

BELL NEWS

And Ringers' Record :

A Weekly Journal of the Ringing Exercise ; and Compendium of Information for the Clergy and Churchwardens.

No. 1121.—VOL. XXII.]

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 3, 1903.

PRICE ONE PENNY.

GILLETT & JOHNSTON,
(Late Gillett & Bland.)
Clock Manufacturers,
BELL FOUNDERS,
AND
BELL HANGERS,
CROYDON, LONDON.



MAKERS OF THE BELLS AT

LOCKS AT	MAKERS OF THE BELLS AT
Exeter Cathedral.	Craig-y-Nos
Landaff do.	Eddystone Light house.
Wells do.	Birmingham Municipa
Sligo do.	Buildings.
Manchester Town Hall.	Hove Town Hall.
Bradford Town Hall.	Burnley Holy Trinity Ch.
Law Courts, London.	Crawley Parish Church.
St. James' Palace, London.	Corbridge-on-Tyne, do.
Sherborne Abbey.	Pontypool (Trevethin
Sydney Town Hall	Church).
N.S.W.	Windermere Church.
Hammersmith Parish Ch.	Eiffel Tower, Paris.
Gateshead Clock Tower.	Dunsfold Parish Church.
Duke of Albany Memorial,	Aylesford do.
Cannes.	St. Mark's Church, St.
Eiffel Tower, Paris.	Helen's.
Shanghai Custom	Royal Normal College
House.	Norwood.
Hymer's College, Hull.	Tetbury Parish Church.

H. BOWELL & SON,
Church Bell Founders,
IPSWICH.

Founders of the Jubilee Bells for Canon
NORMAN, at Mistley Church, Essex.

John Astley and Sons, Ltd.
HAVE MADE
BELL ROPES

Since the Reign of George III.

For Estimates send weight of Tenor, and
number and length of Ropes required to
JOHN ASTLEY & SONS, Ltd.
Rope Makers, COVENTRY.

JOHN NICOLL,
CHURCH BELL ROPE, CLOCK and
CHIMING ROPE MANUFACTURER
(Late of Keatons Road)
44, Queens Road,
Peckham, S.E.

Two minutes from Queens Road Station of
the L. B. & S. C. R.
LONDON.

ESTABLISHED 1760.

Maker to St. Paul's, Canterbury, Edinburgh St.
Albans, Durham, Lincoln, Peterborough, Man-
chester and Melbourne Cathedrals.

Send for Price List.

Maker of the Ropes for the Celebrated
Peal of Bells at the Imperial Institute.

J. F. MALLABY & CO.,
Church Bell Hangers & Musical
Handbell Founders,
BARNBY DON, DONCASTER.

Church & Turret Clocks of every description.

Church Bells hung with the latest improved fittings of
every description. Musical handbells made in Diatonic
or Chromatic sets to any number or size.

GEORGE H. GOLDWELL

MAKER OF

CHURCH, TURRET,
AND
PUBLIC CLOCKS,
MIRFIELD, YORKS.

ESTIMATES FREE.

JAMES SHAW, SON & CO.
CHURCH & CARILLON
Bell Founders,
AND
CHURCH BELL HANGERS,
LEEDS ROAD, BRADFORD,
YORKS.,
ESTABLISHED 1848.

Bells cast Singly or in Rings. Church Bells,
School Bells, and Factory Bells.

OLD BELLS RECAST OR REMUNG.

Musical Hand Bells

In sets, Diatonic or Chromatic Scales.

Musical Clock Bells and Carillons to any
Size or Number.

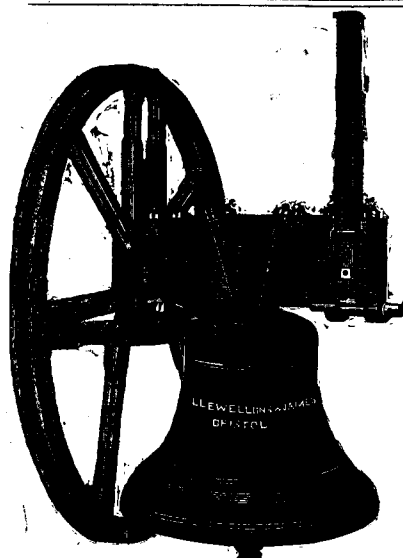
Manufacturers by Steam Power of every
description of

CHURCH TURRET, & PUBLIC
CLOCKS.

Price Lists and Estimates Free.

GREENLEAF AND TRISTRAM
Church Bell Hangers,
And **QUALIFIED BELL TUNERS**
HEREFORD.

Mr. GREENLEAF is a change-ringer, and has had over
20 years' experience as Bell Hanger and Bell Tuner.
Reports and Estimates furnished. The Ellacombe
Chime Hammers fixed, Bell Ropes supplied.



LLEWELLINS & JAMES, Bell Founders, CASTLE GREEN, BRISTOL.

CHURCH BELLS, Singly and in Rings.
CHURCH BELLS CAST ON SCIENTIFIC PRINCIPLES
Bells Cast to note and rebung. Covering Estimates
given for whole Rings or parts of Rings.
EXPERIENCED BELLHANGERS sent to Inspect Church Towers
and report upon Bells; also to take required notes.
THEORETICAL LAWS NOW APPLIED TO SUCCESSFUL PRACTICE.

See "Bells and Bellfounding:" by X.Y.Z., to be obtained
of L. & J. Price 5s.

SEND
FOR
Bell Ropes
TO
ASTLEY & SONS,
COVENTRY.

HARRINGTON'S PATENT Tubular Bells FOR CHURCHES.

Tubular Bells are better and cheaper
than the old form of Bell.

PEALS OF EIGHT BELLS—

Usual Size £160
Large do. £210 to £260

For Testimonials and Prospectus apply to
Harrington, Latham & Co.,
EARLSDON, COVENTRY.

A New Ringers' Badge or Medal,

In Gold, Silver, or Bronze.

This arrangement of badge is in the form
of a Church Bell, of a true and correct
shape, and can be worn as a pendant,
medal, brooch, or badge. On the waist of
the bell there is a handsomely-engraved
shield, suitable for an inscription.

The bell is $1\frac{1}{4}$ ins. deep from headstock
to clapper-flight; three quarters of an inch
broad; and can be had with ring or pin
attachment.

PLEASE NOTE:—This handsome jewel
made in the CORRECT FORM of a
CHURCH BELL.

Silver (one side)	0	3	6
" both sides alike	0	5	0
Bronze "	0	2	9
9-carat gold "	1	10	0
Smaller size in gold from	0	15	0

MANUFACTURED BY
GEO. H. COLDWELL,
[Member of the Ringing Exercise]
CHURCH CLOCK MAKER, AND
Ringers' Jeweller,
MIRFIELD, YORKSHIRE

WEBB & BENNETT, Church Bell Hangers & Tuners, MILL STREET, KIDLINGTON, OXFORD.

W. & B. are practical ringers, and having
had considerable experience in Church Bell
Hanging and Tuning with confidence solicit
the patronage of Clergy, Churchwardens and
Ringers generally.

W. and B.'s Wrought Iron X Frames for
Church Bells are acknowledged to be one of
the best kinds.

Towers inspected, Reports and Estimates
given. Ellacombe Chime Hammers fixed.
Bell Ropes supplied.

W. and B. hung the Bells upon which the
Longest Peal yet ever rung single-handed, viz.,
17,024 changes, time eleven hours fifteen
minutes. Weight of tenor 26 cwt. Rung at
Kidlington, May 22nd, 1899, by eight members
of the Oxford Diocesan Guild.

Ringers' Portraits.

Send your Cartes de Visite or
Cabinets to

WM. GORDON & SONS,
Change-Ringers,

For Reproductions and Enlarge-
ments; any style or size.

Prices from 1s., post free. Esti-
mates given.

1, DONA ST., WEBB LANE,
STOCKPORT;
The Great Emporium for
HANDBELL MUSIC.

J. WARNER & SONS,
LIMITED;
BY ROYAL WARRANT
Bell & Brass Founders
TO HIS MAJESTY THE KING,
THE CRESCENT FOUNDRY,
CRIPPLEGATE, LONDON, E.C.



Telegraphic Address:—BIG BEN, London.

Musical Bell Founders.

Hand-Bells in Sets, in Diatonic or Chromatic Scale,
Clocks, Bells, and Carillons in any size or number.
Bells of every description and size.

A Large Selection of Bell Literature always in Stock
THE BELL HYMN BOOK, by W. HALEY, for chiming
tunes on Church Bells. Price, paper covers 3s. each.
Cloth covers 5s.

TWELVE CAROLS for Handbell Ringers, by W.
HALEY, Price 1s.

12 POPULAR AIMS, for Handbell Ringers, by W.
HALEY, Price 1s.

THE HANDBELL TUTOR.—A Collection of Tunes
for 8 or 10 bells. By W. HALEY, Price 1s.

ESTABLISHED 1820.

JOHN PRITCHARD,
CHURCH
BELL ROPE,
CLOCK AND CHIMING ROPE
MANUFACTURER,
LOUGHBOROUGH.

J.P. has had many years' experience
in making Bellropes, and makes them
only of the best quality.

PRICE LIST ON APPLICATION.

The Bell News and Ringers' Record.

No. 1121.]

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 3, 1903.

[Vol. XXII.]

OUR CHURCH BELLS.

THEIR CONDITION AND SURROUNDINGS:

Being the Report of the Committee appointed by the Central Council to investigate the state of rings of 8, 10, and 12 bells in England, and to collect information calculated to promote the advance of change-ringing.

In the following schedule, which will be continued week by week, the towers are placed in alphabetical order; the name of the place being put first, followed by the dedicatory designation of the church. It is earnestly requested that the omission of any tower, with the name and address of the representative ringer—also alterations required in the information scheduled, may be at once notified to Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., Duffield, Derby, with the envelope endorsed:—C.C.C.B.R. Unless corrections are promptly pointed out, the value of the Report, when subsequently published in pamphlet form, will be seriously impaired.

SCHEDULE (continued).

LONDON (continued). Vassall Road, S.W. St. John. Eight bells. All by Mears, 1899. Tenor 12 cwt. Timber frame. Bells go well. Methods: "Standard Methods." Sunday ringing occasionally. Practice: alternate Mondays, 8.

Wandsworth. All Saints. Eight bells. All by Mears, 1842. Tenor 15 cwt., diameter 3 ft. 8 in. Timber frame. Bells go well. The ring were rehung 1893. Ropes new 1893, good. No half-pull or Sunday ringing. Practice: Monday, 8.

