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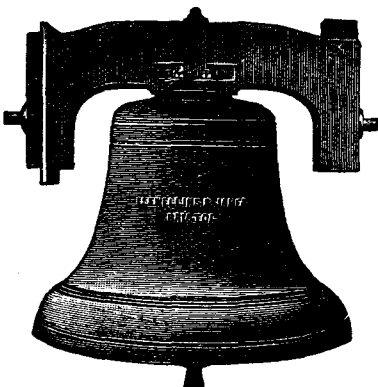
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THE CENTRAL COUNCIL.

THE PEALS COLLECTION COMMITTEE AND TREBLE BOB.

Mr. J. A. Trollope presented the report of this committee, and dealing with the question of "Treble Bob," said this part of the Committee's work had been prepared for printing for some months, and would have been printed but that the war had interfered with them. His own time had been taken up with other matters, but if the committee were re-appointed he would try to arrange with the Rev. H. S. T. Richardson to carry it through the final stages.

The Rev. C. D. P. Davies said the committee consisted of Messrs. H. Dains, J. A. Trollope, H. W. Wilde, Rev. H. S. T. Richardson, and himself. The Standing Committee wished to add Mr. Lewis, and he (Mr. Davies) would like to retire. He was one of the members appointed when the committee was started and did the section of the first volume dealing with Grandsire Triples. The collection had now reached the Major methods which other members were more competent to deal with, and he asked the Council to allow him to retire and appoint Mr. Lewis.

Mr. Lewis suggested that in that case he would ask to be relieved from one of the other committees, as he had other work to do which was pressing, and there was still a great deal to do on the other committees.

In the result the committee was re-elected, with the exception of Mr. Davies.

LEGITIMATE METHODS COMMITTEE.

Mr. Lewis, on behalf of this committee, reported that, although the Council at its last meeting decided to proceed to print the Collection this had not been done. He had consulted with the Rev. H. Law James, and would not allow his name to appear in connection with the report until he had checked the figures. This had entailed the working out of some 21,834 sets of figures three times, and the result had been the addition of from 100 to 150 new methods which were not included, and the deletion of others already included. He had the book, containing 828 methods, which it would be necessary to send to the members of the committee again, and it could then be printed.

The President said the Council were greatly indebted to the committee, and particularly to Mr. Lewis, for their work.

Mr. J. Griffin proposed the re-election of the committee, Rev. H. Law James, Messrs. Dains, Lewis and Trollope,

Rev. E. W. Carpenter, in seconding, asked if it would not be possible to get rid of the word "Legitimate." If that could be done they would get rid of a great deal of difficulty. The idea of many ringers was that if the Council decided that a method was legitimate it might be rung, but if the Council decided otherwise they must not ring it. Methods were constructed according to certain rules formulated by the Council, and they might call them "regular" methods; they were rules, not laws.

Mr. Trollope did not think the term used would make any difference, but it was a question of laws and of legitimacy.

Mr. Lewis having expressed sympathy with what Mr. Carpenter had brought forward the committee was re-appointed.

ANALYSIS COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

This report appeared in our issue of May 22nd.

Rev. E. W. Carpenter moved the acceptance of the report, and, referring to the question of a time limit between ringing a peal and its publication, in order to secure inclusion in the Analysis report, said it was absurd that a peal should be reported eight months after ringing, and then be included in the report. If a peal was worth publishing it should be published within a month of being rung.

Mr. Griffin seconded the motion for the adoption of the report, which was carried.

The President, on behalf of the Council, tendered thanks to

the Committee for their labours. Whatever the opinion might be as to estimating the value of peals the Analysis contained an immense amount of information which was most interesting.

Rev. F. L. Edwards moved that in order to obtain recognition a peal should be published within two calendar months of the date of ringing.

On the motion of Mr. C. Dean seconded by Mr. H. White, the Analysis Committee was re-elected, as follows: Rev. E. W. Carpenter, Messrs. A. T. King, J. Griffin and G. Williams.

Mr. Griffin returned thanks on behalf of the Committee for their re-election, and said they thought two months was quite enough to allow for the publication of a peal. They would not allow any further time at the end of a year. Replying to a question by the Rev. A. T. Beeston, Mr. Griffin agreed that a resolution already existed requiring the publication of peals rung during any year by the end of the following February. The Committee wanted to keep the work up to date, but could not do so if the work was all to be done at the end of a year.

Rev. A. H. F. Boughy thought the motion would involve more work, as at present there was no need to examine any dates until the end of February, but if the resolution were passed all dates would have to be examined.

Rev. E. W. Carpenter said the committee compared notes at the end of each month, and it was only by keeping the work up to date that it could be done at all. It upset all their figures if a peal rung in January was not published till September. The holding back of peals opened the way for unscrupulous people to "fake up" peals and they ought not to give any chance for that kind of thing.

The President suggested the substitution of "eight weeks," for "two calendar months" and the resolution was adopted.

