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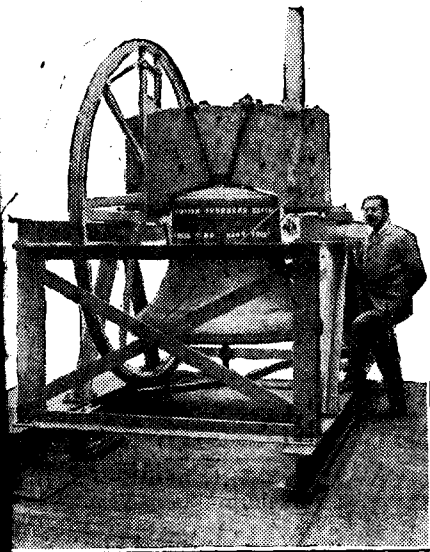
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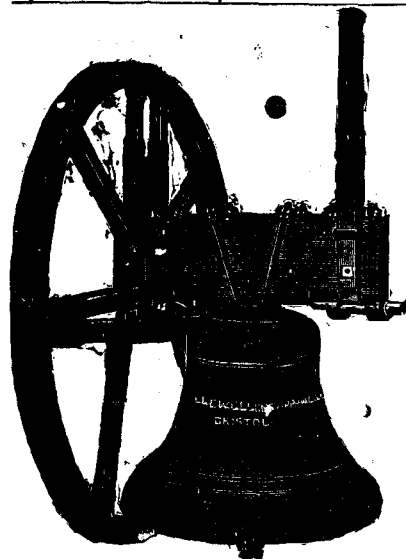
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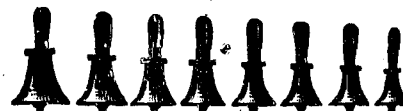
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THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 17th, a meeting of the South-Western District was held at Hornchurch. There was a strong muster of ringers, the towers represented including Barking, Dagenham, Coggeshall, Leytonstone, Poplar, Prittlewell, Writtle, West Ham, Woodford, Wanstead, etc. The church at Hornchurch was originally the only building for public worship in the Royal Liberty of Havering-atte-Bower. At Havering was the palace of Edward the Confessor, and no doubt there existed in the palace a private oratory, but the church at Hornchurch was the parochial church for the Liberty. The church in time was served by the monks of St. Bernard, two of whom are buried beneath the chancel. Subsequently it passed in the hands of William of Wykeham, a man if he lived in modern times, would be known more as a great architect than a great cleric. He is known to fame as the architect of the Round Tower of Windsor Castle, and as the founder and builder of Winchester College and New College, Oxford. Having acquired the church at Hornchurch, he set to work to beautify it, and built the tower and raised the roof of the nave, and added the clerestory windows. The church he then presented to his New College at Oxford, who still hold the living, which is a peculiar one, the incumbent being styled Chaplain and Vicar Temporal.

The bells are a nice peal of eight, the trebles having been added about five years ago, but the "go" is very bad, and the ropes do not fall in a good circle. Notwithstanding these difficulties some excellent ringing was indulged in, the methods including London, Superlative, Double Norwich, Treble Bob, Bob Major, Stedman and Grandsire. A tea was held at The King's Head, the Vicar presiding, and the business meeting followed, at which two new members were elected at North Weald, and Bobbingworth selected for the next meeting. A proposal to institute a quarterly association peal was brought forward, but rejected, as it was felt that it would more likely lead to discords and jealousy than unity amongst members.

A hearty vote of thanks to the Vicar for the use of his tower and bells, and for presiding, was proposed by Mr. E. A. Davis, and carried with acclamation. The Vicar replied in a singularly interesting and eloquent speech, which was greatly appreciated by all present. He welcomed the Association to Hornchurch, and expressed the hope that many years would not elapse before the bells were rehung.

When ringing was finished in the evening a social gathering was held, and songs, etc. were contributed by obliging friends. Special mention also should be made to some excellent tune-playing by the East Ham handbell bellringers, and if East Ham has no tower bells, they possess handbells, and know how to use them. The time for the last train came round all too soon, and the visitors left Hornchurch feeling that they had had a most successful meeting.

ST. THOMAS'S GUILD, DUDLEY.

The Annual Meeting of this Guild was held at Dudley on Saturday, February 24th. The tower of St. Thomas's church was open for ringing at 4 o'clock. A service was held in the church at 5 o'clock, conducted by the Rev. T. Hayes Robinson (priest-in-charge), who also gave an address, encouraging the ringers to be proud of the privileges granted to them of honouring God in their appointed work in the Church, and exhorting them always so to consider their work.

A free tea was provided in the schoolroom, to which fifty and sixty members sat down; Dudley, Netherton, Tipton, Oldbury, Sedgley, Smethwick, Rowley Regis, Brierley Hill, Wordsley, West Bromwich, Old Hill and Aston being represented. The Rev. T. Hayes Robinson presided at the business meeting which followed. In opening the proceedings the chairman expressed the pleasure he felt at being present at so large a gathering of bellringers, this being the first one he ever attended, and it was rather a surprise to him. He was sure they would all regret the absence of the Vicar of Dudley, who, through ill-health was forced to take a long rest, and under medical advice to leave home and his duties for probably twelve months. He hoped the change would thoroughly restore his health, and that when the annual meeting of the Guild came round again, he (the Vicar) would be there in his full strength to preside over them.

The Hon. Secretary read the minutes of the last quarterly meeting which were passed. In answer to a question arising out of the minutes, the Secretary said out of seven peals to be attempted during the last quarter, three were accomplished, but one through an oversight could not be counted a Guild peal.

On the motion of Mr. Harry Mason, the whole of the officers were re-elected, viz.: President—Rev. H. Gray Maitland; Vice-President—Rev. S. J. Marriott; Master—Mr. S. Spittle; Hon. Secretary—Mr. W. Micklewright; Treasurer—Mr. W. R. Small; and one member from each society to form the committee. From West Bromwich, Tipton, Smethwick and Rowley nine new members were enrolled. Rowley was selected as the place to hold the next quarterly meeting. It was proposed and carried that nine peals be attempted during the next quarter.

Votes of thanks were given to the Rev. T. H. Robinson for conducting the service, the address, and for presiding at the meeting; to the officers for past services; Mr. North for presiding at the organ. A vote of sympathy to the Rev. A. Gray Maitland; also a vote of thanks to the following ladies for their services at the tea-tables: Miss Clarke, Mrs. Spittle, Mrs. Goodman, Mrs. H. and T. Sheppard, Mrs. Faulkes, Miss Woodall, Miss Wilkes and Miss Beese. The bells were kept going until 9 o'clock with touches of Stedman and Grandsire Caters, Treble Bob and Bob Royal, Double Norwich Major, Stedman and Grandsire Triples.

