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THE CARE OF RINGING CHAMBERS.

The Llandaff and Monmouth Diocesan Association could not have seized upon a better opportunity than a meeting at which an Archdeacon was present for a resolution, calling attention to the desirability of all ringing chambers receiving the same regular care and attention, by those responsible for the upkeep of churches, as the other parts of these buildings receive. Upon the Archdeacon devolves the responsibility of seeing that church authorities, among other things, exercise due care in maintaining the churches, and the Archdeacon of Llandaff quickly seized upon the opportunity which the resolution provided, of assuring his association that it would be a pleasure to him to bring this matter before the clergy at his next visitation.

We hope that many other associations will follow the example set by that for the Diocese of Llandaff and Monmouth, and, if they cannot get an Archdeacon to their meetings, they will carry their resolution to the Archdeacons and get them interested in it. There is no portion of the church building which, in the past, has been more neglected than the belfry, and even to-day the condition of many ringing chambers is lamentable. There are, of course, a large number of belfries up and down the country which are a pattern of cleanliness and neatness, and fully in keeping with the rest of the church, but the condition of most of these is due to the zeal of the ringers themselves, and not to any effort made by the church authorities. In assisting the cause of 'belfry reform' the clergy have lost no opportunity of reminding ringers that the belfry is a part of God's House, but many of these same clergy have done nothing to make the ringing chamber conform worthily, in its upkeep and appearance, with the rest of the building.

Ringing chambers have been, and in some cases still are, made the lumber room of the church, the receptacle for all unwanted furniture, where dust and cobwebs accumulate for years. Indeed, there is to-day at one of the most famous London churches, a belfry almost as black as a chimney. This sort of thing ought not to be. Ringers, by their own labour and often at their own monetary cost, have worked wonders in many towers, but it is not right that this matter should be left entirely to them. The choir are not called upon to clean out the choir stalls, and the ringing chamber should be just as carefully attended to by the church authorities as the nave, the chancel or the vestry. Where the condition of affairs shows obvious neglect, an association would, we imagine, be fully warranted in bringing the matter to the notice of the church authorities, through the incumbent or the Parochial Council; and if tactful representation had no effect, a direct appeal to the Archdeacon to bring his influence to bear might have some result.

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TWELVE BELL PEALS.

WEST BROMWICH, STAFFS.
THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.

On Saturday, Dec. 30, 1922, in Three Hours and Fifty Minutes,
AT CHRIST CHURCH,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS, 5280 CHANGES;

Tenor 23 cwt. in E flat.

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

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by JAMES E. GROVES.

* First peal of Maximus on the bells.

LONDON.
THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Saturday, Dec. 30, 1922, in Three Hours and Forty-One Minutes,
AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. SAVIOUR, SOUTHWARK,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5019 CHANGES;

Tenor 51 cwt.

CHALLIS F. WINNEY ...	...*Treble*	R. CONGREVE-PRIDGEON ...	7
WILLIAM HIBBERT	2	GEORGE R. FARDON	8
RICHARD T. HIBBERT... ...	3	CHARLES W. ROBERTS ...	9
HERBERT LANGDON	4	WILSON RUSHTON	10
EDWIN F. PIKE	5	THOMAS LANGDON	11
PERCY E. CLARK	6	ALBERT A. HUGHES ...	...*Tenor*

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by HERBERT LANGDON.

TEN BELL PEALS.

NOTTINGHAM.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Dec. 30, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty-One Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5000 CHANGES;

Tenor 32 cwt.

WILLIAM J. SEVIER ...	...*Treble*	JOHN C. DICKENS	6
*FREDERICK S. PRICE... ...	2	ALBERT COPPOCK...	7
*WILLIAM H. JANES	3	PERCIVAL PRICE	8
JAMES F. GEORGE	4	JAMES GEORGE	9
ALLAN R. HICKTON	5	EDWARD C. GOBEY ...	...*Tenor*

Composed and Conducted by E. C. GOBEY.

* First peal of Treble Bob Royal. First peal of Treble Bob Royal rung on the bells single-handed and first in the city of Nottingham.

WEST HAM, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Dec. 30, 1922, in Three Hours and Twenty-Four Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 28 cwt.

