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DEAR MR. BOWELL,—

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CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD TOUR.

A SERIES OF DISAPPOINTMENTS.

Fourteen members turned up for the annual tour, which was held last week in the Chester district. As the Rev. H. J. Elsee was one of the party, it was not thought advisable to attempt a peal in every tower. So one more peal tower than usual was arranged for, with some "listeners" towers in addition, where touches might be rung. But it was not wise to give notice of two towers for Monday night. There was too much temptation to say "If there are going to be enough for two towers, it won't matter if I turn up late for the peal."

It was only with difficulty that a band could be mustered for St. Mary-without-the-Walls, Chester, and Stedman Triples were allowed to run round at a quarter-peal. Some listeners went to the historic tower of Christleton and had the pleasure of a chat with one of the family of Mayers who had made the tower famous in the first half of the last century.

At Llangollen on Tuesday, the conductor managed to get the bells round very nicely after half a peal of Norwich. The first course of Cambridge in the county was rung with the President of the North Wales Association standing in. At Wrexham the Guild scored its first peal of Stedman Caters on the fine Rudhall ten. The question of illness and peal-ringing was discussed on the way home. The Master of the Oxford Diocesan Guild seemed to think that if he lay dying he would sooner go to the tune of Stedman Caters than anything else.

A batch of first-in-the-method was secured at Bebington. Professor Potter rang his first peal in 1886, and now has scored his second. Turning Chester Cathedral bells into Cambridge proved rather a hard job, and a bad trip after three hours brought things to an end. The listeners had touches at Port Sunlight and at Waverton.

Thursday morning brought two peal attempts in parallel. A broken rope in the second 720 stopped the Minor party at Bashford. And the Major party at St. Mary-on-the-Hill got into difficulties over Cambridge. In the afternoon the Guild travelled to Eaton on the Eaton Railway. Several members scored their first in the method as conductor under the tuition of Mr. H. W. Wilde. There was a great disappointment at Eccleston, which was to have been the plum of the week. Owing to illness the bells could not be raised, and owing to death the listeners could not use their tower at Aldford. So the party resolved itself into two handbell companies.

On Friday, at Pulford, Cambridge did not seem to go. But the Guild rang its first touch of London, and three courses of Thingem-Bob Major, which was promptly named Granta Bob Major. In the afternoon there was a 16 mile drive to Frodsham, where an excellent peal of Cambridge was rung, while the listeners sampled Runcorn bells. As many members had to leave early on Saturday, it was impossible to go for a peal at Gresford, so touches of Cambridge, Grandsire, Stedman, and Plain Bob were rung. During the week the waggonette was most ably conducted by Mr. George R. Newton, who, with Mr.

Wilde, was largely responsible for the success of the week's tour, and they are both open to invitations for peals of London, Cambridge, and Granta.

The following is the record of peals rung during the tour:—

WREXHAM.—THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.

On Tuesday, September 2, 1913, in Three Hours and Thirty-three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. SILIN,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS. 5006 CHANGES.

Tenor 25 cwt.

WILLIAM D. JAMES Treble	REV. H. LAW JAMES 6
EDWIN H. LEWIS 2	REV. H. J. ELSEE 7
J. BRUCE WILLIAMSON* 3	REV. E. BANKES JAMES 8
REV. H. S. T. RICHARDSON 4	REV. C. W. O. JENKYN 9
E. MAURICE ATKINS 5	REV. B. H. TYRWHITT-DEAKE Tenor

Composed by G. NEWSON, and
Conducted by the REV. H. LAW JAMES.

*First peal of Stedman. First peal of Stedman Caters by the Guild.
First peal by the Guild out of England.

BEBINGTON, CHESHIRE.

THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.

On Wednesday, September 3, 1913, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 8½ cwt.

REV. R. BOND* Treble	J. BRUCE WILLIAMSON* 5
REV. B. H. TYRWHITT-DEAKE 2	E. MAURICE ATKINS 6
REV. A. H. F. BOUGHBY 3	REV. C. W. O. JENKYN 7
DR. MICHAEL C. POTTER* 4	REV. H. S. T. RICHARDSON Tenor

Conducted by the REV. C. W. O. JENKYN.

*First peal of Stedman Triples. Peals of Stedman on these bells have been called only by Masters of the Oxford Diocesan Guild.

FRODSHAM, CHESHIRE.

THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.

On Friday, September 5, 1913, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR,

5055 CHANGES. Tenor 12½ cwt.

REV. B. H. TYRWHITT-DEAKE Treble	WILLIAM D. JAMES 5
EDWIN H. LEWIS 2	REV. C. W. O. JENKYN 6
REV. H. S. T. RICHARDSON 3	REV. E. BANKES JAMES 7
E. MAURICE ATKINS 4	REV. H. LAW JAMES Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON, and Conducted by W. D. JAMES.

First peal in the method on the bells. First peal of Surprise as conductor.

THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

CHESHUNT (Herts) —On Sunday, August 17th, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples. H. Simmons, G. Andrews, W. G. Darlington, H. Cornwell, G. Maxim, H. G. Rowe (conductor), C. Dilley, R. Smith. On Sunday, August 31st, for evening service, 798 Grandsire Triples. On Thursday, September 4th, for practice, several courses of Stedman Triples. G. Andrews, G. Maxim, W. G. Darlington, F. Jelf, H. G. Rowe, C. Dilley, H. Simmons, D. Tucker. Also 336 Grandsire Triples, with the Rev. C. B. Law tenor.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

FURNESS AND LAKE DISTRICT BRANCH.

A good meeting of the Furness and Lake District branch of the above Association was held at Dalton-in-Furness, on Saturday, September 6th, about thirty members from the following towers putting in an appearance: Ambleside, Brathay, Barrow, Kendal, Kirkby-in-Furness, Hawksheath, Silverdale, and a good number of the local band. Ringing commenced about 2.30 p.m., and was kept up till 4 o'clock, when the meeting was held in the Schoolroom, the Rev. J. G. Leonard, Vicar of Dalton, presiding. Silverdale was chosen for the next ringing meeting in December, and Barrow for the half-yearly meeting in March. Tea was provided in the schoolroom at 4.30, for which the Rev. A. Partridge, Vicar of Kirkby-in-Furness, moved a hearty vote of thanks to the local band for their kindness in entertaining the members, and to the ladies for their kind attention, and also to the Vicar for kindly allowing the use of the bells.

The ringers then returned to the tower, the bells being kept going till about 8 o'clock. During the day touches of Stedman Triples, Grandsire Triples, Plain Bob Major, Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob Minor were rung. The ringers expressed themselves well satisfied with the go of the bells, which are a new peal of eight, tenor 21 cwt., by John Warner and Sons, London.

THE DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.

A quarterly meeting of this Guild was held at the pretty village of Wombourne, Staffordshire, on Saturday, August 30th. The beautiful peal of eight were at the disposal of the members from 3.30. The usual Guild service was held in Church at 5 o'clock, conducted by the Vicar (Rev. E. P. Nicholas), the Rev. S. G. Craig ably officiating at the organ. The following towers were represented: Bilston, Blakenhall, Coseley, Dudley, Old Hill, Sedgley, Tipton, West Bromwich (Christ Church), Willenhall, and the local band. Letters of apology were read from Mr. J. Smith (Tipton), and the All Saints Company, West Bromwich, who could not attend owing to other engagements. At the business meeting, which followed, the minutes of previous meetings were confirmed. The Ringing-Master on behalf of the President (Rev. A. Gras Maitland, Vicar of Dudley), asked the rev. chairman to present the President's prize to the Coseley Company for the best average attendances for ringing for Sunday services during the year 1912. The chairman in presenting the prize said it gave him great pleasure to present the prize on behalf of the President. The prize took the form of a book entitled "The Antiquary's book on bells," by the Rev. J. J. Raven, D.D. It was proposed to hold the next meeting at Blakenhall, the date to be left in the hands of the Secretary. The Secretary also thanked the members personally for their kind message of sympathy passed to him at the annual meeting in his long and trying illness.