THE LITERATURE COMMITTEE.

For this committee Mr. R. A. Daniell reported, but said the report was somewhat a personal explanation. Owing to illness he had been unable to do anything for himself or anyone else. He had been suffering from a malady which absolutely made it impossible for him to concentrate on anything, and the work of the committee had consequently been at a standstill. He had got together a great deal of information, and would have his notes typewritten and send them to the secretary. What he was able to do he would do, but if he could not do anything his notes would be at the disposal of the Council. Replying to the President Mr. Daniell said the catalogue of rings of bells was complete. Notes about other books were almost complete, but they needed verifying.

(To be continued)

RESTORATION AT BARKWAY, HERTS.

Mr. Bowell, of Ipswich, has recently rehung in new steel frames the six old bells at Barkway, cast by Briant, of Hertford, in 1809. New steel headstocks have been fitted, and Mr. Bowell has added two new trebles to complete the octave, the tenor weighing 16 cwt. A handy ring of eight is thus provided. Members of the Hertford County Association were invited to try the new bells, and touches of Treble Bob, Bob Major, Stedman and Grandsire Triples were successfully brought round. It was the unanimous opinion of all present that the "go" of the bells was splendid, and great credit is due to Mr. Bowell and his staff for the way the work has been carried out. These present included the Vicar (the Rev. Stubbs), Mr. J. W. Sworder, and Mr. A. Hall (churchwardens), Messrs. Bowell and H. Wellam (Ipswich), W. H. Lawrence, E. Overall, and W. Wolstan (Little Munden), B. Patmore (Great Munden), W. L. Darlow, W. B. Manning, R. G. King, S. E. Roberts, and F. G. Griffen (Royston), W. Machon (Barley) A. Bysouth, W. Bysouth, C. Bysouth, and the local Church Army Captain.

PROOFS OF METHODS.

By GEORGE BAKER.

There is, and can be, only one pivot bell in odd-bell methods, but there may be any number of hunts. If the treble is a plain hunt in odd-bell methods that are produced from the Quick primary principle, then the treble is also the pivot bell, irrespective of the number of additional hunts. Our first illustration is the five-bell Quick primary principle, and the treble being the pivot bell the path of the treble is the data for proving by "Reciprocal Proof."

The false row is 13254.

12345	(1)	S
21435	(2)	S
24153	(3)	C (=31245)
42513	(4)	S
45231	(5)	C (=53412)
54321	(5)	S
53412	(4)	C (=45231)
35142	(3)	S
31524	(2)	C (=24153)
13254	(1)	S

12345

If we add a Quick 2nds place extreme at the dividing line thus:—

13254

13524

no alteration is made in the proof, and we have Bob Doubles with only one false row to each lead, but if we produce Bob Doubles from the Slow primary principle there will be three false rows to each lead. I have no personal objection (as I said last week in regard to Grandsire Singles) to the arbitrary definition that decrees the Plain Bob Method on odd bells to be illegitimate, but if I am told after giving the above proof that Bob Doubles is faulty in construction, my reply will be to the person or persons that say so: "I am certain you know nothing at all about it."

Our next illustration is the old form of Grandsire Doubles in which there are three false rows to every lead against the one false row when the method is properly produced from the Slow primary principle.

GRANDSIRE DOUBLES.—Treble the Pivot Bell.

The false Rows are 13542, 15432, and 15243.

12345	(1)	S
21354	(2)	S
23145	(3)	C (=31245)
32415	(4)	C (=42135)
34251	(5)	C (=53124)
43521	(5)	C (=54213)
45312	(4)	S
54132	(3)	C (=35421)
51423	(2)	C (=24531)
15243	(1)	C (=13542)

12534

When we have proved that no remaining leads of the plain course we shall find altogether SIX FALSE COURSE-ENDS; when the method is produced from the Slow primary principle there are no false course-ends against the plain

course. Our next illustration is the bob-lead of Grandsire Doubles.

The false Row is 15432.

12345	(1)	S
21354	(2)	S
23145	(3)	C (=31245)
32415	(4)	C (=42135)
34251	(5)	C (=53124)
43521	(5)	C (=54213)
45312	(4)	S
54132	(3)	C (=35421)
51423	(2)	C (=24531)
15432	(1)	S

14523

Will readers please note that the bob lead of Grandsire Doubles in which the constructional bob made in the first division is duplicated in the last division, has only ONE false row to the lead—the lead-end—moreover there is PLAIN BOB COURSING ORDER at lead-head and lead-end, which is more than can be said of the bob lead of the Grandsire Method on any of the higher numbers—odd or even—from Minor to Maximus. By different writers—myself included—it has been repeated many times that Fabian Stedman might just as well have started his Principle with a complete Quick or Slow six instead of the Grandsire start. But Stedman builded better than he knew, as we shall presently see, for I doubt if Stedman knew anything of "Reciprocal Proof."