Waterloo Road, S.E. Waterloo Society. Eight bells. All by Mears, 1825. Tenor 20 cwt., diameter 4 ft. Timber frame. Bells go well. Some time since any repairs. Ropes poor. Methods: "All Standard methods." Sunday ringing occasionally, but there is no local band. Practice: Wednesday, 8.

Westminster. St. Margaret. Ten bells. The two trebles and tenor by Lester, 1761; 8th by Pack, 1773; 9th by Mears, 1834; the rest by Knight, 1739. Tenor 28 cwt. Timber frame. Bells go well. Repairs are attended to as necessary. Ropes good. Methods: "Standard Methods." Sunday ringing: alternate Sundays, 6 to 7. Practice: alternate Fridays, 8.

Westminster. St. Stephen. Ancient Society of College Youths. All by Mears, 1850. Tenor 24 cwt., diameter 4 ft. 4 in. Timber frame. Bells go well. Clocking permitted. A silent practice apparatus is fitted. Ropes new 1896, fair. Methods: "All Standard Methods." Sunday ringing: 10 to 11, and 6 to 7. Practice: Friday, 7.30.

Whitechapel. St. Mary Magdalene. Ancient Society of College Youths. Eight bells. All by Lester, 1754, except 5th by Patrick, 1783. Tenor 20 cwt., diameter 4 ft. Iron frame, date 1865. Bells go well. Clocking permitted. The ring were rehung in a new tower by Mears, 1878, in the above-mentioned iron frame. Ropes

good. Methods: Grandsire, Stedman and Treble Bob. Sunday ringing: occasionally 10 to 11, and 5.30 to 6.30. Practice: alternate Wednesdays, 8.30, except during June, July and August.

THE ARCHDEACONRY OF SALOP GUILD.

The annual meeting of this Guild was held at St. Alkmund's, Shrewsbury, on a recent Saturday. The bells of the parish church were raised in peal at half-past three, and several short touches of Grandsire, Stedman, &c., were rung. At half-past four the annual business meeting was held in the parish room. The chair was occupied by the Ven. Archdeacon Maude (Vicar of St. Chad's) and the attendance, which was much larger than usual, was distinctly encouraging. The hon. sec. (the Rev. J. Mackay) read his annual report, which was on the whole satisfactory. He dwelt upon the fact that many ringers did not attend the service which they with their bells had announced, and reminded them of the rule of the Guild to the effect that every ringer should attend service at least once every Sunday. They could not expect the clergy to take much interest in the Guild if the members themselves did not obey its rules. With regard to change-ringing itself, they had not done much to speak of during the past year, and only one peal of 5040 changes had been rung on behalf of the Guild at Shifnal. Steady practice, however, had been going on in the various towers of the archdeaconry, and at St. Alkmund's particular attention was being given to the difficult Stedman method, in which the ringers were making very satisfactory progress. With regard to finances, the Guild had a balance in hand of about £15.

The chairman remarked upon the various points which had been referred to in the report, and touched upon the vast improvement which had taken place of late years in the belfries of the country.

On the motion of Mr. G. Byolin, the report was adopted and ordered to be printed.

It was decided that the next quarterly meeting should be held at Wem.

Mr. G. Byolin then moved a resolution to the effect that the Guild vote the sum of £5 towards the rehanging of the bells at St. Alkmund's. He stated that extensive alterations were proposed to be carried out at that church, including the rehanging of the bells, &c. Considering the good work the bells had done in the service of the Guild, he did not think they could refuse their help now that it was so badly needed. The free use of the bells always had been allowed to members of the Guild by the Vicar and churchwardens of the parish, and it was a belfry in which change-ringing was regularly practised.

The motion having been seconded, Mr. Bradley rose in opposition. He did not think that giving grants to churches for such a purpose came under any objects for which the Guild was formed. If they passed that resolution they would have similar resolutions before them for consideration at almost every meeting, and they would soon be without any funds. He was of the opinion that if

they passed the resolution they would be establishing a very bad precedent, and he believed they could devote their money to a far better purpose than that for which their assistance was asked that day. He suggested as an alternative that the members themselves subscribe towards the restoration of the bells.

The Chairman thought it might be a little unwise to spend their money in the way suggested, as they had such a small balance in hand. He thought it would be advisable if they could raise the money amongst themselves without touching the funds of the Guild. He certainly thought they could guarantee the sum of £5 from the members. He would himself give them what assistance he was able.

The Secretary remarked that the granting of money towards the re-hanging of the bells of a church was no new departure. A short time back they granted £2 to a church in Shrewsbury for that very purpose.

The Rev. J. J. Norris said the architect had informed him that much ringing while the bells were in their present state would injure the spire, and the consequence was that if they were not repaired soon the belfry would have to be closed against practice and outsiders, and they would have to be content with very little ringing. He considered also that it was only right that those who had used the bells should help to restore them.

Mr. Byolin again spoke in support of his resolution, and said it was his intention to have started a subscription list amongst the members of the Guild in addition to the £5 he hoped they would grant. The resolution on being put to the meeting was lost.

A service was afterwards held in the church. The Rev. J. Mackay officiated, and an admirable sermon was preached by the Vicar (the Rev. J. J. Norris). Mr. Edgar Byolin accompanied on the organ, and a collection made on behalf of the restoration of the bells amounted to £1 12s. 6d. The visitors were, at the conclusion of the service, entertained to tea by the Shrewsbury members. Ringing was resumed at St. Alkmund's and St. Mary's churches, and continued until late in the evening.

ROYSTON, HERTS.

Twelve months ago Messrs. Taylor completed the re-hanging and recasting of the 4th and tenor of this ring of six in a new iron frame, with spaces to carry a ring of eight for a new treble and tenor. At the re-opening a peal was rung by the Little Munden (Herts.) society in five methods. Thursday last being the anniversary of the re-opening, the local band (whose society was re-constructed on that occasion), made a special event of the day. A peal had been arranged to enable the captain of the local band to score his first peal, and with that object in view four members of the Little Munden society, with P. Webb, of Ickleton, Cambs., started for a peal in seven methods.

Unfortunately the intricacies of the Single Court method could not be mastered, and after several attempts had to be abandoned.

Ringling was continued until 7.30 p.m., when the bells were lowered, during which time a 720 each of Oxford and Plain Bob were rung, several of the local band scoring their first 720 of Minor. Touches of Single and Double Court, Kent Treble Bob and Doubles were also brought round, after which an adjournment was made to The Chequers inn, where host Greenhill had prepared an excellent supper.

Supper over, the usual loyal toasts were given by the Vicar from the chair, and duly honoured; after which the Vicar proposed the toast of the evening, viz., "The Royston Society."

Mr. A. Wilkinson (captain), on rising to respond, expressed his disappointment at the failure of the peal, but hoped to secure his first at no very distant date. He was glad to have such a loyal band of men who had now completed the full extent in Bob Doubles, four of whom twelve months ago had not handled a rope. He was also proud that the ringers were voluntary, for he knew that most of the best ringers in the country were voluntary ringers, and with the best interests of ringing at heart they were bound to succeed. In conclusion he proposed "The health of the visiting ringers," who hold the record for six bells in the county, having scored 6480 changes in nine methods.

Mr. W. H. Lawrence, who responded, thanked the company for the way the toast had been received, and considered it a great honour to be present with them that day. He always felt at home amongst ringers, and considered the Vicar and churchwardens ought to be proud of the Royston company, who had made such rapid strides during the past twelve months. He ventured to hope that in the near future Royston would be an eight-bell tower, for he felt convinced the church, town, and the Royston ringers were worthy of eight bells. At the conclusion of his remarks the Munden men gave a splendid exhibition of handbell ringing, illustrating the music of bells in a touch of Grandsire Triples.

Replying to the toast of "The Local Visitors," Mr. S. Camp thought that if the Little Munden men could be induced to make a tour of Royston with the handbells, it might not be long before the two vacant frames in the tower were filled in.

The toast of "The Chairman" having been drank with musical honours, and songs, etc., by the company, the National Anthem brought a very pleasing to a close.

AN OLD ADVERTISEMENT.

Mr. Richard Judd, of Gloucester, writes:—

"Thinking it may be of interest to readers of 'THE BELL NEWS,' I enclose herewith a copy of an advertisement which appeared in the *Gloucester Journal* of Monday, November 3rd, 1783, nearly 120 years ago. Observe the way they used to spell Gloucester, also the part dealing with favours conferred for a hundred years past. It would be interesting to know if there was a branch foundry at Brightelmstone, and if so, whether there are any relics of it left. The old crane is still to be seen where the foundry used to be in Gloucester." Here follows the advertisement:—

GLOUCESTER.

Charles and John Rudhall, Successors to their brother, T. Rudhall, deceased, beg leave to return their most grateful acknowledgements to the Public for the Favours so constantly conferred upon their Family for a hundred years past, of which they humbly hope for a continuance: They likewise desire to inform them, that the Business will be carried on in the most extensive Manner: and all Orders for Bells will be executed with the utmost Dispatch, and upon Terms as reasonable as at any Foundry in the Kingdom.

Orders addressed either to Mr. John Rudhall, at Gloucester; or to Mr. Charles Rudhall, at Brightelmstone, Sussex, will meet with due attention.

Those persons, who are indebted to the late Thomas Rudhall, are requested to pay the same to Mr. Abraham Rudhall, Mercer, Gloucester.

JOHN NEW.

On the 14th day of June in the year of grace 1790 the population of the universe was increased by the birth of John New, and on the 24th June four years later, Elizabeth Shore joined the inhabitants of this sublunary sphere; and on the 4th September, 1814, these two persons committed matrimony at Twickenham church under the supervision of the Rev. Henry Fletcher, then curate of that parish, and in due course they were fruitful and multiplied.

In 1812 New was elected into the College Youths, and seems to have been a keen ringer. He kept a sort of commonplace book, mainly devoted to ringing memoranda, which book was handed me some two years ago by Mr. Thomas Beadle, of Isleworth, for perusal; and I should think that by now he must be desirous to know what the dickens I mean by having kept it all this while. The explanation is that I asked Mr. Henry Dains to look over it in order to see whether there was anything interesting or novel in the peals and touches pricked therein, as I thought that in any case the manuscript was worth a note in the columns of "THE BELL NEWS." Mr. Dains kindly read through the book and made some notes about the contents, which he gave me, and, being anxious not to mislay these notes, I put them away so carefully that I have never been able to find them since until a few days ago. The appearance of this article will be notice to Mr. Beadle that the book is in the ringing chamber at St. Mary Abbots, Kensington, where he is a welcome visitor, ready for him to remove when next he comes over there for a pull.