At the close of the meeting a hearty vote of thanks was accorded the Vicar for conducting the service, for the use of the bells, and the Institute for holding the meeting; to the Rev. S. G. Craig for presiding at the organ, and last, but not least, their old friend Mr. R. Cartwright, for making the necessary arrangements.

The Vicar, in returning thanks, said it gave him great pleasure to meet the members of the Dudley Guild, and at the same time extended them a hearty invitation to hold

their next meeting in June next at Wombourne, and be his guests. It is needless to say that the invitation was graciously accepted.

THE ESSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

(SOUTH-WESTERN DIVISION).

The annual meeting was held at St. Edward's, Romford, on Saturday, September 6th, when twenty members were present. Ringing commenced at about 4 o'clock, and several methods were rung before the service, which took place at 5 o'clock, the Vicar of Romford delivering a short and appropriate address. The service was followed by tea and business meeting in the Parish Hall, placed at the disposal of the members by the kindness of the Vicar. The Master of the Association (Mr. C. H. Howard), was in the chair, supported by the Vicar of Romford, and the General Secretary (Rev. H. T. W. Eyre). The minutes of the previous meeting having been read and confirmed. Mr. H. Cantor, of Clapton, was elected a non-resident ringing member, and the election of Mr. W. Billinness, prior to a peal at Romford, was confirmed.

The next business was the election of officers for the ensuing year. A letter read from Mr. Black, the Master of the Division, who was unavoidably absent, was read. He regretted his inability to be present, and as he felt that he could no longer afford the time to look after the interests of the Division as a Master ought, he begged the members to elect someone else in his place. With much regret the members accepted Mr. Black's resignation, and tendered hearty thanks to him for the valuable services he had rendered in the past.

Mr. E. J. Butler, of Chadwell Heath, was unanimously elected to fill the office of Master for the year 1914, and the Hon. Secretary (Mr. H. Rumens), again accepted the invitation to resume his duties for another year.

Wanstead was selected as the place for the next meeting to be held early in the New Year.

A vote of thanks was passed to the Vicar for the use of the bells, for the Service, and use of the Parish Hall for the tea and meeting, after which the ringers again adjourned to the tower, and some excellent ringing was indulged in to a late hour.

Correspondence

Whilst always ready to insert correspondence on subjects of interest to ringers, the Editor does not hold himself responsible for the opinions expressed.

BOB MAJOR.

To the Editor.

Mr. G. H. Cross does not say which of the two peals of Bob Major you published under my name in your issue of August 30th he claims. Neither does he give the date or make any reference to the composition being published. If he will give these particulars I shall then of course be willing to withdraw all claim to the peal.

Yours etc.,

W. HYDE INGLESANT.

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THE SURPRISE METHODS.

CHAPTER X.—Continued.

THE PROOF OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR.

By JASPER W. SNOWDON, } Past Presidents of the
Revised by WM. SNOWDON. } Yorkshire Association.

The following is an example of the proof of half a peal (2528) of Cambridge Surprise, taken from Sottanstell's "Elements of Campanalogia," page 795. In the first column the actual course-ends of the touch are pricked, with the calling given in the second column. Under the actual course-end are given the natural course-ends, and the bobs B are again set out in the second column. In the upper part of the third column the actual course-ends are transposed by 43265, and in the lower

half the natural course-ends are transposed by 32465. The upper half of the column has to be compared with the *actual*, and the lower half with the *natural* course-ends. In the fourth column the actual and the natural, except where the bobs B occur, are transposed by 24365, and the upper half of this column has to be compared with the *actual*, and the lower with the *natural* course-ends—thick lines in the table being drawn to emphasise the fact. In the fifth and sixth columns, such of the actual and natural course-ends as require it are transposed by 32546 and 46253; the upper halves of these columns have to be compared with the *natural*, and the lower halves with the *actual* course-ends. Although in these last two columns it would only be absolutely necessary to transpose those course-ends in the lower half of the first column that have been transposed for bobs at H, yet, for the sake of simplicity, the whole series is here transposed. The transposition here referred to is the "un-

making" of the bobs H, as explained under Superlative, in order to secure plain-lead course-ends.

When we compare the different transposition in the foregoing table, in the manner explained above, it will be seen that under the false course-end 32465, one of the course-ends transposes to 23456, which happens to be one of the *natural* course-ends: This proves the row at h in the seventh lead of that false course to be the same as the row produced at H in the seventh lead of the course that ends with 23456. Indeed the touch is false at sight, as the false course-end 32465 is used as an actual course-end, which also happens to be a natural course-end of the touch. The falsity of the touch arises from the fact that the author of the book in question, in his explanation of the proof of this system had not recognised the necessity of the proof by the false course-end 32465. If the reader will turn to the table in the second column of page 302, August 30th, he will find this reference to the letters H and h; the last column, after the word "at" should have been headed "False course," and the previous column after the word "produces," should have been headed "Plain course," and it was only by the writer's oversight that they were omitted.

(To be continued.)

Actual C. E.	M B W H	False Course-ends.			
23456		43265	24365	32546	46253
35264	—	25346	—	—	—
35624	—	65324	36524	53462	62345
43652	—	63425	46325	34562	62453
26354	—	36245	23645	62534	34256
52364	—	32546	53246	25634	34562
32465	—	42356	34256	23645	45362
64523	—	54632	65432	46253	53624
26543	—	56234	25634	62453	53246
54263	—	24536	52436	45623	23564
25463	—	45236	24536	52643	43265
42563	—	52436	—	—	—
42635	—	62453	—	—	—
23456	—	43265	—	—	—
Natural C. E.		32465			
35264	—	53246	—	—	—
56342	—	65324	—	—	—
43652	—	34625	46325	34562	62453
63254	—	36245	62345	36524	24653
52364	—	25346	53246	25634	34562
32465	—	23456	34256	23645	45362
64523	—	46532	65432	46253	53624
26543	—	62534	25634	62453	53246
42563	—	24536	45236	24653	53462
54263	—	45236	52436	45623	23564
25463	—	52436	24536	52643	43265
26435	—	62453	—	—	—
23456	—	32465	—	—	—

A RECORD HANDBELL PEAL.

A NORTH NOTTS. ACHIEVEMENT.

On Wednesday, September 3rd, in 1 hour and 59 minutes, in the belfry of St. James' Church, South Anston, a peal of Surprise Minor, 5040 changes, comprising the following seven Surprise methods, viz.: Munden, Morpeth, Newcastle, Chester, Whitley, Northumberland and Carlisle was tapped on handbells by Mr. John Segar, jun., of Retford. Umpires: H. Haigh, Secretary of the Association, Worksoy; C. F. Fowler, H. Stenton and S. Smith, South Anston; and Mr. John Segar, sen., of Retford. The tapping was done in excellent style, and this is believed to be the world's record of 5040 changes tapped on handbells in seven Surprise methods. The young gentleman, whose age is only 20 years, received the hearty congratulations of all present at the end of the performance, after which he gave a recital or transposition of

one of the methods rung, change by change, to oblige a gentleman who was not present during the performance.

