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IGNORANCE OR PREJUDICE?

We share the amusement which we are sure our readers will obtain from the attempt which Mr. William Pye makes to put a sting in the tail of his letter, which appears elsewhere in this issue. It is true, unfortunately, as he says, that some people write first and think afterwards, but that is a remark which applies principally to amateurs. The trained writer, although he may make mistakes, is like the experienced chess player. He not only thinks first about his subject, but in a controversial matter looks at least a move or two ahead. So we begin by assuring Mr. Pye that, so far as we are concerned, we have at any rate thought about the subject, even though we be blind. Our leading article last week carefully avoided any reflection upon the great performances of those men like Mr. Pye, who have rung double-handed peals in the higher methods, but it gave Mr. Pye the opportuity of stating explicitly wherein our previous reference to the tapping of peals was an injustice to these ringers; and he jumps at it, with the admission, in effect, that in his view such performances as those of Mr. Morris, unless belittled, may dwarf the pedestal upon which others have placed themselves.

There was a time, not so many years ago, when men who had rung London Surprise on tower bells would have said that it was impossible for four men to ring a peal of it on handbells. But the impossible happened, and it was Mr. Pye and his brothers who first brought it about, and they received the credit they richly deserved. That being the case, why should we jump to the conclusion that nothing greater can be done? All the progress in the world has been made up by someone going a step further than anyone else has gone, and no one should imagine that they have reached the limit in any branch of science. If they do, sooner or later they get a rude awakening.

But to return to the peal tapping and Mr. Pye's letter, with its inference that our comments were unjust and were made without knowledge. While not attempting to pit our experience against Mr. Pye's, we are not entirely ignorant of the practical side of ringing, either on tower or handbells; but this we do confess that the tapping which we have seen done by Mr. Harry Withers of methods which we are able to ring is utterly beyond us, and we are not ashamed to admit it, as we believe most other ringers are prepared to do. But in attempting to minimise tapped peals, is not Mr. Pye rather committing the error of which he accuses others—speaking without knowledge? Can he, for instance, put forward any plan upon which a peal can be tapped by one person which does not require a greater mental effort than the ringing of two handbells to a peal in

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the same method? Without this, we venture to think, it is unfair to say that there is 'not so much in it as many people think there is,' and to suggest that it is not as great a task as ringing two handbells. We are not referring to the tapping of courses or short touches, which may be learned more or less by heart, but to peals in which it is impossible for the performer to commit the thing to memory. Let us give credit where credit is due. At the same time it may also be well to remember that it is not always blindness or ignorance that causes others to think differently to ourselves, and it is wise to beware lest prejudice distorts one's vision.

TWELVE BELL PEALS.

ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE.
ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE SOCIETY.

On Tuesday, Sept. 20, 1921, in Three Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAXIMUS, 5040 CHANGES;

JOSEPH MELLOR	...*Treble*	SAMUEL BOOTH	7
BENJAMIN THORP...	2	FRED PAGE	8
SAMUEL WOOD	3	HARRY CHAPMAN...	9
WILLIAM BRAMMER	4	ALBERT ADAMS	10
THOMAS JAKEMAN	5	JAMES W. WASHBROOK, SEN.	11
TOM WILDE	6	RICHARD DEAL	...*Tenor*

Composed by SAMUEL WOOD. Conducted by J. W. WASHBROOK, SEN.

The above peal was rung with the bells muffled as a token of respect to Mrs. Jakeman (wife of William Jakeman, formerly a ringer at the Parish Church, Ashton, whose home is in U.S.A.), who died at sea on Sept. 13th.

WOLVERHAMPTON.
THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.

On Saturday, Sept. 24, 1921, in Four Hours and Twelve Minutes,
AT THE COLLEGIATE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS, 5280 CHANGES;

Tenor 33 cwt.

PERCY O. LAFLIN ...	...*Treble*	THOMAS H. REEVES	7
THOMAS RUSSAM	2	J. FRANK SMALLWOOD ...	8
GEORGE F. SWANN	3	JAMES E. GROVES	9
ALBERT WALKER...	4	A. PADDON SMITH	10
ALBERT E. NORMAN	5	*JAMES L. WELLS	11
MORRIS J. MORRIS	6	JOHN NEAL	...*Tenor*

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by ALBERT WALKER.

* First peal of Cambridge Maximus. This is the first peal of Cambridge Maximus on the bells and in the county of Stafford.

TEN BELL PEALS.

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

On Tuesday, Sept. 20, 1921, in Three Hours and Forty-Six Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 36 cwt.

PERCY O. LAFLIN ...	...*Treble*	*THOMAS H. REEVES	6
THOMAS RUSSAM	2	SAMUEL GROVE	7
ALBERT E. NORMAN	3	J. FRANK SMALLWOOD ...	8
ALBERT WALKER...	4	JAMES E. GROVES	9
MORRIS J. MORRIS	5	JOHN NEAL	...*Tenor*

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by ALBERT WALKER.

* First peal of Cambridge Royal. This peal was rung as a compliment to the Presiding Ringing Master of the Guild, Mr. Alderman J. S. Pritchett, M.A., B.C.L., on his appointment as Recorder of Lincoln.

ALFRED BOWELL,

CHURCH BELL FOUNDER,

IPSWICH.

BRIGHTON, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Wednesday, Aug. 31, 1921, in Three Hours and Twenty-Eight Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5056 CHANGES;
Tenor 25½ cwt.

J. ARMIGER TROLLOPE	*Treble*	WILLIAM STEED	6
GEORGE RADLEY...	2	ERNEST GOWER	7
ARTHUR GRAVETT	3	ALFRED J. TURNER	8
CHARLES PALMER	4	KEITH HART...	9
ALFRED W. GROVES	5	A. YORK-BRAMBLE ...	*Tenor*

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by KEITH HART.

CARDIFF.
THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, Sept. 22, 1921, in Three Hours and Fourteen Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5003 CHANGES:
Tenor 27 cwt. in D.

HARRY WEST	*Treble*	WILLIAM HEATH...	6
JOHN W. JONES	2	FREDERICK G. VILES	7
SIDNEY DAWE	3	OLIVER SIPPETTS...	8
WILLIAM B. BISS...	4	FRED CHAMBERLAIN	9
ALLAN ROWLEY	5	SEYMOUR R. BARKER ...	*Tenor*

Composed by JAMES GEORGE. Conducted by FRED CHAMBERLAIN.

Rung in honour of the wedding of the daughter of Mr. S. Dawe. Oliver Sippetts hails from Crawley, Sussex, and was on a visit to Cardiff. The composition of this peal appeared in 'The Ringing World' on April 1st, 1921.

NORTHAMPTON.
THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, Sept. 22, 1921, in Three Hours and Twenty-Eight Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5075 CHANGES;
Tenor 25 cwt. in D.

HENRY KEY	*Treble*	FRED WILFORD	6
HENRY BLUNDELL	2	FRED HOPPER	7
*WILLIAM ATTERBURY ...	3	WILLIAM ROGERS	8
JOHN HENSMAN	4	GEORGE FLAVELL	9
WILLIAM ALLEN	5	*ALFRED MONK	*Tenor*

Composed by JOHN NELMS. Conducted by WILLIAM ROGERS.

* First peal on 10 bells. Rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor.

EIGHT BELL PEALS.

CHILHAM, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Sept. 17, 1921, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
WASHBROOK'S VARIATION. Tenor 20 cwt.

*EDWARD E. RUCK ...	*Treble*	EDWIN G. BOESDEN	5
CHARLES W. PLAYER ...	2	*FREDERICK FAIRBEARD ...	6
FRED G. BRETT...	3	GEORGE J. JENKINS	7
CHARLES W. BRETT... ...	4	†HENRY CASTLE	*Tenor*

Conducted by E. G. BOESDEN.

* First peal of Stedman. † 50th peal. Rung as a birthday peal for the ringers of 4th and 6th.

MALPAS, CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
(CHESTER BRANCH.)
On Saturday, Sept. 17, 1921, in Three Hours and Fourteen Minutes,
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;
Tenor 16 cwt.

ROBERT SPERRING ...	*Treble*	ARTHUR NEWELL...	5
ALBERT E. RICHARDS... ...	2	JAMES MORGAN	6
GEORGE R. JONES	3	WALTER THOMAS...	7
FRANK FOX	4	HENRY W. WILDE ...	*Tenor*

Composed by CHAS. PRICE. Conducted by ROBERT SPERRING.

First peal of Major on the bells. The band wish to thank the Rector for the use of the bells and Mr. Mercer for having them ready

OSWALDTWISTLE, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, Sept 19, 1921, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,
A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5152 CHANGES:
Tenor 11½ cwt.

ALFRED T. HOULDSWORTH	*Treble*	*FRANK SHAW	5
JAMES SHAW	2	*JONATHAN WHEWELL ...	6
WILLIAM RILEY...	3	WILLIAM BARNES	7
*JACK BARNES	4	JAMES HOULDSWORTH	*Tenor*

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by J. HOULDSWORTH.

* First peal in the method. This composition is the Author's No. 238, and is now rung for the first time. Contains the 5th and 6th the extent in 5-6, with both bells five times right.

PULHAM, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.
On Tuesday, Sept. 20, 1921, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN,
A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;
Tenor 14 cwt. in F.

FREDERICK BORRETT ...	*Treble*	GEORGE GOWER	5
CHARLES CUTTING	2	HENRY ADCOCK	6
JAMES BOUGHTON	3	RUSSELL RICHES...	7
CHARLES BAKER	4	TOWNSON ADCOCK ...	*Tenor*

Composed by A. KNIGHTS. Conducted by F. BORRETT.

BLACKBURN, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(BLACKBURN BRANCH.)
On Thursday, Sept. 22, 1921, in Three Hours,
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
REV. C. D. P. DAVIES' FIVE-PART. Tenor 12¼ cwt.

*ARTHUR CHAMBERLAIN	*Treble*	FRED CHAMBERS	5
ARTHUR TOMLINSON	2	*JOHN BLACKSHAW	6
TOM STANCLIFFE	3	*RICHARD H. STANCLIFFE ..	7
*TOM CHAMBERS	4	*FRED BRADLEY	*Tenor*

Conducted by A. TOMLINSON.

First peal in the method by St. Michael's Company. * First peal in the method.

WORSLEY.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION
(MANCHESTER BRANCH.)
On Thursday, Sept. 22, 1921, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARK,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
BROOKS' VARIATION. Tenor 21¼ cwt.

*W. GRUNDY	*Treble*	J. POTTER	5
F. GRUNDY...	2	P. H. DERBYSHIRE	6
W. JONES	3	†J. H. RIDYARD	7
*T. HARRISON	4	*A. BURTON	*Tenor*

Conducted by J. H. RIDYARD.

