

BELLS AND BELL-RINGING.

A Musical Touch of Stedman, having Whittington's Tittums and Queen's-Hunts, 147.

1 2 3 4 5 6 7	6 7 4 5 1 2 3	S 4th six.
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- 5 7 6 4 3 2 1	2 1 5 6 4 3	-
- 5 7 4 3 6 2 1	5 1 2 3 4 6	-
- 7 3 5 6 4 2 1	5 1 6 2 4 3	-
- 6 1 4 2 7 3 5	6 1 5 3 4 2	-
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3 1 5 6 4 2	3 1 5 2 4 6 7	-
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WEST YORKSHIRE.

Change-ringing at St. Mary's, Sheffield.

On the 25th ult., Mr. Holt's original one-part peal of Grandsire Triples (with two singles in the last four leads), comprising 5040 changes, was rung at the above church in 3 hrs. 11 mins. G. Birstall, 1; G. Palmer, 2; J. W. Rowbotham, 3; C. H. Hattersley, 4; W. Ellis, 5; C. Steer, 6; T. Hattersley (Conductor), 7; R. H. Pease, 8. Tenor, 25 cwt.

Change-ringing by the Ancient Society of College Youths.
(Established 1637.)

On Saturday, 30th ult., eight members of the above Society visited Croydon, and rang at the church of St. John a true peal of Grandsire Triples (Holt's one-part peal), consisting of 5040 changes, in 3 hrs. 23 mins. It was called by Mr. H. W. Haley, and is the first peal on the bells. Tenor, 31 cwt.; key E. H. W. Haley, 1; W. Cooter, 2; G. Mash, 3; G. Muskett, 4; M. A. Wood, 5; E. Horrex, 6; J. M. Hayes, 7; T. Bugby, 8.

On the 1st inst., at St. James's, Bermondsey, ten members of the above Society rang a peal of Grandsire Caters, containing 5220 changes, in 3 hrs. 27 mins. J. Pettit, 1; G. Mash, 2; R. French, 3; S. Reeves, 4; G. Dorrington, 5; T. B. Hall, 6; F. Bate, 7; E. Horrex, 8; J. M. Hayes, 9; T. Bugby, 10. Composed by Mr. H. Hubbard and conducted by Mr. J. Pettit.

Muffled Peal.

On Monday evening, 8th inst., eight of the members of the St. Mary-le-Tower Society of Change-ringers rang a date touch of Grandsire Triples in 1 hr. 20 mins., as a mark of respect to the late Mr. John Bateman, being a member of the old Society, consisting of all the 'four sixes' and 'six fours' that can be obtained in the revolution of that method. The start was borrowed from Mr. Jordan. D. Prentice (composer and conductor), 1; W. Meadows, 2; I. Alexander, 3; H. Bowell, 4; R. Hawes, 5; W. Kemp, 6; E. Pemberton, 7; E. Reeve, 8.

Norwich Diocesan Association of Ringers.

A DISTRICT Meeting will be held at Beccles on Monday, May 6th. Members wishing to attend should communicate with the Secretary as soon as possible, mentioning the stations from which they will travel.

Tunstead Vicarage, Norwich. G. H. HARRIS, Hon. Sec.

A Question.

SIR,—Can any of your readers inform me why Mr. Taylor's peal of Grandsire Triples, with 194 bobs and 46 singles, is not a variation of the peal given at page 66 of the *Clavis*, the 6th (the observation in each peal) being at home every 42 changes, 6 7 every 210 and 5 6 7 every 840? F. PITSTOW, Saffron Walden.

Samuel and Robert Turner, Bell-hangers.

IN 1770 these two brothers had hung more than fifty rings of bells for Messrs. Lester and Pack of Whitechapel; this appears by a list published by them at the above date. They were employed all over England. Does any reader of *Church Bells* possess a copy, and if so, will he part with it to Clyst St. George, Devon. H. T. ELLACOMBE?

Vote of Thanks to the Rev. R. Cattley from the Corporation of the City of Worcester.

SIR,—At a special meeting of the above body held on Tuesday, the 26th ult., the Mayor presiding, the following resolution was proposed by Mr. Alderman Josiah Stallard:—

'That, considering that the Rev. R. Cattley, by the devotion of unstinted time, trouble, and energy, secured for the Cathedral Church of this city the possession of one of the best clocks and set of bells and chimes in the kingdom; considering that towards the achievement of this great work the reverend gentleman raised no less a sum than 5500*l.* sterling; considering the skill and acquirements the reverend gentleman generously dedicated to the service of the public in the accomplishment of his noble enterprise; this Council is of opinion that a lasting debt of gratitude is due to him for his successful work, and declares that the Rev. R. Cattley is well entitled to the thanks of the city for distinguished public services, and hereby accord to him their unanimous thanks.'

Mr. Alderman Longmore, in seconding the resolution, said that some time ago he had the satisfaction of going up the tower, under the guidance of Mr. Cattley, to see the clock and bells, and he was very much pleased, and surprised also, to see the extent of the labour which must have been entailed

upon the rev. gentleman by the carrying out of so great a work. As the resolution said, the time, trouble, and energy which he devoted to it must have been very great indeed; and he (the speaker) was sure, that the fact that no less a sum than 5500*l.* was raised showed what a mass of correspondence and trouble devolved upon him. Their thanks were justly due to the reverend gentleman for the trouble and time that he had devoted to the work. The motion, which was unanimously adopted, was warmly supported by Mr. Alderman Hill, M.P., who remarked that he had been associated with Mr. Cattley in raising the funds that were requisite for the undertaking in question; and he, therefore, was perhaps more able than any one else to bear testimony to the untiring labour with which Mr. Cattley devoted himself to the undertaking. So large a sum as was ultimately raised was scarcely contemplated at the outset, and it required no little energy on the part of Mr. Cattley to raise funds for the work. He (Ald. Hill) could not allow this opportunity to pass without bearing his testimony in accordance with the terms of the resolution. They could not too strongly repay their indebtedness to Mr. Cattley.

