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We feel much encouraged by the many congratulatory letters which have reached us upon the issue of our six-hundredth number, and by the complimentary tone in which numerous correspondents have written upon the articles which have appeared on this page. The reference which we made last week was rather casual, but the interest in the information seems to have been very general. It has not always been an easy task to fill this corner of the 'Ringing World,' for ringing is not a subject which presents new issues and fresh phases every week; but the 'feature' has been maintained throughout the series, and has proved of interest, and sometimes of profit, not only to individual members of the Exercise, but to many ringing organisations. We write this in no spirit of egotism, and it is gratifying to know that our efforts, which have been consistently made to direct attention and focus opinion upon matters affecting ringers and ringing, have been appreciated.

As we mentioned last week, the design behind these weekly articles is to make ringers think. That is not always an easy matter, and still more difficult is it to induce movement into the corporate doings of ringing organisations, but persistent effort has sometimes brought visible results. Our desire has been to see the art advanced along every line open to it, to see the status of the ringer raised still higher, and to see the position of associations strengthened and extended until they become the centre round which all ringing activities revolve. How far we have helped towards these ends we cannot say. Had it not been for the long disturbance caused by the years of war, much more might have been accomplished; but we believe we may take some credit for a share in the recovery which ringing made when the men began to return to the belfries.

The position of a writer of articles such as these is not always an enviable one. Every reader is a potential critic, every dissatisfied critic is ready to belabour the unfortunate author of these comments. One thing, however, we feel confident of. However much individual ringers may have disagreed with us, we have not, so far as we know, made a single enemy by anything that has been written in this column. We have tried to be fair and frank, and one complimentary note which we have received from a well-known London ringer gives us special pleasure: 'Congratulations on the courage of your opinions—600.' Had we always written to please, and succeeded, it could not have given us so much gratification. Our object has been to bring ringers to realise their oppor-

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tunities of increasing their own and their association's efficiency, and thus raise the standard of ringing. We do not claim that we have been infallible, but even if our views have occasionally been unacceptable, we believe we have created a wider interest among ringers in many questions which previously they passed over, with little or no thought. This will continue to be our aim, and the expressions of goodwill which have reached us from all quarters upon our six-hundredth number are an incentive for the future.

TEN BELL PEALS.

PONTEFRAC.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, Sept. 11, 1922, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,
AT THE PARISH CHURCH.

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5009 CHANGES;

Tenor 18 cwt.

JOHN H. LENTON Treble	JOHN CARTER 6
BERNARD MOODY 2	† THOMAS HOLDER 7
ARTHUR WALKER, SEN. 3	JAMES JACKSON 8
* ARTHUR WALKER, JUN. 4	HARRY WALTERS 9
WILLIAM HAWLEY 5	JOHN FRYER Tenor

Composed by N. J. PRISTOW. Conducted by J. H. LENTON.
First peal of Stedman Caters by all the band. * First peal of Stedman. † First peal of Stedman away from the tenor. First peal of Stedman as conductor.

STAFFORD.

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Saturday, Sept. 16, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty-Seven Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5007 CHANGES;

JOHN PERRY Treble	† JOHN J. TAYLOR 6
WILLIAM FISHER 2	† GEORGE HARRIS 7
* SHIRLEY BURTON 3	THOMAS J. ELTON 8
† WILLIAM D. WASE 4	HERBERT KNIGHT 9
EDWARD F. MITCHELL 5	† JOHN WARRILLOW Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by HERBERT KNIGHT.
* First peal of Stedman Caters. † First peal on tenor. ‡ First peal of Stedman and first on tenor. First peal of Stedman on the bells. The composition is No. 481 on the broadsheet. S. Burton hails from Leicester, and W. D. Wase from Coalbrookdale. At the conclusion of the peal the band were kindly entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Taylor.

ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE SOCIETY.)

On Thursday, Sept. 14, 1922, in Three Hours and Thirty-Six Minutes,
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5003 CHANGES;

BEN THORP Treble	TOM WILD 6
* W. BRAMMER 2	J. LEIGH 7
* J. BRIERLEY 3	W. WOLSTENCROFT 8
H. NORGROVE 4	A. ADAMS 9
S. BOOTH 5	TOM JACKSON Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by BEN THORP.

The ringers of the 2nd, 3rd and 6th hail from Hyde. The 4th ringer was elected a member of the Ashton-under-Lyne Society previous to starting. * First peal in the method on ten bells.

EWERBY, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Sept. 16, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty-Four Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5007 CHANGES;

Tenor 15 cwt.

JOHN T. HOLMES Treble	FREDERICK W. STOKES 6
F/Sgt. F. A. HOLMES, R.A.F. 2	WILLIAM DICKINSON 7
* CHARLES MCGUINNESS 3	WILLIAM HAIGH 8
† WILLIAM G. THORPE 4	† JOHN A. FREEMAN 9
SIDNEY J. PROCTOR 5	WALTER H. WOOD Tenor

Composed by SIR A. P. HEYWOOD. Conducted by FRED A. HOLDEN.
* First peal of Caters. † First peal of Stedman Caters. ‡ 50th peal. Arranged for the ringer of the 8th, who hails from Gillingham, Kent.

EIGHT BELL PEALS.

FRODSHAM, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Friday, Aug. 25, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

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

Tenor 12½ cwt.

WILLIAM BIBBY... .. Treble	ERNEST PALMER 5
JOHN E. BIBBY 2	HENRY C. COLLYER 6
*FREDERICK J. HANCOCK ... 3	FRANCIS BIBBY 7
EDWARD JENKINS 4	CECIL RADDON Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHTS (No. 105). Conducted by E. JENKINS.

* First peal in the method 'inside.'

CHESTER.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Aug. 26, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-WITHIN-THE-WALL,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5152 CHANGES;

Tenor 20 cwt.

ERNEST CHANNELL Treble	EDWARD JENKINS... .. 5
JOHN HAYES 2	HENRY W. WILDE 6
GEORGE R. JONES 3	SAMUEL JONES, JUN. ... 7
*JAMES SWINDLEY 4	JAMES H. RIDING... .. Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHTS (No. 32). Conducted by E. JENKINS.

* First peal in the method.

EWELL, SURREY.

THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Sept. 9, 1922, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;

Tenor 13 cwt. 3 qr. 20 lb. in F sharp.

GEORGE MARRINER Treble	JOHN BEAMS... .. 5
WILLIAM S. SMITH 2	ALBERT DISERENS 6
GEORGE W. STOKES 3	CHARLES E. READ 7
ALFRED H. WINCH 4	ARTHUR DEAN Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHTS. Conducted by A. H. WINCH.

This is the 100th peal that Messrs. Dean and Winch have taken part in together, they having each conducted 28.

HOLM LACY, HEREFORDSHIRE.

THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, Sept. 11, 1922, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. CUTHBERT,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

PARKER'S SIX-PART.

Tenor 18 cwt.

*ARCHIE PROBERT Treble	WILLIAM H. SYMONDS ... 5
CHARLES EDWARDS 2	ALFRED R. ELKINS 6
†IVOR PROBERT 3	JOHN CLARK 7
‡ALLEN GWYNNE... .. 4	§RICHARD BIGGS Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES EDWARDS.

* First peal on eight bells. † First peal of Triples with a bob bell.

‡ First peal of Triples. § First peal. Arranged for Mr. A. R. Elkins, who was on a visit from Tring.

STRANTON, WEST HARTLEPOOL.

THE CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, Sept. 11, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Nine Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

REEVES' VARIATION.

Tenor 13 cwt. in F.

*THOMAS H. CHAMPION ... Treble	ROBERT WEBSTER 5
JOHN LOWREY 2	REV. ALBERT SIMPSON ... 6
ROBERT STEPHENSON ... 3	FRED P. HOWCROFT 7
STANLEY E. ANDREWS ... 4	WALTER SIMPSON Tenor

Conducted by the Rev. A. SIMPSON.

* First peal away from tenor. Rung as a farewell compliment to the Rev. J. Bennett, M.A., on his retirement after more than 37 years as Vicar of the above parish, and during whose incumbency the church was restored and the bells installed. The ringers expressed their good wishes to the Vicar when, after the peal, he kindly entertained them at the Vicarage.

PUTNEY.

On Tuesday, Sept. 12, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 16½ cwt.

LOUIS ATTWATER... .. Treble	WILLIAM H. WORSLEY ... 5
WILLIAM S. LANGDON... .. 2	THOMAS BOLTON 6
HARRY R. PASMORE 3	HERBERT LANGDON 7
JOSEPH HERBERT... .. 4	HENRY R. NEWTON Tenor

Conducted by HERBERT LANGDON.

This peal was rung as a compliment to Mr. T. Bolton on his first birthday. He has been steeple-keeper at the above church for 17 years. This was a non-society peal.

EPSOM, SURREY.

THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, Sept. 11, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,

AT CHRIST CHURCH,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 11 cwt. 3 qr. 4 lb. in F sharp.

MISS VIOLET SHORTER ... Treble	ALFRED H. WINCH 5
MISS NORA SHORTER 2	GEORGE W. STOKES 6
JOHN BEAMS... .. 3	ARTHUR DEAN 7
GEORGE MARRINER 4	ALBERT HARMAN Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHTS.

Conducted by A. HARMAN.

Rung as a birthday compliment to A. Harman.

WITNEY, OXON.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, Sept. 11, 1922, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

TAYLOR'S SIX-PART.

Tenor 18 cwt. 1 qr. 6 lb.

JOHN MONK Treble	EDWARD E. ROBEY 5
JAMES BUTLER 2	NOBLE SPINDLOW... .. 6
MRS. ALBERT E. LOCK 3	GORDON CAULDWELL 7
ALBERT E. LOCK 4	JAMES NAPPER Tenor

Conducted by NOBLE SPINDLOW.

BOLSTERSTONE, YORKS.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, Sept. 12, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 13 cwt.

LEONARD SHAW Treble	ARCHIE BREARLEY 5
*JOHN A. BREARLEY 2	ALBERT HELLIWELL 6
WM. A. WOOLER 3	JOHN R. BREARLEY 7
SAMUEL HARRISON 4	†WILLIAM HARRISON Tenor

Composed by H. HUBBARD.

Conducted by W. HARRISON.

* First peal. † First peal as conductor.

BLACKBURN, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, Sept. 12, 1922, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

Tenor 12½ cwt.

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

Conducted by A. TOMLINSON.