* First peal of Stedman. † First peal of Stedman as conductor Ringers of the 5th and tenor hail from Walkden, the rest belong to the local company. Rung as a birthday peal to the treble ringer,

NORTHFLEET, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Sept. 24, 1921, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BOTOLPH,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;
Tenor 14 cwt.

JOHN AVIS	*Treble*	JOHN H. CHEESMAN	5
WILLIAM HARPER	2	SGT. JAMES BENNETT, R.M.	6
WILLIAM J. WHEADON ...	3	GEORGE MORRAD	7
MISS ETHEL M. GOODSHIP	4	*FREDERICK M. MITCHELL	*Tenor*

Composed by WILLIAM HARRISON. Conducted by F. M. MITCHELL.

* 25th peal as conductor. Rung as a birthday compliment to John Avis and Fred M. Mitchell. For calling see K.C.A. Report for 1920, page 64. The band wish to thank the curate-in-charge and members of Northfleet for the use of the bells and Mr. W. Ware for having all in readiness.

LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Friday, Sept. 23, 1921, in Two Hours and Forty-Three Minutes,
AT THE BELL FOUNDRY CAMPANILE.

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

MIDDLETON'S.		Tenor 6¼ cwt.	
REV. A. T. BEESTON	*Treble*	*ALFRED C. WRIGHT	5
WILLIAM SMITH	2	HAROLD J. POOLE	6
HARRY BROUGHTON	3	†JAMES S. HUTCHBY	7
JOHN OLDHAM	4	FREDERICK H. DEXTER	*Tenor*

Conducted by HAROLD J. POOLE.
* First peal of Major in the method. † First Surprise peal.

NEWPORT, MONMOUTHSHIRE.
THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Sept. 24, 1921, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 15 cwt.

HENRY WEST	*Treble*	HARRY MORGAN	5
OLIVER SIPPETTS	2	JOHN W. JONES	6
TOM FORD	3	WILLIAM PHILLIPS	7
FRED CHAMBERLAIN	4	FREDERICK CHAPMAN	*Tenor*

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by JOHN W. JONES.

Specially arranged and rung in honour of the wedding of one of All Saints' ringers, Mr. Frederick Whitfield, and Miss Iris Irene Jayne.

LONDON.
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, Sept. 24, 1921, in Three Hours,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES-IN-THE-FIELDS, BLOOMSBURY,

A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;

Tenor 18 cwt.

HAROLD W. CLARK	*Treble*	ALBERT W. COLES	5
GEORGE R. PYE	2	WILLIAM PYE	6
ARTHUR MASON	3	JAMES E. DAVIS	7
ISAAC G. SHADE	4	REUBEN SANDERS	*Tenor*

Composed by WILLIAM WILLSON. Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

LEISTON, SUFFOLK.
THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.
(ST. MARGARET'S SOCIETY.)
On Saturday, Sept. 24, 1921, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 20½ cwt. in E.

ALFRED KEEBLE	*Treble*	JAMES G. RUMSBY	5
ERNEST S. BAILEY	2	EDGAR F. BAILEY	6
GEORGE WILSON	3	CHARLES SAMPSON	7
JAMES M. BAILEY	4	CHARLES F. BAILEY	*Tenor*

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

Rung on the eve of the harvest festival.

FRAMSDEN, SUFFOLK.
THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Sept. 24, 1921, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

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

Tenor 16 cwt.

EDWARD GRINDELL	*Treble*	WILLIAM J. GROOM	5
*ERNEST CURTIS	2	LESLIE C. WIGHTMAN	6
WALTER RUFFLES	3	THOMAS H. CHAPPELL	7
GEORGE A. WIGHTMAN	4	WILLIAM C. RUMSEY	*Tenor*

Composed by GEORGE H. CROSS. Conducted by WM. C. RUMSEY.
* First peal in the method.

FIVE COUNTIES REPRESENTED AT PRACTICE

No fewer than five counties were represented at a practice at Shipley Parish Church, Yorks, on Sept. 13th, when 672 Double Norwich Major was rung by: H. Hutley 1, F. Seagar 2, H. Haigh 3, G. Robinson 4, H. Stott 5, J. Harvey 6, E. Simpson (first as conductor) 7, T. B. Kendall 8. Other touches included Bob Minor, Grandsire and Stedman Triples, those taking part, in addition to the above, being G. Nettleton, C. Rayner, of Ilkley, and F. H. Carter, of South Stoke, Oxon, for whom these touches were arranged. The five counties represented were: Yorkshire, Bedfordshire, Oxfordshire Norfolk and Suffolk.

LODDON, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Sept. 24, 1921, in Three Hours and One Minute,
AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 11 cwt.

*CHARLES BAILEY	*Treble*	†EDWIN R. GOATE	5
CHARLES F. SAYER	2	FRANCIS W. NAUNTON	6
ALBERT J. L. NAUNTON	3	NORMAN R. BAILEY	7
GEORGE H. CROSS	4	GEORGE MAYERS	*Tenor*

Composed by the late N. J. PITSTOW. Conducted by G. H. CROSS.
* First peal of Treble Bob. † First peal in the method. The ringers wish, through the medium of 'The Ringing World,' to thank the Vicar for entertaining them and for providing tea at the conclusion of the peal.

SAWSTON, CAMBS.
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Sept. 24, 1921, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 13 cwt.

ALFRED E. PITSTOW	*Treble*	ALBERT E. AUSTIN	5
ERNEST G. HIBBINS	2	FREDERICK J. PITSTOW	6
PERCY WEBB	3	A. GEORGE RIVERS	7
T. REGINALD DENNIS	4	FREDERICK DENCH	*Tenor*

Composed and Conducted by FREDERICK DENCH.

Ringers of the 1st, 6th and 8th hail from Saffron Walden, 2nd, 4th and 7th from Cambridge, 3rd from Ickleton and 5th from Stapleford.

SIX BELL PEALS.

EDENHAM, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sunday, Sept. 11, 1921, in Two Hours and Fifty-Nine Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Double Court, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, and four 720's of Plain Bob, called differently. Tenor 13 cwt.

JOHN W. LAKE	*Treble*	ARTHUR I. HOLMES	4
GEORGE HOLLIS	2	JAMES OSBORNE	5
*WILLIAM J. THYNG	3	THOMAS L. BAINBRIDGE	*Tenor*

Conducted by JOHN W. LAKE.

Arranged for the ringers of the 2nd and 3rd, who were on a visit to Bourne, Lincolnshire.

FRAMPTON, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
(EASTERN BRANCH.)
On Wednesday, Sept. 21, 1921, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Seven different 720's. Tenor 13½ cwt.

WILLIAM YOUNG	*Treble*	*HENRY PEARSON	4
HERBERT TAYLOR	2	GEORGE COLEMAN	5
WILLIAM BARKER	3	RUPERT RICHARDSON	*Tenor*

Conducted by RUPERT RICHARDSON.
* First peal.

BROCKWORTH, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
(GLOUCESTER BRANCH.)
On Thursday, Sept. 22, 1921, in Two Hours and Forty-Seven Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GEORGE,

A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 30 six-scores of St Dunstan and 12 six-scores of Grandsire.
Tenor 15 cwt.

ARTHUR HARRIS	*Treble*	CHARLES JOHN TAYLOR	4
CAPT. A. A. BENNETT, C.A.	2	ALBERT MARTIN	5
GEORGE PRICE	3	ALFRED WARD	*Tenor*

Conducted by ALBERT MARTIN.

Ringers of 1st, 5th and 6th hail from Hempstead, 2nd from Gloucester and 4th from Witcombe.

WARWICK.—In St. Mary's belfry, on August 24th, on handbells, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles, in 46 mins.: F. Ashbourne 1, T. Thomason 2, T. Male (conductor) 3—4, W. Clarke 5, F. Warr 6. First quarter-peal by ringers of the treble, 2nd and tenor.

PREES, SHROPSHIRE.
THE SALOP ARCHIDIACONAL GUILD.

On Saturday, Sept. 24, 1921, in Two Hours and Forty-Four Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. CHAD,

A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Consisting of four 120's each of Stedman, Canterbury Pleasure and Plain Bob, and thirty 120's of Grandsire, called 10 different ways.
Tenor 12 cwt. in F sharp.

*STEPHEN FRANCE ...	...*Treble*	*WALTER LYCETT ...	... 4
EDWARD V. ROBINHURST...	2	WILLIAM SAUNDERS ...	... 5
WILLIAM D. WASE ...	... 3	*HERBERT EDWARDS ...	...*Tenor*

Conducted by W. D. WASE.

* First peal. First peal on the bells. First peal of Doubles in four methods on tower-bells by the Guild. Arranged for the ringers of treble, 4th and tenor, who belong to the Stanton-on-Hine-Heath band.

HARROLD, BEDFORDSHIRE.
THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Sept. 24, 1921, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Double Oxford, College Single, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 13 cwt.

HERBERT ROBINSON ...	...*Treble*	EDWARD MYNARD ...	... 4
HENRY W. GAYTON ...	... 2	WILLIAM STOCK ...	... 5
FREDK. J. MYNARD ...	... 3	CHARLES W. CLARKE ...	...*Tenor*

Conducted by CHARLES W. CLARKE.

HASKETON, SUFFOLK.
THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Sept. 24, 1921, in Two Hours and Forty-Six Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Consisting of 720 each of College Exercise, Woodbine, Oxford Delight and Kent Treble Bob, two 720's of Oxford Treble Bob and 720 of Plain Bob.

LEWIS J. LAST	...*Treble*	FRANK L. FISHER ...	... 4
CHARLES E. FISHER ...	... 2	JOSEPH LAST... ...	... 5
GEORGE PRYKE	... 3	GEORGE W. ABLITT ...	...*Tenor*

Conducted by CHARLES E. FISHER.

SEALE, SURREY.
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Sept. 24, 1921, in Two Hours and Forty-Two Minutes,
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Double Oxford, Oxford Single Bob, Canterbury Pleasure and Plain Bob.
Tenor 8 cwt.

ERNEST V. BEAGLEY	...*Treble*	ALBERT J. CROUCHER...	... 4
*HORACE GARDINER ...	... 2	HOBERT J. CHAFFEY ...	... 5
ALFRED J. CROCCHER ...	3	HENRY H. TINSEY ...	...*Tenor*

Conducted by H. J. CHAFFEY.

Rung as a farewell to the Vicar (Rev. E. Wiseman) who is leaving Seale after 19½ years. The Vicar congratulated the ringers after the peal, and hoped his successor would take as keen an interest in the ringers as he had always done. * First peal. The ringers of treble, 2nd, 3rd and tenor are local men.

