elected representative; to whom also any change in names or addresses of representatives should be intimated at the same time.

Stanhoe Rectory,
King's Lynn.

H. EARLE BULWER,
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THE ST. MARGARET'S SOCIETY, WESTMINSTER.

At the annual meeting of this Society, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Master, Mr. A. N. Hardy; Secretary, Mr. E. H. Oxenham; Steward, Mr. T. Langdon (Pentonville); Treasurer, Mr. C. J. Irish.

The Metropolis.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, February 1, 1902, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GEORGE, CAMBERWELL,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES:

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 14 cwt.

WILLIAM HODGETTS .. Treble.	FREDERICK T. C. NEVETT .. 5.
WILLIAM PYE 2.	WILLIAM J. NUDDS 6.
JOHN J. LAMB 3.	ERNEST PYE 7.
ISAAC G. SHADE 4.	FREDERICK H. GOOCH .. Tenor.

Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

(THE CHRIST CHURCH SOCIETY, SOUTHGATE.)

On Monday, February 3, 1902, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,

AT CHRIST CHURCH, SOUTHGATE,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES,

HOLT'S ORIGINAL. Tenor 25 cwt. in D.

WILLIAM TEGG Treble.	HARRY MILLER 5.
ALFRED R. GLASSCOCK .. 2.	JOHN E. MILLER 6.
FRANK W. FORD 3.	SIDNEY WADE 7.
JOHN ARMSTRONG 4.	HARRY BALAM Tenor.

Conducted by SIDNEY WADE.

†First peal. Rung with the bells half-muffled as a last token of respect to John Hitch, who for many years past has been steeple-keeper and ringer at the above church, and who was interred a few hours previous to the peal.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, February 3, 1902, in Two Hours and Fifty-six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS, EDMONTON,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES:

IN THE KENT VARIATION.

Tenor 17½ cwt.

JAMES PARKER Treble.	ALFRED W. DARLINGTON .. 5.
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RICHARD GOODCHILD† .. 4.	WILLIAM BENNETT Tenor.

Composed by F. DENCH, and Conducted by WILLIAM WARD.

*First peal in the method. †First peal in the method with a bob bell.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Wednesday, February 5, 1902, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MAGNUS THE MARTYR,

LOWER THAMES STREET, CITY.

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES:

THURSTANS'S ONE-PART. Tenor 20 cwt.

WILLIAM WEATHERSTONE Treble.	GEORGE N. PRICE 5.
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Conducted by THOMAS H. TAFFENDER.

†First peal of Stedman Triples. Mr. Taylor formerly belonged to Shrewsbury.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

Handbell Peal.

On Sunday, February 2, 1902, in Two Hours and Twenty-six Minutes,

AT THE RESIDENCE OF MR. J. MOULE, 192, CHOBHAM ROAD, STRATFORD,

ON HANDBELLS, RETAINED IN HAND,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES:

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART.

GEORGE R. PYE 1-2.	EDGAR WIGHTMAN 5-6.
WILLIAM PYE 3-4.	ERNEST PYE 7-8.

Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

Umpires—W. Keeble and J. Moule.

The Provinces.

THORNABY-ON-TEES.

CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, January 23, 1902, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES:

IN THE KENT VARIATION.

Tenor 10½ cwt.

J. G. HALL* Treble.	W. C. HUNT 5.
A. W. BARRETT 2.	N. KIDD 6.
T. METCALFE 3.	G. J. CLARKSON 7.
W. E. WALLAND† 4.	T. STEPHENSON Tenor.

Composed by T. DAY, and Conducted by G. J. CLARKSON.

*First peal. †First peal of Treble Bob.

SUNBURY, MIDDLESEX.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.]

On Saturday, February 1, 1902, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR,

5088 CHANGES,

FERRIS J. SHEPHERD .. Treble.	ARTHUR G. ELLIS 5.
NATHAN J. PITSTOW .. 2.	THOMAS LUNGLY 6.
HENRY R. NEWTON .. 3.	JOHN W. GOLDING 7.
HENRY S. ELLIS 4.	JOHN N. OXBORROW Tenor.