Our next illustration is Stedman's Principle started with a Slow bob six, with the proof against it.

12345	(1)	S	false row 15243
21354	(2)	S	" 25341
23145	(3)	C (=31245)	" 35142
32154	(4)	S	" 15243
31245	(5)	C (=23145)	" 25341
13254	(6)	S	" 35142
31524	(6)	C (=24153)	" 35142
35142	(5)	S	" 51342
53124	(4)	C (=34251)	" 13542
51342	(3)	C (=25341)	" 35142
15324	(2)	C (=14352)	" 51342
13542	(1)	C (=15243)	" 13542

31452

In the above there are five false rows to the twelve changes, but I have not troubled to find out how many there are against the plain course. Our next illustration is Stedman's Principle, started with a Quick bob six, and again we have five false rows to the first twelve changes. It would be good exercise for anyone who is interested to find the total false rows against the plain course.

12345	(1)	S	false row 13542
13254	(2)	S	" 32541
31245	(3)	C (=23145)	" 21543
32154	(4)	S	" 13542
23145	(5)	C (=31245)	" 32541
21354	(6)	S	" 21543
12534	(6)	C (=12453)	" 21543
21543	(5)	S	" 52143
25134	(4)	C (=31452)	" 15243
52143	(3)	C (=32541)	" 21543
51234	(2)	C (=23451)	" 52143
15243	(1)	C (=13542)	" 15243

51423

OBITUARY.

MR. WILLIAM EDWARDS (Horley).

We chronicle, with regret, the death of Mr. W. Edwards, a well known and highly-respected resident of Horley, which occurred on June 3rd, and who was buried on June 8th, amid many manifestations of sympathy and respect, in Horley Churchyard. The deceased, who was 77 years of age, was born on May 12th, 1838, and for many years carried on the business of village blacksmith, which brought him into personal contact with numerous friends. He was one of the oldest members of the Surrey and Sussex County Associations, and first began to ring at Horley Church about 60 years ago. He was a familiar figure at meetings of both County Associations, and was for many years foreman of the Horley Parish Church Society, and a most regular attendant at the Sunday ringing for service. Although an old ringer he had never attempted to ring a peal of 5040 changes till the year 1890. Since then he has rang in six others of Grandsire Triples. He was mere in favour of quarter-peals and short touches. About fifteen ringers attended the funeral and rang with the bells deeply muffled his favourite touch of 336 Grandsire Triples, and after the service a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, conducted by A. Harman, the following taking part: A. Songhurst, J. Kenward, C. Bashford, S. Kenward, G. Illman, P. Etheridge, A. Harman, and C. Osborn.

MR. E. E. HUNTLEY (Bushey).

Much regret will be felt at the death of Mt. E. E. Huntley, of Bushey. On Friday, May 28th, he underwent a serious operation at Guy's Hospital, London, and passed away early on Thursday morning. Mr. Huntley was very well known in Bushey. He was formerly the Hon. Secretary of the Cricket Club, and last year was presented with a handsome silver salver in recognition of his services. For three years, 1905-8, he was churchwarden at the Parish Church. He was leader of the ringers from 1886 to 1908 and it was through his energy that the original three bells at the church were added to and a peal of eight was completed. He had lived at Bushey over 30 years. The funeral took place at the Parish Church on Monday afternoon. Many tokens of respect for the deceased were forthcoming, there being a large gathering of friends at the church. The Rector officiated, assisted by the Rev. T. V. Garnier. Wreaths were sent by "His wife, in ever loving memory of my dear husband"; "His nephew (W. T. Maze), in loving memory of my dear uncle and friend"; "Norman, in loving remembrance of my dear uncle"; "S. and W. Huntley (brother and sister), with deepest sympathy"; "Kitt and Fred, in loving memory of dear Ernest, 'a true friend in time of trouble'"; "Little Kitty and Aggie, in loving memory of our dear uncle." The coffin was of polished oak, and bore the following inscription: "Ernest Edward Huntley, died June 3rd, 1915, aged 53 years." On Sunday and Monday the Parish Church Ringers rang a half-muffled peal in memory of the deceased.

PRESENTATION AT ST. MARY ABBOTTS.

To commemorate his wedding, and also to show the esteem in which he is held by his comrades of the St. Mary Abbott's (Kensington) Guild, Mr. Percy Miles was, on June 1st, presented with a clock in handsome oak case. His fellow members are unanimous in wishing Mr. and Mrs. Miles a long and happy life.

ROMNEY MARSH AND DISTRICT GUILD.

The June meeting of this Guild took place at Rolvenden, Kent, on June 5th, Benenden, Hawkhurst, Fairfield, Rye, Tenterden. Stone-in-Oxney, belfries being represented, while a number of the local band also attended. One Guild member was present wearing the King's uniform, viz., Mr. Ben Goldsmith, of Rolvenden, who is in the Royal Garrison Artillery. He looked very fit, and one gathered that the conditions of military life thoroughly agreed with his constitution. Grandsire Doubles, Grandsire Triples and courses of Stedman Triples were rung, but several attempts at a touch of Stedman unfortunately proved failures. New Romney was selected as the rendezvous for July, the meeting to be held on the first Saturday in the month.