WEDDING OF A NEWPORT (MON.) RINGER.

One of the prettiest weddings that ever took place in All Saints' Church, Newport (Mon.), was solemnised on Saturday last between Mr. Frederick Whitfield and Miss Iris Irene Jayne. The bridegroom is a regular Sunday Service ringer at All Saints', and the crowded church showed that both bride and bridegroom are held in the very highest esteem in the parish. Immediately following the ceremony, the bells struck out. 'Queen's,' 'Firing,' rounds, etc., were indulged in, and then followed an attempt for a peal which proved successful, as recorded elsewhere. Useful gifts were made to the pair by the All Saints' ringers, to whom also the best wishes go forth. After the peal, the ringers were entertained at the home of the bride's parents, and a happy time spent.

STAPLEFORD, CAMBS.—At the Parish Church, on August 31st, 720 Plain Bob: A. J. Layton 1—2, A. E. Austin (conductor) 3—4, E. G. Hibbins 5—6. First 720 'in hand' by A. J. Layton. First 'in hand' as conductor by A. E. Austin, and 1st away from 1—2 by E. G. Hibbins.

DEVON TOUR.

The following peals were the result of a tour in Devon:—

COLLUMPTON, DEVON.
THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.

On Saturday, Sept. 10, 1921, in Three Hours and Thirty-Eight Minutes,
AT THE PARISH CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 19 cwt. 2 qr. 4 lb.

WILLIAM H. FUSSELL	...*Treble*	JOHN EVANS	... 6
GEORGE WILLIAMS ...	... 2	*CECIL C. MAYNE ...	... 7
REV. BANKES JAMES...	... 3	*EDWIN J. HARDING ...	... 8
*PRYCE TAYLOR	... 4	JAMES HUNT	... 9
JAMES H. SHEPHERD...	... 5	REV. C. W. O. JENKYN	...*Tenor*

Composed by JOHN REEVES. Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS.

First peal of Royal on these bells. * First peal of Royal. The ringers of the 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th and 8th were provisionally elected members of the Devonshire Guild of Ringers previous to the 'go.' The president of the Guild, the Rev. Maitland Kelly; the Rev. E. V. Cox, Hon. Sec. of the North Devon Branch, and Mr. Edwin Shepherd, kindly received the visitors at the church. All the band are members of the Oxford Diocesan Guild.

OAKFORD, DEVONSHIRE.
THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.

On Monday, Sept. 12, 1921, in Three Hours and One Minute,
AT THE PARISH CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

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

Tenor 12 cwt. 1 qr. 11 lb.

WM. H. FUSSELL ...	...*Treble*	*PRYCE TAYLOR	... 5
JAMES H. SHEPHERD ...	... 2	GEORGE WILLIAMS ...	... 6
REV. A. T. BEESTON ...	... 3	EDWIN J. HARDING ...	... 7
JOHN EVANS	... 4	REV. C. W. O. JENKYN	...*Tenor*

Composed by HENRY DAINS. Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS.

First peal on the bells. * First peal of Double Norwich Major. The Rev. A. T. Beeston and Mr. A. D. Barker were elected members of the Devonshire Guild.

SOUTH MOLTON, DEVON.
THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.

On Tuesday, Sept. 13, 1921, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,
AT THE PARISH CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALENE,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 23 cwt. 3 qr. 10 lb. in E flat.

JAMES H. SHEPHERD ...	...*Treble*	*PRYCE TAYLOR	... 5*
CECIL C. MAYNE... ...	... 2	EDWIN J. HARDING ...	... 6
REV. E. V. COX	... 3	REV. C. W. O. JENKYN	... 7
REV. E. S. POWELL ...	... 4	ARTHUR D. BARKER ...	...*Tenor*

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

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

PILTON, BARNSTAPLE, DEVONSHIRE.
THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.

On Wednesday, Sept. 14, 1921, in Three Hours and Five and a half Minutes.
AT THE PARISH CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 28 cwt. in D.

REV. CANON COLERIDGE	...*Treble*	REV. E. BANKES JAMES	... 5
GEORGE WILLIAMS ...	... 2	EDWIN J. HARDING ...	... 6
JOHN EVANS	... 3	REV. C. W. O. JENKYN	... 7
WILLIAM H. FUSSELL	... 4	ARTHUR D. BARKER ...	...*Tenor*

Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS.

First peal on the bells. The majority of the ringers are on the Central Council, including the President.

BIDEFORD, DEVONSHIRE.
THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.

On Thursday, Sept. 15, 1921, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,
AT THE PARISH CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

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

Tenor 18 cwt.

ARTHUR D. BARKER ...	...*Treble*	CECIL C. MAYNE... ...	... 5
GEORGE WILLIAMS ...	... 2	EDWIN J. HARDING ...	... 6
WILLIAM H. FUSSELL ...	3	JAMES H. SHEPHERD ...	... 7
REV. E. BANKES JAMES ...	4	REV. C. W. O JENKYN	...*Tenor*

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF. Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS.

First peal on the bells.

NORTHAM, DEVONSHIRE.
THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.

On Thursday, Sept. 15, 1921, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes,
AT THE PARISH CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 15 cwt.

ARTHUR D. BARKER ...	...*Treble*	JAMES H. SHEPHERD... ...	5
REV. A. T. BEESTON	2	*PRYCE TAYLOR	6
REV. E. BANKES JAMES ...	3	REV. C. W. O. JENKYN ...	7
WILLIAM H. FUSSELL ...	4	GEORGE WILLIAMS ...	...*Tenor*

Composed by HENRY DAINS. Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS.
First peal on the bells. * First peal of Kent Treble Bob Major.

HIGH BICKINGTON, DEVONSHIRE.
THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.

On Friday, Sept. 16, 1921, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes,
AT THE PARISH CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

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

Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qr. 0 lb.

GEORGE WILLIAMS ...	...*Treble*	WILLIAM H. FUSSELL ...	5
REV. E. BANKES JAMES ...	2	CECIL C. MAYNE...	6
REV. A. T. BEESTON	3	REV. C. W. O. JENKYN ...	7
PRYCE TAYLOR	4	ARTHUR D. BARKER ...	...*Tenor*

Composed and Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS.
First peal on the bells. A birthday peal for W. H. Fussell.

BISHOP'S STORTFORD OUTING.

On Saturday, August 27th, the St. Michael's company, Bishop's Stortford, revived their annual outing. Ten members, accompanied by Messrs. Walter Prior, T. Watts, T. Jordan and G. Jordan, from Stansted, started by motor at 9 a.m., and Braughing, which was reached in quick time, was the first stopping-place. After ringing on the peal of eight, Bennington, of campanological renown, was next visited, after passing through the by-lanes of Hertfordshire, amid charming landscapes. Two of the locals, Messrs. Page and Kitchener, joined in the ringing. After dinner, at the Bell, the journey was continued, the objective this time being St. Albans. Here arrangements had been kindly made by Mr. Debenham to ring at St. Peter's (ten bells) and the Cathedral. Tea was obtained at 'Palm Court,' after ringing for Divine service at St. Peter's, and the Cathedral was then visited, the 'guide' pointing out some of the interesting features of this grand edifice. This proved to be the gem of the outing, and it was with the greatest regret that the stay had to be cut short owing to the flight of time. The methods rung were Grandsire, Stedman, Double Norwich, Superlative and Cambridge.

The return journey was enlivened by various songs and tales, and Bishop's Stortford was reached about 9.45 p.m., after one of the most enjoyable trips that could be recalled.

Mr. H. J. Tucker kindly made all arrangements, and to him the thanks of the party are due, also to Mr. Debenham and the various steeplekeepers who welcomed them.

AMONG SUFFOLK TOWERS.

On Saturday, August 20th, the ringers of St. Peter's Church, Goldhanger, Essex, held their annual outing, and visited some of the Suffolk towers. Leaving the rectory at 9 o'clock, in the Rector's car (which was kindly placed at their disposal for the outing), the first stopping-place was Nayland, where the bells were soon going to Plain Bob, Oxford, Kent and College Exercise. Proceeding next to Polstead, where the fine peal has been rehung, further touches were rung, and then the party went on to the small town of Hadleigh, where a sumptuous dinner was enjoyed by the band at the King's Head Hotel. Afterwards the fine old tower, with its peal of eight bells (tenor 28cwt.), was visited, and here the party were met by Mr. T. Reed, and other ringers, who had everything in readiness. The afternoon was spent in ringing, and after tea the visitors went on to Higham, where there is a fine peal of bells, and where the party met with the band of ringers from Langham. After some good touches they went on to Stratford St. Mary, the Langham band having preceded them, and got everything ready. Some further good ringing took place, and the bells were lowered in peal. Goldhanger was reached at 9.30, everyone having thoroughly enjoyed the trip, which was arranged by the conductor, Mr. J. D. Buckingham. All the towers were close together, and contained fine peals of bells.

BECCLES RINGER'S DEATH.

On Wednesday, August 31st, the remains of the late Mr. Harry Reynolds, of Beccles, were laid to rest.

The funeral was attended by the choir and ringers, four of the latter ringing a course of Grandsire Triples on handbells at the graveside.

During the evening, muffled, half-muffled and open touches were rung on the bells of St. Michael's Church.

The deceased was a regular ringer and member of the choir for upwards of 20 years, although he had never rung a peal.

LADIES' GUILD.

DISTRICT ANNUAL MEETINGS.

A meeting of the Western District of the Ladies' Guild was held, by kind permission of the Rector, at Wraxall, near Bristol, on Saturday, Sept. 24th. There was a fairly good attendance of members and friends, who were pleased to welcome a member from the Southern District, viz., Miss Fisher, of Dorking, Surrey. The Rector, the Rev. W. S. Mather, gave a most interesting and encouraging address at the service, based on the inscription on a bell in Wraxall tower dated 1705, 'Though my voice it be but small, I'll be heard amongst you all.' He showed how nothing is really insignificant, for God makes use even of trifles to help forward His great work. The message is often greater than the messenger—and a ringer learns the lesson of self-effacement. The oldest bell in the tower bears the date 1608, and has been in use ever since that time.

Following the tea, a business meeting was held, at which Miss Fisher presided. Miss Smith was re-elected hon. secretary for the ensuing year. The 'committee of four' for the district was elected as follows: Mrs. W. Edwards, Portishead; Mrs. Knight, Clapton-in-Gordano; Miss Emm. Paulton; Mrs. R. J. Wilkins, Bristol. The two representatives on the General Committee are Mrs. Edwards, Portishead, and Mrs. Harvey, Bristol.