Composed by NATHAN J. PITSTOW, and

Conducted by HENRY R. NEWTON.

First peal of Major on the bells.

FRAMSDEN, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, January 28, 1902, in Three Hours and Three Minutes;

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
THURSTANS'S ONE-PART. Tenor 16 cwt.

GEORGE PERRY Treble.	EDGAR HICKS 5.
GEORGE WIGHTMAN 2.	JOHN J. CREASEY 6.
WILLIAM WIGHTMAN 3.	ALFRED S. WIGHTMAN .. 7.
GEORGE THURLOW 4.	WILLIAM SAWYER Tenor.

Conducted by GEORGE WIGHTMAN.

ANSTON, YORKSHIRE.—NORTH NOTTS. ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, January 28, 1902, in Two Hours Forty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 360 each of Loudon Scholars' Pleasure, College Exercise, Tanner's Pleasure, Arnold's Victory, City Delight, Killamarsh, College Pleasure, New London Pleasure, Woodbine, Duke of York, Violet, Merchant's Return, Kent, Oxford.

Tenor 12 cwt. in G.

WM. PLATTS Treble.	ROBERT SMITH 4.
HUBT. TURNER 2.	SAML. SMITH 5.
HENRY STENTON 3.	CHARLES FOWLER Tenor.

Conducted by CHARLES FOWLER.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. C. P. Stringer, handbell instructor and conductor.

ROMFORD, ESSEX.—THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, January 28, 1902, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. EDWARD,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR,
5056 CHANGES. Tenor 17 cwt.

JOHN MOULE Treble.	GEORGE R. PYE 5.
ISAAC G. SHADE 2.	ERNEST PYE 6.
HARRY F. DAWKINS 3.	WILLIAM KEEBLE 7.
WESLEY WATSON† 4.	WILLIAM PYE Tenor.

Composed by HENRY DAINS, and Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

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

DISS, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, January 28, 1902, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;
IN THE OXFORD VARIATION. Tenor 24 cwt.

W. C. WISKINS Treble.	FIFTH NAME OMITTED
E. E. DIAPER 2.	W. CHENERY 6.
W. E. TYDEMAN 3.	W. IRELAND 7.
J. SMITH 4.	J. SOUTER Tenor.

Composed by D. WOODS, and Conducted by JOHN SOUTER.

This is J. Smith's fiftieth peal.

LUCCOMBE, SOMERSET.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN DIOCESAN.

On Wednesday, January 29, 1902, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Being forty-two six-scores Tenor 16 cwt.

J. REED Treble.	J. HUNT 3.
G. ATKINS 2.	SY. MASONS 4.
H. MOORE Tenor.	

Conducted by H. MOORE.

First peal on the bells.

WEST BROMWICH, STAFFORDSHIRE.

SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Wednesday, January 29, 1902, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,

AT CHRIST CHURCH,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5079 CHANGES.

SAMUEL REEVES Treble.	JOHN JAGGAR 6.
WILLIAM SHORT 2.	ALF PADDON SMITH 7.
WILLIAM H. GODDEN 3.	JOHN C. ADAMS 8.
THOMAS HORTON 4.	ARTHUR E. PEGLER 9.
THOMAS REYNOLDS 5.	ERNEST BROWN Tenor.

Composed by H. W. HALEY, and Conducted by SAMUEL REEVES.

Reference to this peal elsewhere.

ALDENHAM, HERTS.

THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, January 29, 1902, in Two Hours and Fifty-six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
THURSTANS'S ONE-PART.

JOSEPH ALLAN Treble.	GEORGE N. PRICE 5.
HUBERT EDEN 2.	WILLIAM G. WHITEHEAD .. 6.
WILLIAM HODGETTS 3.	W. H. L. BUCKINGHAM .. 7.
BERTRAM PREWETT 4.	WILLIAM HEWITT Tenor.

Conducted by W. H. L. BUCKINGHAM.

SHIPLEY, YORKS.—THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, January 30, 1902, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;
IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 15 cwt.

JOSEPH BROADLEY Treble.	*WILLIAM BOLTON 5.
JOHN B. JACKSON* 2.	FREDERICK W. DIXON 6.
THOMAS B. KENDALL 3.	WILLIAM JOYCE 7.
CHARLES PRATT 4.	JOHN JOYCE Tenor.