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THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

The Annual Meeting of the Reading Branch took place at Reading on Saturday, February 24th, at The British Workman. A short service was held in St. Giles' church, conducted by the Vicar (Rev. R. W. Carew Hunt), who in a few well-chosen words spoke on the lives of the ringers, who were very important church officers. The supper followed, at which thirty-five members sat down to a capital spread. Supper over, the business part of the evening was commenced. The chair was occupied by Mr. J. M. Routh, others present including the Rev. R. H. Hart-Davis (Hon. Secretary and Treasurer of the Guild); A. E. Reeves (Assistant-Secretary); W. P. Routh, Esq., S. Goodall, Esq. (churchwarden of St. Mary's), A. W. Osborne (Hon. Secretary and Treasurer of the Reading Branch), and other members too numerous to mention here, representing nearly all the towers in the branch. The minutes were then read by Mr. A. W. Osborne, also the balance-sheet and report, which were rather long on account of the amount of business done at the annual meeting of 1904. Mr. A. J. Wright moved the adoption of the balance-sheet, speaking a few very flattering words, praising the Hon. Secretary for the way he had carried out his duties during the year. He had much pleasure in proposing that the minutes and balance-sheet be passed.

Mr. W. Newell seconded the proposition, and they were then signed by the chairman. A few words on the poor attendance at the combined practices were spoken of in the report, stating that very few of the young members took the advantage of them, of getting a little more insight into the art of change-ringing outside their own belfries. The ringing done in the Reading Branch certainly had very much improved, and he hoped that all concerned would pull together and bring it up to the standard it had been in times gone by.

The election of officers was next proceeded with, Mr. J. M. Routh being again elected to the chair, who replied thanking the members for his re-election, saying he intended taking up ringing once again, as it was the happiest time in his life when he was among ringers.

Mr. A. W. Osborne was again elected Hon. Secretary and Treasurer, thanking one and all for the honour they conferred on him, and hoping to be able to do even better in the future than in the past.

It was proposed by the Rev. R. H. Hart-Davis that Mr. A. J. Wright (who would be very instrumental), be elected to serve on the committee of the Reading Branch, which was seconded by W. P. Routh, Esq., and carried unanimously. The other members were re-elected as follows: Messrs. J. M. Routh, C. Chapman (Tilehurst); R. Dowsett, T. M. Glanville, A. W. Osborne (Reading). This terminated the business programme of the evening; the rest of the time being spent in proposing toasts and harmony.

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, January 20th, a meeting of the Bristol Branch was held at Abbots Leigh. Ringing commenced about 4 o'clock, and the bells were kept going until 6 o'clock, when tea and business meeting was held. Fifteen performing, and one honorary members were elected. The next meeting was decided to be held at Chipping Sodbury. The bells were kept going until nine o'clock, the rest of the evening being spent in harmony. About forty members attended this meeting from Bristol, Pill, Clapton, Thornbury, etc.,

PRACTICAL POLITICS

FOR THE CENTRAL COUNCIL.

By WILLIAM WILLSON.

Some short time ago Mr. W. H. Judd asked through the correspondence column whether the members of the C.C. were not degenerating into a group of faddists? The interrogation was pertinent, but I venture to say that it was answered in the affirmative by a large majority. No one who has followed the deliberations of the C.C. year after year ought to say, unfairly, anything derogatory to that body; but what profit is it whether bob leads start in the middle of nothing or end nowhere? What gain is there to anyone or anything whether "London" is marvellous or surprising? Who is the wiser or better for the straw-splitting arguments as to whether The Glossary is or is not strictly correct as a ringers' dictionary? and who but a fool would waste his time over the pedantic bores who make the annual meetings of the C.C. a dumping-ground for their theoretical fads, and an exhaust-valve for their superfluous oratory?

If these gentry travelled much about the country they would speedily learn that the average ringer's opinion of the C.C. is that he is heartily sick of it, and considers that the Council ought to turn its attention to practical business. Scarcely anyone outside the ringers' realm would credit the fact that for fifteen years a committee of the apparently greatest intellects in the Exercise has sat, and up to the time of writing has not been capable of evolving any scheme for the betterment of the ringer, or any means whereby he might be assisted in the time of sickness, poverty, or distress. Who can report progress in the last two or three years' work? Any subject has of late been good enough to waste the valuable time, and the sum and substance of this concentrated cackle is that Grandsire Major or Bob Triples must be discontinued! This is the amalgamated wisdom of a handful of dogmatic cranks who, in the words of a certain statesman "intoxicated with the exuberance of their own verbosity," and their self-importance, have the colossal impudence—only equalled by their superlative conceit—to dictate to the ringers of England what they shall or shall not ring!

If we add to these another group of lynx-eyed figure-merchants, who intuitively discern in the publications of the Council an economic means to an end, and having put their axes to the grindstone, look not back; the average stolid ringer need wonder no longer why important questions are relegated to the background. It is to our shame that after fifteen years' affiliation to a body representing the whole of the Exercise, there are as yet no means brought forward to establish a

BELLRINGERS' NATIONAL BENEVOLENT FUND

that in its operations would bind together in the bonds of brotherhood the thousands of organised ringers of this country. Surely there is no nobler work than that of lending a hand to a sick or poverty-stricken fellow-ringer who, often with a keen remembrance of his past position would rather hide his condition than ask for help. Surely no *theoretical* problems call for such immediate solution as that which sometimes faces the widow or orphans of one of our craft. In our craze for ringing and its mathematical connections, is there no room for humanity? The hat goes round, or a subscription list appears, but these are the exceptions and not the rule, and I put it to every thoughtful man to consider whether the time has not arrived for founding a Benevolent Fund, to which every ringer may contribute, and from which he may receive if necessary, assistance. With the object of bringing the question a step nearer towards its consummation, I venture to draft for criticism

A Skeleton Scheme.

CONSTITUTION.—(1) To create a Fund by subscriptions, donations, etc., in perpetuity for the relief of bona-fide ringers in acute distress, and for widows or orphans in necessitous circumstances.

(2) To be administered by a Benevolent Board of — persons, members of, and elected by the Central Council for — years (not necessarily concurrent with the terms of the Council), a number — to retire each year, ineligible for re-election until all affiliated societies have been duly represented. I.E. Definition. If twelve persons constituted the Board, four

would retire each year. The Board to be responsible to the whole Council.

FUNDS. (1) To be collected by each affiliated society (either by addition to ringers' annual subscriptions or *en bloc* from the society's funds, equally at — per head of membership.

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(2) Any Society may in extremely urgent cases advance to their own applications — (one-third, one-half, or two-thirds of their annual subscription to the Fund, the amount paid to be set-off against the grant by the Board.