THORNHAM MAGNA (Suffolk).—On Saturday, August 30th, 720 Double Court Minor C. Nunn, E. Youngs, J. D. Buckingham, E. Buckingham, W. Clover, W. Rose (conductor). For morning service on August 31st, touches of Grandsire Doubles, Plain Bob and Simons Doubles E. Youngs, J. D. Buckingham, E. Buckingham, W. Clover, W. Rose (conductor). In the afternoon, at Burgate, 360 Grandsire Doubles and touches of Simons, Dream, April Day. The ringers taking part were G. Brown, W. Brown, E. Youngs, W. Clover, J. D. Buckingham, E. Buckingham, L. Last, J. D. Buckingham, E. Buckingham, W. Clover, L. Last, F. Day, F. Brunning, A. Bowell, and E. F. Poppy (conductor), rang over 800 changes of Kent Major after evening service at Eye. On Monday, September 1st, at Thornham Magna, touches of Cambridge, Norwich Surprise, and Violet Minor were rung. W. Rose, E. Youngs, J. D. Buckingham, E. Buckingham, W. Clover, G. Cattermole (conductor). All the above were rung to oblige the Messrs. Buckingham, who hail from Essex.

BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR.

By FREDERICK DENCH, Cambridge.

5056.

23456	M	B	W	H
24536	I	-	2	2
42635	2			2
46325	I	-	2	2
23564	2	-	2	
24365	2			I
23645	I	-	2	2
32546	2			2

Repeated; 4th, 5th and 6th extent.

5184.

By the same Author.

23456	M	B	W	H
26354		-	I	I
36524	I	-		I
25634	I	-		2
53624	I	-		
32546		-		
23645	2			2

Twice repeated; 4th, 5th and 6th extent. Reduced to 5088 by alternate calling in last course of each part.

BOB MAJOR.

By H. PRICE.

1264.

23456	W	B	M	H
42356				-
63254			-	-
35426	-			-
43526				-
54326				-
32546	-			-
53246				-
24536	-			-
52436				-
45236				-
23456	-			-

The 6th at home ten courses.

1264.—By the same Author.

23456	W	B	M	H
35426		3	-	-
52436		3	-	-
32456		3	-	S
43256				-
24356				-
35246	-			-
23546				-
52346				-
45326	-			-
23456	-			S

Only ten course-ends, and the 6th at home.

BOB MAJOR.

By B. FRANCIS, Clare, Suffolk.

5376.

23456	W	M	H
52436	-		
35426	-		
64352	-	-	-
36245	-	-	-
24365	-	-	-
32546	-	-	-
52643		-	
65324	-	-	
43652	-	-	-
64235	-	-	
26543	-	-	
56342		-	
23564	-	-	-
52364			-
35264			-
42356	-	-	-

Twice repeated.

If the seventh course in each part is called w m h it will be reduced to 5040 changes, with the 6th twelve times each way in 5-6.

BRISTOL MAJOR.

By HENRY DAINS.

5472.

23456	M	B	W	H
35264		X		
56234	I	X		
26354	I	X		I
53624			2	2
32546		X		
52436	I	X		I
23564		X		

Twice repeated.

By calling the first course 2M 1H the third course-end reduces changes to 5024 in number.

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The Bell News and Ringers' Record.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 1913.

We are asked to state that the peal of Caters rung at St. John the Baptist, Hillingdon, on August 30th, and recorded in our issue of last week, was NOT the first rung by Mr. Lawrence, the ringer of the 6th, as reported in the footnote. Mr. Lawrence took part in several peals of Caters with the late Rev. F. E. Robinson and Mr. J. W. Washbrook, for the Oxford Diocesan Guild, more than 24 years ago.

The correspondent who sent the report of the peal also writes expressing regret at the mistake.

Mr. H. Dains withdraws his claim to the corrected peal of 5088 Bristol Major published last week, as it belongs to Mr. A. Knights.

The appeal for £65 to put the bells at Rayne in order gains slowly. The ringers there are an enthusiastic young band, who have themselves undertaken to raise the amount

named, as a further sum of £300 is needed for repairs to the church. Rayne is a small agricultural parish, and to raise the whole of the money in the parish would mean an almost impossible task. In the circumstances the ringers are seeking assistance from their brethren in other towers.

Much regret was expressed at the meeting of the North-Western Division of the Essex Association, on Saturday last, at the retirement of Mr. G. A. Black from the Mastership of the Division. It was acknowledged that he had rendered valuable service to the Division, and that it would be a difficult matter to find a successor to so ably fill the position. Hearty thanks were accorded the retiring Master.

As was anticipated the task of choosing a Master was not an altogether easy one. In these days of strenuous living it is difficult to find working men who can afford to give up the time necessary for the successful working of an organisation, and as ringers are almost invariably working men Saturday's quest was no exception. Several members were invited to the post, only to decline on the ground that they had no time. At length one was found willing to make the necessary sacrifice, in the person of Mr. E. J. Butler, of Chadwell Heath, who has earned the thanks of the membership by helping them out of a fix, and there is no doubt he will receive their loyal support.

The members of the Cambridge University Guild who went on tour in the Chester district last week did not score a long list of peals, three being the sum total secured by the fourteen members who took part in the outing. A trip, after three hours, brought a peal of Cambridge to an end; a broken rope stopped a peal of Minor; illness prevented the bells being raised in one tower, and death in another. But, nothing daunted, the party went merrily on. Where they could not score peals they rang touches, and when tower bells were not available they used hand-bells. In this way the week sped through, the end of it finding the party well satisfied with their doings, if a little disappointed at the result.

Disappointment, too, marked the outing of the St Mary-le-Tower, Ipswich, band. Learning, at almost the eleventh hour, that their first objective, Great St. Mary, Cambridge, where they had arranged to attempt a peal of Stedman Cinques, was impossible, owing to illness in the vicinity, they made hurried arrangements to visit Great Yarmouth. Permission to attempt a peal was given, and 2.30 fixed for the start. When, however, the band met they were told they could not start till after three o'clock, because of a funeral. So they rang touches instead, and made themselves content.

The Metropolis.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, September 6, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN, WATERLOO ROAD,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 20 cwt.

GEORGE KILBY	Treble	REUBEN SANDERS	5
JAMES E. DAVIS	2	GEORGE A. CARD	6
BERTRAM PREWETT	3	THOMAS LANGDON	7
WILLIAM H. KEMP	4	HENRY J. CANTOR	Tenor

Conducted by BERTRAM PREWETT.

*First peal in the method.

WILLESDEN, MIDDLESEX.

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

On Tuesday, September 9, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF PLAIN BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720s, each called differently. Tenor 10 cwt.

ARTHUR FRENCH	Treble	GEORGE M. KILBY	4
FREDK. SEAR	2	THOMAS LANGDON	5
FREDK. GRIDDALE	3	HARRY KILBY	Tenor

Conducted by HARRY KILBY.

First peal by F. Griddale, who was elected a member prior to starting.

The Provinces.

COSELEY, STAFFORDSHIRE.

SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD AND THE DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.

