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LESSON OF THE MOTTRAM PEAL.

The announcement that the long peal of Treble Bob at Mottram was false, provides yet another instance of the fact that composers, however eminent, are not infallible, and in this case there is also the source of regret which must be experienced that such a great physical feat of ringing for more than eleven hours should go for naught. No one, we are sure, is more annoyed over the contretemps than Mr. Lindoff himself, and yet the blame is wholly his. Composers are naturally jealous of their productions, and particularly when they have secured a record length. As a rule, there is also a desire in the case of the latter to keep it as private as possible until it has been rung, largely in order that the band who propose to make the attempt shall not be robbed of the 'spoils of victory' by others stealing a march upon them. All the circumstances of a record peal, therefore, tend to keep the composition away from the light of publicity until it has been rung, and the catastrophe of ringing a false peal is all the more irritating when the length is as much as that at Mottram, which, the Appleton peal excepted, would have been the greatest number of changes rung on church bells, as well as being the record length of Treble Bob.

Few ringers, we imagine, have a greater knowledge of Treble Bob composition than Mr. Lindoff, who has spent years in investigating the method, and yet, with all his knowledge, he fell into error. Treble Bob Major is well known to be tricky in its composition, and was looked upon as having been worked out to the extent of the method in the 16,800, which constituted the previous record. The addition of the considerable number of over 1,400 changes is such a big jump that special precautions were necessary to test its accuracy, and we can hardly believe that these were not taken by a man of the experience of Mr. Lindoff. However that may be, the peal was false. Whether, had the composition been true, the performance would ultimately have been admitted, is another question which we believe would have been raised, but as the composition was wrong there is nothing further which need be taken into account. The ground upon which the performance becomes invalid, however, is one which is a matter of regret, because it was an avoidable cause.

There is, of course, an obvious remedy against the repetition of such a failure, namely, to have every record composition checked by a second competent composer before it is rung. Any feeling there may be that such a course would lay the original composer open to have his figures 'pirated' can be at once dismissed, for the honour of the person to whom the figures were submitted would be

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more than sufficient to insure no betrayal of confidence. No one can insist upon a composer submitting his figures to another person, but, in the light of the Mottram experience, prudence points to this step being taken; indeed, we imagine no band in future, going for a record length in any method until they are assured that the truth of the composition is vouched for by some competent person in addition to the composer.

TEN BELL PEALS.

STOCKPORT, CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
(Stockport and Bowden Branch.)

On Thursday, June 22, 1922, in Three Hours and Thirty Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 6040 CHANGES;

Tenor 24 cwt.	
FRANK STONELEY Treble	FRED HOLT 6
BENJAMIN THORP 2	TOM WILDE 7
*JOHN P. FIDLER 3	WALTER W. WOLSTENCROFT 8
JAMES FERNLEY 4	ALBERT HOUGH 9
JAMES H. RIDING 5	SAMUEL BOOTH Tenor

Composed by JAMES WOOD.

Conducted by TOM WILDE.

* First peal on ten bells. First peal on ten bells as conductor. This was the first quarterly peal for the Branch and was rung to welcome home H.R.H. the Prince of Wales, also as a birthday compliment to Mr. J. Fernley.

LONDON.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Saturday, June 24, 1922, in Three Hours and Nineteen Minutes,
At the Church of St. Clement Danes, Strand, W.C.,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5007 CHANGES;

Tenor 24 cwt.	
CHALLIS F. WINNEY Treble	ALFRED B. PECK 6
GEORGE HOLIFIELD, JUN. ... 2	ARCHIBALD F. HARRIS ... 7
HERBERT LANGDON 3	WILLIAM T. COCKERILL ... 8
HENRY R. NEWTON 4	RICHARD WHITE 9
GEORGE HOLIFIELD, SEN. ... 5	FRED WHITE Tenor

Composed by SIR A. P. HEYWOOD. Conducted by HERBERT LANGDON.

WALTHAMSTOW, E.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON
DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, June 24, 1922, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5104 CHANGES;

IN THE GRANTA VARIATION.		Tenor 19½ cwt.	
CHARLES T. COLES Treble	JAMES C. ADAMS 6		
EDWIN BARNETT, JUN. ... 2	*HERBERT E. AUSDLEY ... 7		
GEORGE B. LUCAS 3	FRED C. MAYNARD 8		
HUGH SCARLETT 4	HAROLD W. CLARK 9		
ARTHUR MASON 5	REUBEN SANDERS Tenor		

Composed by HENRY W. HALLEY. Conducted by CHARLES T. COLES.

* First peal of Royal. First peal of Royal in the Granta Variation rung on tower bells.

STOCKPORT, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, June 24, 1922, in Three Hours and Forty-Four Minutes,
At the Church of St. George,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5000 CHANGES;

Tenor 30 cwt.	
FRANK STONELEY Treble	EDWARD JENKINS 6
TOM WILDE 2	CECIL RADDON 7
JOHN P. FIDLER 3	SAM WOOD 8
HENRY C. COLLYER 4	HARRY CHAPMAN 9
SAM GREENHALGH 5	ALLEN F. BAILEY Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHTS.

Conducted by E. JENKINS.

CHARING, KENT. — On Whit Sunday, for evening service, 720 Grandsire Minor: J. Edwards 1, S. Hopper 2, W. Good 3, A. V. Good 4, C. F. Good 5, H. E. Good (conductor) 6.

EIGHT BELL PEALS.

CAVERSHAM, OXON.
THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
(LATE THE ST. JAMES' SOCIETY.)

On Monday, June 5, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 13 cwt. in F sharp.

FRANCIS E. DAWE Treble	JEFFERY R. GAMMON 5
THOMAS H. TAFFENDER 2	ERNEST BRETT 6
CHALLIS F. WINNEY 3	JAMES BULLOCK 7
ISAAC G. SHADE 4	ARTHUR J. NEALE Tenor

Conducted by FRANCIS EDWARD DAWE,

MILNROW.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(ROCHDALE BRANCH.)

On Saturday, June 17, 1922, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;

Tenor 20 cwt.

R. BUCKLEY Treble	*MISS R. A. BELL 4
J. FITTON 2	W. CRABTREE 5
G. STAFF 3	*J. LEES 6
H. DAVENPORT Tenor	

Composed by W. SHIPWAY. Conducted by G. STAFF.

The above was arranged and rung to celebrate the completion of 50 years' service as ringers at Milnrow by the treble and 2nd. The local band are indebted to Messrs. Crabtree and Davenport, of Todmorden, Miss R. A. Bell, of Cross Stone, and J. Lees, of Balderstone, for their help. * First peal of Bob Major. First peal on the bells by a lady ringer.

ERDINGTON, BIRMINGHAM.

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

On Saturday, June 17, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BARNABAS,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HEYWOOD'S VARIATION. Tenor 15½ cwt. in F.

WILLIAM B. CARTWRIGHT ... Treble	OLIVER G. NORMAN 5
ALBERT E. NORMAN 2	HERBERT C. SPENCER 6
GEORGE F. SWANN 3	ARTHUR GARDNER 7
JOSEPH W. PEMBERTON 4	THOMAS H. REEVES Tenor

Conducted by H. C. SPENCER.

Rung to celebrate the birth of a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Spencer. First peal in the method as conductor. T. H. Reeves has now rung every bell in this tower to a peal.

HARBORNE, STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.
(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Monday, June 19, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

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

Tenor 10½ cwt in G.

PERCY O. LAFLIN Treble	JOHN EATON 5
*C. HOWARD STANLEY 2	WILLIAM B. CARTWRIGHT 6
CHARLES WEBB 3	SAMUEL GROVE 7
WILLIAM BALL 4	JAMES GEORGE Tenor

Composed by J. PIGOTT. Conducted by S. GROVE.

* First peal of Double Norwich. Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. H. Grosvenor, the tower keeper of Harborne.

SUDBURY, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH
DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 17, 1922, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GREGORY,

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

Tenor 16 cwt.

FREDERICK BORRETT Treble	GEORGE BROWN 5
EDWARD EVANS 2	*EDWIN GOATE 6
ALPHAEUS BERRY 3	ERNEST POPPY 7
GEORGE P. BURTON 4	DAVID ELLIOTT Tenor

Composed by G. NEWSON.

Conducted by F. BORRETT.

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

DARLINGTON, DURHAM.

THE CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 17, 1922, in Eleven Hours and Twelve Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. CUTHBERT,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 18 cwt.

HENRY TAYLOR Treble	THOMAS METCALFE 5
ALBERT COATES 2	ALBERT HUNTER 6
FREDK. W. JOHNSON 3	WILLIAM BROADLEY 7
HERBERT BROADLEY 4	REV. ALBERT SIMPSON Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by REV. A. SIMPSON.

OXHEY, HERTS.

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, June 19, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MATTHEW,

A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 8 cwt. 1 qr. 15 lb.

*WILLIAM SEELEY Treble	MAURICE F. R. HIBBERT 5
HUBERT EDEN 2	FREDERICK WHITE 6
*WALTER AYRE 3	WILLIAM G. WHITE 7
ARTHUR W. DIX 4	FREDERICK W. BRINKLOW Tenor

Composed by G. LINDOFF. Conducted by M. F. R. HIBBERT.

* First peal in the method. First peal in the method as conductor. Arranged for Mr. F. White (late of Oxhey), now of Tunbridge Wells, who was on a visit.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(GUILDFORD DISTRICT.)

On Thursday, June 22, 1922, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

Tenor 24 cwt. in E.

*WILLIAM CHIVERS Treble	GEORGE TOMSETT 5
†FREDERICK L. CLARKE 2	EDWARD RADFORD 6
EDWARD ETHERIDGE 3	SEPTIMUS RADFORD 7
†GEORGE PETTER 4	ALFRED H. PULLING Tenor

Conducted by ALFRED H. PULLING.

* First peal. † First peal in the method. ‡ First peal on an 'inside' bell.

SOUTHAMPTON.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, June 22, 1922, in Three Hours and Thirty-Six Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HEYWOOD'S No. 1.

Tenor 23 cwt.

JOHN W. FAITHFULL Treble	REGINALD BROWN 5
GEORGE WILLIAMS 2	HARRY W. REEVES 6
†CARYLL E. V. WILLIAMS 3	PERCIVAL W. CAVE 7
*DONALD H. BROWN 4	JOHN W. PASSMAN Tenor

Conducted by PERCIVAL W. CAVE.

First peal of Stedman by all except the ringers of 2nd and 7th.
* First peal. † First peal on eight bells.

