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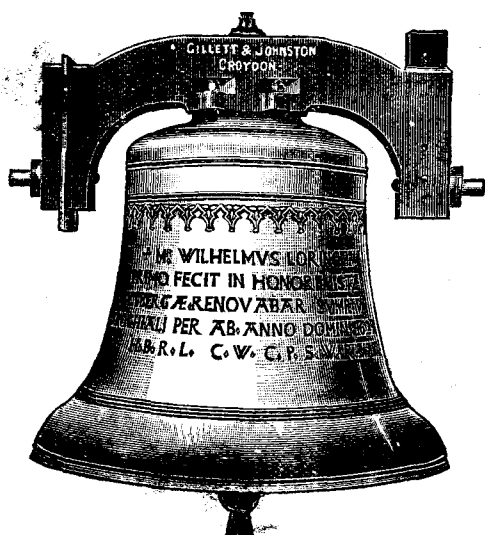
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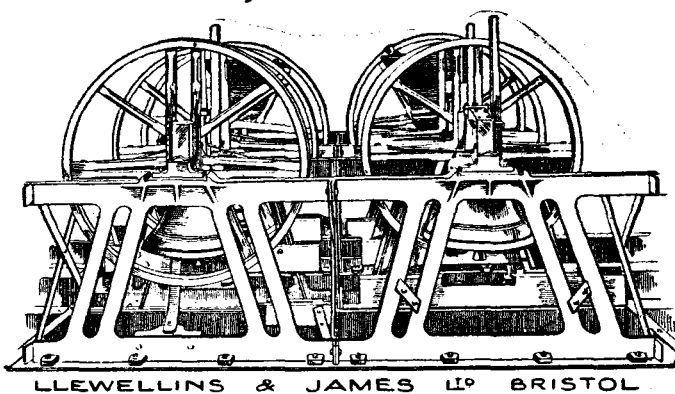
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THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

ANNUAL FESTIVAL DINNER.

Continuation of Report.)

In proposing the toast of "The Ancient Society of College Youths," the Rev. G. F. Coleridge (Crowthorne) said: I daresay you remember two or three years ago I told a story of a swarm of bees that had taken up an abode in the belfry (a very small belfry—smaller even than the Archdeacon's) in the parish adjoining mine, with somewhat dire results, which were largely embellished by a reporter in London, who narrated the terrible things that had happened to the ringer and the Vicar, setting it out that a regrettable thing had occurred—the Vicar, whilst at prayer, had been stung, and uttered a terrible word. I mention this because I feel very much like a bee, and will tell you why. You keep me, year after year, flitting about from one flower to another. One year it is with a big flower stem with a magnificent head that has been growing up sturdily for no less than 275 years; another year you keep me on those flowers which are known as the Provincial Societies. When it is not one it is the other. That is why I am like the bee. I see Mr. Bowen here, from Ilfracombe. He would use the word "dapping" about from one to the other. I come, then, and gather honey, like the busy bee; in other words I gain refreshment when I come here year by year; I suck it in, as it were, I go home and think about it, and it keeps me going till this time next year. You must remember that a bee has a business head; but it has not only a business head, but a very sharp sting. Being a bee I feel it my duty to-night to let that sting, for a few moments, enter into the question of cup competitions. I do not mean to go very deep, because a bee when he stings very deep leaves the sting behind and dies. I do not want to die, but I say that these cup competitions which are coming on, in my opinion are a very grave menace to the good of the Exercise at large. About a year ago it was reported that certain gentlemen were going to give a cup to the society or association which secured most points in peals during the year. A few weeks ago I was consulted about a certain squire in a certain deanery, who was anxious to offer a cup for competition amongst the six-bell ringers chiefly of that deanery at their annual festival. Yesterday I learnt that a further cup is likely to be given for ringing on Sundays. I have my own feelings about that, and I think myself that all such competitions are not only disastrous to the ringing Exercise at large, but they are also utterly degrading to the ringer, who is first and foremost a Church officer. Mark you, and mark it well, please, I have not got one syllable to say as to the motives (I trust they are the very best and highest possible motives) which prompted those gentlemen to offer cups. I have not a word to say about that. It is only the result of which I wish to say a few words, and that result will, in my opinion, be disaster to the good of the Exercise. We shall find certain crack bands going out week after week with the sole object of amassing points. Where are the rank and file? Are they being instructed? You ask me which is

the finest ringer, and the man who is most worthy of emulation. Although I have the highest possible estimation for the man who will ring a 20,000 in Bristol Surprise I have infinitely greater estimation for a man who will give up an evening or two in the week, or his Saturdays, to try and haul round six yokels—countrymen—through their first 120 changes. We admire most the man who will give up his spare time to help on those who do not know as much as himself, and we do not want any competition for that. I have, myself, a very strong objection to the church being degraded to the level of a football ground, and to competing companies using a belfry as their battleground. It is not the motive that I speak of, that has prompted the giving of these cups: it is not for you or me to judge that, or say one word about it, but it is the disastrous effect which I think it will have on the Exercise at large. I must not say anything more about that. I must not forget the toast which has been entrusted to me—The Ancient Society of College Youths. Long may it flourish. It has flourished for the last 275 years. I trust it may for many hundreds of years to come. But when I look round this table—I have been here for a good many years now—there is a vast difference in the faces which I see. Very of the old lot left. Especially this year we have to mourn the loss of three most distinguished London members—Messrs. James Pettitt, Matt Wood and Cooter. I might say a great deal about them, but I understand Mr. Dawe, at a later stage, has something to say about them and how much he owed to them. When I look around this table, what a vast difference to the first occasion on which I met the College Youths, 33 years ago, when I was an undergraduate at Oxford. They very kindly let me ring, or try to ring, the tenor at St. Saviour's and we went to the meeting house afterwards. I was taken under the wing of two distinguished men—Mr. Murray Hayes and a gentleman whose name I did not know at the time, but whom I afterwards found to be Mr. Dwight. I have met the College Youths scores of times since then, but I see a very great difference, indeed. We look round and we see the status of ringers has risen enormously—I hope because the status of parsons has risen enormously. After relating several humorous stories illustrating the ways of the parson of a hundred years ago, Mr. Coleridge proceeded to draw the inference that if parsons did things which were discreditable and so lowered their status it was not at all surprising that ringers and other Church officers had a very low name as well. He then went on:—I do not say it is owing to a different type of parsons nowadays. There are half-a-dozen in this room, and I am perfectly certain that if any one of us resembled those that I have been speaking about you would not allow us in your company, and you would be right. But I trust that parsons and ringers having grown up together are trying, by setting the highest possible ideal before us, to do the very best we can to the glory of God and the good of His Church. That is what we all ought to try to do, whether it is in ringing or in our own private life—try to do the very best in the sight of God for His honour and glory without seeking any earthly reward or even recognition. And now I have

spoken too long. I have to couple with this toast the name of our worthy Secretary, Mr. Cockerill. I know it will be received with acclamation. I was delighted to hear from him the other night, when he told me he had been working beyond midnight, and I told him I had done the same thing most nights. We seemed like brothers over it. You know what he has done for this Society. You know how we value him and all his work, and we trust that he will long be the Secretary of this Society, and that the Society will flourish and abound under him and his successors and a worthy succession of Masters like Mr. Taffender and those who have gone before. And now, having said so much, and having left my sting, I hope not deep; and having spread a little honey, or eaten a little honey, I take it you will let me sit down and listen to the other speeches. I give you the toast of the Ancient Society of College Youths (applause).