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS, and
Conducted by THOMAS B. KENDALL.

*First peal of Treble Bob. Rung with the bells deeply-muffled as a token of respect to the late Samuel Clark, who was interred that day.

BRISTOL.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, January 30, 1902, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
REV. E. B. JAMES' TEN-PART. Tenor 18 cwt.

RAYMOND J. WILKINS .. Treble.	FRED. G. MAY 5.
FRANCIS S. WILSON 2.	JOHN BURFORD 6.
ALBERT STOWELL 3.	GEORGE T. DALTRY 7.
WILLIAM SOMMERVILLE .. 4.	ALGERNON L. LEWTON .. Tenor.

Conducted by FRED. G. MAY.

This peal was arranged for F. S. Wilson, who hails from Abergavenny. The composition of the above is an irregular ten-part, with only two common singles used.

BEDFORD.—THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, January 30, in Two Hours and Forty-four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER DE MERTON,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Double Oxford, Double Court, Oxford Bob, and Plain Bob.

Tenor 13 cwt.

JOHN W. BARKER Treble.	†MAURICE SMITH 4.
WALTER FINEDON† 2.	WILLIAM STAPLETON 5.
CHARLES W. CLARKE 3.	†ALBERT ROBINSON Tenor.

Conducted by ALBERT ROBINSON.

†First peal with a bob bell. †First peal as conductor. †Rung to celebrate the 19th birthday of M. Smith.

HUGHENDEN, BUCKS.—THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Friday, January 31, 1902, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS,

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

Tenor 12½ cwt. in G.

EDWARD BOREHAM* .. Treble.	REV. F. E. ROBINSON .. 5.
FREDERICK G. BIGGS .. 2.	RALPH H. BIGGS .. 6.
FRANK K. BIGGS .. 3.	JOHN EVANS .. 7.
HARRY STRATFORD .. 4.	†GEORGE MARTIN .. Tenor.

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW, and Conducted by GEORGE MARTIN.

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

SHARROW, YORKSHIRE.

CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, January 31, 1902, in Three Hours,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 13 cwt.

J. RUMBOLD* .. Treble.	*W. GIBSON .. 5.
J. BAINES .. 2.	*F. SHEPPARD .. 6.
W. PICK .. 3.	†C. SWIERS .. 7.
T. METCALFE .. 4.	*H. RUMBOLD .. Tenor.

Composed by W. HARRISON, and Conducted by T. METCALFE.

*First peal. †First peal with a bob bell. The ringer of the 2nd is 81 years of age. First peal on the bells by the above Association, and the first since 1887.

ROTHWELL, NEAR LEEDS, YORKSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION AND THE LEEDS AND DISTRICT AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.

On Saturday, February 1, 1902, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;

IN THE OXFORD VARIATION. Tenor 13 cwt.

ALFRED CHAPMAN .. Treble.	WALTER CHAPMAN .. 5.
GEORGE W. STEEL .. 2.	WILLIAM ABBISHAW .. 6.
JOSEPH C. ABBISHAW .. 3.	STEPHEN STACEY .. 7.
THOMAS NICKOLS .. 4.	JOHN M. CHADWICK .. Tenor.

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS, and

Conducted by JOHN M. CHADWICK.

HALLOW, WORCESTERSHIRE.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, February 1, 1902, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PHILIP AND JAMES,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S TEN-PART. Tenor 21½ cwt.

ALFRED HARRIS .. Treble.	LEONARD CLAY .. 5.
CHARLES BOWKETT .. 2.	ABRAHAM WINTERTON .. 6.
HARRY MATTHEWS .. 3.	WILLIAM PAGE .. 7.
WILLIAM ROUSE .. 4.	JAMES OAKLEY .. Tenor.

Conducted by WILLIAM PAGE.

First peal by all except the 6th and 7th ringers, and the first peal on the bells by the Hallow band.

GILLINGHAM, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, February 1, 1902, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALENE,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 16 cwt.