The manuscript does not add to our scientific knowledge, but it is of interest in several respects. First of all it takes us back, practically a century, into a condition of things which it is hard for us to realize. Of course, there were no trams, busses or trains, but it is not so easy for us to-day to conceive that there ever was a time when there were no policemen. Fancy a generation of Londoners which could not "ask a policeman"! But for long years after New joined the College Youths these admirable functionaries came not yet into being. There were watchmen, beades, parish constables—all thoroughly inefficient—and Bow Street runners, a detective force whose methods of detection were somewhat primitive.

One result of a non-existent police force was the frequent rows and street fights which no one interrupted. The traffic of London was quite unregulated, and the consequence was frequent blocks and collisions, which led to strong language and personal violence on the part of those in charge of vehicles. So again with foot passengers. As an illustration of this last the description in "Pickwick" of Sam Weller's progress from Serjeants' Inn to the Fleet prison will do very well. In that case the assembled stage coachmen went along the street four abreast, and one of them was left behind to fight a ticket porter. We are sometimes told that the popularity of Dickens is waning. I doubt if the statistics of the republication of his works would confirm such an opinion; but at least it is true that the London described in his earlier works, which is the London of New's time, was but little less different from what it is now than was the London of Laughton or Stedman.

So, again, about travelling. New lived at Twickenham, and would seem to have been connected with the building trade. If he was a master tradesman he probably kept a trap, in which he could go backwards and forwards to College Youths' meetings. Otherwise, unless a friend

gave him a lift, he had to choose between walking and the short stage coach. This latter institution was of most unsatisfactory behaviour. The short stage started whenever the guard chose, and it was a matter of complete indifference to him how long the unfortunate passengers might be in reaching their destination. Short stages also collected and delivered luggage and parcels, which was a serious cause of delay, so that one of these vehicles might take two or three hours to go five or six miles. The guards of them are said to have often been men of a very low class, and to have done their best to entertain their passengers by endeavouring to swear as terribly as the army swore in Flanders.

Again, the book itself is an instance of a state of things which has passed away. A century ago, although there plenty of printed books for people of means, they were luxuries for others. Hence many people kept commonplace books into which they copied extracts from books which they had borrowed to read. I do not say that the practice is altogether extinct to-day, but it is in general hardly worth while to spend time in such copying when literature of all kinds can be obtained so cheaply as is now the case. Applying this consideration to ringing literature, we see where the difference comes in. Anyone can nowadays obtain ringing text-books at so moderate a price, that it can hardly be worth while to transcribe their contents. But when New started his book—October 27th, 1811—Shipway's work had not yet appeared, and copies of the *Clavis* were comparatively scarce. The fact that New has extracted so much as he has from the *Clavis* is probably owing to his not having at that time a copy of his own, and having been therefore obliged to borrow one from some ringing friend. At any rate these extracts do not call for notice here.

On page 7 is some pricking headed "Scolding Wife," a method which Mr. Dains says he rang when quite a youth. I do not remember to have noticed in "THE BELL NEWS" accounts of its performance. Perhaps it is illegitimate and blighted by the curse of Mr. James and Mr. Trollope. On page 17 appears Shipway's five-part peal of Grandsire and Union Triples. This New describes as Shipway's new peal of Grandsire and Union Triples, and says of it, "This peal is a composition of Mr. Shipway's, with 5ths place at each course. Five-part peal without a single." From this and some other indications, Mr. Dains thinks that New must have been well acquainted with Shipway, as several things of this sort appear in this book at what looks like an earlier date than the publication of Shipway's work. There are some attempts at composition, and the book contains records of some forty peals in which New took part up to about 1823, a few of which he called. He seems to have rung Plain and Treble Bob, Grandsire and Stedman. He was thus a useful all-round man in his day, in what was then a first-rate ringing neighbourhood; the rings at Twickenham, Richmond, Isleworth, Hammer-smith, Mortlake and Kensington being visited by him in company with Barber, Parris and those other keen peal-ringers, whose names remain on many peal-boards in these and other towers. I hope to send a few concluding observations on the contents of this old volume next week.

R. A. DANIELL.

BLACKPOOL.

RINGERS and their Friends will find good accommodation at Mr. JOHN SMITH'S, 47, Livingstone road, Blackpool (late of Rawenstall)—Near Central Station and Sea.—Piano.—"THE BELL NEWS" taken.—A good halfpull neighbourhood.

THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION, LATE THE ST. JAMES'S SOCIETY, LONDON.

Monday, September 14th, appears to be quite a record in attendance and enthusiasm for the St. James's Society. Practice was held in the tower of St. Clement Danes, which was crowded, and excellently-struck touches were rung in various methods during the evening. At 9.30 the members adjourned to the meeting house, where some of the more enthusiastic handbell members rang a short touch of Stedman Triples previous to the opening of the "special" business meeting. The Master, Mr. Arthur Jacobs, having taken the chair, supported by many prominent men of the Exercise, chief among whom was the ringers' historian, R. A. Daniell, Esq., the minutes of the previous meeting were passed as read, several small items were disposed of, and six new members initiated into the Society, this making the total number of seventeen persons elected during the past few months, which is thought to be a record for such a short period.

The next business on the agenda being that of the report of the Committee on the revision of rules, it may be noted that this Committee was elected at a special meeting on June 22nd, and consisted chiefly of the older members of the Society, i.e., Messrs. Dains, Daniell, Jacob, Langdon, T. Taffender, Weatherstone and Winney, who since that date have worked very hard. A development was suggested, and strongly taken up, and when the scheme had been discussed, draft rules, twenty in number, were drawn up, and on one evening the Committee sat for two hours and a half. The draft rules having been submitted, the meeting proceeded to discuss them. Everyone appeared to be greatly favourable to the change of name to the "London County Association," but did not wish to entirely drop the name of the old St. James's Society. Several amendments were proposed and it was eventually carried that Rule 1 be: "That this Society shall be called 'The London County Association of Change-ringers, late the St. James's Society'; (2) That its area of operation and influence shall coincide with the area of the administrative county of London; (3) That its headquarters shall be the church of St. Clement Danes in the Strand; (4) That the object of the Association shall be to encourage the practice of scientific change-ringing, to promote bellfry reform where it is needed, and to promote the social intercourse of ringers within its area, by holding periodical meetings for change-ringing, scientific discussion and social purposes."

Rule 7 reads as follows:—"That all members of the St. James's Society at the date of the first meeting of this Association be original members of this Association."

The development and rules emanated from the following causes, which will be added to and printed in the new rule books. In the autumn of the year 1903 the St. James's Society was still doing a good work for London change-ringers, but the altered circumstances which a period of close upon eighty years had brought to pass called for serious consideration by the Society. Four points may be specially noted: (1) When the St. James's Society started on its career and for many years afterwards, London ringers lived within a comparatively narrow circle, and the ordinary meetings were sufficient to enable members of both the old companies to meet together, but by

1903 the expansion of London and the suburbs had resulted in these ordinary meetings being quite insufficient for social intercourse among the members of the London Exercise at large. (2) It has been recognised that County and Diocesan Associations formed for promoting bellfry reform and the higher interests of the Exercise have been highly beneficial, but there was no body of this kind of any use to the metropolitan area; Diocesan Associations would be useless, because London is for ecclesiastical purposes divided by the arbitrary line of the river Thames, and the same remark applies to County Associations, for it has long been demonstrated that for municipal purposes the only satisfactory way to work the Metropolis is to disregard the ancient distinction between Middlesex and Surrey. (3) The permanent establishment of a journal for the Exercise had brought so many interesting subjects forward for the consideration of ringers that it was felt that opportunities should be given for scientific and other discussions at meetings of the London Exercise at large. (4) It was made a fundamental principle that nothing should be done to impair the dignity and privileges of the two veteran London companies—The College Youths and the Cumberland Youths. The expansion of the Old St. James's Society into the London County Association of Change-ringers, late the St. James's Society, was accordingly effected in the autumn of the year 1903, with the view of supplying the wants indicated.

All members and friends should kindly note that the Bohemian Concert to be held at Carr's Hotel, Strand, near St. Clement Danes, on Saturday, October 17th, will no doubt prove a grand affair, some dozen or more professional singers having kindly volunteered their services. There will also be change-ringing on handbells and tune playing by the Marlow Handbell Company. Admission will be by programme, 2d. each, to be obtained from the officers, Messrs. A. Jacob, W. Weatherstone, T. Langdon (P.), G. Turl, or from the secretary, T. H. Taffender, 91, Darwin Street, Southwark, S.E.

THE HOLY TRINITY CHURCH SOCIETY, SKIPTON.—On Saturday, September 19th, the members of this company had their annual outing, the places selected being Morecambe and Silverdale. On arrival at Morecambe shortly before ten o'clock a vehicle was in readiness, and going by way of Bolton-le-Sands and Carnforth, the drive to Silverdale was completed by 12.30. The Vicar, the Rev. E. Sleigh, was then interviewed, and he readily consented for the use of the tower. The bells were raised, and an adjournment was made for dinner, which was partaken of at Mr. Dowthwaite's, himself a member of the local company. After dinner they repaired again to the steeple, where touches of Duke of York, Violet. New London, Oxford Delight, Kent and Oxford Minor were rung on the nice-toned six bells. The return drive to Morecambe was started about 3.30 and reached at 6 o'clock. After tea the various forms of amusement were visited. Most of the party stayed at the seaside resort until Sunday night, a ring at Lancaster being in the programme, and, taken altogether, the trip was much enjoyed. The ringers wish, through the medium of this paper, to thank the Rev. E. Sleigh, Vicar of Silverdale, for the courteous manner in which he received them.

THE RINGERS' ONLY TRUE BADGE.—In Gold, Silver or Bronze.—Clocks, Watches, and all kinds of Jewellery.—COLDWELL (Ringer), Mirfield, Yorks.

HANDKERCHIEFS FOR RINGERS.—Splendid Quality.—Purest Silk.—Very suitable for a present.—W. MATTHEWS, Change Ringer, Macclesfield.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(MACCLESFIELD BRANCH.)

A meeting of the above Branch was held at Astbury, on Saturday, September 12th, when there were present eighteen members from the various towers in the branch. The visitors were met at Congleton by W. Slater, one of the local ringers, who conducted them to the tower, where 120 Grandsire Doubles was rung. The party then set out on their walk to Astbury, where they were met by E. Cartledge, sexton and captain of the ringers, who took them over the beautiful and interesting old church, part of which dates back to the 12th century. On ascending the tower the four bells were found to be raised, and after ringing the extent several times tracks were made for the School, where a good tea was provided. The business meeting was afterwards held, and in the absence of the Rector, J. Norbury (Macclesfield) was voted to the chair. In his remarks he said he regretted the absence of the Rector, as they had voted the meeting to Astbury to see if they could not prevail upon the authorities to provide so beautiful a church with a better ring of bells. They had beautiful stained windows, carving, etc., and they only wanted a good ring of six, or better still, eight, to make it perfect. The visitors then returned to Congleton and rang some Grandsire Triples and Doubles. Mr. Henry Morris, of Charters Towers, North Queensland, who was on a visit to his native town, rang the treble in two 120s of Grandsire Doubles, being the first time he had done any ringing for twenty years.

