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WULFRUN CHAMBERS, WOLVERHAMPTON,
MESSRS. GILLETT and JOHNSTON, CROYDON, 4th March, 1912.

Gentlemen,

The re-casting of the peal of ten bells with the addition of two new ones in the tower of St. Peter's Collegiate Church, Wolverhampton, recently carried out by you has proved most successful, and given general satisfaction.

I am authorised by the Rector and Wardens to say how pleased they are with the result. In the opinion of those well qualified to judge, we have now, undoubtedly, one of the best peals in the Kingdom.

Yours faithfully, F. T. BECK,
Architect, Diocesan Surveyor.

MODERN WORK.

THE CENTRAL COUNCIL MINUTES.

Elsewhere in this issue will be found the "official minutes" of the Central Council meeting held on May 28th last, and, on the strength of their appearance, we venture to put forward a few ideas which occur as to the futility of their publication. These minutes reached our office exactly fifteen weeks after the meeting was held, and they are merely, as of course they could only be, a brief summary of all that has been previously reported *in extenso*. They contain no information of value which was not far more elaborately dealt with at the time, and there is no need to hide the fact that in our opinion, and we believe, in the opinion of the majority of our readers, the publication of these minutes is a waste of labour and a waste of space. It is a waste of the labour and of the time of the hon. secretary in having to copy them out, and it is a waste of our space to have to utilise it for something which has appeared in our pages before.

The honorary secretary has sent us the minutes, we presume, under rule 12 of the Council's constitution, which provides that "the names of the members present, and the business transacted at each meeting be entered in the minute book, and reported to the ringing papers," but surely this rule was only framed to ensure the publication of the Council's business. Now, the Council already pay for an "official" record of the proceedings, which made its appearance in due course, and "The Ringing World," which alone sent its own representative to the meeting, published a report which covered more than twenty of our columns of small type, or about 22,000 words, in the issues immediately following the meeting. If this is not enough to satisfy the most exacting, without the necessity of publishing another summary some months after, we do not know what is.

We publish the minutes as an act of courtesy, and because of the labour which the honorary secretary has had to bestow upon the task of copying them for publication. We feel sure, however, that the Council, with the facts brought to their notice, will relieve the honorary secretary of the unnecessary work which this matter thrusts upon him. All the while the proceedings are adequately reported at the time no possible service can be rendered to the Exercise by publishing these minutes so long after the event. It needs but the addition of a few words to the rule, in order to save the time and labour to which we have referred, and, at the same time, provide for the issue of the minutes to the ringing papers when they have provided themselves with no other report, because it is only in that event that the publication of the minutes can be of value. Such an alteration to the rules would ensure the Council's proceedings being brought to the notice of the Exercise and save the papers the need of giving more than one report of the meeting.

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Broomfield Vicarage,
Chelmsford,
February 19th, 1912.

Dear Sirs,

I have great pleasure in stating that we are perfectly satisfied with the manner in which you have carried out the work entrusted to you of re-arranging and re-hanging the Broomfield Church Bells.

We consider that the work reflects great credit upon your firm, and believe that your system of hanging the bells reduces the vibration of the steel frame supplied by you to a minimum.

The CHURCHWARDENS unite with ME in this expression of opinion. The BELLRINGERS are also unanimous in their praise of the alterations effected by you.

Yours truly,
CHAS. EDMUNDS,
Vicar of Broomfield.

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TEN BELL PEAL.

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

On Saturday, September 14, 1912, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5017 CHANCES;

Tenor 22 cwt.

PERCY O. LAFLIN	*Treble*	MORRIS J. MORRIS	6
CHARLES DICKENS	2	JOHN NEAL	7
JOHN CARTER	3	ALF. PADDON SMITH	8
SAMUEL GROVES	4	JAMES E. GROVES	9
JAMES L. WELLS	5	WILLIAM DAVIES	*Tenor*

Composed by JOHN CARTER, and
Conducted by PERCY O. LAFLIN.

This composition is No. 5 on Carter's Broadsheet. First peal in the method as conductor.

EIGHT BELL PEALS.

NEW SHOREHAM, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, September 4, 1912, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5008 CHANCES;

Tenor 15 cwt.

BERT CHALLEN	*Treble*	BENJAMIN BASSETT	5
KEITH HART	2	GEORGE GATLAND	6
WILLIAM HILLMAM	3	HENRY STALHAM	7
GEORGE J. NORRIS	4	EDMUND H. LINDUP	*Tenor*

Composed by FRANK BENNETT, and
Conducted by EDMUND LINDUP.

DEANE, BOLTON,
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, September 9, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;

Tenor 14 cwt.

JOHN T. ALLRED	*Treble*	HERBERT ALLRED	5
*FRED ABLOTT	2	RICHARD HEALD	6
JOHN MOSCROP	3	ROBERT ALLRED	7
†THOMAS WORSLEY	4	TITUS BARLOW	*Tenor*

Composed by JOHN R. PRITCHARD, and
Conducted by TITUS BARLOW.

* First peal away from the treble in the method. † First peal of Bob Major.

SUTTON COLDFIELD, WARWICKSHIRE.
THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.

On Tuesday, September 10, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes,
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

CARTER'S No. 33. Tenor 24 cwt., in E flat.

JOHN CARTER	*Treble*	GEORGE ROBERTS	5
JAMES JONES	2	THOMAS BLOORE	6
JOHN JENNINGS	3	BERTRAM LEEDHAM	7
GEORGE PARSONS	4	JAMES REYNOLDS	*Tenor*

Conducted by JOHN CARTER.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Miss Alice M. Roberts.

HEENE, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, September 11, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-two Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BOTOLPH,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

JOHN H. PAICE	*Treble*	ALFRED W. GROVES	5
JOE FARMER	2	WILLIAM HILLMAN	6
GEORGE J. NORRIS	3	EDMUND H. LINDUP	7
BENJAMIN BASSETT	4	JOHN JERVIS	*Tenor*

Conducted by E. H. LINDUP.

OXHEY, HERTS.
THE HERTFORDSHIRE COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, September 11, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MATTHEW,

A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANCES;

Tenor 8 cwt. 1 qr. 15 lbs.

THOMAS L. SIMMONS	*Treble*	GEORGE N. PRICE	5
WILLIAM HODGETTS	2	HUBERT EDEN	6
FRANK T. MARTIN	3	MAURICE F. R. HIBBERT	7
CHARLES N. LEMAN	4	FREDERICK W. BRINKLOW	*Tenor*

Composed by CHARLES H. HATTERSLEY, and
Conducted by FREDERICK W. BRINKLOW.

This peal was rung in honour of the weddings of Mr. Arthur W. W. Dix, a member of the local band, and Mr. Stanley Bish, a member of the choir, both weddings taking place on the same day.

WIRKSWORTH, DERBYSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, September 11, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

A VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 14½ cwt.

FREDERICK TURNER	*Treble*	JAMES L. WRIGHT	5
T. HARRY GREATOREX	2	JOHN WARDMAN	6
WILLIAM FOX	3	BENJAMIN GREATOREX	7
*ALFRED C. WRIGHT	4	FREDERICK JOHNSON	*Tenor*

Conducted by BENJAMIN GREATOREX.

* First peal. Rung to celebrate the weddings of Mr. Brian Hilditch and Miss Constance Wharton, and also of Mr. George H. Bowmer and Miss Mary Charlotte Stafford. Messrs. Hilditch and Bowmer are members of the Wirksworth company.

BOURNEMOUTH, HANTS.
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wednesday, September 11, 1912, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 20 cwt., in E.

GEORGE WILLIAMS	*Treble*	A. F. MARTIN STEWART	5
EDWARD T. GREEN	2	BENJAMIN GOUGH	6
FREDERICK W. TOWNSEND	3	CHARLES W. GOODENOUGH	7
CHARLES FORFITT	4	ALFRED OSMAN	*Tenor*

Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS.

This peal was arranged for Mr. Gough, who hails from Coseley, Staffs, and was elected a member in the belfry previous to starting.

DISS, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, September 12, 1912, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

Tenor 24 cwt.

ARTHUR LEEDER	*Treble*	ALBERT G. WARNES	5
THOMAS FORD, Junr.	2	FREDERICK HOWCHIN	6
*GEORGE H. CROSS	3	JOHN SOUTER	7
CLEMENT MORE	4	JOHN SMITH	*Tenor*

Composed by SIR A. P. HEYWOOD, and
Conducted by JOHN SOUTER.

* First peal in the method and his first attempt. Messrs. Cross, Warnes and Howchin hail from Norwich.

NUNEATON.
THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.

On Thursday, September 12, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICOLAS,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANCES;

Tenor 14½ cwt.

THOMAS W. CHAPMAN	*Treble*	HARRY STONELEY	5
THOMAS VALLANCE	2	ERNEST STONE	6
ROWLAND POLLARD	3	JAMES F. CLARKE, Junr.	7
WALTER MARTIN	4	HARRY ARGYLE	*Tenor*

Composed by SIR A. P. HEYWOOD, and
Conducted by HARRY ARGYLE.

Rung to celebrate the coming of age of James F. Clarke, the band wishing him the usual compliments.

BILSTON, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.
On Thursday, September 12, 1912, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LEONARD,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANCES;
Tenor 11 cwt.

ISAAC PURSER	*Treble*	*ALBERT LITTLE	5
HERBERT KNIGHT	2	ROWLAND CARTWRIGHT	6
GEORGE HUGHES	3	*ALFRED FALLON	7
JAMES H. SHEPHERD	4	WILLIAM FISHER	*Tenor*

Composed by SIR A. P. HEYWOOD, and
Conducted by HERBERT KNIGHT.

* First peal in the method. First peal of Major on the bells. Rung as a birthday compliment to A. Little.

FRODSHAM, CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Friday, September 13, 1912, in Three Hours,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Tenor 12¼ cwt.

FRANK UNSWORTH	*Treble*	WILLIAM BIBBY	5
MISS N. GILLINGHAM	2	REV. H. S. T. RICHARDSON	6
FREDERICK J. HANCOCK	3	CHARLES E. BOYERS	7
ARTHUR UNSWORTH	4	THOMAS H. LIGHTFOOT	*Tenor*

Composed by T. THURSTANS, and
Conducted by REV. H. S. T. RICHARDSON.

STOKE, COVENTRY.
THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.
On Saturday, September 14, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;
Tenor 13½ cwt.

*OSWALD J. HUNT	*Treble*	*WILLIAM T. COX	5
*JOSEPH H. WHITE	2	FRANK E. PERVIN	6
WILLIAM H. BRUNSDEN	3	*CHARLES FREEMAN	7
*EDWARD H. JOHNSON	4	†ADOLPHUS ROBERTS	*Tenor*

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW, and
Conducted by A. ROBERTS.

* First peal in the method. † First peal in the method as conductor. First peal of Surprise in the City of Coventry and rung at the second attempt. The first attempt on the previous Saturday failed in the last course through the treble rope breaking.

WILLENHALL, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.
On Saturday, September 14, 1912, in Two Hours and Forty-six Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
THURSTANS' ONE-PART. Tenor 12 cwt.

EDWARD J. STAFFORD	*Treble*	CHRISTOPHER WALLATER	5
DANIEL JONES	2	EDWIN J. TYLER	6
FRANK W. PERRENS	3	HERBERT KNIGHT	7
ALBERT LITTLE	4	*RALPH BAKER	*Tenor*

Conducted by HERBERT KNIGHT.

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

WEVELISCOMBE, SOMERSET.
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, September 14, 1912, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;
Tenor 23 cwt. 3 qr.

*HENRY NORMAN	*Treble*	ISAAC CREED	5
WILLIAM HOYLE	2	*ARCHIBALD J. ANDREWS	6
*ROBERT SCOTT	3	HENRY MOORE	7
CHARLES R. LILLEY	4	*WILLIAM WHITE	*Tenor*

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF, and
Conducted by CHARLES R. LILLEY.

* First peal of Major and first attempt. First peal of Major on the bells. The band wish, through the medium of this paper, to thank the vicar for the use of the bells.

BURNHAM, BUCKS.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, September 14, 1912, in Three Hours and One Minute,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Tenor 16 cwt.

WILLIAM HENLEY	*Treble*	WILLIAM WELLING	5
GEORGE MARTIN	2	JAMES BLACKMORE	6
HERBERT COX	3	GEORGE ALLDEN	7
JOSEPH J. PARKER	4	JESSE ELDRIDGE	*Tenor*

Composed by G. LINDOFF, and
Conducted by G. MARTIN.

CHILVERS COTON, WARWICKSHIRE.
THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.
On Saturday, September 14, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes,
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;
Tenor 13¾ cwt., in F. sharp.

*ROWLAND O. POLLARD	*Treble*	ALFRED J. HESSIAN	5
*ERNEST J. OLIVER	2	*THOMAS W. CHAPMAN	6
JAMES GEORGE	3	*DOUGLAS H. ARGYLE	7
JOSEPH A. FENTON	4	JOSEPH B. FENTON	*Tenor*

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS, and
Conducted by JOSEPH B. FENTON.

* First peal in the method.

GREAT BADDOW, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, September 14, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
GROVES' VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 13 cwt.

ARTHUR EDWARDS	*Treble*	*JOHN WOOD	5
HENRY W. KIRTON	2	HAROLD W. CLARK	6
HARRY BUSH	3	GEORGE GREEN	7
HENRY F. COOPER	4	FREDERICK NEWMAN	*Tenor*

Conducted by GEORGE GREEN.

* First peal in the method with a bob bell. Mr. H. W. Clark, for whom the peal was arranged, hails from Cubitt Town, E., and was elected a life member of the Association previous to starting.

LLANGIBBY, MONMOUTHSHIRE.
THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, September 14, 1912, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. CYBI,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
GROVES' VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 14 cwt.

CHARLES GREEDY	*Treble*	FRANCIS E. B. CHARLES	5
A. VICTOR MORGAN	2	JOHN BUTLER	6
JOHN BULLEN	3	GEORGE LARGE	7
JOHN W. JONES	4	SAMUEL BAISS	*Tenor*

Conducted by GEORGE LARGE.

Rung to commemorate the 200th anniversary of the opening of the middle six bells.

LONDON.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, September 14, 1912, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL HALLOWS, TOWER HILL, E.C.
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Tenor 19 cwt., in E flat.

FREDERICK G. PERRIN	*Treble*	CHARLES W. BRETT	5
FRANK BENNETT	2	ALFRED W. GRIMES	6
EDWIN G. BUESDEN	3	WILLIAM J. JEFFERIES	7
FRANK I. HAIRS	4	JAMES E. DAVIES	*Tenor*

Composed by H. W. WILDE, and
Conducted by FRANK BENNETT.