* First peal. Rung to celebrate the silver wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Blackshaw, prominent workers at the above church.

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THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wednesday, Sept. 13, 1922, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 24 cwt.

*MRS. W. T. WITTS Treble	CHARLES DOEL 5
JOSEPH T. DYKE 2	*WILLIAM BAXTER 6
*JESSE FRANCIS 3	*CHARLES ANDREWS 7
THOMAS F. KING 4	SAMUEL J. HECTOR Tenor

Composed by SIR A. P. HEYWOOD. Conducted by JOSEPH T. DYKE.
* First peal of Major.

FINCHINGFIELD, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, Sept. 14, 1922, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5058 CHANGES;

Tenor 18½ cwt.

*BERNARD PETTITT Treble	ARTHUR MASON 5
*LEWIS WISEMAN 2	WILLIAM MILLER 6
*CHARLES H. HOWARD 3	*SIDNEY HALE 7
GEORGE R. PYE 4	WILLIAM PYE Tenor

Composed by CHARLES MIDDLETON. Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.
* First peal in the method at first attempt. First peal of Surprise on the bells.

BRISTOL.
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, Sept. 14, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PHILLIP AND JACOB,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

CARTER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 20 cwt.

MRS. E. J. BROWN Treble	HENRY T. HOWELL 5
MISS ANNIE BROWN 2	EDWIN J. BROWN 6
FRED E. TYLER 3	ISAAC LONG 7
FRED W. WADE 4	*FRANK H. HOWELL Tenor

Conducted by MISS ANNIE BROWN.

* First peal. This is Miss Brown's first peal as conductor and first attempt; it is also the first peal rung in Bristol conducted by a lady. Rung with the bells half-muffled as a token of deep respect to the late Mr. T. Miles, a former churchwarden at St. Phillip's.

NUNEATON, WARWICKSHIRE.
THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.
(NUNEATON SOCIETY.)

On Thursday, Sept. 14, 1922, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

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

CHARLES DRAPER Treble	ABRAHAM WILKERSON 5
HAROLD D. ARGYLE 2	WALTER HORTON 6
HARRY ARGYLE 3	JAMES F. CLARKE, JUN. 7
ERNEST STONE 4	THOMAS W. CHAPMAN Tenor

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD. Conducted by T. W. CHAPMAN.

Rung as a silver wedding peal for the conductor and was his 200th peal.

SHIPLEY, YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(WESTERN DIVISION.)

On Saturday, Sept. 16, 1922, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 15 cwt.

ERNEST H. SIMPSON Treble	HARRY STOTT 5
THOMAS B. KENDALL 2	*FRED KIBSHAW 6
HARRY FOSTER 3	*WILLIAM FEATHER 7
FIRTH HOPWOOD 4	JOHN JOYCE Tenor

Composed by J. PLATT. Conducted by E. H. SIMPSON.

* First peal in the method. First peal in the method as conductor. Rung as a birthday compliment to the ringers of the 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 6th; also to Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Roos upon their golden wedding, Mr. Roos having formerly been a member of the above tower. Ringers of the 3rd, 6th and 7th hail from Idle, 4th from Bolton, the rest belong to the local band.

CHILHAM, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Sept. 16, 1922, in Three Hours,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

PITSTOW'S VARIATION.

Tenor 20 cwt.

RICHARD STEVENS Treble	FREDERICK FAIRBEARD 5
REV. F. J. O. HELMORE 2	HARRY PARKES 6
WILLIAM SPICE 3	CHARLES BRETT 7
FREDERICK BRETT 4	EDWIN G. BOESDEN Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES BRETT.

Rung as a birthday compliment to the ringers of the treble, 5th and 7th.

TIPTON, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Saturday, Sept. 16, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 12½ cwt.

SAMUEL J. HUGHES Treble	*ALFRED ROWLEY 5
BERT HORTON 2	REUBEN HALL 6
WILLIAM A. COOPER 3	JOSEPH W. PEMBERTON 7
CHRISTOPHER WALLATER 4	ABRAHAM GREENFIELD Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF. Conducted by ALFRED ROWLEY.

* 25th peal as conductor on the above bells.

UPTON-ON-SEVERN, WORCESTERSHIRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.
(WESTERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Sept. 16, 1922, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

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

Tenor 17½ cwt.

*JOHN BAYLISS Treble	WILLIAM RANFORD 5
WILLIAM NIBLETT 2	SIDNEY T. HOLY 6
ROBERT G. KNOWLES 3	ERNEST GIBBS 7
*GEOFFREY LEWIS 4	CHARLES CAMM Tenor

Composed by HENRY JOHNSON. Conducted by C. CAMM.

* First peal in the method. First peal in the method as conductor. First peal in the method on the bells. The above peal and the one at Hanley Castle were rung as a farewell to J. Bayliss, who is leaving the district.

SWANSOOMBE, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Sept. 16, 1922, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5058 CHANGES;

MIDDLETON'S.

*JOHN WHEADON Treble	*WILLIAM J. WHEADON 5
WILLIAM HARPER 2	JOHN S. CHEESMAN 6
CLER. SGT. BENNETT 3	EDWIN BARNETT, SEN. 7
EDWIN BARNETT, JUN. 4	HERBERT AUDSLEY Tenor

Conducted by JOHN H. CHEESMAN.

* First Surprise peal.

CLUN, SHROPSHIRE.
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
(ST. GEORGE'S SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, Sept. 16, 1922, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GEORGE,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 13 cwt. 2 qr. 13 lb. in F.

*REV. HAROLD J. SCOTT Treble	PERCY LANE 5
CHARLES EDWARDS 2	WILLIAM SAUNDERS 6
ALFRED S. BAYLEY 3	*WILLIAM MEAD 7
JAMES P. HYETT 4	*EDWIN BROOM Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by WILLIAM SAUNDERS.

* First peal. † First peal of Triples away from tenor. ‡ First peal of Triples with a bob bell. Rung to celebrate the 8th anniversary of the dedication of the restored tower and bells. C. Edwards hails from Madley, J. P. Hyett from Hay, P. Lane from Ludlow, W. Saunders and A. S. Bayley from Coalbrookdale, the rest are local men. Messrs. Saunders, Lane, Bayley and Hyett were elected life ringing members of the St. George's Society before starting for the peal. The band take this opportunity of thanking Mr. and Mrs. Mead for their kind hospitality during the week-end.

PUDSEY, YORKS.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Sept. 16, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,
At the Church of St. Lawrence,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

PARKER'S SIX-PART.

Tenor 16 cwt.

*JOHN AMBLER Treble	†JAMES MCKALE 5
WILLIAM BARTON 2	PATRICK LARVAN 6
SYDNEY SADLER 3	PERCY J. JOHNSON 7
†WILLIAM BATTY 4	JAMES R. KEMP Tenor

Conducted by PERCY J. JOHNSON.

* First peal of Grandsire Triples on tower bells. † First peal. This peal was rung as a compliment to Mr. J. Whitaker (an old and respected member of the Association) and Mrs. Whitaker, on the occasion of their golden wedding, and also in honour of the 21st birthday of the ringer of the 3rd.

TITCHEMARSH, NORTHANTS.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Sept. 16, 1922, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary the Virgin,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 17 cwt. 3 qr. 22 lb. in E.

*GEORGE JEFFS, JUN. Treble	GEORGE JEFFS, SEN. 5
REGINALD C. LOVEDAY 2	FRED STUBBS 6
WILLIAM J. GILBERT 3	FRANK KIRK 7
DANIEL REDHEAD 4	JAMES M. NICKERSON Tenor

Composed by J. REEVES. Conducted by JAMES M. NICKERSON.

This peal was rung as a birthday compliment to the ringer of the treble, and was his first peal. The ringers were kindly entertained to tea by Mr. George Jeffs, sen., after the peal.

IPSWICH, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH
DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Sept. 16, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,

At the Church of St. Margaret,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HEYWOOD'S VARIATION OF THURSTANS'. Tenor 15½ cwt.

HOBART E. SMITH Treble	HENRY C. GILLINGHAM 5
FREDERICK J. TILLET 2	CHARLES J. SEDGLEY 6
JAMES DURRANT 3	GEORGE E. SYMONDS 7
CHARLES A. CATCHEPOLE 4	*JOHN GILLINGHAM Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES J. SEDGLEY.

* First peal. First peal in the method as conductor and first attempt.

THURCASTON, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Sept. 16, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes,

At the Church of All Saints,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;

Tenor 10 cwt.

JOSIAH MORRIS Treble	SYDNEY COX 5
*G. STEDMAN MORRIS 2	†REDVERS F. ELKINGTON 6
†ARTHUR CATTELL 3	ERNEST J. JELLEY 7
CHARLES ALLSOPP 4	ERNEST MORRIS Tenor

Composed by LAWRENCE STAINS. Conducted by ERNEST MORRIS.

First peal in the method on the bells. * First 'touch' in this method 'inside,' age 14. † First peal of Major in the method. † First peal in the method.

BUCKLEY, FLINTSHIRE.

THE NORTH WALES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Sept. 16, 1922, in Three Hours,

At the Church of St. Matthew,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 14 cwt. 2 qr. 7 lb.

ROBERT SPERRING Treble	*WILLIAM CATHERALL 5
†EDWARD HARRISON 2	SAMUEL JONES, JUN. 6
THOMAS CATHERALL 3	SAMUEL MEADOWS 7
JOHN HAYES 4	GEORGE R. JONES Tenor

Composed by F. A. HOLDEN. Conducted by ROBERT SPERRING.

* First peal of Major. Rung as a compliment to Mr. S. Meadows, on his 59th birthday. † Proposed a member of the Association.

SIX BELL PEALS.

EAST HARLING.

THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH
DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Aug. 26, 1922, in Two Hours and Thirty-Five Minutes,
At the Church of SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720's called differently.

Tenor 12 cwt.

E. HONT Treble	H. MASON 4
C. CARTER 2	W. EAGLING 5
*T. STAGG 3	W. ADCOCK Tenor

Conducted by W. ADCOCK.

* First peal with a bob bell.

EAST HARLING.

THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH
DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Sept. 6, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,
At the Church of SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720's called differently.

Tenor 12 cwt.

EDGAR HUNT Treble	HERBERT MASON 4
CHARLES CARTER 2	WILLIAM EAGLING 5
THOMAS STAGG 3	FREDERICK A. SALTER Tenor

Conducted by FREDERICK A. SALTER.

First peal as conductor.