In responding, Mr. W. T. Cockerill, the Secretary, thanked Mr. Coleridge very sincerely for the very many kind things he had said about the Society. He also thanked the company most heartily for the way in which the toast had been received and honoured. Continuing, Mr. Cockerill said Mr. Coleridge spoke about peal-ringing and practices. He was glad to say that their list of practices outnumbered the collection of peals in the past year. Looking over the books the other night, he found that the practices in the city Churches, since the last dinner, came to a total of 59. Out of those there were some men who had met 57 times, and several over 50 times. The peals that had been rung during the last 12 months comprise: Seven 720s 5; Double Norwich Major 1; Stedman Triples 8 (3 on handbells); Stedman Caters 6; Stedman Cinques 5 (one on handbells); Treble Bob Major 4 (including 8000 odd at Barking, which is the longest performance this year); Treble Bob Royal 1; Treble Bob Maximus 2 (1 on handbells); Bristol Surprise 3 (the first time that this has been recorded at the annual dinner); Cambridge Surprise Maximus 1; Total 36. The number of members admitted into the Society during the year was 28. Letters of regret at inability to attend have been received from the Dean of St. Paul's, Archdeacon Holmes, Archdeacon Taylor, Rev. Canon Masterman (Bow, Cheapside), Rev. Richard Peek (St. Magnus), H. J. McKinder, Esq., M.P., Mr. C. H. Hattersley, Lieutenant G. Mackinnon, R.N. Mr. Hattersley sent a very kind letter, and he (Mr. Cockerill) was very sorry he was not well enough to be with them; he had suffered a long illness all the summer. Before sitting down the Hon. Secretary wished Mr. Coleridge "Many happy returns of to-morrow" (applause).

At this stage Messrs. A. C. Hardy, C. Fenn, T. Faulkner, and R. Fenn, rang a course of London Surprise on the handbells. The striking was wonderfully accurate, and the result was greeted with acclamation and much applause.

(To be continued.)

OBITUARY.

MR. JOSEPH BEANLANDS.

Mr. Joseph Beanlands, of Hebor House, Ilkley, who was conductor of the Ilkley Parish Church ringers for about twenty years, died on Monday last from an attack of pneumonia. Mr. Beanlands who was 51 years of age, was for many years a sidesman at the Church. The remains were interred at the Ilkley Cemetery on Wednesday afternoon, and as the funeral proceeded to the

cemetery, a muffled peal was rung on the Parish Church bells, and on Sunday evening for service. a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples was rung, (the bells being fully muffled, except the tenor at backstroke), by the following members: S. Raynor, W. Cook, H. Verity, C. Stephenson, R. Richmond, J. W. Birkin, T. W. Crawshaw (conductor) C. Spencer.

ERIN CATERS.

BY THE REV. E. S. POWELL, *Holbeton.*

5243.

123456789 1 4 5 6 7

412356978	-	s	-	
261453		-	-	-
416253		-	-	-
231546	-	-	-	-
513246		-	-	-
361542		-	-	-
126345		-	-	-
362145		-	-	-
152346		-	-	-
325146		-	-	-
562341		-	-	-
216543		-	-	-
564123	-	-	-	-
146523		-	-	-
532614	-	-	-	-
623514		-	-	-
132564	-	-	-	-

Repeat twice, omitting bob at "1," and calling bob for single at "5" in first course.

321456978

132456879 1, 5, 7, 9, 15, 17

Repeat as above three times (*i.e.* with calling as in second and third parts). Bells run round fifth blow of eleventh course of last part.

The extent (negative) in Tittums of 6 4, 4 5, 5 6, 4 6, 6 5, 5 4.

The extent (positive) handstroke, ditto.

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NOTES.

We regret to record the death on Monday, November 18th, at Madan Road, Westerham, after only a short illness, of Annie, the dearly loved wife of George B. Selby, aged 50 years.

Referring to the 720 Surprise Minor rung at Bacup on November 14th, Mr. Jos. Lomas asks: Could you inform us whether this has been rung before, if not, we intend to call it "Bacup Surprise," and also if you could get to know whether Nos. 10, 11, 12, 13, 18, 20, and 21 have been rung and named. All these methods are from the Central Council Collection of Legitimate Methods.

The reply of Messrs. H. Dains, Hattersley, and Pitstow to Mr. Gabriel Lindoft's letter of last week is held over.

Some other communications are also held over, but will appear next week.

The peal rung at Horton. Staffs., on November 9th, was rung by members of the Stoke Archidiaconal Association, and should be credited to that body.

The Wraysbury band had a narrow escape from failure on November 15th, the rope of the 4th breaking as they were lowering, after ringing a peal of Grandsire Triples.

When a ringer attains his 73rd birthday, and can ring through a peal, there is not much the matter with him. We congratulate Mr. Wm. Rock Small on his performance at Tipton on November 12th.

Mr. A. E. Edwards, the conductor of the Barcombe band, is to be congratulated on his successful tuition of the band.

Started at Easter, when the bells were augmented to six, they rang their first peal on November 13th.

In another column is an appeal on behalf of the widow of the late Mr. Arthur Jacob, of Hornsey, who is in need of that help which Mr. Jacob so willingly gave to others in like circumstances. Here is a chance for ringers to show their generosity and their appreciation of an old comrade.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

FAREHAM.—On Wednesday evening, November 13th, after meeting short for a peal, 1472 Kent Treble Bob Major. F. Tull, J. W. Whiting, L. H. Page, D. Beer, E. C. Collins, G. Chappell, A. Mears, G. Williams (conductor). This was F. Tull's first attempt at Treble Bob Major, also D. Beer's longest length in the method. On opening the door we found our absent man for the peal, who had turned up to explain the why and wherefore of his absence at the scheduled time.

BY ROYAL WARRANT

TO

HER LATE MAJESTY QUEEN VICTORIA.—1857-1901.

HIS LATE MAJESTY KING EDWARD VII.—1901-1910.

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Addressed to the Editor.

While gladly throwing our columns open for the discussion of subjects of interest, the Editor does not hold himself responsible for the opinions expressed by correspondents.

MR. TROLLOPE'S PEAL OF BOB MAJOR.

SIR,—A few weeks back Mr. Price published a six-part peal of Bob Major, which I claimed as my own. This week a correspondent states that it was rung many years ago by the Yorkshire Association as the composition of Mr. J. S. Wilde, of Hyde. I should like to have further information. Between 1895 and 1903, when I was collecting peals in this method for the Central Council, I took a great deal of trouble to get all the good compositions extant. Among many others I corresponded with Mr. Wilde, and he sent me his peals, but this was not among them. The original peal on the plan belongs of course to Henry Hubbard.

5184.

23456	W	5	4	B	M	R
52364	—			I		—
24365	—	x				—
45362	—	x				—
34562	—					—
62534		x				—
52436						—
24536	—	x				—
45236	—	x				—
34256	—					—

HENRY HUBBARD (before 1876.)

5088.

23456	W	5	4	B	M	R
35264				I		
52364	—	x				—
43265						—
23564						—
45236	—					—
24536						—
52436						—
34256		x				

J. S. WILDE, 1896.

5088.

23456	W	5	4	M	R
36452	—	x			—
45362	—				—
23564					—
52364					—
43265	—	x			
52346		s—			
23546	—	x			—
45326		x			—
24356	—				

J. S. WILDE, 1893.

5088.