Obituary.

W. STEEL.

We regret to announce the death of W. W. Steel, which took place on Sunday, September 13th, after about three years illness. Deceased had been a ringer at the parish church, Macclesfield, for thirteen years, and had taken part in twelve peals. He was always most attentive to his duties, and was a good safe ringer and genial companion. The bells of the parish church were muffled on Wednesday, September 16th, and 350 Grandsire Triples and 320 Treble Bob Major was rung, and during his sermon the same evening the Vicar, the Rev. L. Smith, made touching allusion to the sad event, and the patience and resignation with which he had borne his long illness, and the loss the church had sustained in losing so good a ringer. The funeral took place at St. James's, Higher Sutton, on Thursday, September 17th, the officiating ministers being the Rev. A. G. Child, Vicar of St. James's, and the Rev. Lucius Smith, Vicar of Macclesfield. There were a large number of beautiful wreaths, crosses, etc. There were about thirteen ringers present from the various churches. After the funeral service four of his brother-ringers rang a course of Grandsire Triples on the handbells over the grave. As the mourners were leaving the churchyard, three of St. Michael's and three of St. James's ringers rang two 120s of Grandsire Doubles on the tower bells, which were half-muffled. In the evening the ringers of the parish church, Macclesfield, rang 504 Stedman Triples. Deceased leaves a widow and four young children to mourn his loss.

LATE NOTICE.—THE HEAVY WOOLLEN DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.—The next monthly meeting of the above society will be held at Almondbury on Saturday, October 10th. Meeting-house—The Ratcliffe Arms. Meeting to commence at 5 o'clock.
47, Vulcan Road, Dewsbury. WALTER IDLE, Secretary.

A SHORT SERVICE FOR RINGERS.

Sanctioned by the Ecclesiastical Authorities.

SUITABLE for Meetings or Parish use. Always acceptable. Easily adapted to include other church workers. Need not occupy more than five minutes. Well known tunes set in tonic sol-fa. Full accompaniment may be obtained from Rev. H. Drake.

Sold by Messrs. BROWN AND CO., Salisbury, at 2s. 6d. per 100 single copies $\frac{1}{4}$ d. each (postage extra). *Second Edition shortly.*

Date Touches.

WIGSTON MAGNA (Leicestershire).—On Monday, August 31st, at All Saints church, a date touch of Grandsire Doubles in 1 hrs. 16 mins. W. H. Humberstone, A. Briers, J. W. Sampson, A. Roe, T. Humberstone conductor, P. Carter. Tenor 16 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.

RUARDEAN (Gloucestershire).—On Saturday, August 15th, a date touch of Grandsire Doubles, being fifteen 6-score and 103, each called differently. E. T. Allaway conductor, H. P. Street, J. Wilce, E. Matthews, W. Bishop, J. Bishop.

Miscellaneous.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES' ASSOCIATION.

OADBY (Leicestershire).—On Sunday, August 16th, at the parish church, 720 Bob Minor. H. Rushby, G. Cleal, E. E. Smith, F. W. Herbert, J. S. Needham, F. M. Dexter conductor.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(BLACKBURN BRANCH.)

BURNLEY (Lancashire).—On Sunday, May 3rd, at Holy Trinity church, 720 Bob Minor. D. Campbell, N. Townend, W. Walton, T. Burrows, R. Hartley, T. Redman conductor. Also 720 Kent. N. Townend, W. Walton, T. Burrows, R. Hartley, R. Ashworth, T. Redman conductor. On Saturday, May 9th, 720 Kent. T. Burrows, W. Walton, R. Hartley, R. Ashworth, N. Townend, T. Redman conductor. On Sunday, May 10th, 720 Oxford. W. Walton, T. Burrows, K. Hartley, N. Townend, R. Townend, R. Ashworth, T. Redman conductor. Also 720 Bob Minor. N. Townend, W. Walton, T. Burrows, R. Hartley, K. Ashworth, T. Redman conductor. On Sunday, May 12th, 576 Kent. D. Campbell, T. Burrows, W. Walton, R. Hartley, N. Townend, R. Ashworth, H. Heyworth, T. Redman conductor.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES' ASSOCIATION.

CHESTERFIELD (Derbyshire).—On Sunday evening, July 12th, for Divine Service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters, in 50 mins. G. Hollis, A. Knights, W. Nuttall, D. Farthing, B. C. Handby, S. Price, B. A. Knights, J. Hunt, W. J. Thyng, G. Mee. Rung with the bells muffled as a mark of respect to the late Mr. J. P. Brailsford, who was buried with military honours on that day. On Sunday evening, July 19th, for Divine Service, a quarter-peal of Bob Royal. W. Thyng, B. Knights, W. Nuttall, G. Hollis, D. Farthing, S. Price, A. Craven, J. Hunt, A. Knights, G. W. Bemrose conductor.

SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

WOLVERHAMPTON.—On Monday, July 13th, 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor. J. Purser, H. Knight, W. Fisher, R. W. Burrows, G. Burrows, R. Pickering conductor.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

BENFIELDSDALE.—On Tuesday, August 11th, for practice at St. Cuthbert's church, 720 Bob Minor. W. Snowdon, J. W. Forster, *Rev. E. W. Dunn, T. H. Surtees, N. Richey, P. Barron conductor. *First 720.

BAGLAN (South Wales).—On Tuesday, July 28th, for practice at St. Catherine's church, 120 Bob Doubles. Miss Llewellyn, D. Lewis, W. Williams conductor, W. Greenslade, H. Church, T. Jones. This is supposed to be the first change-ringing done by a young lady in South Wales. On Tuesday, August 11th, 120 Bob Doubles. Miss Llewellyn, D. Lewis, Miss Lily Williams, W. Williams conductor, H. Church, T. Jones. First 120 by Miss Lily Williams.

EDENBRIDGE (Kent).—On Sunday morning, August 16th, for Divine Service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples. E. Leigh, E. Leigh, jun., J. Leigh, J. Preston, J. Heasman composer and conductor, G. Malyan, A. Belton, H. Knight.

NORTH STONEHAM (Hants).—On July 29th, 360 Grandsire Doubles. E. Munday, A. Marks, C. Fray, W. Rowe, E. Dumper conductor, H. Carter. Also 720 Grandsire Doubles, standing as before, conducted by C. Fray.

SWINDON (Wilts).—On Sunday evening, September 6th, for Divine Service at Christ Church, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples. T. Robinson, O. Layng, F. Lawrence, J. Thomas conductor, L. Wilson, O. Norman, C. J. Gardiner, A. Harrington.

JASPER W. SNOWDON'S WORKS.

ROPE-SIGHT : 1s. 6d. NEW FIFTH EDITION.
Commences by explaining how to manage a bell; deals with Change-Ringing on three, four, five, six, seven and eight bells in the **PLAIN BOB METHOD**, giving touches and peals in each case; and closes with chapters on conducting, striking, and the splicing of bell-ropes; 147 pages.

STANDARD METHODS: 2s. 6d. FOURTH EDITION
Now Ready. Contains full explanations and rules for ringing all the best methods, from five to eight bells, with plain-course diagrams of each printed in full, with coloured lines. 40 pages of diagrams and 87 of descriptive letterpress.

GRANDSIRE; 2s. 0d. THE METHOD, ITS PEALS, AND HISTORY. WITH PORTRAIT AND MEMOIR. EDITED BY HIS BROTHER, WM SNOWDON. COMPLETE WITH AN APPENDIX BY THE REV. CHARLES D. P. DAVIES, M.A., OXON. Commences with ringing on five, six, and seven bells, for the benefit of a learner; gives instructions on composing, proving, varying, and reversing, conducting and calling round; and ends with a general survey of the practical and scientific aspect of the composition of triples—thus forming a complete reference book for all Grandsire ringers. (210 pages)

NOW OUT OF PRINT.

TREBLE BOB. PART I.—1s. 6d. Now Ready. With Appendix. Part I. contains instructions for pricking, transposing, proving, composing, on conducting, peals; an essay on the *In and Out-of-course* of the changes; and a history of the various compositions and performances. Part II., of which very few copies remain, is not a suitable work for beginners; see notice on the cover of Part I.

DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR. 1s. 0d.
Contains rules and instructions for pricking and ringing the method; a linear diagram of the plain course; a collection of touches and peals; instructions for proving, and a history of the earlier performances with a list of peals down to 1884 (78 pages)

Forwarded, Post Free, on receipt of remittance, by WM. SNOWDON,
24, Basinghall Street, Leeds

SIR ARTHUR HEYWOOD'S WORK.

"DUFFIELD:" A MUSICAL METHOD FOR 8, 10, AND 12 BELLS. A Broadsheet containing full directions for ringing the above may be obtained, gratis, from SIR ARTHUR HEYWOOD, BART., Duffield, Derby The pamphlet on this method is now out of print.)

THE RINGERS' CYCLE, THE "SUPERLATIVE."

Built to Order only in one Grade—the Best.

The advantages of every Cyclist having his machine built to his own liking are obvious, but as a rule the price is prohibitive.

The "SUPERLATIVE" is a High-Grade Machine, built to suit the requirements of individual Ringers, at the lowest possible price.

SPECIFICATION.

Frame any height to order, enamelled any colour.	Tyres—Clincher, Dunlop, or Palmer.
Handle Bars any pattern.	Saddle, best quality.
Gear to order, $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch pitch.	Pedals, rat-trap or rubber.
Rims plated or enamelled.	Fittings, : Superlative, B.S.A., Chater-Lea, or Eadie.
Spokes, best plated.	

Price, including Front Rim-brake £10 10 0

(Free Wheel and Bowden Back Brake, £1 extra.)

THE LADY'S "SUPERLATIVE."

Similar Specification in every respect to Gent.'s Machine, at same prices.

Every Machine fully Guaranteed, and Reasonable Trial allowed.

Before deciding on a new mount, Ringers are invited to communicate with

JOHN D. MATTHEWS, Change-ringer,
LILLINGTON, LEAMINGTON.

NOTE.—Beware of so-called cheap and "shoddy" machines. If you cannot afford a good one, you are far less able to afford a bad one.

CHURCH CLOCKS AND CHIMES.