AUGUSTUS A. SCAMBLER	...*Treble*	FRANK C. NEWMAN	6
ARTHUR J. NEALE	2	*GEORGE DAWSON	7
EDWARD D. SMITH	3	*ALBERT J. BAYNES	8
WILLIAM H. THEOBALD ...	4	GEORGE HAYDEN	9
JAMES SCHOLES	5	EDGAR WIGHTMAN ...	...*Tenor*

Composed and Conducted by EDGAR WIGHTMAN.

* First peal on ten bells. First peal of Bob Royal by all except the ringers of the 2nd and tenor. Rung as a birthday compliment to E. D. Smith and W. H. Theobald.

LONDON.
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, Jan. 1, 1923, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET, WESTMINSTER,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5079 CHANGES;

Tenor 26½ cwt in D.

FRANK I. HAIRS	...*Treble*	JAMES E. DAVIS	6
WILLIAM H. HEWETT ...	2	RUPERT RICHARDSON	7
ALFRED H. POLLING	3	CHARLES W. R. GRIMWOOD	8
HENRY S. ELLIS	4	REUBEN SANDERS	9
J. ARMIGER TROLLOPE ...	5	WILLIAM J. NUDDS ...	...*Tenor*

Composed by A. KNIGHTS. Conducted by ALFRED H. POLLING.

BRIGHTON, SUSSEX
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sunday, Dec. 31, 1922, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5007 CHANGES;

Tenor 18 cwt. 0 qr. 15 lb. in E.

WILLIAM PALMER	...Treble	ROBERT J. DAWE	6
A. YORK BRAMBLE	2	FRANK BENNETT	7
GEORGE SMART	3	JOHN JAY	8
HERBERT RANN	4	CHARLES PALMER	9
GEORGE ADES	5	GEORGE BLEACH	...Tenor

Composed by SIR ARTHUR HEYWOOD. Conducted by FRANK BENNETT.

This is the first peal on the new ring of bells and was rung for the midnight service. Mr. G. Smart was re-elected a member of the Association previous to starting. With the exception of Mr. Dawe, all are service ringers at St. Nicholas.

EIGHT BELL PEALS.

TUNBRIDGE WELLS, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Dec. 23, 1922, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

REEVES' VARIATION OF HOLT'S TEN-PART. Tenor 14 cwt.

*DONALD FINDLEY	...Treble	*ALEC RICHARDSON	5
*FRANK BALLARD	2	REGINALD E. LAMBERT	6
ROBERT LAMBERT	3	WILLIAM LATTER	7
*MISS DOROTHY ORLEBAR	4	RICHARD J. RUSH	...Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM LATTER.

* First peal of Triples.

CRAWLEY, SUSSEX.
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.
On Sunday, Dec. 24, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 13¾ cwt.

MISS FLORRIE WYMAN	...Treble	WILLIAM T. BERSON	5
FREDERICK W. RICE	2	ALBERT ELLIS	6
OLIVER SIPPETTS	3	ROBERT BRETT	7
ALFRED J. BULL	4	*GEORGE ELLIS	...Tenor

Composed by G. LINDOFF. Conducted by G. ELLIS.

* First peal as conductor.

WICKEN, NORTHANTS.
THE TOWCESTER AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.
On Tuesday, Dec. 26, 1922, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5050 CHANGES;

J. A. LAMBERT'S VARIATION OF PRITCHARD'S. Tenor 18 cwt.

ERNEST C. LAMBERT	...Treble	†LEONARD A. SMITH	5
*WILLIAM G. EDWARDS	2	†GEORGE M. COOPER	6
†THOMAS E. ROBERTS	3	†THOMAS E. READ	7
†FREDERICK C. CASE	4	ALBERT J. GREEN	...Tenor

Conducted by A. J. GREEN.

* First peal with a bob bell. † First peal on eight bells. First peal as conductor on eight. All (except 1st and 2nd) are Sunday service ringers at the above church. First peal on the bells since they were overhauled and two new trebles added by Mr. A. Browell, of Ipswich, the ringers being well pleased with the tone and go of the bells. W. G. Edwards was elected a member previous to starting.