23456	W	5	4	B	M	R
52364	—			I		—
24365	—	x				—
45362	—	x				—
34562	—					—
25346	—				—	—
32546						—
53246						—
43256		s				

J. A. TROLLOPE, 1894.

5184.

23456	W	5	4	B	M	R
52364	—			I		—
24365	—	x				—
45362	—	x				—
34562	—					—
53246	—					—
32546	—			3		—
25346	—	x				—
34256	—					—

J. A. TROLLOPE, 1895.

There are other peals on the same plan, but these are the best.
Yours truly,

J. ARMIGER TROLLOPE.

SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE.

SIR,—Referring to my table showing the possible extent of reversals of the bells in 5-6 published in your issue of November 9th, I have been favoured by Mr. Lindoff with an additional set of course-ends (No. 6 in the table below) which did not occur to me when I was enquiring into the matter. It will be seen that this set completes a symmetrical table which my former one was not. In the former table I gave the various forms in which the same relation of course-ends might appear. I here give them in only one form each. It will be understood that the course-ends in each set do not follow one another, but that they may appear in any order singly at any part of the peal, provided that the requirements as to bobs Before preceding and following the course-ends are duly observed with bobs at Home where noted.

Yours faithfully,

ARTHUR HEYWOOD.

I may say that Mr. Lindoff sent me two very clever peals, each having three sets of reversed course-ends on his plan shewn under No. 6 of the table. Of course peals on this plan cannot pretend to musical properties, any more than can those of Double Norwich which appear in your last issue.

Table of possible arrangements of course-ends in Superlative Surprise in which bells in 5-6 may be employed reversed.

Preceded by bob B.	Course ends.	Followed by bob B.	Preceded by bob B.	Course ends.	Followed by bob B.
1	{ 23456 24365		2	{ — 23456 — 32465	H — H —
3	{ 23456 32465	H —	4	{ — 23456 — 24365	H — H —
5	{ — 23456 — 42356 — 24365	H — H — —	6	{ — 23456 — 34256 — 32465	— — H —

Where H is noted, the course-end is bobbed; otherwise it is plain. The dashes shew where there must be bobs Before preceding (that is, in the same course as) the course-end, or following (that is, in the next course). Bobs B additional to those in the table may be employed if required without risk, but the ones shewn are necessary to truth.

DOUBLE NORWICH MAJOR.

By E. C. GOBEY, Ilkeston.

5040 (No. 9).

23456 I 4 6

53624 - - -

36524 - - -

25634 - - -

56234 - - -

62534 - - -

35264 - - -

52364 - - -

63254 - - -

32654 - - -

26534 - - -

56423 - - *

24653 - - *

54326 - - -

43526 - - -

25346 - - -

53246 - - -

52346 - - s

43256 - - -

32456 - - -

54236 - - -

42536 - - -

25436 - - -

Repeat, calling the following three courses in the place of the two marked * in the second part thus:--

I 4 6

- - -

- - -

- - -

5376 (No. 10.)

23456 I 4 6

65324 - - -

23564 - - -

36524 - - -

25634 - - -

56234 - - -

62534 - - -

35264 - - -

52364 - - -

63254 - - -

32654 - - -

26354 - - -

56423 - - -

24653 - - -

35426 - - -

24536 - - -

43526 - - -

25346 - - -

53246 - - -

52346 - - s

43256 - - -

32456 - - -

54236 - - -

42536 - - -

25436 - - -

Repeated. Omit the three bobs bracketted, and the peal is 5152.

DOUBLE NORWICH MAJOR.

By H. PRICE.

5104.

23456 I 4 5 6

43652 - - -

36452 - - -

46253 - - -

62453 - - -

24653 - - -

62345 - - -

23645 - - -

34625 - - -

26435 - - -

64235 - - -

32465 - - -

24365 - - -

43265 - - -

23564 - - -

35264 - - -

62534 - - -

25634 - - -

36524 - - -

65324 - - -

53624 - - -

26354 - - -

63254 - - -

52364 - - -

54326 - - -

43526 - - -

35426 - - -

24536 - - -

45236 - - -

52436 - - -

34256 - - -

42536 s - - -

25436 - - -

54236 - - -

32456 - - -

24356 - - -

Repeat last twelve courses, calling first 1-6.

FULHAM.—On Sunday morning, November 17th, for Divine Service at All Saints' Church, a quarter-peal of Stedman Caters (1263 changes), in 51 mins. R. Harvey, E. A. Arthurton, L. Startup, H. G. Owen, A. Cutmore, A. W. Darlington, W. J. Troughton, L. Attwater, S. J. Collins, G. F. Edwards. [Conducted by Louis Attwater.

ISLEWORTH (Middlesex).—On Sunday, November 10th, for morning service at the Parish Church, a quarter-peal of Grand-sire Triples. A. Beckensale, G. A. Ransom, T. Beadle, C. Dell, H. J. Biggs, H. W. Liddetter (conductor), G. Spencer, A. Sheard. Rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor.

TEWKESBURY.—On Sunday, November 17th, on the occasion of the Mayor and Corporation attending morning service at the Abbey, 630 Grandsire Triples. H. Witherington, W. Hampton, C. Dyson, F. Smith, J. Wathen, T. Devereux, Jos. Wathen (conductor), W. Haines.

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THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, November 16, 1912, in Three Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL, CORNHILL.

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5007 CHANGES.

Tenor 41 cwt.

EDWIN BARNETT, SEN. .. Treble.	FREDK. A. HOLDEN 7.
ISAAC G. SHADE 2.	RUBEN SANDERS 8.
GEORGE R. PYE 3.	JAMES GEORGE 9.
CHARLES T. COLES 4.	KEITH HART 10.
BERTRAM PREWETT 5.	WILLIAM PYE 11.
JOHN H. CHEESMAN 6.	ERNEST PYE Tenor.

Composed by CHARLES H. HATTERSLEY, and
Conducted by BERTRAM PREWETT.

The Provinces.

STAINES, MIDDLESEX.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, November 5, 1912, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES; IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 15½ cwt.

JOSEPH J. PRATT Treble.	LEONARD STILWELL 5.
BERTRAM PREWETT 2.	JOHN H. PRESTON 6.
WILLIAM E. BUTLER 3.	GEORGE SPENCER 7.
WILLIAM WELLING 4.	JOHN H. B. HESSE Tenor.

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS, and
Conducted by BERTRAM PREWETT.

APPLETON, BERKS.—THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, November 5, 1912, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAURENCE.

A PEAL OF ORANDSIRE CATERS, 5079 CHANGES.

Tenor 14½ cwt.

WILLIAM H. HOLIFIELD .. Treble.	*ARTHUR H. WHITE 6.
ALBERT E. LOCK 2.	F. STEDMAN WHITE 7.
HARRY HOLIFIELD 3.	GEORGE HOLIFIELD, SEN. .. 8.
CUTHBERT G. WHITE 4.	RICHARD WHITE 9.
GEORGE HOLIFIELD, JUN. .. 5.	FRED WHITE Tenor.

Composed and Conducted by G. HOLIFIELD, SEN.

KIDLINGTON, OXON.—THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wednesday, November 6, 1912, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF ORANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES.

WALTER JUDGE* Treble.	CUTHBERT G. WHITE 5.
GEORGE HOLIFIELD, JUN. .. 2.	GEORGE HOLIFIELD, SEN. .. 6.
GEORGE E. STONE 3.	WILLIAM JUDGE 7.
FRED WEBB 4.	GEORGE FATHERS Tenor.