On Monday, September 1, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-six Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF OXFORD BOB TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

J. J. PARKER'S SIX-PART.

WILLIAM A. JEAYONS	Treble	BENJAMIN GOUGH	5
ARTHUR BAKER	2	SAMUEL BAKER	6
ALBERT E. BLUNDELL	3	WILLIAM FISHER	7
WILLIAM A. COOPER	4	ALBERT E. LAW	Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM FISHER.

*First peal in the method. Rung to celebrate the 51st anniversary of the wedding of Mr. and Mrs. E. Nicholls, of Coseley, who for 38 years were head master and head mistress of the Parish Church Schools.

SUTTON COLDFIELD, WARWICKSHIRE.

THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.

On Tuesday, September 2, 1913, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 24 cwt. in E flat.

JOHN JENNINGS	Treble	WILLIAM ALLSOPP	5
ARTHUR ALLSOPP	2	THOMAS BLOORE	6
CHARLES WATMAN	3	BERTRAM G. LEEDHAM	7
GEORGE ROBERTS	4	JAMES REYNOLDS	Tenor

Conducted by THOMAS BLOORE.

Rung with the bells muffled as a token of deep sympathy with the Rev. Canon Barnard, Rector and Rural Dean of Sutton Coldfield, and his family, on the death of his dearly beloved wife, who was laid to rest on the above date at Sutton Coldfield amidst manifestations of deep regret of the townspeople and many of their old parishioners from King's Norton. All the above are service ringers at this Church.

HILLINGDON WEST, MIDDLESEX.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, September 2, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

A PEAL OF OXFORD BOB TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES.

Tenor 13½ cwt.

THOMAS SMITH	Treble	PERCY E. JONES	5
JOSEPH J. PRATT	2	WILLIAM HONOR	6
WILLIAM H. FUSSELL	3	GEORGE H. GUTTERIDGE	7
WILLIAM HENLEY	4	HENRY H. CHANDLER	Tenor

Composed by J. J. PARKER, and Conducted by J. J. PRATT.

ROMSEY.—On Sunday evening, August 24th, for Divine Service at the Abbey, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 48 mins. J. Smithers, J. Elcombe, F. Hands, F. H. Paskins (conductor), J. Walker, W. G. Trewin, T. Cole, W. Payne.

SUNDERLAND, DURHAM.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, September 2, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. IGNATIUS THE MARTYR,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

SIR A. P. HEYWOOD'S TRANSPOSITION.

Tenor 13 cwt.

GEORGE S. TAYLOR* Treble	MICHEL F. HARRISON 5
THOMAS H. NAISEY 2	JOSEPH W. PARKER 6
JAMES AYRES* 3	ROBERT L. PATTERSON 7
WILLIAM A. CARR 4	WILLIAM OXLEY* Tenor

Conducted by JOSEPH W. PARKER.

*First peal on eight bells. First peal of Stedman. This is the first peal on the augmented ring, all the band being service ringers at this church, and it was rung at the third attempt.

SHEFFIELD, YORKSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(SHEFFIELD DISTRICT SOCIETY.)

On Wednesday, September 3, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST, RAMMOOR,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.

Tenor 15 cwt.

JOHN HOLMAN Treble	MAURICE WARD 5
RICHARD W. COLLIER 2	FRANCIS WARD 6
JOHN ATKIN 3	WILLIAM S. PLANT 7
SAM THOMAS 4	CHARLES HAYNES Tenor

Composed by CHARLES H. HATTERSLEY, and Conducted by SAM THOMAS.

This composition has the bells reversed in 5-6 without recourse to bobs before with 4th, 5th and 6th exclusively in 6th place, and is believed to be the first peal rung on this plan. It was also the first peal of Superlative on the bells, and the first Surprise peal by all except the ringers of the treble and 4th. The conductor has now called a peal in a different method from each bell in this tower.

YORKTOWN, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD,

On Wednesday, September 3, 1913, in Three Hours and Six Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.

Tenor 15½ cwt.

EDWIN J. PANNETT Treble	CORPORAL G. GILBERT, R.E. 5
CHARLES EDWARDS 2	ERNEST NEWELL 6
ALFRED J. CROUCHER 3	GEORGE MILES* 7
HARRY BUNGA 4	ERNEST C. LAMBERT Tenor

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD, and Conducted by CHARLES EDWARDS.

Mr. Pannett, for whom this peal was arranged hails from Lewes. *First peal of Major.

WHITLEY BAY, NORTHUMBERLAND.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, September 3, 1913 in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL,

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

ARTHUR PAYNE* Treble	ROBERT GOSTON* 5
R. ALDER GOSTON 2	WILLIAM STORY 6
BENJAMIN C. DIXON 3	JOSEPH E. R. KEEN 7
JOSEPH A. GOSTON 4	THOMAS T. GOSTON Tenor

Composed and Conducted by T. T. GOSTON.

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

GREAT BARDFIELD (Essex).—On Tuesday, September 2nd, 720 Woodbine Treble Bob. G. Piper, F. Suckling, W. Piper, H. Bowers, A. Piper, F. M. Mitchell (conductor). Arranged for F. M. Mitchell, who was on a visit from Milton-next-Gravesend, Kent. Also touches of Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, Oxford Bob and Double Court.

HIGH WYCOMBE, BUCKS.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

(East Berks. and South Bucks. Branch.)

THE HIGH WYCOMBE AND BEACONSFIELD SOCIETIES.

On Wednesday, September 3, 1913, in Three Hours and Thirty Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERERS, 5035 CHANGES.

Tenor 32 cwt.

FRED HAYES Treble	GEORGE F. WILLIAMS 6
RALPH COLES 2	WILLIAM PHIPPS 7
JOHN GRANSBURY 3	ROBERT H. YOUNG 8
CECIL C. MAYNE* 4	RICHARD BOGELAND 9
EDWARD MACEHAM 5	CECIL E. SMITH Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF, and Conducted by G. F. WILLIAMS.

Arranged for G. F. Williams, of Hull, late of High Wycombe.

DARLEY DALE, DERBYSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, September 3, 1913, in Three Hours and Five Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. HELEN.

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

IN THE KERT VARIATION.

Tenor 17 cwt.

ALFRED C. WRIGHT Treble	WILLIAM FOX 5
THOMAS WHITE 2	EDWIN BLACEWALL 6
HENRY GREGORY 3	BENJAMIN GREATOREK 7
REV. A. T. BEESTON 4	WILLIAM TAYLOR Tenor

Composed by J. NICHOLLS, and Conducted by ALFRED C. WRIGHT.

BRISTOL.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, September 4, 1913, in Three Hours and Three Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR.

5056 CHANGES; JOHNSON'S VARIATION.

Tenor 18 cwt.

GILBERT WILTSHIRE Treble	WILLIAM STOWELL 5
ALFRED E. REEVES 2	JOHN BURFORD 6
HARRY BROWNJOHN 3	J. HOWARD R. FREEBORN 7
GEORGE CONDICK, JUN 4	FRED G. MAY Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON, and Conducted by F. G. MAY.

Arranged for Mr. J. H. R. Freeborn.

PETERBOROUGH.

THE PETERBOROUGH AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, September 4, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being two 720s each of Oxford and Kent Oxford Bob, and one 720 of Plain Bob. Tenor 8 cwt. 1 qr.

OSWALD RICHARDSON Treble	GEORGE D. COLEMAN 4
SYDNEY J. COLEMAN 2	THOMAS R. VAUGHAN 5
JOHN J. JUTSON 3	GEORGE JUTSON Tenor

Conducted by G. D. COLEMAN.