HANDBELL PEALS.

LEISTON, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH
DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, Sept. 8, 1922, in Two Hours and Six Minutes,
In the Belfry of St. Margaret's Church,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor size 15 in C.

JAMES M. BAILEY 1—2	*FREDERICK W. BAILEY 5—6
CHARLES F. BAILEY 3—4	EDGAR H. BAILEY 7—8

Composed by C. H. HATTERSLEY. Conducted by CHAS. F. BAILEY.

Witness: H. PEARSON.

* First peal on an 'inside' pair.

SHREWSBURY.

ST. CHAD'S SOCIETY.

On Saturday, Sept. 9, 1922, in Two Hours and Ten Minutes,
In St. Chad's Belfry,

A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Consisting of two 120's of Stedman, 20 of Bob Doubles and
20 of Grandsire.

JAMES E. LILLEY 1—2	CHARLES R. LILLEY 3—4
*WILLIAM B. KYNASTON 5—6	

Conducted by CHARLES R. LILLEY.

* First peal on handbells, also of Doubles. J. E. Lilley's 15th peal.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(THE HOLY TRINITY SOCIETY.)

On Monday, Sept. 11, 1922, in Two Hours and Thirty Minutes,
At the Royal Grammar School,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

Tenor size 14 in D.

WILLIAM R. MELVILLE 1—2	GEORGE W. STEERE 5—6
ALFRED H. PULLING 3—4	MRS. W. R. MELVILLE 7—8

Conducted by A. H. PULLING.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Mrs. Melville.

SURFLEET, LINCOLNSHIRE.

CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.

On Tuesday, Sept. 12, 1922, in Two Hours and Thirty Minutes,
At the Vicarage,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE COURT BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;

Tenor size 15 in C.

REV. A. H. F. BOUGHEY 1—2	W. H. J. HOOTON 5—6
REV. E. BANKES JAMES 3—4	REV. H. LAW JAMES 7—8

Composed by REV. E. B. JAMES. Conducted by W. H. J. HOOTON.

The first peal ever rung in the method.

**SURFLEET, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Wednesday, Sept. 13, 1922, in Two Hours and Twenty-Nine Minutes,
AT THE VICARAGE.*

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

Tenor size 15 in C.

REV. A. H. F. BOUGHEY ... 1-2 | W. H. J. HOOTON ... 5-6
RUPERT RICHARDSON ... 3-4 | REV. H. LAW JAMES ... 7-8

Adapted from SHIPWAY. Conducted by the REV. H. LAW JAMES.

**HARWICH, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**

*On Friday, Sept. 15, 1922, in Two Hours and Ten Minutes,
AT 5, KING'S HEAD STREET.*

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

Tapped on handbells by

ARTHUR T. MORRIS.

Conducted by the performer.

Umpire: GEORGE JORDAN.

This is a new peal by Frederick Rogers, Portsmouth, and is now tapped for the first time.

**GUILDFORD, SURREY.
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Saturday, Sept. 16, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,
IN THE BELFRY OF HOLY TRINITY CHURCH.*

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5079 CHANCES;

Tenor size 18 in G.

MRS. F. I. HAIRS ... 1-2 | MAURICE SMITHER ... 5-6
ALFRED H. PULLING ... 3-4 | FRANK I. HAIRS ... 7-8
GEORGE W. STEERE ... 9-10

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by ALFRED H. PULLING.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Mrs. R. Whittington and the conductor.

**HARWELL BELLS TO BE REHUNG.
EFFORTS IN AID OF ANCIENT BERKSHIRE PEAL.**

It has been decided to raise funds to rehang the bells of Harwell Parish Church, Berkshire, and, if possible, augment the existing peal to eight.

The present bells are a very fine ring of six, the tenor being 4ft. 11ins. in diameter, in the key of E, and, therefore, weighing approximately, 18½ cwt. They were all cast at Reading between the years 1590 and 1615, the second and fifth by Joseph Carter, and the remainder by his nephew, William Yare. Thus they form a very old ring. The tenor is an exceptionally fine-toned bell, and the whole ring may be heard distinctly for miles round.

Mr. R. T. Hibbert has heard them in East Ilsley Churchyard, quite six miles away across the Berkshire Downs.

The late Rev. F. E. Robinson said he had often listened to them in the vicarage garden at Drayton, four miles away in the opposite direction, and Long Wittenham people have testified to hearing them in their village six miles away to the east.

The bells were rehung in 1887, but the same frame was used, and at the present time there is imperative need of restoration.

Although only possessing six bells, inhabitants of the village have rung many peals on 8, 10 and 12 bells all over the country, even in Scotland and the Isle of Man. A committee has now been formed, consisting of the Vicar, wardens, and Messrs. E. M. Bosley, E. Cox, W. Hitchman, C. Hitchman, S. G. Lay and R. G. Rice, who are determined to do their utmost to see the thing through. An entertainment was held on August 18th, with a packed 'house,' a feature being handbell selections by the five brothers White, of Appleton, and numerous other items, including comic songs by another change ringer, Mr. A. V. Gibbs, of Wantage.

On September 2nd, a six-a-side football tournament and fete were held, and proved a great success. The clerk of the weather, after a wet week, decided to shine on the effort, and so successful was it that it will doubtless become an annual event.

A prominent feature has been the ready response made by the villagers, both ladies and gentlemen, to render all assistance, and all teas, prizes for competitions, etc., at the fete, were provided free, so that, owing to their generosity, the amount cleared was made much larger than would otherwise have been the case.

The next event will be an organ recital and sacred music in the old church, with its fine organ, on October 5th, by a party from Wallingford, under the direction of Mr. Wunley, organist of St. Mary's Church there.

With the villagers all working so hard, it is hoped that others interested will back them up, and any donation, however small, will be gratefully received by the hon. secretary, Mr. R. G. Rice, Harwell, Stevenage, Berks.

CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD TOUR.

BOLTON, LANCASHIRE.

THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.

*On Monday, Sept. 4, 1922, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY.*

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;

Tenor 17 cwt.

REV. R. H. WHITFORD (Pembroke) ... Treble	REV. C. A. CLEMENTS (Fitzwm. Hall) ... 6
J. B. WOOLLEY (Jesus) ... 2	J. H. R. FREEBORN (Clare) 7
J. BUTLER (Fitzwm. Hall) ... 3	REV. E. BANKES JAMES (Caius) ... Tenor
W. H. J. HOOTON (Queens') ... 4	
E. M. ATKINS (St. Cath.) ... 5	

Composed and Conducted by E. M. ATKINS.

MANCHESTER.

THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.

*On Thursday, Sept. 7, 1922, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes,
AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. MARY, ST. DENNIS AND ST. GEORGE.*

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5003 CHANCES;

Tenor 25 cwt.

REV. E. BANKES JAMES (Caius) ... Treble	CANON H. J. ELSEE (St. John's) ... 7
W. H. J. HOOTON (Queens') ... 2	REV. H. LAW JAMES (Caius) 8
J. BUTLER (Fitzwm. Hall) ... 3	REV. C. W. O. JENKYN (Trinity) ... 9
E. M. ATKINS (St. Cath.) ... 4	J. H. R. FREEBORN (Clare) Tenor
J. B. WOOLLEY (Jesus) ... 5	
REV. R. H. WHITFORD (Pembroke) ... 6	

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by E. M. ATKINS.

* First peal of Caters.

HOGHTON, LANC.

*On Friday, Sept. 8, 1922, in Three Hours,
AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY.*

A PEAL OF LITTLE BOB MAJOR, 5000 CHANCES;

Tenor 13 cwt.

E. M. ATKINS (St. Cath.) ... Treble	REV. R. H. WHITFORD (Pembroke) ... 6
J. BUTLER (Fitzwm. Hall) ... 2	REV. C. A. CLEMENTS (Fitzwm. Hall) ... 7
E. H. LEWIS (Trinity) ... 3	REV. C. W. O. JENKYN (Trinity) ... Tenor
REV. B. F. SHEPPARD (Trinity) ... 4	
W. H. J. HOOTON (Queens') ... 5	

Composed by E. M. ATKINS. Conducted by W. H. J. HOOTON.

* First peal in the method.

PETERBOROUGH RINGERS VISIT LONDON.

On Saturday, Sept. 9th, the ringers of St. John's Parish Church, Peterborough, had their annual outing. Leaving Peterborough at 6 p.m., London was reached by 7.45. Unfortunately all the band were unable to travel together, two coming by later trains. The morning was spent in looking round the city, and among the places visited were the Houses of Parliament and Westminster Abbey.

The first tower visited was St. Saviour's Cathedral, Southwark, where the bells were being rung for the wedding of one of the ringers, and where the party were welcomed by their old friend, 'the man of few words,' Mr. W. A. Alps, who promptly invited them to 'take hold' for a touch of Grandsire Triples on the beautiful toned back eight. This was followed by a pull on the twelve, assisted by a young lady visitor, this being the first time any of the Peterborough band had had a ring on the maximum number.

After picking up the late-comers they proceeded to Deptford, where they were met at the ancient Church of St. Nicholas, the mother church of Deptford, by Mr. G. H. Daynes, captain of the band and churchwarden, who gave them a good description of the historic parts of the church. Visiting the belfry, containing a handy peal of eight, touches of Grandsire and Stedman were brought round, Mr. Daynes taking part.

Returning to London Bridge, by way of the Old Kent Road, the visitors were met at the tower of St. George's-in-the-Borough, High Street, by Mr. Taffender, and well-struck touches of Grandsire Triples (419), Stedman (504) and Kent Treble Bob Major (288) were successfully brought round, Messrs. Taffender and Alps standing in. The bells, which are a lively peal of eight, were then lowered in peal.

This concluded the ringing for the day, and the band take this opportunity of thanking the Vicars of Deptford and St. George's for the use of the bells, also Mr. Daynes and Mr. Taffender for having everything in readiness. Peterborough was reached at midnight, all agreeing that they had had a very enjoyable and successful outing.

DEATH OF DANIEL HEAP.**ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE RINGER FOR 60 YEARS.**

It is with regret that we record the death of Mr. Daniel Heap, which occurred on Sept. 7th, at the advanced age of 78 years. The deceased gentleman, who had been ailing for some time, was the oldest member of the Ashton-under-Lyne Society, having been a ringer upwards of 60 years. He had not done any peal ringing for a number of years, but was very regular in attendance for service ringing.