On the proposition of the Hon. Secretary (Mr. G. J. Youngs), seconded by Mr. C. Tribe, a hearty vote of thanks was passed to the Vicar for the use of the bells, and to the Captain of the local ringers (Mr. A. Blackman) for rendering valuable assistance in making arrangements for the Guild to visit Rolvenden.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

ASHFORD DISTRICT.

A special meeting of this District was held at Wye on Whit Monday. The meeting was inaugurated by a gathering at Ashford, where the Vicar (Rev. Lionel Payne-Crawford (since appointed Suffragan Bishop of Stafford) had given permission to ring, and touches of Stedman and Grandsire Triples and Bob Major were rung.

The proceedings at Wye commenced shortly after two o'clock, when the bells were set going to similar touches, together with a 120 of Grandsire Doubles, with 6-7-8 covering, the treble being rung by Mrs. Gatehouse. The Vicar gave a cordial welcome to the ringers and also related the history of the church and tower. Following this the members adjourned to the "New Flying Horse," where a substantial meat tea was provided by Mr. Woodstock.

A special service was afterwards held in the Church, Dr. Springett giving an able and instructive address. At the business meeting held in the belfry, under the presidency of Mr. Palne, several new members were elected, and it was decided to hold the annual meeting at Ashford in September. The Secretary read a list of members of the district who had joined the colours, about 20 in number, two of whom had been killed and one wounded. A vote of thanks was accorded the Vicar for allowing the use of the church and bells, as well as for his gift of cigars, and to Dr. Springett for his address. The members were pleased to welcome a number of visitors from other districts in the Association, as well as Mr. E. F. Cole, an old member, who resides at Hammersmith.

The bells were again got going, and various touches rang, the ringers expressing satisfaction at the "go" and tone of them.

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The Bell News and Ringers' Record.

SATURDAY, JUNE 19, 1915.

The Provinces.

MALINS LEE, SALOP.

THE SALOP ARCHIDIACONAL GUILD.

On Saturday, June 12 1915 in Two Hours and Forty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LEONARD,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being one 720 of Grandsire and six 720s of Plain Bob, each called
differently. Tenor 8½ cwt.

Frank Chilton...	 Treble	Edward V. Rodenhurst ..	4
Charles R. Lilley ..	 2	Edward Woodvine ..	5
Albert Garbett ..	 3	Albert Woodvine..	.. Tenor

Conducted by C. R. Lilley.

*First peal. †First peal of Minor.

Handbell Peal.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON
DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, June 8, 1915, in Three Hours and Twenty-one Minutes,

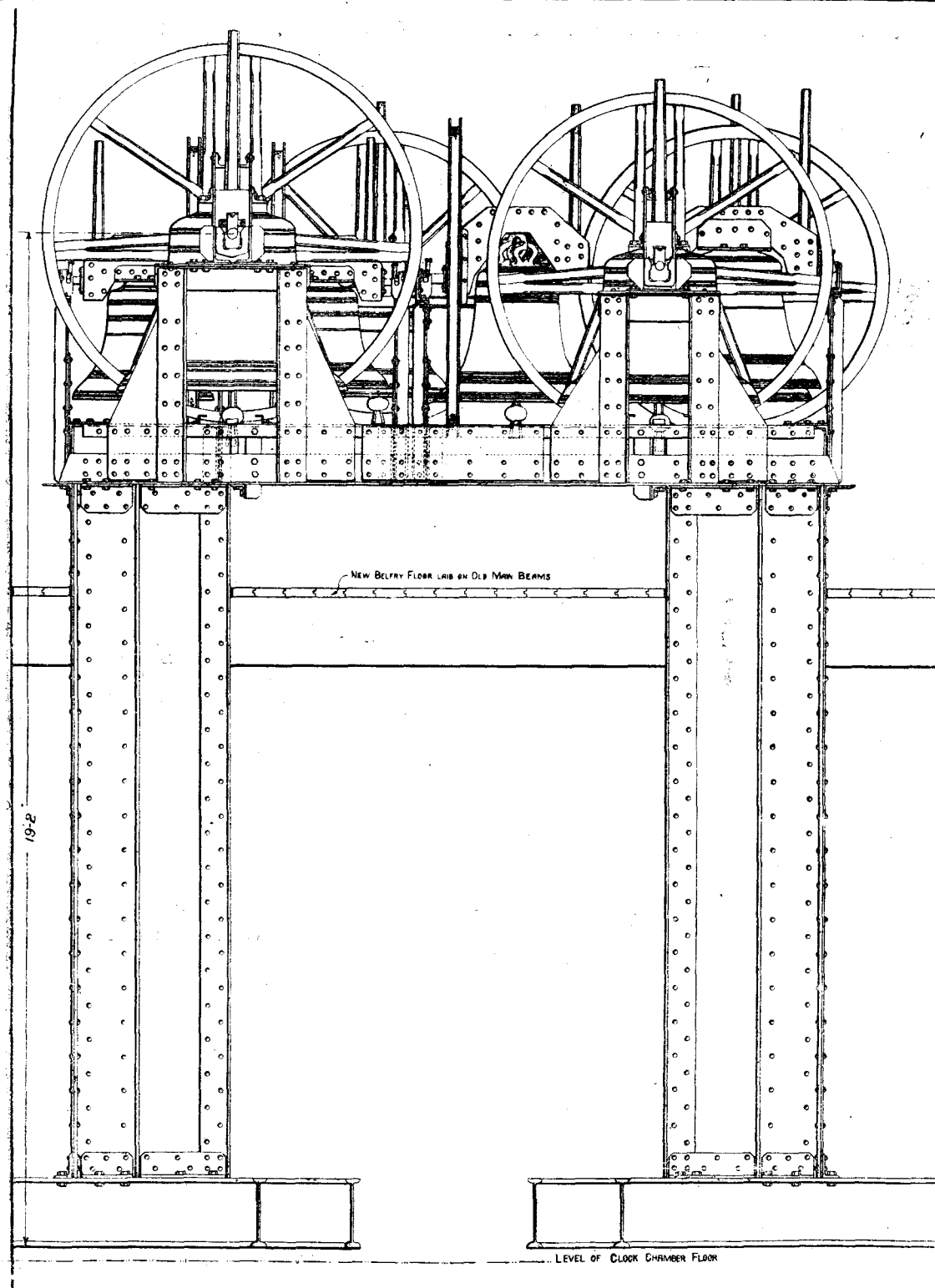
In the Belfry of St Leonard's, Shoreditch,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5019 CHANGES.