Conducted by G. HOLIFIELD, JUN.

*First peal.

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CARDIFF, GLAMORGANSHIRE

THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, November 7, 1912, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES.

Tenor 27 cwt. in D.

HENRY DAY Treble.	FRED CHAMBERLAIN 5.
CLARENCE O. HOBBS 2.	JOHN W. JONES 6.
EVAN COLES 3.	WILLIAM G. MILLER 7.
SIDNEY DAWK 4.	SEYMOUR BAKER Tenor.

Composed by JOHN CARTER, and Conducted by J. W. JONES.

Rung in honour of the wedding of the eldest son of the ringer of the 4th (Expl. Staff-Sergeant E. C. Dawe, R.A.), who was married at St. Mary Magdalene, Woolwich, to Miss Edith Perry, the ringers wishing them every happiness.

REDGRAVE, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

On Saturday, November 9, 1912, in Two Hours and Thirty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BOTOLPH,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of College Single, Double Court, and two 720s of Plain Bob, one 720 of Kent, and two 720s of Oxford Treble Bob.

SOLOMON MOULE Treble.	CHARLES CHENERY 4.
CHARLES BAILEY 2.	GEORGE BAILEY 5.
EDGAR BAILEY 3.	ARTHUR BAILEY Tenor.

Conducted by A. BAILEY.

EDGWARE, MIDDLESEX.

THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 9, 1912, in Two Hours and Forty-six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Merchants' Return, Oxford, Woodbine, and Kent Treble Bob, College Single, Oxford Bob, and Plain Bob.

Tenor 8½ cwt.

RICHARD KILBY Treble.	HARRY KILBY 4.
FREDERICK WELLS 2.	LAWRENCE PORTER 5.
GEORGE M. KILBY 3.	THOMAS LANGDON Tenor.

Conducted by THOMAS LANGDON.

Rung as a birthday compliment to G. M. Kilby.

NUTFIELD, SURREY.—THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

(Southern Branch.)

On Sunday, November 10, 1912, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being two 720s each of Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, and three of Plain Bob. Tenor 11½ cwt.

WILLIAM H. WOOD* .. Treble.	THOMAS S. LEBSON 4.
WILLIAM BASHFORD 2.	*EDWARD SNELLING 5.
FRED BASHFORD 3.	FRANK HAWKINS Tenor.

Conducted by F. BASHFORD.

*First peal, First peal as conductor. W. Wood was elected a member of the Association previous to starting.

BACUP.—On Thursday, November 14th, for practice at Christ Church, 720 of No. 19 Surprise Minor, taken from the Central Council Collection of Legitimate Methods. D. Barnes, D. Briggs, J. S. Lomas, R. W. Etherington, J. W. Ratcliffe, J. H. Barnes (conductor). This is the first 720 in the method for all.

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STAUNTON, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, November 10, 1912, in Two Hours and Thirty-one Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being forty-two 6-scores. Tenor 10 cwt.

H. HAYES	Treble.	J. BARNFIELD	4.
G. BOUCHER	2.	J. BARNFIELD, JUN.	5.
W. CURTIS	3.	F. DOBBINS	Tenor.

Conducted by J. BARNFIELD, JUN.

Rung as a farewell compliment to F. Dobbins, ringer of the tenor, who is leaving for the police force.

MADRESFIELD, WORCESTERSHIRE.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

(Western Branch).

On Sunday, November 10, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being fifteen 6-scores of Stedman, twelve of Plain Bob, and fifteen of Grandsire, each called differently. Tenor 14 cwt.

GEORGE M. TROUGHTON	Treble.	*FREDERICK STANTON	4.
WILLIAM NIBLETT	2.	ROBERT G. KNOWLES	5.
ERNEST E. BARBER	3.	CHARLES CAMM	Tenor.

Conducted by ROBERT G. KNOWLES.

*First peal. Rung to celebrate the 45th anniversary of the consecration of the Church.

BUSHEY, HERTS.

THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(The Bushey Society).

On Monday, November 11, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.

Tenor 13 cwt.

THOMAS R. SCOTT	Treble.	WILLIAM I. OAKLEY	5.
RICHARD DARLOW	2.	FREDERICK EDWARDS	6.
WILLIAM SEELEY	3.	JOSEPH J. ALLEN	7.
BERTRAM PREWETT	4.	FRANCIS A. SMITH	Tenor.

Composed by JOHN R. FRITCHARD, and

Conducted by THOMAS R. SCOTT.

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

ECCLES, MANCHESTER.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, November 11, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART REVERSED. Tenor 13 cwt

JAMES BARRATT	Treble.	WILFRED MOSS	5.
HARRY CHAPMAN	2.	FRED PAGE	6.
SAMUEL GREENBALGH	3.	JAMES W. WASHBROOK	7.
JOSEPH RIDYARD	4.	JOHN T. BOTTBILL	Tenor.

Conducted by J. W. WASHBROOK.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Messrs. Barratt and Chapman, the band wishing them many happy returns.

ASHTREAD, SURREY.—THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, November 12, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty-six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.

Tenor 14 cwt.

WILLIAM COOK	Treble.	JOHN WYATT	5.
ALFRED WINCH	2.	CHARLES READ	6.
JOHN WHITE	3.	JOHN HOYLE	7.
WILLIAM H. CORBETT	4.	ARTHUR DEAN	Tenor.

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW, and Conducted by JOHN HOYLE.

*First peal of Major. First in the method as conductor. Rung as a birthday compliment to John Hoyle, the band wishing him many happy returns.

LITTLE MUNDEN, HERTS.

THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, November 12, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty-one Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of City Delight, New London Pleasure, Duke of York, Oxford Delight, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent. Tenor 13 cwt.

JOHN PATMORE	Treble.	WILLIAM H. LAWRENCE	4.
NATHAN PATMORE	2.	HENRY WALLACE	5.
BARNARD PATMORE	3.	ARTHUR WOOLSTON	Tenor.

Conducted by HENRY WALLACE.

*First peal. †First peal with a bob bell. Rung as a birthday compliment to Barnard Patmore.

TIPTON, STAFFORDSHIRE.

SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

THE DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.

On Tuesday, November 12, 1912, in Two Hours and Forty-four Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Carter's No. 32. Tenor 12 cwt. 23 lb.

SAMUEL REEVES	Treble.	JOHN SMITH	5.
DANIEL JONES	2.	ALFRED ROWLEY	6.
WILLIAM ROCK SMALL	3.	JOHN CARTER	7.
HERBERT KNIGHT	4.	BENJAMIN GOUGH	Tenor.

Composed and Conducted by JOHN CARTER.

The above peal was rung to commemorate the 73rd birthday of Mr. William Rock Small, his brother-ringers heartily congratulating him on this attainment, and hopes expressed that they would have the honour of ringing many more such peals for him.

BEACONSFIELD, BUCKS.—THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD

(East Berks. and South Bucks. Branch).

On Wednesday, November 13, 1912, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 21 cwt.

Cecil C. MAYNE	Treble.	WILLIAM HORNE	5.
WILLIAM H. FUSSELL	2.	JAMES BLACKMORE	6.
GEORGE F. WILLIAMS	3.	ROBERT H. YOUNG	7.
JAMES W. WILKINS	4.	RICHARD BUCKLAND	Tenor.

Composed by FREDK. DENCH, and
Conducted by GEORGE F. WILLIAMS.