JOHN SMITH & SONS, Midland Steam Clock Works, Queen Street,
DERBY,

Manufacturers by Improved Machinery of all kinds of Church Clocks and Carillons. Selected by Lord Grimthorpe to make the New Clock for St. Paul's Cathedral, London.

BELL RINGERS' BADGE.



PLAIN.		RAISED BELL
1s. 6d.	White Metal	2s.
2s. 6d.	Metal Gilt Enamel 3 Colours	3s.
3s. 6d.	Sterling Silver	4s.
4s. 6d.	Sterling Silver, Enamel 3 colours	5s.
21s.	Gold	30s.

The Church Agency, 33, Strand, W.C

PEAL-BOARDS & CARDS.

The well-known ringer, JAMES HUNT, of Guildford, is prepared to supply a long-felt want. **Cheap and Ever-lasting Boards and Cards.**

The Best material used; and written by expert writer; guaranteed to give satisfaction. The writing on the Cards is done with the brush in water-colours, instead of oils as used on the boards.

Prices—	Boards written complete, from	.. 15s.
	Gothic do, ..	20s.
	Cards, 18 by 12	6s.
	Do. framed in oak	9s.

All ringers recording peals are respectfully invited to give JAMES HUNT, CHANGE-RINGER, 19, DAPDUNE ROAD, GUILDFORD. A trial order, which shall have my prompt attention,

JOSEPH J. POWERS,

Change-Ringer,

CHURCH STREET, HATFIELD, HERTS.

All kinds of Pictures mounted, framed, etc., in oak, or in any pattern required. Prices guaranteed. Moulding supplied: not less than 1 doz. 9-feet lengths. Terms nett cash.

Special attention to Ringers.

"THE BELL NEWS AND RINGERS' RECORD" will be forwarded post free, on the following terms:—

One copy, 12 months	6s. 6d.
" 6 "	3s. 3d
" 3 "	1s. 8d

All communications respecting advertisements must be addressed to the office of "THE BELL NEWS," Walthamstow, London.

Everything for insertion in this Journal to be addressed "The Editor of THE BELL NEWS, Walthamstow, London." Letters forwarded for publication, and performances under 5000 changes must reach us not later than Wednesday morning; and the insertion of any communication arriving later than the first Postal delivery on Wednesday morning cannot be guaranteed in that week's number. When it is found impossible from want of space to insert all touches forwarded, the earlier ones will have the preference.

All Subscriptions and Orders for papers must be sent direct to the Publisher E. W. ALLEN, Ave Maria Lane, London.

The Bell News & Ringers' Record.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 3, 1903.

THE number of peals recorded this week is beyond that which we have had lately to report. We think some alteration will soon become necessary in these reports, but that may be the subject of a future comment. One crying evil must certainly be protested against, and for the very last time. The evil is the lateness of the reports coming to our hands. Some correspondents send their

peal-accounts at the last moment though their peals have been rung a week previous. They beg the favour of insertion in the current number, and we have always striven to comply, though at inconvenience, and cost, and delay. This week is an instance of the latter. Our journal is delayed in publication by the neglect of those whose duty it is to report peals. In the future we shall never hazard late publishing, but shall strictly carry out the regulation announced on the preceding page.

The Metropolis.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, September 24, 1903, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ALFEGE, GREENWICH,

A PEAL OF NEW CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES. Tenor 25 cwt.

WILLIAM FOREMAN* Treble.	HARRY HOSKINS 5.
ISAAC GEORGE SHADE 2.	*WILLIAM BERRY 6.
JOHN J. LAMB 3.	WILLIAM SHIMMANS 7.
EDWARD N. PRICE 4.	EDGAR WIGHTMAN Tenor.

Composed by HENRY DAINS, and Conducted by EDGAR WIGHTMAN.

*First peal in the method. This is the first peal in the method on the bells.

THE ALL SAINTS SOCIETY, FULHAM.

On Saturday, September 26, 1903, in Three Hours and Twenty-seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS, FULHAM,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES; IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 21 cwt.

ARTHUR N. HARDY Treble.	THOMAS C. LANGDON 6.
ARTHUR JONES* 2.	WILLIAM PICKWORTH 7.
REUBEN CHARGE 3.	ARTHUR JACOB 8.
MARK WOODCOCK† 4.	†EDGAR COLLINS 9.
WILLIAM T. ELSON 5.	CORNELIUS CHARGE Tenor.

Composed and Conducted by CORNELIUS CHARGE.

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

The Provinces.

SPELDHURST, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, September 16, 1903, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; PARKER'S SIX-PART. Tenor 13 cwt.

ALFRED BARDEN* Treble.	STEPHEN PERKINS 5.
JOHN RUSSELL* 2.	GEORGE SMITHERS 6.
JAMES MUGGRIDGE 3.	WILLIAM SPICE 7.
JAMES MAYNAED 4.	WILLIAM KEMBER Tenor.

Conducted by WILLIAM SPICE.

*First peal.

OLD WARDEN, BEDS.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 19, 1903, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LEONARD,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5760 CHANGES:

Being 720 each of Double Oxford, Double Court, Duke of York, Woodbine, Merchant's Return, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, and Plain Bob. Tenor 12 cwt.

SIDNEY PECK Treble.	SYDNEY J. COLEMAN 4.
LOUIS J. FLINT 2.	HERBERT FIELDS 5.
GEORGE D. COLEMAN 3.	CHARLES R. LILLEY Tenor.

Conducted by CHARLES R. LILLEY.

CAVERSHAM, OXON.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

(THE ST. PETER'S SOCIETY, CAVERSHAM.)

On Saturday, September 19, 1903, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

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

H. SIMMONDS Treble.	E. J. MENDAY 5.
G. IRVINE 2.	J. HANDS 6.
R. T. HIBBERT 3.	G. ESSEX 7.
T. GWYNNE 4.	T. NEWMAN Tenor.

Composed by A. W. PIKE, and Conducted by T. NEWMAN.

NEWCASTLE-ON-TYNE.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, September 21, 1903, in Three Hours and Twenty-six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS, GOSFORTH,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES. Tenor 22½ cwt.

ALFRED F. HILLIER .. Treble.	†JOSEPH A. GOFTON 5.
GEORGE R. HOLMES† .. 2.	THOMAS T. GOFTON 6.
R. ALDER GOFTON 3.	JOSEPH E. R. KEEN 7.
JAMES E. GOFTON 4.	ROBERT S. STORY Tenor.

Composed by C. MIDDLETON, and Conducted by THOMAS T. GOFTON.

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

BRISTOL.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, September 21, 1903, in Three Hours and Twenty-three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5039 CHANGES.

Tenor 28 cwt.

HENRY PORCH Treble.	†FREDERICK J. PORCH 6.
ROBERT LEAKER† 2.	WILLIAM PADDOCK 7.
JOHN J. P. DAVIS* 3.	†FRANCIS T. JEWELL 8.
HERBERT J. CAVELL* 4.	FREDERICK C. PEACE 9.
ALFRED PEARCE 5.	FREDERICK LEAKER Tenor.

Composed by H. HUBBARD, and Conducted by HENRY PORCH.

*First peal. †First peal of Caters. First peal of Caters on the bells.

IPSWICH, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION, AND THE ARY-LE-TOWER SOCIETY, IPSWICH.

On Tuesday, September 22, 1903, in Three Hours and Thirty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-LE-TOWER,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5061 CHANGES.

Tenor 32 cwt.

WILLIAM MOTTS Treble.	JAMES MOTTS 6.
EDWARD EVANS 2.	WALTER LAST 7.
ROBERT H. BRUNDLE 3.	LEWIS W. WIFFEN 8.
EDWARD SHERWOOD 4.	EDGAR PEMBERTON 7.
WILLIAM P. GARRETT 5.	WILLIAM L. CATCHPOLE Tenor.

Composed by J. P. BRADLEY, and Conducted by JAMES MOTTS.

WICKHAM SKEITH, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, September 24, 1903, in Two Hours and Forty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of College Single, Oxford Bob, Plain Bob, Kent, Woodbine, and two 720s of Oxford.

HENRY COLLINS Treble.	FREDERICK PLEASANCE 4.
HARRY DAVY 2.	HARRY CATTERMOLLE 5.
THOMAS DAVY 3.	GEORGE CATTERMOLLE Tenor.

Conducted by G. CATTERMOLLE.

Rung with bells half-muffled as a tribute of respect to the late Rev. —. Jones, late Vicar of this parish.

STEYNING, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, September 22, 1903, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
THURSTANS'S FIVE-PART. Tenor 12 cwt.

JOHN SMART Treble.	*GEORGE PHILLIPS 5.
GEORGE SEARLE 2.	EDMUND H. LINDUP .. 6.
REV. A. T. BEESTON .. 3.	*DAVID BREARLEY 7.
WILLIAM FOX 4.	THOMAS SEARLE Tenor.

Conducted by EDMUND H. LINDUP.

*First peal in the method with a bob bell.

REDENHALL, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, September 23, 1903, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR,
5024 CHANGES. Tenor 24 cwt.

O. BROCK Treble.	E. POPPY 5.
W. BETTS 2.	F. R. BORRETT 6.
W. BRICE 3.	J. MOTTS 7.
E. BORRETT 4.	J. SOUTER Tenor.

Composed by H. DAINS, and Conducted by J. MOTTS.

NEWCASTLE-ON-TYNE.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, September 23, 1903, in Two Hours and Forty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR,
5024 CHANGES. Tenor 12 cwt.

JOSEPH ROWELL Treble.	ROBERT S. STORY 5.
GEORGE R. HOLMES .. 2.	JOSEPH A. GOFTON 6.
THOMAS T. GOFTON .. 3.	ALFRED F. HILLIER .. 7.
JOSEPH E. R. KEEN .. 4.	HUGH D. DALL Tenor.

Composed by EDGAR WIGHTMAN, and
Conducted by THOMAS T. GOFTON.

READING, BERKS.—THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wednesday, September 23, 1903, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
A VARIATION OF THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 28 cwt.

W. P. ROUTH, ESQ. .. Treble.	AMBROSE OSBORNE 5.
HENRY WHITE 2.	REV. C. W. O. JENKYN .. 6.
JOHNSON HERN 3.	REV. F. E. ROBINSON .. 7.
WILLIAM HORNE 4.	REV. G. F. COLBRIDGE .. Tenor.

Conducted by the REV. F. E. ROBINSON.

STAMFORD BARON, NORTHANTS.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

(SOUTHERN BRANCH)

On Thursday, September 24, 1903, in Two Hours and Thirty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN,

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720s each called differently. Tenor 14 cwt. 10 lbs.