Rev. A. H. F. Boughey..	1-2	Ernest Pye ..	 7-8
William Pye ..	 3-4	William Shepherd ..	 9-10
George R. Pye..	 5-6	Alfred W. Grimes ..	 11-12

Composed by John Carter, and Conducted by William Pye.

Umpire—C. T. Coles.



Vertical Cantilever Bell Frame for St. Michael's Church, Bray-on-Thames
(Patent No. 1448.) (Tenor 26 cwt., Note D.)

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DEDICATION AT CHRIST CHURCH, ERITH.

Forty-one years after its dedication, Christ Church, Erith, has been completed by the erection of a handsome tower and spire, the gift of the Rev. A. W. Boulden, the Vicar of the parish, who announced at the vestry meeting held on April 16th, 1913, that he desired to erect the tower and spire at his own expense. The offer was naturally readily accepted, and the necessary steps were taken to secure a faculty to provide the tower and steeple, a peal of bells and a clock, the cost of the latter being met by public subscription.

The ringing floor is 18 feet 5 inches above the ground floor, and the clock chamber is an additional 13 feet 6 inches above, and the tower rises to 71 feet 9 inches above the ground floor level. The spire is 88 feet 3 inches, making the total height 160 feet. The main entrance facing the north, has in the tympanum over it the sculptured representation of Christ as a Shepherd, and underneath the inscription: "I am the Good Shepherd." The entrance doors are of oak, panelled and hung with ornamental hinges, and a similar pair of doors divide the tower and lobby. The ceilings of the tower and lobby are panelled with heavy moulded ribs. The floor paving consists of thin slates on edge, three inches deep placed in squares of six inches. The floor of the lobby is laid with tiles similar to those used in the church.

The new clock, which is the work of Messrs. J. B. Joyce and Son, of Whitchurch, Salop, contains all the best and most modern improvements. It strikes the hours on the largest bell of the peal, and the Westminster chimes on four other bells. The time is shown on four dials, each eight feet in diameter, filled in with white opal glass, so that they can be illuminated from the interior at night. The most notable feature about the clock is the escapement, which is the famous Lord Grimthorpe's gravity, the same as is now in use in all large and important clocks.

The bells are eight in number, and were erected by Messrs. John Warner and Sons, of the Spitalfields Bell Foundry, London. They are hung in a steel frame, with Warner's patent self-aligning bearings, and present a very smart appearance. The weight of the tenor is 17 cwt. 23 lbs., and the octave is in the key of E. The bell chamber is lined with louvres, and the window openings behind the louvres with heavy glass, in order to prevent the sound of the bells from annoying occupants of residences near the church. It is gratifying to announce that the work, although of a nature necessarily involving considerable risk to those engaged in it, was not attended by any accident, although during the winter months the heavy gales made the work anything but a pleasure to the men who were engaged in the erection.