WILLIAM EASTER .. Treble.	JOHN H. CHEESMAN .. 5.
CHARLES WILLSHIRE .. 2.	HENRY WOOD .. 6.
JAMES TULLET .. 3.	LEWIS SILVER .. 7.
CHARLES MILLWAY .. 4.	WILLIAM HAIGH .. Tenor.

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF, and

Conducted by JOHN H. CHEESMAN.

OLDHAM, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(MANCHESTER AND ROCHDALE BRANCHES.)

On Saturday, February 1, 1902, in Three Hours and Forty-five Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAXIMUS, 5040 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 32½ cwt.

WILLIAM JAKEMAN .. Treble.	ISAAC SCHOFIELD .. 7.
FRED JAKEMAN .. 2.	SAM STOTT .. 8.
EDWIN B. SHAW .. 3.	JOHN CRABTREE .. 9.
BEN GILL .. 4.	JOHN HARRISON .. 10.
GEORGE HOYLE .. 5.	BEN THORPE .. 11.
JAMES PRIESTLEY .. 6.	ALBERT ADAMS .. Tenor.

Composed by J. Cox, and Conducted by SAM STOTT.

Further reference elsewhere.

HEENE, WORTHING. SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, February 1, 1902, in Two Hours and Forty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BOTOLPH,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS'S ONE-PART.

ALBERT D. STONE .. Treble.	ALFRED J. TURNER .. 5.
HENRY MEETENS .. 2.	GEORGE WILLIAMS .. 6.
ALFRED W. GROVES .. 3.	EDMUND LINDUP .. 7.
FRANK BENNETT .. 4.	FREDERICK LINDUP .. Tenor.

Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS.

NEWCHURCH, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(ROSSENDALE BRANCH.)

On Saturday, February 1, 1902, in Two Hours and Forty-six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

SHOLICAR'S FIVE-PART. Tenor 15 cwt.

ROBERT LEACH .. Treble.	ORMEROD EASTWOOD .. 5.
JAS. ASHWORTH .. 2.	WALTER TAYLOR .. 6.
JOHN H. HAYDOCK .. 3.	JOHN T. WRIGHT .. 7.
SAMUEL LORD .. 4.	JOHN W. ORMEROD .. Tenor.

Conducted by WALTER TAYLOR.

WALTHAM ABBEY, ESSEX.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, February 1, 1902, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes,

AT THE ABBEY CHURCH OF THE HOLY CROSS,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR,

5024 CHANGES. Tenor 20 cwt.

SIDNEY T. DARLINGTON .. Treble.	†HENRY A. HORREX .. 5.
BERTRAM PREWETT .. 2.	WILLIAM WARD .. 6.
WALTER H. L. BUCKINGHAM .. 3.	JAMES PARKER .. 7.
ALFRED W. DARLINGTON .. 4.	JOHN R. SHARMAN .. Tenor.

Composed by HENRY DAINS, and Conducted by JAMES PARKER.

*First peal of Major. †First peal in the method.

BRIGHOUSE, YORKS.—THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, February 1, 1902, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 14 cwt.

WILLIAM REED .. Treble.	JAMES H. MAWSON .. 5.
CHARLES PRATT .. 2.	JESSE RUSHWORTH .. 6.
ABSAOM WILKINSON .. 3.	JAMES W. EMMETT .. 7.
EDWIN WHEATER .. 4.	CHARLES DRACUP .. Tenor.

Composed by W. SOTTANSTALL, and

Conducted by CHARLES DRACUP.

Rung as a birthday compliment to A. Wilkinson, his brother-ringers wishing him many happy returns. The band wish to thank the Vicar, the Rev. Oscar S. Laurie, for providing tea.

WHILTON, NORTHANTS.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, February 1, 1902, in Two Hours and Fifty-six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being two 720s of College Single, two 720s of Oxford Bob, and three 720s of Plain Bob, each called differently.

Tenor 12 cwt.

SIDNEY J. LAWRENCE* .. Treble.	ARTHUR MOORE 4.
FRED. HOPPER 2.	EDGAR H. HAXLEY 5.
WILLIAM ROGERS 3.	FRED. WILFORD Tenor.

Conducted by FRED. WILFORD.