ALFRED BOWELL,
CHURCH BELL FOUNDER,
IPSWICH.

MALVERN LINK, WORCESTERSHIRE.—At St. Matthias Church, on Sunday, May 21st, for evening service, amongst other touches, a 504 Stedman Triples: R. G. Knowles (conductor) 1, W. Ranford 2, W. Niblett 3, E. E. Barber 4, H. Chance 5, C. Camm 6, H. T. Knowles 7, A. Richings 8. This was rung half-muffled as a token of respect to Mr. W. Jones, a respected tradesman in the district, who had held the offices of churchwarden or sidesman for many years at this church.

IRETHLINGBOROUGH, NORTHANTS.
THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, June 24, 1922, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;

Tenor 10½ cwt.

JOHN J. MAWEY... .. Treble	*HARRY RICHARDSON 5
*ARTHUR BIGLEY... .. 2	GEORGE BASFORD 6
*NORMAN THOMAS 3	ANDERSON T. TYLER... .. 7
*C. HARRY CHAMBERS 4	JAMES T. WARD... .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by ANDERSON T. TYLER.

* First peal. Rung to celebrate the Prince of Wales' birthday.

CHESTER.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, June 24, 1922, in Three Hours and Thirty-Six Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-WITHIN-THE-WALLS,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 6016 CHANGES;

Tenor 14 cwt.

ROBERT SPERRING Treble	RICHARD T. HOLDING... .. 5
JOHN HAYES... .. 2	JOHN W. DAVIES... .. 6
HARRY OVERTON... .. 3	SAMUEL JONES, JUN. 7
GEORGE R. JONES 4	JAMES H. RIDING... .. Tenor

Composed by CHARLES PRICE. Conducted by ROBERT SPERRING

Longest length by all except treble.

EPSOM, SURREY.

THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 24, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-One Minutes,
AT CHRIST CHURCH,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

ARTHUR DEAN Treble	ALFRED H. WINCH 5
JOHN BEAMS... .. 2	*WALTER CLAYDON 6
GEORGE MARRINER 3	ALBERT HARMAN 7
JOHN H. WHITE 4	DAVID ANSCOMBE Tenor

Conducted by ALBERT HARMAN.

* First peal in the method.

LONDON.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS

On Saturday, June 24, 1922, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. DUNSTON, STEPNEY, E.,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 31 cwt.

WILLIAM A. ALPS Treble	GEORGE R. FARDON 5
ROBERT A. FARDON 2	ERNEST MORRIS 6
CHARLES W. ROBERTS 3	THOMAS LANGDON 7
WILSON RUSHTON 4	RICHARD F. FORWARD... .. Tenor

Conducted by THOMAS LANGDON.

This peal was specially arranged for Mr. E. Morris, of Leicester, who was visiting Twickenham on a honeymoon trip. The band wish him future happiness and prosperity.

ISLEWORTH, MIDDLESEX.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, June 24, 1922 in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 16½ cwt.

F. G. GODDARD Treble	WILLIAM H. HEWETT... .. 5
FRANK I. HAIRS 2	J. ARMIGER TROLLOPE 6
MRS. F. I. HAIRS... .. 3	WILLIAM WELLING 7
WILLIAM HENLEY 4	GEORGE SPENCER... .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM H. HEWETT.

William Henley's rooth peal. First peal of Triples as conductor. Rung to celebrate the birthday of H.R.H. the Prince of Wales.

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THE NORWICH ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 24, 1922, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 14 cwt.

FRANK H. DAVEY Treble	FREDERICK R. BORRETT 5
ROBERT HARDY 2	NORMAN R. BAILEY 6
CHARLES P. T. BRICE 3	*GEORGE MAYERS 7
FREDERICK J. HOWCHIN 4	GEORGE H. CROSS Tenor

Composed and Conducted by GEORGE H. CROSS.

* First peal in the method. For composition see 'Bell News,' 5th August, 1911.

BRENTWOOD, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 24, 1922, in Three Hours,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS-THE-MARTYR,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S TEN-PART.

Tenor 19½ cwt.

ALBERT RAINBIRD Treble	ERNEST J. BOTLER 5
GEORGE R. PYE... .. 2	*WILLIAM LEGGETT 6
*EDWIN D. BAKER 3	WESLEY WATSON 6
ALFRED PYE 4	†ERNEST FIRBANK Tenor

Conducted by ALFRED PYE.

* First peal in the method 'inside.' * First peal on eight bells. Arranged and rung to celebrate the safe return of H.R.H. the Prince of Wales.

SIX BELL PEALS.

OADBY, LEICESTER.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, June 15, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

10 different callings.

ALBERT BLACKWELL Treble	THOMAS BRITTONY 4
HENRY CHAMBERLAIN... .. 2	WILLIAM H. CLARKE 5
WILLIAM LANE 3	ROWLAND DOWELL Tenor

Conducted by W. H. CLARKE.

WELTON, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, June 17, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven different 720's.

Tenor 11 cwt.

SIMON CADE Treble	W. RUSSELL RANSHAW 4
*WILLIAM S. HILL 2	ARTHUR BALDWIN 5
CHARLES V. CADE 3	G. WILLIAM CREASEY... .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAM CREASEY.

* First peal. First peal as conductor.

RINGSTEAD, NORTHANTS.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 24, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Double Coart, Double Oxford, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Bob and Bob Minor.

Tenor 12 cwt. 1 qr. 9 lb.

ARTHUR B. BELLAMY... .. Treble	LEONARD J. WYMAN 4
DANIEL REDHEAD 2	JAMES M. NICKERSON... .. 5
WILLIAM J. GILBERT 3	REGINALD C. LOVEDAY Tenor

Conducted by REGINALD C. LOVEDAY.

This peal was arranged and rung as birthday compliments to the ringers of the treble, 3rd and tenor; also to Mr. Arthur Underwood, of Finedon, a personal friend of the band, who came over with Mr. J. R. Main to listen to the peal, and at the conclusion kindly entertained the ringers. This is the quickest peal rung on the bells.

BARNES.—At the Church of St. Mary's, on Sunday, June 11th, for evening service, 756 of Stedman Triples: M. Jacobs 1, H. Barrott 2, H. Stevens 3, R. Mackrill 4, H. Cook 5, C. Hunt 6, F. Skerington (conductor) 7, J. Willmott 8.

**MORETON-VALANCE, GLOUCESTERSHIRE,
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION**

*On Saturday, June 24, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Four Minutes,
At the Church of St. Stephen,*

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE & ST. DUNSTON DOUBLES, 5040 CHANCES;

Tenor 11 cwt. in G.

*THOMAS BAILEY...	... Treble	†GEORGE ORCHARD ...	... 4
FRANK COLE ...	... 2	*THOMAS PRICE ...	... 5
ALBERT WRIGHT ...	... 3	*EDWARD FREEDY ...	... Tenor

Conducted by ALBERT WRIGHT.

* First peal. † First peal of Doubles.

HANDBELL PEALS.

**TEDDINGTON, MIDDLESEX.
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Sunday, June 4, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,
At 16, COLESHILL ROAD,*

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5079 CHANCES;

Tenor size 18 in G.

WILLOUGHBY E. MAULDEN	1-2	ALFRED H. POLLING ...	... 5-6
MRS. F. I. HAIRS	... 3-4	FRANK I. HAIRS ...	... 7-8
CLARENCE H. DOBBIE	... 9-10		

Composed by G. LINDOFF. Conducted by A. H. POLLING.

Witnesses: MRS. DOBBIE and MRS. POLLING.

This was the conductor's 100th peal of Stedman Caters 'in hand.'

GUILDFORD, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

*On Tuesday, June 6, 1922, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,
At the Royal Grammar School,*

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5019 CHANCES;

Tenor size 21 in D.

CHARLES HAZELDEN ...	1-2	WILLOUGHBY E. MAULDEN	5-6
ALFRED H. POLLING ...	3-4	SEPTIMUS RADFORD ...	7-8
GEORGE W. STEERE ...	9-10		

Composed by G. LINDOFF. Conducted by A. H. POLLING.

Witnesses: MRS. HAZELDEN and MRS. POLLING.

LONDON.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

*On Friday, June 23, 1922, in Two Hours and Thirty-Six Minutes,
At 31, RIFFEL ROAD, CRICKLEWOOD, N.W.,*

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

GEORGE M. KILBY ...	1-2	WILLIAM E. JUDD ...	5-6
CHALLIS F. WINNEY ...	3-4	CBCIL V. EBBERSON ...	7-8

Conducted by C. F. WINNEY.

Umpire: HARRY KILBY.

BIRMINGHAM.

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

*On Saturday, June 24, 1922, in Three Hours and Thirty-Five Minutes,
In St. MARTIN'S BELFRY,*

A PEAL OF STEDMAN SEXTUPLES, 5055 CHANCES;

Tenor 17 size in B flat.

THOMAS RUSSAN ...	1-2	GEORGE F. SWANN ...	7-8
ALBERT WALKER ...	3-4	JAMES E. GROVES ...	9-10
PERCY O. LAFLIN ...	5-6	ALBERT E. NORMAN ...	11-12
MORRIS J. MORRIS ...	13-14		

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by ALBERT WALKER.

Referee: VICE-PRESIDENT WILLIAM KENT.

This was the first peal ever rung on 14 bells and was rung at the first attempt. Further reference and the composition will appear later.

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fine peal being left with regret. Many thanks are due to the Rev. H. Topham, Rector of Middleham, and Mr. — Topham, of Middleham Hall, for welcoming the visitors. The handbell ringing on the lawn stirred our host to produce a fine peal of handbells, which were carefully stored away. Tuesday afternoon saw the various members leaving for their destinations, the kindly labours of Mr. T. Maude in arranging the outing being much appreciated, while the untiring efforts of Mr. H. Parrish, on behalf of the party for their entertainment, made the outing one of the most pleasant yet undertaken.