Messrs. Buesden and Brett hail from Canterbury. The band, through the medium of "The Ringing World," desire to tender their sincere thanks to the Rev. A. W. Robinson for the use of the bells, and to Mr. A. Joyce, the steeple-keeper, for having everything in readiness.

LONDON.
THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
(LATE THE ST. JAMES' SOCIETY.)
On Saturday, September 14, 1912, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY, LAMBETH,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 20 cwt.

CHALLIS F. WINNEY ...	...*Treble*	HENRY T. GOWLETT ...	5
CHRISTOPHER H. HUGHES	2	ROBERT GREEN	6
FRANK A. SMITH...	3	FREDERICK J. HARDY ...	7
HENRY S. ELLIS	4	THOMAS WALKER ...	...*Tenor*

Conducted by FREDERICK J. HARDY.

First peal as conductor. Rung as a wedding compliment to Mr. H. Peck, a member of the local company, who was married to Miss Mabel Gilbey, at Saffron Walden, on the previous Monday.

WALTHAM ABBEY, ESSEX.
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, September 14, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,
AT THE ABBEY CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 19 cwt.

FREDERICK C. PERRIN	...*Treble*	REUBEN SANDERS	5
*GEORGE L. JOYCE	2	BERT HORTON	6
WILLIAM SHEPHERD ...	3	WILLIAM H. THEOBALD ...	7
CHARLES T. COLES... ...	4	HENRY G. ROWE ...	...*Tenor*

Conducted by WILLIAM SHEPHERD.

* First peal.

WALKDEN, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, September 14, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 13¾ cwt.

*JOHN T. ALLRED ...	...*Treble*	ROBERT WALLWORK... ...	5
*THOMAS WORSLEY	2	TITUS BARLOW	6
ALFRED POTTER	3	JOHN POTTER	7
JOHN WELSBY	4	*ROBERT ALLRED ...	...*Tenor*

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD, and
Conducted by JOHN POTTER.

* First peal in the method.

BOLSOVER, DERBYSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
(SHEFFIELD DISTRICT SOCIETY.)
On Saturday, September 14, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty-six Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 14¾ cwt.

WILLIAM LAMBERT ...	...*Treble*	THOMAS BETTISON	5
BENJAMIN A. KNIGHTS ...	2	THOMAS RILEY...	6
WILLIAM GOSLING, Senr.	3	GEORGE W. BEMROSE ...	7
EDWARD ROBINS...	4	SAM THOMAS	...*Tenor*

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS, and
Conducted by SAM THOMAS.

This peal was arranged for Mr. Gosling, of Mansfield. Owing to the heavy going of the Mansfield bells an attempt had to be abandoned there on August 3rd. Mr. Gosling is in his 86th year, and it would be interesting to know if any ringer of a greater age has taken part in a peal of 5000 changes.

DUFFIELD, DERBYSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, September 14, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ALKMUND,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HEYWOOD'S VARIATION. Tenor 17 cwt.

ALBERT COPPOCK... ...	...*Treble*	J. CHARLES DICKEN ...	5
HENRY LETTS	2	EDWARD C. GOBEY	6
ALLAN R. HICKTON	3	NEVILLE WIDDOWSON ...	7
GEORGE DAWSON...	4	ALFRED T. BAKER ...	...*Tenor*

Conducted by ALBERT COPPOCK.

LEISTON, SUFFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
(ST. MARGARET'S SOCIETY.)
On Saturday, September 14, 1912, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 20½ cwt., in E.

LEONARD P. BAILEY...	...*Treble*	JAMES M. BAILEY	5
*FREDERICK W. BAILEY ...	2	ERNEST S. BAILEY... ...	6
GEORGE WILSON	3	CHARLES SAMSON	7
CHARLES F. BAILEY... ...	4	EDGAR H. BAILEY ...	...*Tenor*

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF, and
Conducted by CHARLES F. BAILEY.

* First peal in a Surprise method.

OXTON, CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, September 14, 1912, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. SAVIOUR,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 20¼ cwt., in E.

*CHARLES W. OWENS	...*Treble*	EDWARD CAUNCE	5
*ROBERT BUCHALL	2	JOHN W. EVANS	6
GEORGE R. NEWTON ...	3	*SYDNEY F. BARNES	7
*WILLIAM HUGHES	4	JOHN TURNER	...*Tenor.*

Composed and Conducted by GEORGE R. NEWTON.

* First peal of Major. This is the first attempt for a peal of Major on these bells, which have been in the tower since May, 1895.

DEVIZES, WILTS.
THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, September 14, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S TEN-PART. Tenor 19 cwt., in D flat.

CHARLES D. HEGINBOTHAM	*Treble*	ARTHUR K. HARRISON ...	5
CHARLES RAISON	2	SAMUEL J. HECTOR	6
GILBERT H. HARDING ...	3	THOMAS F. KING	7
SYDNEY HILLIER	4	RICHARD PHILLIPS ...	...*Tenor*

Conducted by GILBERT H. HARDING.

This was the first peal of Grandsire Triples on the bells since being rehung by Messrs. Taylor, of Loughborough. It was also the quickest peal ever rung on them. The ringer of the tenor is blind, and great credit is due to him for the way in which he rang his bell throughout the peal.

WAKEFIELD.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, September 16, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,
AT THE CATHEDRAL,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

CARTER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 11½ cwt.

THOMAS L. MOORHOUSE	...*Treble*	JAMES MOORHOUSE	5
JOHN W. MOORHOUSE ...	2	JOHN T. EASON	6
WILLIAM PEARSON	3	THOMAS R. HENSHER ...	7
H. C. WALTERS...	4	*F. COCKHILL	...*Tenor*

Conducted by THOMAS R. HENSHER.

* First peal. Messrs. Pearson and Walters hail from Pontefract, the remainder belong to the local company. Rung on the light eight.

SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS.

ALREWAS, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Wednesday, September 11, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Double Court, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Grandsire, and three 720's of Plain Bob. Tenor 14 cwt.

JOHN H. SWINFIELD...	...*Treble*	JAMES PAGET	4
WILLIAM W. WORTHINGTON	2	JAMES PRATT	5
JOSEPH T. DYKE	3	DAVID COTTON	...*Tenor*

Conducted by DAVID COTTON.

First peal on the bells.

ALDFORD, CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thursday, September 12, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes,
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being four 720's of Plain Bob, and three 720's of Oxford Bob, each called differently. Tenor 12 cwt. 3 qr. 20 lbs.

*JOHN THOMAS	...Treble	RICHARD WATKIN	4
JOHN DUNNING	2	JAMES MORGAN	5
HENRY W. WILDE	3	ALBERT E. RICHARDS	...Tenor

Conducted by ALBERT E. RICHARDS.
* First peal. R. Watkin was elected a member previous to starting.

FULBECK, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, September 14, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being two 720's each of St. Clement's, Single Court and Plain Bob, and one of Oxford Bob. Tenor 12 cwt.

WILLIAM WOODS	...Treble	JOSEPH LORD	4
REV. C. J. STURTON	2	ARTHUR DRURY	5
WILLIAM WATSON	3	ARTHUR MACKEARS	...Tenor

Conducted by ARTHUR MACKEARS.

GRENDON, WARWICKSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, September 14, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Grandsire, Double and Single Court, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 11 cwt.

FRANK SHEPHERD	...Treble	E. HARRY STONELEY	4
WILLIAM W. WORTHINGTON	2	JOHN HOUGH	5
WILLIAM J. SMITH	3	DAVID COTTON	...Tenor

Conducted by JOHN HOUGH.
First peal in seven methods on the bells.

BARTON SEAGRAVE, NORTHANTS.
THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, September 14, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,
A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 8 six scores each of Canterbury, Old Doubles, Plain Bob, and 18 six-scores of Grandsire. Tenor 12 cwt.

HORACE PATRICK	...Treble	ROBERT BLACK	3
MATTHIAS HOBBS	2	HENRY PATRICK	4
EDGAR REED	...Tenor		

Conducted by MATTHIAS HOBBS.
First peal in four methods by all except the conductor.

HANDBELL PEALS.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Wednesday, September 11, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifteen Minutes,
IN THE BELFRY OF HOLY TRINITY CHURCH,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

ALFRED H. PULLING	1—2	JAMES HUNT	5—6
CLEMENT GLENN	3—4	FRANK BLONDELL	7—8

Conducted by CLEMENT GLENN.
Umpires: T. W. RADFORD, S. RADFORD, W. LOADER and W. E. MAULDEN.
This was A. H. Pulling's 50th peal of Stedman Triples "in hand."

LONDON.
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, September 12, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes,
AT GEORGE IV., BRUNSWICK STREET, HAGGERSTON, N.E.,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5021 CHANGES;
Tenor 16 size, in B flat.

ARTHUR F. SHEPHERD	1—2	FRANK I. HAIRS	5—6
CLEMENT GLENN	3—4	FRANK BENNETT	7—8

ALFRED W. GRIMES ... 9—10
Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS, and Conducted by CLEMENT GLENN.
Umpires, W. J. NUDDS, and B. HORTON.

OXHEY, HERTS.
THE HERTFORDSHIRE COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Friday, September 13, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes,
AT 46, KING EDWARD ROAD,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5198 CHANGES;

GEORGE N. PRICE	1—2	HENRY HODGETTS	5—6
WILLIAM HODGETTS	3—4	FRANK T. MARTIN	7—8

CHARLES N. LEMAN ... 9—10
Composed by CHARLES H. HATTERSLEY, and Conducted by GEORGE N. PRICE.
Umpire: THOMAS L. SIMMONDS.

BURY ST. EDMUNDS, SUFFOLK.
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION AND THE ST. JAMES' SOCIETY, BURY ST. EDMUNDS.
On Friday, September 13, 1912, in Two Hours and Twenty-six Minutes,
AT THE RESIDENCE OF MR. R. MOORE, CEMETERY ROAD,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
TAYLOR'S BOB AND SINGLE.

FREDERICK DEWELL	1—2	FRANK J. LEVITT	5—6
HARRY A. TURNER	3—4	ARTHUR E. MOORE	7—8

Conducted by ARTHUR E. MOORE.
Umpire, WALTER RADLEY.

WEST OF ENGLAND TOUR.

The following peals are the result of a week's ringing in Somerset, Dorset and Devon, by members of the Salisbury Diocesan Guild:—

WRINGTON, SOMERSET.
THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, September 7, 1912, in Three Hours and Thirty-six Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5019 CHANGES;
Tenor 37 cwt.

BERTRAM PREWETT	...Treble	JOHN H. B. HESSE	6
THOMAS T. GOFTON	2	ALAN R. MACDONALD	7
ISAAC G. SHADE	3	KEITH HART	8
REV. A. T. BEESTON	4	WILLIAM PYE	9
REV. C. CAREW COX	5	ERNEST PYE	...Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF, and Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

YATTON, SOMERSET.
THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sunday, September 8, 1912, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;
Tenor 22 cwt.

ISAAC G. SHADE	...Treble	KEITH HART	5
JOHN FLINT	2	WILLIAM J. NEVARD	6
GEORGE DENT	3	ERNEST PYE	7
BERTRAM PREWETT	4	WILLIAM PYE	...Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF, and Conducted by BERTRAM PREWETT.
First peal in the method on the bells.

SHEPTON MALLET, SOMERSET.
THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Monday, September 9, 1912, in Three Hours and Twenty-one Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,
A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;
Tenor 24 cwt. 3 qr. 25 lbs.

BERTRAM PREWETT	...Treble	THOMAS T. GOFTON	5
REV. A. T. BEESTON	2	KEITH HART	6
*REV. E. V. COX	3	JOHN FLINT	7
ERNEST PYE	4	WILLIAM PYE	...Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF, and Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.
* First peal in the method. First peal of Major on the bells.

EVERCREECH, SOMERSET.
THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Monday, September 9, 1912, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;
Tenor 21 cwt.

ALAN R. MACDONALD	...*Treble*	GEORGE DENT	5
*REV. C. CAREW COX ...	2	BERTRAM PREWETT	6
ISAAC G. SHADE	3	WILLIAM PYE	7
WILLIAM J. NEVARD ...	4	ERNEST PYE	...*Tenor*

Composed by CHARLES MIDDLETON, and
Conducted by BERTRAM PREWETT.

* First peal of Cambridge. First peal of Major on the bells, and the conductor's 800th peal.

SHERBORNE, DORSET.
THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Tuesday, September 10, 1912, in Three Hours and Thirty-eight Minutes,
AT THE ABBEY CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 46 cwt. 0 qr. 23 lbs.

THOMAS T. GOFTON ...	...*Treble*	JOHN FLINT	5
ISAAC G. SHADE...	2	KEITH HART	6
REV. E. V. COX...	3	ERNEST PYE	7
BERTRAM PREWETT	4	WILLIAM PYE	...*Tenor*

Conducted by BERTRAM PREWETT.

This is the 300th tower in which W. Pye has rung a peal.

YEOVIL, SOMERSET.
THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Tuesday, September 10, 1912, in Three Hours and Thirty-four Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5017 CHANGES;
Tenor 42 cwt.

REV. E. V. COX ...	...*Treble*	GEORGE DENT	6
BERTRAM PREWETT	2	THOMAS T. GOFTON... ...	7
REV. A. T. BEESTON ...	3	KEITH HART	8
ISAAC G. SHADE...	4	WILLIAM PYE	9
REV. C. CAREW COX ...	5	ERNEST PYE	...*Tenor*

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF, and
Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

WEST COKER, SOMERSET.
THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Wednesday, September 11, 1912, in Three Hours and One Minute,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN,
A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;
Tenor 11 cwt.

WILLIAM J. NEVARD...	...*Treble*	ERNEST PYE	5
REV. A. T. BEESTON ...	2	JOHN FLINT	6
ISAAC G. SHADE	3	*REV. C. CAREW COX ...	7
BERTRAM PREWETT	4	WILLIAM PYE	...*Tenor*

Composed by NATHAN J. PITSTOW, and
Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

* First peal in the method, and first peal in the method on the bells.

EAST COKER, SOMERSET.
THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Wednesday, September 11, 1912, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;
Tenor 13 cwt.

REV. E. V. COX ...	...*Treble*	THOMAS T. GOFTON... ...	5
REV. C. CAREW COX ...	2	WILLIAM J. NEVARD ...	6
REV. A. T. BEESTON ...	3	JOHN FLINT	7
GEORGE DENT	4	KEITH HART	...*Tenor*

Composed by NATHAN J. PITSTOW, and
Conducted by KEITH HART.

First peal of Major on the bells.

CREWKERNE, SOMERSET.
THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thursday, September 12, 1912, in Three Hours and Fourteen Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BARTHOLOMEW,
A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;
Tenor 22 cwt. 0 qr. 7 lbs.

ISAAC G. SHADE	...*Treble*	JOHN FLINT	5
REV. E. V. COX...	2	BERTRAM PREWETT	6
REV. A. T. BEESTON ...	3	KEITH HART	7
ERNEST PYE...	4	WILLIAM PYE	...*Tenor*

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF, and
Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

First peal in the method on the bells.