Arranged for the Messrs. Coleman, of St. Neots; also as a farewell to George Jutson on his removal to Melton Mowbray.

DENTON.—On Tuesday, September 2nd, at St. Anne's Church 720 Woodbine Treble Bob. H. Bardsley, W. Wilde, A. Marshall (conductor), W. W. Wolstencroft, J. Pollitt, W. Wright. First 720 in the method, and first attempt for W. W. Wolstencroft.

HOLLOWAY.—On Sunday, September 7th, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (taken from Holt's Original), in 41 mins. J. Barry, A. Bunn, A. Brooks, J. Cornford (conductor), A. Hart, W. Pateman, A. Turner, C. Ottley.

WOLVERHAMPTON.

THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.

On Saturday, September 6, 1913, in Three Hours and Fifty-one Minutes.

AT THE COLLEGIATE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5019 CHANGES.

Tenor 33 cwt.

JOSEPH B. FENTON* Treble	ADOLPHUS ROBERTS† 7
WILLIAM SHORT 2	JAMES E. GROVES 8
ALFRED J. HESSIAN* 3	JAMES L. WELLS 9
WILLIAM FISHER 4	SAMUEL GROVE 10
THOMAS H. REEVES 5	HERBERT KNIGHT 11
JOHN CARTER 6	JAMES GEORGE Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER. and Conducted by HERBERT KNIGHT.

*First peal of Cinques †First peal of Stedman Cinques. First peal of Cinques for the Guild. The band were afterwards entertained by the Ringing Master (Mr. Jas. George).

EWERBY, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, September 6, 1913, in Three Hours and Twenty-six Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5039 CHANGES.

Tenor 15 cwt.

WILLIAM G. THORPE .. Treble	SIDNEY PROCTOR 6
J. FRANK PROCTOR 2	ERNEST NIDD 7
JOHN T. HOLMES 3	WILLIAM DICKINSON 8
HARRY THORPE 4	FRED TURNER 9
FRED WILFORD 5	THOMAS H. HALL Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. and Conducted by SIDNEY PROCTOR.

This composition, now rung for the first time, is the author's number 140.

STOKE GOLDING, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.

On Saturday, September 6, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

A PEAL OF PLAIN MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

In three methods, viz.: 1,440 each of St. Clement's Bob, and Oxford Bob, and 2,160 of Plain Bob. Tenor 19 cwt

JOHN GILBERT Treble	THOMAS W. CHAPMAN .. 4
ROWLAND O. POLLARD* .. 2	GEOFFREY J. STONELEY .. 5
ERNEST STONE* 3	E. HARRY STONELEY Tenor

Conducted by E. HARRY STONELEY.

J. Gilbert (aged 15 years) was elected a life member of the Guild before starting, and this was his first attempt for a peal. *First peal in three methods.

SWANSCOMBE, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 6, 1913, in Three Hours and Nineteen Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 18 cwt. in F.

HERBERT A. HOLDEN* .. Treble	WILLIAM EASTER 5
JACE BURLIS* 2	FREDERICK M. MITCHELL† .. 6
GUY R. AMEROSSE† 3	WILLIAM HARPER 7
FREDERICK HAYES 4	WILLIAM HAIGH Tenor

Composed by CHARLES H. HATTERSLEY. and

Conducted by WILLIAM HAIGH.

*First peal of Treble Bob Major. †First peal on eight bells. Rung as a birthday compliment to Messrs. Fred. M. Mitchell and William Easter, the band offering the usual congratulations. Messrs. Haigh and Easter came from Gillingham; Holden from Meopham; Burlis Ambrose, Hayes and Mitchell from Milton-next-Gravesend; and Harper from Swanscombe. For calling see K.C. Report for 1912, page 78.

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COLSTERWORTH, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

(Southern Branch).

On Saturday, September 6, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-one Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720s each called differently. Tenor 9 cwt.

JOHN W. LAKE Treble	CYRIL WRIGHT* 4
ARTHUR SKINNS* 2	WILLIAM H. ALEXANDER* .. 5
HARRY A. WATSON* 3	ARTHUR I. HOLMES† Tenor

Conducted by JOHN W. LAKE.

*First peal. The ringers of the 3rd and 4th, were proposed members of the Guild previous to starting for the peal. †Fiftieth peal for the Guild.

LONG EATON, DERBYSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 6, 1913, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5376 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 10½ cwt.

NEVILLE H. WIDDOWSON .. Treble	JOHN HALL 5
RICHARD A. HICKTON 2	JOHN FLOWER 6
RICHARD HICKTON 3	WALTER AYRE 7
JOHN OLDEHAM 4	JOSEPH BAILEY Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS, and Conducted by JOSEPH BAILEY.

WITNEY, OXON.—THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

(Witney and Woodstock Deaneries Branch.)

On Monday, September 8, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 13 cwt. 1 qr.

ALFRED H. PULLING Treble	FREDERICK WEBB 5
ALBERT BROOKS 2	NOBLE SPINDLOW 6
WILLIAM JUDGE 3	REV. CYRIL W. O. JENKYN .. 7
JOHN MONK 4	GEORGE BROOKS Tenor

Conducted by A. H. PULLING.

Rung to commemorate the Patronal Festival of the church.

KEYNSHAM, SOMERSET.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, September 8, 1913, in Three Hours and Twenty-three Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR,

5056 CHANGES; JOHNSON'S VARIATION.

Tenor 28 cwt.

GILBERT WILTSHIRE Treble	J. HOWARD R. FREEBORN .. 5
FRED G. MAY 2	GEORGE COMDICK, JUN. .. 6
HARRY BROWNJOHN 3	WILLIAM STOWELL 7
ALBERT STOWELL 4	ALFRED E. REEVER Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON, and Conducted by FRED G. MAY.

Arranged for Mr. J. H. R. Freeborn. First peal of Cambridge on the bells, and the first in the method for the above Association.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

DEPTFORD, S.E.—On Sunday, August 24th, at St. John's Church, for evening service. 1216 Bob Major, in 44 mins. J. Law. F. S. Bacon A. G. Bennington, W. H. Daynes, F. W. Richardson, E. B. Crowder, T. A. Easterby, W. J. Jefferies (conductor).

TO CHANGE-RINGERS.—A Young Man wanted able to do French Polishing in Motor Works and willing to make himself generally useful in the Painting Department in spare time.—Apply in first instance to F. DENCH, 37, Ditton Walk, Cambridge.

Ringers' Outings.

THE IPSWICH ST. MARY-LE-TOWER SOCIETY'S OUTING, 1913.

As Bobbie Burns said, "The best laid schemes o' mice an' men, gang oft agley," and this the St. Mary-le-Tower Society found very true on the occasion of their annual outing on Saturday, September 6th. It had been arranged to visit Cambridge and attempt a peal of Stedman Cinques at Great St. Mary's there, but on Friday the Secretary received a telegram from Canon Abbott to say ringing was impossible owing to illness near the Church. This upset things rather, and the telegraph was put into operation, to see if any other twelve-bell tower could be obtained, and eventually permission was got from Mr. Denison Hayward for a peal attempt at Yarmouth. So at the last moment, so to speak, our plans were changed, and Yarmouth was decided upon.