One new honorary member was elected, Mrs. Burchell, of Thornbury, and one performing member, Mrs. Leaker, St. Thomas', Bristol.

It was decided to ask permission to hold the next quarterly meeting at St. Stephen's, Bristol, if possible, on Saturday, December 3rd.—It is also hoped that the Guild will be able to hold a meeting in the southern part of the district early next summer.

The meeting closed with an expression of thanks to the Rector and to the steeplekeeper (Mr. Winsor).

SOUTHERN DISTRICT OFFICERS.

The annual meeting of the Southern District was held at Aldershot on Saturday, Sept. 24th. Ringers were present from Aldershot, Ash, Bagshot, Farnham, Farnborough, Finchampstead, Guildford (S. Nicolas' and Holy Trinity), Liss, Portsmouth, Sandhurst, Shere and Worplesdon. The bells were raised at 3 o'clock, and kept going until 4.30, when the service was conducted by the Rev. Drury, who gave the visitors a welcome. Miss K. Avenell kindly acted as organist. Twenty-six sat down to tea in the Parish Hall, 14 being lady ringers.

At the business meeting, Miss C. M. Orlebar, of Liss; Miss M. Domoney, of Bagshot, and the Misses Grace and Nancy Denyer, of Aldershot, were elected as members.

Miss H. F. Mills was asked by all present to continue as secretary, and Miss Nye, Miss B. Mills, Miss Avenell and Mrs. Melville were elected on the committee.—Hawley was decided on for the next annual meeting.—A vote of thanks to the secretary for the work done during the year closed the business

Ringing continued till 8.30, Grandsire, Stedman, Plain Bob, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob being rung. Members of the Guild were able to take part in all the methods.

CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

OFFICERS RE-ELECTED.

The postponed annual meeting was held at Ripon on Saturday, Sept. 10th, there being a fairly good and representative gathering. Tea, provided at the Black Bull Hotel, was presided over by the president (the Rev. J. L. Kyle), supported by the Very Rev. the Dean of Ripon, vice-president (Mr. W. Pick), and the hon. sec. (Mr. T. Metcalfe). At the committee meeting various items of interest to the association were discussed, and meetings arranged for the year. One is to be held at Ormesby, on Saturday, Oct. 22nd, and the Easter Monday meeting by special invitation of the president, will be at Carlton.

A resolution sent in by the Northern District of the Yorkshire Association was discussed at great length.

The business of the annual meeting came on after the tea, and was presided over by the Dean of Ripon, as the president had to leave early to reach home.

The loyal toast was submitted by the Dean, and duly honoured.

The secretary's report and balance sheet showed that the association was in a very good financial position, having a bank balance of some £35.

Votes of thanks to the Dean and Chapter for the use of the bells, also to the retiring officers, who were all re-elected, were passed.

DONCASTER & DISTRICT SOCIETY.

The October meeting was held at Barmby, Doncaster, on Saturday, September 24th. There was only a small attendance of members, but some good practice was indulged in on the fine peal of six bells. Touches in the four Standard methods were rung during the afternoon and evening. Tea was partaken of at the White Hart Hotel, and at the business meeting, which followed, votes of thanks, were accorded to the Vicar for the use of the bells, and to Mr. T. S. Gill, one of the churchwardens, for so kindly providing tea and making arrangements for the meeting. The next meeting will be held at Thorne.

The mid-week practice at St. George's has been suspended on account of the nearness of the Technical College and School of Art.

AN EXCURSION IN THE MIDLANDS.

KING'S NORTON RINGERS' LONG TOUR.

King's Norton (Worcestershire) ringers had their annual outing on Saturday, August 27th, and were joined by a few ringing friends from Selly Oak, Northfield and Birmingham. The party, numbering 20, made a start for Chilvers Coton at 7.15 a.m. On arrival the party were met by Mr. H. Argyle, and touches of Stedman Triples, Double Norwich and Cambridge Surprise were rung. Monk's Kirby, about 11 miles away, was the next place on the programme, but owing to a 'change course' about 30 miles were covered before reaching it. However, ringers are not easily upset, and while the key of the tower was being found the gentleman in charge of the commissariat department produced a welcome supply of sandwiches and other refreshments. After an al fresco snack on the roadside, a move was made to the tower, and, on the grand peal of eight, Stedman Triples and Double Norwich were soon pealing out. The 'go' and music both being great, the short stay here was very much enjoyed. The bell foundry at Loughborough was the next objective, and was reached at 2.30 p.m. The party were met by Mr. Denison Taylor, Mr. Pryce Taylor and Miss Taylor, and while old friends were chatting and new ones introduced, the official caterer showed that his foresight in this department is as great as his ability as a ringer, the result being that everyone enjoyed a well-prepared lunch. After lunch, Alderman J. S. Pritchett, in a few well-chosen remarks, thanked Mr. and Miss Taylor for the kind reception, and Mr. P. Laflin for having made all the necessary arrangements. — Mr. E. J. Dowler seconded the vote of thanks, and Mr. D. Taylor, in reply, said how pleased Miss Taylor and he were to help in any little way to make the visit a success.

A move was then made to the foundry bell tower, where some excellent ringing was enjoyed. Afterwards a visit was paid to the famous peal of ten at the parish church, where touches in several methods, including a course of Cambridge Surprise Major were rung. After a very cordial send-off a move was made for St. John's, Leicester, where the party were welcomed by that genial ringer, Mr. W. Willson. Time being short, touches of Double Norwich and Stedman Triples were rung, and all too soon the visitors had to leave, after a very enjoyable time. Leaving Loicester soon after 8 p.m., the party, after many necessary consultations with the finger posts, arrived home rather late but very happy, after a splendid day's enjoyment. Through 'The Ringing World' they wish to thank all those who helped to make the outing such a success.

LLANFIGAN BELLS.

DEDICATION OF A NONCONFORMIST'S MUNIFICENT GIFT.

As briefly recorded last week, the new peal of bells at Llanfigan, South Wales, have been dedicated and opened. The whole cost of these bells, as well as the restoration, pointing, and raising by several feet of the tower, approximating £4,000, has been wholly defrayed by Mr. J. Ll. Morgan, Brynderwen, Llandaff, son of the late Mr. David Morgan, a native of the parish, a staunch Nonconformist, and founder of the famous firm of drapers, David Morgan, Ltd., of The Hayes, Cardiff. A number of close relatives of the late Mr. Morgan still live in the immediate neighbourhood, including his brother, Mr. Wm. Morgan, of Llanbrynean, Llanfrynach, a well-known agriculturist. The work was executed by Messrs. John Taylor and Co., Loughborough. The bells (with the tenor weighing 12 cwt. 1 qr. 19 lbs.) are hung in a rigid iron frame, on steel girders, and the fittings are of the very latest pattern throughout, including patent ball bearings. A sound board has also been erected at the top of the tower, and an up-to-date chiming apparatus has been installed in the ringers' room.

The four old bells have had their inscriptions reproduced on the new 4th, 5th, 6th and 7th, and the other four have inscriptions in Welsh. We gave the details of the inscriptions in our issue of July 15th.

The dedication was performed by the Bishop of Swansea, and after the special prayers the bells were rung in rounds for three minutes. At the same service a memorial to the men of the parish who fell in the war was unveiled by Col. H. R. Jones Williams (churchwarden), and dedicated by the Bishop.

The opening rounds on the bells were rung by St. Mary's, Brecon, ringers, who were afterwards joined by ringers from Llanelly, and Mr. J. P. Hyett, of Hay. Touches of Stedman and Grandsire Triples were rung.

MR. H. TORBLE'S ILLNESS.

The subscription list opened on behalf of Mr. H. Torble, of Leytonstone, who has been ill for the past twelve months, and is still unable to follow his employment, will now be closed, and those who desire to contribute and who have not already done so, are asked to send their donations to-day to G. Hayden, 29, Maryland Street, Stratford. Amount already acknowledged, £7; received since: 'An Eye ringer,' 10s.; 'A fellow ringer,' Barking, 2s.; J. S. Goldsmith, 3s.; A. T. King (President, Middlesex Association), 5s.; T. Fitzjohn, Thetford, 2s. 6d.; W. J. Nevard, 5s.; G. Barrell, 2s. 6d.; A. Joyce, 1s.; T. Joyce, 1s.

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BELFRY GOSSIP.

The recast ring of ten bells at Bradford Cathedral are to be opened to-morrow (Saturday) at 3 p.m. The restoration work has been carried out by Messrs. John Taylor and Co., of Loughborough.

The Doncaster and District Society, formed six months ago, is steadily increasing its membership, which now numbers 120.

On October 6th, 1849, William Booth died at Sheffield. Grandfather of Charles and Thomas Hattersley, he took part, in 1804, in the last peal on the old ten bells of the Parish Church, Sheffield, now the Cathedral, and the first peal on the new bells.

His most famous performance, however, was the first double-handed handbell peal, viz., Oxford Treble Bob Major, in which he rang 3—4, the peal taking place in his own house. Afterwards he rang the same pair of bells to Royal and Maximus.

William Booth was known in London. He visited the Metropolis in 1816, and rang a peal of Oxford Treble Bob Royal at Shoreditch, with George Gross and William Shipway. He joined the Cumberland Youths a week before this peal, and his certificate, still in existence, was signed by Shipway, who was then 'Beadle' of the Society.

October 6th is also the anniversary of the first peal of Stedman Cinques. This was a 6,204 rung at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields by the College Youths in the year 1788. The peal board, in the flowery language associated with peal records of that time, speaks of it as 'an instance of that unrivalled merit only to be equalled by a similar assiduity and perseverance.'

The first peal of Bristol Surprise on handbells was rung at Romford on October 1st, 1907. October 3rd in the anniversary of the first 'silent' peal of Kent Treble Bob on record. This was rung at Liversedge, Yorks, in 1863.

On October 2nd, 1608, Henry Bagley, the first of the Northamptonshire bell founders, was baptized at Chacombe. He commenced his foundry about the year 1632, and died about 1676.

'A Cambridge Ringer' is informed that his Minor method is open to the same objection as the previous one to which he refers. All the rows with the treble in 6th's are out of course.

Messrs. Aggett, of Chagford, are about to commence the restoration of the peal of five, with a new treble, at Rockbeare (Exeter); also of the peals at Sourton, Knowstone, Padstow, Landulph, St. Budeaux, Skilgate (near Taunton).

CENTRAL COUNCIL LIBRARY.