OTTERY ST. MARY, DEVON.
THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Friday, September 13, 1912, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes,
AT THE COLLEGIATE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,
A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES:
Tenor 18 cwt.

REV. E. V. COX ...	...*Treble*	THOMAS T. GOFTON... ...	5
ERNEST PYE	2	JOHN FLINT	6
BERTRAM PREWETT	3	KEITH HART	7
GEORGE DENT	4	WILLIAM PYE	...*Tenor*

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS, and
Conducted by BERTRAM PREWETT.

First peal in the method rung in Devon.

BRADPOLE, DORSET.
THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, September 14, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;
Tenor 13 cwt. 0 qr. 9 lbs.

KEITH HART	...*Treble*	WILLIAM J. NEVARD ...	5
BERTRAM PREWETT	2	THOMAS T. GOFTON ...	6
ISAAC G. SHADE	3	JOHN FLINT	7
REV. A. T. BEESTON ...	4	WILLIAM PYE	...*Tenor*

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF, and
Conducted by THOMAS T. GOFTON.

First peal of Major on the bells.

BEAMINSTER, DORSET.
THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, September 14, 1912, in Three Hours and Fourteen Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,
A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;
Tenor 26 cwt.

REV. C. CAREW COX	...*Treble*	BERTRAM PREWETT ...	5
REV. E. V. COX	2	KEITH HART	6
REV. A. T. BEESTON ...	3	ERNEST PYE	7
GEORGE DENT	4	WILLIAM PYE	...*Tenor*

Composed by HENRY DAINS, and
Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

First peal of Major on the bells, and first peal in the method rung in the county.

THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD IN DEVON.

The following peals were rung by members of the Cambridge University Guild on the 7th annual tour:—

DEVONPORT.
THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.
On Saturday, August 31, 1912, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,
AT H.M. CHAPEL, DOCKYARD,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5440 CHANGES;

E. MAURICE ATKINS ...	...*Treble*	REV. H. S. T. RICHARDSON	5
WILLIAM RUNDLE	2	WALTER H. MARSH	6
WILLIAM G. HISCOTT ...	3	WILLIAM FORD	7
ERNEST W. MARSH	4	WILLIAM D. JAMES ...	...*Tenor*

Composed by F. ROBINSON, and
Conducted by REV. H. S. T. RICHARDSON.

PLYMOUTH.
THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.
On Monday, September 2, 1912, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,
AT CHARLES CHURCH,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 24 cwt.

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

Composed by CHARLES MIDDLETON, and
Conducted by REV. H. LAW JAMES.

* First peal of Cambridge. This is the first peal of Cambridge in the county and by the Guild.

TEIGNMOUTH.
THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.
On Wednesday, September 4, 1912, in Three Hours and Thirty-five Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5152 CHANGES;

Tenor 21 cwt. 1 qr. 0 lbs.

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

Composed by JOHN COX, and
Conducted by REV. H. L. JAMES.

* First peal in the method. First peal of Superlative by the Guild and first peal on the bells.

EXETER.
THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.
On Friday, September 6, 1912, in Three Hours and Thirty-three Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. SIDWELL,

A PEAL OF LITTLE BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 24 cwt.

REV. H. LAW JAMES	*Treble*	*REV. H. J. ELSEE	6
REV. A. H. F. BOUGHEY	2	REV. E. BANKES JAMES	7
EDWIN H. LEWIS	3	*REV. W. W. C. BAKER	8
E. MAURICE ATKINS	4	WILLIAM D. JAMES	9
REV. H. S. T. RICHARDSON	5	REV. C. W. O. JENKYN	*Tenor*

Composed by W. ROYLE, and
Conducted by REV. E. B. JAMES.

* First peal in the method. This is the first peal of Little Bob Royal rung on tower bells, and the first peal of Royal in Exeter.

HANDBELL PEALS.

PLYMOUTH.
THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.
On Saturday, September 7, 1912, in Two Hours and Forty-five Minutes,
AT INGLEDENE, SEYMOUR ROAD,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5003 CHANGES;

REV. A. H. F. BOUGHEY	1—2	E. MAURICE ATKINS	5—6
REV. E. BANKES JAMES	3—4	REV. H. LAW JAMES	7—8

WILLIAM D. JAMES ... 9—10

Composed by WILLIAM HUDSON, and
Conducted by REV. H. LAW JAMES.
Umpire: JAMES D. JAMES.

This is the first peal on handbells in Devon.

DARTMOOR.
THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.
On Wednesday, September 11, 1912, in Two Hours and Seventeen Minutes,
AT CHERRYBROOK FARM,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;

REV. A. H. F. BOUGHEY	1—2	E. MAURICE ATKINS	5—6
REV. E. BANKES JAMES	3—4	WILLIAM D. JAMES	7—8

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD, and
Conducted by E. MAURICE ATKINS.
Umpires: REV. H. LAW JAMES and JAMES D. JAMES.

This is the conductor's 100th peal.

DARTMOOR.
THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.
On Thursday, September 12, 1912, in Two Hours and Twenty-eight Minutes,
AT CHERRYBROOK FARM,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5003 CHANGES;

REV. A. H. F. BOUGHEY	1—2	E. MAURICE ATKINS	5—6
REV. E. BANKES JAMES	3—4	REV. H. LAW JAMES	7—8

WILLIAM D. JAMES ... 9—10

Composed by HENRY JOHNSON, and
Conducted by REV. H. LAW JAMES.
Umpire: JAMES D. JAMES.

PLYMOUTH.
THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.
On Saturday, September 14, 1912, in Two Hours and One Minute,
AT THE TRAFALGAR HOTEL,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;

REV. E. BANKES JAMES	1—2	E. MAURICE ATKINS	5—6
*MISS EDITH K. PARKER	3—4	WILLIAM D. JAMES	7—8

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW, and
Conducted by WILLIAM D. JAMES.
Umpire: JAMES PARKER.

* First peal in the method. This is the first handbell peal of Bob Major in the county and by the Guild. Miss Parker is the first lady to ring an inside pair to Major and the first to ring a peal for the Devonshire Guild.

The umpire of the peal of Treble Bob on handbells at Leiston, on Sept. 6th, was G. Wilson.

In the peal of Grandsire Caters at Walsall, the ringer of the 5th should be Frank W. Perrens, not Perrin, as printed.

COLLEGE YOUTHS AT SOUTHGATE.

The College Youths had a well-attended meeting at Southgate on Saturday, ringers being present from Barking, Walthamstow, and neighbouring towers.—Mr. T. Faulkner was elected Master for the occasion, in the absence of Mr. Taffender. Touches in the Standard and Surprise methods were much enjoyed on the five bells during the evening.—Tea was provided at the Cherry Tree Hotel, where a social gathering was afterwards held under the presidency of Mr. Faulkner. Songs by Messrs. Johnston (Croydon), Miller (North Brixton), Armstrong (Southgate), Rumens (Walthamstow), Hazell (Tottenham) enlivened the proceedings, and Mr. G. Wild kindly accompanied on the pianoforte.—Mr. J. Thomas also tapped a course of Double Norwich Major on the piano. A vote of thanks to the Vicar, churchwardens, and steeplekeeper, proposed by Mr. W. T. Cockerill (the hon. secretary), seconded by Mr. E. A. Davies, was passed.

MR. B. PREWETT'S 800 PEALS.

ON TOWER BELLS:

	Rung.	Conducted.
Cambridge Surprise Maximus	1	
Treble Bob Maximus	3	1
Stedman Cinques	43	1
New Cambridge Surprise Royal	3	
Cambridge Surprise Royal	10	3
Treble Bob Royal	11	1
Stedman Caters (including 18,027 Record)	113	11
Grandsire Caters	1	
Bristol Surprise Major (including 15,264 Record)	40	6
London Surprise Major	60	
New Cambridge Surprise Major	11	5
Cambridge Surprise Major	8	4
Superlative Surprise Major	154	39
Double Norwich Court Bob Major	27	7
Kent Treble Bob Major	30	20
Oxford Treble Bob Major	5	3
Bob Major	4	2
Stedman Triples	227	73
Grandsire Triples	9	1
ON HANDBELLS:		
Stedman Cinques	8	
Stedman Caters	21	
Stedman Triples	11	4
Total	800	181

Rung in 213 towers in 35 counties.

LIVERPOOL DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday last a meeting of the Liverpool Diocesan Guild was held at Rainford, and a good muster of members attended from various parts of the diocese. A short service was held, at which the Rev. B. H. Watts read the prayers, and an excellent and practical address was given by the Rev. E. C. Collier, Birkdale. Service over, a move was made to the Golden Lion Hotel, where an excellent tea was provided.—Afterwards, the business meeting was held, the Rev. E. C. Collier presiding (in the absence of the Vicar), supported by the Rev. B. H. Watts, Messrs. Ball (churchwarden), Hall, etc.—The Chairman expressed regret at the absence of the Master (the Rev. W. S. Bulpit), who was still far from well, not having completely recovered from the accident he met with in London. Although he was not with them in the body, he was with them in the spirit, and he (the chairman) knew they all regretted his absence.

Several suggestions of a practical nature were discussed by the members, and the proceedings were enlivened by a few stories by the chairman, and songs by one of the ringers.—One honorary member was elected, and the usual vote of thanks to the Vicar for use of the bells and the unknown donor of the tea, brought a most pleasant and harmonious meeting to a close.

A CYCLING TOUR.

AMONG SURREY HILLS AND VALES.

The annual cycling tour of the Sonning Deanery branch of the Oxford Guild took place on Saturday, the following towers being represented: Sandhurst, Easthampstead, Binfield and Hurst. Towers in Hants and Surrey were selected for the day's ringing, Aldershot being the first on the programme. The light ring of six there was set going as early as 9.15 a.m., to the tune of Kent. One of the clergy came in, much to the delight of the band, and greeted them with words of congratulation upon their striking, an action which convinces one of the interest which is growing on the part of the clergy for the ringers' part of Church work. After a touch of Oxford Treble Bob, a start was made for Crondall, which was reached after a long rise and a quick run down. After a "plain course" of bread and cheese, the visitors all admired the splendid avenue of lime trees, planted in 1759, which shades the path leading from the gate to the church. Inside the belfry is a heavy ring of six, tenor 18 cwt., all very discordant, three of them being very much out of tune The "go," however, is not bad, and Plain Bob and Kent were rung, but the sound was curious. After a course of Grandsire Triples on a fine set of handbells, a start was made for Bentley, where there is a splendid ring of six by Messrs. Gillett and Johnson, recently hung in an iron frame with all latest improvements, and beautifully toned, the tenor weighing 12¾ cwt., in E. The bells were rung up in peal, and set going to Plain Bob, Kent and Double Oxford. A course of London Surprise was unfortunately lost, and also a touch of Cambridge. It is to be hoped that in the near future the two new trebles will be hung in the places provided for them, thus making a grand peal of eight. After dinner, at the Red Lion, which was much enjoyed, a start was made for Froyle, where the party were delighted to be joined by Mr. H. Chaffey. A little difficulty was found in getting to the belfry, which was discovered by going up a flight of stairs, and getting through a small doorway behind the organ. Once there, the light peal of six were set going to Plain Bob, Kent and Oxford, and Oxford Single Bob, Cambridge again being lost in the last lead. The journey was then resumed to Binstead, where the visitors drew a blank, the incumbent refusing permission to ring, because, he said, the ringing of the bells broke the chiming wires of the clock. The man in whose charge the clock chimes were placed happened to be present, and his request that the bells should be rung to enable him to see if everything were in order was met with a blunt refusal. Next came the ordeal of facing the camera, and tea at the White Hart. Much refreshed, the cyclists continued the journey to Frensham, where they were joined by Mr. C. Edwards The bells were rung up in peal, and touches in Kent, Woodbine, Double Court, Oxford and Plain Bob, were successfully brought round. After the bells had been lowered in peal, Mr. Randell, by means of the chiming apparatus, struck off six hymns, which were very much admired. The last place on the programme was Farnham, where the fine peal of eight soon went off to the music of Kent and Bob Major, and brought the day's ringing to a close.—Thanks are due to Mr. C. Edwards for making all arrangements, to the incumbents of all towers opened to the party, for the use of their bells, and to Mr. W. Horne for piloting the cyclists through the beautiful scenery of the Surrey hills and vales. After leaving Farnham, each wended his way home, some having to travel 20 miles, thoroughly satisfied with the day's pleasure.—H.B.

BRIDGNORTH, SALOP.—On Sunday, Sept. 1st, at St. Leonard's Church, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, in 44 mins.: H. W. Overton 1, A. Newsome 2, B. Head 3, J. Overton 4, J. Elcock 5, E. Foxall 6, W. Overton (conductor) 7, H. Overton 8. Arranged for the ringer of tenor, this being his first quarter-peal.

BOURNEMOUTH.—On Sunday, Sept. 1st, at St. Peter's Church. 1280 Bob Major, in 51 mins.: J. Bennett 1, F. Forsyth 2, C. Forfitt 3, E. T. Green 4, E. Waters 5, B. Gough 6, A. R. Macdonald 7, C. Goodenough (conductor) 8. The above were arranged for Mr. B. Gough, of Coseley, Staffordshire.

RINGERS' OUTINGS.

SWAINSWICK.

The ringers of the parish of Swainswick, near Bath, held their annual outing on Thursday, Sept. 12th, when a trip was taken to Weston-super-Mare. The pleasures of the seaside were indulged in during the day the party meeting for dinner and tea. Afterwards they visited Uphill Old Church, where they were met by the local company. Change ringing was found to be rather difficult, owing to the way in which the ropes were brought down, but several good six scores of Grandsire and Bob Doubles were brought round. The party spent a most enjoyable day, and reached Bath about 10.30 p.m.

HANDSWORTH.

The ringers of St. Mary's, Handsworth, had their annual outing on Saturday week, when a visit was paid to the pretty village of Tettenhall, a short halt being made at Wolverhampton to listen to the start of a peal of Caters on the beautiful bells of St. Peter's. At Tettenhall a few touches of Grandsire Triples were rung, and the picturesque church was then inspected. After tea and a stroll round the village, a musical evening was spent under the chairmanship of Mr. Faux. The handbells were brought into use, many excellent selections being rendered on them. Among those who contributed to the programme were: Messrs. F. Banks, E. Starkey, T. Verry, C. Starkey, E. Wood, Roper, S. Danby, Palmer, Ward, and the Chairman.—The proceedings terminated with thanks to the host and hostess, and the party then returned to Birmingham, after a very enjoyable excursion.

ST. EDMUND'S, NORTHAMPTON.