LIVERPOOL.—THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, November 13, 1912, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY, GRASSENDALE,

A PEAL OF SURPRISE, TPBBLE BOB AND PLAIN MINOR, 5040 CHANGES.

Being 720 each of Beverley and Cambridge Surprise, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, and Oxford Bob and Plain Bob.

Tenor 11½ cwt.

THOMAS J. MORRIS	Treble.	EDWARD CAUNCE	4.
THOMAS JENNION	2.	JOHN TURNER	5.
GEORGE R. NEWTON	3.	JOHN ALLEN	Tenor.

Conducted by GEORGE R. NEWTON.

BRIGHTON, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, November 14, 1912, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.

PHILIP ALLFREY	Treble.	RICHARD STREDWICK	5.
ALBERT D. STONE	2.	JOHN CAPP	6.
WILLIAM HILLMAN	3.	WILLIAM C. HART	7.
HENRY STALHAM	4.	KEITH HART	Tenor.

Composed by F. DENCH, and Conducted by KEITH HART.

BARCOMBE, SUSSEX

On Wednesday, November 13, 1912, in Two Hours and Forty-two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being forty-two 6-scores. Tenor 7 cwt. 2 qrs. 9 lbs.

LURE VERRALL* Treble.	*ALBERT E. ANSCOMBE .. 4.
FREDERICK J. MARTIN* .. 2.	ALBERT E. EDWARDS .. 5.
WILLIAM H. BANKS* .. 3.	*JAMES MOXLEY Tenor.

Conducted by ALBERT E. EDWARDS.

*First peal. First peal of Doubles on the bells and by all the band. Also the first peal on the bells by an entirely local band, and was rung at the first attempt. Great credit is due to the ringers, as they have only learnt to ring since Easter this year, when the bells were augmented to the memory of the late Sir William (Justice) Grantham, and have received their instruction from the conductor. Rung as a birthday compliment to F. J. Martin.

DERBY.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, November 13, 1912, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW, LITCHURCH,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES. Tenor 20½ cwt.

HAROLD INCKLE Treble.	BART MITCHELL 5.
ARTHUR BRAINES (aged 17) .. 2.	SAMUEL MASEBEY 6.
ALBERT H. WARD 3.	JAMES PAGETT 7.
CHARLES E. HART 4.	WALTER WALLACE Tenor.

Composed by C. MIDDLETON, and Conducted by ALBERT H. WARD.

Rung on the occasion of the 103rd anniversary of the Derbyshire Royal Infirmary. This is the first peal of Cambridge Surprise ever rung in Derby. It is also the first peal in the method by all the band except Mr. J. Pagett.

MALVERN LINK, WORCESTERSHIRE.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

(Western Branch.)

On Thursday, November 14, 1912, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MATTHIAS.

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES.

Tenor 16½ cwt.

ERNEST E. BARBER Treble.	ROBERT G. KNOWLES .. 5.
LIONEL LONGNEY 2.	JOSEPH BRETTIELL 6.
WILLIAM RANFORD 3.	*CHARLES CAMM 7.
ERNEST GIBBS 4.	CHARLES L. SADLER Tenor.

Composed by E. MORRIS, and Conducted by LIONEL LONGNEY.

*First peal of Major. Rung on the conductor's birthday, the band wishing him many happy returns.

BISHOP LYDYARD, SOMERSET.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, November 14, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Hollis' Irregular Five-Part. No. 1. Tenor 24½ cwt. in E flat.

HENRY NORMAN Treble.	ISAAC CREED 5.
HENRY J. CREED 2.	ARCHIBALD J. ANDREWS .. 6.
ROBERT SCOTT 3.	CHARLES R. LILLEY 7.
FREDERICK NORMAN 4.	JOSEPH FOWLER Tenor.

Conducted by CHARLES R. LILLEY.

Arranged for F. Norman. The ringers of the treble, 3rd, 4th, and 6th hail from Milverton; 2nd, 7th, and tenor to Taunton; 5th from Norton Fitzwarren. The band wish from thank the Nicar, the Rev. W. F. Eustace, for the use of the bells, and the ringers for giving up their practice, the bells go perfectly, not one of the band making a single complaint.

WANTED.—To purchase a set of Secondhand Hand-bells, very cheap, for the purpose of teaching Crippled Boys of Crippled Children's Home, Bethany, Kinver, Staffordshire. Apply—SECRETARY, "Bethany," Kinver, Staffordshire.

PENTRE RHONDDA.

THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION,

On Thursday, November 14, 1912, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 26 cwt. 3 qr. 10 lb. in E flat.

HARRY PAGE Treble.	THOMAS HAMLIN 5.
GEORGE CROSS 2.	FREDERICK CHAMBERLAIN .. 6.
JAMES CROSS 3.	TOM PAGE 7.
WILLIAM PAGE 4.	HENRY CRABBE Tenor.

Conducted by TOM PAGE.

Arranged for F. Chamberlain, of St. John's, Cardiff, being his first peal in the method. It was also rang as a birthday peal to the ringer of the tenor, the ringers wishing him many happy returns.

MARDEN, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, November 14, 1912, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.

Tenor 14½ cwt.

FREDERICK HODGKIN .. Treble.	FRANK SHARP 5.
DAVID HODGKIN 2.	JAMES BEECH 6.
EDWIN LAMBERT 3.	GEORGE HADAWAY 7.
FREDERICK J. LAMBERT .. 4.	CHARLES H. SONE Tenor.

Composed by F. A. HOLDINE, and Conducted by C. H. SONE.

FRAMLINGHAM, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, November 14, 1912, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 16 cwt. 2 qr. 4 lb. in F.

WILLIAM OSLER Treble.	JOHN C. SELF 5.
REV. WILLIAM C. PEARSON .. 2.	DAVID G. WIGHTMAN 6.
ROBERT H. HAYWARD 3.	WILLIAM FLORY 7.
HOBART E. SMITH 4.	GEORGE E. SYMONDS Tenor.

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS, and Conducted by GEORGE E. SYMONDS.

WRAYSBURY, BUCKS.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

(East Berks, and South Bucks. Branch).

On Friday, November 15, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Parker's Twelve-Part. Tenor 11 cwt.

WILLIAM E. NAPPER* .. Treble.	LEONARD STILWELL 5.
JOSEPH GUTTRIDGE, JUN. .. 2.	WILLIAM H. FUSSELL 6.
ARTHUR BLAKE 3.	WILLIAM WELLING 7.
JOSEPH GUTTRIDGE, SEN. .. 4.	HENRY BRANTS Tenor.

Conducted by W. WELLING.

*First peal. The band tender their best thanks to the tenor-man, who left his tea to oblige them through meeting short. As the 4th was being let down, the rope broke.

BOTTESFORD, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE FRAMLAND SOCIETY.

On Saturday, November 16, 1912, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S ORIGINAL. Tenor 27 cwt.

WILLIAM TURNER* .. Treble.	MARK BEND 5.
CHARLES LAMB 2.	REUBEN BEND 6.
DANIEL GILDEN* 3.	SAMUEL BAKER 7.
ARTHUR WARD 4.	HARRIS THORLEY Tenor.

Conducted by C. LAMB.

*First peal.

**NORTH STONEHAM, HAMPSHIRE.
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**

On Saturday, November 16, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICOLAS,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR,
5024 CHANGES.**

Tenor 9 cwt. 0 qr. 26 lb.