To the Editor

Dear Sir,—By the kind help of various friends of the Exercise, the library of the Central Council now possesses bound volumes of the ringing press from 1871—1901, consisting of 'Church Bells' and 'Bell News.' There are also available for reference my own bound copies of 'The Ringing World' from 1911 to present date. There is wanting the record of the years 1901 (May)—1910 (Dec.). Can anyone supply this? I fear I cannot undertake to deal with unbound copies. Failing this, is there anyone who possesses these copies in bound volumes, and while unable to part with them would allow the use of them for reference on application? If so, I shall be glad to hear from them.—

Yours truly,
CYRIL W. O. JENKYN.
Sept. 22nd, 1921. Central Council Librarian.

BARLEY BELLS.

HELP WANTED FOR AUGMENTATION.

To the Editor.

Sir,—It has been decided to have the bells at the Parish Church, Barley, Herts, which are now a peal of five, rehung, and a new treble added to make a peal of six. About £150 is needed to put the bells in order, and to add the new treble, and of this £50 has already been collected, so that £100 is still needed. Contributions will be thankfully received by Mr. W. Mansfield, of Church End Barley, near Royston, Herts, or by Mr. R. Howard, Church End, Barley, near Royston, Herts, and will be acknowledged through your paper. We appeal to all ringing friends who can do so, to help us.

R. HOWARD, Secretary,
Barley Band of Ringers.

LEEDS & DISTRICT SOCIETY.

The usual monthly meeting was held at Idle, on Saturday, Sept. 24th, but was only poorly attended, as has always been the case, ringers being present from Shipley, Calverley, Leeds Parish Church, and the local company. The meeting was held in the tower, after touches of Plain Bob, Kent and Oxford Major had been rung. Owing to the Bramley bells being out of order, the question of the next meeting-place was discussed, but was finally left to the secretary to decide.—A hearty vote of thanks to the Vicar, churchwardens, and the local company, closed the meeting.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

INCREASE OF SUBSCRIPTIONS.

The annual meeting of the Lancashire Association was held at Todmorden, on Saturday last, when the towers of Christ Church and Unitarian Church at Todmorden, Cross Stone, and Hepstonstall, were kindly placed at the disposal of the members. Ringing commenced about 1 p.m. (although the bells were at liberty from 10 a.m.), and at 4 p.m. a service was held at Christ Church. The Vicar (the Rev. A. Aspin) gave a short address.

Tea followed, to which about 90 sat down. The business meeting then took place, the president (Canon Elsee) being in the chair, supported by the Rev. F. Whatmough and the Rev. —. Marle (of Cross Stone).

The committee's report was read, as was also the balance sheet. There is a membership of 1,221, and a balance of income over expenditure of £1 15s. 10d., after paying the treasurer £4 11s. 9d. deficit from last year. The peals totalled 94, made up of methods from Bob Minor to London Surprise. Mention was made of the new Wigan branch, also the deaths of four members.

The ringing secretary and two auditors were re-elected without opposition.

Out of four candidates for vice-president, Mr. J. Potter was elected, after close voting.

Five places were suggested for the next annual meeting, and the vote favoured Preston.

A long discussion took place regarding a wish to have a full report printed. The committee had had the matter before them, and they said it could not be done without raising the subscription, and recommended 1s. 6d. as a trial for twelve months, to which the meeting agreed.

Mr. Banks gave a short report of the Central Council meeting, after which the usual votes of thanks were accorded the various authorities, the organist, the choir, the local ringers ladies, and others, who had helped to make the meeting such a success.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

EIGHT BELLS PROPOSED FOR STANMORE.

Members from the North-west corner of Middlesex, and from the adjoining districts of Bushey and Oxhey, turned up in good numbers at Stanmore on Saturday last, when a meeting of the Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild was held, and it was very gratifying to meet two of the original members of the society, in Mr. E. Heading, of the local band, and Mr. C. H. Martin, of Hendon, besides several others of many years' standing.

Ringing commenced shortly after 3 p.m., and continued until 5 o'clock, when a short service was held, conducted by the Rector (the Rev. S. F. L. Bernays), who preached a very interesting and instructive sermon.

After tea, the meeting was held in the Vestry, the Rector taking the chair. Two new members were elected.—The Hon. Secretary proposed a vote of thanks to the Rector of Stanmore and to the Vicar of Harrow Weald for the use of the bells at their respective churches; also to the former for his address at the service. Thanks were also accorded to Messrs. E. Heading and J. Furness, for having the bells ready.

The Rev. S. F. L. Bernays briefly replied, with a warm welcome to the association to Stanmore, and expressing a hope that the proposals which had been made for adding two bells to the existing six would be carried out by the time the society again met there.

The meeting over, several members paid a visit to Harrow Weald, whilst others stayed at Stanmore, and at both places several touches of Doubles and Minor were rung, in many methods, including Cambridge Surprise.

It is sincerely to be hoped that the wishes of the Stanmore ringers to have a peal of eight will soon be realised, and we think they will be, but even with an octave of bells to attract members one could hardly hope for a more pleasant and successful meeting than the one just held, and we feel sure that the afternoon was thoroughly enjoyed by all present.

RINGER'S BEREAVEMENT AT SEA.

It will be recalled that in our issue of Sept. 16th we recorded a peal at Ashton-under-Lyne, rung in honour of a visit of Mr. William Jakeman, formerly a ringer at this tower. Mr. Jakeman resides in America, and, with his wife, was on a pleasure trip to England. Mr. Jakeman took part in the peal which was rung on the 6th, and a note in our 'Belfry Gossip' column stated that Mr. and Mrs. Jakeman sailed on the 10th, taking with them the best wishes of their many ringing friends.

It is our sad duty now to record that before the paragraph had appeared in print Mrs. Jakeman had passed away. News has reached England that Mrs. Jakeman was taken ill soon after their vessel, the 'Caronia,' sailed, and died at sea on the following Tuesday. Mrs. Jakeman was highly respected among a large circle of friends in Lancashire, and her death has come as a great shock to all who knew her. The deepest sympathy goes out to Mr. Jakeman in his great bereavement. On Tuesday of last week, a muffled peal of Treble Twelve was rung at Ashton-under-Lyne, as a token of respect and mark of sympathy.

PEALS TAPPED ON HANDBELLS.

To the Editor.

Sir,—In your leading article of the 23rd Sept., you say you cannot see where any injustice is done in your editorial remarks of the previous week. Now, sir, I consider that anyone who has called a peal of London from a pair of working bells, has reached what might be termed the top of the ladder in ringing. In your leader of the 16th you say it is a greater feat to tap a peal than to ring a pair of bells, which means that the performer has done something which supersedes anything in the way of ringing from a scientific point of view, and places the performer in front of anyone else in the Exercise. Can a man so suddenly spring into fame? I say, certainly not. If he can in a few weeks, then a good many of us must be very poor tools to have been so long about it. You speak of the mental concentration in tapping. If it be so, how about the late Elijah Roberts who, we are told, tapped ten bells all day? He then must have been a living machine. There is only one thing that will convince me that this tapping is such a strenuous task, and I think I can answer you and Mr Broyd at the same time. If Mr. Broyd remembers aright, he took up the cudgels on behalf of Mr. Morris, and he put forward as an excuse that it was impossible for Mr. Morris to ring eight bells, and I suggested they should take four each as a way out of the difficulty He does not care to take it on, and suggests I should ring the other four myself. I do not profess to be able to ring four bells to London Surprise, although I should probably be able to go as far as Mr. Morris at it; but I will take a pair and find someone else to take another pair, and let him ring the other four. If he can do that, he will be able to do something in ringing which no one else has done, and also convince the Exercise that he taps on the same system as ringing is done. Now, sir, if you don't see the injustice, you must be blind. You, no doubt, as Editor, reserve the right to express your opinion, and I, as reader, also reserve the right to pull you up when you go too far. To sum the whole thing up, it is a question of folk being too free to express their opinion; and my experience is that those persons who generally so readily express their opinions know very little, and generally either talk or write first, and think afterwards.—Yours truly,

W. PYE.

SUFFOLK DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

REV. H. DRAKE ELECTED SECRETARY.

A meeting of the Suffolk Diocesan Association was held at Hadleigh on Saturday, Sept. 17th, the towers represented being Bildeston, Timborough, Ipswich, Lavenham, Ufford, Langham, North Walsham, St. Peter Mancroft, Norwich, Sible Hedingham, and Greenstead Green. The business meeting was held in the Guildhall, and in the absence of the Very Rev. Dean Carter, the churchwarden (Dr. W. E. S. Wilson) took the chair.

The new members elected were: The Rev. H. Drake, Ufford; Messrs. E. Evans, Ipswich; T. Reed, Hadleigh; F. Poulson, Thetford; W. Cross, Sible Hedingham (life member), and Dr. Wilson (hon. member).

The Rev. H. Drake was elected diocesan secretary, and Mr. A. Symonds (who had previously occupied the position) agreed to act as West Suffolk branch secretary.

Clare was selected for the next meeting, to be held in December, notice of which will be published in 'The Ringing World.'

Mr. W. R. J. Poulson proposed a hearty vote of thanks to Dr. Wilson for presiding, and also asked him to convey to Dean Carter the thanks of the ringers for the use of the bells.

THE LEICESTERSHIRE TOUR.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—The account of the happenings at the end of the above tour, as related by Mr. Willson, make very amusing reading, but he does not state how he himself got us out of a great difficulty. When we left our 'skipper and his craft' by the side of the road in the early hours of Sunday morning, and walked nearly four miles back to Leicester, we were in real trouble about our skipper's breakfast. Mr. Willson very kindly volunteered to see to this, and although he did not reach home until 2 a.m., he was back at the scene of the 'disaster' by 7.15, with hot tea, bacon, meat and bread, and 'Old Bill' enjoyed what he himself described as 'the best breakfast he had had that week.' Our sincere thanks are due to Mr. Willson for that act of kindness, and also for so well arranging the whole tour. We would also like to thank Mr. Pryce Taylor for his invitation to Loughborough on the Monday, when we rang the peal at the foundry, and for his hospitality on that occasion: and also the many ringers at Leicester, Loughborough and elsewhere, for the hearty welcome given to us.—Yours faithfully,

C. T. COLES (for the visitors).

WITNASH, WARWICKSHIRE.—On Thursday, August 25th, in 48 minutes, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles (1,260 changes), being 10½ six-scores called differently: F. Ashbourne 1, J. Jones 2, W. Male 3, T. Male (conductor) 4, W. Clarke 5, T. Thomason 6. First quarter-peal on tower bells by the ringers of treble and tenor.

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NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION.

PROPAGANDA WORK.