ARTHUR W. KING* .. Treble.	ROBERT S. COX 4.
ERNEST MARRIOTT .. 2.	GEORGE SLAUGHTER .. 5.
THOMAS SMITH 3.	†THOMAS MURRAY Tenor.

Conducted by THOMAS MURRAY.

*First peal. †First peal as conductor. Messrs. King and Murray were elected members of the above Guild previous to starting. This is the first peal of Bob Minor rung in Stamford, and was rung as a birthday compliment to E. Marriott.

HURSTPIERPOINT, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, September 24, 1903, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 13 cwt.

GEORGE WILLIAMS .. Treble.	ARTHUR A. FULLER .. 5.
REV. A. T. BEESTON .. 2.	PHILIP J. ALLFREY .. 6.
GEORGE F. ATTREE .. 3.	*WILLIAM FOX 7.
GEORGE SMART 4.	HARRY KINGSLAND .. Tenor.

Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS.

*First peal in the method with a bob bell.

OXFORD.—THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, September 24, 1903, in Three Hours and Thirty-four Minutes,

AT CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5004 CHANGES.

Tenor 31½ cwt.

WILLIAM J. SMITH .. Treble.	ALFRED FOX 7.
REV. C. W. O. JENKYN .. 2.	REV. F. E. ROBINSON .. 8.
A. C. HAWES 3.	*CHARLES HESTER 9.
F. A. CASTLE 4.	THOMAS PAYNE 10.
SAMUEL HOUNSLOW .. 5.	EDWIN HIMS 11.
WILLIAM BENNETT .. 6.	*W. STONE Tenor.

Composed by J. W. WASHBROOK, and
Conducted by the REV. F. E. ROBINSON.

*First peal of Cinques. First peal of Cinques conducted by a clergyman.

NORWICH.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION AND THE
ST. PETER MANCROFT SOCIETY.

On Thursday, September 24, 1903, in Three Hours and Forty-six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER MANCROFT,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5002 CHANGES.

Tenor 43 cwt. 1 qr. 18 lbs.

JAMES MOTTS Treble.	GEORGE HOWCHIN 7.
FREDK. J. HOWCHIN .. 2.	*EDWARD FRANCIS 8.
CHARLES E. BORRETT .. 3.	*FREDERICK DAY 9.
FREDK. R. BORRETT .. 4.	FREDERICK KNIGHTS .. 10.
EGBERT BORRETT 5.	*GEORGE SMITH 11.
ALBERT G. WARNES .. 6.	SAMUEL SMITH Tenor.

Composed by the late JOHN NELMS, and Conducted by J. MOTTS.

*First peal of Stedman Cinques.

BRISTOL.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, September 24, 1903, in Two Hours and Fifty-two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
BROOK'S VARIATION. Tenor 18 cwt.

SAMUEL PHILLIPS .. Treble.	JOHN THOMAS 5.
RAYMOND J. WILKINS .. 2.	CHARLES GORDON 6.
JOHN BURFORD 3.	FREDERICK G. MAY 7.
ALBERT STOWELL .. 4.	GEORGE T. DALTRY .. Tenor.

Conducted by GEORGE T. DALTRY.

ROTHERHAM, YORKS.—THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION

On Thursday, September 24, 1903, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720s each called differently. Tenor 11½ cwt.

GEORGE OAKES Treble.	JOE SMITH 4.
ARTHUR HAGUE 2.	HERBERT KETTEL 5.
ALBERT KETTEL 3.	CLEMENT GLENN .. Tenor.

Conducted by CLEMENT GLENN.

Rung on the front six. First peal by all except the ringers of the treble and tenor.
First peal as conductor.

HEENE, WORTHING, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, September 25, 1903, in Two Hours and Thirty-seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BOTOLPH,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5008 CHANGES.

Tenor 10½ cwt.

GEORGE WILLIAMS Treble.	ALFRED W. GROVES .. 5.
JOHN SMART 2.	GEORGE GATLAND 6.
HARRY EVANS 3.	BENJAMIN BASSETT 7.
GEORGE NORRIS 4.	EDMUND H. LINDUP Tenor.

Composed and Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Messrs. Evans, Smart, and Bassett, and is the quickest peal of Major on the bells.

MALVERN LINK, WORCESTERSHIRE.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 26, 1903, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MATTHIAS,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S TEN-PART. Tenor 16½ cwt.

ERNEST BARBER* Treble.	*ROBERT MCCANN 5.
ROBERT G. KNOWLES .. 2.	*JOSEPH BROWN 6.
FREDERICK BRYAN* .. 3.	HERBERT T. KNOWLES .. 7.
FREDERICK HALL* .. 4.	ALBERT RICHINGS Tenor.

Conducted by R. G. KNOWLES.

Rung as a birthday compliment to H. T. Knowles.

UPCHURCH, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 26, 1903, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Double Oxford, Oxford Treble Bob, College Single, Kent Treble Bob, Canterbury Pleasure, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 13 cwt. in G.

GEORGE GILBERT, JUN. .. Treble.	CHARLES E. SMITH 4.
JOSEPH E. GRENTED .. 2.	*FREDERICK A. FAIRBEARD .. 5.
WILLIAM T. HYLAND .. 3.	ALBERT J. DAY Tenor.

Conducted by ALBERT J. DAY.

*First peal with a bob bell. Rung with the bells half-muffled as a last token of respect to the late Mrs. Barrell, a much respected friend.

THORNHAM MAGNA, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 26, 1903, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

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

CHARLES ROSE Treble.	ALPHAUS J. BERRY 4.
EDWARD W. YOUNGS .. 2.	E. HARRY SYMONDS 5.
THOMAS DAVY 3.	WILLIAM ROSE Tenor.

Conducted by WILLIAM ROSE.

Rung on the second anniversary of the rehanging of the bells, and also as a birthday compliment to John Taylor, Esq., through whose kindness the bells were rehanged.

CARSHALTON, SURREY.—THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 26, 1903, in Two Hours and Forty-five Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF OXFORD BOB TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

DR. A. B. CARPENTER'S SIX-PART. Tenor 12½ cwt.

JAMES RUMBLE Treble.	JOSEPH FAYERS 5.
WILLIAM SMITH 2.	EDWIN HOLLANDS 6.
ALFRED BOXALL 3.	FRANK HOLDER 7.
ALFRED TRAPPITT .. 4.	*FREDERICK BOULTER Tenor.

Conducted by FRANK HOLDER.

ST. ALBANS, HERTS.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS, AND THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 26, 1903, in Three Hours and Forty Minute,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5079 CHANGES.

Tenor 22 cwt.

CHALLIS F. WINNEY .. Treble.	FREDERICK T. C. NEVETT .. 6.
HUBERT EDEN 2.	EDWARD P. DEBENHAM .. 7.
HENRY HODGETTS .. 3.	HERBERT BAKER 8.
GEORGE N. PRICE .. 4.	HARRY A. HORREX 9.
ERNEST E. HUNTLEY .. 5.	EDWARD WHITBREAD .. Tenor.

Composed by H. W. HALEY, and Conducted by CHALLIS F. WINNEY.

Rung in honour of the marriage of W. G. Livermore, a member of the local company, who was married at St. Peter's church on the 24th ult.

WEST BROMWICH, STAFFORDSHIRE.

SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Wednesday, September 26, 1903, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

AT CHRIST CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

SAMUEL REEVES Treble.	REUBEN HALL 5.
JESSE SCREEN 2.	JAMES HALL 6.
THOMAS HORTON .. 3.	JAMES HARES 7.
JOSEPH WALKER .. 4.	RICHARD SPEAKMAN Tenor.

Conducted by SAMUEL REEVES.

Rung to commemorate the laying of the corner-stones of the new mission room of St. Mark's, which were laid on that day by Mrs. T. Newman and Mrs. H. Parish, of West Bromwich.

WESTERHAM, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 26, 1903, in Three Hours Four and a ½ Minute,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 23½ cwt.

ROBERT STONE Treble.	JOHN HEATH 5.
HERBERT P. HARMAN .. 2.	SIDNEY A. WRIGHT .. 6.
THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE .. 3.	WALTER INGHAM .. 7.
RICHARD HIMS 4.	DAVID WRIGHT Tenor.

Conducted by THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE.

RAYLEIGH, ESSEX.—THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 26, 1903, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.

Tenor 14 cwt.

GEORGE SMITH Treble.	WILLIAM DUDLEY 5.
HENRY T. KIRTON .. 2.	JOSEPH SMITH 6.
SIDNEY BINGHAM .. 3.	GEORGE E. WILSON .. 7.
HENRY T. WILSON .. 4.	WILLIAM H. JUDD Tenor.

Composed by ARTHUR T. KING, and Conducted by W. H. JUDD.

GREAT MARLOW, BUCKS.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, September 26, 1903, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

A VARIATION OF THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 16 cwt.

JOSEPH T. HAWKINS .. Treble.	J. RICHARDSON 5.
MAURICE SMITHER .. 2.	JAMES W. WILKINS .. 6.
FRANK SINKINS .. 3.	REV. F. E. ROBINSON .. 7.
JOHN C. TRUSS .. 4.	JESSE ELDRIDGE Tenor.

Conducted by the REV. F. E. ROBINSON.

KILLAMARSH, DERBYSHIRE. THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 26, 1903, in Two Hours and Forty-seven Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Killamarsh Treble Bob, City Delight. Arnold's Victory, College Pleasure, Duke of York, Violet and Oxford.

Tenor 11 cwt.

FREDERICK HANCOCK .. Treble.	GEORGE BURNHAM 4.
JAMES EMSEN 2.	WILLIAM H. TURTON 5.
FREDERICK HALL* 3.	CHARLES SEVERN Tenor.

Conducted by C. SEVERN.

*First peal of Minor away from the treble. It is also W. H. Turton's fiftieth peal.

HERSHAM, SURREY. THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, September 26, 1903, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES. Tenor 8½ cwt.

WILLIAM SHEPHERD .. Treble.	ERNEST ALLEN 5.
GEORGE WOODISS 2.	JAMES HUNT 6.
ALFRED H. PULLING 3.	CONOR O'BRIEN 7.
SEPTIMUS RADFORD 4.	JOHN R. SHARMAN Tenor.

Composed by SIR A. P. HBYWOOD, BART., and
Conducted by JOHN R. SHARMAN.

WILLINGTON, BEDS. THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 26, 1903, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Double Court, Woodbine, Merchant's Return, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob.

Tenor 9 cwt.

CHARLES R. LILLEY .. Treble.	SYDNEY J. COLEMAN 4.
SIDNEY PECK* 2.	GEORGE D. COLEMAN 5.
HERBERT FIELDS 3.	EDMUND C. CHASTY Tenor.