CHARLES H. RUSSELL .. Treble.	CHARLES J. FRAY 5.
LIONEL H. PAGE 2.	GEORGE WILLIAMS 6.
JOHN S. RUMMING 3.	WILLIAM H. GEORGE .. 7.
HENRY W. WILKES 4.	WILLIAM T. TUCKER .. Tenor.

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

This peal was rung as a welcome to the new Rector, the Rev. J. Salmon, who was instituted to the living of North Stoneham on the 14th. It was also the birthday of Mrs. G. Williams, wife of the conductor.

HOUNSLOW, MIDDLESEX.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, November 16, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL,

A PEAL OF OXFORD BOB TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

J. J. PARREN'S TEN-PART.

DAVID G. ARCHER† Treble.	HENRY C. CHANDLER .. 5.
GEORGE A. RANSOM 2.	THOMAS BRADLEY 6.
THOMAS J. BARKER 3.	HENRY W. LIDDETT .. 7.
CHARLES S. BIRD 4.	*JOHN HANES Tenor.

Conducted by GEORGE ALFRED RANSOM.

*First peal and first attempt. †First peal in the method. Rung as a birthday compliment to the ringer of the 4th.

FRENESHAM, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, November 16, 1912, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 College Single, two of Canterbury Pleasure, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 11 cwt.

HENRY MILLS Treble.	ALFRED CROUCHER 4.
CHARLES EDWARDS 2.	HUBERT CHAFFEY 5.
ALFRED J. CHUTER 3.	JOHN HALL Tenor.

Conducted by HUBERT CHAFFEY.

First peal as conductor. Great credit is due to the treble man, who is 65 years of age, this being his first peal, he having only taken up method ringing within the last five years.

BUCKINGHAM.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

(North Bucks. Branch).

On Saturday, November 16, 1912, in Three Hours and Nineteen Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF ORANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S TEN-PART. Tenor 27 cwt.

HUBERT EDWARDS* .. Treble.	HARRY SEAR 5.
Cecil A. VALENTINE .. 2.	WILLIAM WEBB 6.
LAURENCE MEAGER 3.	REV. C. W. O. JENKYN .. 7.
WALTER SEAR 4.	RICHARD NICHOLS .. Tenor.

Conducted by HARRY SEAR.

*First peal on eight bells. First peal in the method on the bells. First peal in this branch by the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn as Master of the Guild. The band desire to thank the Rev. J. B. Kirby for the use of the bells; also for his hospitality and kind remarks after the peal rung as a birthday peal to Harry V. Sear, son of the conductor.

BRIDGEND (Glamorgan).—On Saturday, November 16th, 504 Stedman Triples C. Morse, P. Kneath, J. W. Jones, T. Morgan, A. E. Morgan, T. Cox, R. Evans (conductor), W. Smith. Longest touch as conductor and longest touch in the method on the bells. Rung after an attempt for a peal in the same method had come to grief.

CHERTSEY, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, November 16, 1912, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES:

Holt's TEN-PART.

Tenor 20 cwt. 0 qr. 14 lbs.

CHARLES J. TEICHER .. Treble.	CHARLES J. HAMBLIN .. 5.
GEORGE WARRINGTON* .. 2.	ALBERT E. GRAY 6.
SAMUEL PETTER 3.	WILLIAM SHEPHERD .. 7.
JOHN B. HESSE 4.	HENRY R. STEVENSON .. Tenor.

Conducted by WILLIAM SHEPHERD.

*First peal. Rung as a birthday compliment to the ringers of the treble and 4th, and also to commemorate the silver wedding of the ringer of the 5th.

IRTHLINGBOROUGH, NORTHANTS.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 16, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR,
5088 CHANGES.**

Tenor 10 cwt. 1 qr. 4 lb.

JOHN J. MAWEY Treble.	JAMES GARRATT 5.
WALTER J. GERMAN 2.	J. HUBERT HORN 6.
ANDERSON Y. TYLER 3.	JAMES T. WARD 7.
JAMES HOUGHTON 4.	WALTER PERKINS .. Tenor.

Composed by W. J. WASHBROOK, and Conducted by WALTER PERKINS.

Rung in memory of W. V. NEWMAN.

Handbell Peal.

NORWICH.—THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, November 3, 1912, in 2 Hours and 32 Minutes,

At the Residence of Mr. H. F. Cross, 39, Winter Road,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.

Fredk. J. Cross .. 1-2.	George H. Cross .. 5-6.
Albert G. Warnes .. 3-4.	William A. Hempel .. 7-8.

Composed by G. H. Cross, and Conducted by W. A. Hempel.

First peal as conductor. The conductor has now rung each pair of bells to a peal in this method.

LLANGATTOCK, BRECONSHIRE.

THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, November 4, 1912, in 2 Hours and 30 Minutes,

In the Tower of the Parish Church,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being forty-two 6-scores, each called differently.

George Mortemore .. 1-2.	John Hammond .. 3-4.
Norman Allbutt 5-6.	

Umpire—Charles Powell. First peal by all on handbells, and believed to be the first for the Hereford Guild.

THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

On Saturday, November 9, 1912, in 2 Hours and 15 Minutes,

At 130, Clonmore Street, Southfields, S.W.,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES

Miss Elsie L. Bennett 1-2.	Frank I. Hairs .. 5-6.
John D. Matthews .. 3-4.	Frank Bennett .. 7-8.

Composed and Conducted by Frank Bennett.

Umpire—Mr. W. Lloyd. This was Mr. Hairs' 100th peal.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

DEPTFORD, S.E.—On Sunday, November 17th, at St. John's Church, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 38 mins. G. R. Simmonds, T. G. Deal, L. Startup, H. E. White, A. G. Bennington, F. W. Richardson, W. J. Jeffries (conductor), J. Law.

LONDON.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND
LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, November 12, 1912, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes,

At George IV., Brunswick Street, Haggerston,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5007 CHANGES.

Bertram Prewett ... 1-2.	Ernest Pye ... 5-6.
George R. Pye ... 3-4.	*E. Maurice Atkins ... 7-8.
Alfred W. Grimes ... 9-10.	

Composed by John Carter, and Conducted by George R. Pye.

*First peal of Stedman Caters on handbells. Umpires—W. J. u dds and J. Hunt.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, November 13, 1912, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,

At 3, Harts Lane, New Cross, S.E.,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5043 CHANGES.

Miss Elsie L. Bennett* 1-2.	Arthur F. Shepherd 5-6.
William Shepherd ... 3-4.	†Frank I. Hairs ... 7-8.
*Frank Bennett ... 9-10.	

Composed by G. T. Daltry, and Conducted by Wm. Shepherd.

*First peal of Stedman in band. †First peal of Stedman on a pair of working bells; also the first peal of Stedman Caters by the Association. Umpire—Mr. E. F. Pike.

OXHEY HERTS.

THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, November 13, 1912, in 2 Hours and 17 Minutes,

At 43, Heath Road,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Thurstans' Four-Part.

George N. Price ... 1-2.	*Charles N. Leman ... 5-6.
George E. Howchin ... 3-4.	Hubert Eden ... 7-8.

Conducted by George N. Price.

*First peal of Stedman Triples on handbells. Umpire—Thomas L. Simmons,

MANCHESTER TOWN HALL BELLS.