The funeral took place at St. Peter's, Ashton-under-Lyne, on Sept. 9th, and was attended by a numerous body of ringers, some of whom carried the remains to the grave. A course of Grandsire Caters was rung on handbells, after the committal by James Shaw 1-2, J. Mellor 3-4, Allan F. Bailey 5-6, Ben Thorp 7-8, Sam Booth 9-10. The company adjourned then to the belfry of St. Peter's, and rang a touch of Stedman Triples with the bells muffled.

After tea the twelve bells at the Parish Church were rung, with muffled clappers, in various touches during the evening. The bells were also muffled on Sunday, and on Thursday a half-muffled peal of Grandsire Caters was rung.

The deceased was of a very genial disposition, and his presence and kindly advice will be sadly missed by his brother ringers at St. Michael's.

CASTLE CAREY RINGERS' TRIP.

On Saturday, Sept. 2nd, Castle Carey ringers, accompanied by a few friends, held their annual outing. Starting by charabanc at 12 noon, West Lydford was the first tower visited, and after a few touches a move was made to Baboary. Here a new treble has recently been installed, bringing them to a handy ring of six. The only drawback is the noise in the ringing chamber, which, it is hoped, will soon be remedied. Several six-scores were brought round. The journey was then continued to West Coker; the run down the Fosse Road, in ideal weather, being much enjoyed by all. On arrival, a splendid meat tea was found waiting at the Castle Inn, to which full justice was done. A move was then made to the belfry, and the bells, a light ring of eight, were raised in peal, and after about an hour's ringing were lowered again. They were much admired for their tone and 'go.' Afterwards, the 'locals' were entertained with the handbells until the time for departure home. The thanks of the company are tendered to the incumbents for the use of the bells at the towers visited.

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

The monthly meeting of the Crewe Branch was held at Tarporley on Saturday, Sept. 16th, and was very well attended.

The new Master of the Guild, Mr. Fairclough, of Stretton, was present, also ringers from Crewe, Tarporley, Ightfield, Frodsham, Nantwich, Stretton, Warrington, Alford, Eccleston, Bunbury and Davenham.

Ringing commenced at 3 o'clock, with touches of Bob Triples, Grandsire Triples, Bob Major, Kent Treble, Bob Major, Stedman Triples, Double Norwich, Superlative and Cambridge Surprise.

Tea was very kindly provided by the Rev. Canon Hughes.

At the meeting, after tea, the Master took the chair, and proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the Rev. Canon Hughes for providing tea, and also for the use of the bells. He also congratulated the Tarporley ringers on their well-kept belfry.

ELLAND OCTOGENARIAN'S BIRTHDAY TOUCH.

On Sept. 8th a date touch of 1,922 changes of Kent Treble Bob Major was rung at St. Mary's Church, Elland, Yorks, in honour of the 80th birthday of Mr. John Hollas, who has been a member of the Elland band of ringers for over 60 years. The following took part: Jas. Barraclough 1, Albert Walker 2, T. Shaw 3, Albert Armistage 4, Edgar Carter (conductor) 5, Willie Frith 6, John Hollas 7, Allan Carter 8. Mr. Hollas is considered to be the father of the Elland band of ringers, his two brother octogenarian ringers, Messrs. Joseph and Savile Brearley having removed to Blackpool. Mr. Hollas is hale and hearty, and his many friends wish him many happy returns of the day.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

A meeting of the North-Eastern Division of the Essex Association was held at Goldhanger on Saturday, Sept. 9th. The Rev. F. T. Gardiner officiated at the service, and afterwards invited the 28 members from eleven companies to partake of a bountiful tea on the rectory lawn.

At the business meeting, presided over by the Rev. Gardiner, who was supported by the Master (Mr. C. H. Howard) and the secretary (Mr. R. W. Stannard) it was suggested that the next meeting be held at Harwich, if arrangements can be made, at the end of the year. Thanks to the Vicar for the use of the bells and also for entertaining the members concluded another very successful meeting.

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BELFRY GOSSIP.

We desire to thank the many readers who have sent us their congratulations upon completing our 600th issue. We should have liked to give extracts from some of these communications, but space—and modesty—forbid.

That famous old London ringer, Matt. Wood, of Bethnal Green, who died in 1912, was born on September 22nd, 1826.

Sept. 22nd, 1894, was the date of the first peal of Double Norwich Caters rung at St. Stephen's, Bristol.

Exactly a hundred and seventy years ago next Monday a peal of Bob Triples was rung at St. Giles-in-the-Fields, John Holt took part in this, and it was the last recorded peal which he rang for the Society of Union Scholars. Just afterwards he joined the College Youths.

The conductor of the peal of Double Norwich, at Isleworth on August 26th, writes that he doubtfully added the footnote by request, and in view of the fact that the rehangings took place in 1903 Mr. Davies' claim does not need argument.

The Cambridge University Guild has rung the first peal of Cambridge Court Bob Major, and thus put another interesting 'first' to its credit. The peal was rung on handbells at Surfleet. The author of the method is Mr. George Baker, and we publish the figures in another column. It is a method which may appeal to ringers looking for something fresh with a plain hunt.

Another lady has now to be added to the peal conductors, Miss Annie Brown, of Bristol, having called a peal of Grandsire Triples.

The peal at Thurstaston is noteworthy in that G. Stedman Morris rang his first peal in any method 'inside' by ringing 2nd to Kent Major, without having previously struck a blow in the method away from treble. By strange coincidence he is but 14, and born on the same day as W. Whitehead, who was noted last week as having rung his first peal of Major on the 2nd to Superlative. These two young Leicester ringers should go far in the art if their keenness continues.

Essex ringers will welcome the return to their peal ringing ranks of their esteemed Master, Mr. O. H. Howard, whose name figures this week in a peal for the first time for ten years. The strain of work during the war compelled Mr. Howard to give up peal ringing, but we hope to see him appearing in future in this sphere, as far as his many public appointments will allow.

RINGING AT SOUTHPORT.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—I formed one of a party of Yorkshiremen who visited here some 10 years back, and had the privilege and pleasure to hear this fine peal. Since then I have on several occasions revisited the tower, and elicited the same information as your correspondent, 'Rho K.' I fully endorse his opinion it is a pity that the bells remain silent, perhaps to suit the whims and fancies of a few objectors, and beg to suggest that the said objectors remove further away from the church and locality.—Yours,

T. M.

P.S.—I have this morning heard the peal of eight at Christ Church.

PROBABLY AN EMPTY THREAT.

To the Editor.

Sir,—I don't think it is at all certain that an injunction can be obtained to restrain the reasonable ringing of parish church bells. I have not access to a complete legal library at the moment, but as far as I can discover there are two main cases on the point. In 'Soltan v. Deffeld,' an injunction was granted to restrain the persistent tolling of the bells of a Roman Catholic Church, but it was pointed out that this building was not a church, in the eye of the law, and could not claim the same privileges as a parish church in the matter of bell ringing—which seems to suggest that in the case of the Church of England the decision would have been different.

This was followed by 'Handman v. Holberton,' where an application for an injunction against bell ringing was refused by the Court.

So the threat of the Southport residents might be found rather an empty one.—Yours obediently,

H. W. F.

THE EXTENSION OF BRISTOL.

To the Editor.

Dean Sir,—In an article that appeared in your columns about a year ago, I gave a simple definition of the difference between an Oxford and a Cambridge Extension, and pointed out that the Oxford Extension was produced by adding to the number of dodges in any place, as was done by Shipway in his extension of Double Oxford.

In Bristol Surprise Major the longest dodge that takes place is one row short of a double dodge. In the extension to Maximus I cannot find any dodging that is longer than that, nor can I find any new style of work that is not contained in the Major; so that I fail to see how it can be called an Oxford Extension, or that I can be accused of 'throwing overboard' my former convictions.—Yours truly,

E. BANKES JAMES.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. ASHFORD DISTRICT ANNUAL MEETING. PRESENTATION TO THE HON. SECRETARY.

The annual meeting of the Ashford District of the Kent County Association took place at Tenterden on Saturday. The grand ring of eight (tenor 30 cwt.) is in itself sufficient to attract a large attendance, but on this particular occasion there was a very pleasant ceremony to be performed, which greatly conduced to the bringing together of a representative gathering of members, not only from the Ashford district, but from other parts of the county, the towers represented being Appledore, Ashford, Benenden, Brabourne, Canterbury, Frittenden, Hawkhurst, All Saints', Maidstone, Mersham, Rolvenden, Smarden, Stoue-in-Oxney, Tenterden and Willesborough. The Vicar (the Rev. J. A. Babington) conducted the service, the Association's form being used, and one of the ringers, Mr. W. E. Pitman, Mus.Bac., of Canterbury, presided at the organ.

The Vicar invited the company to tea at English's Tea Rooms, with the reverend gentleman in the chair.

Following the repast, came the business meeting. The first item was the presentation of a cheque, value £10, to the Hon. Secretary of the district, Mr. Chas. Tribe, of Tenterden, and a few sentences on Mr. Tribe's change ringing career, perhaps, will not be out of place. The writer started ringing in 1899, and from that year onwards has been in close touch with Mr. Tribe's change ringing activities. In early life, Mr. Tribe resided in West Sussex, and had the advantage of coming under the leadership of that masterpiece of instructors and conductors, Mr. George Williams. Later, his calling took him to the most eastern part of Sussex, the 'Ancient Town' of Rye. Here, toward the close of the last century he introduced change ringing. Subsequently he moved over the border into Kent, and resided at Wittersham, where a very dilapidated peal of five hang, and after a short stay he took his departure for Tenterden, where he has been the leading light of change ringing, to the writer's knowledge, for over 20 years. In that time no one knows the amount of time and work Charles Tribe has put in for the Kent Association. Apart from giving instruction in his own tower, ringers at many churches in the neighbourhood have reaped the benefit of his advice and assistance. The members of the Association soon found that they had a great enthusiast come among them in Charles Tribe, and it was not long ere they recognised his services by electing him on the committee. Then, about 1907, Mr. A. A. Manning, of Hythe, resigned as hon. secretary of the district, and on what better shoulders could the 'mantle' fall than on those of Charles Tribe? For 15 years he has given unbounded satisfaction, and it was felt by the members of the district that they should recognise his untiring energies and devotion to duty on their behalf. Messrs. C. W. Everett (Ashford) and C. W. Player (Stone-in-Oxney) were the organisers of the testimonial and subscriptions came in from the following towers in the Ashford District: Ashford, Appledore, Biddenden, Brabourne, Cheriton, Great Chart, Folkestone, Frittenden, Headcorn, High Halden, Hythe, Kingsnorth, Mersham, New Romney, Rolvenden, Smarden, Stone, Tenterden, Willesborough, Woodchurch and Wye. Ringing friends, 'outside' the district from Benenden, Canterbury, Charing, Hawkhurst and All Saints', Maidstone, also kindly contributed, and over £29 was raised. A collection before the tea augmented this sum to £10, and the Vicar, in commencing the business, said a very pleasant duty devolved upon him. He has been asked to read out a notice to the effect that a cheque, value £10, be presented to Mr. Charles Tribe in consideration of his valuable services given free as hon. secretary of the district, as a token of their respect and esteem, by the following affiliated towers in the district, and a few friends outside. Then followed the list of towers already mentioned. Continuing, the reverend gentleman said he could not add much, but they all in Tenterden knew what Mr. Tribe had done for bell ringing. Some years ago, he (the speaker) remembered reading a statement of one of the greatest generals the world had ever known: 'He who commands an army must give his whole mind to the task, and think of nothing else.' He (the Vicar) considered that Mr. Tribe, in respect of his bell ringing duties, had been equal to the greatest general that ever lived, and he had much pleasure in presenting him with the cheque on their behalf (applause).