Conducted by CHARLES R. LILLEY.

*First peal in seven methods with a bob bell.

DONCASTER, YORKS.—THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 26, 1903, in Three Hours and Thirty-five Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES; IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 30 cwt.

THOMAS HATTERSLEY .. Treble.	W. PEARSON 5.
CHARLES ARMITAGE 2.	J. T. HOLLIS 6.
G. HAWKSWORTH 3.	J. W. MOORHOUSE 7.
F. MOODY 4.	C. JACKSON Tenor.

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS, and Conducted by C. JACKSON.

SPALDING.—THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, September 28, 1903, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES. Tenor 17 cwt.

ARTHUR FARR Treble.	RUPERT RICHARDSON 5.
REV. H. LAW JAMES 2.	*JOHN T. HOLMES 6.
BERNARD JEALOUS* 3.	JOHN W. WOOD 7.
WILLIAM RICHARDSON 4.	GEORGE LADD Tenor.

Composed by the REV. E. BANKES JAMES, and
Conducted by the REV. H. LAW JAMES.

*First peal in the method.

HULL, YORKS.—THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, September 29, 1903, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; HOLT'S TEN-PART. Tenor 26 cwt.

C. JACKSON Treble.	J. W. GIBSON 5.
A. NAYLOR 2.	G. T. MILLER 6.
C. P. BRADLEY 3.	D. W. BROWN 7.
G. T. MARSHALL 4.	W. MIDDLETON Tenor.

Conducted by C. JACKSON.

BIRCHINGTON, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 29, 1903, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; HOLT'S ORIGINAL. Tenor 9 cwt.

HARRY BARTON Treble.	*BENJAMIN REED, JUN. 5.
BENJAMIN REED, SEN. 2.	ERNEST VERRIER 6.
JONATHAN DOORME 3.	HENRY C. CASTLE 7.
LIONEL SHOOBRIDGE 4.	*JAMES HENLEY Tenor.

Conducted by HARRY BARTON.

*First peal.

Handbell Peals.

ST. NEOTS, HUNTS.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, September 24, 1903, in Two Hours and Seven Minutes,

AT THE RESIDENCE OF MR. G. D. COLEMAN, AVENUE ROAD,

ON HANDBELLS, RETAINED IN HAND,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES.

LEWIS WATSON 1-2.	SYDNEY J. COLEMAN 5-6.
GEORGE D. COLEMAN 3-4.	CHARLES R. LILLEY 7-8.

Composed by W. H. L. BUCKINGHAM, and
Conducted by C. R. LILLEY.

Umpire—O. Wiles. Quickest peal of Major by all the band.

ST. NEOTS, HUNTS.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, September 27, 1903, in Two Hours and Fifty-two Minutes,

AT THE RESIDENCE OF MR. H. FIELDS, WINDMILL TERRACE,

ON HANDBELLS, RETAINED IN HAND,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5021 CHANGES.

LOUIS J. FLINT 1-2.	SYDNEY J. COLEMAN 5-6.
GEORGE D. COLEMAN 3-4.	CHARLES R. LILLEY 7-8.
*HERBERT FIELDS 9-10.	

Composed by JOHN COX, and Conducted by C. R. LILLEY.

Umpire—E. C. Chasty. *First peal on handbells.

PEAL CORRECTIONS.—The peal at Long Ashton in our last issue should read Stedman Triples instead of Grandsire.—The time of the peal at Taunton should read 3 hrs. 35 mins. instead of 3 hrs. 25 mins.—The time of the peal at Cirencester should read 3 hrs. 45 mins. instead of 2 hrs. 46 mins.

CENTRAL COUNCIL PUBLICATIONS.

To be obtained, Post free, from BEMROSE & SONS, LTD., 4, Snow Hill, London, E.C.

(Remittance must accompany order)
Or through any Bookseller.

Special Terms to Association Secretaries for Quantities.

I.—ON THE PRESERVATION OF BELLS, 1892	 4d.
II.—REPORT ON CATALOGUE OF PEALS AND CALLS, 1894	 2d.
III.—GLOSSARY OF TERMS, 1901	 5d.
IV.—MODEL RULES FOR AN ASSOCIATION 1902	 3d.
V.—MODEL RULES FOR A COMPANY, 1902..	 3d.

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 Leeds and District Amalgamated Society.—The next meeting will be held at Tong (6 bells) to-day, Saturday, October 3rd. Bells open at 2.30 p.m. Business meeting at The Greyhound inn, at 7.30 p.m.

FRED BARRACLOUGH, Sec.

29, Elsworth Place, Armley.

The Llandaff Diocesan Association.—The next quarterly meeting of the above Association will be held at Caerleon to-day, Saturday, October 3rd, at 4 o'clock.

REV. C. L. PRICE, Hon. Sec.

J. H. ALDRIDGE, Asst. Hon. Sec.

The Lancashire Association.—Manchester Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Holy Trinity, Stretford Road, Manchester, to-day, October 3rd, when the re-opening of the bells will take place. A short service at 3.30. Preacher, Rev. H. J. Elsee. All ringers invited to attend.

J. SMITH, Branch Sec.

The North Wales Association.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Bangor to-day, Saturday, October 3rd. Bells available at 2.30 p.m. at St. David's church. Business meeting in the schoolroom adjoining church at 4 p.m.

S. A. CULLINGTON, Hon. Sec.

5, Victoria St., Llandudno.

The Stoke Newington Association.—The next meeting of the above will be held at Tunstall to-day, Saturday, October 3rd.

W. TWIGG, Hon. Sec.

The Waltham Abbey Society.—A meeting of ringers will be held to-day Saturday, Oct. 3rd. Meet at the Abbey at 6 p.m., after which a musical evening will be spent in the Lodge Room at The Green Dragon hotel. Chair taken at 8. Ringers cordially invited.

FRANK CARTER, Hon. Sec.

The Hertfordshire Association.—Eastern District.—A meeting of the above will be held at Ware to-day, Oct. 3rd. Bells available from 5.30 to 8 p.m. Business meeting after. All ringing friends will be welcome.

W. H. LAWRENCE, Dist. Sec.

Little Munden.

The Middlesex County Association.—Members are requested to note that the annual meeting of this Association will be held on the 10th October next. Arrangements are being made for the following programme:—

2 p.m.—Members assemble at All Saints' church, Fulham, for ringing.

5 p.m.—Short service and sermon by the Bishop of London.

6 p.m.—Tea at Fulham Palace, followed by the meeting.

Tickets for the tea will be distributed on the day of the meeting at 4.30 p.m., and will be issued in order of application to such as have already notified to the Hon. Sec. their intention to be present.

ARTHUR T. KING, Hon. Sec.

18, Ravenscroft Park Road, Barnet.

The Halifax and District Association.—The next meeting will be held at Queensbury Church on Saturday, October 10th. Bells ready from dinner. Business meeting in schoolroom at 6 o'clock.

WRIGHT INGHAM, Sec.

The Lancashire Association.—Blackburn Branch.—The next branch meeting will be held on Saturday, October 10th at Holy Trinity

church, Burnley. Ringing from 3 p.m. Business meeting and unveiling peal board at 6.30 p.m.

THOS. DUXBURY, Branch Sec.

The North Notts Association.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Bawtry on Saturday, October 10th. Members intending to take tea are requested to inform Mr. Wilson, Church St., Bawtry, by October 6th.

B. DARLEY, Hon. Sec.

The Lancashire Association.—Rochdale Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Middleton parish church on Saturday, October 10th. Tower open at 4. Meeting at 7.

J. H. BASTOW, Branch Sec.

The Bath and Wells Diocesan Association.—The quarterly meeting of the Frome Deanery will be held at Buckland Dinham on Saturday, October 10th. Mr. Dwight (the Vicar) has kindly promised to provide tea.

A. M. G. DANIEL, Hon. Sec.

Frome Deanery.

The Essex Association.—North Eastern District.—The next meeting will be held at Maldon on Saturday, October 10th. The bells of All Saints and St. Mary's will be open for ringing. Tea at 5.0, 1s. each, in St. Peter's parish room, to be followed by meeting. Members intending to be present are requested to give notice three days before.

ERNEST W. BECKWITH, Hon. Dist. Sec.

Coggeshall.

The Liverpool Diocesan Guild.—The meeting at Great Crosby has been postponed to Saturday, October 10th. Bells ready at 3. Tea, 5 p.m. Business meeting 6 p.m.

Rev. W. T. BULFIT, Hon. Secs.

W. BENTHAM,

The Norwich Diocesan Association.—The annual meeting will be held at Ipswich on Thursday, October 15th. Special service at St. Mary-le-Tower at 12.45, when an address will be given by the Rev. C. L. Kennaway. Dinner at 1.30 in the Co-operative Hall, Carr St., to be followed by business meeting. For further particulars see notices sent to all heads of companies.

CHARLES E. BORRETT, Sec.

10, Chester St., Norwich.

The London County Association, late the St. James's Society.—A grand Bohemian Concert will take place on Saturday, October 17th, at Carr's Hotel, Strand, near St. Clement Danes, to commence at 8 p.m. Admission by programme, 3d., to be obtained from the officers, Messrs. A. Jacob, W. Weatherstone, T. Langdon, G. Turk, or of

T. H. TAFFENDER, Hon. Sec.

91, Darwin St., Southwark.

The Ancient Society of College Youths.—The 266th Anniversary Dinner will be held at The Bridge House hotel, London Bridge, S.E., on Saturday, November 7th, at 6.30 p.m. Tickets, 3s. 6d. each, may be obtained from Messrs. W. H. L. Buckingham, C. S. Burden, E. A. Davies, F. E. Dawe, W. E. Garrard, J. W. Golding, H. P. Harman, J. H. B. Hesse, E. Horrex, A. Hughes, J. C. Jackson, H. Langdon, H. R. Newton, E. P. O'Meara, J. Pettit, W. Prime, J. W. Rowbotham, W. D. Smith, T. H. Taffender, C. F. Winney, or

W. T. COCKBRILL.

"Friedingham," Elmhurst St., Clapham, S.W.

CHANGES OF ADDRESS.—Mr. A. J. Hughes has removed to 8, Clarence St., Enston Road, Bangor, North Wales.—Mr. J. H. Midwinter has removed to 6, Tan-y-Graig, Glanadda, Bangor, North Wales.

Situation Vacant.

Wanted, an UNDER GARDENER on gentleman's estate close to Bangor. Change ringer. Standard methods.—For particulars apply to W. T. Pegler, 28, Belmont St., Euston Road, Bangor, North Wales.

Situations Wanted.