SIR,—In your account of the bells cast by the late W. Nadin you mention the hour bell at Manchester Town Hall (63 cwt.). I might say the hour bell is 8 tons 2 cwt., cast by Taylor in 1882 to replace one cast in 1877 of 129 cwt. The weights are as follows, vide "Church Bells" November 10th, 1877:—

Note.	cwt.	qrs.	lbs.	Initials cast on one side in the waist.
F sharp ...	6	3	14	... J. G. L.
F ...	7	1	5	... J. K.
*E ...	7	2	7	... B. N.
D sharp ...	7	3	14	... P. F. W.
*D ...	8	2	9	... J. M. B.
C sharp ...	8	3	0	... W. B.
*C ...	9	3	14	... J. G.
*B ...	10	0	14	... J. B.
*A ...	14	1	3	... J. J. H.
G Sharp ...	16	0	6	... J. T.
*G ...	17	1	7	... G. B.
F sharp ...	21	1	7	... J. W.
*F ...	23	0	11	... J. A.
*E ...	27	0	4	... J. C.
D sharp ...	31	2	0	... C. S.
*D ...	39	0	0	... J. M.
C sharp ...	43	2	0	... J. L.
*C ...	52	0	0	... J. H.
B ...	71	0	0	... W. H. T.
A ...	100	2	0	... M. C.
G ...	129	0	0	... A. H.
Total	652	2	3	

*Those * are hung for ringing, and are rung twice a week on Wednesday evenings and Saturday afternoons, by policemen, also on certain special occasions. The initials on the bells are of members of the Corporation at the time the bells were cast, but as to how many are members now we have no information. Each bell is also inscribed "John Taylor and Co., Founders, Loughborough, MDCCCLXXVII" on the waist on the opposite side to the initials of the members of the Corporation. There is a heavy hour bell at the Royal Exchange and another at the Police Courts. W. H. SHUKER.

106, Bank Street, Clayton.

[We learn from our correspondent of last week that the 63-cwt. bell, cast by Mr. Nadin, was for the Royal Exchange, Manchester.—Ed.]

Mr. Shuker supplies the following further interesting particulars about the Town Hall bells.

MOTTO ROUND THE SHOULDER.

1. Ring in the Christ that is to be.
2. Ring out the darkness of the land.
3. The larger heart the kindlier hand.
4. Ring in the valiant man and free.
5. Ring in the thousand years of peace.
6. Ring out the thousand wars of old.
7. Ring out the narrowing lust of gold.
8. Ring out old shapes of foul disease.
9. Ring in the common love of good.
10. Ring in the love of truth and right.
11. The civic slander and the spite.
12. Ring out false pride in place and blood.
13. With sweeter manners purer laws.
14. Ring in the nobler modes of life.
15. And ancient forms of party strife.
16. Ring out a slowly dying cause.
17. Ring in redress to all mankind.
18. Ring out the feud of rich and poor.
19. For those that here we see no more.
20. Ring out the grief that saps the mind.
21. Ring out the false, ring in the true.

In a programme of music issued in 1911, in mentioning the bells, it says: Weight of former great bell (taken down in 1882) 6 tons 9 cwt.; weight of present great bell 8 tons 2 cwt.; height, 6 ft., diameter, 7-ft. 7½-ins.

There are at the Royal Exchange five bells for the clock to chime on, and at the Cathedral ten, with a tenor of 25 cwt. The Town Hall has a clock and chimes supplied by Gillett and Bland, with several drums for changing.

OXHEY, HERTS.

THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, November 15, 1912, in 2 Hours and 26 Minutes,

At 46, King Edward Road,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Thurstans' Four-Part.

Henry Hodgetts ... 1-2.	*E. Maurice Atkins ... 5-6.
George N. Price ... 3-4.	William Hodgetts ... 7-8.

Conducted by George N. Price.

Umpire—Thomas L. Simmons. *First peal of Stedman Triples on handbells.

BIRMINGHAM.—At Bishop Ryder's Church, on Sunday evening, November 17th, for Divine Service, a quarter-peal of Bob Major (1264 changes). S. Coley, A. T. Scrivens, E. Mullins, J. Porter, J. T. Perry (conductor), W. H. Carrod, G. A. Taylor, J. B. Collett. Rung as a birthday compliment to the composer,

HUDDERSFIELD CHURCH RECORDS.

A correspondent writes referring to the note in our last issue re the record of a long peal rung in Huddersfield Parish Church. He says: Regarding some interesting records found in the belfry at Wednesbury Parish Church, I beg to differ from them in saying that their, 10,061 peal rung in 1861, was the longest rung in this country up to the date mentioned, namely 1861, as there is a record of one in our belfry consisting of 10,080 changes rung in 1813. It might be worth putting in your paper if you can find space for it, I mean the wording on the tablet, which is of stone.

On Monday, June 21st, 1813, the society of change-ringers belonging to this steeple, rang an harmonious peal of New Treble Bob, 10,080 changes, in 6 hours 3 mins. Composed by Joseph Tebbs, of Leeds. Thomas Midgley, Treble; George Hattersley, 2; Thomas Fox, 3; John Blakey, 4; Josh Blakey, jun., 5; Joseph Bradley, 6; Samuel Clapham, 7; James Inman, Tenor. Conducted

by George Hattersley. Assistant—David Smith. The performance delighted and astonished connoisseurs, and greatly pleased the inhabitants of the town and its vicinity. The English under Wellington beat the French at Vittoria in Spain, and slew 10,000 men while this peal was ringing.

ST. MARY'S RINGING GUILD, HORNSEY.

President: Rev. Bernard Spink, The Rectory, Hornsey.

THE LATE MR. ARTHUR JACOB.

The kind assistance of all ringers and friends of the late Mr. Arthur Jacob, is earnestly invited on behalf of the widow, who has need of our united help. Hoping this may meet the eyes of many friends that knew the help he readily gave to others. Subscriptions which will be duly acknowledged in this paper, will be gratefully received by the following: Rev. Bernard Spink, The Rectory, Hornsey; F. Sherlock, Esq., The Ferns, Priory Road, Hornsey; Edgar Robins, Esq., 12, Church Lane, Hornsey.

ISAAC CREED'S 50 PEALS.

	Rung	Conducted
Grandsire Doubles ^a	12	10
Bob Doubles ^b ...	3	3
Bob Minor ...	3	3
Treble Bob Minor		
4 Methods ^c ...	2	2
Treble Bob Minor		
7 Methods ...	8	6
Treble Bob Minor		
10 Methods ^d ...	11	11
Grandsire Triples	3	
Bob Major ...	2	
Kent Major ...	2	
Oxford Major ...	2	
Grandsire Caters	1	
Bob Royal ...	1	

Rung 50: conducted 37. Rung in 10 towers.

^a including 7120 and 8160; ^b including 7440; ^c including 5760; ^d including 7200.

"SWEET BOB MAJOR."

We have been asked for the name of the author and the publisher of this song. It was sung recently by Mr. Ellis. Can any of our readers give us the information.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS.

Mr. J. Watson, Hon. Sec. Blackburn Branch of the Lancashire Association, writes to say that his address is now 33, Langham Road, Blackburn.

Several peals are unavoidably held over till next week.

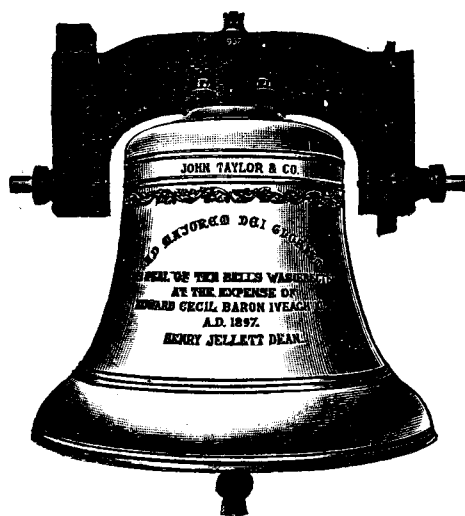
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Also the chime of bells at Ames College, Iowa, U.S.A.
And the recent "Grandison" of Exeter Cathedral

Notices.