P. J. J.

**RINGERS' OUTINGS.
WORKSOP PRIORY COMPANY.**

The annual outing by motor charabanc, on Whit Monday, was arranged by the leader of the Priory ringers, and the company visited Stow, Willingham and East Markham. A halt was made for lunch in a picturesque little spot by the roadside. The journey was continued to Stow, where the Rector and his wife and children were in readiness to greet our arrival. Several touches and one 720 of Kent Treble Bob was tapped off, our lady ringers handling their ropes and ringing in good style. The famous Lincoln Minster could be seen from the top of the tower. The next stop was Willingham, where the party were met by the Rector and steepkeeper. Here they found one of Taylor's new rings of six, tuned on the Canon Simpson principle. As the bells had not been rung for some considerable time, owing to scarcity of ringers, the oil can had to be applied, especially to the tenor. Some good ringing in touches of Plain Bob, Grandsire Doubles, Kent and Oxford were accomplished, the ladies again acquitting themselves admirably. An interesting chat on bells, ringers and church matters generally, with the Rector, steepkeeper and friends, occupied the party until the time of departure for East Markham. Some good ringing was executed at East Markham, and a fine rise and fall in peal brought the ringing to a finish. The day was beautifully fine. The company consisted of the Priory ringers, wives and sweethearts, Mr. J. H. Brothwell of Treeton; Mr. C. Crawford of Laneham; and arrived home at 9.15. The company's thanks are due to Mr. A. Howe, the incumbents and steepkeepers of each parish for making the outing an enjoyable success.

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AN IDLE TRIP.

On Whit Tuesday, the local company of Holy Trinity (Idle Parish Church) had a charabanc outing up the Aire Valley. Leaving Town Gate at 9 a.m., a good run was made to Giggleswick, where the bells were placed at our disposal (a ring of six), and soon set up in peal, and rung in the following methods: Oxford and Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob Minor. Lunch was partaken of at Settle. After lunch the tower was visited, where a nice-toned peal of eight in readiness were soon going in to changes of Plain Bob Major, Double Norwich and Grandsire Triples; but owing to the state of the bells, the 7th especially, coupled with the heat, for the day was gloriously warm, nothing successful was accomplished. Gargrave was reached at 4.45, the party being met by Mr. John McKell, who extended a hearty welcome on this their first visit. The tower was visited, and a short touch of Double Norwich rung. Three of the local men also joined in short touches of Double Norwich and Grandsire Triples. On arrival at Skipton, a fine peal of 8 (both for tone and 'go') were sent up in peal, and rung to the old song, Kent Treble Bob. The party take this opportunity of offering their best thanks to the respective incumbents for the use of the bells; also to the local companies for having everything in readiness.

S. H. E.

WEEK-END IN YORKSHIRE DALES.

On Saturday, June 4th, a party, consisting of Messrs. T. Maude, G. B. Bolland, F. W. Dixon, T. B. Kendall, H. Oddy, Mr. and Mrs. F. Salmons, Mr. and Mrs. J. Ambler, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Fearnley, Mr. and Mrs. J. Cotterell, Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Johnson, and Mr. W. Pearson, visited the Yorkshire Dales. On the outward journey a call was made at Northallerton, where a peal of eight were found, but the 'go' of the bells was far inferior to the tone. After lunch a start was made for Bedale to try the peal of eight (tenor 24 cwt.), but on arrival, the tower presented a woeful state of neglect, and appeared out of keeping with the rest of this splendid building. This Church of All Saints is a fine example of a fortified church tower. The bells are a mixed peal, the tenor dating from 1631, the sixth and seventh 1625, the founders being unknown, while the two trebles are of a much later date, and were presumably cast by Messrs. Warner. The hospitality of one of the local ringers was accepted, with many thanks, a few touches on handbells leaving our temporary host well satisfied. Middleham-in-Urodale, the week-end headquarters, was reached in the evening, and after tea the fine peal of eight in the Parish Church, cast by Taylor, 1904 (tenor 18 cwt.), was rung, the splendid tone and 'go' of the bells being much admired. On behalf of the Rev. H. Topham, Rector of Middleham, Mr. H. Parrish extended a hearty welcome to the party. Sunday found the bells at Middleham rousing the inhabitants at 6 a.m., and touches in various methods were also rung for the mid-day service. On Sunday afternoon Grinton was visited, but here a rope had to be spliced and fixed before the handy peal of six could be rung. To our regret, the 'go' of the bells at Richmond was very bad, and very little ringing satisfied the visitors. After tea, the return journey by motor to Middleham occupied the rest of the evening. Catterick and Darlington were visited on Monday, the beautifully-kept ringing chamber and light peal of eight, at the former place being much appreciated. At Darlington the party were accorded a hearty and courteous welcome by the meeting of the Durham and Newcastle Association, and the various churches and bells were tried in varying methods. Tuesday once again found Middleham bells ringing a farewell touch, this

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KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. TONBRIDGE DISTRICT.

A quarterly meeting of the above was held at Chiddingstone on Saturday, May 27th, and although the attendance of members was not so numerous as usual, a most enjoyable and instructive afternoon and evening was spent. Ringing commenced about 3 o'clock. At 5 o'clock the usual service was held, conducted by the Rector (the Rev. R. C. Salmon), and Mrs. Salmon presided at the organ.

The Rector presided at the business meeting, supported by the Rev. C. Sampson (curate) and Mr. G. Hale, one of the churchwardens.

The Rector warmly welcomed the members, and said he was glad to see so many young members present, as it gave great promise for the future.

The minutes of the annual district meeting were read and confirmed.—The District Secretary made a feeling reference to the loss the district had sustained in the death of Mr. G. H. Stonestreet, of Tonbridge, and said that he had written to Mrs. Stonestreet, expressing the sympathy of the members. This was approved of by the silent vote of the members standing.

Eight new practising members were elected, and one election confirmed. The Rector of Sevenoaks was elected an hon. member.—Mr. F. White suggested that someone should be appointed to act as Ringing Master at the meetings. He said it was quite possible that young members at the meetings were desirous of practising a certain method which they had looked up, but were nervous of pushing forward, and, therefore, did not get an opportunity. He thought that if there was someone to whom they knew they could apply, it would give them a better opportunity of practising these methods. After some discussion, the District Secretary suggested that the district representatives on the Central Committee for the time being should act in that capacity.—This was seconded and carried.

Votes of thanks to the Rector and Mrs. Salmon for the use of the bells, for arranging and conducting the service, and for presiding at the organ, and to the Rev. Sampson and Mr. George Hale for their attendance, and to Mr. A. Longley for making arrangements, were passed, to which Mr. G. Hale replied, concluded the meeting, and the members adjourned to the tower for further ringing.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. SOUTHERN DIVISION.

A meeting was held at Tickhill, on Saturday, June 17th. The towers represented being All Saints', St. Mary's, and the Cathedral Sheffield, Rannmoor, Ecclesfield, Wortley, Doncaster, Arksey, Rawmarsh, Rotherham, Handsworth, Bolsterstone, and Norton.

At 5 o'clock, a short service was held in the Church, at which the Vicar (the Rev. H. E. Booty) officiated, and gave a very interesting address. The business meeting was held immediately after tea, the Vicar kindly taking the chair, supported by Mr. Willey, vice-president.—The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed, and Messrs. W. H. Dale, H. Wagstaffe, J. Channings, H. Barnes, of Tickhill, and A. Mitchell and G. Tuke, of Rawmarsh, were elected as members of the Association. In view of the annual Commemoration Dinner to the past officers of the Yorkshire Association taking place in Leeds, in September, it was decided, after some discussion, to abandon the September meeting of the Southern District, and to hold the December meeting at Rotherham, if the necessary permission can be obtained.—Mr. Willey urged all who possibly could to attend the annual dinner.—Votes of thanks to the Vicar for the use of the bells and his address, and to the local company for the excellent tea provided, were carried.—The Vicar, in replying, said how very pleased he was at seeing so many present, and the Association need never be without a place to hold a meeting. 'You will always be sure of a welcome at Tickhill, and come as often as you like,' concluded the reverend gentleman, a remark greeted with loud applause.

After tea, visitors were privileged to inspect the old ruins of the Castle and the beautiful grounds belonging to it, these being at their best, with the roses a special attraction. Handbell ringing was indulged in in various parts of the grounds. Grandsire Caters and Bob Major were rung, and as a special item a plain course of Keg and Kegmeg. This is a Sheffield speciality, and permission to ring it can be obtained from any of the Cathedral company. Methods rung during the afternoon and evening included Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Treble Bob and Bob Major and Double Norwich.

EASTERN DISTRICT

A quarterly meeting was held at Sherburn-in-Elmet, on Saturday May 27th, by kind consent of the Vicar, the Rev. P. Bone, M.A., and the bells were kept going to various methods from 1 to 9 p.m.

A bountiful tea was kindly provided by the ladies of the parish, to which some 30 members sat down, representative of towers at Beverley, Hemmingbrough, Hull, Pontefract, Selby and York.

A short business meeting followed, presided over by Mr. W. Pearson (Pontefract), in the absence of the vice-president.

Mr. G. Bryce, of Selby, was elected a member of the Association.

An invitation from the Vicar of Hatfield (the Rev. F. Meridith Brooks) for the next meeting was unanimously accepted.

Votes of thanks were passed to the Rev. P. Bone (who was unavoidably absent) for the use of the bells, to the ladies who kindly waited at tea, and to the local company of ringers for their excellent arrangements.

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. ANNUAL FESTIVAL.

Whit Monday, on which the Hereford Diocesan Guild of Bell Ringers held their annual festival, called together the greatest number of ringers yet assembled in this county. It is computed that at least 100 attended the preliminary service in the Ladye Chapel of the Cathedral, and that, approximately, 150 sat down to dinner at the Spread Eagle Hotel. These were representative of some 25 towers. The Master of the Guild, Mr. J. G. Buchanan (Clyde House, Hereford), was unfortunately absent, a circumstance greatly regretted. The clergy present at some part of the day, or throughout the whole, were the hon. secretary and treasurer, the Rev. G. W. Turner (Madley), the Rev. H. S. T. Richardson (Vicar of Hopcote, Salop), a great authority on handbell ringing; the Rev. R. A. Lyne (Upton Bishop), the Rev. Preb. Warner (Lugwardine), the Rev. H. E. Wall (Diocesan Missioner), and the Rev. T. O. Charteris, Burghill.

The towers where peals were either rung during the day or at the disposal of the ringers, were: St. Nicholas, 10—12; Cathedral, 11—12, 6.30—8.30; All Saints, 3.30—6 (Hereford); Holme Lacy, Burghill, Lyde, Allensmore, Lugwardine.

At the Ladye Chapel service the singing of the bell ringers, as became members of their profession, was markedly harmonious. The Rev. H. E. Wall played the dual part of organist and preacher.

The Rev. G. W. Turner presided at the dinner, when a brief toast list was disposed of. Following 'The King.'

Mr. P. Lane proposed the Bishop and Clergy. They were blessed, he said, with good clergy in the diocese. In his own district they had in Mr. Richardson a most able exponent of the art of handbell ringing. He wished that the clergy could give them more help in practical ringing (applause).