The annual outing of St. Edmund's Society, Northampton, was held on Saturday, Sept. 7th, when a visit was made to Loughborough to inspect the bell foundry of Messrs. Taylor and Co., the founders of the peal at St. Edmund's Church. Through the courtesy of this enterprising firm the visitors had the pleasure of seeing three small bells cast for a peal now in hand for Burton-on-Trent, and after making a tour of the various workshops, which the party found very interesting, a short halt was made for lunch, kindly provided by the firm. A visit to the foundry tower was the next order, and the light but musical peal was set going to Stedman and Grandsire Triples. After according Mr. D. Taylor a vote of thanks for the hospitable manner in which the party had been received and entertained, the company dispersed for dinner. Through the kindness of the Rector, the bells of the Parish Church were available for a short time in the afternoon, and with the assistance of Mr. W. E. White, hon. secretary of the Midland Counties Association, who happened to be paying a visit to Loughborough, and one or two of the local ringers, touches of Stedman and Grandsire Caters were indulged in. The party then proceeded to Leicester, and made their way to Aylestone, where an excellent meat tea was awaiting them, kindly provided by the Rector (Canon H. S. Sedge). After disposing of the good things provided, a visit was paid to the church, and touches of Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob Minor were rung. Returning in the evening to St. Saviour's, Leicester, the party had the pleasure of meeting Mr. W. Willson and Miss Willson, Mr. J. S. Needham, Mr. Buttery, and other Leicester ringers. Touches of Double Norwich, Stedman and Grandsire Triples were brought round, with the assistance of Leicester friends. Altogether a most instructive and enjoyable day was spent, the weather having been ideal for holiday-making.—The members of the society wish to thank the clergy of the various churches for the use of the bells, and also the steeplekeepers for their assistance.

WEDDING BELLS.

At St. Lawrence's Church, Ludlow, on Sept. 9th, an attempt was made for a peal of Grandsire Triples, which unfortunately came to grief after ringing just over 1100 changes: H. Aston 1, G. D. Acton (longest with a bob bell) 2, G. J. Taylor (Shrewsbury) 3, F. S. Wilson 4, J. Clark (Ross) 5, Wm. Saunders (Coalbrookdale), conductor, 6, W. R. Nash 7, A. Uason 8. The peal was attempted as a wedding compliment to Fleet Paymaster George P. Wilson, R.N., of H.M.S. Agamemnon, and Mrs. Adria L. Wood (widow of the late Major E. P. Wood. Madras Infantry Indian Staff Corps, and daughter of the late Col. H. C. Macdonald, 108th Regiment), the ringers wishing them every happiness. The bridegroom is brother to the ringer of the 4th, and the band wish to thank Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Wilson for kindly entertaining them to tea, at which the Rector of Ludlow, the Rev. A. E. Lloyd Kenyon, was present.

On Thursday week, at the Parish Church, Olney, to celebrate the wedding of Miss Nora Hipwell, of Gresham House, Olney, and Mr. Leslie Evans, of Bishop's Stortford, Essex, the following touches were rung: 896 Grandsire Triples, by: W. Robinson 1, F. Boswell 2, T. Wright, 3 B. Fisher 4, W. Jones 5, T. Smith 6, W. Freeman (conductor) 7, R. Perkins 8. 1260 Grandsire Triples, by: W. Jones 1, W. Jacques 2, F. Boswell 3, Miss E. Steele (Oakley) 4, B. Fisher 5, S. Smith 6, W. Freeman (conductor) 7, R. Perkins 8. 720 Bob Major, by: A. Robinson (longest touch) 1, W. Robinson 2, S. Smith 3, W. Freeman 4, W. Jones 5, B. Fisher 6, W. Jacques (conductor) 7, F. Boswell 8. Also short touches of Double Norwich and Stedman Triples, conducted by W Freeman.

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MR. JOHN AUSTIN, OF GLOUCESTER.

Few ringers have done more to advance the Art in the West of England than Mr. John Austin, of Gloucester, whose efforts have not only been devoted to raising the standard of peal ringing, but to helping beginners, and many a man owes his success in the Exercise to the early encouragement he received from Mr. Austin. With a few kindred spirits Mr. Austin was the pioneer of Surprise Royal and Maximus ringing, and thus set an example of progress which has doubtless not been without its effect in other parts of the country.

Mr. Austin is a native of a town famous, among other things, for campanological performances, having first seen the light at Burton-on-Trent on November 19th, 1863. He began his ringing career, however, at the village church of Winshill, and there, on the pretty ring of six,

MR. JOHN AUSTIN.

he learnt to ring Grandsire Doubles and Minor, and scored his first 720, in the year 1885. In December of the same year he rang his first peal, which was conducted by Mr. John Jaggar. Mr. Austin took to ringing like a duck to water, and his progress in the Art was rapid. He joined the St. Paul's Society, Burton-on-Trent, which about that time was at the height of its fame, and within a couple of years Mr. Austin had rung several Surprise peals, including New Cumberland, Superlative, Cambridge and London.

His first peal as conductor was rung on August 11th, 1888, when he called Holt's Original, and it has been in this department that Mr. Austin has since made his name, for he has proved himself one of the most capable "pilots" that ever entered a belfry. After five or six years with the St. Paul's company, his occupation took him to Gloucester, where he joined the then young company known as St. Michael's Juniors. He signalled his arrival by conducting Holt's Original, and in assisting in the society's first peal of Double Norwich. After only six months in the West, however, Mr. Austin removed to Lincoln, where he became a member of the St. Peter-at-Arches Society. Six months later he returned once more to Gloucester, where he has remained ever since. Mr. Austin helped to lift the Juniors to the top of the tree. Peals in a number of methods were accomplished, including the first of Double Norwich Caters, which Mr. Austin conducted. Then came the first peal of Gloucester Surprise ever rung, and, as a crowning effort, the first peal of Cambridge Royal. When this had been achieved attention was turned to Cambridge Maximus, the Revs. H. L. and E. B. James and Mr. F. G. May, with other enthusiasts, being in the company. On three occasions a band was got together and met for the Maximus at Cirencester. On one occasion they got well into the second course. The effort made to accomplish this task was all the more praiseworthy and remarkable because at that time St. Michael's Juniors had only eight bells, and if they wanted to tackle big things above this number they had to do it without practice. Had there been twelve bells in Gloucester Cambridge Maximus would probably have been rung there long ago. Indeed, when Mr. Austin started calling a peal of it we doubt if any other band had thought of ringing the method.

Mr. Austin is a member of a great many ringing societies, and for a number of years has filled the office of honorary secretary of the St. Michael's Juniors, and has been one of the district secretaries of the Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association. Unfortunately Mr. Austin has lost the record of several of his peals, but the list, so far as it can be compiled, is a striking tribute to his versatility as a ringer and conductor.

	Rung.	Conducted.
London Surprise Major	9	
Cambridge Surprise Major	18	8
Cambridge Surprise Royal	4	1
Superlative Surprise Major	20	4
New Cumberland Surprise Major	2	
Gloucester Surprise Major	3	2
Double Norwich Court Bob Major	43	28
Double Norwich Court Bob Caters	2	2
Duffield Major	3	
Double Oxford Bob Major	1	1
Kent Treble Bob Major	17	10
Kent Treble Bob Royal	12	10
Kent Treble Bob Maximus	1	1
Oxford Treble Bob Major	1	
Plain Bob Major	27	23
Plain Bob Royal	9	7
Plain Bob Maximus	2	2
Canterbury Major	1	1
Stedman Triples	48	19
Stedman Caters	24	7
Stedman Cinques	2	1
Grandsire Triples	43	27
Grandsire Caters	31	27
Grandsire Cinques	8	7
Bob Triples	5	4
Canterbury Triples	1	
Union Triples	1	
Oxford Bob Triples	1	1
Seven 720's Minor	9	3
Grandsire Triples on Handbells	5	1
Grandsire Doubles	1	
Total	354	197

ODD CHANGES.

Collected from all Quarters.

Owing to the pressure on our space this week, one or two reports are unavoidably held over.

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Both the tours which have just concluded in the West of England met with splendid ringing success—it is needless to add that socially they were also equally enjoyable. Members of the Cambridge University Guild rang eight peals in Devon, made up of four peals on tower bells and four on handbells, six of the total being placed to the credit of the University and the other two to the Devon Guild.

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No fewer than twelve out of the fourteen attempts made during the Somerset and Dorset trip were successful. Our readers will be able to examine the records for themselves in our peal columns, but a week which includes two peals of Stedman Caters, one of Stedman Triples, three of Superlative, one of Cambridge, three of Bristol and two of London Surprise Major is not a bad record.

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The best performance was on the Tuesday, when Stedman Triples was rung at Sherborne (tenor 46 cwt.), followed by a peal of Stedman Caters at Yeovil (tenor 42 cwt.). In the first of these two Mr. E. Pye rang the 7th, and Mr. W. Pye the tenor, and in the second one they reversed their positions at the back end. This is what you might call a day's work.

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Sherborne was the 300th tower in which Mr. William Pye has rung a peal, and, speaking off hand, we should say this is a record in number, except for that held by the late Rev. F. E. Robinson, whose 1,250 peals were rung in about 450 towers.

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Our peal records this week include one at Devizes in which a blind ringer took part. Mr. Richard Phillips, who has lost the sight of both eyes, rang the 19 cwt. tenor at St. John's Church to a peal of Triples in an extremely creditable way. The number of blind ringers who have accomplished a peal must be very few. We should like to hear of any others.

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In the record which we published of the late Mr. Matt. Wood's career we stated that he took part in the first peal of Stedman Triples ever rung on handbells, but Mr. W. Ayre, of Gainsborough, points out that it was the first non-conducted peal of Stedman Triples that Mr. Wood rang in. He writes: "On looking at 'Elements Campanologia,' by W. Sottanstall (published 1867) I find on page 178 that the first in hand of Stedman Triples was rung on December 19th, 1853, in 2 hrs. 40 mins. by J. Cox 1-2, T. Powell 3-4, H. Haley 5-6, T. Britten 7-8, conducted by H. Haley. On March 11th, 1854, the first non-conducted peal of Stedman Triples was rung in 2 hrs. 41 mins. by J. Cox 1-2, Wm. Cooter 3-4, H. Haley 5-6, M. Wood 7-8."

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The Church of England Men's Society conference is to be held at Leeds on October 16th and 17th. The agenda is very full, but if any delegates, who are ringers, can find time and would like a pull, arrangements will gladly be made on receipt of a post card giving particulars to H. Williams, New Wortley Cemetery, Leeds.

Who among the veterans can beat Mr. Gosling, of Mansfield, who on Saturday, at the age of 85 years, rang a peal of Treble Bob and rang it well, too? This must be almost if not quite a record for age. We often talk of it being never too late to learn ringing. Mr. Gosling rang his first peal of Stedman after he was 83!

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A friend of the Editor will do his best to find situations for three or four good fitters or turners (change ringers) at trade union rate. Applicants should address their letters in the first place to this office.

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The tower of St. Michael and All Angels Church, Warfield, Berks, is to be restored and the bells rehung at the expense of Field Marshal Sir Charles Brownlow, G.C.B., of Warfield Hall, in memory of the late Lady Brownlow. These fine old bells, with a tenor said to be 28 cwt., have not been rung for over forty years.

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Mr. G. H. Dorrington has been appointed to succeed the late Mr. M. A. Wood as steeplekeeper at St. Matthew's, Bethnal Green.

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Ringers will be somewhat amused at the description, which appears in "Home Words" this month, of the "feeding" of the band that rang the 16,800 Treble Bob at Mottram. It says:—

> Refreshments in the shape of dry toasted cake soaked in meat extract, pieces of meat fresh from the gravy, and juicy fruit were placed in the men's mouths at intervals. The feeding process required skill, for every "change" involves mental reckoning on the ringer's part. The feeding process was undertaken by a Stalybridge ringer, who would take up a piece of food and pitch it forward; there would be a movement of the ringer's head, like a dog catching a bone, and the morsel disappeared.

M.C.A. AT ROLLESTON.

A PLEASANT MEETING.

A ringing meeting of the Burton-on-Trent District of the Midland Counties Association was held at Rolleston-on-Dove, on Saturday last, when upwards of 20 members and friends were present from Derby, Burton, Horninglow, Rolleston, Etwall, Uttoxeter, Sudbury, Newhall, etc. Touches of Grandsire and Stedman Doubles, and Plain Bob, Double Court, Kent Treble Bob, and Cambridge Surprise Minor were rung on the excellent ring of six bells.

Thanks to the generosity of the Rector (the Rev. the Hon. L. H. Tyrwhitt) an excellent tea was provided for all attending, the Rector himself presiding and giving a hearty welcome to the visitors. He said he was always pleased to help forward any good work connected with the Church, and he felt sure the different ringing associations up and down the country had done a great deal towards raising the tone of ringers and ringing generally. Nowadays ringers themselves made a point of attending the services of the church, whereas formerly in a great many cases, after calling others to worship, the ringers left the belfry, and never thought of attending the service.

Etwall was selected for the next place of meeting on Saturday, Oct. 19th.—Mr. C. Draper proposed that a hearty vote of thanks be given to the Rector for the use of the bells, for presiding at the meeting, and for providing such a splendid repast.—This was seconded by Mr. Mitchell, and carried with applause.—The Rector, in reply, said he hoped that sometime another meeting of the district would be held at Rolleston, as he was always pleased to welcome ringers to his church.

Business over, some good ringing was done on the handbells, Grandsire Triples and Caters and Bob Major being rung, in which the following took part: A. P. Wakley, C. Draper, B. Mitchell, J. Dyke, W. Shercliff, C. Sanders, and Miss Winifred Sanders. By request, Mr. A. P. Wakley tapped a touch of Stedman Triples on the piano, supplementing this by tapping in fine style a course of London Surprise Major.

The meeting then dispersed, some of the company taking a stroll around the Rectory gardens, a privilege which was much enjoyed. Others again visited the tower, and kept the bells going until 7.30, when service in the church brought to an end a very successful and enjoyable meeting.

POOLE.—The Salisbury Diocesan Guild.—On August 31st, an attempt for a peal of Stedman Triples came to grief in the 18th part: F. Townsend 1, E. T. Green 2, C. Goodenough 3, C. Forfitt 4, E. Waters 5, B. Gough 6, A. R. Macdonald (conductor) 7, A. Osman 8.