BIRMINGHAM.
THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.
On Tuesday, Dec. 26, 1922, in Three Hours and Thirty-Five Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

JOHNSON'S VARIATION. Tenor 36 cwt. in C.

PERCY O. LAFLIN	...Treble	ALBERT WALKER	5
JOSEPH T. DYKE	2	SAMDEL GROVE	6
THOMAS H. REEVES	3	JAMES E. GROVES	7
ALBERT E. NORMAN	4	JOHN NEAL	...Tenor

Conducted by JAMES E. GROVES.

This completes the circuit (Major, Royal and Maximus) in the method on these bells.

BRENTWOOD, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Tuesday, Dec. 26, 1922, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS THE MARTYR,

A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 19¾ cwt.

WESLEY WATSON	...Treble	ALFRED PYE	5
ERNEST J. BUTLER	2	CHARLES T. COLES	6
GEORGE R. PYE	3	WILLIAM MILLER	7
CYRIL PEASE	4	WILLIAM PYE	...Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF. Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

UCKFIELD, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Tuesday, Dec. 26, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Four Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY CROSS,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 11¾ cwt.

FREDERICK WHITE	...Treble	GEORGE ELLIS	5
EDWIN J. HARDING, JUN.	2	JOHN DEARLOVE	6
ALFRED W. GROVES	3	OLIVER SIPPETTS	7
FREDERICK W. ROGERS	4	KEITH HART	...Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON. Conducted by KEITH HART.

BUXTED, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Tuesday, Dec. 26, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 15 cwt.

OLIVER SIPPETTS	...Treble	GEORGE ELLIS	5
FREDERICK W. ROGERS	2	JOHN DEARLOVE	6
ALFRED W. GROVES	3	FREDERICK WHITE	7
EDWIN J. HARDING, JUN.	4	KEITH HART	...Tenor

Composed by H. DAINS. Conducted by KEITH HART.

CAMBRIDGE.
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Tuesday, Dec. 26, 1922, in Three Hours and Two and a half Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW THE GREAT,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 11 cwt.

CHRISTOPHER WOOLLEY	...Treble	ERNEST G. HIBBINS	5
YORK GREEN	2	WILFRID HOOTON	6
JOHN WOOLLEY	3	REGINALD T. DENNIS	7
ALBERT E. AUSTIN	4	FRANK KEMPTON	...Tenor

Composed by YORK GREEN. Conducted by W. H. J. HOOTON.

This composition, which is now rung for the first time, is without the 2nd before the tenor at any lead.

OVERSEAL, DERBYSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Tuesday, Dec. 26, 1922, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MATTHEW,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

J. O. LANCASHIRE'S VARIATION OF J. W. WASHBROOK'S FOUR-PART.

Tenor 10 cwt.

MAURICE SWINFIELD	...Treble	HERBERT HURDMAN	5
E. HARRY STONELEY	2	JOHN HOUGH	6
ERNEST W. BEADSMORE	3	JOHN H. SWINFIELD	7
CHARLES SANDERS	4	GEORGE F. NEWMAN	...Tenor

Conducted by M. SWINFIELD.

Rung as a birthday compliment to W. W. Worthington, Esq., Lichfield.

SITTINGBOURNE, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Tuesday, Dec. 26, 1922, in Three Hours,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

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

Tenor 21 cwt.

SAMUEL TAYLOR	...Treble	WILLIAM SPICE	5
CLR.-SGT. BENNET	2	WILLIAM J. WALKER	6
JOHN H. CHRESMAN	3	ERNEST J. DOBBIE	7
LEONARD MANNERING	4	STANLEY B. DOBBIE	...Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by J. H. CHRESMAN.

LEISTON, SUFFOLK.
THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
(St. Margaret's Society.)
On Wednesday, Dec. 27, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,
At the Church of St. Margaret,

A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 20½ cwt. in E.

Leonard P. Bailey...	...*Treble*	James G. Rumsey	5
Frederick W. Bailey ...	2	James M. Bailey	6
*George Wilson	3	Allen F. Bailey	7
Edgar H. Bailey	4	Charles F. Bailey ...	...*Tenor*

Composed by Gabriel Lindoff. Conducted by Chas. F. Bailey.
* 100th peal. Rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor.