Prebendary Warner regretted the Bishop's absence, that his lordship might reply to the toast himself. They all admired the Bishop. The clergy as a whole, greatly appreciated the work done by the bell ringers.

Mr. C. Edwards proposed 'The Preacher.' His sermon had been excellent. In reminding them of the high claims of the bell ringers' calling, he had given them his views straight from the shoulder. They tried to respond, and were making headway in the art every day (applause).

Mr. Wall said the Guild was held in the highest possible estimation throughout the diocese. That he knew from direct contact with some 300 parishes. It was a joy to him to take part in their festival. Physically he was not strong enough to take an active part in bell ringing, but he had studied the subject, which was to him one of deep interest (applause).

Other toasts were 'The Guild' proposed briefly by Mr. Duncan (Much Marcle), and responded to by the Chairman. The Guild, he said, was growing and growing healthily. One defect was the fact that the public did not seem to be aware of the great claim which the bell ringers had on them. They wanted more honorary members. He hoped they would have more next year.

The 'Ringing Master' was proposed by Mr. Hyett, and responded to by Mr. Edwards.

A very delightful course of Grandsire Caters was given on the handbells, by: Mr. A. Talbot, 1 and 2; Mr. P. Lane, 3 and 4; Rev. H. S. T. Richardson, 5 and 6; Mr. Chas. Edwards, 7 and 8; and Mr. W. H. Williams, 9 and 10.

Mr. Hyett, for twenty years a member of the Guild, in a few words expressive of his deep personal regard for Mr. Edwards as Ringing Master, and in acknowledgement of his valuable services as Master and trainer, asked the chairman to present to Mr. Edwards on behalf of the Guild, a golden bell badge, with bar duly inscribed. This had been contributed to by the members of the Guild.

The Chairman said it was the first he had heard of it. The ringers could evidently keep a secret. He added his appreciation to that of Mr. Hyett, and on behalf of the Guild, asked Mr. Edwards to accept the badge with a small cash balance for Mrs. Edwards (applause).

Mr. Edwards said he could not find words to express his thanks. His work had been a labour of love. He was deeply gratified for the gift, and thanked them also for their gift to his wife (applause).

The re-election of officers for the coming year then took place. The Bishop was again elected president, and the vice-presidents en bloc. Mr. Buchanan was with enthusiasm re-elected Master of the Guild; Mr. Turner, hon. secretary and treasurer; Mr. C. Edwards, Ringing Master and district secretary. The committee was also re-appointed, with the addition of Mr. J. Preece (Staunton-on-Arrow) and Mr. H. J. Taylor (Hereford). The accounts were presented and passed.

Mr. Clark and Mr. C. Edwards were re-elected representatives on the Central Council.

Mr. Edwards made a very feeling speech concerning the absence of a suitable roll of honour of fallen bell ringers for erection in All Saints' Church. The memorial bell, with the list in the ringing chamber, recorded the names of the 60 odd men who had paid the great sacrifice, but in the church below there had not yet been placed a permanent Roll of Honour. It must be done, and was simply a question of ways and means.

A discussion followed as to the most suitable form — brass, emblazoned parchment, or oak tablet similar to that for the All Saints' parish fallen. The matter was left in the hands of a small commit-

tee to decide and report; the cost to be defrayed by a levy on the Guild. With over 600 members the money ought to be easily obtained.

It was decided that for next year Hereford should again be chosen for the festival. With its many churches in the city and district, and its accessibility to the county, it was felt to be the best venue.

Methods rung during the day were Grandsire Triples and Caters, Stedman, Treble Bob, Cambridge Major, and various Minor methods.

CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

The annual meeting was held at Northallerton on Whit Monday, members attending from Middlesbrough, Stockton, Darlington (St. John's); Ripon, Sharow, Wath, Thirsk, Northallerton, W. Hartlepool, St. Oswalds, Shildon. A committee meeting was held at 11 a.m., a good deal of business being got through. Divine service was held at 12 a.m. in the Parish Church, which was well attended by the ringers and friends, being greatly assisted by several of the choir. The Rev. — Hill officiated at the organ, and the service was conducted by the Rev. M. Thompson, Vicar of Northallerton, which was greatly appreciated. Dinner was presided over by the Rev. A. Simpson, in the absence of the President (the Rev. J. L. Kyle), who was away from home, and was supported by the Vicar of Northallerton the Rev. — Hill, senior curate; Vice-Presidents W. Pick, Sharow; J. Stolt, Thirsk; J. W. Passman, Middlesbrough; and the secretary.—The Rev. A. Simpson, in proposing a vote of thanks to the Vicar of Northallerton for conducting the service and address, including the Rev. Hill and choir, also for the use of the bells.

The Vicar, replying, welcomed the association to Northallerton, saying how pleased he was to be able to do anything towards forwarding and assisting the work.—The secretary's report showed that there was considerable improvement in the ringing throughout the association during the year. The balance sheet showed a balance in hand of £32 2s. 6d. The next item was the election of president for the year. The Rev. J. L. Kyle, who has been president since 1915, has on previous occasions said that he thought it would be better for the working of the association if a ringing president could be found. Not that he wanted to be out of the job; he was only too pleased to be amongst ringers and do whatever he could to further the work of the association. After some discussion the name of the Rev. A. Simpson was proposed, seconded, and carried unanimously, to be president.—A hearty vote of thanks was passed to the Rev. J. L. Kyle, the late president, for presiding over the association for the last seven years, and that a letter be sent to him in the terms mentioned, and to inform him that he had been made a vice-president. The vice-presidents and secretary were re-elected. The meetings arranged by the committee for the year are: September meeting, Darlington (St.

John's); Easter Monday, 1923, Catterick Bridge; annual meeting, 1923, Thirsk.

Several items of interest were gone into, which were of great importance to the association, including that a report of the work be printed, bringing the work up to date.—A hearty vote of thanks was proposed to the Rev. A. Simpson for so ably presiding over the meeting. The ringers then returned to the tower, and kept the bells going to Grandsire Triples, Stedman Triples, Bob Major and Kent Treble Bob Major.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

A meeting of the Gloucester Branch was held at Coln St. Aldwyn's, on Thursday, June 15th, and was fairly well attended, members being present from Cirencester, Fairford, South Cerney, Down Ampney and Coln St. Aldwyn's. The bells, a light peal of eight (tenor 8½ cwt.), were raised about 4 o'clock, and kept going till 5.30. The business meeting followed, and the chairman of the branch (Mr. H. C. Bond) presided. Two new members were proposed. Tetbury was chosen for the next quarterly meeting, practice meetings to be held at Chelworth and Rendcombe.—A vote of thanks to the Vicar for the use of the bells concluded the business part of the meeting. The tower was again visited, some of the members obtaining a good practice on eight bells. During the afternoon and evening touches of Canterbury and Bob Doubles, Bob Minor, Grandsire and Stedman Triples and Bob Major were successfully brought round.

A quarterly meeting of the Gloucester Branch was held at Hasfield on Saturday, June 24th, when 19 members turned up from the following towers: Gloucester, Barnwood, Maisemore, Sandhurst, Great Witcombe and Hasfield. Ringing commenced at 3.30, and at 4 o'clock a service was held in the church, conducted by the Rector (the Rev. C. E. Dodd), who, in the course of a very fine address, extended to the visitors a most cordial welcome.

Following the service, the company were invited to the Rectory for tea. The business meeting immediately followed tea, at which the utmost harmony and goodwill prevailed.

The Rector having been voted to the chair, the Hon. Secretary (Capt. A. A. Bennett, C.A.) read the minutes of the previous meeting, which were duly confirmed, and arising out of which he reported that although the Longney ringers would not join the association, he had succeeded in obtaining permission for a meeting to be held there on July 22nd, and he hoped that the result would be that the Longney men being impressed by the spirit of the fraternity would reconsider their decision. Other less important business followed, and concluded with a very hearty vote of thanks to the Rector and his family for their generous welcome and hospitality.

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PEAL ANALYSIS COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

The Rev. E. W. Carpenter, in moving the adoption of the Peal Analysis Committee's Report, referred to the great loss which the committee especially had sustained by the death of Mr. A. T. King. They felt they had sustained an appreciable loss. Proceeding, he said, the Council would notice that in the first part of the report certain things were missing, which they had been accustomed to include in former years. Mr. King spent a very great deal of time and labour in getting out particulars, for instance, of the Grandsire Triples peals that were wrong, that he had not done for the past year when he was called away, and the committee did not think they could undertake the work at the time, and indeed they felt it was rather a work of supererogation. He did not know whether the Council would like to have these particulars in future, and he would also like to know whether the committee considered it was necessary to continue the long table of the number of peals wrong year by year, since 1881. The committee thought if they gave the figures for the past two or three years it would be sufficient.

Another alteration which they had made in the arrangements of the Analysis was to divide the tower bell peals from the handbell peals. It has facilitated the binding up of the paper, and it also showed more clearly what had been done in the way of handbell ringing.

POINTS FOR PEALS.

The Rev. H. Law James suggested that the Council should relieve the committee of the great waste of time of calculating the points for peals. They were no good, and only gave the committee a lot of work.

Mr. T. H. Beams said to drop the points would be to eliminate the only thing by which they were able to compare the standard of ringing in different parts of the country. The report upon the analysis was then adopted.

UNNAMED MINOR METHODS.

The Rev. E. W. Carpenter then referred to the question of the naming of unnamed Minor Methods. He said the Council would remember that last year the librarian was asked to receive names up to a period of six months from the last meeting, but he appeared to have gone on receiving them for some time after that. The committee found that there would be so much difficulty in going back over the names that they thought the simplest way out of it was to take the librarian's list and give names to those unnamed methods that were left. They had also looked into the names given to the methods by members of the Methods Committee when the collection was published, and they could not agree with them. In several instances they had called attention to the name given to No. 9 of Plain Method, called by the committee 'Stedman Slow Course,' but that name many years before was given to quite another method. Then, too, some of the methods had two or three, and one had at least four different names, and they felt it would be a most excellent thing to have some committee, either their own or some other committee appointed for the special purpose of going into the whole question, and see if they could not decide what were the original names that should appear in the Collection. If they had the permission of the Council to go into the matter, they would like to add to their committee the name of Mr. J. W. Parker, who, he was glad to say, was ready to serve, and they would be only too pleased to have him on it (applause).