(Further details could be framed in a code of Rules).

It is not desirable that such a fund, as here outlined, should be administered on charity organization principles whatever. No man who contributed need feel any sense of shame should he unfortunately need—not charity, but assistance from the fund he himself has helped to create. The cost of administration could be reduced to a minimum. The applications could be circulated by post to the members of the board, and the annual meeting would be held previously to the General Council and on the same day. Assuming there are 20,000 (twenty thousand) ringers paying only ONE PENNY A YEAR, it brings over £83 annually for distribution if needed. As no one could reasonably expect any grant before a clear twelve-month, it would be possible to form a Reserve Fund of nearly £100 at the outset.

It needs no labouring of the question. A single moment's thought ought to suffice, and to shew anyone what an enormous amount of good might be done with such a sum at our disposal.

What opposition can there be to such a measure? I anticipate the "superior" personage who considers that the Council ought not to meddle with such schemes, but confine itself to academical problems. Yes, theoretical questions are interesting, but some of them are best fitted for the armchair, over the pipe and bowl. Last year delegates travelled hundreds of miles and discussed what "points" should be reckoned in the analysis for Double Norwich Caters, yet in the same hour the analysis was virtually 'condemned to death,' and being without any visible means of subsistence, is now as defunct as the dodo. Perhaps by this time it has dawned upon those concerned, that a classification for points without an analysis is about as profitable an occupation as ploughing the sands. Again, it may be contended that every man can insure against sickness or distress. True, but only up to a certain limit, for there is a time when benefits decrease, and it is then—after a long spell of illness, that the blessing of such a Fund would be most manifest. A grant of five or ten pounds would send a man broken down in health away for a month, and fit him for work again. In the case of a deceased brother-ringer it would be the noblest tribute to his memory to thus help his widow and children.

I submit that the Central Council is the machinery *par excellence* for this purpose; once put in motion, there is power for good as yet unfathomed. Subscription lists are a form of charity to which many sensitive people demur. There are a few who decline to give to them, except on the ground that there are similar or perhaps worse cases in their own locality. Here then is a common cause. If such a measure as is here outlined were put into operation, it would be productive of more good than all the Council's work for the past six years, and I fail to see any reason why it should not be undertaken now. I appeal to all readers of these lines, and who approve of them, to have courage of their convictions, and to help to bring this matter to fruition. The question should be put to all candidates for the C.C. whether they are or are not in favour of a Benevolent Fund, under the auspices of the Council? The time is ripe for action, and no business of any moment bars the way. I have asked somewhere previously, whether in our craze for ringing there is no room for humanity? The answer ought to be an emphatic "Yes." Ours is an Art that is fed upon

personal ambition more or less, but there is a duty devolving upon each of us to—

Lend a hand to one another,
Making life a pleasant dream;
To help a weary, worn-out brother,
Struggling hard against the stream.

P.S.—I earnestly invite the criticism of anyone interested in this matter through the columns of this paper.

DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR.

In a recent issue Mr. Pitstow rightly raises an objection against the two frequent use of singles in Mr. Dains's peal of Double Norwich. My results have reduced six singles in Mr. Pitstow's peal, also added all the 4-6s and 6-4s with the 6th its full extent at home. Possibly the variation with the 5th and 6th will be of some interest by its regularity in construction. Several variations can be obtained by adding bobs at 1 and 6.

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

THE AUDIBILITY OF BELL SOUNDS.

SIR,—Seldom have I, and I am sure a great number of your readers, read any article in your columns more interesting than that contributed by Dr. Nichols to your last issue; but it seems to me that he has been misled about the St. Paul's clock bell. He has been told that there is no intervening object between that bell and Cheapside. Why, Sir, situated as the bell is in the south-west tower, the whole of the mass of the dome (to say nothing of other buildings), does intervene between the bell and Cheapside. I think, too, most of us who know Fulham will agree that those trebles, beautiful bells as they unquestionably are, have, owing to the surroundings of the tower, the best chance of any about town of doing themselves justice.

R. A. DANIELL.

P.S.—The St. Paul's clock bell can be very clearly and finely heard in Cannon Street, which runs easterly of the Cathedral, roughly speaking parallel to Cheapside, but on the southern instead of the northern side. Consequently the dome does not intervene between the bell and Cannon Street, and this appears to show that it is the intervention of the dome, in the main, which prevents the bell being heard at a similar distance in a parallel thoroughfare to the north-east.

ECCLES PARISH CHURCH BELLS.

SIR,—The notice in your last issue of the monthly meeting of the Lancashire Association at Eccles, while correct in the main, contains at least one inaccuracy. It is there stated the bells were rehung by a Manchester bellhanger. This I challenge. In the first place there are no Church Bellhangers in the Manchester district; secondly, I am told on reliable authority that the bells were repaired (save the mark) by a man who never in his life had seen or understood the working of a church bell or peal of bells. Can it be wondered at therefore, the result is disastrous. Up to the time of the so-called rehanging (although the "go" of them was not absolutely perfect, and some of the gudgeons, etc., were shewing signs of wear and tear), they were certainly pealable, while now they are absolutely unpealable. I was present a few weeks ago when an attempt was made for a peal of Stedman Triples, which came to grief from no other cause than the bad "go" of the bells, the ringer of the 7th saying he had rung about fifty peals in that tower, but never was so hard worked in his life, and he would rather ring the 9th at Manchester Town Hall (39 cwt.) for a peal, than the 7th at Eccles (9 cwt.) for half a peal; and he is only one among many of us. It is true a peal of Grandsire Triples was rung on them since the so-called repairs were done, but this was accomplished by the sheer pluck and hard work of the ringers, the credit belonging to them alone, and not to those who advertised themselves as the re-hangers. I can quite understand "Impressionist" wondering what was the matter, and can quite believe he would rather risk indigestion by eating half-a-dozen Eccles cakes than ringing one Eccles bell, and his experience he says was only a touch of 500. How would he have fared had he tried 5000? I have myself rang in several peals in the tower, and I believe on every bell excepting the tenor, but I am afraid that like others I will think twice before attempting another, at any rate until they have been (as they ought to at first), thoroughly rehung. Trusting this letter will have some little effect on the clergy and other church officers who are in contemplation of having their bells rehung, to make a pause before finally deciding who shall do the work, and that when they do decide, the work will be put in none other than competent and practical hands.

JOHN R. PRITCHARD.

DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR.

SIR,—An apology is due from me to Mr. Dains for not correctly understanding his remarks as to the qualities of his peal published on the 10th inst. On looking again at his peal and reading his remarks, I find his statement is correct. Mr. Dains mentions that he thinks he published this peal years ago.