PULHAM MARKET, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Wednesday, Dec. 27, 1922, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary Magdalene,

A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;

Tenor 14½ cwt.

Ernest Whiting ...	...*Treble*	Charles Roope	5
Frederick R. Borrett ...	2	Charles Cutting	6
Charles Baker	3	Charles T. P. Brice... ...	7
James Boughton	4	Townsen Adcock ...	...*Tenor*

Composed by Arthur Knights. Conducted by Ernest Whiting.
Rung in honour of the golden wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Whiting.

BLACKBURN, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, Dec. 28, 1922, in Three Hours,
At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Groves' Variation of Parker's Twelve-part. Tenor 12¼ cwt.

*Alfred Blackshaw ...	...*Treble*	A. Edward Eastwood ...	5
Tom Chambers	2	John Blackshaw...	6
Arthur Chamberlain ...	3	Richard Stancliffe	7
Tom Stancliffe	4	Arthur Tomlinson ...	...*Tenor*

Conducted by A. Tomlinson.
* First peal.

FRODSHAM, CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Friday, Dec. 29, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Nine Minutes,
At the Church of St. Lawrence,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;

Washbrook's Variation. Tenor 12¼ cwt.

*Frederick Hancock	...*Treble*	Edward Jenkins...	5
William Bibby...	2	Ernest Palmer	6
†Henry C. Collyer	3	George H. Randles... ...	7
John E. Bibby	4	Francis Bibby	...*Tenor*

Conducted by E. Jenkins.
* First peal of Cambridge. † First peal of Cambridge 'inside.'

HUGGLESCOTE, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Dec. 30, 1922, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,
At the Church of St. John the Baptist,

A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;

Tenor 16¼ cwt.

Percy Harrison ...	...*Treble*	John Oldham	5
John H. Swinfield	2	Harry Broughton	6
Shirley Burton	3	*Ephraim W. Rands	7
*E. Harry Stoneley ...	4	Frederick H. Dexter	...*Tenor*

Composed by J. W. Washbrook. Conducted by F. H. Dexter.
* First peal of London. First in the method on the bells.

ALFRED BOWELL,
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WYMONDHAM, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Dec. 30, 1922, in Three Hours and Forty Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 25 cwt. 1 qr.

*Ernest V. Blake ...	...*Treble*	Frederick J. Howchin ...	5
George Cooke	2	Walter Chandler	6
George H. Cross	3	John A. Godfrey	7
George Pegnall	4	George Mayers	...*Tenor*

Composed by J. Platt. Conducted by George H. Cross.
* First peal and first attempt.

KIDLINGTON, OXON.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, Dec. 30, 1922, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Vicars' Six-part. Tenor 25½ cwt.

Ralph Payne	...*Treble*	Frederick Webb	5
*Cyril Bennett...	2	Walter Judge	6
*Edgar Bennett	3	William Stone	7
Leonard Tuffrey	4	Jesse Bowerman... ...	...*Tenor*

Conducted by Walter Judge.
* First peal. First peal as conductor.

GODSTONE, SURREY.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Dec. 30, 1922, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,
At the Church of St. Nicholas,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5376 CHANGES;

Tenor 12 cwt. 0 qr. 4 lb. in G.

Ernest Weatherby ...	...*Treble*	William T. Beeson	5
Keith Hart...	2	Oliver Sippetts...	6
Frank I. Hairs	3	Rupert Richardson	7
George W. Steere	4	Alfred H. Pulling ...	...*Tenor*

Composed by J. W. Washbrook. Conducted by A. H. Pulling.
Rung as a birthday compliment to W. T. Beeson.

HOLM LACY, HEREFORDSHIRE.
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, Dec. 30, 1922, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,
At the Church of St. Cuthbert,

A PEAL OF OXFORD BOB TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Parker's Ten-part, No. 27. Tenor 18 cwt.

Charles Sparks... ...	...*Treble*	Archie D. Probert	5
Charles Edwards	2	Walter Taylor...	6
Ivor E. Probert	3	William H. Williams ...	7
William H. Symonds ...	4	Albert Hurcombe ...	...*Tenor*

Conducted by Charles Edwards.
First peal in the method by the Hereford Guild and in the Diocese. First peal in the method by all the band except the conductor, and rung at the first attempt.