*First peal. These bells have lately been rebung by Messrs. Webb and Bennett, of Kidlington, and the "go" of them is excellent, and reflects great credit on their work.

MITCHAM, SURREY.—THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, February 1, 1902, in Two Hours and Forty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

SIR A. P. HEYWOOD'S VARIATION OF THURSTANS'S.

JOSEPH FAYERS Treble.	THOMAS GWYNNE 5.
JAMES D. DREWITT 2.	LEWIN C. FERRIGE 6.
FRANK M. BUTLER 3.	WILLIAM S. SMITH 7.
JOSEPH A. LAMBERT 4.	ALBERT CALVER Tenor.

Conducted by WILLIAM S. SMITH.

QUEDGELEY, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION, AND THE ST. MICHAEL'S JUNIORS, GLOUCESTER.

On Saturday, February 1, 1902, in Two Hours and Forty-seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

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

Tenor 9½ cwt.

THOMAS MANSFIELD .. Treble.	JOHN AUSTIN 5.
JESSE GILLETT 2.	WILLIAM J. SEVIER 6.
THOMAS NEWMAN 3.	ERNEST E. DAVIS 7.
WILLIAM C. JONES 4.	GEORGE CONDICK Tenor.

Composed by SIR ARTHUR HEYWOOD, BART., and

Conducted by JOHN AUSTIN.

MARKET DRAYTON, SALOP.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(CREWE BRANCH.)

On Saturday, February 1, 1902, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF BOB TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HUBBARD'S TEN-PART. Tenor 17½ cwt.

ALBERT WALKER* .. Treble.	RICHARD LANGFORD 5.
JOSIAH SIMONS* 2.	ERNEST WEATHERBY 6.
JOSEPH KETTLE* 3.	RICHARD T. HOLDING, SEN. 7.
RICHARD T. HOLDING, JUN.* 4.	*GEORGE HALL Tenor.

Conducted by RICHARD THOMAS HOLDING, SEN.

*First peal. First peal of Bob Triples by all. After the peal the ringers were entertained to tea by Mr. Weatherby, whom they wish to thank for his kindness and also for having everything in readiness.

HALIFAX, YORKS.—THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, February 1, 1902, in Three Hours and Twenty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SOULS,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 25 cwt.

JOE HARDCASTLE .. Treble.	JAMES COTTERELL 5.
SIDNEY C. CLARK 2.	JOHN CLAYTON 6.
JOSEPH BROADLEY 3.	THOS. B. KENDALL 7.
J. W. CUNDALL 4.	BEN. F. LAMB Tenor.

Composed by W. SOTTANSTALL, and Conducted by JAMES COTTERELL.

GORTON.—THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, February 1, 1902, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,

AT BROOKFIELD CHURCH,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES.

Tenor 14 cwt.

JOHN W. TOPPING† .. Treble.	ARTHUR L. MAY 5.
WILLIAM J. TAYLOR* .. 2.	ROBERT DAVIES 6.
WILLIAM PYLE 3.	JOHN EACHUS 7.
WILLIAM BRAMMER 4.	CHARLES OLLIER Tenor.

Composed by C. CHARGE, and Conducted by C. OLLIER

†First peal of Major. *First peal of Major in the method, and first peal of Major as conductor.

BORDEN, KENT.—THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, February 2, 1902, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES.

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART.

Tenor 21 cwt. in E flat

CHALLIS F. WINNEY .. Treble.	HENRY WOOD 5.
RICHARD STAINES 2.	CHARLES WILLSHIRE 6.
CHARLES MILLWAY 3.	WILLIAM TASSELL 7.
HERBERT P. HARMAN .. 4.	GEORGE WOOD Tenor.

Conducted by CHALLIS F. WINNEY.

Reference to this peal elsewhere.

ST. ALBANS HERTS.

THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, February 4, 1902, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,

AT THE CATHEDRAL,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

Tenor 30 cwt.

HENRY L. WADDINGTON Treble.	EDWARD WHITBREAD .. 5.
HARRY WALKER 2.	GEORGE WRIGHT 6.
JOSEPH EARWICKER 3.	W. H. L. BUCKINGHAM .. 7.
ARTHUR HALLETT 4.	*JAMES PAYNE Tenor.