The Rev. H. Law James (chairman of the Methods Committee) said the name of Stedman Slow Course to No. 9 was obviously wrong, and both names were circulated among the members of the committee before being printed. This mistake was never found out. He had no objection to the Analysis Committee taking over the naming of methods.

Mr. G. P. Burton said in view of the extraordinary names which had been given to new methods in the past, he hoped that only the committee would be allowed to name them in the future.

The Librarian (the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn) apologised to the Council for having overstepped his instructions with regard to receiving names for methods, and stated that he absolutely overlooked the fact that the Peals Analysis Committee were to be the authority after the end of six months from the last meeting. He had received a large number of claims which the committee are to go through and settle once for all, and he thought the best means of doing so would be to meet round the table, and not to conduct it by correspondence (hear, hear).

The Rev. E. W. Carpenter pointed out that there was one practical difficulty to their meeting round a table. One member resided near Southampton, another at Sunderland, a third in the extreme east of the country, and another in the west.

The Chairman: We have some excellent round tables in Birmingham.

The Rev. A. T. Beeston called attention to the fact that the committee suggested that a central authority should be established, to which inventors of methods should send the names they proposed

to give to such methods, and that that central authority should decide whether the suggested name should be the name to be given to it, as they would then be able to see that the name was not borne by any other method. The confusion existing in the nomenclature of Minor Methods was likely to extend to the Major; in fact, a beginning had taken place, as they saw when a claim to the name of 'Lancashire Surprise Major' was made for a peal rung in Lancashire. When, however, it was pointed out that a method published in 1907 already bore the name of Lancashire Surprise, the band readily consented to change it to Northampton. He mentioned that fact to show that the tendency to confusion was likely to extend to Major Methods, and he hoped the Methods Committee would undertake the naming of the methods which they were now authorised to publish.

The portion of the report relating to the naming of methods was then put to the meeting, and carried, and Mr. J. W. Parker was added to the committee.

THE TOWERS AND BELFRIES COMMITTEE.

The Towers and Belfries Committee's Report, which has already appeared in 'The Ringing World,' was presented by the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn, whose co-option on the committee was confirmed by the Council. Mr. Jenkyn said the conferences between the Council and the Society for the Protection of Ancient Buildings were well attended, and were extraordinarily interesting. It was no detriment to anyone else who was present to say that the man who absolutely gathered everybody round him, and brought light out of darkness, was Mr. Lewis. He came with his figures and his personality, and tackled every objection in his quiet and convincing way. He placed his figures on the table and invited the other society to produce someone to test them. They found someone who was a great mathematician and engineer, who went through Mr. Lewis's figures and found they were absolutely correct. Their opinion of Mr. Lewis went extraordinarily high, and there had never been such good feeling between the society and that Council as existed at the present. He did not think the society ever had before such ideas of what might be done in hanging bells in ancient towers as they had at present (applause).

The Hon. Secretary, Mr. A. E. Young, said he attended every one of the meetings, and could fully bear out everything Mr. Jenkyn had said, while Major Hesse had written that the committee had thoroughly justified itself in the very fine work it had done this year.

The Rev. C. D. P. Davies said he had had a letter from Mr. Lewis, which contained one important sentence. Mr. Lewis wrote:—'The main object for which the committee was set up is to my mind accomplished—the main object being, of course, to try and get a settlement to which both sides could agree—but I imagine it would be useful to continue the committee for the alternative purpose, and particularly with reference to the new diocesan bodies, which will be universal in the near future.' He thought Mr. Lewis was very wise in advising that the Towers and Belfries Committee should be conducted so that they might watch those new diocesan bodies, and consult with them when they were asked for their advice, or when they thought it would be good to give it.

The adoption of the report was proposed by Canon Elsee, seconded by the Rev. F. J. O. Helmrose.

The Hon. Secretary stated that copies of the statement arrived at the conference were on the table for perusal, but they were not yet for publication, as they had not yet been approved by either party.

The Rev. H. Drake pointed out that the Council's pamphlet on 'More of Church Bells' was out of print, and asked whether it would not be advisable to get this committee to bring out a new edition, bearing in mind the new information that was presented in the report of the conference.

The Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn said it was understood that a revision of the pamphlet was necessary, and it might be a good thing for the committee to take it in hand.—The report was adopted, and the Chairman congratulated the committee upon the very useful work it had done.

THE WORK OF THE RECORDS COMMITTEE.

The Rev. A. T. Beeston presented the report of the Records Committee, whose terms of reference were 'that the Central Council compile and keep up to date an official list of the first peal, and the longest length in each method, and on each number of bells.' In the last report, the committee recommended the publication of the schedule of first performances and greatest lengths, in order that the details given might be examined, and the inaccuracies pointed out but after considering the cost, the committee felt unable to proceed without the Council's knowledge of the amount and definite instructions to do so, especially in view of the prior and heavy call upon the funds of the Council for the publication of other matters. In this connection they were, therefore, marking time until they learned the Council's will, meanwhile they had gone on with the necessary research work they had done.

They had been or were now in communication with the secretaries of all the Affiliated Associations, and the result was embodied in a revised schedule. They had thought well to include in it the findings of the late Jasper W. Snowden, and in consequence the list was con-

siderably lengthened. The original terms of reference had required them to register all record performances up to date. There were a few additions to the list of progressive lengths, and appreciable progress had been made in new methods, or new variations of old methods. The work still remained incomplete; the committee believed records of performances might be found in places of which they were as yet unaware. Quite recently they had learned that such records had appeared in the old periodicals, 'Bell's Life' and the 'Sporting Magazine.' It was not, therefore, unlikely that some of the records the committee had already registered might require correction in the light of future discoveries. Mr. Daniell and Mr. Trollope had research work in hand for the committee at the British Museum. The committee wished gratefully to acknowledge their assistance; also the kindness of Mr. Davies in lending one of his volumes of 'Church Bells.' They were further indebted to those honorary secretaries of associations who had examined and returned the lists submitted to them.

It was agreed that in view of the fact that there were still other particulars to add to the schedule, that the printing of this schedule should stand over for another year.—The report was adopted.

BELL RESTORATION FUND.

Alderman Chambers moved the following resolution:—

'That it is desirable to establish in the area of each ringing association a Bell Restoration Fund, from which grants may be made for the restoration of any rings of bells within the area when local funds are insufficient to meet the cost.'

He said the necessity for such a fund had been pressed upon him on several occasions. It would be very desirable to have such a fund available for the larger restoration work that had to be undertaken. In every parish where there was a ring of bells there ought to be some fund provided locally for keeping the bells in order. They had a notable instance of this at Duffield, and one could only wish that the same sort of thing could be done in other places. They did not, however, find enthusiasts like the late Sir Arthur Heywood in every part of the country. In the absence of that it might be possible to establish a bell repair fund, apart from the general fund of each of the associations. At the last two meetings of the Midland Counties Associations he had been asked as president to make special appeals—last year for St. Martin's, this year for two peals of bells in Derby—and it did seem that some further help might be forthcoming if they had any central fund upon which they could fall back. Last year, the President had pointed out that the Council had always refrained from interfering with the business of local associations, and that practically every association had a fund of this kind, or was ready to make grants, and he did not see that the Council could give instructions. With all deference, he (Alderman Chambers) did not think anyone suggested that it would be a matter of instructions, but merely a recommendation from that Council that should receive consideration at the hands of the various associations. He thought it was a mistake to assume that most associations had repair funds. They had in a few cases, but he should say certainly not half of them had such a fund of that description available. In remote country districts and sparsely inhabited neighbourhoods it was very difficult indeed to carry out any important work of restoration, and he thought the supply which he proposed would be in the right direction.

Mr. W. Willson, who seconded, said the ringers were out the church bells, and it was their place to contribute something towards their restoration.

Mr. A. E. Parsons said he thought this matter was a domestic affair, and not one for that Council to legislate upon. There were already societies which have their own funds to carry on this work, and they were really doing good work. If the Midland Counties Association felt disposed to institute a similar fund, they could get some helpful information from the societies who already had them, and amongst them, he was pleased to say, the Worcester Association was one.

The Rev. C. D. P. Davies suggested as an amendment that the opening of the resolution should read: 'That Diocesan and County Associations be asked to consider the advisability of establishing in the area of each Ringing Association,' etc. He said he entirely agreed with the spirit of the motion, but he thought the amendment was the more desirable form for it to take.—Mr. F. Hopgood seconded.

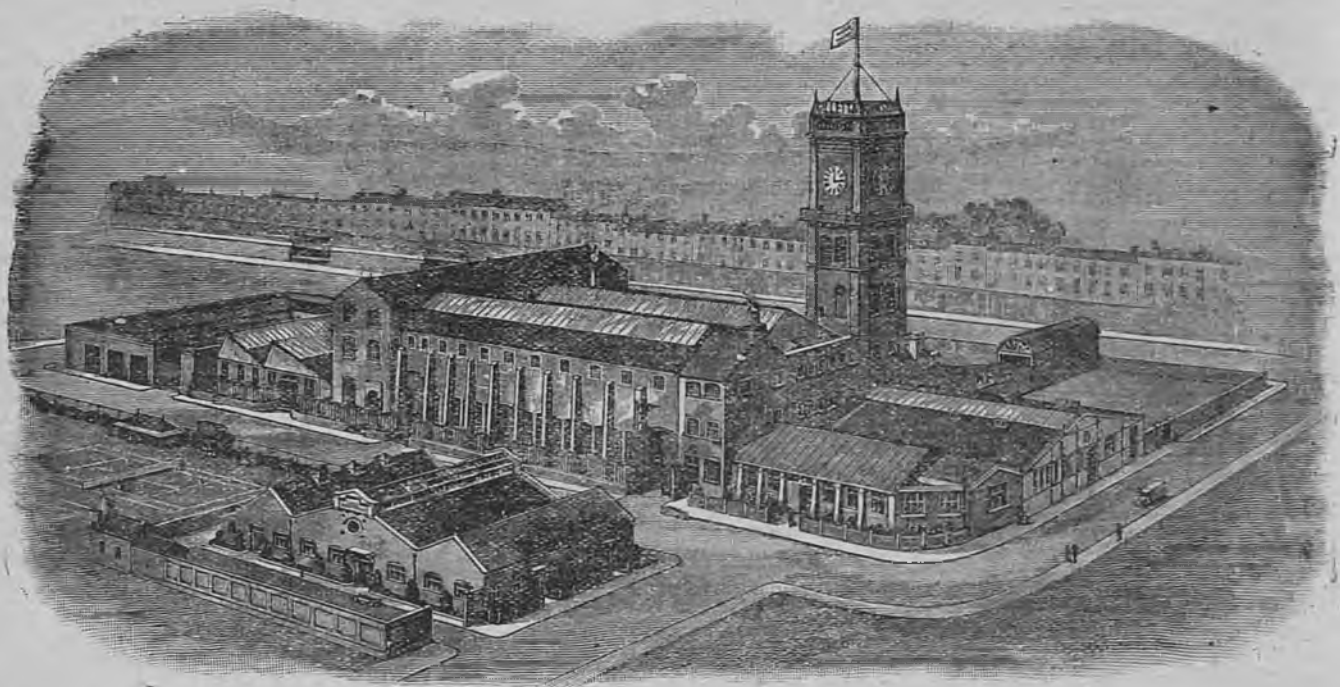
Mr. James George said that there were good peals of bells in the towns as well as in the country districts that required restoration work, and where it would end he did not know. He was afraid that such a scheme as proposed would lead to a good deal of selfishness and dissatisfaction, although he agreed that if it could be properly carried out it would be a good thing.