SOUTHLEIGH, OXON.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, Dec. 30, 1922, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,
At the Church of St. James the Great,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Brook's Variation. Tenor 10 cwt. 1 qr. 23 lb.

Noble Spindlow ...	...*Treble*	John Monk	5
Mrs. Albert E. Lock ...	2	Albert E. Lock	6
Harry Holifield	3	Gordon Caudwell	7
Francis Taylor	4	Richard Keen	...*Tenor*

Conducted by Albert E. Lock.

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WORCESTER.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.
(WESTERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Dec. 30, 1922, in Three Hours and Fourteen Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. HELEN,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 18¾ cwt.

WILLIAM PAGE	...Treble	WILLIAM RADFORD	5
WILLIAM NIBLETT	2	WILLIAM LEWIS	6
WILLIAM C. JONES	3	*SIDNEY T. HOLT	7
JOHN J. JEFFERIES	4	CHARLES CAMM	...Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON. Conducted by S. T. HOLT.

* First peal of Major as conductor.

ISLEWORTH, MIDDLESEX.
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, Dec. 30, 1922, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 16 cwt. 0 qr. 24 lb.

HORACE BELCHER	...Treble	FREDERICK G. GODDARD	5
*WALTER EMMETT	2	CHARLES J. TRICKER	6
MARK STACY	3	GEORGE SPENCER	7
JOSEPH MILNER	4	ARTHUR HARDING	...Tenor

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD. Conducted by G. SPENCER.

* First peal of Major.

CHRISTLETON, CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
(CHESTER BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Dec. 30, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Nine Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

SAM JONES, JUN.	...Treble	WALTER THOMAS	5
EDWARD HARRISON	2	GEORGE R. JONES	6
ROBERT SPERRING	3	JAMES SWINDLEY	7
JOHN HAYES	4	HARRY COUSINS	...Tenor

Conducted by G. R. JONES.

First peal for ringer of tenor who hails from Hoole, and was specially arranged for him.

HENLEY, SUFFOLK.
THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION AND THE ST. MARY-LE-TOWER SOCIETY, IPSWICH.

On Saturday, Dec. 30, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

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

Tenor 8 cwt. 0 qr. 3 lb. in A flat.

GEORGE FLEMING	...Treble	FREDERICK J. TILLETT	5
REV. WILLIAM A. PEARSON	2	CHARLES A. CATCHPOLE	6
JAMES DURRANT	3	GEORGE E. SYMONDS	7
HARRY R. ROPER	4	CHARLES J. SEDGLEY	...Tenor

Composed by DR. A. B. CARPENTER. Conducted by G. E. SYMONDS.

For calling see Central Council Collection, No. 38. This was the Vicar's 250th peal, of which 214 have been rung for the above Association, and of these, 128 upon the bells of his own church.

ANSTEY, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Dec. 30, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

*MISS MARY L. CUFFLIN	...Treble	‡WILLIAM ALDRIDGE	5
†HARRY DEXTER	2	*LAURIE JACKSON	6
ALEX BRAMLEY	3	MISS HILDA WILLSON	7
REDVERS F. ELKINGTON	4	WILLIAM WILLSON	...Tenor

Composed and Conducted by WILLIAM WILLSON.

* First peal of Major. † First away from Treble. ‡ First in the Method. This peal was rung as a welcome to the Rev. O. St. Main Williams, late curate of All Saints', Northampton, who was recently inducted to the living of the above parish. The ringers of 5, 7 and tenor hail from St. John's, Leicester, the rest belong to the local band.

SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS.

HANLEY CASTLE, WORCESTERSHIRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.
(WESTERN BRANCH.)

On Tuesday, Dec. 26, 1922, in Two Hours and Thirty-Five Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GABRIEL,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Double Oxford, College Single, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob.

Tenor 10½ cwt.

JOHN BAYLIS	...Treble	WILLIAM RANFORD	4
DAVID HORNE	2	SIDNEY T. HOLT	5
ERNEST GIBBS	3	CHARLES CAMM	...Tenor

Conducted by SIDNEY T. HOLT.

* Quickest peal on the bells.