In response, Mr. Tribe, who was received with loud applause, confessed he knew nothing about the testimonial. It would have been one of the last of his thoughts, and words failed to express his thanks and gratitude to them all. It was nice to know that what he had done had been appreciated. He had done his best, and could say that he felt he had done his duty. He thanked them all from the bottom of his heart, and he would endeavour to carry on in the future although he could see that the time was coming when he would have to give up the work. He again thanked them heartily for what they had done for him (applause).

Mr. Tribe's allusion that he might have to give up some time is due to failing sight.

Messrs. Robert Butcher (Rolvenden), Percy Farrance (Sellindge) and Stanley Saxby (Hawkhurst) were elected members, and on the proposition of Mr. C. W. Player, seconded by Mr. H. J. Balcomb, Mr. Tribe was unanimously re-elected hon. secretary.

Mr. E. Cheesman (Brabourne) proposed, and Mr. H. C. Castle (Ashford), seconded that Messrs. G. Paine (Mersham) and P. H. Pierce (Brabourne) be re-elected district representatives on the association committee.—These gentlemen met with the members' unanimous approval.

Places for meetings were appointed as follows: Headcorn in February; Hythe in the summer, and Appledore for the annual meeting. An extra meeting is also to take place at Biddenden, probably in November next.

On the proposition of Mr. Player, seconded by Mr. George Johnson (Appledore), a very hearty vote of thanks was unanimously passed to the Vicar for the use of the bells, conducting the service, and for his hospitality, to which the reverend gentleman suitably replied.

The bells were made good use of during the afternoon and evening. Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Kent Treble Bob Major and Double Norwich Court Bob Major being practised.

MR. TRIBE'S THANKS.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—Will you kindly allow me a little space in 'our paper' to most heartily thank all those subscribers who so kindly contributed toward the liberal and useful testimonial presented to me at the meeting on Saturday last. I tried to thank those who were present, but at such a time, when it comes so suddenly on one, words fail adequately to express one's feelings, and so I feel I must thank again those who were present, and those who were absent. I can assure them all, both promoters and subscribers, that such a tangible token of their respect and esteem is very greatly appreciated, and makes one feel that one can buckle on one's armour and enter into the fray again with renewed zeal and vigour.

C. TRIBE, Hon. Sec., Ashford District.

SALTASH RINGING FESTIVAL.

At the Church of St. Nicholas, Saltash on Monday, Sept. 4th, a great ringing festival was held, 19 sets of ringers taking part. The visitors were all entertained by a local committee, which included Dr. Grenfell (Mayor), Messrs. Dawe, Frost and F. Jago.

The prize-winners were as follows: 1st, St. Clear (1st band); 2nd, Landreath; 3rd, Talland; 4th, St. Veep (1st band); 5th, St. Endellion; 6th, Botusfleming (1st band); 7th, Lanlivery; 8th, St. Martin's (1st band). Other ringers represented St. Kew, Menheniot, St. Mabyn, and numerous other towers.

Saltash bells were restored and hung on patent adjustable bearings, some 10 years ago, by Messrs. Aggett and Sons, of Chagford, and the ringers, who took part in the festival were highly pleased with the 'go' of the bells.

CAMBRIDGE COURT BOB MAJOR.

By GEORGE BAKER.

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4	6	2	5	3	8	1	7
6	4	5	2	8	3	7	1
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Bob.

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5184. By the REV. E. BANKES JAMES.

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2 3 4 6 5 —

Three repeats with bob instead of S in the 2nd and 4th parts. Rung on handbells at Surfleet on Sept. 12th, conducted by W. H. J. Hooton.

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WINCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 1921

EDENBRIDGE RINGER'S DEATH.**MR. TOM WALLIS'S DEVOTED SERVICES.**

A tragic incident put an end to the outing of the Edenbridge ringers, as briefly recorded last week. The party had left home in the afternoon to make a tour through Chiddingstone, Penshurst, Speldhurst and Tonbridge, and among the band was Mr. Thomas Wallis, who has been connected with the church practically all his life, and has been a ringer for 40 years. At Chiddingstone a short touch of Stedman Triples was attempted, but after a course had been rung, Mr. Wallis, who was ringing the 6th, asked the conductor to stop. The bells were immediately set, and the ringers went to Mr. Wallis's assistance, he being in a state of collapse. He was conveyed down the stone staircase to the church entrance, where he was placed in a chair. He was obviously suffering from a bad heart attack, and although all that was possible was done for him, Mr. Wallis passed away in about ten minutes.

Dr. Pennell, who had been summoned by telephone, could only pronounce life extinct on his arrival. The police were communicated with, but as Dr. Pennell had been attending Mr. Wallis for some time for heart trouble an inquest was not deemed necessary. An ambulance was obtained, and the body was conveyed home by his sorrowing brother ringers. The news soon spread, and general sympathy has been expressed in the town.

Mr. Wallis, who was 60 years of age, and who leaves a wife and one daughter, was the eldest son of the late Mr. Thos. Wallis, and had resided in Edenbridge all his life. He joined the church choir in 1875, and remained a member up till the time of his death. From his early days he loved voluntary work, and when quite young carried out repairs to the organ and the old peal of six bells. The wooden frame often required attention, and only a few ever knew the amount of time and labour he spent in the church. Without doubt, says a local newspaper, he was the most popular figure in the town.

FORTY YEARS A RINGER.

He had been a bell ringer some 40 years, and was ever ready to assist at any school froats, and any indoor entertainments. He was responsible for the stage work and decorations at jumble sales for charity.

An accomplished bell ringer and a well-known and popular member of the Kent County Association, his loss will be felt by many ringers in the county. He was a most genial companion, and always extended hospitality to brother ringers who came from a distance, being a general favourite with all. As recently as February 28th he took part in a peal of Stedman Triples, on the occasion of the Royal Wedding, and the local band would have tried for a peal on his 60th birthday on June 17th, but his health would not permit. Only on the Wednesday in the previous week he accepted the invitation to join the Westerham ringers on their outing. He took part in about 25 peals, chiefly Stedman Triples and Treble Bob Major. In 1896, when two new bells were added at Edenbridge Church, making a peal of eight, he took a keen and active interest in the work entailed by the additions, being on the committee. His general knowledge was of great value, but being of a retiring disposition no one knew the extent of this work.

On Sunday morning his brother ringers rang with the bells half-muffled 504 Stedman Triples and 336 Grandsire Triples, and for evening service 518 Grandsire and 336 Stedman, and one could scarcely realise how difficult was the task on this sorrowful occasion.

Mr. Wallis was passionately fond of music, being nearly all his life a member of the Town Band, and playing with them on the Thursday previous to his death. He was also a member of the String Band, being an accomplished violin player, and many young people have been instructed by him.

For many years he carried out the duties of hon. secretary of the local Conservative Association, and at the time of his death he was secretary of the local Court of Foresters.

A FAITHFUL SERVANT OF THE CHURCH.

On the Sunday morning the Vicar (the Rev. H. O. Edwards), in the course of his sermon, said: Yesterday afternoon there passed beyond the veil to higher service one well known to all of us who worshipped regularly in this church. I refer to Tom Wallis. There is no figure in this church and parish who will be more missed, and our feelings as we see his vacant seat bear eloquent testimony to the place he had made for himself among us. From childhood he had been a member of our choir, and one of its most faithful and regular members, very seldom being absent from his place on Sunday mornings or evenings or special week-days. He was a member of our Parochial Church Council, and local Branch of C.E.M.S., and one of our most accomplished ringers, and devoted to our beautiful peal, and it seems fitting that it was while he was on a ringing tour that he should be called. The end came quite suddenly just after he had finished ringing a peal in Chiddingstone Parish Church side by side with his friends and fellow-ringers of this parish. He loved his Church. He loved serving her, and his end came in the House of God, where so many hours of faithful service had been passed. Cannot we think that he would have wished it so? What-

ever work he undertook, whether it was in connection with the choir, the belfry, or any charitable organisation, he did it thoroughly and cheerfully, and could always be depended upon to be at his post, and we cannot but be poorer for the loss of so steadfast and upright a life. He has left behind him near and dear ones to mourn their loss, and I know that to them the deep sympathy of all is going out. Let us pray that God may give them the strength and faith to bear their heavy cross, and for him who has passed out of our sight that he may rest in peace and hope and rise in glory.—Appropriate hymns were sung.