Alderman Chambers intimated that he was prepared to accept the amendment proposed by the Rev. C. D. P. Davies.

The Chairman said he was glad of that, because he was going to point out that supposing they passed the resolution they had no power to compel it being carried out. It might be disregarded, and the Council would then look rather foolish in passing a resolution which they could not enforce. Ringers were never backward in contributing to bell restoration funds, and in Birmingham they had done a good deal, having contributed considerably to improve the peal of bells at St. Martin's. He had found that ringers always gave to

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the best of their means. He would like at that point to make a practical suggestion, and that was before they adjourned for luncheon that they should make a collection towards the restoration fund of Lincoln Cathedral. They had been favoured by the Dean and Chapter with the use of that magnificent Chapter House, and they sympathised deeply with the Cathedral authorities in their efforts to preserve that noble edifice in its integrity, and to check the first signs of decay a large sum of money was required, and subscriptions were not so handsome as one would have hoped. Every little helped, and he appealed to the members of the Council to contribute towards that noble object.

Canon Elsee said he greatly questioned whether the resolution proposed by Alderman Chambers, would be of great practical benefit. They all sympathised with those who had spoken about a Central Fund, but as a matter of fact he thought that such a Central Fund would produce too small an amount.

The Chairman: It is not proposed that there should be a Central Fund.

Canon Elsee said he was thinking of a Central Fund for a diocese of a county. The amount gathered by ringers in such an area would make up but a very small part of the cost of the restoration of a ring of bells, or of increasing a ring of bells. One could not oppose the loan, but he greatly doubted if it would have any great practical benefit. It seemed to him in the case of bell restorations that the real sources of income came with local feeling and local interest, and if a Central Fund for an Association did anything it would be very little.

Mr. G. P. Burton endorsed the views of Canon Elsee, and said they ought to be careful before putting forward anything which would add to the burdens of Associations.

The Chairman said they had got quite a harmless resolution, which merely invited local Associations to consider whether the matter was expedient. Any argument upon the subject had better be put at the local Association meetings.

The motion as amended was then put to the meeting and carried.

(To be continued.)

WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.

A very successful meeting was held at Berkswell on Saturday, June 17th. Ringers were present from Allesley, Birmingham, Chilvers Coton, Coventry, Exhall, Nuneaton, Stoke, and the local band. A short service was held in the church, conducted by the President, Canon Back. Upwards of 50 members and friends were present during the afternoon and evening. Tea was kindly provided by the President and Mrs. Back.—Mr. A. Roberts (Ringing Master) proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the President and Mrs. Back for their continued hospitality towards the members of the Guild, and so long as Canon Back was willing to act as president, he felt sure he would always be elected.

Mr. A. Wilkerson (hon. secretary) seconded the vote of thanks, and endorsed the Ringing Master's remarks, which, needless to say, was carried with acclamation.

The President, replying, said how pleased Mrs. Back and himself were to see such a good number of members present. It was a gathering they were both accustomed to look forward to with pleasure, and he hoped it would continue for many years to come.—In the course of his remarks, the President referred to the enthronement of the new Bishop of Coventry in the Cathedral on July 15th, which was the date of the annual meeting, and thought it would be a good thing if the Guild would hold its meeting at Coventry this year, and also to be represented at the enthronement.—Mention was made of the fact that there were no bells to ring in Coventry, and on the suggestion of the Hon. Secretary it was decided to put back the annual meeting to the 22nd July, at Warwick, if it could be arranged. At the same time it was decided for the Guild to be represented at the enthronement, and the President promised to apply for tickets. The methods rung during the day included Grandsire and Stedman Doubles, London and Cambridge Surprise, Double Stedman Slow Course, Kent Treble Bob, Double Court, Double Oxford and Plain Bob.

DUDLEY & DISTRICT GUILD.

The quarterly meeting of the above was held on Saturday, May 27th, at Sedgley Parish Church, when upwards of 50 members from various towers were present.—The Rev. Dr. Swindell gave a very inspiring address at the Guild service, and also presided at the business meeting, which followed the tea.—A resolution was moved, and carried, that the subscription for ringing members be reduced from 1s. to 6d. per year, as and from the annual meeting, held on March 4th. The next quarterly meeting will be held at Wombourne.—Mr. Goodman (Ringing Master) moved that the best thanks of the meeting be given to Dr. Swindell, the organist, the ladies who prepared the tea, and to Mr. B. Fullwood for their services, etc., in making the meeting such a success.—Dr. Swindell, in reply, on behalf of the ladies, the organist, and Mr. Fullwood, said it was a pleasure to have such a meeting, and gave a hearty welcome to come again. He also gave permission for the quarterly peal of Stedman to be attempted at Sedgley Church.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

WESTERN DIVISION.

A quarterly meeting of the above Division was held at Billingshurst on Saturday, June 17th. A goodly number of members attended from the following towers: Brighton, Chiddingfold, Cranleigh, Warnham, Heone, Portsea, Shipley, and members of the local band. Ringing commenced at 2 o'clock, and the following methods were rung: Grand. sire and Stedman Triples, Plain Bob and Treble Bob Major, Double Norwich Superlative and Cambridge Surprise. Major. The party adjourned for tea at the King's Head Hotel, after which the business meeting was held, the Rev. R. O. Johns presiding.—It was proposed to hold the next quarterly meeting at West Grinstead in September.—A vote of thanks was accorded the Rev. R. O. Johns for presiding, and for granting the use of the bells. The members then visited the belfry, and the bells were kept going in various methods till eight o'clock.

LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

A quarterly meeting was held on Saturday last at Bedwas. The bells, a ring of six, with a tenor about 10 cwt., all of Bayley, of Bridgwater, were raised soon after three o'clock, and kept going until 4.30, when a service was held, conducted by the Rector, a former hon. secretary and treasurer of the association, the Rev. Connop L. Price, M.A. The address given was most encouraging to all the officers and members of the association. Tea immediately followed the service at the Rectory, which had been kindly provided by the Rector and Mrs. Price.

Following the tea, the business meeting was proceeded with, and various items dealt with, including a short report from the representatives that attended the Council meeting at Lincoln. New members were elected, and the place chosen for the next monthly meeting was Abergavenny, this being the only place proposed.

The business closed with a vote of thanks to the Rector and his wife for the exceptionally kind manner in which all were met and provided for, and also to Miss Thomas for kindness at the tea tables. Ringers attended from such distant places as Hay and Llanelli, Breconshire, and from Swindon, and the meeting was described as most successful.

WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

A very successful combined practice, attended by members from North Stoneham, Portsea, Portsmouth, Southampton (St. Mary's), Swanmore, Upham, Wickham, and the local ringers, was held at Curdridge on Saturday last. A goodly number were present, and the bells were rung up to 5 p.m. A short service was held in the church at 5.30, conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. W. E. Slatter), at which the ringers attended. At the conclusion, he said how pleased he was to welcome the Guild to Curdridge. By his kind permission ringing was resumed at 6 o'clock, and continued till 7.30, when the bells were lowered. Throughout the day some good practice was had in all the standard methods, and also Cambridge, Superlative and London Surprise Major.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

SOUTH AND WEST DISTRICT.

A meeting was held at Sunbury-on-Thames on Saturday, June 17th, when 40 ringers were present. Several touches were rung, from Grandsire to Cambridge and Superlative Surprise, before and after tea. Tea was served in the Parish Hall, with the Rev. F. D. Thompson presiding, supported by the vice-president, Mr. Tom Beadle.—The Rev. Thompson welcomed the association to Sunbury, on behalf of the Vicar (the Rev. P. Sydnay), followed by a ringers' address and business meeting.—The usual vote of thanks was accorded to the clergy, the vice-president, the Sunbury ringers for their kind services, and to all members and visitors for their attendance and support.

THE LATE MR. HARRY FLANDERS.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—I have received the following further amounts towards the fund opened on behalf of the widow of the late Mr. Harry Flanders, viz.: Mr. F. A. Milne, 5s.; Mr. J. George, 2s. 6d.; Mr. W. A. Pye (2nd donation), 2s. 6d.; Mr. Maurice Smith, 2s. The total received is £3 18s., which amount has been handed to Mrs. Flanders, who wishes me to convey to all who have so kindly helped, her very grateful thanks for their assistance in her time of need. I hope that all who responded to the appeal will also accept the thanks of Mr. A. Pye and myself, for their generous and timely help.—Yours faithfully,

C. T. COLES.

49, Wood Street, London, E.17.

June 24th, 1922.

LITTLE HORKESELEY, ESSEX.—On Sunday, June 18th, for evening service, 480 Doubles (360 Grandsire and 120 of St. Simeon's) were rung by the following: G. Balls 1, E. Leggett 2, G. Clarke 3, A. Catterwell (conductor) 4, H. Warn 5.

SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES.

LONDON.—On Sunday, June 25th, for evening service, at St. Mary's, Barnes, S.W., a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples: A. Cutmore 1, H. Barrett 2, T. H. Taffender (conductor) 3, J. S. Hawkins 4, E. Cook 5, R. Mackrill 6, C. F. W. Hunt 7, J. Willmott 8.

EALING, MIDDLESEX.—At the Parish Church, on Sunday, June 25th, for evensong, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes), in 42 mins.: F. S. Palmer, junr., 1, F. W. Goodfellow 2, J. E. Churchill 3, A. M. Stacey 4, J. H. Hunnisett 5, H. J. Hunnisett 6, L. H. Page (conductor) 7, F. S. Palmer, senr., 8.