COLNE ENGAINE, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, Dec. 26, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Four Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being two 720's of Kent Treble Bob, two of Oxford Treble Bob and three of Plain Bob. Tenor 10 cwt. in G.

*WALTER ARNOLD	...Treble	JAMES FLEUTY	4
*ROBERT FLEUTY	2	JAMES FRENCH	5
JOHN TURNER	3	FRANK CLAYDON	...Tenor

Conducted by J. FRENCH.

* First peal of Minor. All the ringers belong to the neighbouring parish of Earls Colne.

BLOCKLEY, WORCESTERSHIRE.
THE FOUR SHIRES GUILD.

On Tuesday, Dec. 26, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 42 six-scores in 10 different callings. Tenor 16 cwt. 27 lb. in F.

JOHN KEYTE	...Treble	ERNEST WITHERS	4
HORACE TERRY	2	WALTER LARGE	5
ALFRED HILL	3	CECIL LOCKE	...Tenor

Conducted by W. LARGE.

After the peal the ringers were entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Payton Keyte, parents of the treble ringer.

EBRINGTON, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.
THE FOUR SHIRES GUILD

On Wednesday, Dec. 27, 1922, in Two Hours and Thirty-Eight Minutes,
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 42 six-scores in 10 different callings. Tenor 16 cwt. in F.

ARTHUR LARGE	...Treble	ERNEST WITHERS	4
HORACE TERRY	2	WALTER LARGE	5
*FRANCIS BOSWELL	3	SAMUEL RUSSELL	...Tenor

Conducted by W. LARGE.

* First Peal.

FINCHAM, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, Dec. 28, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Two Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN,

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720's each called differently. Tenor 6 cwt. 2 qr. 15 lb in A.

JOHN RODWELL, JUN.	...Treble	EDWARD BARKER	4
WALLACE COUSINS	2	TONY PRICE	5
CLAUDE COUSINS	3	ROBERT HARDY	...Tenor

Conducted by TONY PRICE.

MR. G. WILSON'S 100 PEALS.

On six bells, three methods, 2; Grandsire Triples, 1; Stedman Triples, 4; Bob Major, 3; Double Norwich Major, 9; Oxford Treble Bob Major, 4; Kent Treble Bob Major, 19; Superlative Surprise Major, 12; Cambridge Surprise Major, 13; New Cambridge Surprise Major, 2; Norfolk Surprise Major, 1; Bristol Surprise Major, 21; Guildford Surprise Major, 1; Suffolk Surprise Major, 2; Dublin Surprise Major, 1; London Surprise Major, 5; total, 100.

WOOLLASTON, NORTHANTS.
THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Wednesday, Dec. 27, 1922, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being two 720's of Woodbine, two of Oxford and three of Kent Treble Bob, each called differently. Tenor 19 cwt.

ARTHUR BELLAMY	...Treble	AMOS SMART	4
LEONARD J. WYMAN	2	JOHN R. MAIN	5
GEORGE BASFORD	3	REGINALD C. LOVEDAY	...Tenor

Conducted by REGINALD C. LOVEDAY.

Rung as a birthday compliment to J. R. Main and Mrs. Smart, mother of the ringer of the 4th.

RATBY, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Wednesday, Dec. 27, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being three 720's of Oxford Bob and four 720's of Bob Minor, each called differently.

CHAS. PRIESTNALL	...Treble	PERCY INGRAM	4
*IVERNON WADE	2	TOM CHANTRELL	5
WILLIAM BALL	3	CHAS. ALLSOP	...Tenor

Conducted by CHAS. ALLSOP.

* First peal. First peal on the bells by an entirely local band.

CRANFORD, NORTHANTS.
THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(ISHAM SOCIETY.)
On Friday, Dec. 29, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

In seven methods, viz.: Double Oxford, Double Court, Cambridge Surprise, Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 9 cwt. 1 qr. 4 lb.

*MISS MARY RANDALL	...Treble	WALTER T. WILSON	4
†MISS DOROTHY ATKINS	2	WILFRID HOOTON	5
JOHN WOOLLEY	3	E. MAURICE ATKINS	...Tenor

Conducted by E. M. ATKINS.

* First peal. † First peal in seven methods.