Ipswich was left at 8.50 a.m., the party numbering 17, and very unpromising it looked for a seaside trip too, but before Yarmouth was reached the rain had cleared off, and it remained fine for the rest of the day. Yarmouth reached we at once made for the Church, where Mr. D. Hayward was waiting, and were told the peal attempt could be made at 2.30. This gave us two or three hours in which to have a look round, and enjoy some of the many attractions for which Yarmouth is famous. We all met again at 1 p.m. for dinner, which was "well and truly" disposed of. After dinner an adjournment was made to the Church, but again disappointment was in store, for as we were stripping, preparatory for the peal, a message came to say we were not to start till after 3 o'clock, owing to a funeral at that hour. This knocked all thoughts of a peal on the head, for our train left at 7 o'clock, and to ring a peal of Stedman Cinques, and catch a train in 3½ hours, is bordering on the impossible, so we contented ourselves with two short touches. After this we all went down to Gorleston-on-Sea by the river ateamer, and had a stroll round this pretty seaside village. Permission to ring having been obtained the Church, which has a nice peal of six, was visited, and several touches were rung by those who had not rung here before. Yarmouth was reached again by tram, in time for tea at 5.45, which with appetites increased by the sea air was much enjoyed. The last train left Yarmouth for Ipswich at 7 o'clock, and home was reached at 8.30, after what turned out to be a very enjoyable day which, if not memorable for the ringing accomplished and towers rung at, as some "Tower" outings have been, will at least be remembered by its worst feature—its disappointment.

C. J. S.

RINGERS AWHEEL.

Seven members from Bloxwich, Bradley, Coseley, Rushall and Wolverhampton St. Peter, took part in a cycle run to three towers within easy distance of Walsall. Aldridge was the first place visited. The "go" of the five bells here leaves something to be desired, especially the treble, whose antics caused no little excitement. However, a climb up to the bells previously had warned the ringers to be prepared to "handle" this bell, as the wheel was very loose. The Vicar (the Rev. J. F. Tarleton) came round and welcomed the party, and expressed a wish for the society's help in instructing a new band. Mr. W. Griffin (Walsall), had a ring here. The methods were Grandsire, Stedman, and

Plain Bob Doubles. On starting for Pelsall, one of the party experienced trouble with a faulty inner tube on a cycle he had borrowed, which compelled him to walk back to Walsall to join the rest at tea. In striking contrast to the tower the visitors had just left, at Pelsall, where there is a good-going ring of five, the local ringers turned up. Two of them rang half a six-score of Grandsire Doubles, time not allowing for more. On reaching Walsall, tea was provided by the Rev. E. V. Cox at his rooms. On behalf of the visitors, Mr. H. Knight proposed a hearty vote of thanks to Mr. Cox. After a short time with the handbells, Rushall tower was visited. Here the visitors were joined by one of the local band, and Stedman Doubles, Plain Bob, Canterbury and Kent Treble Bob Minor were tapped off. A very enjoyable half-day's ringing concluded shortly before 8.30 p.m. It was decided to arrange the next run to Patshull and Trysull on October 4th.

LUTON, BEDS.

The first annual outing of the Luton Parish Church ringers was to Tring, which was reached by char-a-banc. The journey was made by way of Markgate and Shedham, Great Gaddesden being the first place. Permission having been obtained, the bells were raised, and Bob Singles, Grandsire and Stedman Doubles tapped off on this fine peal of five bells (tenor 13 cwt). The frame is built for six, and it is hoped some kind friend will soon fill the vacant space to make a handy ring of six, as the local men are taking up the art of change-ringing under the direction of the Vicar (the Rev. T. A. Hollis). The party proceeded via Water End, Hemel Hempstead Boxmoor, to Great Berkhamsted, where lunch was partaken of at The King's Arms Hotel. Afterwards a visit was paid to the church, and ringing indulged in for about two hours on the peal of eight (tenor 19 cwt). The bells go well, but are marred by the cracked condition of the 6th.

After bidding the local ringers adieu, a start was made for Tring, which was reached at 5 p.m. Tea was provided at The George Hotel, and served in first-class style by Host Burton. After tea the tower was visited, and the grand peal of bells, no doubt the finest ring of eight in the county, with a tenor of 27 cwt., told their tale in Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Oxford Bob, and Kent Treble Bob Major. The journey home was made via Ivanhoe and Dunstable, Luton being reached on the stroke of 11 p.m., after an enjoyable drive of 40 miles o'er hill and dale, in glorious weather, and through some of the most sublime scenery of Beds. and Herts. The ringers thank the incumbents of Great Gaddesden, Great Berkhamsted and Tring for their kindness in allowing them the use of the bells and the local ringers for having everything in readiness.

DERBYSHIRE RINGERS AT BLACKPOOL.

The Norton, Derbyshire, ringers visited Blackpool for their annual outing. The party journeyed through the beautiful Hope Valley, and via Manchester, arriving at Blackpool at 9.15. Having obtained permission to ring a short touch at the Catholic Church 504 Grandsire Triples was brought round by A. James 1, E. James 2, J. Biggin 3, A. Rose 4, H. Beardshaw 5, F. Allen 6, W. Biggin (conductor) 7, T. Lee 8. Also two courses with S. Simpson, treble. The ringers then went their different ways, some for a sea trip others to sample the various amusements, for which Blackpool is noted. The day was fine, and the party had a very enjoyable outing. The visitors wish to thank the Blackpool friend who so kindly made the arrangements.

PLYMOUTH VISITED.

The ringers of St. Andrew's Church Congresbury, together with a few friends, visited Plymouth for their annual outing. The party numbering 20, including one of the churchwardens and three sidesmen, left Congresbury about 7 a.m., and joined the excursion train at Yatton a saloon having been reserved for them. The journey proved exceptionally interesting the country being new to the majority of the party. Plymouth was reached just before noon, and a visit was paid to Charles' Church, where a few touches of Grandsire Triples were rung. The band wish to thank Mr. W. H. Marsh for kindly obtaining permission for them to ring, and the clergy for granting the use of the bells. After dinner the party enjoyed a stroll round the Hoe, and a most pleasant sea trip which provided them with a view of the fleet, Devonport Dockyard, Saltash Bridge, and many other places of interest, and incidentally of the regatta. The return journey commenced at 7.30, and Congresbury was reached just before midnight, everyone expressing themselves highly pleased with the day's outing.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

A quarterly meeting of the Southern Branch took place at Evesham, under ideal conditions, when there were ringers present from Bengeworth, Hinton, Hampton, Fladbury, Pershore, Eckington, Overbury, Toddington, Badsey and Childswickham. At service, held in All Saints' Church, the Rural Dean (the Rev. J. M. Walker) gave an excellent address from the words: "I was glad when they said unto me we will go into the house of the Lord." He pointed out to the ringers their high calling in sending forth from tower and steeple the message to worshippers to come to church, and impressed upon his hearers that, after calling worshippers to church, it was their duty to attend divine service themselves.

After service the ringers, to the number of about 50, sat down to a capital knife and fork spread in the Parish Hall, the catering being in the hands of Mr. G. Hale. A business meeting followed, at which the Rural Dean presided. Several new members were elected, and it was decided to hold the next quarterly meeting at Badsey, and to attempt the quarterly peal at Evesham, with Mr. H. Middleton as conductor. It was also decided to arrange a united practice meeting at Little Comberton, the last meeting having proved a failure, owing to a wet day. On the proposition of Mr. G. E. Rind, a hearty vote of thanks was accorded to the Rural Dean for his excellent address, for the use of the bells, and for providing such a splendid tea; also to the choir for their presence at the service, and to Mr. G. Hale for the way he had catered for the ringers. The Rural Dean replied, and the meeting then terminated. Before and after the service, touches were rung in various standard methods, and Bengeworth and Hampton bells were also available, and were utilised afternoon and evening.