CHESHUNT, HERTS.—On Sunday evening, June 25th, 1,008 Grandsire Triples: D. Tucker 1, G. Andrews 2, W. G. Darlington 3, H. Warner 4, J. Thomas 5, A. Bull 6, G. Maxim (conductor) 7, J. Littlechild 8.

BARKING, ESSEX.—On Sunday, June 18th (Hospital Sunday), for morning service, a quarter-peal of Kent Treble Bob Major (1,280 changes), was rung in 48 mins.: A. C. Hardy 1, W. Beard 2, F. Russell 3, H. E. King 4, W. G. Jackson 5, G. W. Faulkner 6, C. Fenn (conductor) 7, E. G. Cottis 8. Composed by the late A. J. Perkins.—Also, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Superlative Surprise Major (1,280 changes) was rung in 47 mins.: E. G. Cottis 1, A. E. Parker 2, T. Faulkner 3, E. Andrews 4, C. Fenn (conductor) 5, H. E. King 6, R. Fenn 7, A. C. Hardy 8. Composed by H. E. Wilde. Taken from 'The Ringing World.'

PLYMOUTH.—At Charles' Church, on Sunday, June 18th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters (1,259 changes), in 47 mins.: A. Westcott 1, H. Ashton 2, F. H. Davey 3, W. H. Marsh 4, W. Rundle 5, R. A. H. Dobson 6, T. Pook (1st quarter-peal of Caters) 7, W. S. Hornbrook 8, E. W. Marsh (conductor) 9, G. Gomer 10.

NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—On Sunday, June 18th, for morning service, 1,008 Plain Bob Major: W. Pierce 1, J. Larter 2, E. Hall 3, R. Thompson 4, Capt. A. E. Reeves 5, J. Howard 6, A. Lee (conductor) 7, C. Moss 8.—For evening service the same day, 720 Oxford Treble Bob Minor, with the tenor covering: W. Pierce 1, E. Hall 2, J. O'Neill 3, C. Moss 4, J. Howard 5, A. Lee (conductor) 6, J. Jolly 7. Rung in honour of the visit of the Lord Bishop of St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich.

TUNBRIDGE WELLS, KENT.—At St. Peter's Church, on June 18th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (1,260 changes): H. Markwell 1, G. Thompson 2, G. Smithers 3, Miss Orlebar (first quarter-peal in the method) 4, W. Collison 5, J. Wheaden, senr., 6, W. Latter (conductor) 7, F. Ballard (first quarter-peal) 8.

HARLOW COMMON.—On Sunday morning, June 18th, for Divine service, 1,280 Double Norwich: W. Morris 1, V. Tipton 2, H. Smale 3, L. J. Cordell 4, G. Dent (conductor) 5, S. Clark 6, J. Cordell 7, W. Wheeler 8.

OATLANDS, SURREY.—On Sunday, June 18th, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Bob Major (1,280 changes), in 47 mins.: Mrs. A. W. Clark, W. Shepherd (conductor), Miss N. E. Shorter, J. Loveridge, W. S. Woodrow, A. W. Clark, J. B. Hessey, F. J. Shepherd.

APPLEBY, LINCOLNSHIRE.—On Sunday, June 11th, at St. Bartholomew's Church, for evening service, Bob Singles with 5 and 6 bells covering: W. Howson 1, H. E. Dannatt 2, W. Crowder 3, J. Pettit 4, T. Johnson 5, A. Harker 6. The ringer of the 6th is a member of the local band; 2nd and 3rd from Barrow-on-Humber; 1st and 4th from Goxhill.

HARTLIP, KENT.—On Sunday, June 11th, for evening service, at St. Michael's, 720 Bob Minor: L. Hales 1, E. T. Frair 2, S. H. Hopper 3, W. Males 4, W. J. Walker (conductor) 5, J. Harris 6. Also 720 Bob Minor on Friday, June 9th: L. Hales 1, E. T. Frair 2, J. Harris 3, S. H. Hopper 4, W. G. Kitchingham 5, W. J. Walker (conductor) 6.

NORTHAMPTON.—At All Saints' Church, on Sunday, June 11th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes): S. Foskett 1, J. C. Dean 2, J. T. Hensman 3, H. Rainbow 4, W. Farcy 5, H. Blundell 6, W. J. Allen (conductor) 7, W. G. Farcy 8. Rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor.

MORETON-IN-MARSH, GLOS.—On Sunday morning, June 11th, for service, 420 Grandsire Triples: N. Able 1, J. Gardner 2, F. Jones 3, E. Large (Birmingham) 4, N. Brion 5, W. Large (conductor) 6, A. White 7, J. Lowe 8.

LEICESTER.—At St. Margaret's, on Sunday, June 11th, for morning service, 558 Grandsire Caters: T. Bent treble, F. Sharman 2, A. Ballard 3, H. S. Morley (Selby Abbey) 4, E. E. Smith 5, J. Morris 6, C. Cattell 7, H. Lock 8, E. Morris (conductor) 9, A. Nother 10.

CHATTERIS, CAMBS.—On Sunday, June 11th, at Chatteris St. Peter's, 720 Oxford Treble Bob: A. Barker 1, P. A. Smith 2, J. Rowlinson 3, A. Mattock (conductor) 4, J. Granger 5, A. Abrams 6, 720 Oxford Treble Bob: A. Seekings 1, A. Barker 2, J. Rowlinson 3, A. Mattock (conductor) 4, J. Granger 5, A. Abrams 6.

WEDDING BELLS AT WRAGBY.

On June 1st, at Holy Trinity Church, York, Mr. Frank Atkinson, of Wragby, and Miss Helen Belcher, of York, were married. A well-struck 720 of Oxford Treble Bob Minor was rung on the Wragby bells by Messrs. G. Harrison, J. Brewin, W. Jackson, J. Adams, J. Hewitt and A. Adams.

BELFRY GOSSIP.

The bells at Holy Trinity, Burnley, and Kirkham, Lancs, are being rehung by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank.

The peal at Tarporley, on May 27th, was rung in 2 hours and 49 minutes, not 2 hours, as printed in June 9th issue.

The peal at Coalbrookdale, on June 17th, was rung in three hours and two minutes, not four hours and two minutes, as printed in June 23rd issue.

Two change ringers wish to know whether there is any ringing to be had in or near Douglas, Isle of Man. Please forward any information to 'Ringing World' Office, Thanking you for the same.—Yours, 'INTERESTED.'

WHO IS THE OWNER?

Dear Sir,—I give below the composition of a peal of Cambridge Surprise Royal, which appears in the 1913 report of the Kent County Association under the name of W. Pye, and in the 1920 report of the Gloucester and Bristol Association the same peal is given under the name of John A. Burford. I think it is well to have the authorship established for future records.

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54326	—	—	—
35426	—	—	—
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This peal was rung at All Saints', Worcester, on Whit Monday, and at Tewkesbury Abbey on June 17th, 1922.—Faithfully yours, W. PAGE.

5,080 SPLICED TREBLE BOB ROYAL.

By E. C. GOBEY.

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36245	1	—	—	1
23645	2	—	—	2
23456	1	—	—	2

Rung at Chesterfield, on June 10th, 1922. The leads of Oxford are rung when the 8th and 9th course the treble down, keeping the 7, 8, 9, 10 out of the slow throughout the peal.

ST. SIDWELL'S CHURCH BELLS, EXETER.

The ring of ten bells (tenor 23 cwt. 3 qr. 2 lb. in D) in the tower of the Parish Church of St. Sidwell, Exeter, have been completely overhauled and adjusted, and re-equipped for ringing purposes. For some years, and even before the great war began in 1914, some of the bells were hard to manipulate, and the abnormally dry weather of last year, acting on the stout old oak frame containing the peal, emphasised the necessity of giving attention to the whole combination. The matter was taken in hand by Mr. E. Shepherd, the Ringing Master, of St. Sidwell's Society, and chairman of the Exeter District of the Devonshire Guild of Ringers, with the result that a contract was completed with Messrs. T. Doble and Son, of Taunton, whereby they had to fit all the bells with new gudgeons and bearings, strengthen the wooden cage with vertical bolts, secure true balances for the bells, and repair the set-offs carrying the frame. This work having been completed, a trial of the bells took place the other evening. Several touches were rung and the result was an expression of general satisfaction with the way in which the contract had been carried out. The peal is one of the most highly appreciated in the West of England, and its availability for ringing, under improved conditions, will afford all campanologists keen satisfaction. It may be added that Messrs. Doble and Son have recently rehung the six bells at Kelly (the home of the President of the Guild of Devonshire ringers), and have overhauled the rings of six at Lamerton and Lew Trenchard, putting them in good ringing order. They have also received the order to rehang the six bells at St. Petrock's, Exeter.

NOTICES.

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SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

—Meetings for practice at St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, third Monday, each month, at 7.30 p.m. Ringing for service at Shoreditch second and fourth Sundays each month at 5 p.m. Practice at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields temporarily suspended.—J. W. Cornford, Hon. Sec.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

—St. Albans District.—A meeting will be held at Hatfield on Saturday, July 1st. Bells available at 3 p.m. All ringers and friends welcome.—Wm. Nash, Dist. Sec., North Mymms, Hatfield.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

—Southern District.—A meeting for practice will be held at All Saints', Fulham, on Saturday, July 1st. Tower open from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m.—F. A. Smith, Hon. Sec., 14a, Oxford Avenue, Merton Park, S.W.

HERTS COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

—The Monthly Practice will be held at King's Langley, on Saturday, July 1st. Bells available 3 p.m. All are welcome.—W. Ayre, School House, Leverstock Green, Hemel Hempstead.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

—Canterbury District.—The annual meeting of this district will be held at St. Stephen's, Canterbury, on Saturday, July 1st. Bells available at 3 o'clock. St. Stephen's (8). St. Alphege (6). St. Dunstan's (6). Christ Church Cathedral (10) at 7 o'clock. Service at 4 o'clock at St. Stephen's; an address will be given by the Rector (Rev. C. Stonehouse). Tea at "Ye Olde Beverlie" at 4.30, provided by the Association.—E. G. Buesden, Hon. District Sec., 3, Hackington Terrace, Canterbury.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

—Northern Division.—The next meeting will be held at Gestingthorpe on July 1st. Bells ready, 3 p.m. Service with address, 4.15.—Bert Redgwell, District Sec., Rayne, S. & M. Braintree.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

—Devizes Branch.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Trowbridge on Saturday, July 1st. Bells (8) available at 3 o'clock. Service, 4.30. Tea, 5. Business meeting immediately after tea.—F. Green, Hon. Branch Sec., 53, Avon Road, Devizes, Wilts.