On Saturday week, the additions were dedicated by the Lord Bishop of the diocese. The officiating prelate was attended by his chaplain, the Rev. G. A. Tate, who bore the pastoral staff. There were also present in their robes the Rev. Canon P. E. Smith (Vicar of Dartford and Rural Dean), the Rev. W. A. Boulden (Vicar of Christ Church), the Rev. F. L. Uppley (newly appointed curate of Christ Church), the Rev. G. A. S. Adams (Vicar of Erith) and others.

The Bishop, attended by the clergy, entered the church at the west door. After an appropriate hymn, the Vicar commenced the special service which had been compiled for the occasion and approved by the Bishop, and copies of which were distributed among the congregation. After the lesson had been read by the Rural Dean, the Bishop and the clergy and the choir, accompanied by the War-

dens (Capt. W. T. Allen and Mr. H. Palmer), the Architect (Mr. J. P. St. Aubyn), the Bell Founder (Mr. Robert Warner), and the Clerk of the Works (Mr. H. Jarvis), proceeded to the space near the tower. The congregation faced west and remained standing when the Vicar made the request to the Bishop to dedicate the tower and spire, with the bells and the clock, to the glory and praise of God. The Bishop then offered appropriate prayers and pronounced the sentences of dedication, after which a short chime was rung on the bells. The Bishop, clergy and choir returned to the chancel singing the hymn, "Ring forth, holy bells."

The Bishop, in the course of an interesting address, said they all rejoiced with the Vicar in the completion of that work. For 24 years he had led them to thoughts of higher things in that place, and of his generosity had not only beautified the interior of that church, but completed the great work which had been consecrated that day to the purpose for which it was intended. They thanked God that the present Vicar was called nearly a quarter of a century since to minister there, to be a faithful Pastor, Priest and Friend to all those with whom, during that time he had been so closely connected. That parish had been fortunate in those who had been appointed to serve them, and that was particularly the case with the present Vicar, than whom there was no more honoured, respected and loved clergyman in the diocese.

A collection was made towards the clock fund and this realised £11 16s. The amount contributed for this purpose now totals a little over £200, so that about £30 is still needed. The service was concluded with appropriate prayers and the recessional hymn, "Now thank we all our God." The procession left the church by the tower entrance, then used for the first time. The Bishop and clergy and the church workers and friends were entertained to light refreshments by the Vicar in the Parish Room. During the evening the bells were rung at frequent intervals by members of the Kent County Association.

WHAT IS A LEGITIMATE METHOD?

By J. ARMIGER TROLLOPE.

LONDON SURPRISE.

All Methods are produced from Primary Principles by Shunts, and of these Shunts only the Constructional Shunts—the Extremes, the Court Shunts, and the Slow Work Shunts produce the Lead Ends; all the rest are Additional Shunts. In many Methods, like Plain Bob, Double Norwich, Kent or Bristol, it is quite easy to see, almost at a glance, what are the Constructional and what are the Additional Shunts, if any there be. But in many Methods these are not at all easy to see, and London Surprise is one of these latter. There are a great many things in it that look like Constructional Shunts, but when we come to examine them we find that they do not produce the result we should expect. If we are to understand the Method and to find out whether or no it will run on more bells than eight we must know what are its Constructional Shunts and how its Additional Shunts are added. What we do know at the start is that its Lead End is 14263857, and that this Lead End is produced by one or more Extreme, Court Shunt, or Slow Work Shunt or a combination of these. The Extreme at the parting of the Leads is obviously a Constructional Shunt, and allowing for that there must be within each Lead such a combination of Shunts as will put the Working Bells forward two positions in Coursing Order or backward five positions or for—

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THE WEST WALES ASSOCIATION.

SWANSEA.—The following miscellaneous touches were rung on handbells at 55, Rhondda Street: Thursday, April 22nd, 336 Grandsire Triples; Thursday, April 29th, 336 Grandsire Triples. S. Perry, 1-2; A. Hoare (conductor), 3-4; J. Hoare, 5-6; H. Perry, 7-8. On Saturday, April 24th, 336 Grandsire Triples; Saturday, May 1st, 336 Grandsire Triples. S. Perry, 1-2; A. Hoare (conductor), 3-4; J. Hoare, 5-6; F. B. Stedman, 7-8. On Tuesday, May 25th, 720 Plain Bob Minor. On Saturday, May 29th, a quarter-peal of Plain Bob Minor (1260 changes), in 33 mins. On Monday, May 1st, 504 Kent Treble Bob Minor. On Friday, June 11th, 2160 Plain Bob Minor. The above touches were rung by S. Perry, 1-2; J. Hoare, 3-4; A. Hoare (conductor), 5-6.

STREATHAM.—On Sunday evening, June 13th, a quarter peal of Stedman Triples was rung at St. Leonard's Church. A. J. Perkins (conductor), A. B. Bradley, J. C. Mitchell, F. Smith, I. J. Attwater, H. Langdon, H. Garfath, L. Attwater. Calling; 5-6, 12-13, 5-6, 3-4, 12-13.