I can only say I never saw it, or heard from any one that such a peal had been published. The plan is not I think a suitable one for a three-part peal, as resort to the too frequent use of singles must be had to produce a peal to be of any use to ordinary conductors and bands practising the method. I regret very much that Mr. Dains' peal is false, but it has served some purpose in arousing a little attention to the use of singles in the method. Mr. Parker, of Sunderland, thinks I am wrong in encouraging young composers to produce a peal with less than twenty-four singles, and states that a peal with less than this number cannot be obtained. I am pleased to state that I have just received one with only eighteen, and with your permission I hope to give it next week.

N. J. PITSTOW.

SIR,—I desire to say my reason for adopting the plan with so many singles, referred to by Mr. J. W. Parker in your last issue, is simply this; it is the first that presented itself to me as an example. I had set myself the task to find a peal in equal parts, with the least number of changes yet produced, having two bells only in 6ths place at course-ends. This plan enabled me to gain the object in view, and I looked for no other. Sufficient for the day is the evil thereof. Had I searched a bit further I should have made other discoveries, gained all the honours, and left none for gentlemen that follow. Mr. N. J. Pitstow said that he had worked on this plan years ago. Well, Sir, it is about four years ago since I first published my peal. I may add I have one obtained by means of a less number of singles, and I have one in six parts which is also the first on the plan, with the quality mentioned.

H. DAINS.

THE PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES AT CHIDDINGSTONE.

SIR,—This peal, recorded in "THE BELL NEWS" of March 24th, is worth a few more words, there being more than appears on the face of it, besides being the first in the method on the bells, and five first peals; there are three first attempts. The attempts that have been made the last eight or nine years for their first peal had become a by-word. Ringers (and good ringers too) have come from different parts of the country for this first peal, but could never quite manage it, the tower seemed dead against Stedman, I suppose partly owing to very short rope-sight, or the ropes of the middle bells falling so close together. I think this is worth recording, the first after all being scored by five local men, and three from a neighbouring parish.

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JOHN H. B. HESSE.

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Notices.

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The Ancient Society of College Youths. Established 1637. Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on Thursdays, April 5th and 19th, and at St. Paul's Cathedral, on Tuesday, April 24th, all at 8 p.m.

W. T. COCKERILL, *Hon. Sec.*
32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.

The Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild.—South and West District. The next meeting of the above will be held at Heston, to-day, Saturday, March 31st. Bells ready at 4 p.m.

J. J. PRATT, *Dist. Hon. Sec.*
Hillingdon.

St. Thomas's Guild, Dudley.—The monthly practice will be held at Dudley, on Monday, April 2nd, at 7.45 p.m.

W. MICKLEWRIGHT, *Hon. Sec.*

The Sheffield District and Old East Derbyshire Amalgamated Society.—The next meeting will take place at Eckington, on Saturday, April 7th. Committee meeting 5.30 p.m. Good attendance desired. Important business. SIDNEY F. PALMER, *Hon. Sec.*

The Lancashire Association.—Liverpool Branch.—A meeting will be held at Grassendale, on Saturday, April 7th. Bells ready at 4. Members intending to be present, please send word to WALTER HUGHES, *Hon. Sec.*
3, Belmont Place, Garston.

The London County Association (late the St. James's Society, Est. 1824).—A meeting for united practice and social intercourse will be held on Saturday, April 7th, at the Church of St. Mary, Lambeth, S.E. The tower will be open for ringing from 4 to 8 p.m. All ringers will be made welcome.

T. H. TAFFENDER, *Hon. Sec.*
1, Budge Row, E.C.

Royal Cumberland Society.—A business meeting of this society will take place on Monday next, April 2nd, at the Bedford Head hotel, Covent Garden, at 8.30 p.m. for the purpose of transacting important business. Members are particularly requested to attend.

T. CARD, *Hon. Sec.*
9, Grosvenor Road, Lower Edmonion.

Stoke Archidiaconal Association.—The next meeting will be held at Kildgrove, on Saturday, April 7th. Bells at 3 p.m. Tea at 6 p.m. Service at 7.30. Members intending to be present are requested to notify Mr. A. Archer, Hyde Terrace, Kildgrove, not later than Thursday, April 5th.

D. PRESTON, *Hon. Sec.*

Halifax and District Association.—The next quarterly meeting and six bell contest will take place at Tong, on Saturday, April 14. Draw for ringing at 2.45 p.m. prompt.

JAS. COTTERELL, *Hon. Sec.*

The Sheffield District and Old East Derbyshire Amalgamated Society.—The Easter Monday meeting will be transferred from Bolsover to Chesterfield, where a marble tablet recording four first Surprise peals rung by this Society will be unveiled at 4 p.m. by the Vicar of Chesterfield. Tea will be provided at a nominal charge of 6d. per head. All those intending to partake of same, please notify Mr. Arthur Knights, Brunswick Street, Chester-

field, not later than Monday, April 9th. Bells available from 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. Social evening.

SIDNEY F. PALMER, *Hon. Sec.*

87, Bradley Street, Sheffield.

The Beds. Association.—The twenty-fourth annual meeting of the above will be held in Bedford, on Easter Monday, April 16, Luncheon at St. Paul's Mission room, St. Loyes Street. Business meeting to follow luncheon. Service at St. Paul's church at 5 o'clock. It is earnestly requested that members outside the county who intend attending the luncheon, will please let me know not later than the first post on the 11th of April.

J. HILLS, *Ass. Sec.*

Sewage Pumping Works, Bedford.

The Winchester Diocesan Guild.—Portsmouth District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Westmeon, on Easter Monday, April 16th. Bells available 3 o'clock. Tea 5 o'clock. Meeting after at parish institute. Members requiring tea kindly inform me not later than April 10th.

J. W. WHITING, *Dist. Sec.*

Fareham.

The Ely Diocesan Association.—The annual meeting will be held on Easter Monday, April 16th, at Huntingdon. The Archdeacon of Huntingdon will preside. Dinner will be served at The George hotel at 1.30 followed by the business meeting. Members 1s, non-members 2s. Tickets can be obtained from the district secretaries, and must be paid for or returned to the district secretaries before April 7th. The use of the bells at Huntingdon, All Saints, Godmanchester, Hartford, and Houghton, has been kindly granted.

R. L. TWELLS, *Gen. Sec.*

Hinxton, Saffron Walden.

East Derbyshire Association.—The annual meeting will be held at South Wingfield, on Easter Monday, April 16th, 1906. Service in church 4.30. Tea 5.30. Business meeting afterwards.

T. ALLIBONE, *Sec.*

North Wingfield, Chesterfield.