As JOINER, Bench or Jobbing. Permanency. Change ringer, standard methods, and conductor, 6, 8, or 10 bells. Would look after peal and instruct band. Position of trust on estate or otherwise.—Apply, Chas. R. Lilley, Stratford House, Salisbury Street, Bedford.

As CARETAKER of Public Offices or otherwise 4½ years' references. Change ringer on 6 to 12 bells.—Apply, Henry F. Cooper, assistant hallkeeper, Shirehall, Worcester.

As JOINER.—Young man seeks situation as joiner, age 22. Good change-ringer, member of the Norwich Diocesan Association.—Apply, Editor of "Bell News."

MAN, married, age 33, well educated, wants employment any capacity. Would act as verger. Good change-ringer.—Geo. Thompson, co. Mr. Warren, 89, Parson's Mead, West Croydon.

SPLENDID

SUIT LENGTHS

In Black and Blue
Serges and Vicunas,
14s., 16s., 21s., &c.

FANCY SUITINGS

WORSTED COATINGS &
STRIPE TROUSERINGS,

From 6s. 3d. to 7s. 6d.

No Better Value. Any Length
Cut.

All Carriage Paid on receipt of
Postal Order.

PATTERNS FREE.

T. HAIGH,

14, George Street,
HUDDERSFIELD.

Member of the College Youths and Yorkshire
Association.

To Peal Ringers.



MARBLLETTE.

MARBLLETTE.

MARBLLETTE.

MARBLLETTE is the Very Best material for PEAL
TABLETS.

MARBLLETTE is Imperishable.

MARBLLETTE Peal Tablets are of Beautiful Design.

MARBLLETTE is Impervious to Moisture and Decay.

MARBLLETTE is Economical.

See Advertisement on opposite page.

ROPES.

BEST QUALITY IN EVERY
RESPECT, AT
REASONABLE PRICES.

IRONMONGERS'
ROPE WORKS,

Ltd.,

Wolverhampton.

ESTABLISHED 1745.

ROPES.

Established 1851.

BIRKBECK BANK

Southampton Buildings, Chancery Lane, London.

TWO AND-A-HALF per CENT. INTEREST allowed on
DEPOSITS, repayable on demand
TWO per CENT. INTEREST on CURRENT ACCOUNTS
the minimum monthly balances when not drawn below
STOCKS, SHARES, and ANNUITIES purchased and sold.

SAVINGS DEPARTMENT.
the encouragement of Thrift the Bank receives small sums of
and allows Interest, monthly, on each completed £1

BIRKBECK BUILDING SOCIETY
HOW TO PURCHASE A HOUSE
FOR TWO GUINEAS PER MONTH.

BIRKBECK FREEHOLD LAND SOCIETY
HOW TO PURCHASE A PLOT OF LAND
FOR FIVE SHILLINGS PER MONTH.

THE BIRKBECK ALMANACK, with full particulars, can be
obtained post free, on application to
C. A. RAVENSCROFT, Managing Director.

Peal Boards

"MARBLETTE"

Is the best possible material for the above.
It is durable, with a black highly polished
surface, and impervious to moisture.

The letters are incised and gilded with
Pure Gold, producing a most handsome
and striking Tablet.

Send for Photographs of recently-fixed
boards and prices.

Extracts from a letter received:—"The ringers are all
thoroughly satisfied with the work." "Thanking you
what we call a splendid piece of work."

SOLE MAKERS

CASPAR & CO.

Decorative Glass Workers,

33, Kings Road, St. Pancras, and
26, Grays Inn Road, Holborn,

London.

BY ROYAL WARRANT

Bell & Brass Founders to His Majesty The King.

JOHN WARNER & SONS, Ltd.

2, Jewin Crescent, Cripplegate, London, E.C.

"THE VICTORIA PEAL." OF EIGHT BELLS.



WEIGHT 25 cwt. WEIGHT OF PEAL 5 tons, 4 cwt. 1 qr. 16 lbs.

Hung in the "Victoria Tower,"
ST. MARY'S CHURCH, CHATHAM

H.R.H. PRINCESS CHRISTIAN ATTENDED, at the DEDICATION SERVICE by h
BISHOP OF ROCHESTER, Feb. 2nd, 1898;
In Commemoration of Her Majesty's Jubilee, 1897.

JOHN SULLY,
Church Bell Hanger
Zinck, Stogumber, Somerset.

Rings of Bells to any number hung on the most approved
principles. Old Bells re-cast. New Bells supplied.

J. S., having had considerable experience in Church
Bell hanging, with confidence solicits the patronage of
the clergy, churchwardens and ringers generally
THE ELLACOMBE CHIME HAMMERS FIXED
BELL ROPES SUPPLIED.

J. F. MALLABY AND CO.,
(Successor to Mr. G. Welsh, of London.)
HANDBELL FOUNDER,
Barnby Don, Doncaster.

Musical Handbells to any size or key—Chromatic or
Diatonic Scales.

Old Bells repaired or augmented to any size, on the
most reasonable terms.

PRICE LIST ON APPLICATION

H. & T. BOND,
Bell Founders

AND
CHURCH BELL HANGERS,
BURFORD, OXON.

ESTABLISHED 34 YEARS.

J. R. GRAY & SON,
Church Bell Hangers,
HERTFORD.

Estimates furnished for new Oak frames,
Peals fitted and rehung. The Ellacombe
Chiming Hammers fixed. Old Bells re-
cast; new ones supplied. Best Bell-ropes

FOR FLAGS

Banners, Balcony Coverings,
Awnings, and all Decorations for
Bazaars & Sunday Schools, etc.,

GO TO

GOY and Co.,

2, 2a, & 4, Praed St., London, W.

ESTIMATES AND PARTICULARS FREE.

JOHN TAYLOR & CO.,

Bell Founders,

LOUGHBOROUGH.

Founders of the New Ring of Bells for ST. PAUL'S
CATHEDRAL, the HEAVIEST Peal of 12 Ringing
BELLS in the COUNTRY.

"This is unquestionably the greatest ringing peal in
England, and therefore in the world."—SIR EDMUND
BECKETT Bart., Q.C., Times, Nov. 20, 1878.

FOUNDERS OF "GREAT PAUL."



[New Tenor Bell, St. Paul's Church, Bedford.]

Also founders of the noted peals of bells at the
Cathedrals of Worcester, Newcastle-on-Tyne, St. Mary's,
Edinburgh, St. Patrick's, Dublin, Christ Church, N.Z.,
and Singapore; the Town Halls of Manchester, Brad-
ford, Rochdale, Halifax, Wakefield, and Kendal, and the
Adelaide and Sydney Post Offices in Australia.

Founders of the "Alexandra" Peal
Bells for the Imperial Institute, London.

HARRY STOKES,

Church Bell Hanger, &c.,

WOODBURY (R.S.O.), DEVON.

HARRY STOKES having had a considerable number of
years' experience in Church Bell Hanging, with con-
fidence solicits the patronage of the Clergy, Church-
wardens, and Ringers generally. The Ellacombe
Chiming Hammers fixed.

BELL-ROPES. BELL-ROPES.

Before sending for Bell-ropes, write to

DAY & CO.,

CHURCH BELL-ROPE MAKERS,

11, MARKET STREET, OXFORD,

Who manufacture Bell-Ropes of the very best
quality.

GOLD MEDAL, EXHIBITION 1851.

The Rev. H. T. ELLACOMBE, in writing to a
distinguished ringer, said—"The best maker of bell-
ropes is Day, of Oxford."

MEARS & STAINBANK, WHITECHAPEL BELL FOUNDRY.

BELFRIES AND CLOCK TOWERS INSPECTED.

Church Bells for {RINGING
OR
CHIMING} Erected Complete with
Fittings and Frames.

OLD BELLS RE-CAST. PEALS RE-FITTED AND RE-HUNG.

SCHOOL BELLS, GONGS, &c. MUSICAL HAND-BELLS.

Foundry:

(ESTABLISHED A.D. 1570).

34, WHITECHAPEL ROAD, LONDON.

Half-mile East of "City."

JAMES BARWELL

Bell Founder,

40, Great Hampton St., Birmingham.

CHURCH BELLS, with all requisite Fittings and Framework
singly or in Peals. CLOCK and CHIME BELLS to any size and
note.

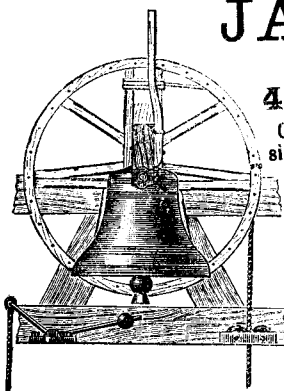
SCHOOL BELLS with ringing arrangements, suitable for any
position.

Existing Peals economically and efficiently restored.

CRACKED BELLS recast, and ANCIENT INSCRIPTIONS re-
produced in fac-simile when required.

Men who are ringers sent to inspect Towers and report upon
the tune and condition of Bells and Fittings.

MUSICAL HANDBELLS tuned in Diatonic and Chromatic
Scales in sets of any numbers.



THOMAS MALLABY & SONS,

Church Bell Hangers,

MASHAM, YORKSHIRE.

RINGS OF BELLS to any number hung on the most approved principles. New Bells
supplied. Old Bells Recast or Retuned. MESSRS. MALLABY & SONS are experienced
in all matters appertaining to Church Bells, and with confidence solicit the patronage of the
Clergy, Churchwardens and Ringers generally.

HANDBELL MUSIC

No. 232.	Selection, "Scotland Yet," containing "Kelvin Grove," "Comin' thro' the Rye," and "The Braes o' Mar"	price	1 6
No. 286.	"Men of Harlech," Welsh Melody	"	1 6
No. 287.	"Orange and Blue," Scotch Air	"	1 6
No. 319.	"Hark the bonny Christ Church Bells," varied	"	1 6
The above are for 6 ringers with 13 bells thus—C.D.E.F.G.A.B.C.D.E.F.G.A.			
The next are for 6 ringers with 12 bells thus—C.D.E.F.G.A.B.C.D.E.F.G.			
No. 320.	"The Mountaineer's Waltz," on Swiss Melodies	"	1 6
No. 321.	"The Rose of Allandale" March	"	1 6
No. 322.	"The Pilgrim of Love" Galop	"	1 6
The next are for 6 ringers, with medium peal, i.e. 3 octaves, C22 to C1, chromatic.			
No. 217.	"Belfry Chimes and Nursery Rhymes"	"	3 6
No. 720.	"Her Majesty's Waltz"	"	3 6

OVER 300 PIECES IN STOCK. SEND FOR CATALOGUE.

WILLIAM GORDON, 1, Dona Street, Webb Lane, Stockport.