The funeral took place on Tuesday afternoon, Sept. 5th, amid manifold tokens of respect, business being almost entirely suspended and blinds drawn en route. The bearers were members of the Town Band and the bell ringers, and the whole of the Town Band were present in uniform. Among the family mourners were Mrs. and Miss Wallis (widow and daughter), Mr. and Mrs. E. Wallis, Mr. and Mrs. J. Wallis, Mr. and Mrs. Wilson, Mr. A. Wilson, Mr. W. Wallis (uncle), M. J. Wallis, Mr. and Mrs. P. Smith (Oxted), Mr. T. Wallis (nephew). Others present included: Count Riccardi Cubitt, Mr. F. Playfoot and Mr. W. S. Fox (churchwardens), Mr. T. Cooling, Mr. W. Ashby, Mr. A. Grundwall, etc. (members of the Church Council), Capt. J. N. Prior, Co-Sergt-Major F. White (representing 'C' Co., 4th Battalion Royal West Kent Regiment), Mr. J. W. Baddiley, Mr. A. Martin, Mr. J. Hooker, Mr. W. Knight, Mr. T. Martin, Mr. E. Sparrowhawk, Mr. R. Marchant, and representatives of the local Court of Foresters, Rev. D. Smith, Mr. C. Cheal, Mr. W. Taylor, Mr. H. Cheal, Mr. A. H. Barrett, Mr. W. Mitchell, Mr. S. Sparrowhawk, Mr. A. Lewis (Westerham), Mr. Bull (Brasted), Mr. T. Groombridge (Chislehurst), hon. secretary Lewis-ham District Kent County Association.

On arrival at the lych-gate the cortege was met by the Vicar and full choir, and on entering the church the organist (Mr. W. L. Weaver) played 'O Rest in the Lord,' and at the conclusion the Dead March in 'Saul.' The choir sang a favourite hymn, 'There is a blessed home.' At the graveside the choir sang the hymn, 'Jesus, Lover of my soul,' and the band, conducted by Mr. W. Weaver, played a favourite air of Sullivan.

Immediately after the service, 1,000 Stedman Triples were rung with the bells half-muffled, and in the evening the whole pull and stand was effectively rung by the local band, and short touches of Grandsire and Stedman Triples concluded the mournful ceremony.

Floral tributes were sent by his sorrowing wife and daughter; Ned, Lou and family; all at Lingfield Road; Lizzie and Agnes; Fred, Mary and the boy; George, Kitty and Flossie; Cousins at Oxted; Edenbridge Church Choir; Edenbridge Trade; Church of England Men's Society; Edenbridge Unionist Association; Rev. and Mrs. H. O. Edwards; Lady Rogers; Colonel and Hon. Mrs. Spender-Clay; Edenbridge Town Band; Edenbridge and Haver Bell Ringers; St. Mary's, Westerham, Ringers; 'C' Co., 4th Royal West Kent Regiment; Mr. and Mrs. A. Martin; John Stupples; Mr. and Mrs. Cloke; Mr. H. G. and Miss Whitehead; Mrs. Ray; Miss Ellis; Mr. J. L. West; Mrs. Kingsland; Mr. and Mrs. Rowe; Mr. and Mrs. Gateland; Mr. and Mrs. E. Sparrowhawk; Mrs. Seymour and Mrs. Bishop.

DEVONSHIRE RINGERS' OUTING.

The ringers of St. Michael's Church, Chagford, held their annual outing with Messrs. Aggett. Widecombe-in-the-Moor, where there is a nice peal of six, hung some years ago by Messrs. Aggett, and which go splendidly, was first visited, and the party went on to Buckfast Abbey, where, after an inspection, the grand peal of twelve bells were set going for an hour, some excellent ringing being accomplished. This fine peal were also hung by Messrs. Aggett, and the 'go' is all that can be desired. Leaving Buckfast, the party steered for Dartington, not a great distance from Totnes. Here the peal of six was set in motion, and with the exercise of some strength, the visitors managed to achieve good touches. Going on to Paignton a stop was made at Dellers' Cafe, where ducks and green peas were attacked. The next move was to Cockington, a light peal of six, where the visitors were met by their late Rector, the Rev. Studdy, who showed them the tower, and Grandsire Doubles were rung, the bells being lowered after an hour and a half's good ringing. The party were then kindly entertained to tea by the Rector and Mrs. Studdy. After thanking the hosts and visiting the grounds, the ringers returned to Torquay, where a most enjoyable evening was spent, a move for home being made at 10 p.m. The ringers wish to thank all those whose kindness, goodwill and hospitality enabled them to spend such an enjoyable day.

HEREFORD GUILD.

A very successful combined practice was held at Leominster on Sept. 9th, when members were present from the Hereford, Leaminster and Presteign, Bromyard and Ludlow districts. The methods consisted of Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Bob Major and Grandsire Caters. Of the latter, two excellent touches were brought round, viz., 352 and 560, those taking part being Messrs. C. Edwards, P. Lane, D. Watkins, A. Talbot, A. Tomkins, I. and A. Probert, H. Symonds, W. S. Evans, J. Preere, F. Arrowsmith, — Cook (Cardiff), and A. R. Elkins (Tring).

SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES.

MILTON, NORTHANTS.—On Feast Sunday, Sept. 17th, for evening service, at the Church of the Holy Cross, 1,440 Grandsire Doubles, in 55 mins.: A. Turner 1, C. Yates 2, R. Asplin 3, J. Townsend (conductor) 4, P. Asplin 5. All local band. Longest touch on the bells.

EXETER.—At St. Sidwell's Church, on Sunday, Sept. 17th, 1,299 Stedman Caters: E. Shepherd (conductor) 1, W. Howe 2, W. Drake 3, C. Carter 4, T. Bartlett 5, E. Sargent 6, J. Moss 7, F. Murphy 8, W. Richardson 9, A. Monkley 10.

PORTSEA, HAMPSHIRE.—On Sunday, Sept. 17th, for evensong, at St. Mary, 1,260 Stedman Triples, in 47 mins.: J. J. Symonds 1, J. D. Harris 2, C. Groves 3, T. R. Taylor 4, W. Tate 5, R. J. Stone 6, F. W. Rogers (conductor) 7, H. Brasher (London) 8. This is an Odd and Even Bob composition by J. Carter.

SANDHURST, BERKS.—On Sunday, Sept. 17th, for morning service, 720 London Surprise Minor: C. Barlow 1, G. Riches 2, C. Doe 3, E. Barlow 4, G. Englefield 5, J. Moth (conductor) 6.—For evening service, 360 York Surprise Minor, standing as above.

HEMEL HEMPSTEAD.—At St. Mary's Church, on Sunday, Sept. 17th, 504 Grandsire Triples, for morning service: R. Walker 1, H. Goodenough (St. Albans) 2, H. Golding (conductor) 3, H. Gates 4, J. Floyd 5, W. Shephard 6, W. Floyd 7, E. Lee 8.—For evening service, 336 Bob Major: R. Walker 1, C. H. Horton (London) 2, H. Goodenough 3, H. Gates 4, J. Floyd 5, W. Shephard 6, W. Floyd 7, H. Golding (conductor) 8.

EDGBASTON.—At the Old Church, for Sunday morning service, Sept. 17th, 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor, in 22 mins.: E. Rose 1, W. Cartwright 2, C. Simpkins 3, H. Withers (conductor) 4, G. Pigott 5, P. Laffin 6. The ringers of the treble and third hail from Harborne, and this was their first 720 Kent Minor.

NEWPORT, MON.—At the Church of All Saints, on Sunday, Sept. 17th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (1,260 changes): A. E. Morgan 1, T. Ford 2, J. W. Jones 3, F. Chapman 4, H. Morgan 5, C. Greedy 6, F. Morgan (conductor) 7, H. Forbes 8. Rung half-muffled on the occasion of the unveiling and dedication of a beautiful stained glass window by the Lord Bishop of the Diocese (Dr. Green), in memory of the Rev. William Munro Munro, first Vicar of this parish.

LONDON.—At St. Michael's, Cornhill, City, on Sunday, Sept. 10th, for evensong, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters (1,313 changes), on the back ten: Edwin Horrex 1, F. I. Hairs 2, W. H. Hewett (conductor) 3, W. E. Nudds 4, W. A. Alps 5, J. A. Trollope 6, F. G. Newman 7, C. W. Grimwood 8, E. Brett 9, H. Langdon 10 (40 cwt.).

SHREWSBURY.—On Sunday, Sept. 10th, at St. Chad's Church, 168 Stedman Triples: and for evensong, 207 Stedman Caters: A. Boylin 1, J. Griffiths 2, A. Jones 3, J. E. Lilley 4, R. Pole 5, D. J. Boucher 6, T. Prichard 7, W. Fairhead 8, C. R. Lilley 9, J. Evans 10.

PRESTON, LANCS.—On Sunday, Sept. 10th, for evensong, 1,280 Double Norwich: J. Bimson 1, F. D. Smith 2, B. A. Knights (conductor) 3, F. Harwood 4, E. R. Martin 5, A. P. Knights 6, R. Sanderson 7, E. Armstrong 8.

WITNEY, OXON.—On Sunday, Sept. 10th, for evening service, at the Church of St. Mary, 336 Grandsire Triples: H. Bull 1, L. Olliffe 2, E. Brown 3, T. Bull 4, G. Brooks 5, H. Brooks 6, J. Monk (conductor) 7, G. Harris 8.

ROYSTON, HERTS.—On Sunday, Sept. 10th, for morning service, 720 Cambridge Surprise Minor: A. Gilbert 1, W. B. Manning 2, W. L. Darlow 3, S. Reed 4, C. S. Gouldthorpe 5, R. G. King (conductor) 6.

LAVERHAM.—St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich Diocesan Association.—On Sunday, Sept. 3rd, for evening service, 504 Stedman Triples: F. Turner 1, M. Symonds 2, L. Poulson 3, S. Smith 4, S. H. Symonds (conductor) 5, F. Salter (Thetford) first attempt in the method, 6, F. Poulson 7, J. Poulson 8.—On Sunday, Sept. 10th, 504 Stedman Triples, for evening service: F. Turner 1, M. Symonds 2, A. Symonds 3, F. Poulson 4, S. H. Symonds (conductor) 5, W. W. J. Roper 6, W. Fayers 7, J. Poulson 8.

WATFORD, HERTS.—On Sunday evening, Sept. 10th, for service, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, in 54 mins.: S. Hoare 1, W. E. Oakley 2, G. Seaman 3, E. M. Elliott 4, W. Norris 5, W. Hewitt 6, F. Edwards (conductor) 7, H. J. Wise 8. Rung with the bells half-muffled as a last tribute of respect to the late Mr. W. E. Moore, churchwarden for several years.

LEICESTER.—On Sunday, Sept. 10th, for morning service, at St. Margaret's, 506 Grandsire Cinques: T. Bent 1, F. Sharman 2, E. Morris (conductor) 3, C. Cattell 4, A. Ballard 5, E. Whitehead 6, E. E. Smith 7, H. Peach 8, J. Morris 9, H. Lock 10, A. Cattell 11, J. Vernon 12. Longest touch in the method by all except conductor.