Conducted by W. H. L. BUCKINGHAM.

This is the first peal on the bells since the trebles have been recast. Rung as a birthday compliment to Arthur Hallett. *First peal.

BENGEO, HERTS.

THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, February 4, 1902, in Two Hours and Twenty-seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

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

Tenor 7½ cwt.

GEORGE H. AUSTIN* .. Treble.	JOSEPH POMFRET 4.
ALBERT PHILLIPS 2.	GEORGE CARTER 5.
ALBERT LAWRENCE 3.	WILLIAM H. LAWRENCE .. Tenor.

Conducted by WILLIAM H. LAWRENCE.

*First peal in seven methods.

Handbell Peal.

WOLVERHAMPTON, STAFFORDSHIRE.

SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Monday, February 3, 1902, in Two Hours and Thirty-three Minutes,

AT THE RESIDENCE OF R. PICKERING, 109, BEACON STREET,

ON HANDBELLS, RETAINED IN HAND,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being forty-two 6-scores each called differently.

JOHN PERRY 1-2-3. | THOMAS PERRY 4-5-6.

Conducted by JOHN PERRY.

Umpire—R. Pickering, who ticked off each lead as rung. This is believed to be the first peal of Doubles ever rung by two brothers.

PEAL CORRECTION.—The name of the ringer of the 7th in the peal at Perry Barr, reported in our last issue, is Frederick Jones, not Janes, as stated.

Notices.

The charge for the insertion of notices in this page is one Penny per line (five words may be reckoned to a line). Repetitions at half that rate. Notices should come to hand not later than Wednesday morning.

The Central Northamptonshire Association.—By kind permission of the Rev. J. Dun, a quarterly meeting of the above will be held at Higham Ferrers, to-day, Saturday, February 8th. Ringing from 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. Tea at the Bede House at 5 o'clock.

T. R. HENSHER, *Hon. Sec. pro. tem.*
Rushden.

Halifax and District Association.—The next meeting will be held at All Souls, Halifax, to-day, Saturday, February 8th. Information as to order of ringing, apply to the Secretary, WRIGHT INGHAM.

The Kent County Association.—Rochester District.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Gillingham to-day, Saturday, February 8th. Tower open at 4.30 p.m.

A. OSBORNE, *Hon. Dis. Sec.*

Durham and Newcastle Diocesan Association.—The February meeting will be held to-day, Saturday, the 8th, at Hurworth, near Darlington. The bells (6, tenor 17 cwt.) will be at the disposal of the members from 1 p.m. Also St. John's, Darlington (8 bells) after 6.30 p.m. Committee meeting 4.30. Meat tea at Bryant's Temperance hotel at 5 o'clock, 9d. to members.

C. L. ROUTLEDGE, *Hon. Sec.*

Wylam-on-Tyne.

Association for the Archdeaconry of Salop.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Coalbrookdale to-day, Saturday, February 8th. Ringing at 3.30 p.m.; business meeting at 5 o'clock. Train leaves Shrewsbury at 2.40.

J. MACKAY, *Hon. Sec.*

Heavy Woollen District Association.—The next meeting of the above society will be held to-day, Saturday, February 8th, at Earlsheaton. Meeting house, Park hotel; meeting to commence at 5 o'clock.

WALTER IDLE, *Sec.*

47, *Vulcan Road, Dewsbury.*

The Kent County Association.—Maidstone District.—The annual meeting of this district will be held at West Malling to-day, Saturday, February 8th. The tower will be open for ringing afternoon and evening. Committee meeting at 4.30. Tea will be provided at the George hotel at 5 o'clock. Half rail fares up to 2s. will be paid. All subscriptions are now due, and should be paid at or before the meeting.

A. PALMER, *Hon. Dis. Sec.*

Lancashire Association.—Rossendale Branch.—The next meeting will be held at St. Nicholas' Parish Church, Newchurch, to-day, Saturday, February 8th. Bells ready at 3.30; meeting at 6 o'clock.