The second quarterly meeting of the North Notts Association was held at Harworth on Saturday, Sept. 10th, when members were present from Barlborough Blyth, Ordsall, East Retford, West Retford, Laneham, Misterton, Turton and Worksop, together with a few of the local company. It is fully eight years since the association had a meeting at this picturesque little village, so the visit and some good ringing was looked forward to by the inhabitants. Nor were they disappointed, as some well-struck touches of Grandsire Doubles, Plain Bob, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob Minor were rung on the sweet little ring of six put in by Taylor in 1893.

Tea was partaken of in the Village Schoolroom, presided over by the Vicar (the Rev. F. d'Arblay Burney) and supported by the hon. secretary (Mr. H. Haigh) and others. The business meeting which followed was well attended. Three new members were elected, viz., Messrs. A. Lister, of Harworth, and W. Widdowson and G. Gabbitas of Worksop.

The next quarterly meeting will be held at Ordsall early in the new year, and advertised in 'The Ringing World,' but the secretary was authorised to arrange a supplementary meeting at Edwinstowe in October or early in November, for propaganda work, and with a view to the Edwinstowe tower becoming affiliated to the association.

Mr. Wilson and the Vicar spoke in the highest praise of this class of work.—Votes of thanks were accorded to the Vicar of Harworth for presiding over tea and meeting, and for use of the bells and schoolroom; also to the host and hostess, Mr. and Mrs. O. Revill, churchworkers, for providing an excellent tea at such a small charge.—These votes were carried with acclamation, and the Vicar, in reply, said nothing gave him greater pleasure than to see such a large gathering of North Notts ringers assemble at Harworth, and to hear some good ringing. He hoped again to hear the bells in the evening. He loved to hear the sound of bells, but neither he nor his ringers could do any change ringing. However, he was looking forward to the day when the tower would become affiliated to the association and some instruction be given to them by a competent ringer. In the course of his travels recently he was particularly impressed with the number of new peals, augmentations and rehangings of bells taking place in various parts as suitable war memorials for those who had laid down their lives for their God, their King and country. There was nothing better. In conclusion, he wished the association God-speed in their work.

At 7 p.m. about 20 ringers wended their way to Tickhill, and by the kind permission of the Rev. H. Booby, and the steeplekeeper (Mr. Winn) were given permission to ring on the eight bells. Touches of Grandsire Triples, Bob Major and Kent Treble Bob Major were successfully brought round, and at 8.15 p.m. the bells were lowered in peal, and the carillon played three verses of 'Home, Sweet Home.' A pleasant ride home in the moonlight by 'bike' and motor-bus brought another happy and enjoyable day's ringing to an end.

INTERESTING WEDDING AT BRAY.

MR. E. R. COLES—MISS G. M. WOODHOUSE.

At the historic Church of St. Michael, Bray, on Saturday week, an interesting wedding was solemnised between Mr. E. R. Coles (son of Mr. Ralph Coles, foreman of the Wycombe belfry) and Miss Gwendolyn Marion Woodhouse, youngest daughter of Mr. E. Woodhouse, of 'Aleyn,' Bray. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. H. Pickles (priest-in-charge of St. Anne's Church, Wycombe Marsh). Suitable wedding music was supplied on the organ by Mr. C. Branwell, L.R.C.M., L.R.A.M., organist of St. Mary's Church, Maidenhead. The wedding was an exceedingly pretty one, and the glorious September day, with its wealth of sunshine, added a charming effect to a brilliant scene. The bridegroom is a member of the High Wycombe belfry, and by the kindness of the Rev. W. S. Riddlesdell, the bells of Bray Church were placed at the disposal of the Wycombe ringers, who attended in practically full force to do honour to a 'brother string.' Following the custom at this place, the bells were rung previous to the ceremony, and 360 Minor was brought round, when the happy pair emerged from the Church. Stedman and Grandsire Doubles and a touch of Kent Treble were also rung. Then came a break, for the ringers were invited to the Church Room, where they found a first-class spread in readiness for them. Afterwards the bridegroom looked in to thank his colleagues for their presence, and he met with a fine ovation. On behalf of the Wycombe belfry, the Secretary asked Mr. Coles to accept, as a wedding present, a solid silver bell, in the form of an inkstand, mounted on a mahogany base. The bell was inscribed: 'To E. R. Coles, on his marriage, Sept. 3rd, 1921.' Felicitations were also expressed to him and his charming bride. The bridegroom cordially returned thanks for the gift. Later the belfry was again visited, and other touches rung. Previous to lowering the bells, an invitation was sent to the ringers to call in at the bride's home, and here again the party were hospitably entertained, and the wedding cake sampled. The ringers spent a day of great enjoyment, and thanks are especially tendered to 'Mr. Ralph' for his successful efforts on their behalf.

On Sunday, after evensong, a couple of touches of Stedman were rung at Wycombe in honour of the event.

RINGERS WEDDED AT ISHAM.

MR. E. MAURICE ATKINS—MISS F. A. CANNAN.

An interesting wedding took place in the Parish Church of Isham (Northants) on Tuesday morning, Sept. 13th, when Mr. C. Maurice Atkins, son of the Rev. E. J. Atkins, Rector of Isham (late President of the Central Northants Association) was married to Miss F. A. Cannan, of Newbury. Both the bride and bridegroom are highly esteemed members of the Central Northants Association, Mr. Atkins being specially well known as ringer, composer and conductor of a large number of peals. He is a member of the Central Council, a past Master of the Cambridge University Guild, and a member of numerous associations. The ceremony was performed by the bridegroom's father (the Rev. E. J. Atkins), assisted by the Rev. E. Atkins, Vicar of St. Nicholas', Leicester (grandfather), and the Rev. G. Atkins, LL.D., Rector of Denver (uncle). Needless to say, that before and after the wedding ceremony the beautiful peal of six bells were rung in honour of the event. Mr. Atkins conducted a touch before the service, and immediately after Mr. and Mrs. Atkins rang their own 'wedding bells.'

On Monday evening the Isham ringers presented Mr. Atkins with a handsome Queen Anne pattern tea-pot and silver-plated toast rack.

The honeymoon is being spent camping in the Wye Valley.

OXFORD GUILD.

NORTH BUCKS BRANCH AT GREAT BRICKHILL.

A quarterly meeting of the North Bucks Branch was held at Great Brickhill on Saturday, Sept. 10th, when the following towers were represented: Bletchley, Beachampton, Fenny Stratford, Linslade, Stony Stratford, and Shenley, with the local ringers, the ringers numbering about 25. Great Brickhill only recently joined the branch, and this was the first meeting of its kind that had been held there, and had been much looked forward to both by the ringers and the Vicar, the Rev. F. H. Hoyle (who is also an honorary member of the branch). Service was conducted by the Rector, his address being interesting and instructive. After service, an adjournment was made to the Rectory grounds, which had been kindly placed at the disposal of the visitors, who were received by the Rector's wife (Mrs. Hoyle). Tea had been prepared on the lawn, and, needless to say, proved very acceptable, especially as the majority had come by cycle, the meeting-place lying rather wide of the railway.

After tea, the Secretary reported that he had no business to bring forward, but a general discussion took place over various matters, the chief being the best method to overcome the noise in the tower at Great Brickhill, where, when the bells are ringing, a conductor can scarce make himself heard. It was suggested that expert advice should be got to obviate the trouble

The Secretary proposed a most hearty vote of thanks to the Rev. and Mrs. F. H. Hoyle for so kindly welcoming the branch, and for the splendid arrangements that had been made both for service and tea, which had made the meeting so enjoyable.—The Vicar suitably responded, and the members were quite satisfied that they would be welcome again when they decided to visit Great Brickhill.

Touches rung during the afternoon ranged from Grandsire Doubles to Cambridge Surprise Minor.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

A meeting of the Northern Division of the Essex Association was held at Feering on Saturday, Sept. 17th. A short service was held in the Parish Church, at which an address was given by the Rev. A. F. Curtis (Vicar). Tea and meeting followed at the Bell Inn, 25 members being present from Kelvedon, Witham, Earls Colne, Braintree, Stisted, Broomfield, Rayne, Chelmsford, and the local company.

Mr. H. F. Cooper, District Master presided, supported by the Vicar, Mr. C. H. Howard (Master of the Association), and Mr. B. Redgwell (hon. secretary). Two new members were elected.

The Vicar, who is shortly retiring, and leaving the parish to take up his residence in Coggeshall, was thanked by the Master for his address and warm welcome, and on behalf of those present wished him a happy time in his retirement.

Some excellent touches were rung before and after service on the ring of eight in the Standard methods. The next meeting is to be held at Sible Hedingham.

FALSE PEAL OF LONDON.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—It was I who pointed out to Mr. Morris that the composition of London Surprise tapped by him was false, and my reasons for doing so are that the three false course-ends that operate against the method are admitted as actual course-ends of the composition in question. They are 46253, 24365, and 32546, and they form the 6th, 11th and 16th courses. Another false course-end, 53624, is the 21st actual course-end. This, together with the fact that 42356, 34256 and 23456, are the 23rd, 24th and 25th actual course-ends, should at once dispel any doubts as to the peal not being false.—Yours faithfully,

EDWARD MULLINS.

A Page for Sunday Service Ringers.

SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES.

VANCOUVER, CANADA. — On Sunday, August 28th, at the Church of the Holy Rosary, for service, 168 Grandsire Triples: J. Parkinson 1, A. C. Limpus 2, F. Dunaway (conductor) 3, W. Sampson 4, J. C. Dearlove 5, M. Bennett 6, H. Whiteman 7, A. King 8. This touch reveals new names in the ringing circle in the far-off tower of Vancouver.

TEWKESBURY.—Tewkesbury and District Guild.—At the Abbey, on Sunday, Sept. 18th, for harvest festival, 504 Grandsire Triples: R. Harris 1, W. Ricketts 2, O. Attwood 3, F. Smith 4, W. Crooks 5, T. Devereux 6, C. W. Dyson (conductor) 7, G. Watts 8. Also 168 in the same method, with G. Wattts 3 and W. Hughes 8.

STANTON, SHROPSHIRE.—On Sunday, Sept. 18th, in 30 mins., 840 Doubles, being five six-scores of Grandsire and two six-scores of Plain Bob, called differently: S. France 1, W. Clay 2, A. White 3, W. Lycett 4, E. V. Rodenhurst (conductor) 5, H. Edwards 6.

KETTERING.—Central Northants Association. — On Sunday, Sept. 18th, for evening service, 768 London Surprise Major: A. Heuman 1, C. Chapman 2, A. Payne 3, F. Sawfoot 4, H. Peet 5, D. J. Nichols (conductor) 6, R. Turner 7, C. W. Bird 8.