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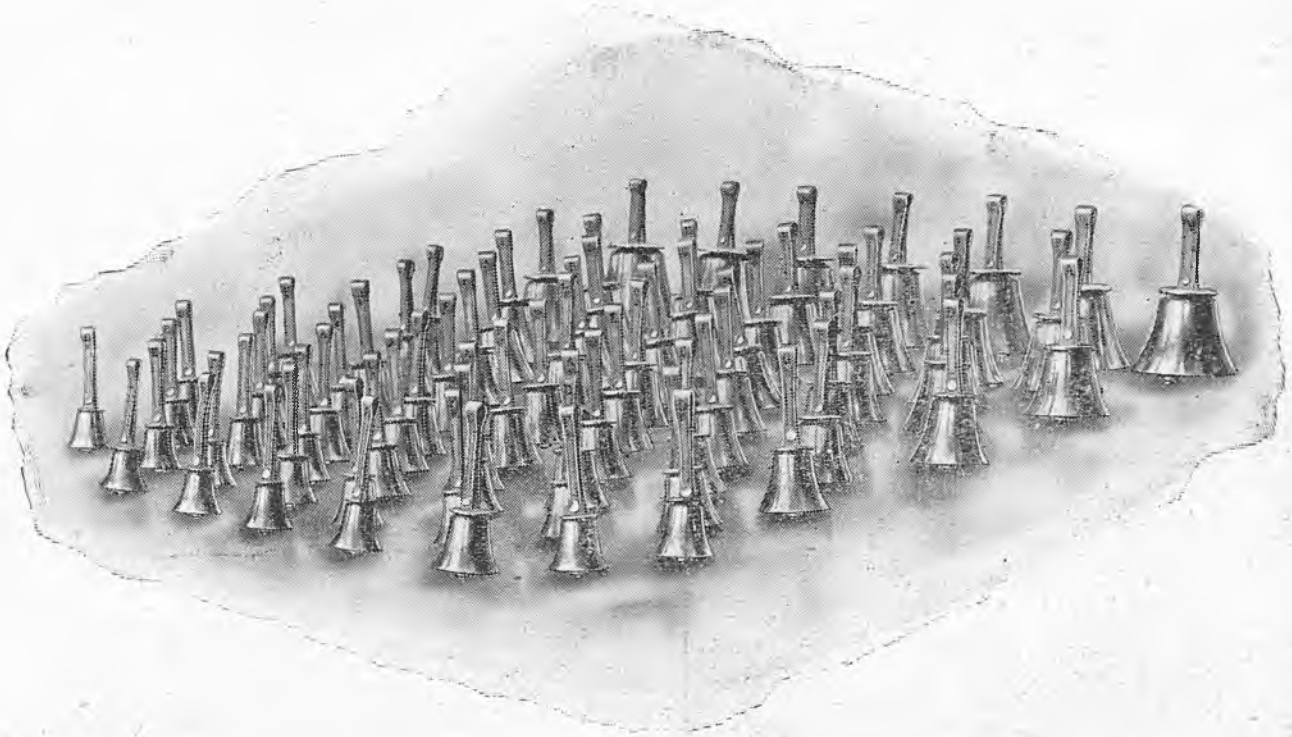

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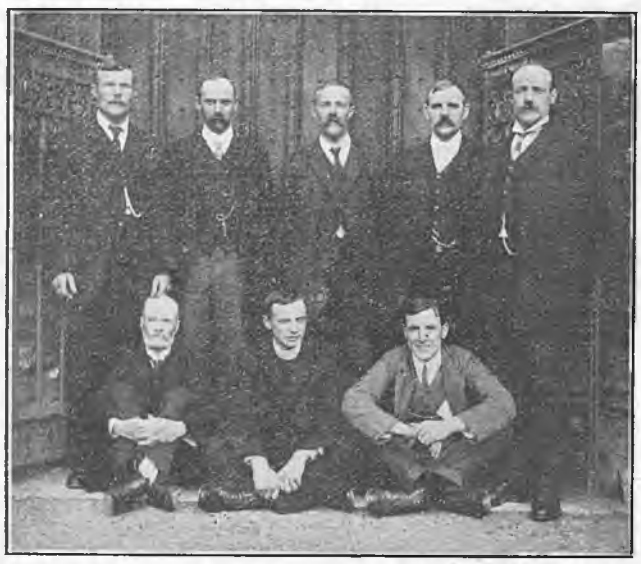
THE PLEASURES OF THE "PYE" TOUR—AND SOME OF ITS HUMOURS.

Strange it may be, but we are actually going to praise the weather. The West Country is ideal under sunny skies, and the "Pye" ringing tour of 1912 was carried through under really settled atmospheric conditions. This fact no doubt had much to do with keeping us in holiday mood, and light hearts are proverbially a gateway to success. Saturday, Sept. 7th, saw the invasion of Wrington, and under the introduction of Mr. J. H. B. Hesse we are soon on speaking terms with the neighbourhood. There are not many villages that can boast of such a fine ring of ten as repose in Wrington tower. We did not allow them to repose very long, and the first peal of the tour—Stedman Caters—was struck off in very good style. On Sunday morning the bells were set going to Treble Ten, Stedman and Grandsire Caters for service, while two of the party on borrowed bicycles ran over to sample the eight at Congresbury (tenor 30 cwt.). "Coongsbury" we gather is the proper pronunciation, and Somerset folk must have it, of course, their way. Superlative was down for Yatton in the afternoon. This entailed a four-mile walk each way, and some good pedestrianism was witnessed. It was a heavy afternoon for those who rang, but peal number two was successfully brought round, and those of us who were not in the peal got back to Wrington in time to give the locals a hand in Grandsire Caters for evening service.



SHERBORNE ABBEY PEAL BAND.

E. Pye. T. Gofton. W. Pye. J. Flint. K. Hart.
I. G. Shade. Rev. E. V. Cox. B. Prewett.

Up with the lark on Monday morning, we boarded the "Coongsbury" express, with Shepton Mallet as our first objective. The halt at Wells Station on the way called forth many regrets that we were not allowed to attempt a peal on the Cathedral ten. We had to content ourselves with a chat with one of the St. Cuthbert's men who had come down to seek us out. At Shepton Mallet our secretary and motor cyclist scout joined us. The log of his run from Walsall we dare not make public, but he looked quite cheerful and respectable when he arrived, and stood courageously through his first peal of London. The bells are a nice peal of eight, and lent themselves to some good striking. We say nothing about the county prison here, as the whole of the party got away from the town safely—even the motorist—and we take it for granted that no ringer has any interest in such places. Then on to Evercreech, where a good peal of Cambridge, and the conductor's 800th, resulted. The question after that was how to get to Yeovil, and we all had luggage of some description. Happy thought! The motor bike. "I'll take the baggage," said the scout. "You walk to Castle Cary Station." It was a good long tramp this time, and the one cyclist of the party felt a little selfish, but then a push-bike without a side car is only made for one. However, we all met again in Yeovil, and slept the sleep of the just.

A BIG DAY.

Tuesday morning's task lay at Sherborne, and the Abbey bells were set going to Stedman Triples. There was no reason to hurry them, and 3 hrs. 35 mins. brought the finish of a very good peal. Two or three members sat in the belfry during the performance, and what must have been the feelings of those on the back end when one of the non-combatants began pealing and eating juicy pears!. How shall such a tantalising moment be revenged? In the evening we tackled the ten at St. John's, Yeovil, and they sounded well in Stedman Caters, rounds coming up all correct in due course. This was the heaviest day of the whole week, and the night's rest was felt to be well-earned. Wednesday was another walking day; West and East Coker, two light rings, being the programme. Three miles away and only one side car! Still there was not much fighting for the seat in this on the whole. The scout had an intense desire to go back to Evercreech, and took our Brighton representative along with him. They managed to get to Coker in time to hear the end of a peal of Bristol, and, incidentally, in time to begin lunch. East Coker was the scene of much excitement. No, you're wrong!—it was not reckless driving—it was all the fault of the postman's cart and horse. Then the motor led us to the cemetery, and in we went, but there were no bells there. Eventually we located the church, and turned the bells into Superlative, our William electing to sit in the belfry. Before half an hour was out we were being made the targets for sundry missiles propelled by some of the rising generation without, and William left us to engage in a chase which had a rough termination for the youth in question. Thanks to him we were able to score a peal without further distraction. The motor was in great requisition on the way home.

THE FIRST "DISASTER."

Journeying to Crewkerne on Thursday morning, an excellent peal of London was scored, then on we went to Chard, where there is a nice peal of eight, but a little rough to handle. Cambridge had been going here about an hour when someone looked through the curtains at us, and on being told to "go away, sir, please," immediately proceeded to the organ and raised a cacophony that was not a little irritating. But although we survived this we did not survive a bad trip two courses from home, and the first disappointment of the tour was experienced. It apparently preyed on our big man's mind all night, for in the small hours of Friday morning his bed companion heard these consoling words: "Never mind, Jack, we'll chuck him out!" Superlative was the arrangement at Axminster, and these bells—a rather fine ring—used to go very well. We were in for a struggle, however, and, with the fifth man not feeling very well, a muddle after three hours' ringing ended disastrously. Our motor scout was useful that day, a wire from Lyme Regis told us that illness near the church prevented all ringing there, so up he got at 6.0 a.m., put the clutch in, and was off to Ottery St. Mary's in a jiffy. Yes, we could attempt a peal there, and back he came to breakfast at Axminster with the joyful news. Now Ottery Church is much frequented by visitors, and the ropes hang in the south transept, so Bristol Major looked like being attended with difficulties. But a few good watch-dogs, in the shape of those not ringing, prevented any evil consequences, and the peal duly came round.

It was a long cry to Birdport from there, and some lovely hills to negotiate. However, we were not out for any record breaking, so roads and distance did not matter. Our motorist and his luggage carrier again came almost to blows with the post office authorities at the entrance to the town, and again the post office must take the blame! The parson's language seems to have been splendidly controlled. An early start the next morning and the last day of the tour was entered upon. Mr. Hervey Beams turned up to conduct us to Bradpole, and soon after eight the bells were going merrily to Superlative, a first-class peal being the result. Back to Birdport for dinner, and then we made for Beaminster. Bristol Surprise was selected as the finale, and the peal was never in doubt. At tea afterwards, ere the party dispersed homewards, the chaplain made a few appropriate remarks regarding the tour, and asked our indefatigable secretary of the week to accept the best thanks of the band for the admirable arrangements he had made.—The Rev. E. V. suitably responded, as they say: and then a pleasant surprise awaited us. Mr. Beams announced that we were all his guests at tea, and of course he was warmly thanked. Thus the "Pye" tour of 1912 came reluctantly to an end. Twelve peals out of fourteen attempts and plenty of heavy metal tackled, not to speak of the wanderings amidst delightful surroundings. We should like it all over again, and we are all going to have motors next time!

C. C. C.

SALISBURY GUILD.

A meeting of the West Dorset branch was held at Maiden Newton, on Thursday, Sept. 12th. The number present was not quite so large as usual. Representatives attended from Beaminster, Bradpole, Litton Cheney, Maiden Newton, Nertherbury, Rampisham, and Whitechurch Canonicorum.—Canon Hankey was present to welcome the visitors, and did everything to make the visit an enjoyable one.

No visit to Maiden Newton seems complete without a stroll through the beautiful gardens and grounds of the Rectory, and although the roses are past their prime (the Canon is a noted rosarian), still his wonderful show of dahlias was well worth inspection.

In the absence of the Master of the branch (the Rev. C. F. Langford), who had to leave early, Canon Hankey presided at the tea and meeting, to which 21 sat down.

Ringing was indulged in both before and after tea, and also at Rampisham and Cattistock.

The various incumbents were thanked for placing the bells at the members' disposal, and Canon Hankey for the tea and arranging the short but beautiful service. Beaminster was selected for the October meeting.

THE CENTRAL COUNCIL.

OFFICIAL MINUTES.

The following is a copy of the minutes of the last Central Council Meeting:—

The first meeting of the eighth Council (twenty-second annual meeting) was held in the Small Hall of the Church House, Westminster, on Whitsun Tuesday, 28th May, 1912, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, when there were present 65 out of 93 elected representative members, and 13 out of 16 honorary members. Of the 39 affiliated associations, 21 were fully, and 11 partially represented.

Only one nomination, that of Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., had been received for the office of President, and the hon. secretary temporarily took the chair during the election, Sir Arthur Heywood being unanimously elected on the proposal of Mr. A. T. King, seconded by the Rev. E. W. Carpenter.

The President then took the chair, and having briefly acknowledged his election, announced that only one nomination, that of the Rev. C. D. P. Davies, had been received for the combined offices of honorary secretary and treasurer.—On the nomination of the Rev. C. E. Matthews, seconded by Mr. W. T. Cockerill, the Rev. C. D. P. Davies was unanimously elected, and briefly thanked those present for his election.

The Hon. Secretary then read the minutes of the last meeting, which were duly confirmed and signed.

The Hon. Secretary next read the statement of accounts and of the sale of the Council's publications. The accounts showed a balance in hand from last year of £63 15s. 8d., to which there was to be added affiliation fees received £11 12s. 6d., and sale of publications 14s. 9d., making a total of £76 2s. 11d. Against this there had been expenses of meeting, 1911, £2 12s.; printing, £1 3s. 11d.; expenses of committees and postage, 14s. 6d., leaving in hand a balance of £71 12s. 6d. Adding to this the calculated nett value of unsold publications in hand amounting to £125 3s. 9d., the total assets of the Council were now of the value of £196 16s. 3d. The accounts were passed, on the proposal of Mr. R. Cartwright, seconded by Mr. J. Griffin.

It was announced that expressions of regret for absence had been received from the Revs. J. M. Clarkson and H. E. Tilney Bassett, and from Messrs. C. E. D. Boutflower, J. Carter, C. H. Hattersley and F. B. Tompkins.

It was moved by the Rev. W. W. C. Baker, and seconded by the Rev. M. Kelly, that the following be re-elected honorary members, viz.: Mr. John Carter, the Rev. C. D. P. Davies, Mr. J. S. Pritchett, Mr. J. A. Trollope and Mr. G. Williams, with the addition of the Rev. H. A. Cockey, Mr. R. A. Daniell, the Rev. Canon Papillon and Mr. W. Snowdon.—The proposal was carried unanimously.

The following new members of the Council were then introduced to and shook hands with the President, viz.: Of the College Youths, Mr. T. Faulkner; of the Royal Cumberlands, Mr. J. D. Matthews; of the Chester Diocesan Guild, Mr. W. Bibby; of the Kent County Association, Mr. W. J. Jeffries; of the Lancashire Association, Mr. T. Redman; of the Leeds and District Society, Mr. P. J. Johnson; of the London County Association, Messrs. H. G. Ellis and E. A. Young; of the Middlesex Association, Messrs. J. H. B. Hesse and W. Pye; of the Midland Counties Association, Mr. E. C. Gobey; of the Central Northants Association, Mr D. J. Nicholls; of the Oxford Diocesan Guild Mr. J. Evans; of the Salisbury Diocesan Guild, the Rev. F. Llewellyn Edwards; of the Surrey County Association, Mr. C. F. Johnston; of the Sussex County Association, Mr. K. Hart; of the Warwickshire Guild, Mr. H. Argyle; of the Yorkshire Association, the Rev. C. C. Marshall; and of the Honorary Members, Mr. H. W. Wilde.