To the rev. gentleman, and to those who are cognisant of his associations and work amongst ringers, these proceedings of the Common Council of the 'faithful city' will have a peculiar interest. It was the good fortune of your humble servant to be honoured with the acquaintance of Mr. Cattley—about bells and belfries—at the time when the idea of a new ring for the Cathedral at Worcester first suggested itself to his notice, and also for some time previous, and I take the opportunity of recording my humble testimony to his disposition, both as a sound English Christian gentleman and a true and sincere friend to ringers and ringing. Through his instrumentality a steeple was reopened to the ringers after being closed (through the opposition of a churchwarden) for some years. The obloquy and misrepresentation to which the members of the ringing exercise have unworthily been exposed, has for a number of years past been speedily disappearing, and we owe to such men as possess the equitable and refined feelings of honour as the Rev. Richard Cattley, the establishment of a state of things between the occupants of the pulpit and those of the belfry not only desirable but just.

HARVEY REEVES.

Hand-bells for Sale.

THE REV. R. H. D. Acland Troyte will have for sale, shortly after Easter, a set of seventeen Hand-bells by Messrs. Warner. Two octaves in G, with two F naturals. Application may be made to him at Porlock, Somerset.

Friendly Hint to our Ringing Friends generally.

WILL you one and all take into consideration—unbiased by any party feelings—the propriety of ringing pleasure peals during the season of Lent? All ringers are supposed to be Churchmen, and therefore, as such, it would surely be more seemly to practise a little self-denial at this season, as the Church teaches us to do; after which you would relish the more heartily the joyous peals to be indulged in at Easter. Do think about it, and talk about it, and in the end you will probably agree with us, and by so doing you will add greatly to the respect which we desire should be awarded to you by your parishioners with whom you are associated.—Ed.

NOTICE.—Name and address of 'Long Lengths of Change-ringing' requested.

RECEIVED ALSO.—E. Wallis; W. Keldale; G. V. (no address.)

BELFRY RECORDS.

ST. PETER'S, THETFORD, NORFOLK.

(Tablets in the Belfry.)

998. THE Bells in this steeple were opened March 9th, A.D. 1791, and the first complete Peal of 5040 changes of Bob Major was rang September 10th, 1791, in 3 hours and 20 minutes, by the following persons, the Thetford Company. George Stearne called the Peal.

James Roper, Treble.	C. Willm. Drake, Fourth.	C. Willm. Drake, jun.
John Peak, Second.	John Calton, Fifth.	Seventh
John Stearne, Third.	Salmon Stearne, Sixth.	George Stearne, Tenor.

999. On Friday, April 13th, 1827, was rung in this Steeple a True and Complete Peal of Oxford Treble Bob, consisting of 5088 changes, and was performed by the following persons in 3 hours and 18 minutes:—

John Payne, Treble.	Elijah Mason, Third.	Charles Payne, Sixth.
Thomas Gooch, Second.	John Coulson, Fourth.	Wm. Chamberlain, Seventh.
	John Clarke, Fifth.	

The Tenor was rang and the Peal conducted by Mr. Samuel Thurstan of Norwich.

1000. ST. PETER'S Belfry, May 3rd, 1875. This Peal of 8 Bells was Rehung and Retuned to the Glory of God and the Honour of His Church by the exertions of the Rev. Reginald Hay Hill, Rector of the Parish. The Repairs were carried out most efficiently by Messrs. George Day and Son, Church Bellhangers of Eye.

J. Johnson, } Churchwardens.
W. Oldman, }

ST. PETER-AT-ARCHES, LINCOLN. (Tablets in the Belfry.)

1001. On the 20th June, 1756, was Rang at this Church a Compleat 5040 of Catharans Triples, being the first that was Rang in this City, and was Performed in 3 hours and twelve minutes, by the following Persons:—

Robert Bristowe, First.	John Robinson, Fourth.	Richd. Bunch, Sixth.
John Foster, Second.	J. Potterton, Fifth.	Willm. Robinson, Seventh.
Willm. Atkinson, Third.		Richd. Hooker, Eighth.

1002. AUGUST 18th, 1756 [or 8], was rang in 3 hours and 20 minutes, by:—

John Foster, First.	Thos. Taylor, Fourth.	Willm. Rayner, Sixth.
Willm. Forss, Second.	Richd. Bunch, Fifth.	Willm. Winn, Seventh.
Willm. Atkinson, Third.		Willm. Kirk, Eighth.

Both Peals was Called by Ion. Foster.

1003. On Friday, February 25th, 1780, was Rang a Compleat 5040 Grandsire Triples, in 3 hours and 12 minutes, by the following Persons:—

Willm. Kirk, First.	Will. Winn, Fourth.	Geo. Bristow, Sixth.
Willm. Kendall, Second.	W. R. Eastland, Fifth.	Richd. Hyde, Seventh.
Willm. Rayner, Third.		Jas. Simpson, Eighth.