Midland Counties Association.—The annual meeting will be held at Burton-on-Trent on Easter Monday, April 16th. The towers of St. Paul's and St. Modwen's (8 bells) and St. Mark's, Winhill (6 bells) will be open from 10 a.m. Committee meeting at 3.30. Tea 1s. 2d. each at 4.15, followed by general meeting, all in St. Paul's institute. Members and friends who intend taking tea should notify Mr. L. Bullock, 91, Kimberstitch Street (not later than Tuesday, April 10th) as omission to do this causes considerable trouble and inconvenience.

W. E. WHITE, *Hon. Sec.*

Cotgrave, Notts.

The Worcestershire and Districts Association.—The annual meeting will be held at Worcester on Easter Monday, April 16. Service at the church of St. Helen at 1.15 p.m., address by the Rev. Canon Wilson. General meeting in the Cathedral Chapter house at 2.15 p.m. A free tea will be provided for those only sending in their names to me before Wednesday April 11. Towers available for ringing:—Cathedral (12), All Saints (10), St. Helen's (8), St. Nicholas (6), St. Swithin's (6), St. John's (6).

J. R. NEWMAN, *Hon. Sec.*

Bransford, Worcester.

The Sussex County Association.—The annual meeting will be held at Eastbourne on Easter Monday, April 16th. Ringers' service Christ Church, 12.15 p.m. Preacher, Rev. A. A. Allen, B.D. Luncheon at the Royal Restaurant, 1.30 p.m. Chairman, the Mayor of Eastbourne. Business meeting at 2.30. The Christ Church tower will be open for ringing at 10 a.m. The towers of All Saints, St. Mary's,

and St. Saviour's, will be opened after the meeting. Those who propose to attend this meeting are requested to let me know not later than Wednesday, April 11th.

A. B. BENNETT, *Hon. Sec.*

Holyrood, Howard Street, Eastbourne.

CHANGES OF ADDRESS.—Mr. W. Latter, hon. sec. Tonbridge district, Kent County Association, has removed from 4, South View Road, High Brooms, to 26, Dukas Road, Tunbridge Wells.—Mr. A. E. Reeves, Assistant Secretary of the Oxford Diocesan Guild, has removed to 81, Radstock Road, Reading.—Mr. R. T. Hibbert has removed from 23 to 14, Chester Street, Caversham, Oxon.

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SATURDAY, MARCH 31, 1906.

OUR friend WILLIAM WILLSON certainly possesses the
qualities of vigorous and forcible expression. In some
very pointed observations—perhaps more incisive than
polite—he advocates on another page the formation of a
Ringers' National Benevolent Fund. That such would
be a grand thing, no one doubts for a moment. But the
difficulties surrounding any movement of the kind would
we fear be almost insuperable, for it must be confessed
that any movement among ringers demands much hard
work, constant and unrelenting persuasion, and a
tremendous quality of patience not enjoyed by an ordinary
mortal. The scheme has been broached before, and
shelved *sine die*, though we think it did not receive all
the attention it deserved. While saying this, we
should be glad to see the question taken up again with
spirit, and carried to a successful issue on lines something
like our friend mentions. His phillipics on the Central
Council's business are not altogether undeserved, perhaps,

for there are matters for consideration which should have had precedence over some of those at times dealt with. But with regard to the researches of those gentlemen who have analyzed "Methods" to the dregs, and who have come under our friend's lash, they must be complimented upon their labours without stint. Only they should have a care not to "ride a willing horse (hobby or otherwise) to death," as by such means their efforts—clever as they are—may become nauseating.

The Metropolis.

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R. Newton was elected a member previous to starting.

HAWLEY, HANTS.

On Saturday, March 10, 1906, in Two Hours and Forty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

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Conducted by GEORGE HAWKINS.

*First peal. †First peal with a bob bell. First peal by a local band.

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On Saturday, March 10, 1906, in Three Hours and Twenty-six Minutes,

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Conducted by ARTHUR LATHAM.

First peal by the ringers of treble 4th, 5th, 7th and tenor who belong to the local band. This is also the first peal ever rang by any Longton men.

FULBECK, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, February 17, 1906, in Three Hours.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720s each called differently. Tenor 12 cwt.

JOHN KELLY .. Treble.	HORACE PALETHORPE .. 4.
RICHARD W. PORTER .. 2.	WILLIAM KELLY .. 5.
HARRY BARNES .. 3.	GEORGE SCOTT .. Tenor.

Conducted by GEORGE SCOTT.

First peal by the ringers of the treble, 2nd, 4th, and 5th. First peal in the method on the bells.

EPSOM, SURREY.—THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, March 12, 1906, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
HOLT'S TEN-PART. Tenor 16 cwt.

ALFRED YOUNG* Treble.	THOMAS SELF 5.
ALFRED L. BROWN 2.	THOMAS A. SHRUBB 6.
ALFRED E. BASSETT 3.	WILLIAM GEARING 7.
DANIEL W. SNELLING 4.	PERCY COOPER Tenor.

Conducted by WILLIAM GEARING.

*First peal. Rung with the bells deeply muffled as a mark of respect to F. W. Challen, who was buried that day.

STANSTED, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, March 12, 1906, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES.
IN THE OXFORD VARIATION. Tenor 13 cwt.

GEORGE GRAY Treble.	THOMAS JORDAN 5.
THOMAS J. WATTS 2.	WALTER PRIOR 6.
JOHN LUCKEY 3.	*WILLIAM WATTS 7.
WILLIAM T. PRIOR 4.	GEORGE JORDAN Tenor.

Composed by JAMES S. WILDE, and
Conducted by WILLIAM WATTS.

*First peal in the method as conductor. First peal in the method by a local hand. This peal was rung with the bells half muffled as a last mark of respect to their late brother ringer John Cavill.

PADIHAM, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(BLACKBURN BRANCH.)

On Tuesday, March 13, 1906, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LEONARD,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;
IN THE OXFORD VARIATION. Tenor 15 cwt.

HARRY ENTWISTLE* Treble.	RENNIE HARTLEY 5.
TOM REDMAN 2.	*ROBT. WM. HARGREAVES .. 6.
JOHN P. FOULDS* 3.	THOMAS MOUNCEY 7.
ROBT. FOULDS, JUN.* .. 4.	WILLIAM MALLINSON .. Tenor.

Composed and Conducted by WM. MALLINSON.

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

SUNDERLAND.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, March 13, 1906, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES.
Tenor 14 cwt.

JOHN J. LEIGHTON Treble.	JOSEPH W. PARKER 5.
WILLIAM NAISBY* 2.	FRANK NAISBY 6.
RALPH A. LOVIE* 3.	WILLIAM T. ROBSON 7.
THOMAS H. NAISBY 4.	JOHN W. HAWES Tenor.

Composed by J. W. WASHBROOK, and
Conducted by WILLIAM T. ROBSON.

* First peal.