ZEB. LORD, *Branch Sec.*

The Lincolnshire Association.—Eastern Branch.—The quarterly meeting of this branch will be held at Sutterton to-day, Saturday, February 8th.

T. BOYERS, *Hon. Sec.*

Lancashire Association.—Liverpool Branch.—Meeting of the above branch at Walton-on-the-Hill to-day, February 8th. Bells ready at 4; meeting at 6.

REV. C. A. CLEMENTS, *Sec.*

Lancashire Association of Six Bell Ringers.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Standish to-day, Saturday, February 8th.

JAMES HIGSON, *Sec.*

The Winchester Diocesan Guild.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Winchester

on Monday, February 10th. Cathedral bells available from one o'clock. Service at four o'clock. Tea and meeting at five o'clock.

C. E. MATTHEWS, *Hon. Sec.*

Lancashire Association.—Manchester Branch.—The next meeting of the above branch will be held on Saturday, February 15th, at St. Michael's church, Ashton-under-Lyne. Bells ready at 4 o'clock; meeting at 7.

JOHN SMITH, *Sec.*

All Saints' Society, Fulham.—The annual general meeting will take place on Saturday, February 15th. The tower will be open to members and friends at 4 p.m. Tea in the church room at 6 p.m. Business meeting afterwards. All ringers intending to be present should signify the same not later than Thursday, February 13th, to

J. W. DRIVER,

387, *New Kings Road, Fulham, S.W.*

The Ancient Society of College Youths.—As business of special importance will be brought forward at the meeting after ringing at St. Michael's, Cornhill, on Tuesday, February 18th, members are requested to attend on that occasion. Other meetings will be held at St. Magnus on February 13th and 27th, and at St. Giles' Crptlegate, on Tuesday the 25th. The period for paying the subscription of 1s. 8d. ends on February 28th.

WILLIAM T. COCKERILL, *Hon. Sec.*

Elmhurst Street, *Clapham, S.W.*

The Essex Association.—There will be a district meeting of the association at Brentwood on Saturday, February 22nd. At this meeting the master and secretary will be appointed for the South-Eastern division for 1903. Tea and business meeting will be held at the church house at 5 p.m. Members intending to be present must notify me before the previous Wednesday.

HENRY T. W. EYRE, *Hon. Sec.*

Great Totham.

The Lancashire Association.—Rochdale Branch.—The next meeting of the above branch will be held at St. Mark's, Glodwick, on Saturday, February 22nd. Bells ready from 4 p.m. Business meeting 6.30. All ringers welcome.

JAS. JACQUES, *Branch Sec.*

72, *Church Street, Middleton.*

The Leeds and District Amalgamated Society.—The monthly meeting of the above society will be held at Armley on Saturday, February 22nd. Bells at liberty from 3 to 9 p.m. Business meeting at the White Horse hotel at 7 p.m. Nominations of officers for the ensuing year must be given in at this meeting. Members in arrears with their subscriptions will oblige by paying the same before the end of the financial year.

JNO. W. T. HOLGATE, *Hon. Sec.*

151, *Stanningley Road, Bramley, Leeds.*

St Martin's Guild of Birmingham.—The usual Henry Johnson Commemoration Dinner will be held on Saturday, March 1st next, at the St. Martin's hotel (next to St. Martin's church). Dinner will be served at 6.30 p.m. Tickets free to full subscribing members, and for other members and friends 2s. 6d. each, may be obtained from

W. H. GODDEN, *Hon. Sec.*

Midland Counties Association.—Preparation of annual report. Members whose addresses are incorrect in last report, or who have changed their addresses since election, are requested to notify me without delay. Notice of alteration of practice nights and names of correspondents should also, if necessary, be sent at once, also obituary notices. Arrears of subscriptions should be paid in during this month.

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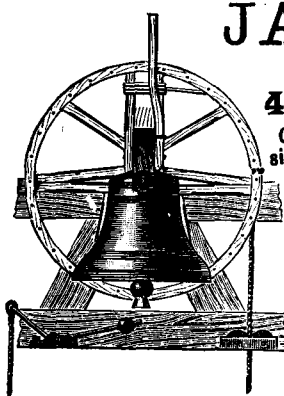
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