SHOREDITCH BELLS.

Ringers are requested to note the following dates. October 30th—Concert at the Shoreditch Town Hall in aid of the Bells Fund; Chairman—the Mayor; at 8 o'clock. Re-dedication of the bells on November 3rd at 8.30. The Mayor and Borough Council will attend on November 8th in the afternoon opening of the bells and tea in the Parish Room. Short service and an address by the Rev. G. F. Coleridge. All ringers will be invited to these events. A fuller announcement will be made later.

Will all old ringers who have rung on Shoreditch Bells, please communicate with Mr. H. J. Bradley, Parish Church, Shoreditch, with a view to have a photo taken with the bells.

OBITUARY.

MR. S. T. WRIGHT.

It is with regret we announce the death of the above, who was leader of the band at St. Oswald's, West Hartlepool, which took place early on Sunday morning, after only a fortnight's illness. Deceased was well-known to members of the Durham and Newcastle Association, to many of whom the news of his death will come as a shock.

GOLDEN WEDDING CELEBRATION.

MR. AND MRS. A. MERRYFIELD.

The bells of Southwell Cathedral were rung recently to celebrate the golden wedding of Mr. A. Merryfield. A touch of 504 Grandsire Triples was brought round by F. Foster, H. B. Berresford, A. H. Wilson, F. Pickard, G. Becket, E. Foster, A. J. Chamberlain (conductor), F. Larkey. Afterwards the band were entertained to a splendid supper at the Admiral Rodney Hotel, of which Mr. Larkey is the proprietor. Mr. F. Larkey, who rang the tenor, is home from South America on a visit.

In order to complete St. Mary's Episcopal Cathedral, Edinburgh, operations have been commenced for the erection of the western towers and their spires. The towers, which had only been carried up to a height of 60-ft., are to be increased 43-ft. They are each to be surmounted by angle pinnacles and a spire 109-ft. high, making 212-ft. altogether. The work will occupy two years, and cost about £11,000.

MILTON-NEXT-GRAVESEND.—On Sunday, August 31st, 720 Plain Bob, S. Bannister, H. Argent, G. Jones, F. Hayes, J. Burles (conductor), G. Ambrose. On Sunday, September 7th, for morning service, 720 Oxford Bob. S. Bannister, H. Argent, J. Burles, G. Jones, F. Hayes, F. Mitchell (conductor). For evening service, the same band, standing as above, rang a 720 Canterbury Pleasure. First 720 Oxford Bob on a bob bell by H. Argent.

THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

HOLLOWAY.—On Sunday, September 7th, 1280 Oxford Treble Bob, in three courses, in 43 mins. J. Barry, J. W. Cornford, A. D. Barker, A. E. Bunn, A. Hart, H. Ranzetta, R. W. Green, A. Turner. Composed by A. J. Perkins, and conducted by A. D. Barker. First quarter-peal in the method by all the band.

THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.

DUNCHURCH, NEAR RUGBY.—On Thursday, September 4th, at the Parish Church, 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor, in 26 mins. E. W. Haywood, H. O. White, W. Malins, A. J. Hessian, C. W. Wheeler, J. George (conductor). First 720 on the bell since being rehung by Messrs. Barwell, Birmingham.

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Damage to the extent of about £1200 has been done by fire to the Cathedral tower of Argyll and the Isles, Cumbræ. It is not known how the fire originated. The church, which was built in 1842-52 by the efforts of the late Earl of Glasgow, is the headquarters of the Diocese of Argyll and the Isles.

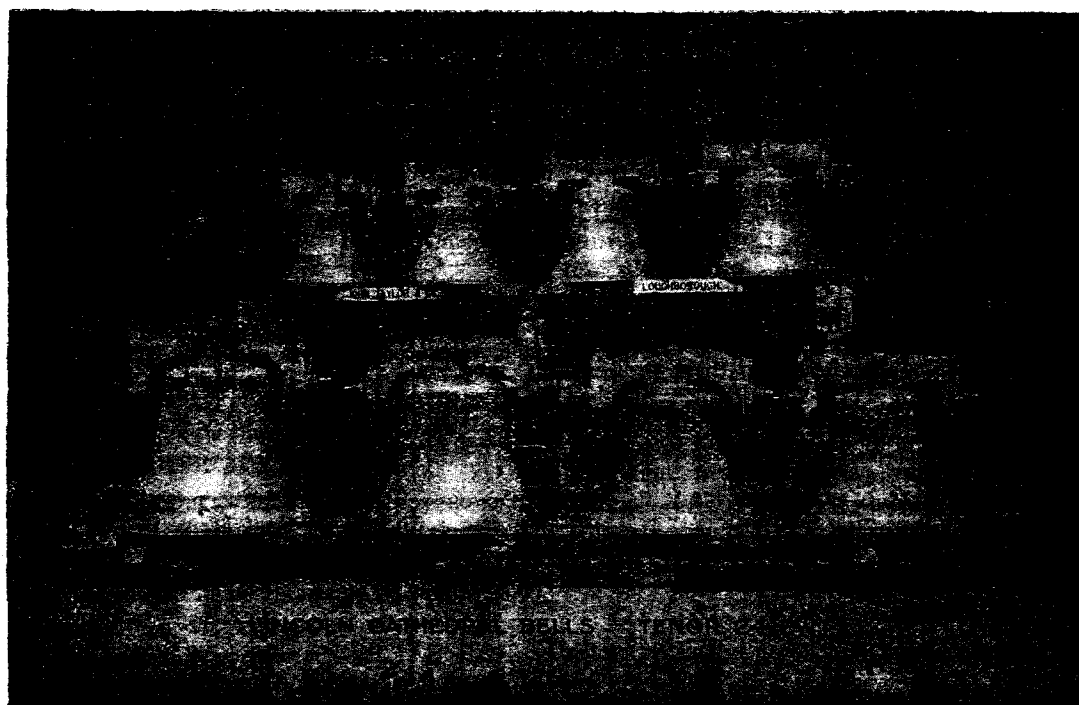
In the course of installing new lightning conductors on St. Paul's Cathedral, Messrs. J. W. Gray, Leadenhall Street, have discovered part of one of the original iron bar conductors fixed over 140 years ago, under the supervision of Benjamin Franklin, the inventor of the lightning conductor. The bar was in a good state of preservation, as it had been inside a tower, and, consequently, not exposed to the weather.

The autumn meeting of the Bristol and Gloucestershire Archæological Society was held at Gloucester, under the presidency of the Bishop of Gloucester (Dr. E. C. Sumner Gibson). A large body of members assembled in the south transept of the Cathedral, where they were received by the Sub-Dean, Bishop Mitchinson. Bishop Mitchinson explained that, owing to the preparation for the Three Choirs Festival, their visit would be necessarily restricted. Bishop Mitchinson, Canon Bazeley, and the Cathedral

architect (Mr. F. W. Waller), conducted the visitors in three sections through the several parts of the eastern limb, and in the Boteler Chapel Canon Bazeley gave an address on the rule of Abbot Boteler (1437-1450), and on the heraldry, sculpture, and floor tiles of the chapel, which is situated at the north-east angle of the choir. The reredos, which had been much injured, still contained twelve statuettes and many heraldic shields. The nine principal statuettes had disappeared—probably destroyed or removed from their brackets by Order of the Council in 1548. The twelve remaining appeared to represent the Twelve Apostles, including St. Paul.