HALIFAX AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.

—The next 6-bell Contest and Annual Meeting will be held at Shelley, on Saturday, July 1st. Draw at 2.45.—W. Frith, Sec.

STOKE-ON-TRENT ARCHIDIACONAL ASSOCIATION.

—A Ringing meeting will be held at Stone on Saturday, July 1st.—E. Steele, 109, George Street, Sandford Hill, Longton, Stoke-on-Trent, and J. Johnson, Hon. Secs.

SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

—The next quarterly meeting will be held at the Parish Church, Beddington, on 1st July. Bells available at 3.30 p.m. All welcome.—J. W. Cornford, Hon. Sec., 7d, Morgan Mansions, N.7.

WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—The Annual General meeting will be held on Saturday, July 1st, at 2 p.m., in St. Maurice Hall, Winchester. Service in Cathedral at 4 p.m., when there will be special music, and the preacher will be the Rev. Canon Braithwaite. Tea at 5 in St. Maurice Hall.—Rev. N. C. Woods, Hon. Sec., Upper House, Symond's Street, Winchester.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

—Calne Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Wootton Bassett on Saturday, July 1st. Bells available 2.30. Service 4.30, followed by tea and business meeting at 5.—S. L. R. Sharp, Bentley House, Calne, Wilts.

CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.

—Kettering District.—The Annual meeting and election of officers will be held at Isham on July 1st. Bells open at 2.30. Service at 4.30. Tea 5 o'clock.—R. F. Turner, District Sec., 7, Gordon Street, Kettering.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

—Rochdale Branch.—The next meeting will be held on Saturday, July 1st, at Moorside. Bells ready at 3. Meeting at 6.30. Nominations for Branch president to be in at this meeting.—T. K. Driver, Branch Sec., 1, Church Street, Middleton.

NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION.

—The next meeting will be held at Edwinstowe on Saturday, July 1st. Bells (6) available from 2 to 9 o'clock.—H. Haigh, Hon. Sec., 103, Gateford Road, Worksop.

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM

(Established 1755).—Quarterly meeting will be held at Perry Barr on Saturday, July 1st. Bells available from 3.30. Tea in the Church House at 5.30, 1/3 per head.—A. Paddon Smith, Hon. Sec., 11, Albert Road, Handsworth, Birmingham.

NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY & IPSWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

—Saxmundham District.—A meeting of the above will be held at Peasenhall on Saturday, July 1st. Bells of the Parish Church (6) and Tibton (5) available from 2.30. All ringers are welcome.—George Wilson, 41, Valley Road, Leiston.

SHEFFIELD DISTRICT AND OLD EAST DERBYSHIRE SOCIETY.

—Next meeting at Mansfield, July 1st.—Rev. J. F. Amies, Hon. Sec., Chesterfield.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS

(Estab. 1637).—Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on July 6th and 20th; *St. Paul's Cathedral on the 11th; Southwark Cathedral on the 18th; *St. Michael's, Cornhill, on the 25th; and St. Andrew's, Holborn, on the 27th, all at 7.30 p.m. *Business meeting afterwards.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

—Yorktown District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Hersham, Surrey, on Saturday, 8th July. Bells available from 3 p.m. Short service at 4.30 p.m. Tea in the Church House at 5 p.m.—W. A. Woodrow, Rydens Grove, Hersham (for Hon. Sec., Geo. Miles).

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

—Liverpool Diocesan Guild.—A meeting will be held at Halewood on Saturday, July 8th. Bells ready at 4. Meeting at 6.—Walter Hughes, Branch Sec., 3, Shrewsbury Place, Garston.

CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.

—The Annual meeting of the Wellingborough District will be held at Irthlingborough on July 8th. It is hoped as many members as possible will attend. Usual arrangements. Will those requiring tea please notify me not later than the 5th?—F. Barber, Dis. Sec., School House, Gordon Road, Wellingborough.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Maidstone District.—A meeting will be held at Charing on Saturday, July 8th. Bells available at 3 o'clock. A short service at 5. Tea at 5.45, provided by the Vicar. Business meeting to follow. All ringers intending to be present and requiring Tea must let me know not later than Tuesday morning, July 4th. Half railway fares up to 2s. will be paid at this meeting.—Stephen Hayzelden, Hon. Dist. Secretary, Lower Street, East Farleigh.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.—The Quarterly meeting will be held at Melbourne on Saturday, July 8th. Bells available at 2 o'clock. At 4 o'clock there will be an opportunity for ringers and their friends to visit the Hall gardens. The committee will meet at 4.30 in the Church House. Tea has been arranged for 5.30 at the Blue Bell Inn, 2/6 per head. General meeting will follow tea. Mr. A. Braines, Hon. Sec. Derby District, 7, Seale Street, Derby, should be advised by July 5th by those who wish to be included in the arrangements for tea.—A. C. Wright, Hon. Sec., Strathallan, Darley Dale.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Biggleswade District.—A meeting will be held at Clifton, on Saturday, July 8th. Bells (8) available at 3 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m. All ringers welcome.—C. J. Ball, District Sec., Sandy.

SURREY ASSOCIATION.—Central District.—The next Quarterly meeting will be held at Ranmore on Saturday, July 8th. Bells ready at 3 p.m. Those requiring tea should inform me not later than Wednesday, July 5th, as a guarantee as to number has to be given.—A. J. Trappitt, Hon. Dis. Sec., 47, Beddington Grove, Wallington.

NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.—Eye District.—A meeting of the above will be held at Thornham Magna on Saturday, July 8th. Towers of Wickham (6), Thornham (6), Thorndon (6), Yaxley (6) and Eye (8) will be open for ringing. Tea in Schoolroom at 5.30, provided by the Hon. Lord Henniker, who will preside. Members and others intending to be present please notify District Secretary.—H. Day, Bell Cottage, Eye, Suffolk.

BARNESLEY AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.—The next meeting will be held at Wortley, near Sheffield, Saturday, July 8th. Bells ready 2.30. Tea will be provided for those applying before July 4th, to Mr. W. Wooler, New Lodge, Wortley, Sheffield.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—The Annual meeting will be held at Wells on Saturday, July 8th. Service in the Cathedral at 3 p.m. Meeting and tea to follow. The Cathedral bells will be available for two hours after the meeting and St. Cuthbert's both before the service and after the meeting. Will those requiring tea please write Mr. Farley, City Saw Mills, Wells, before July 4th, giving him the numbers requiring tea?—E. E. Burgess, Hon. Sec., 62, Greenway Avenue, Taunton.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Wigan Branch.—A meeting will be held at Newton-le-Willows on Saturday, July 8th. Bells available 3 p.m. Meeting 6.30 p.m. All ringers welcome. Turn up in large numbers and make the meeting a success.—J. Halsall, Branch Sec.

WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Yorktown District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Hersham, on 8th July. Bells available from 3 p.m. No service at 4.30 p.m. as previously advertised. Tea in Church House 5 p.m.—W. A. Woodrow, Ryden's Grove, Hersham. (For G. Miles, Sec.)

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.—North and East District.—A meeting will be held at St. Mary's, Willesden, on Saturday, July 8th. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Short service at 5, followed by tea (at a small charge) and business meeting. All requiring tea please let me know.—C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec., 49, Wood Street, E.17.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Quarterly general meeting at St. Clement Danes on Monday, July 10th, at 6.30 p.m. Business meeting (important items) at 8.15 p.m. Practices: Mondays at 7.30 p.m. Bishopsgate, July 3rd; St. Clement's, 24th. Sundays at 10 a.m.—St. Clement's, 1st and 3rd; Bishopsgate, 2nd and 4th.—A. D. Barker, Hon. Gen. Sec., Oak Cottage, Farnburn Avenue, near Slough.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Southern District.—The next meeting will be held at the Parish Church, Beddington, on Saturday, July 15th. Tower open from 4 to 8 p.m. Tea at 5.30 p.m. at 1/- per head. Will members and friends please notify me by the 11th? All ringers welcome.—F. A. Smith, Hon. Sec., 14A, Oxford Avenue, Merton Park, S.W.20.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Preston Branch.—The Annual Branch meeting will be held at Leyland, St. James', on July 15th; also a special meeting at Preston on July 22nd. Usual arrangements.—E. R. Martin, Branch Sec.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.—South and West District.—A meeting will be held at Twickenham on Saturday, July 15th, by permission of the Rev. Prebendary Prosser, M.A., and Churchwardens, who will entertain our members to tea. Ringing from 3 p.m. Kindly let me know by the 10th all who require tea.—W. H. Hollier, Hon. Sec., 29, Duke Road, W.4.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.—Southern Branch.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Edenham, on Saturday, July 15th. Bells available afternoon and evening. Tea provided at the Five Bells Inn, at 5 p.m. Those requiring tea please notify me by July 11th, so that the necessary arrangements can be made.—S. Proctor, 72, Bridge End Road, Grantham.

ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—The annual meeting will be held at 'Abbey House,' Bury St. Edmunds, on Saturday, July 15th. Service in the Cathedral at 4 p.m. In the unavoidable absence of the Lord Bishop of the Diocese, the sermon will be preached by the Archdeacon of Sudbury (President). Tea (provided by the President) at 'Abbey House' at 4.30, for all who send their names to Rev. R. L. Gardner, Chelworth Rectory, Suffolk, by July 6th. Meeting immediately afterwards. Cathedral bells (8) and St. Mary's (8) available all day.—Herbert Drake, Sec., Ufford, Woodbridge.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Rochester District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Rainham on Saturday, July 15th. Bells available from 3 to 9 p.m. The Association service at 5, conducted by the curate-in-charge (Rev. Walton). Tea in the Church Hall at 1/3 per head, followed by business meeting. In order to make proper provision, will all those who wish to partake of tea notify me not later than Tuesday, July 11?—Fred M. Mitchell, District Hon. Sec., 114, Sun Lane, Gravesend.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Tonbridge District.—A combined practice in Surprise methods only will be held at Edenbridge on Saturday, July 22nd. Tower open at 3 p.m. Surprise ringers please note.—W. Latter, Hon. District Sec., 11, Dudley Road, Tunbridge Wells.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Mr. Albert Wright, Ivy Cottage, Pitchcombe, near Stroud, Glos., is the appointed Hon. Peal Secretary. Conductors of peals must send to him full particulars, fees and composition immediately peal has been rung.—Edgar Guise, General Hon. Sec.

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