PULHAM, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, March 14, 1906, in Two Hours and Fifty-one Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 15 cwt.

JAMES TANN* Treble.	EGBERT BORRETT 5.
CHARLES BRICE 2.	*ROBERT BARNES 6.
ROBERT WHITING 3.	FREDERICK BORRETT 7.
WILLIAM DUFFIELD* 4.	*HENRY ADCOCK Tenor.

Conducted by F. BORRETT.

*First peal in the method.

ALFRETON, DERBYSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, March 15, 1906, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES.
Tenor 15 cwt.

W. G. CHRISTIAN Treble.	GEO. PIPES 5.
J. HALL 2.	SAML. HALL 6.
J. BROOK 3.	F. WATKINSON 7.
F. BLOOD* 4.	W. ALLSOP Tenor.

Composed by J. J. PARKER, and Conducted by F. WATKINSON.

*First peal.

PENWORTHAM, NEAR PRESTON, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, March 15, 1906, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Violet, Woodbine, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, Oxford Bob, College Single and Plain Bob.

WILLIAM FITCHIE Treble.	TOM FITCHIE 4.
WILLIAM BRADSHAW* .. 2.	FRED HARWOOD 5.
J. R. TAYLOR 3.	WILLIAM TAYLOR Tenor.

Conducted by WILLIAM FITCHIE.

*First peal.

HALESOWEN, WORCESTERSHIRE.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, March 15, 1906, in Three Hours.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES.

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 19½ cwt.

WILLIAM COLEY Treble.	WILLIAM WEBB 5.
HENRY RAYBOULD 2.	ALFRED HACKETT 6.
VICTOR WHITE 3.	GEORGE N. COCKIN 7.
HARRY WILLIAMS* 4.	MATTHEW HACKETT Tenor.

Conducted by HARRY WILLIAMS.

* First peal as conductor.

WOOLWICH, KENT.—THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 17, 1906, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR,
5008 CHANGES. Tenor 13 cwt.

HIGHWOOD S. HUMPHREY Treble.	RICHARD G. CARTER 5.
WILLIAM SHIMMANS 2.	ARTHUR N. HARDY 6.
FREDERICK J. PERRIN 3.	WILLIAM J. ALDRIDGE .. 7.
JOHN H. CHEESMAN 4.	JAMES E. DAVIS Tenor.

Composed by H. DAINS, and Conducted by JOHN H. CHEESMAN.

WATH-ON-DEARNE, YORKSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(SHEFFIELD DISTRICT SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, March 17, 1906, in Two Hours and Forty-two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being 720 each of Arnold's Victory, College Pleasure, City Delight, College Exercise, London Scholars' Pleasure, Duke of York and Violet. Tenor 14 cwt.

EGERTON G. NICHOLLS .. Treble.	ROBERT J. RICKETTS .. 4.
ALBERT CROSSMAN 2.	WALTER ALLWOOD 5.
ARTHUR PANTHER 3.	ALBERT NASH Tenor.

Conducted by ALBERT NASH.

Quickest peal on the bells.

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

ASSTEAD, SURREY.
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 17, 1906, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH ST. GILES,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
HEYWOOD'S TRANSPOSITION OF THURSTANS'S.

JOHN WYATT Treble.	DR. A. B. CARPENTER .. 5.
JAMES D. DREWETT .. 2.	JOHN HOYLE 6.
DOUGLAS W. DREWETT .. 3.	WILLIAM S. SMITH 7.
JOSEPH A. LAMBERT .. 4.	HARRY LAST Tenor.

Conducted by WILLIAM S. SMITH.

BIRSTALL, YORKS.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 17, 1906, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,
AT THE PARISH CHURCH.

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES.
IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 20 cwt.

J. COTTERELL Treble.	I. S. AMBLER 5.
E. CRABTREE* 2.	F. ROBINSON 6.
W. H. SENIOR 3.	*E. CROWTHER 7.
S. GOODALL 4.	*H. PEAL Tenor.

Composed and Conducted by F. ROBINSON.

*First peal.

WEDNESBURY, STAFFORDSHIRE.
SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Saturday, March 17, 1906, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL, WOOD GREEN,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.
Tenor 17 cwt.

CHARLES TYLER* Treble.	*HORACE BELCHER 5.
CHRISTOPHER WALLATER .. 2.	EDWIN J. TYLER 6.
WALTER E. BRITAIN .. 3.	GEORGE HUGHES 7.
JAMES TYLER 4.	JOHN MALPASS Tenor.

Composed and Conducted by G. HUGHES.

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

LIGHTCLIFFE, YORKS.
YORKSHIRE, HALIFAX AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATIONS.

On Saturday, March 17, 1906, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MATTHEW,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES.
IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 20 cwt.

HARRY REYNOLDS Treble.	ELI BARBER 5.
FRANCIS W. BRADLEY .. 2.	ALBERT JAGGER 6.
JOHN LAWSON 3.	FRANCIS BARKER 7.
LEWIS MIDDLEY 4.	FRED. SALMONDS Tenor.

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS and Conducted by FRED. SALMONDS.

WOLVERHAMPTON, STAFFORDSHIRE.
SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Saturday, March 17, 1906, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LUKE,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES.
GROVES'S (No. 2 VARIATION) PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 10 cwt. in F sharp.

HENRY MORRIS Treble.	WILLIAM BRANT 5.
HENRY FARLOW 2.	DANIEL JONES 6.
ALFRED J. SMITH 3.	JAMES E. GROVES 7.
HENRY BENTLEY 4.	ALFRED FALLON Tenor.

Conducted by JAMES E. GROVES.

Rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor.

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

MOTTRAM, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(BOWDEN, STOCKPORT, AND MOTTRAM BRANCHES.)

On Saturday, March 17, 1906, in Five Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 10,176 CHANGES;
IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 12½ cwt.

I. SIDEBOTHAM Treble.	F. HALL 5.
A. FIELDING 2.	J. HARROP 6.
J. GODDARD 3.	J. HARRISON 7.
J. J. PEMBERTON 4.	C. MARSLAND Tenor.

Composed by W. HARRISON, and Conducted by I. SIDEBOTHAM.

BURNLEY, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(BLACKBURN AND PRESTON BRANCHES)

On Saturday, March 17, 1906, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;
IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 11½ cwt.

THOMAS HOWARTH Treble.	*J. RICHARD TAYLOR .. 5.
WILLIAM WALTON 2.	TOM REDMAN 6.
HARRY ENTWISTLE 3.	ROBERT WM. HARGREAVES 7.
WILLIAM TAYLOR* 4.	†RENNIE HARTLEY Tenor.

Composed by J. NICHOLL, and Conducted by R. HARTLEY.