The charge for the insertion of Notices under this heading is Sixpence for 36 words, for the first insertion; repetitions at half that price. Notices should come to hand not later than Wednesday morning.

The Ancient Society of College Youths.—Established 1637.—Meetings for practice will be held at St. John's, Hackney, on the 26th; St. Michael's, Cornhill, on the 26th; also at St. Mary's Walthamstow, on Saturdays; all at 8 p.m.

WILLIAM T. COCKBRILL, Hon. Sec.

32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.

The Winchester Diocesan Guild.—Basingstoke Branch.—Annual meeting at Basingstoke on Saturday, November 23rd. Bells (8) from 4 o'clock. Service in the Parish Church at 5.30. Tea and business meeting at the Church Cottage at 6. FRANCIS G. HUME, Dis. Sec. Oakley, Basingstoke.

The Bedfordshire Association.—Luton District.—A meeting will be held at Luton on Saturday, November 23rd. Bells available from 3.30. All ringers welcome. A. KING, Dist. Sec. 6, Tavistock Crescent, Luton.

The Hertford County Association.—Eastern District.—A meeting will be held at Hertford on November 23rd, when the bells of All Saints (10), and St. Andrew's (8), will be available. St. Andrew's before tea. All Saints after. Tea in St. Andrew's Hall at 5.15. Business meeting after. W. H. LAWRENCE, Dis. Sec.

The Midland Counties Association.—Burton-on-Trent District.—A ringing meeting will be held at Repton on Saturday, November 23rd. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. HARRY WAKLEY, Dist. Sec. 160, Horninglow Road, N., Burton-on-Trent.

The Lancashire Association.—The monthly meeting of the Manchester Branch will be held at St. John's Church, Miles Platting, on Saturday, November 30th. Bells available from 5 p.m. Meeting at 7. All ringers welcome. W. W. WOLSTENCROFT, Branch Sec.

The Dudley and District Guild.—The quarterly meeting of the above Guild will be held at Coseley, Staffordshire, on Saturday, November 30th. Bells available at 3 o'clock. Service in Church at 4.30. conducted by the Rev. J. A. Rice, Vicar. IMPORTANT NOTICE.—The question of appointing a delegate to the Central Council will be brought forward at this meeting.

66, Himley Road, Dudley.

HERBERT SHEPPARD, Hon. Sec.

The Essex Association.—South-Eastern District.—The annual meeting will be held on Saturday, December 7th, at Great Waltham. Bells at 4 p.m. Short service at 5. Tea at The Six Bells at 5.45. A conveyance will leave Chelmsford Station at 3.15 p.m., fare 1s. return. Members requiring tea, also a seat in the conveyance, kindly notify me not later than December 4th, by first post.

County Offices Chelmsford.

HENRY F. COOPER, Dist. Sec.

The Oxford Diocesan Guild.—North Bucks Branch.—The quarterly meeting will be held at Newton Longville on Saturday, December 7th. Service at 3.0 p.m. Bletchley.

THOS. BEST, JUN., Hon. Sec.

The Lancashire Association.—Blackburn Branch.—The next branch meeting will be held at St. Michael's Church, Blackburn, on Saturday, December 7th. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting at 6.30 p.m.

33, Langham Road, Blackburn.

J. WATSON, Branch Sec.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

The annual meeting of the North-Western division of the above Association was held at Bishop Stortford on Saturday, November 16th, by the kind permission of the Vicar of St. Michael's, the Rev. H. T. Lane. About 45 members put in an appearance from Bishops Stortford, Stansted, Saffron Walden, Sawbridgeworth, Harlow Common, Harlow (St. Mary's), Walthamstow, Cambridge, Ickleton, Stapleford, Elsenham, Braintree, Great Totham, Little Munden, Rickling, and Chelmsford. A short service was held, at which the Vicar gave those present some sound advice as Church-workers. Tea was held at The

Chequers Hotel, the business meeting following. Mr. F. Pitstow (District Master), presided, supported by Mr. W. Watts (District Secretary), Mr. C. H. Howard (Master of the Association), and the Rev. H. T. W. Eyre (Association Secretary). Mr. F. Pitstow was unanimously re-elected to the office of District Master, and Mr. W. Watts was also re-elected District Secretary. Mr. George Woodley, of Elsenham, was elected a ringing member. Master Herbert William Watts, and Walter William Watts, were elected probationers of Stansted. Saffron Walden and Waltham Abbey were proposed for holding the next meeting, and on being put to the vote, Saffron Walden was selected as the place at which it should be held.

A very hearty vote of thanks was accorded to the Vicar for his address, and for the use of the bells. Ringing was kept up till 8.30, and some good touches were brought round in the following methods: Stedman and Grandsire Caters, Treble Bob Royal, London and Cambridge Surprise, Stedman and Grandsire Triples.

THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**NORTHERN BRANCH).**

The Northern District of the above Association held a very successful district practice on Saturday, November 16th, from 7.30 p.m. till 9 p.m., in the belfry of All Saints, Gosforth. It is hoped to arrange further practices on similar lines at other towers shortly, when an even larger attendance is expected. Time was devoted to ringing well-struck rounds with learners, as well as Bob Major, Kent Major, and Stedman Triples. Seven towers were represented. The meeting had the support of several prominent ringers in the north.

BRILLEY CHURCH, HEREFORDSHIRE.

A large clock, with a peal of eight bells, has just been erected in the parish Church at Brilley. The clock, which has been fitted with all the latest improvements, was made by Messrs. John Smith and Sons, Midland Clock Works, Derby. The bells were cast by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank, of the Whitechapel Foundry, London.

THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

RUMNEY (Mon).—On Sunday, November 17th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles, in 40 mins. W. Stanaway, D. Morgan, A. Cossam, F. Marshall, Miss Ethel M. Pacey, G. Woodlands. Longest length for Miss Pacey.

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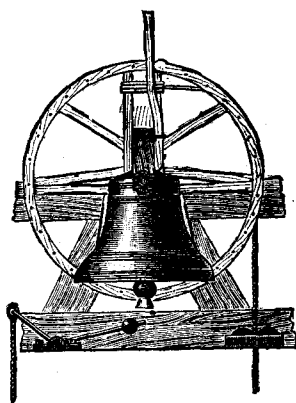
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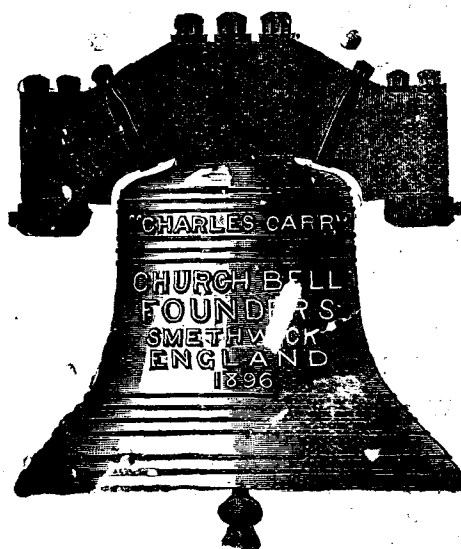
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