MORRISTON, GLAM.—At St. John's Church, on Sunday, Sept. 10th, for evening service, 510 Grandsire Doubles: L. Pearyel 1, A. Sluman 2, Geo. Lewis 3, J. T. Williams 4, J. Williams (conductor) 5, Gwyn Williams (longest touch) 6.

RATBY.—At St. Philip and St. James' Church, on Sunday, Sept. 3rd, for morning service, 720 Oxford Bob Minor: C. Priestnall 1, V. Wade 2, W. Ball 3, P. Ingram 4, T. Chantrell 5, C. Allsop (conductor) 6. The first 720 on the bells by a local band.

COMBE MARTIN BELLS.
DEVON'S NEW PEAL OF EIGHT.

On Saturday afternoon, Ilfracombe Parish Church ringers paid a visit to Combe Martin Parish Church, where there is a fine new peal of eight bells. Mr. E. J. Harding, of Portsmouth, who, with his son, was on a visit to his native place, joined the visitors, and they were met at the church by Mr. J. G. Sanders and Mr. A. H. Hayward, of the local company. Ringing commenced with a 350 Grandsire Triples by G. Bowen 1, R. Dadds 2, F. J. Reed 3, E. J. Harding, jun., 4, A. H. Hayward (conductor) 5, E. J. Harding, senr., 6, J. Richards 7, W. Slocombe 8.

Following this a well-struck quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples was rung in 50 mins., by G. Bowen 1, R. Dadds 2, F. J. Reed 3, A. H. Hayward 4, E. J. Harding 5, E. J. Harding, senr. (conductor), 6, J. Richards 7, W. Slocombe 8. This is the first quarter-peal rung on the bells since they were recast from six into eight, and rehung with all modern improvements by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank.

Afterwards round ringing was indulged in, Mr. J. G. S. Sanders, one of the oldest local ringers, and Mr. S. J. Harding, of Berry-harbour, father and grandfather of the two Portsmouth visitors, taking part. Two fathers, two sons and one grandson thus rang together.

Before lowering the bells another 350 Grandsire Triples was rung by the same band, conducted by F. J. Reed.

After the bells had been lowered a course of Grandsire Triples was rung on handbells by J. G. Sanders 1, R. Dadds 2, E. J. Harding 3-4, E. J. Harding, senr., 5-6, A. H. Hayward 7-8. It is interesting to note that Mr. Sanders has only taken up change ringing within the last twelve months, and great credit is due to him for the manner in which he has grasped the art. The young band, at present being instructed by Mr. A. F. Hayward, rang their first 120 on tower bells on Thursday evening, August 31st.

Before parting, Mr. Harding and his son entertained the band to tunes on handbells. The visiting ringers wish to take this opportunity of thanking the Rev. R. Seymour for the use of the bells, and they highly praised the tone and 'go' of the new peal.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.

The quarterly meeting of the Bristol Branch of the Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association was held at Marshfield on Saturday, September 2nd, a good number of ringers being present, including Messrs. T. F. King and H. W. Brown, of Bath. Touches of Grandsire and Plain Bob was rung before service, which was held at 4.30, the Rev. L. O. Asplin officiating, and the Rev. T. C. Fowler (vice-president) reading the lesson.

Mr. W. Lewis kindly made arrangements for tea at his residence, and the business meeting followed.—The Rev. T. C. Fowler accepted the invitation of Mr. H. T. Howell (Master) to take the chair.

Two new members were elected (Messrs. R. C. Seagen and A. E. Parker).—The next meetings were arranged as follows: Dyrham on September 30th; Henbury, October 21st; Almondsbury, Nov. 25th; Brislington, Dec. 16th; and the annual meeting of the branch at Christ Church, City, on Saturday, January 29th, 1923.

Votes of thanks were passed to the Vicar for the use of the bells and officiating at the service, to the Rev. T. C. Fowler for taking the chair; also the organist and organ blower; and to Mr. and Mrs. Lewis for arranging tea. The tower was again visited, and further good practice on the bells ended a very pleasant meeting.

EXHALL RINGERS' SUPPER.
PRESENTATION TO INSTRUCTOR.

On Thursday evening, Sept. 14th, the St. Giles' Society of Exhall held their first supper and concert at the Bell Inn, Exhall. The venture proved very successful and enjoyable, about 30 members and friends being present.

During an interval the president (the Rev. Frank Melville, M.A.) made a presentation, consisting of a valuable pipe and pouch, to Mr. J. H. White, of Coventry. The gift was from the ringers, who thought the present would remind Mr. White of the many happy hours he had spent amongst them, instructing the newly-formed band.—Mr. White suitably replied, and said the gift came as a great surprise, as he was always ready to give a helping hand.

The rest of the evening was spent in harmony, the artists being E. Bircher (pianist), Bros. Dick and Harry Clarke (entertainers on the banjo, etc.), G. Bates (mandoline), Mr. J. Dewis and Mr. Rathbone.

RINGER'S DAUGHTER MARRIED.

A pretty wedding took place on Sept. 16th, at the Parish Church, Rayne, when the daughter of Mr. H. Redgwell was married to Mr. Frank Pauley, of Bocking. In honour of the occasion the Stebbing company of ringers, assisted by Mr. A. Shuffelbotham, of Braintree, rang the following 720's: Plain Bob, Double Court, Cambridge Surprise, Double Oxford, Oxford Treble Bob.

Q-SET PRINCIPLES IN METHOD CONSTRUCTION.

A letter upon this subject from Mr. A. York Bramble is unavoidably held over.

NOTICES.

'The Ringing World' can be sent direct by post from the Editorial Office for 4/- per quarter.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Estab. 1637).—Meeting for practice will be held at St. Magnus, Lower Thames St., on Sept. 28th, at 7.30 p.m.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

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.

LADIES' GUILD.—Western District.—The September meeting of the above will be held on Saturday, the 23rd, at St. Mark's Church, Bath. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Service at 4.15, followed by tea at 5 o'clock.—Edith Smith, 23, Somerset Street, Kingsdown, Bristol.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—The First Annual Commemoration Dinner, to the memory of the late Jasper Whitfield Snowdon and past officers of the Association, will be held at the Griffin Hotel, Boar Lane, Leeds, on Saturday, Sept. 23rd, at 6 p.m. The bells at Headingley (8), Far Headingley (8) and Christ Church, Upper Armley (8), will be available from 2 to 5 p.m. Will intending visitors desirous of ringing kindly notify me so that arrangements can be made for their reception at the various towers? Tickets, 5s. 6d. each, can be obtained from P. J. Johnson, 90, Blackman Lane, Leeds. All ringers welcome.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.—Leicester District.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Thurcaston and Anstey, on Saturday, Sept. 23rd. Bells available from 3 p.m. Tea and meeting at Anstey.—H. E. Norman, 52, Ivy Road, Leicester.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—A meeting will be held at Burnham, on Saturday, Sept. 23rd. Service at 4 p.m. Tea and meeting to follow.—E. E. Burgess, Hon. Sec., 62, Greenway Avenue, Taunton.

CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Northampton District.—The next Quarterly meeting will be held at Cogenhoe on Saturday, Sept. 23rd.—S. J. Lawrence, 60, Harlestone Rd., Northampton.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.—North and East District.—A meeting will be held at All Hallows', Tottenham, on Saturday, Sept. 23rd. Bells available from 3 p.m. Short service at 5, with address by the Rev. F. R. Bonsey, President of the Association. Tea at a charge of about 1/3 at 5.30, followed by business meeting. All who require tea please advise me early. I shall be glad to receive all outstanding subscriptions for 1922.—C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec., 49, Wood Street, E.17.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Western Division.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at West Grinstead on Saturday, Sept. 23rd. Tower open from 2.30. Tea at The Burrell Arms at 5 o'clock.—A. W. Groves, 9, Sugden Road, Worthing.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—A Quarterly meeting of the South Western Division will be held at Orsett on Saturday, Sept. 23rd. Bells (6) ready 2.30 p.m. Service at 5 o'clock. Tea at Whitmore Arms Hotel, 1/3 each; meeting to follow. Nearest station Grays. Bus to Orsett every hour.—W. H. Theobald, Hon. Dist. Sec., 49, Portway, E.15.

DEVONSHIRE GUILD.—North-East Branch.—The Annual meeting will be held at Bickleigh (6) on Saturday, Sept. 23rd. Bells available at 2.30. Service at 4.45, preacher, Rev. J. F. Shaw, Vicar of Thorverton. Tea at 5.15 in the School at 1/- each.—Rev. E. V. Cox, Hon. Branch Sec., Bampton Vicarage, Devon.

HALLATON, LEICESTER.—The six new bells will be dedicated by the Archdeacon of Leicester on Saturday, Sept. 23rd, at 3 p.m. Visiting ringers will be welcome.—E. Morris, 24, Coventry Street, Leicester.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.—South and West District.—A meeting will be held at Norwood Green on Saturday, Sept. 23rd, by permission of the Vicar (Rev. Thomas Parker). Ringing from 3.15.—W. H. Hollier, Hon. Sec., 29, Duke Road, W.4.

LADIES' GUILD.—Northamptonshire Branch.—A meeting will be held at Peterborough on Saturday, Sept. 23rd. Ringing at St. Mary's and St. Augustine's, Woodston, also at the Cathedral if permission can be obtained. Service at 4 o'clock at St. Augustine's. Tea will be provided at 5 o'clock in Park Road Co-operative Hall. All gentlemen are cordially invited, this being the first ladies' meeting to be held in the Peterborough district.—Cecil Hepburn, Hon. Sec., Isham, near Kettering.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.—Nottingham District.—A monthly meeting of the above will be held at Cotgrave on Saturday, Sept. 23rd. Ringing from 3 to 8 p.m. Tea 5 o'clock. Motor bus leaves Midland station 2.20 prompt.—T. H. Kirkby, 7, Selkirk Street, Carrington, Notts.

NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY & IPSWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Southwold District.—A practice meeting will be held at Wrentham on Saturday, Sept. 23rd. Bells available 2.30. All ringers welcome.—F. W. Naunton, Hon. District Sec.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Practices: Mondays at 7.30 p.m.; Bishopsgate, Sept. 25th; Sundays, St. Clement's, 1st and 3rd, at 10 a.m.; Bishopsgate, 2nd and 4th, at 5.15 p.m. Quarterly general meeting, October 2nd, 6.30 p.m.—A. D. Barker, Hon. Gen. Sec., Stoke Green, near Slough.

WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Yorktown District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Pirbright on Saturday, Sept. 30th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Service at 4.30, tea and meeting to follow. Will all those intending to be present kindly notify me by Wednesday, Sept. 27th?—G. Miles, Hon. Sec., Owlsmoor, Camberley.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.—Southern Branch.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Market Deeping on Saturday, Sept. 30th. Tea will be provided at the Imperial Café at 5 p.m. Those requiring tea please notify me by Sept. 25th.—S. Proctor, 72, Bridge End Road, Grantham.

LADIES' GUILD.—Midland District.—Annual meeting at Kinver on Saturday, Sept. 30th. Bells available 3.30. Service 4.30. After service, tea and business meeting. Gentlemen invited. All names to be sent in not later than Tuesday, Sept. 26th, to Mrs. Groves, 43, Malvern Road, Handsworth, Birmingham.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.—Northern Branch.—The Annual meeting will be held at Gainsborough (8) on Saturday, Sept. 30th. Bells available at 2.30. Service at 4 o'clock, preacher, Rev. H. T. Parry, of Bigby. Tea at 5 p.m. in Messrs. Marshall's canteen. Will those requiring tea please notify me by the previous Tuesday?—H. L. Pask, Hon. Sec., 28, The Strait, Lincoln.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—The Annual meeting will be held at Preston on Saturday, Sept. 30th. Further particulars by circular.—W. H. Shuker and J. H. Banks, Hon. Secs.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.—The next quarterly meeting will be on Saturday, Sept. 30th, at Wigston. The bells (two rings of 8) will be available at 3 o'clock. Committee meet at 4.30. Tea will be at 5.30, followed by general meeting, in the Church School, Wigston Magna. Will those requiring tea, which will be provided at a moderate charge, kindly advise Mr. W. H. Humberstone, 56, Burgess Street, Wigston Magna, Leicester, not later than Thursday, the 28th?—A. C. Wright, Hon. Sec., Strathallan, Darley Dale.

WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Basingstoke District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Heckfield on Saturday, Sept. 30th (visiting Sherfield en route). Tower open after tea. Service at 4 p.m. Tea at 4.30. Visit Rotherwick at about 6.30. Sixpence per head will be allowed towards the cost of tea to all members informing me not later than Saturday, Sept. 23rd.—Charles D. P. Davies, Hon. Dist. Sec., Deane Rectory, Basingstoke.

GREASLEY.—Preliminary Notice.—The new peal at St. Mary's, Greasley, will be available for ringing on Saturday, September 30th, from 2.30 to 9 p.m. Tea at 4.30. Will those who require tea please notify J. E. Hobbs, Watnall, Notts, by Sept. 28th? All ringers are cordially invited.

LADIES' GUILD.—The Annual General Meeting will be held at Isham, near Kettering, on Saturday, Sept. 30th. Ringing from 2.30. Service at 4 p.m., followed by tea and meeting. All desiring tea please notify Miss Hepburn, The Pines, Isham.—E. K. Parker, Hon. Sec., 17, Wellington, Road, Enfield.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Archdeaconry of Ely.—A meeting will be held at Trumpington on Saturday, Sept. 30th. Bells (5) available afternoon and evening. Service at 5 o'clock, followed by tea and meeting. Those who require tea should inform me not later than 26th Sept.—A. E. Austin, 4, Hills View, Great Shelford, Cambs.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Chew Deanery Branch.—The next Quarterly meeting will be held at Wrington on Saturday, Sept. 30th. Bells available 3 o'clock. Tea at 5 o'clock and business meeting to follow.—Percy G. Yeo, Hon. Local Sec., Long Ashton.

CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.—Thrapston District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Lowick on Saturday, Sept. 30th. Service 4.30. Tea 5 o'clock.—J. Nickerson, Dis. Sec., Halford St., Thrapston.

DONCASTER AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.—The next meeting will be held at Conisborough on Saturday, Sept. 30th. Bells (8) ready early. Tea provided for those who notify me before the 26th. A good attendance of members is desired, there being some important business to discuss. A hearty welcome to members of other Societies.—Harold Walker, Hon. Sec., 3, Beech Crescent, Old Hexthorpe, Doncaster.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Gloucester Branch.—The Annual meeting will be held at Barnwood on Saturday, Sept. 30th. Business: Annual report and election of officers. Bells (8) from 3 o'clock. Service 4.30. Tea in schoolroom 5 o'clock. Trams from the Cross every 10 minutes. Visitors welcome, but if requiring tea must notify the Secretary by Sept. 26th.—Capt. A. A. Bennett, Hon. Sec., Newton House, London Road, Gloucester.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Bristol Branch.—The next meeting of the above will be held at Dyrham on Saturday, Sept. 30th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea to follow, please notify by Sept. 25th.—P. C. Williams, Branch Hon. Sec., 22, Bruce Avenue, Easton, Bristol.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Maidstone District.—A meeting will be held at West Malling on Saturday, Sept. 30th. Bells available at 3 p.m. A short service at 5 o'clock. Business meeting after the service.—Stephen Hayzelden, Hon. Sec., Lower St., East Farleigh.

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Grappenhall Branch.—The next Branch meeting will be held at Stretton on Saturday, Sept. 30th, commencing at 3.30 p.m. Will members intending to be present kindly advise me not later than the 26th inst.?—Jno. E. Ashcroft, Hon. Sec.

LEEDS AND DISTRICT AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.—The next Monthly meeting will be held on Sept. 30th, at Idle. Peal attempt 2.30 p.m. Business meeting 7 p.m.—Charles E. Lawson, Hon. Sec., 10, Leather Street, Leeds.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Reading Branch.—A combined practice will be held at Shiplake, Saturday, Sept. 30th. Bells from 2 o'clock. Tea 4.45. Visitors the guests of the Vicar. Short service 6 o'clock, all ringers welcomed.—F. W. Hopgood, Hon. Sec., 75, Kensington Road, Reading.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Bedford District.—The next meeting will be held at Wooton, on Saturday, Sept. 30th. Bells from 3 o'clock. Tea at 5. If possible it is hoped that all members will try and attend.—H. L. Harlow, District Sec., 14, Newnham Lane, Bedford.

CENTRAL NORTHAMPTON ASSOCIATION.—Guilsborough District.—A Special meeting will be held at Watford, on Saturday, Sept. 30th. Bells (6) available at 3 o'clock. Will those requiring tea please notify me not later than 24th?—W. Bott, Hon. Sec., Guilsborough, Northants.

HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Northern District.—The Autumn meeting will be held as usual at Royston, on Saturday, 30th September. Bells available at 3 p.m. Service at 4.30, followed by tea and meeting. Ringers heartily welcomed.—F. R. Bacon, Sec., Hitchin.

NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY & IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.—Beccles District.—A District practice meeting will be held at Bungay on Saturday, September 30th. Bells (8) available from 2 p.m. All ringers welcome.—R. J. Goate, District Secretary.

NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY & IPSWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—The Annual General meeting will be held in the Co-operative Hall, Carr Street, Ipswich, on Wednesday, October 4th, at 2.30 p.m. The President, the Dean of Norwich, in the chair. The ring of bells at St. Mary-le-Tower (12), St. Margaret's (8), St. Clement's (6), St. Matthew's (5), St. Lawrence (5), will be open for the use of members throughout the day, excepting during the time of Divine service. Divine service will be conducted by the Dean of Norwich in the church of St. Mary-le-Tower at 12.30 p.m. The preacher, the Venerable A. R. Buckland, M.A., Archdeacon of Norfolk. The president and committee earnestly hope that all the members attending the annual meeting of the Association will be present at the service. Dinner will be served in the Co-operative Hall, Carr Street, at 1.30 p.m.; tickets 2s. 6d. each. Those who intend to be present at the dinner must

without fail notify the General Secretary on or before Saturday, September 30th. Committee meeting will be held at 11.15 a.m. in the Co-operative Hall, Carr Street. Members, District Secretaries and leaders of Companies are particularly requested to remit to the General Secretary all outstanding subscriptions, on or before September 30th.—Arthur L. Coleman, General Sec. and Treasurer, High Croft, North Walsham, Norfolk.

BARNSELY AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.—The next meeting will be held at Wath on Saturday, Oct. 7th. Bells available at 2 p.m. Tea provided at the Church House at 5.30 for those who notify A. Panther, 25, Sandymount Road, not later than 3rd Oct., at 1/6 per head.—C. D. Potter, Hon. Sec.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Tonbridge District.—The next meeting of this District will be held at Westerham, on Saturday, Oct. 7th. Tower open at 3. Service at 5. Tea at 1/1 per head after service, followed by business meeting. Members requiring tea must notify the District Sec. not later than Tuesday, Oct. 3rd.—W. Latter, Hon. District Sec., 11, Dudley Road, Tunbridge Wells.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Rochester District.—The Annual District meeting will be held at Sittingbourne on Saturday, Oct. 7th. Bells available at 3 o'clock. Service in church at 5, conducted by the Rev. M. Allen. Tea provided by the Association, at Cremer's Restaurant, High Street, and business meeting to follow. Tea will only be provided for those who notify me by first post, October 4th. Tunstall (6) will be open after the meeting.—Fred M. Mitchell, Dis. Hon. Sec., 114, Sun Lane, Gravesend.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.—Devizes Branch.—The Quarterly meeting will be held at Westbury, on Saturday, Oct. 7th. Bells (8) available 3 o'clock. Service 4.40. Tea at 5. Business meeting directly after tea.—F. Green, Hon. Branch Sec., 53, Avon Road, Devizes.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Blackburn Branch.—A meeting of the above branch will be held at the Holy Trinity Church, Burnley, on Saturday, Oct. 7th, 1922. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting, 6.30.—J. Watson, Branch Sec., 33, Langham Road.

HANDSWORTH, SHEFFIELD.—If ringers visiting Sheffield for the Church Congress, Oct. 7th to 14th, and wishing to ring on the Handsworth Church bells, will apply to me as early as possible, the necessary arrangements can be made.—F. Watkinson, Hall Road, Handsworth, Sheffield.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—Northern Division.—The next meeting will be held at Great Bardfield on Oct. 7th. Service, 4 o'clock, with address, followed by tea at moderate charge. Kindly let me know not later than October 2nd.—Bert Redgwell, Hudson's Hill, Wethersfield, near Braintree.

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