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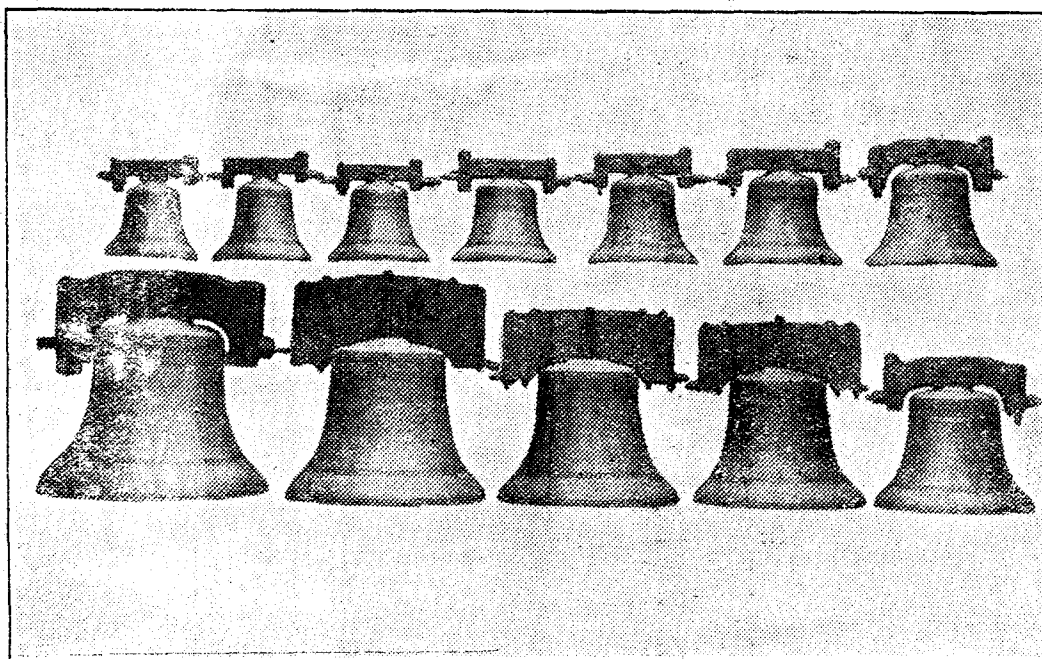
WHITTLESEA.—On Saturday, June 12th, at St. Mary's Church, 272 Bob Major, 576 Kent Major, 336 Grandsire, 168 Stedman Triples. At St. Andrew's touches of Kent, Oxford and Plain Bob Minor, conducted by Pte. H. F. Cooper and F. T. Cooke. Those taking part were: Pte. G. Catterwell, Pte. H. W. Catterwell, G. H. Barker, H. Hoare, V. Richardson, T. Vaughan, J. J. Jutson, F. Dainty, J. W. Lakin, W. Waldron, G. Smith and H. B. Fitzjohn.

The members of the Sheffield and District Society paid a visit to North Wingfield on Saturday afternoon and visited the belfry. They were afterwards entertained to tea in the Rectory Garden by the Rev. and Mrs. C. Boden.

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The Ancient Society of College Youths.—Established 1637, Meetings will be held at the Coffee Pot, Warwick Lane, E.C., for handbell practice, on June 3rd and 17th; for business on the 8th and 22nd, all at 8 p.m. At St. John's, Hackney, for practice on June 1st and 15th, at 8 p.m., and for service on Sunday the 20th, at 6 p.m. Also at St. Mary's, Walthamstow, on Saturdays, for practice, at 7.30 p.m.

William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec.

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The Society of Royal Cumberland Youths, — Ringing for Divine Service at St. Martin-in-the-Fields the first Sunday in the month, and at St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, the third Sunday, both at 10 o'clock. Meetings for practice at Shoreditch every third Monday at 8 p.m.

H. J. Bradley, Sec.

Parish Church, Shoreditch.

Hereford Diocesan Guild.—The annual meeting will be held at Ross, Herefordshire, on Thursday, June 17th. Divine service in the Church at 11 a.m. Business meeting in Upper School at 12. Dinner in Lower School (2s.) at 1 p.m.

Quatt Rectory,

Rev. J. S. Roper, Hon. Sec

Bridgnorth, Salop.

Worcestershire and Districts Association (Northern Branch) —The Quarterly Meeting in connection with the above will be held at Kings Norton on Saturday, June 19th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Business meeting in the Schools at 5.30. Tea kindly provided for all members who let me know that they will be present by Wednesday, June 16th. Annual reports and certificates can be had at the meeting.

E. J. Dowler,

11, Edward Road, Bournbrook, Birmingham. Hon. Sec.

The Warwickshire Guild.—A monthly meeting will be held at Berkswell on Saturday, June 26th. Bells (6) ready at 3.30. Will those members who intend to be present kindly let me know by June 21st.