Before proceeding with the remainder of the agenda, the President referred in feeling terms to the great loss sustained by the Exercise in the recent death of the late Mr. James Pettit. One of the safest of ringers and conductors, one of the most delightful of men, humble, courteous, and ever ready to help, he would be sorely missed, and had left a void not easy to fill.

The President called attention to the fact that there was present as a visitor to the Council one of the oldest of veteran ringers, Mr. William Banister. He invited Mr. Banister to a seat on the platform, and assured him of the great pleasure that his presence among them afforded to all.—Mr. Bannister, notwithstanding his 89 years, made a spirited speech in reply, and was enthusiastically cheered on leaving the room somewhat later.

Amid the applause of the Council, the President congratulated Mr. W. Pye and the band who had succeeded in ringing 15,264 Bristol Surprise Major on the previous day.

The President proposed that: "The Central Council of Church Bell Ringers, representing 39 Associations, with an approximate aggregate of 10,000 members, protests against the Bill now before Parliament for the Disestablishment and Disendowment of the Church in Wales as a measure entirely devoid of justification."—This was seconded by Mr. A. T. King, and carried unanimously, and it was agreed that the President and Hon. Secretary decide to whom it would be best to forward copies of the resolution.

It was proposed by the Rev. A. H. F. Boughey, and seconded by the Rev. Canon Papillon, that the following be elected to form the Standing Committee, viz., the President, the Hon. Secretary, the Revs. A. J. Cockey, G. F. Coleridge, H. Law James, and Messrs. W. T. Cockerill, H. Dains, R. A. Daniell, J. Griffin, C. H. Hattersley, and W. Snowdon.—This was carried unanimously.

The Rev. H. S. T. Richardson reported that the work of the Peal Collection Committee was making steady progress, and on the proposal of the Rev. F. J. O. Helmore, seconded by the Rev. E. W. Carpenter, the committee was unanimously re-elected as follows: Dr. A. B. Carpenter, the Revs. C. D. P. Davies, H. S. T. Richardson, with Messrs. H. Dains, J. A. Trollope and H. W. Wilde.

For the Church Press Committee, Mr. R. A. Daniell reported that he hoped he should before long be able to place a draft report in the hands of the hon. secretary.—The Rev. Canon Papillon proposed, and the Rev. G. F. Coleridge seconded, that the committee be henceforth known as the Literature Committee. This having been carried, and the Rev. M. Kelly having intimated that he did not seek re-election, the committee was, on the proposal of the Rev. W. W. C. Baker, seconded by the Rev. A. H. F. Boughey, elected as follows, viz.: The Revs. Canon Papillon and H. A. Cockey, with Messrs. H. Dains and R. A. Daniell.

The Rev. H. Law James reported progress on behalf of the Legitimate Methods Committee. — On the proposal of the Rev. H. S. T. Richardson, seconded by Mr. J. H. B. Hesse, the committee was re-elected as follows: The Rev. H. Law James, Mr. H. Dains and Mr. J. A. Trollope. To fill the place of Mr. J. Carter, who had intimated that he wished to resign, Mr. E. H. Lewis was added to the committee, on the proposal of the Rev. H. S. T. Richardson, seconded by Mr. H. W. Wilde.

It was proposed by the Rev. H. Law James, and seconded by Mr. R. Richardson, that "a peal of Minor must consist of at least seven true 720's, and the bells must strike rounds only once at the end of each, and immediately go into the next. The peal may be lengthened by the addition of any number of 720's fulfilling the same conditions, with or without one touch of less than 720 changes to make up some definite number." After much discussion, an amendment proposed by the Hon. Secretary, and seconded by Mr. W. Snowdon, substituting the word "should" for "must" in the first sentence was carried by a large majority, and the resolution as thus amended was then unanimously passed as the substantive motion.

It was proposed by the Hon. Secretary, and seconded by Dr. A. B. Carpenter, that "it is desirable to reconsider some of the conditions laid down for the legitimacy of methods as stated on page 18 of 'Rules and Decisions,' 1904."—On being put to the meeting, the motion was lost.

At this point, the Council received the report of the Peals' Analysis Committee, which, together with the consideration of the report of the Peal Values Committee previously read, had been deferred until they could both be discussed in connection with other kindred subjects on the agenda.

The report of the Peal Values Committee recommended the adoption of a schedule for points for peals on seven bells and upwards, founded on the formula $\frac{VN^{\frac{3}{2}}}{8^{\frac{3}{2}}}$ and for points for peals of Minor that one point should be given for each 720 in any plain method, two for each such in any Treble Bob method, three for each such "broken lead" method, and four for each Surprise method. In the subsequent discussion, this report, moved by the Hon. Secretary, and seconded by Mr. J. Griffin, was adopted, the Council also accepting the resignation of the committee who had stated their conviction, that the work could more conveniently be carried out by the Analysis Committee.

The report of the Peals Analysis Committee having been adopted, and the committee thanked for their work, it was proposed by Mr. T. J. Salter, seconded by Mr. J. Griffin, and carried, that the committee be re-elected, with the addition of Mr. G. Williams, in view of the extra work falling on the committee in the matter of points.

A proposal entered on the agenda was brought forward by the Rev. E. W. Carpenter, and seconded by the Rev. M. Kelly, to the effect that "a committee of five (?) six-bell ringers be appointed to draw up a scale of points for performances on five and six bells," but in consequence of the adoption of the report of the Peal Values Committee, this was withdrawn by permission of the Council, as was also a further proposal in the following terms, viz.: "That this committee, together with the Peal Values Committee, try and find a common denominator by means of which the value of such performances compared with that of peals on higher numbers can be fixed."

It was proposed by Mr. J. A. Trollope, seconded by the Rev. H. Law James, and carried nem con.: "That this Council, in extending its hearty welcome to 'The Ringing World' has heard with satisfaction from the hon. secretary that he has, from the first appearance of the paper, sent for publication in its columns all essential official notices and reports of the Council, and notes with pleasure that the analysis of peals for last year has been compiled from and has appeared in identical terms in both ringing papers alike." As an appendix to this resolution, the hon. secretary was instructed to procure two typewritten copies of the report of the Council's meeting, as furnished by the Council's own reporter.

It was proposed by Mr. E. H. Lewis, and seconded by the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn, "that the hon. secretary of the Council be instructed to write to the Society for the Protection of Ancient Buildings and request them to meet a deputation from the Council, and discuss the supposed danger to towers caused by substituting iron bell frames for wooden frames." "That the Hon. Secretary also bring to the notice of the Royal Institute of British Architects the Council's recommenda-

tions with regard to the proper height to hang bells relative to the belfry windows." After full discussion, it was thought that the objects in view would best be secured by the appointment of a committee to deal with the matter.—The motion was accordingly withdrawn, and on the motion of Mr. P. J. Johnson, seconded by Mr. A. Hughes, the President, the Hon. Secretary, with Messrs. E. H. Lewis, E. A. Young and J. H. B. Hesse, were appointed a committee with full powers.

It was proposed by the Hon. Secretary, seconded by Mr. A. T. King, and carried unanimously, that "the Council, while itself declining to take part in the formation or subsequent management of such an enterprise, if set on foot, and without in any sense pledging its individual members, would nevertheless view with satisfaction the establishment on a sound financial basis of a benevolent fund for the benefit of any members of the Exercise who may stand in need of help."

In the absence of Mr. C. E. D. Boutflower, through indisposition, it was proposed by the Rev. H. A. Cockey, "That this meeting of the Council, while recognising the value of peal ringing generally, and the laudable desire of the members to assist in placing their own Association at the head of the peal table, wishes to express the strong conviction that the chief aim of all members should be the encouragement in all towers of ringing rather than chiming the bells for Sunday services, thus helping to achieve the primary object for which bells are hung, viz., the Glory of God and the calling of the parishioners together for His worship."—In seconding this the Rev. Ll. Edwards said that he should like to add after "services" the words "and on the eves of Church Festivals."—This addition being accepted by the proposer, the motion, as so amended, was put, and carried unanimously.

It was proposed by the Rev. G. F. Coleridge, and seconded by Mr. G. Bolland, that the meeting next year be held at Durham. To this an amendment was proposed by Mr. W. Story, and seconded by Mr. G. P. Burton, that it be held at Newcastle-on-Tyne.—The amendment was carried by a large majority.

The Rev. G. F. Coleridge proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the President, which was carried by acclamation, and the meeting adjourned.

THE TOWCESTER ASSOCIATION.

The first quarterly meeting of the year was held at Wicken, on Saturday last, by the kind permission of the Rev. Nelson Ward, when about 20 members were present. Tea, which was kindly given by the Rector, was excellently served in the beautiful grounds, and much enjoyed.

Afterwards a business meeting was held, the Rector taking the chair. A hearty vote of thanks was given him for his generous hospitality, and the Rector, in reply, said it had given him much pleasure to welcome the Association, and he hoped they would be able to come again in the near future.

It was resolved to hold the next quarterly meeting at Easton Neston, subject to the approval of the Vicar.

Ringing members were present from Easton Neston, Bradden, Moulton, Northampton, Leckhampstead, Passenham, Stony Stratford, together with the local ringers, and the bells were kept going during the afternoon and evening in touches of Bob Minor, Oxford Treble Bob and Grandsire Doubles.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

The monthly meeting of the Rochdale branch was held at St. Alban's, Rochdale, on Saturday, when 25 members were present from Rochdale Parish of St. Alban's; Balderstone, Todmorden Parish and Unitarian; Middleton, Glodwich, Moorside and Oldham.—Mr. Will Crabtree presided over the business proceedings and the next meeting was fixed for Crosstones, Todmorden. The bells were kept going till nine o'clock in Grandsire Triples and Kent Treble Bob Major.

RINGER'S GOLDEN WEDDING.

Mr. Abraham Shuttleworth, and Mrs. Shuttleworth, of Widford, near Chelmsford, celebrated their golden wedding on Saturday week, having been married at Blackmore on Sept. 7th, 1862. Mrs. Shuttleworth is in her 73rd year, and her husband is three years her junior. They have a family of eleven children. Mr. Shuttleworth has been a bell ringer at Widford Church for upwards of 30 years. He is a member of the College Youths, and has belonged to the Essex Association since 1885. A special service in honour of the golden wedding was held at Widford Church, and was attended by Mr. and Mrs. Shuttleworth, eight children, and several grandchildren, as well as a large number of parishioners. The bells were afterwards rung to celebrate the unique occasion, touches of Grandsire, Stedman, Plain Bob, Double Norwich and Superlative being brought round by A. Tarbun, senr., A. Tarbun, junr., J. Tarbun, W. Wellington, E. Punter, A. Speller, G. Usher, A. Bewres, A. Edwards, W. Lincoln, T. Lincoln, A. Head, H. Moon, and H. Kirton. Mr. and Mrs. Shuttleworth were the recipients of a number of presents.

HARWICH.—Essex Association.—672 Kent Major was rung at the residence of Mr. A. T. Morris, on handbells: A. T. Morris (conductor) 1—2, G. Thompson 3—4, T. Taylor 5—6, F. Watling 7—8.

NEW RING OF SIX FOR BIGBY, LINCS.

DEDICATION BY THE BISHOP OF LINCOLN.

The pretty little village of Bigby, near Grimsby, has been visited by the Bishop of Lincoln for the purpose of dedicating a new ring of six bells, which have been cast and hung in a steel framework, complete with all the most modern fittings, by Messrs. John Warner and Sons, Ltd., of the Spitalfields Foundry, London. The work has been carried out in the most efficient manner, and reflects the greatest credit upon the firm. For the service, the Bishop, clergy and choir robed at the Rectory, and passed slowly through the Rectory grounds and the village towards the church. The sun shone brightly on the white robed procession and on the Bishop in his cope and mitre, and the dark back ground of trees and the stormclouds all round the horizon enhanced the picturesque effect which was heightened by the frequent peals of distant thunder. Near the church the procession was joined by the Sunday School children, the Guild, and the other members of the congregation, and Psalms 49 and 115 were repeated. On entering the church, the "Old Hundreth" was sung, and after Psalm 150, the Bishop proceeded to the tower, and in a solemn prayer dedicated the bells to the service of God. The beautiful hymn by the late Dr. Neale, for the consecration of Church bells, was then sung. The Bishop gave an earnest and stirring address, the hymn, "We love the place, O God," was sung during the collection, and the service was concluded with the Bishop's solemn blessing.

During the afternoon the newly hallowed bells were rung, and their sweetness and perfect tunefulness were universally appreciated.

In the "Gentleman's Magazine" for May, 1799, the bells of Bigby are thus described: "There are three bells in the steeple, but surely the jarring dissonance of ill-affording sounds never grated 'harsher music than they.'" These three bells have now been recast, three new ones have been added, and all six are now in perfect tune. On the largest and most ancient of the three old ones, the old inscription and date have been recast, viz.: "God save this Church." On the two other old bells the original date, A.D. 1680, has been reproduced, but, as they formerly had no inscriptions, suitable Latin mottoes have now been inscribed on them as well as on the three new ones, together with the names of the Rector and the two churchwardens.

The five new inscriptions are as follows:—

5th bell: Da Britanniæ, Deus, Pacem; Fidem Veram, Spem Tenacem.
4th: Colat Quisque Sanctum Patrem, Amet Quisque Frater Fratrem.
3rd: Gaudens Donum Deo Dari, Dedit Me Herbertus Parry.
2nd: Absit Rixa Diabolica Prosit Fides Apostolica. Stet Ecclesia Catholica.
Treble: Fraternitas.

DEATH OF MR. J. HAYWARD, KENSINGTON.

It is with deep regret we have to record the death of a well-known Kensington ringer, Mr. Jarrold Hayward, at the early age of 38 years. The deceased had arranged to cycle to Ashtead for a peal on August 17th, but acting on the doctor's advice made the journey by train. He took part in a peal of Stedman Triples, which unfortunately proved to be his last, ringing throughout without making a mistake. He was present as usual on the following day at St. Mary Abbots, but had to take to his bed on the 22nd with influenza. This developed into pneumonia, and subsequently enteric fever, and he passed away on the morning of September 10th, after much suffering, at the residence of his uncle, Mr. Nunn, with whom he had lived for many years.

The funeral took place at his native village, Heveningham, Suffolk, the service being conducted by the Rector (the Rev. R. Dewe). The chief mourners were his five brothers and two sisters, several other relatives being also present. The St Mary Abbot's Guild was represented by Mr. H. G. Miles. The parishioners, amongst whom deceased was very well known, were present in large numbers. At the conclusion of service, Grandsire Doubles were rung on the peal of five, with the bells deeply muffled, by W. Ransby, R. Ruckman, C. Woolner, J. Mower and E. Cook. Amongst the numerous floral tributes were wreaths from the St. Mary Abbot's Guild, and his shop mates, that from his fellow ringers taking the form of a cushion of white chrysanthemums, and a bell of mauve violets raised in the centre.