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

LIMPSFIELD, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 17, 1906, in Two Hours and Forty-four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being two 720s of Oxford Bob, one each of Plain Bob, Grandsire,
Canterbury Pleasure, Double Oxford, and College Single.

EDWARD TIDY Treble.	SAMUEL HEATH 4.
GEORGE A. COWLAND .. 2.	EDWARD J. HOAD 5.
WILLIAM MATHEWS 3.	ALFRED A. JARRATT Tenor.

Conducted by A. JARRATT.

Rung as a birthday and farewell complement to W. Mathews, his brother ringers
wishing him many happy returns and success in his new situation. First peal on
the bells by an entirely local band. Quickest peal on the bells.

TWYNING, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 17, 1906, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALENE,

A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being forty-two 6-scores each called differently. Tenor 11 cwt.

WALTER J. DARKE Treble.	FREDK. C. GRIFFITHS .. 4.
PHILIP PRICE 2.	FRANK PRICE 5.
STEPHEN LONG 3.	FRANK W. DARKE Tenor.

Conducted by FRANK PRICE.

First peal on the bells; also by all the band.

GAINSBOROUGH, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, March 17, 1906, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
A VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 20 cwt.

JOHN FISHER Treble.	W. H. HEYHOE 5.
P. O. BIXBY 2.	E. BROWN 6.
CHAS. KENNINGTON* .. 3.	J. W. SEAMER 7.
JOHN T. LADD 4.	CHARLES TAYLOR Tenor.

(No conductor mentioned.)

*First peal in the method. First half-muffled peal on the bells. Rung with the
bells half-muffled as a tribute of respect to the late Henry D. Marshall, Esq.

ASTON-JUXTA-BIRMINGHAM.

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

On Saturday, March 17, 1906, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERES, 5005 CHANGES.

Tenor 22 cwt.

JAMES JONES	Treble.	JOHN CARTER	6.
WILLIAM H. GODDEN ..	2.	SAMUEL GROVES ..	7.
CHARLES DICKENS ..	3.	ARTHUR E. PEGLER ..	8.
EDMUND J. HYLAND ..	4.	ALF PADDON SMITH ..	9.
THOMAS REYNOLDS ..	5.	SYDNEY J. JESSOP ..	Tenor.

Composed and Conducted by JOHN CARTER.

This peal has only the 6th behind the 8th and 9th, and was rung as a birthday peal for Messrs. Jones and Jessop, the ringers wishing them many happy returns.

LYDNEY, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

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

On Saturday, March 17, 1906, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

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

Tenor 14½ cwt.

JOHN W. DAVIS	Treble.	WILLIAM J. SEVIER ..	5.
THOMAS BALDWIN ..	2.	GEORGE CONDICK ..	6.
JOHN AUSTIN	3.	SYDNEY M. LOXTON ..	7.
JESSE GILLET	4.	ERNEST E. DAVIS ..	Tenor.

Composed by SIR ARTHUR HEYWOOD, BART.,
and Conducted by JOHN AUSTIN.

SALTBURN-BY-THE-SEA.

CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 17, 1906, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF BOB TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES.

Tenor 23 cwt.

R. LAUGHTON*	Treble.	*T. BARBER	5.
J. APPLETON*	2.	*E. MILBURN	6.
R. MOSSON*	3.	†J. H. BLAKISTON ..	7.
R. NEWTON†	4.	*C. J. WATSON	Tenor.

Composed by J. A. TROLLOPE, and Conducted by J. H. BLAKISTON.

*First 5000. †First in the method; also by the Association.

REIGATE, SURREY.

On Monday, March 19, 1906, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES.

HENRY F. EWINS	Tenor.	GEORGE H. CROUCHER ..	5.
WILLIAM ARGENT	2.	THOMAS SPARKS	6.
ARTHUR HOLMAN	3.	WILLIAM H. CARD ..	7.
ALBERT E. BARROWS ..	4.	GEORGE F. HOAD	Tenor.

Composed by H. J. TUCKER, and Conducted by GEORGE F. HOAD.

MIDDLESBROUGH, YORKS.

CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, March 19, 1906, in Two Hours and Forty-nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. HILDA,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION.

Tenor 12 cwt.

WILLIAM J. TITCHENER ..	Treble.	WILLIAM WALAND	5.
GEORGE PICKERING	2.	J. H. LENTON	6.
ALEXANDER MCFARLANE ..	3.	JOHN H. BLAKISTON ..	7.
JOHN WEDGWOOD	4.	RICHARD NEWTON	Tenor.

Composed by JAMES PRATT, and Conducted by J. H. BLAKISTON.

Rung to celebrate the recent induction of the Rev. Frank H. Stock to the living of St. Hilda's.

COPY OF "THE QUIVER," wanted for December, 1901. Apply, stating price, to "C." care of the Editor.

Miscellaneous.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

OLDBURY (Worcestershire).—On Friday, December 1st, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 40 mins. F. Troth, J. Jaggar, T. Horton, J. Key, T. Walton, J. Screen conductor, R. Hall, J. Ford.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

BOURNE (Lincolnshire).—Recently, at the Abbey Church, 720 Oxford Treble Bob. H. Hollis, J. W. Lake, C. Neaverson, A. Larkinson, A. Allen, J. Osborne conductor. First 720 in the method by the local band. Another 720 in the same method. H. Hollis, J. W. Lake, A. Allen, C. Neaverson, A. Larkinson, J. Osborne conductor. On December 21st. 720 Kent Treble Bob. A. Allen, J. Lake, A. Holmes, C. Neaverson, J. Osborne conductor, J. L. Bainbridge. On January 6th, 720 Kent Treble Bob. H. Hollis, J. Lake, J. Osborne, C. Neaverson, A. Larkinson, A. Holmes conductor.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

CRAWLEY (Sussex).—On Saturday, March 10th, with the bells muffled as a mark of respect to the late Robert William Gates, 168 and 504 Grandsire Triples. S. Johnson, O. Sippetts, R. Sippetts, H. Fearless, P. Tyley, J. Rice conductor, A. D. Mills, A. Thornton. First 504 by an entirely local band for seven years.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

OLD MARDEN (Beds).—On Sunday, October 15th, 720 Kent Treble Bob. F. Webb, F. Wells, F. York, W. Newton, W. J. Mayes, C. R. Lilley conductor. On October 22nd, 240 Bob Minor. F. Wells, T. Scott, C. R. Lilley conductor, F. York, W. J. Mayes, J. Hare. And 120 Bob Doubles.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

BRAMLEY (Hants).—On March 26th, at a quarterly meeting of the Basingstoke branch, 720 Bob Minor. Eva Lawrence, T. Greenaway, Eva Belcher, H. White, A. Frape, J. Ballard conductor.