SCUNTHORPE.—On the occasion of the visit of the Bishop of Lincoln to the Parish Church, on Sunday afternoon, Sept. 18th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes) was rung: S. Austin (first away from tenor) 1, C. H. Bird 2, T. Strickland 3, T. H. Parkin 4, P. Hocknell 5, C. Pollard 6, R. Oliver (conductor) 7, C. Pye (first quarter-peal) 8.

IDLE, YORKS.—On Sunday, Sept. 18th, at Holy Trinity Parish Church, on the occasion of the dedication of the war memorial and unveiling of roll of honour, 1,334 of Plain Bob Major, in 55 mins., with bells deeply muffled: R. Umpleby 1, G. Duck 2 F. Davison 3, H. Davison 4, W. Kendall 5, F. Kilshaw 6, W. Feather 7, H. Foster (conductor) 8. First quarter-peal on the bells with an entirely local company.

PULHAM MARKET, NORFOLK.—On Sunday, Sept. 18th, for evening service, 896 Superlative Surprise Major: F. Borrett 1, C. Baker 2, A. Smith 3, A. Berry 4, J. Tann 5, R. Whiting 6, E. Whiting 7, C. Roope 8.

BARLBOROUGH, DERBYSHIRE. — On Sunday, Sept. 18th, for evensong, the first 720 Oxford Treble Bob by the local band, in 24 mins.: R.F. Reece 1, G. Ashby 2, P. Morris 3, H. Kirk 4, W. Sturman 5, P. E. Hibbard (conductor) 6.

WILLENHALL, STAFFS.—At St. Giles' Church, after Divine service, on Sunday, Sept. 18th, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, on the occasion of the visit of the local company of Territorials to the church; also on the occasion of the 23rd anniversary of the marriage of one of the esteemed members of the belfry: I. Evans 1, F. Ward 2, W. Wathen 3, D. Appleby 4, H. Coley 5, J. Davis 6, C. Wallater (conductor) 7, A. Ward 8.

GREAT HORKESLEY, ESSEX.—On Sunday, Sept. 18th, for harvest thanksgiving, for morning service, 720 Cambridge Surprise Minor: A. Bacon 1, C. Andrews 2, J. Bowell 3, E. Eady 4, A. Catterwell 5, W. J. Nevard (conductor) 6. Also 720 Plain Bob: A. Bacon 1, H. Warne 2, C. Andrews 3, E. Eady 4, W. J. Nevard 5, A. Catterwell (conductor) 6. After service, a touch of Kent Treble Bob was rung.

CARDIFF.—At St. John the Baptist's, on Sunday afternoon, Sept. 18th, with the bells half-muffled, for the unveiling and dedication of the memorial tablet erected to the memory of the members of the Glamorgan Royal Garrison Artillery who fell in the war, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters, in 55 mins.: H. West 1, J. Smith 2, W. B. Biss 3, A. Rowley 4, S. Dawe 5, W. Heath 6, F. Viles 7, O. Sippets 8, F. Chamberlain (conductor) 9, S. R. Barker 10.

THORNHAM MAGNA, SUFFOLK.—On Sunday, Sept. 11th, for evening service, 360 Double Court Minor. Also, after service, 720 Cambridge Surprise Minor: E. Buckingham (Springfield, Essex) 1, E. Youngs 2, A. J. Berry 3, G. Kemp 4, W. Clover 5, G. Cattermole (conductor) 6.

WICKHAM SKEITH, SUFFOLK. — On Sunday, Sept. 11th, for morning service, 720 Cambridge Surprise Minor: A. Cattermole 1, E. Youngs 2, A. J. Berry 3, G. Kemp 4, W. Clover 5, G. Cattermole (conductor) 6.

KIDLINGTON, OXON.—For evensong, on Sept. 11th, in 45 mins., a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples: F. Webb 1, W. Judge (conductor) 2, W. Stone 3, J. Franklin 4, J. G. Sanderson (Midsomer Norton) 5, J. H. R. Freeborn 6, L. Tuffrey 7, W. H. Thorne 8. Also 336 Grandsire Triples.—On Sunday, July 25th, in 46 mins. for evensong, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: R. K. Payne 1, J. H. R. Freeborn 2, F. Webb 3, G. A. King 4, W. Judge 5, H. Miles 6, L. Tuffrey (conductor) 7, J. Bowerman 8. For evensong, on Sunday, July 31st, 504 Stedman Triples: F. Webb 1, W. Judge 2, W. Stone 3, G. A. King 4, Rev. E. S. Powell 5, J. Franklin 6, J. H. R. Freeborn (conductor) 7, W. H. Thorne 8.

CHURCHKIRK.—On Sunday, Sept. 4th, at St. James' Church, 720 Bob Minor, with the bells half-muffled, by: A. Chadwicke 1, W. Aaron 2, F. Hollins 3, A. Ingham 4, L. Rostron 5, L. J. Williams (conductor) 6. Rung on the occasion of the dedication of the war memorial screen, which was unveiled by Canon Morris, of Preston. After the service, the whole pull and stand was rung 79 times as a tribute to the 79 men of the parish who laid down their lives in the late war.

STANTON-ON-HINE HEATH, SALOP.—On Sunday, Sept. 4th, two 720's of Kent Treble Bob Minor (1,440 changes), in 50 mins.: A. S. Bailey 1, W. D. Wase 2, J. H. Rixom 3, E. V. Rodenhurst 4, Wm. Saunders 5, D. T. Matkin (conductor) 6. Specially arranged for Mr. Matkin, of Ludlow, this being his first touch of Treble Bob as conductor. It is also believed to be the first touch of Minor on the bells. The party afterwards had tea with Mr. Rodenhurst at Kenstone, where touches of Grandsire and Stedman Triples and Bob Major were rung on the handbells on the lawn. On the homeward journey the band called at Hodnet, and rang several six-scores of Grandsire Doubles on the heavy-going peal of six there.

DEBENHAM, SUFFOLK.—On Sunday, Sept. 4th, on the occasion of the harvest festival, 720 Double Norwich Major: E. Grindell 1, S. Rowe 2, P. Woods 3, G. Wightman 4, E. Grimes 5, T. Chappell 6, W. Groom 7, W. C. Rumsey 8. Also 464 Bob Major: W. Groom 1, S. Hammond 2, P. Woods 3, E. Grindell 4, T. Chappell 5, W. Ruffles 6, W. C. Rumsey 7, E. Grimes 8; and 560 Double Norwich: E. Grindell 1, S. Rowe 2, P. Woods 3, E. Curtis 4, W. C. Rumsey 5, W. Ruffles 6, T. Chappell 7, G. S. Rowe 8.—On Sunday Sept. 11th, a peal of Bob Major was attempted in honour of the wedding of Mr. P. Laffin, a former member of the Debenham company, which event took place in Canada a few days previous. The attempt, however, came to grief after about 30 minutes: E. Grindell 1, V. Kerry 2, P. Woods 3, S. Rowe 4, W. Rumsey (conductor) 5, E. Grimes 6, W. Ruffles 7, T. Chappell 8.

BUCKNALL, STAFFS.—On Sunday, Sept. 4th, for evensong, 720 Norton-le-Moors: Alice Preston 1, W. Wheeldon, junr., 2, J. E. Wheeldon (first 720 in the method) 3, C. Pointon 4, W. Fradley 5, W. Wheeldon, senr. (conductor), 6.

STEVENTON, BERKS.—On Sunday, August 28th, at the Parish Church, 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor, after evening service, with the bells muffled, as a token of respect to the late Mr. Wells, churchwarden: H. Holifield 1, J. Honey 2, Mrs. A. E. Lock 3, F. Macey 4, A. E. Lock (conductor) 5, G. Caudwell 6. First in the method on these bells.

BRISTOL.—On Sunday, August 28th, for evening service, at the Church of SS. Philip and Jacob, in 42 mins., a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes): Mrs. E. J. Brown 1, Miss A. Brown (conductor) 2, F. J. Porch 3, E. J. Brown 4, F. E. Tyler 5, F. W. Wade 6, J. Jefferies 7, U. Braven 8. Mr. P. C. Williams kindly stood out. The above was rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor, and a welcome home to Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Brown, who had just returned from their honeymoon. This was Miss Brown's first attempt to conduct a quarter-peal, and she is also the first Bristol lady ringer to do so.

USEFUL TOUCHES FOR SERVICE RINGING.

294 DOUBLE NORWICH MAJOR.

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Can be called starting with another course

W. H. Hewett.

288 STEDMAN TRIPLES.

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Repeated.

J. Howes.

720 DOUBLE OXFORD MINOR.

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— 32564	5
S 35264	5
— 42356	1

Twice repeated.

H. M. Day.

483 STEDMAN CATERS.

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561342		5	16				
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G. R. Fardon.

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YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Members are hereby reminded that the annual subscription of 1/6 from all resident ringing members is now due, and should be paid without delay to the respective District Secretaries. All lapsed members will be reinstated without prejudice on payment of subscriptions in arrears.—Percy J. Johnson, 90, Blackman Lane, Leeds.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Estab. 1637).—The 284th Anniversary Dinner will be held at 'The London Tavern,' Fenchurch Street, on Saturday, Nov. 12th.—W. T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec.

HALIFAX AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.—The quarterly meeting and 6-bell contest will take place at New Mill on Saturday, Oct. 1st. Draw for order of ringing 2.45. Entries for contest to be sent to W. Frith, Sec. 5, Sufton Street, Berkby, Huddersfield.

DEVONSHIRE GUILD. — Exeter Branch. — Next quarterly meeting will be held at St. Sidwell's, Exeter, on Saturday, Oct. 1st. Bells available 2.30. Cathedral 10, St. Sidwell's 10, St. David's 8, Heavitree 8, St. Petrock's 6. Tea 4.30, St. Sidwell's Institute. Tea 1s. each. All members of the Guild are welcome.—J. C. Oke, 35, St. David's Hill, Exeter.

SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.—Next meeting will be held at St. Mary's, Walthamstow, on Saturday, Oct. 1st. Bells available at 3.30 p.m. Tea at 5.50 at "Nag's Head," to be followed by business meeting. — J. W. Cornford, Hon. Sec., 7d, Morgan Mansions, Holloway, N.7.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—The ancient ring of eight at Finchingfield will be reopened after rehanging on Saturday, Oct. 1st. Service in the Parish Church of St. John the Baptist at 3 p.m., preacher Rev. Dr. Evans (Rector of Sible Hedingham). — B. Redgwell, District Sec., The Street, Rayne, Braintree.

NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION. — Halesworth District.—A ringing meeting will be held at Cratfield on Saturday, Oct. 1st. The fine peal of six bells (tenor 20 cwt.) will be available from 2 p.m. All ringing friends welcome.—F. C. Lambert, District Sec.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Blackburn Branch.—The next branch meeting will be held at Accrington on Saturday, Oct. 1st. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting 6.30 p.m.—J. Watson, Branch Sec., 33, Langham Road, Blackburn.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Manchester Branch.—The next monthly meeting will be held on Saturday, Oct. 1st, at St. Thomas', Pendleton, not Flixton as arranged at last meeting. Bells ready 3.30. Meeting 7 o'clock.—J. Hall, Branch Sec., 22, Silver Street, Miles Platting, Manchester.

NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.—Aylsham District.—A ringing meeting will be held at Reepham, Salle and Heyden on Saturday, Oct. 1st. Meeting at Salle at 3 p.m. All ringing friends welcome.—Arthur L. Coleman, District Sec.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Maidstone District.—A meeting will be held at Mereworth on Saturday, Oct. 1st. Bells available at 3 o'clock. A short service at 5. Tea at the Rectory (provided by the Rector) at 5.45. Business meeting afterwards.—Stephen Hayzelden, District Sec., Lower Street, East Farleigh.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Northern District.—A meeting will be held at St. Mary's, Willesden, on Saturday, Oct. 1st. Ringing from 3.30 p.m.; also a practice at St. Andrew's, Holborn, on Thursday, Oct. 6th. All are welcome. Ringing from 7.30 p.m.—E. C. Russell, Hon. Sec.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—A Quarterly meeting of the Western Division will be held at Horsham on Saturday, Oct. 1st. Bells available from 2 p.m. and 7.30 till 9 o'clock. Tea at 5.30. Please notify me by Thursday, Sept. 29th, all those who intend being present.—A. W. Groves, 9, Sugden Road, Worthing.

WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Portsmouth District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Curdridge on Saturday, Oct. 1st. Bells (8) available 2 o'clock. Tea at 5.30 for those who acquaint me by Sept. 26th.—E. J. Harding, District Sec.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Western District.—A District meeting will be held at Hemel Hempstead on Saturday, Oct. 1st. Bells available 3 p.m. A service will be held in the Parish Church, with a short address by the Vicar. Tea and meeting to follow. All ringers welcome.—F. J. Reeve, Hon. Sec., Clifton House, Tring.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Luton District.—A meeting will be held at Husborne Crawley on Saturday, Oct. 1st. Bells at 3 p.m. Visitors welcomed.—A. E. Sharman, Hon. Sec., 199, High Street North, Dunstable.

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. — Grappenhall Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Frodsham (8 bells) on Saturday, Oct. 1st. Bells at 2 o'clock. Tea at small charge.—W. Bibby, Local Sec., London Road, Frodsham.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.—Wimborne Branch.—A meeting is to be held at Cranborne on Saturday, Oct. 1st. 2.30, ringing to begin. 4.30, Service, with address by the Vicar, Rev. L. Addison. 5.15, Tea (6d. each) at the Fleur de Lys Hotel.—C. A. Phillips, Hon. Branch Sec.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION. — Quarterly General meeting at St. Clement Danes, Monday, Oct. 3rd, 6.30 p.m. Business meeting 8 p.m., followed by special general meeting to revise rule 6. Practices: Mondays, 7.30 p.m., St. Clement's 17th and 31st; Bishopsgate 24th, Sundays at 10 a.m., St Clement's 1st and 3rd; Bishopsgate, 2nd and 4th. — A. D. Barker, Farnburn Avenue, near Slough.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (established 1637).—Meetings for practice will be held at 7.30 p.m. at *St. Paul's Cathedral on Oct. 4th; Southwark Cathedral on the 11th (Wheatsheaf afterwards); St. Magnus on the 13th and 27th; *St. Mary-le-Bow, Cheapside, on the 18th; St. Andrew's, Holborn, on the 20th, *Business meeting afterwards at Headquarters.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., 32, Edgeley Rd., Clapham, S.W.4.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.—A meeting will be held at Putney (by permission of the Rev. Canon Rivington) on Saturday, Oct. 8th, from 3 p.m. Will try and arrange tea as usual. All ringers welcome.—W. H. Hollier, Hon. Sec., 29, Duke Road, W.4.

LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—The next Quarterly meeting will be held at Cowbridge on Saturday, Oct. 8th at 4.30. Bells (8), and also Llanblethian (6), available. Tea provided.—J. W. Jones, Hon. Sec., 29, Barrack Hill, Newport, Mon.

PETERBOROUGH AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.—A special meeting will be held at Alwalton on Saturday, Oct. 8th. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Those requiring tea please let me know early. — John J. Jutson, Hon. Sec., St. Mary's School House, Peterborough.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Liverpool Diocesan Guild.—A meeting will be held at Walton on Saturday, Oct. 8th. Bells ready at 4. Meeting 6.30.—Walter Hughes, Branch Sec.

NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.—Saxmundham District.—A Quarterly meeting of the above will be held at Aldeburgh-on-Sea on Saturday, Oct. 8th. Bells of the Parish Church (6) ready from 3 o'clock.—George Willson, 41, Valley Road, Leiston.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.—Hinckley District.—The Monthly meeting will be held at Wolvey on Saturday, Oct. 8th. Bells available 4 p.m.—F. Cotton, Local Hon. Sec., Hinckley.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—A meeting will be held at Dulverton on Saturday, Oct. 8th. Service in the Parish Church at 3 p.m. Meeting and tea to follow in the Parish Room.—E. E. Burgess, Hon. Sec., Dunkery, Greenway Avenue, Taunton.

DEVONSHIRE GUILD.—Mid-Devon Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Upton, Torquay, on Saturday, Oct. 8th. Bells (8) available 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Will all requiring tea advise me not later than Oct. 6th?—H. J. Hole, Hon. Sec., 'Tauntonia.' Church Street, Paignton.

CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.—Thrapstone District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Aldwinkle on Saturday, Oct. 8th. Usual arrangements. It is hoped members will make a special effort to attend.—J. Nickerson, Dist. Sec., Halford Street, Thrapstone.

BARNSLEY AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.—The next Monthly meeting will be held at Wath-on-Dearne on Saturday, Oct. 8th. Bells available at 2 p.m. Sandwiches provided. Business meeting at 5.30.—C. D. Potter, Hon. Sec., 119, Doncaster Road, Barnsley.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Preston Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Whittle-le-Woods on Oct. 8th, as Leyland bells are at present out of order. Usual arrangements.—E. R. Martin, Branch Sec.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Northern Division.—By kind permission of the Rev. T. A. Lee, the Quarterly meeting will be held at Thornaby-on-Tees on Saturday, Oct. 8th. The bells of St. Paul's Church will be available from 2 p.m. Service in the Church at 4.30 Tea in the Parish Hall at 5 o'clock, followed by a business meeting in the same room. It will greatly help in making arrangements for the day if all requiring tea will please notify Mr. J. Sinclair, 15, Grange Road, Thornaby-on-Tees, not later than Thursday, Oct. 6th. Annual subscriptions for the year ending Sept. 30th, 1921, are now due, and the Secretary will be pleased if all who have not yet paid will kindly do so before that date.—A. L. Henderson, Hon. District Sec., Mayfield, Pickering.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Frome and Midsomer Norton Deanery Branch.—Quarterly meeting at Beckington, Oct. 8th. Service at 4 p.m. Tea and business at 5. Bells (8) available all the afternoon and evening.—I. B. Holmyard, Hon. Sec., School House, Midsomer Norton.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. — Tonbridge District.—The next meeting of this district will be held at Penshurst on Saturday, Oct. 8th. Tower open at 3 p.m. Service at 5. Tea at 5.45 followed by business meeting. Members requiring tea must notify the Dis. Sec. not later than Tuesday, Oct. 4th.—W. Latter, Hon. Dis. Sec., 11, Dudley Road, Tunbridge Wells.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION. — Southern District.—The next meeting will be held on Saturday, Oct. 15th, at St. Mary's, Lewisham. Tower open from 4 to 8 p.m. Tea at 5.30, at 1/6 per head. Will those requiring tea kindly notify me by Oct. 11th?—F. A. Smith, Hon. District Sec., 14, Oxford Avenue, Merton Park, S.W.20.

NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION (for the Diocese of Norwich and Archdeaconry of Suffolk).—The Annual General Meeting will be held at the Bell Hotel, Orford Hill, Norwich, on Thursday, Oct. 13th, at 2.30 p.m. The President, the Very Rev the Dean of Norwich, in the chair. The rings of bells at St. Peter Mancroft (12), St. John de Sepulchre (8), St. Michael Coslany (8), All Saints' (5), will be open for the use of members, excepting during the time of Divine service. Divine service will be held at St. Peter Mancroft Church at 12.30 p.m. Preacher, the Right Rev. the Bishop of Thetford. The President and committee earnestly hope that all members attending the annual meeting will be present at that service. Dinner will be served at the Bell Hotel, Orford Hill, at 1.30 p.m. Tickets, 3s. 6d. per head. Those who intend to be present at the dinner are earnestly requested not to forget to notify the same to the Secretary on or before Monday, Oct. 10th. Committee meeting will be held at the Bell Hotel at 11.30 a.m. Arrears for 1920 and subscriptions for the current year should be paid at once, for the preparation of a financial statement to lay before the annual meeting. The Very Rev. the Dean of Norwich has very kindly offered to conduct the members round the Cathedral after the annual meeting. It is earnestly hoped that many members will avail themselves of this Ciceronian event.—Arthur L. Coleman, Secretary, 'High Croft,' North Walsham. Norfolk.

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—The dedication of memorial bell at All Saints', Hereford (by the Bishop), will take place at 7 p.m. on Oct. 31st. The reopening of this grand peal following day, Nov. 1st. Particulars later.—C. Edwards, Ringing Master, Great Brampton, Madley, Hereford.

SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.—Meetings for practice:—St. Martin's, first Monday in the month, at 7.30 p.m.; Shoreditch, 3rd Wednesday, 7.30 p.m. Services, 2nd and 4th Sundays, 5 p.m.—J. W. Cornford, Hon. Sec., 7D, Morgan Mansions, N.7.

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BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

A meeting of the Bedford district was held at St. Peter's, Bedford, on Saturday last. The meeting was to have been held at Elstow, but owing to the death of the sexton's wife, the Rector of St. Peter's kindly granted the use of the bells at a very short notice. Members were present from St. Paul's, Bedford, Elstow, Kempston, Biddenham, Turvey, Clapham, Biggleswade, Roxton, Luton, Cranfield, and the St. Peter's company.

At the business meeting, Mr. F. Webb presided, and one new member was elected.—Milton Ernest was chosen for the annual meeting of the district some time in November, of which notice will appear in 'The Ringing World.'

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