A stained glass window is to be erected in the Lady Chapel of All Saints' Church, Oakham, and the altar is to be restored to the chapel of the Holy Trinity in order that the chapel may be used for service. The Lady Chapel on the south side of the chancel, and its east end and east window under which its altar stood are now blocked up by the altar and the choir vesty screen. The centre window of three lights in the south wall of the Lady Chapel will be filled with stained glass, and the subject to be represented is the Purification of t. Mary the Virgin and the Presentation of Christ in the Temple.

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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. John's, Hackney, on September 16th and 30th; St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on the 25th; St. Michael's, Cornhill, on the 30th; St. Paul's Cathedral on the 16th. Also St. Mary's, Walthamstow, on Saturdays. St. Magnus at 7.30, the others at 8 p.m.

William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec.

32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.

The Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild.—North and East District.—The next meeting will be held at Edgware on Saturday, September 13th. Bells available from 3.30. Tea at 5.45; members 6d., non-members 8d. All ringers welcome. Several subscriptions for 1913 are not yet to hand, and I should be glad to receive same as early as possible.

C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec.

49, Wood Street, Walthamstow.

The London County Association, late the St. James's Society.—Established 1824.—Northern District.—The next meeting will be held on Saturday, September 20th, at St. Anne's, Highgate. Bells available at 4.30 p.m. Business meeting at 8 p.m. All cordially invited.

J. Cornford, Hon. Sec.

7D Morgan Mansions, Holloway Road, N.

The Lancashire Association.—Rochdale Branch.—The next meeting of this Branch will be held at St. Mary's, Oldham, on Saturday, September 13th. Bells ready at 3. Business meeting at 5.30. An election of Branch President and Secretary will take place at this meeting. All nominations for the same to be sent in as early as possible to

Joseph Ogden, Sec.

135, Salts Street, Shaw.

The Winchester Diocesan Guild.—Winchester District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Eling on Saturday, September 13th. Bells from 2.30. Tea at 5 o'clock.

Jas. W. Elkins, Dis. Sec.

20, Culver Road, Winchester.

The Kent County Association.—Ashford District.—The annual meeting of the above will be held at New Romney on Saturday, September 13th. Bells available at 3 o'clock. Special service at 5 o'clock. Tea at 5.30, to be followed by a general business meeting for the election of officers, etc., for the ensuing year.

C. Tribe, Hon. Dis. Sec.

British School Villas, Tenterden.

The Oxford Diocesan Guild.—North Bucks, Branch.—The quarterly meeting will be held at Olney on Saturday, September 13th next. Service at 3 p.m.

Thos. Best, Sec.

Bletchley.

The Winchester Diocesan Guild.—A meeting of the Guildford District will be held at Godalming on Saturday, September 13th. 3.0—Bells available (8). 5.30—Service. 6.15—Tea in the Schoolroom. Chairman—His Worship, the Mayor of Godalming. Tickets 6d. to members, 1s. to visitors.

North Street, Guildford.

John J. Jones, Hon. Sec.

The Kent County Association.—Rochester District.—The annual meeting of this district will be held at Borden on Saturday, September 20th. Tower open from 3.30. Tea at the Maypole Inn at 5.30 (3d. per member will be charged), followed by business meeting. Will those intending to partake of tea let me know not later than Tuesday, September 16th.

Edward A. G. Allen, Hon. Sec.

77, Bill Street Road, Frindsbury, Rochester.

Worcestershire and Districts Association.—Northern Branch.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Redditch on Saturday, September 20th. Service in the Parish Church at 4.30. Business meeting and tea (kindly provided by the Vicar) at 5.30.

The election of officers for this branch will take place at this meeting. Will those intending to be present please let me know on or before Wednesday, September 17th.

E. J. Dowler, Branch Sec.

Bournbrook, Birmingham.

The Midland Counties Association.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Southwell on Saturday, September 20th. Ringing from 2 o'clock. Service in the Cathedral at 4, when an address to ringers will be given by the Rev. — Thomas. Committee Meeting at 4.45, followed by tea (1s. each), in the National Schools. Will those who intend being present for tea notify Mr. H. F. Clulow, Westgate, Southwell, by Thursday, September 18th. An excursion train will leave Nottingham (Midland) at 1.55 p.m.

W. E. White, Hon. Sec.

The Liverpool Diocesan Guild.—The next meeting of this Guild will be held at Woolton on Saturday, September 20th. Particulars by circular.

Rev. W. T. Bulpit,

W. Bentham,

Hon. Secs.

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Cleveland and North Yorkshire Association.—The September meeting will be held at Middleham on Saturday, September 27th. Bells of the Parish Church (tenor 18 cwt.) available for ringing all day. Dinner and tea by the kind invitation of the St. Alkeda's Guild. Those intending to be at this meeting must notify the Hon. Secretary not later than Tuesday, September 23rd. first post, or they cannot be provided for.

T. Metcalfe, Hon. Sec.

26, High Street, North Ormesby, Middlesbrough.

Stoke Archidiaconal Association.—The monthly meeting will be held at Uttoxeter on Saturday, September 20th. Bells ready at 2.30. Tea at 5.30 in the Assembly Rooms, Cross Keys Hotel. Service in Church at 6.45 p.m. Will those intending to be present please notify Mr. S. J. Kynnersley, 27, Park Street, Uttoxeter, not later than the 17th inst.

Rev. John Reay,

J. Johnson,

Hon. Secs.

Bath and Wells Diocesan Association.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Evercreech on Saturday, September 20th. Service in the Parish Church at 3.30 p.m. Tea at the Institute at 4.15 p.m. Meeting to follow.

E. E. Burgess, Hon. Sec.

Taunton.

The Lancashire Association.—Manchester Branch.—The next monthly meeting will be held at Christ Church, Barlow Moor, Didsbury, on Saturday, September 20th. Bells available at 4 p.m. Meeting at 7.

W. W. Wolsteadcroft, Branch Sec.

The Lancashire Association.—The annual meeting will be held at Liverpool on Saturday, October 4th. Service at St. Nicholas Church at 4 p.m. Preacher—The Lord Bishop of Liverpool.

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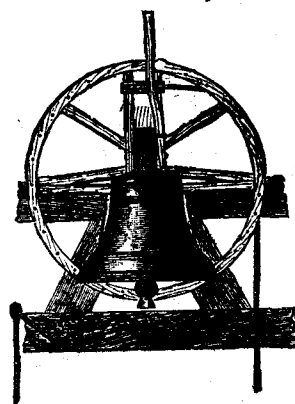
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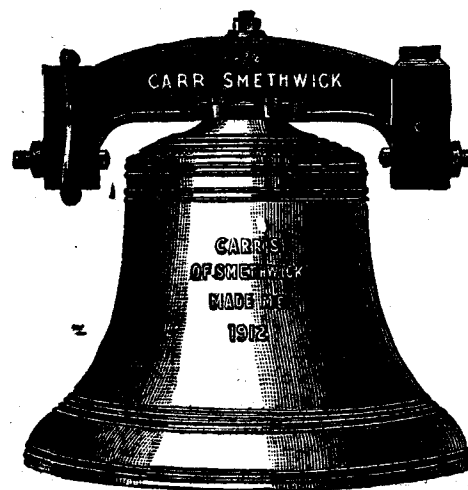
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