Simultaneously with the funeral, the "whole pull and stand" was rung on the bells at St. Mary Abbot's by his fellow ringers: W. E. Garrard, A. Cutmore, W. A. Garrard, A. V. Selby, A. E. Bradley, P. L. Miles, W. J. Daubney, E. G. Stibbons, J. R. Mackman and C. H. Phipps, followed by a short touch of Stedman Caters.

The deceased came to London about 1899 with a knowledge of five-bell ringing, but practically let it drop until May, 1907, when he joined the Kensington Guild. From that time he came to the fore by leaps and bounds, soon being able to ring nearly all Standard methods. He was a member of the Ancient Society of College Youths and the London County Association, and had taken part in eleven peals, viz.: Stedman Triples 3, Double Norwich Major 3, Stedman Caters 2, Grandsire Caters 1, Treble Bob Royal 2. He was not keen on ringing peals, but enjoyed visiting different towers on practice nights, where he could get touches in various methods. This, and Sunday service ringing, at which he was a most regular and punctual attendant, being more his ambition than peal ringing. His genial and kindly disposition won for him many friends. Always willing to oblige and help in every possible way, he will be greatly missed by his sorrowing colleagues, who realise that his place can never be filled.—R.I.P.

NOTICES.

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THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. — Liverpool Branch.—A meeting will be held at Port Sunlight on Saturday, September 21st. Bells ready at 4. Members intending being present please send word to Walter Hughes, 3, Shrewsbury Place, Garston.

THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Luton District.—A meeting will be held at Toddington on Saturday, September 21st. Bells available from 3.30 p.m. All ringers welcome.—A. King, Honorary Secretary, 6, Tavistock Crescent, Luton.

THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION (late the St. James' Society, Established 1824).—Southern District).—A meeting for united practice and social intercourse will be held on Saturday, September 21st, at St. Alfege, Greenwich; tower open from 4 p.m. to 7.45 p.m.; business meeting at 8 p.m., all members and friends invited.—Frank A. Smith, Honorary Secretary, 86, Gaskarth Road, Balham Hill.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS. —Established 1637.—Meeting for practice will be held at St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on September 26th, at 8 p.m.—William T. Cockerill, Honorary Secretary, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Blackburn Branch. —The next branch meeting will be held at Colne on Saturday, September 28th, 1912. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting 7 p.m.—J. Watson, Branch Secretary.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Rochester District.—The annual meeting of this district will be held at St. George's, Gravesend, on Saturday, September 28th, 1912. Tower open at 3.30 p.m. Service in church at 5 p.m., followed by tea (for which 3d. per member will be charged) and meeting in the Church House. All those intending to partake of tea should notify me not later than Wednesday, September 25th, 1912. Milton-next-Gravesend and Swanscombe towers will be open after the meeting until 9 p.m.—Edward A. G. Allen, Honorary Secretary, 77, Bill Street Road, Frindsbury, Rochester.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.—Northern Branch.—The half-yearly meeting of the above will be held at Gainsborough on Saturday, September 28th, 1912. Service in Parish Church 4.30 p.m. Meeting and tea at Coffee Tavern immediately after service, free to members who let Mr. J. C. Tinker know by Wednesday, the 25th inst., of their intention to be present. Bells available afternoon and evening. A peal will be attempted in the morning, starting about eleven o'clock. Members desirous of taking part please let me know by the 23rd, so that a band may be chosen. For other information see circular.—J. W. Seamer, Honorary Secretary, 9, Augustus Street, Grimsby.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—S.E. Division.—A meeting will be held at Stanford-le-Hope on Saturday, September 28th. Brake leaves Brentwood Station 2.45. Short service at 5. Tea at the Railway Hotel 5.30. Orsett will also be visited. Members requiring a seat in brake, and tea kindly advise me not later than first post Tuesday, 24th inst.—Henry F. Cooper, District Secretary, County Offices, Chelmsford.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Manchester Branch. The next meeting will be held at St. James' Church, Didsbury, on Saturday, September 28th. Bells available at 5. Meeting at 7 p.m. A cordial invitation is given to all ringers.—W. W. Wolstencroft, Branch Secretary.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Ashford District. —The next meeting of the above will be held at Appledore on Saturday, September 28th. Bells will be available at 3 o'clock. There will be a short special service in church at 6 o'clock. An allowance of one penny per mile single fare (maximum 2/-) will be paid to all members attending before the service. Tea can be arranged for any members at 6d. per head who will communicate with Mr. G. Johnson, Veness House, Appledore, not later than Wednesday, September 25th.—C. Tribe, Honorary District Secretary, British School Villas, Tenterden.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Bolsover on Saturday, September 28th. Bells ready at 2.30. Committee meeting at 4.15. Tea (1/- each) at 5 o'clock, both in the National Schools. Will those members and friends who intend to be present kindly notify Mr. John Flint, 45, Oxcroft Lane, by Thursday, 26th inst.—W. E. White, Honorary Secretary.

THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.—The next monthly meeting will be held at Allesley on Saturday, September 28th. Bells (6) available from 3.30 p.m. Tea will be provided free to those who let me know their intention to be present by September 23rd.—Rev. C. C. Cox, Honorary Secretary, Shottery.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Midsomer Norton on Saturday, September 28th. Service in the Parish Church at 3.15 p.m. Tea and meeting at the Greyhound Hotel at 4 p.m.—E. E. Burgess, Honorary Secretary, 62, Greenway Avenue, Taunton.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Bolton Branch.—The next meeting will be held at All Souls on Saturday, September 28th. Bells ready at six o'clock. Meeting 7.30.—G. Pincott, Branch Secretary.

WILLIAM VERRY COMMEMORATION DINNER. —The above will be held at the Queen's Head Hotel, Soho Road, Handsworth, on Saturday, September 28th, at 6.30 p.m. sharp. Bells available at 3 p.m. Tickets may be had, price 2s. 6d., from C. Starkey, Honorary Secretary, 96, Edith Road, Smethwick, Birmingham.

LEEDS AND DISTRICT AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.—The next meeting will be held at Bolton, near Bradford, on September 28th. Peal attempt at 2.30 p.m. Business meeting at the Bolton Hotel at 7.30 p.m.—Frank R. Cundale, Secretary, 24, Recreation View, Holbeck, Leeds.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—North Eastern District.—The annual meeting for this district will be held at Dunmow on Saturday, October 5th. Bells ready 3 p.m.; tea 5.30, at the Angel and Harp. Will those intending being present kindly send notice to A. Shufflebotham, District Secretary, Sandpit Road, Braintree.

SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.—Quarterly meeting at Wombourn on Saturday, October 5th. Bells available at 3. Service in church at 5.30. Tea in the schools at 6, for those only who send word by October 1st.—H. Knight, Honorary Secretary, 15, Rugby Street, Wolverhampton.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Canterbury District.—A meeting will be held at Hernhill on Saturday, October 5th, 1912. Tower open at 3 p.m. Tea will be provided at the school at 5.30 p.m. Will all those who intend being present let me know by Wednesday, October 2nd.—E. Trendell, Honorary District Secretary, Boughton, Faversham.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Preston Branch.—Members please note that the next meeting will be held at Preston on October 5th, not September 28th. Bells available from 3 to 7.—E. R. Martin, Branch Secretary.

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CHANGE OF ADDRESS.—Mr. C. T. Coles, Honorary Secretary Middlesex County Association (North and East District) has removed to 49, Wood Street, Walthamstow.

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A BUSY FOUNDRY.

Messrs. John Taylor and Co., of Loughborough, are exceedingly busy, and, amongst other work, have in hand at the present moment the following contracts:—

A new chime of ten for Pembroke, Bermuda.

New rings of eight for: Lincoln Cathedral, Portsmouth Parish Church; Burton-on-Trent, St. Paul's; Heptonstall, Yorks, and Whitley Bay, Northumberland.

A new chime of six with largest of 32 cwts. for Carbisdale Castle, Ross-shire.

New rings of six for Coppull, Lancs; Marston Magna, Somerset; Perran-ar-Worthal, Cornwall.

Also rehangings in new frames, augmentations, etc., at Surfleet, Lincs. (10 bells); Guildford, Holy Trinity (8); Long Stanton, Cambs. (8); Musbury, Lancs. (8); Tysoe, Warwickshire (6); Wrenbury, Cheshire (6); Seend, Wilts (6); Elston, Notts (6); East Harling, Norfolk (6); Overton-on-Dee, Flintshire (6); St. Enoder, Cornwall (6); Berriew, Montgomery (6); Frampton, Lincs (6); Billesdon, Leicestershire (6); Church Broughton, Derbyshire (5); Ubley, Somerset (5).

Also hour and four quarter bells, with hour bell of 12 cwts. for Timaru Post Office, New Zealand; two bells (largest 16 cwts.) for Zuelsminde Church, Denmark; and twelve clock bells of 7 cwts. each for towns in Canada.

WEDNESBURY PARISH CHURCH BELLS.

Wednesbury's peal of ten bells are undergoing restoration. Some have been recast, and others tuned, and all are to be rehung in new steel frames, with modern fittings. The work is being executed by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, and on Monday, Sept. 9th, the Vicar, the Mayor, and several ringers visited the Croydon foundry to see the new bells cast. The party included the Rev. L. A. Pritchard (Vicar), Alderman A. E. Pritchard (Mayor), Messrs. J. M. Dougal, G. H. Davis, W. E. Brittan, G. Hughes (Ringing Master of the Stafford Society), S. Summerhill, H. Belcher, and W. B. Bishop.—Various places of interest were visited in London, and on reaching Croydon the party were met by Mr. C. Johnston, who conducted them to Rushbrook Lodge, where they were entertained to lunch.

At the foundry the visitors were greatly impressed with the modern machinery and methods employed in the production of bells and clocks, and they made an interesting tour of the works, under the guidance of Mr. Johnston, senr., who explained the various works in hand. One clock and a bell are being made for Pekin, China. The Wednesbury bells were seen in various stages of completion. Some were already completed, the tenor was in progress of tuning, and the visitors saw five bells cast from about two tons of metal, the actual operation occupying only 13 minutes. Before leaving, the visitors thanked Mr. Johnston for his kindness and courtesy.

The bells will be dedicated on October 16th.

MISCELLANEOUS PERFORMANCES.

SALISBURY, WILTS.—On Wednesday, August 21st, at St. Martin's Church, an attempt for a peal of Stedman Triples (Thurstans'), unfortunately came to grief in the sixth part: F. W. Romaine 1, H. C. Marsh 2, R. P. Knight 3, L. Harris 4, G. Neale 5, F. Precey 6, J. S. Rumming 7, C. Gaisford 8. Rung in honour of the marriage of Mr. A. F. Martin Stewart (Master of the Salisbury Diocesan Guild), which took place in Scotland the previous day.

NETHERTON, WORCESTERSHIRE. — Worcester and District Association.—On Sunday evening, August 25th, a quarter-peal of Erin Triples (1260 changes), in 44 mins.: J. Falkner 1, W. Massey 2, H. Hill 3, A. Greenfield 4, W. Prestidge 5, A. Davies (conductor) 6, R. Round 7, J. Massey 8. Composed by G. Astbury.

CHRISTCHURCH, HANTS. — Winchester Diocesan Guild. — On Saturday, August 24th, at the Priory Church of the Holy Trinity, a peal of Stedman Caters was attempted, but unfortunately lost after ringing 32 courses, in 2 hrs. 25 mins.: R. O. Street 1, F. E. Dawe (conductor) 2, J. S. Rumming 3, G. H. Preston 4, H. W. Wilkes 5, W. T. Tucker 6, W. H. George 7, W. H. Fowler 8, G. Williams 9, A. R. Macdonald 10.

CAERLEON.—Llandaff Association.—On Sunday, August 11th, for service, 504 Grandsire Triples: V. Davis 1, F. Bolton 2, P. Stafford 3, C. J. Davis 4, S. Jones 5, G. Stafford 6, W. Large (conductor) 7, E. Davis 8. For evening service, a quarter-peal: V. Davis 1, F. Bolton 2, P. Stafford 3, H. Holmes 4, S. Jones 5, G. Stafford 6, W. Large (conductor) 7, W Hewlings 8.—On Sunday, August 18th, 630 Grandsire Triples, and on Sunday, August 25th, 532 and 630, conducted by W. Large.

BUILTH WELLS, BRECONSHIRE.—Hereford Guild.—On Saturday, August 24th, in 42 mins., a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles (1260 changes), at St. Mary's Church: F. S. Sparkes 1, C. Powell 2, F. R. Sparkes 3, E. Hayton (first quarter-peal on an inside bell) 4, R. E. Sparkes (conductor) 5, W. H. Bicknell 6.

PALGRAVE, SUFFOLK.—Norwich Diocesan Association.—On Sunday, Sept. 1st, for morning service, 672 Oxford Treble Bob: H. Cattermole 1, A. Keeble 2, J. M. Bailey 3, C. F. Bailey (conductor) 4, T. Ford, senr., 5, T. Ford, junr., 6, E. S. Bailey 7, E. H. Bailey 8. Also 336 Stedman Triples: J. Bailey 1, E. S. Bailey 2, E. H. Bailey 3, A. Keeble 4, T. Ford, junr., 5, C. More 6, C. F. Bailey 7, H. Cattermole 8. For evening service, 560 Double Norwich: H. Cattermole 1, E. S. Bailey 2, C. Mills 3, A. Keeble 4, E. H. Bailey 5, C. More (conductor) 6, T. Ford, junr., 7, J. M. Bailey 8. Also 420 Stedman Triples: E. H. Bailey 1, E. S. Bailey 2, J. M. Bailey 3, A. Keeble 4, T. Ford, junr., 5, C. More 6, C. F. Bailey (conductor) 7, H. Cattermole 8.

DISS, NORFOLK.—On Sunday afternoon, Sept. 1st, for men's service, 576 Superlative Surprise: C. J. More 1, J. Souter 2, G. Archer 3, J. Smith 4, E. H. Bailey 5, J. M. Bailey 6, E. S. Bailey 7, C. F. Bailey 8. Also 336 Stedman Triples: J. M. Bailey 1, E. H. Bailey 2, W. Clover 3, A. Keeble 4, W. Wiskens 5, E. S. Bailey 6, C. F. Bailey 7, W. Ireland 8.

SWANSCOMBE, KENT.—On August 22nd, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, in 49 mins.: S. Dawson 1, F. J. Ring 2, J. H. Cheesman (conductor) 3, G. Dawson 4, R. Smith 5, F. M. Mitchell (first quarter-peal in the method and first attempt) 6, W. Lane 7, A. Broome 8. Messrs. S. and G. Dawson hail from Duffield, Derbyshire.