NORTH STONEHAM (Hants).—On Thursday, January 4th, on the occasion of the wedding of Leonard Bodley Scott to Dorothy Mary, eldest daughter of the Rev. E. Kenworthy Browne, Rector of North Stoneham, 720 Bob Minor. E. Dumper, C. Fray, W. Rowe, jun., W. G. Rowe, W. Rowe, A. Marks conductor. Another 720 Bob Minor. E. Mundy, 1; the rest as before. 720 Bob Minor, conducted by C. Fray. 720 Bob Minor. W. Rowe, jun., C. Fray conductor. And 300 Bob Minor. C. Fray, W. Tucker, W. Rowe, jun., W. G. Rowe, W. Rowe, A. Marks conductor.

DUNS FOLD (Surrey).—On November 23rd, at the parish church, 1440 Bob Minor. P. Stennidg, E. W. Smithers, W. T. Cox, A. Smithers, J. W. Harrison conductor, T. Squelch. On December 7th, 720 Bob Minor, standing as before. A course of College Single Minor. On December 14th, 2520 Bob Minor, in 1 hr. 25 mins., standing as before. On December 22nd, a quarter-peal of Doubles. P. Stennidg, E. W. Smithers, J. W. Harrison conductor, W. T. Cox, A. Smithers, E. Waite. On December 25th, a quarter-peal of Doubles, standing as before.

SWANMORE.—On December 24th, after Divine Service, 720 Plain Bob. H. Ainsley, E. Jacobs, W. Cooper, G. Laishley, E. Linter, A. Millard conductor. On December 25th, 720 Oxford. F. Hoare, E. Jacobs, W. Cooper, G. Laishley, A. Millard, W. Linter conductor. And 360 Plain Bob.

HAMMERSMITH.—On Sunday, December 3rd, for evening service at the parish church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, taken from Holt's Original, in 45 mins. J. W. Ross, E. R. Mackrill, A. J. Smith, J. P. Kent, C. C. Cox conductor, F. Skevington, E. Cassell, G. H. Coombes. First quarter-peal by J. W. Ross. All members of the local band except the ringer of the 7th.

ILKLEY (Yorks).—For evening service at the parish church on December 31st, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 44 mins. J. R. Feather, J. Rexton, J. Birkin, W. Cook, J. Mumford, W. Stubbs, W. Crawshaw conductor, T. Wardman.

RAYLEIGH (Essex).—On December 25th, at Holy Trinity church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples. C. Stewart, G. Smith, A. Stroulger, H. E. Smith, W. Bingham, S. Bingham, W. H. Judd conductor, G. Bradley. First quarter-peal by the local company.

SWANAGE (Dorset).—On December 25th, for Divine Service at the parish church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 45 mins. H. White, F. Brunson, L. Nicholls, W. Tomes, W. Bishop, G. Williams, W. Bastable conductor, A. T. Paine.

Obituary.

THOMAS LILLEY.

It is with deep regret that we have to record the death of the above-named ringer, who died on Thursday, March 1st, aged 61 years. He was interred in the family vault in St. Paul's parish churchyard, Shipley, on Monday, March 5th, amid many manifestations of sympathy. The deceased ringer had been a member of the Shipley company for a long number of years, till failing health compelled him to cease active service some time ago. On Sunday the service touches were rung with the bells deeply muffled, and both before and after the funeral muffled touches were rung by a representative company from Shipley, Bradford, Bolton, Headingley, Tong and Bingley. A course of Grandsire Triples were also rung at the grave side after the funeral service by John Boddy, Joe Broadley, Thos. B. Kendall, Geo. A.

Nettleton. Mr. Lilley was an old member and past officer of the Tree of Life Lodge of the Manchester Unity, from which there were present Bros. H. G. Stuart, J. Dibb, J. B. Cryer, W. Shackleton, J. Barraclough, and O. A. Hanson. Mr. Lilley was a life member of the Yorkshire Association, which was represented by Mr. George Bolland, vice-president, and Mr. J. Broadley, steward. On Sunday the members of the parish church assisted by Mr. Broadley, attempted a peal of Kent Treble Bob Major, with the bells deeply muffled, as a mark of respect to deceased, but it unfortunately came to grief after ringing 1 hr. 50 mins. R.I.P.

JOHN CAVILL.

We regret to announce the death of the above-named ringer, which took place on Thursday, March 8th, after an illness of fourteen months. His last visit to the tower was on Sunday, January 8th, 1905,

when he rang for morning service. Deceased was in his 74th year. He was the oldest member of the Stansted company, having been a ringer at the old parish church for 45 years. He is the last of the old five-bell company. He only rang five peals on the old six bells. Deceased never rang but the treble, and a better treble man could not be found. He was always willing to give way to a young one, and to give them a chance of getting on. He was too far advanced in years to do much on the eight when the two trebles were added; he rang the treble and tenor in a few touches, but never rang a peal on eight. He was a member of the Essex Association. The funeral took place on March 12th in the parish churchyard, the service being conducted by the Vicar, the Rev. G. H. Oakshott. The coffin was borne to the grave by six members of the Stansted company. After service a deeply-muffled touch of Stedman Triples was rung by W. T. Prior, H. Little, J. Luckey, W. Prior, T. Jordan, T. J. Watts, W. Watts conductor, G. Jordan. In the evening a half-muffled peal of Oxford Treble Bob was rung, particulars of which appear in its proper place. On Sunday, for morning service, the bells were rung half-muffled.

JOHN TAYLOR & CO.,

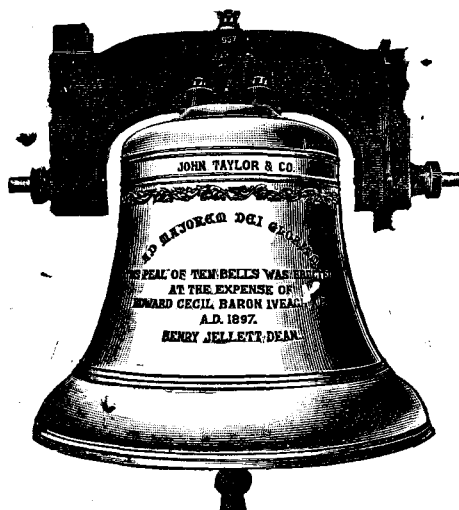
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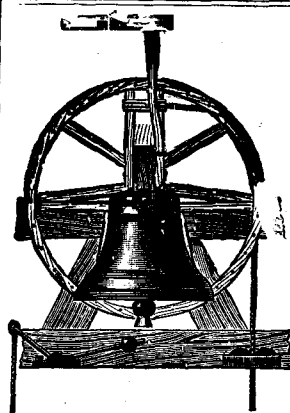
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