H. Kettle, Hon. Sec.

Allesley, Coventry.

Worcestershire and Districts Association (Western Branch). —The next quarterly meeting will be held at Martley on Saturday June 19th. Service at 4 o'clock. The Rector is kindly providing tea, but notice must be sent to me by the Wednesday previous.

Madresfield, Malvern.

R. G. Knowles, Branch Sec.

The Lancashire Association.—Liverpool Branch.—A meeting will be held at Childwall on Saturday, June 19th. Bells ready at 5 o'clock.

Walter Hughes,

3, Shrewsbury Place, Garston.

The Lancashire Association.—Rochdale Branch.—The next monthly meeting will be held at Heywood, on Saturday, June 19th. Bells ready at 3 o'clock; business meeting at 6.30.

135, Salts Street, Snaa.

Joseph Ogden, Sec.

Winchester Diocesan Guild.—The Annual Festival will be held at Winchester, on Monday June 21st. General meeting at St. Maurice's Hall, at 2 p.m.; service at 4 p.m. in St. Maurice's Church—preacher, Rev. E. Bankes James; tea at 5 p.m. in St. Maurice's Hall.

Geo. Williams, Hon. Gen. Sec.

West End, Southampton.

Society for the Archdeaconry of Stafford.—The Annual Meeting will be held at Tattenhall, on Saturday, June 26th. Bells available at 2.30. Service in church, with an address at 5. Tea and general meeting at the "Rock," Hotel, at 5.45. Tea 6d. to fully paid-up members, to others 1s. Please send word not later than Tuesday, 22nd inst. Bells at St Peter's 7.30 to 9.

15 Rugby Street,

H. Knight, Hon. Sec.

Wolverhampton.

Essex Association (North-Eastern Division).—A district meeting will be held at Sible-Hedingham on Saturday, June 26th. Service at 4 o'clock. A meat tea will be provided at the White

Horse at 5 o'clock, by the kind invitation of the Misses Webster, to all giving notice not later than June 23rd

B. Redgewell, Dis. Sec.

The Street, Rayne.

Lancashire Association.—Manchester Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Worsley, on Saturday, June 26th. Bells available during the afternoon, from 3.30; meeting at 7. By kind permission of the Duke of Bridgewater The Gardens will be open for ringers and friends. Meet at tower at 5.

W. W. Wolstencroft.

LYTHAM TREBLE BOB.

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Rang for the first time at St. John's Church, Lytham, Lancashire, on November 26th. 1914, conducted by John Tipping.

BELFAST RINGERS AT COLERAINE.

Church bell ringers of Belfast and Coleraine had an exceptionally pleasant interchange on Sunday, when a band of eight, representing St. Thomas' Society, Lisburn Road, Belfast, took charge of the ringing for both morning and evening services in St. Patrick's Church, Coleraine. Their services were greatly appreciated by the congregation and the townspeople, and the hope was expressed that the visit would be returned by members of the Hon. Society of St. Patrick's ringers at an early date. The visitors were entertained by the members of St. Patrick's Society, who did all in their power to make the visit most enjoyable. The visit was arranged by a Coleraine man, who is a leading member of the St. Thomas Society, Mr. Thomas M'Laughlin, brother of Mrs. Canning, Abbey Street, Coleraine. The members of the visiting team were: Messrs. Firth, Kerr, Robinson, Bruce, Walsh, Downey, M'Laughlin, and Ellison. Mr. Thomas Glenn has received an appreciatory letter from Mr. M'Laughlin tendering thanks for the kind attention which had been shown the members of St. Thomas Society during their visit, which had proved very pleasant, and hoping that they would have a return visit from the St. Patrick's Society at an early date.

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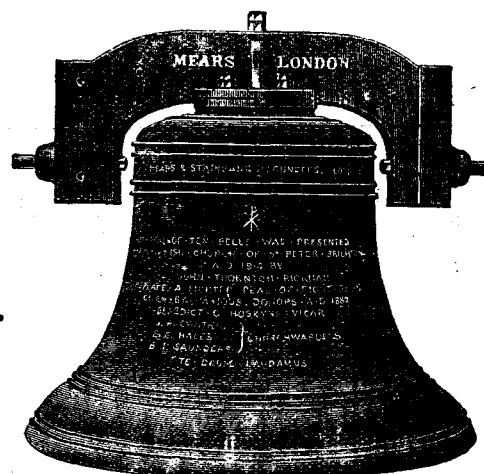
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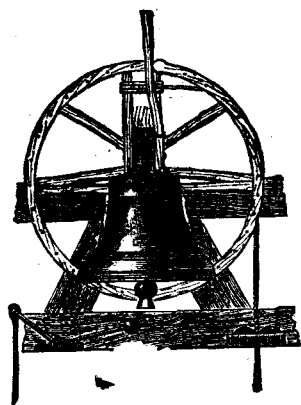
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