MILTON-NEXT-GRAVESEND.—Kent County Association.—On Aug. 3rd, 720 Kent Treble Bob and 720 Plain Bob: J. Avis 1, F. Hayes 2, G. Jones 3, G. Ambrose 4, J. Burles (conductor) 5, F. Mitchell 6.—On August 4th, 720 Double Oxford, F. Mitchell conductor. First in the method by all the band and on the bells.—On August 11th, 720 Canterbury Pleasure, same band and conductor.—On August 13th, 720 Oxford Bob, same band, R. Smith vice F. Hayes. First 720 in the method by all the band, and rung at the first attempt.—On August 18th, 720 Oxford Bob, F. Hayes vice R. Smith. First in the method by F. Hayes, and first attempt.—On August 25th, 720 Double Oxford: J. Allen 1, G. Jones 2, J. Burles 3, R. Smith 4, F. Hayes 5, F. Mitchell (conductor) 6. First in the method by J. Allen and R. Smith.

TWERTON-ON-AVON, BATH.—At St. Michael's Church, on Sept. 3rd, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 45 mins.: W. J. Prescott 1, E. Hudd 2, G. Temple 3, R. J. Cousins 4, F. C. Rich (first quarter-peal inside) 5, H. W. Brown (conductor) 6, T. F. King 7, G. P. Culverhouse (first quarter-peal) 8.

BATH. — On Sunday, August 18th, for evening service, at St. Michael's Church, Twerton, 1260 Grandsire Triples, in 44 mins.: W. Radclyffe (first quarter-peal on eight bells) 1, A. Hudd 2, W. J. Prescott 3, T. Groombridge, junr., 4, G. Temple 5, C. Collier (first quarter as conductor) 6, T. F. King 7, G. Frost (first quarter) 8. — On Sunday, August 25th, for evening service, 1260 Stedman Triples, in 41 mins.: A. Hudd 1, T. F. King 2, W. Davis 3, T. Groombridge, junr., 4, G. Temple 5, R. J. Cousins 6, W. J. Prescott (conductor) 7, L. Smith 8.—On Sunday, Sept. 1st, at St. Andrew's, Bath, for evening service, 1260 Grandsire Triples, in 43 mins.: F. C. Rich 1, T. Hogsflesh 2, A. E. Alexander 3, A. Seers 4, C. Densley 5, R. J. Cousins 6, T. Groombridge, junr. (conductor) 7, G. Frost 8.

WITNEY, OXON.—Oxford Diocesan Guild.—At the Church of St. Mary, on Sunday, August 11th, for morning service, 350 Grandsire Triples; for evening service, 168 Grandsire Triples. — On Sunday, August 18th, for morning service, 336 Grandsire Triples.—On Sunday, August 25th, for morning service, 420 Grandsire Triples; for evening service, 504 Grandsire Triples. These touches were rung by H. Long 1, A. Brooks 2, T. Bull 3, E. Brown 4, G. Brooks 5, J. Monk (conductor) 6, J. Brooks 7, C. R. Walker 8.—On Tuesday, August 13th, 168 and 84 Grandsire Triples. Also 420 Grandsire Triples: H. Long 1, A. Brooks 2, H. Hollis 3, E. Brown 4, G. Brooks 5, J. Monk (conductor) 6, N. Spindlow 7, C. R. Walker 8.—On August 26th, 350 Grandsire Triples: C. R. Walker 1, A. Brooks 2, H. Hollis 3, N. Spindlow 4, T. Bull 5, J. Monk (conductor) 6, J. Brooks 7, G. Brooks 8.

BURTON LATIMER, NORTHANTS.—On Sunday, August 25th, for evening service, 720 London Scholar's Pleasure: *J. Pettit 1, *W. B. Meadows 2, *H. Meadows 3, *A. Henman 4, V. Inskip 5, G. Lines (conductor) 6. * First 720 in the method. First 720 in the method on the bells.—On Tuesday, August 27th, 720 Oxford Bob: B. Saddington 1, G. Lines 2, A. Henman 3, R. Black 4, H. Meadows 5, V. Inskip (conductor) 6. Mr. R. Black belongs to Geddington, and it is his first 720 in the method.

BOLDMERE, WARWICKSHIRE.—On Sunday, Sept. 1st, for C.E.M.S. service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 46 mins.: T. Bicknell 1, C. Cottrell 2, G. F. Swann 3, J. Preston 4, W. J. Meers (conductor) 5, G. Garrison 6, R. E. Eaton 7, J. Pywell 8. Also on a recent Monday, at Erdington Parish Church, Johnson's 1008, in 36 mins.: T. Bicknell 1, W. J. Meers 2, J. Sanders (conductor) 3, C. Cottrell 4, W. G. Anker 5, G. Garrison 6, J. Preston 7, J. Pywell 8.

HORSHAM, SUSSEX.—For evening service, on Sept. 1st, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: Miss J. Brown 1, R. Dale 2, W. Short 3, L. Paice 4, S. Paice 5, Gasson 6, G. Penfold 7, H. Mance 8.

BRIDGEND.—At St. Illtyd's Church, on Sunday, August 18th, for evening service, 630 Grandsire Triples: R. Gregory 1, J. Paul 2, F. J. Evans 3, R. Evans 4, R. James (first touch as conductor) 5, W. Smith 6, J. Cox 7, J. Fisher 8.

WORKSOP, NOTTS.—On Sunday, August 18th, for morning service, 352 Bob Major: F. Hind 1, H. H. Cartwright 2, C. Hudson 3, A. Johnson 4, H. Fairlam 5, H. Haigh (conductor) 6, T. Wilson 7, T. Bartholomew 8. For evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples by the same band was lost two courses from home, owing to a change course. H. Fairlam hails from Selby Abbey.—On Sunday, August 25th, a quarter-peal of Union Triples (1260 changes), in 46 mins.: F. Hind 1, H. H. Cartwright 2, C. Hudson 3, W. Johnson (first quarter-peal in any method) 4, H. Haigh (conductor) 5, C. E. Peck 6, T. Bartholomew 7, F. Willey 8.

SUTTON COLDFIELD.—Warwickshire Guild. — On Sunday, Sept. 1st, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Kent Treble Bob Major, in 48 mins.: A. Allsop 1, J. Jennings 2, C. Waithman 3, B. Claydon 4, T. Bloore 5, W. Allsop 6, G. Roberts 7, B. G. Leedham (conductor) 8. First quarter-peal in the method by all except Mr. Jennings, and the first quarter of Treble Bob ever rung on the bells by a band belonging to the church. It was rung at the first attempt.

PULHAM, NORFOLK.—On Sunday, August 11th, 1008 Double Norwich: G. Baxter 1, *T. Annison 2, C. Baker 3, *F. Burrows 4, F. Copeman 5, F. Borrett 6, F. Roope 7, C. Roope 8. * Longest length in the method.

BADSEY.—Worcestershire and District Association.—On Sunday, August 25th, at Badsey, time not allowing to start again for peal, a touch of Stedman Triples (1514 changes). H. Jordon 1, J. Hemming 2, F. Cook 3, F. Moss 4, F. Jordon 5, T. Bloore (conductor) 6, H. Middleton 7, W. Workman 8. Arranged for Mr. T. Bloore, who was staying in the district, and who, through the medium of "The Ringing World," wish to thank the Evesham band for their kindness during his visit.—On August 20th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: E. Knight 1, L. Sparrow 2, A. Dore 3, W. Sparrow 4, F. Cook (conductor) 5, C. Knight 6, J. Addis 7, A. Knight 8

OVERBURY, WORCESTERSHIRE. — At St. Faith's Church, on August 26th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles, in 48 mins.: C. Weaver 1, W. Payne (conductor) 2, G. Greens 3, J. Atkins 4, H. Cleverley 5, C. Whittle 6.

RYE, SUSSEX.—On Sunday, Sept. 1st, prior to evensong, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1260 changes), in 46 mins.: L. T. H. Seers 1, G. H. Archard 2, H. G. Ticehurst 3, H. F. Cobon 4, W. Bennett 5, J. B. Bennett 6, G. Billenness (conductor) 7, G. J. Youngs 8. Arranged for G. H. Archard, of Melksham, Wiltshire.

LEAMINGTON.—On August 29th, at the Parish Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 45 mins.: Miss Joyce Williams 1, Rev. C. C. Cox (conductor) 2, E. H. Adams 3, W. Hartshorn 4, E. Brassington 5, J. Ambrose 6, T. Male 7, W. Male 8. Also 352 Bob Major: Miss J. Williams 1, T. Male 2, W. Male 3, W. Hartshorn 4, E. Brassington 5, Rev. C. C. Cox (conductor) 6, J. Ambrose 7, E. H. Adams 8. It was intended to ring a peal, but time did not permit.

OXTON, CHESHIRE.—Chester Diocesan Guild.—At St. Saviour's Church, on August 15th, a quarter-peal of Bob Major (1280 changes), in 48 mins.: H. Martin 1, H. S. Brocklebank 2, J. L. Grant 3, R. Birchall 4, G. R. Newton (conductor) 5, S. Morton (first quarter-peal of Major) 6, S. Barnes 7, E. Caunce 8.

WEST HAM.—At Holy Trinity Church, on Sunday, August 18th, for morning service, 720 Oxford Treble Bob: F. Doran 1, *A. Fiddes 2, E. T. Wigg 3, *G. L. Joyce 4, W. Theobald 5, T. Cranfield (conductor) 6. * First 720 of Oxford.

HINCKLEY.—Midland Counties Association.—On Sunday evening, August 18th, at St. Mary's Church, 1260 Grandsire Triples, in 47 mins.: G. Thompson 1, B. Ridgway 2, F. Cotton (conductor) 3, W. Sharpe 4, S. White 5, J. Garratt 6, W. H. Inglesant 7, H. Sharratt 8.

LEYTONSTONE. — At St. John-the-Baptist Church, on Sunday, August 11th, 120 Grandsire Doubles, in which A. Squires, of Ketteringham, Norfolk, took part. Also 720 Kent Treble Bob: J. Woodhead 1, A. Fiddes 2, G. A. Black (conductor) 3, W. Miller 4, G. Dawson 5, W. Theobald 6. First 720 with bob bell by A. Fiddes, and first 720 on the tenor by W. Theobald.

ASTON, BIRMINGHAM.—On Sunday, August 18th, at the Parish Church, for morning service, 531 Grandsire Triples: A. Edgerton 1, J. Jones 2, H. Jones 3, J. Hopkin 4, F. Bennett (conductor) 5, W. G. Ellis 6, W. Davies 7, C. Allen 8. For evening service, 1277 Grandsire Caters: A. Edgerton 1, J. Jones 2, A. Jones 3, P. Laflin 4, H. Jones 5, J. Hopkin 6, F. Bennett 7, W. G. Ellis (composer and conductor) 8, W. Davies 9, C. Allen 10. Rung as a birthday compliment to W. G. Ellis.

BURNHAM, SOMERSET.—At the Parish Church, on August 17th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: *T. Roberts 1, I. B. Holmyard 2, F. W. Cannings 3, F. W. Neate 4, J. J. Harris 5, W. Worgan 6, G. Chamberlain (conductor) 7, *W. Hodder 8. * First quarter-peal of Triples.

BURTON-ON-TRENT.—At St. John's, Horninglow, on July 31st, a quarter-peal of Bob Minor: A. P. Wakley 1, C. Sanders, 2 W. Shercliff 3, L. C. Smith 4, A. K. Harrison (conductor) 5, J. T. Dyke 6.—On handbells, a quarter-peal and several 720's of Bob Minor: A. K. Harrison 1—2, J. T. Dyke 3—4, W. Shercliff 5—6. Each of the ringers called a 720. Also several courses of Double Norwich: J. T. Dyke 1—2, W. Shercliff 3—4, A. P. Wakley 5—6, C. Sanders 7—8.

NEWHALL.—On August 12th, 720 Cambridge Surprise Minor: G. Baseley 1, W. Shercliff 2, H. Hurdman 3, A. P. Wakley (conductor) 4, J. T. Dyke 5, D. Cotton 6.

STOKE, COVENTRY.—The Warwickshire Guild.—On Sunday, August 18th, a quarter-peal of Superlative Surprise Major (1280 changes): O. J. Hunt 1, *J. H. White 2, W. H. Brunsdon 3, *E. H. Johnson 4, *W. T. Cox 5, F. E. Pervin 6, *C. Freeman 7, A. Roberts (conductor) 8. First quarter-peal of Superlative ever rung in the City of Coventry by a local band. * First quarter-peal in the method.

NEWCHURCH, LANCASHIRE. — On August 16th, at the Parish Church, 720 London New Bob Minor, in 25 mins.: T. Grimshaw 1, G. Pownall 2, E. Leatherbarrow 3, T. Cooper 4, J. Yates 5, J. Leatherbarrow (conductor) 6. First in the method on the bells and by all the band.—On Sunday, August 18th, 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor, in 23 mins.: E. Leatherbarrow 1, G. Pownall 2, A. Nutter 3, T. Cooper 4, J. Yates 5, J. Leatherbarrow (conductor) 6.

DEPTFORD.—The Kent County Association.—At St. John's Church, on Sunday, August 18th, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 41 mins.: R. Fosdike 1, W. J. Rawlings (first with a bob bell) 2, G. R. Simmonds 3, F. W. Richardson 4, J. Crowder 5, E. B. Crowder (conductor) 6, W. J. Jeffries 7, J. Law 8. For evening service, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, in 42 mins.: W. J. Rawlings (first in the method) 1, T. G. Deal 2, E. F. Pike 3, F. W. Richardson 4, E. B. Crowder 5, F. Bennett 6, W. J. Jeffries (conductor) 7, J. Law 8.—On Sunday, August 25th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, taken from the "Original," in 43 mins.: R. Fosdike 1, J. Law 2, F. W. Richardson (conductor) 3, G. R. Simmonds 4, W. J. Jeffries 5, A. G. Bennington 6, T. G. Deal 7, C. H. Macklin 8.

MERTHYR TYDFIL.—On Sunday, August 25th, for morning service, 504 Grandsire Triples: W. Morgan 1, F. Chave 2, E. Thomas 3, F. Stedman 4, B. Hunt 5, W. Seeley (conductor) 6, A. Slatter 7, J. Smith 8. For evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 45 mins.: J. Smith 1, F. Chave 2, E. Thomas 3, W. Morgan 4, A. Slatter (conductor) 5, F. Stedman 6, W. Seeley 7, P.C. J. Cole 8.

CARDIFF.—At St. John's Church, on Sunday, August 25th, 1008 Stedman Triples: E. Coles 1, W. Miller 2, W. Biss 3, W. Heath 4, S. Dawe 5, F. Chamberlain (conductor) 6, A. Rowley 7, C. Oram 8.

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