MALDON, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Dec. 30, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, Woodbine, Double Court, Plain Bob, Kent, & two 720's of Oxford Treble Bob. Tenor 13 cwt.

ARTHUR MANSFIELD	...Treble	W. GEORGE MANSFIELD	4
JOSEPH H. WALDOCK	2	HORACE J. MANSFIELD	5
ALFRED SOUTH	3	FRED CHALK	...Tenor

Conducted by H. J. MANSFIELD.

STOKESAY, SHROPSHIRE.
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, Dec. 30, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes,
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 42 six-scores with 10 different callings.

J. JENKINS	...Treble	W. R. NASH	4
W. J. BENIAMS	2	A. C. NASON	5
*J. BURROWS	3	H. JONES	...Tenor

Conducted by W. R. NASH.

* First peal. The ringer of the 3rd hails from Clun, and the rest from Ludlow. The band tender their best thanks to the Rev. Winter, for granting permission to ring.

MR. E. RADLEY'S 100 PEALS.

Minor in 3 to 7 methods, rung 5 (conducted 1); Grandsire Triples, 10; Grandsire Caters, 1; Stedman Triples 11 (conducted 4); Stedman Caters, 3; Stedman Cinques, 4; Bob Major, 1; Forward Major, 1; Oxford Treble Bob Major, 1; Kent Treble Bob Major, 3; Kent Treble Bob Royal, 1; Double Norwich Major, 4; Cumberland Delight, 1; Superlative Surprise, 25; Cambridge Surprise, 3; Bristol Surprise, 6; London Surprise, 20; total, 100 (conducted 5).

KILNDOWN, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Dec. 30, 1922, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,
AT CHRIST CHURCH,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 of College Single and two 720's each of Oxford Bob, Canterbury Pleasure and Plain Bob.

FREDERICK FOREMAN	...Treble	ANDREW MARSHALL	4
FRANK PATTENDEN	2	GEORGE WAGHORN	5
JAMES WAGHORN	3	ALBERT RELFE	...Tenor

Conducted by A. RELFE.

GAYWOOD, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION
On Saturday, Dec. 30, 1922, in Two Hours and Forty-Four Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. FAITH,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being two 720's each of Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, and three 720's of Plain Bob. Tenor 12 cwt. 0 qr. 16 lb. in G.

ROBERT E. GREENACRE	...Treble	JOHN RODWELL, JDN.	4
FRED WIGMORE	2	TONY PRICE	5
ROBERT HARDY	3	TOM GREENACRE	...Tenor

Conducted by TONY PRICE.

NORBURY (HAZEL GROVE), CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
(STOCKPORT BRANCH.)
On Monday, Jan. 1, 1923, in Two Hours and Forty-Six Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 'spliced' extents as follows: (1) Bogedone, Knutsford, Wilmslow, Rostherne; (2) Croyland, Abbeyville, Combermere, Vale Royal, St. Werburgh, (3) Trowel, Morning Star, Duke of Norfolk, College Exercise, Norbury; (4) Grove Delight, Braintree, Neasden, College Bob IV., Wragby; (5) Poynton, Marple, Old Oxford Modernised, Bocking, Willesden; (6) Overton, Sandal Exercise, London Scholars' Pleasure, Kingston; (7) Oxford and Kent (H. W. Wilde's). Tenor 9 cwt.

HAROLD HALLWORTH	...Treble	HARRY LANGLEY	4
JOHN P. FIDLER	2	JAMES FERNLEY, SEN.	5
WILLIAM FERNLEY	3	JOHN W. HARTLEY	...Tenor

Conducted by JAMES FERNLEY, SEN.

This peal contains the greatest number of methods yet rung in seven true extents.

HANDBELL PEALS.

LEISTON, SUFFOLK.
THE NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, Dec. 23rd, in Two Hours and Thirty-Six Minutes,
AT THE RESIDENCE OF MR. A. J. LINCOLN,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor size 15 in A.

ROY PILGRIM	1—2	NORMAN R. BAILEY	5—6
*ALBERT J. LINCOLN	3—4	†LEONARD W. BALE	7—8

Composed by JOHN R. PRITCHARD. Conducted by N. R. BAILEY.

* First peal of Bob Major 'in hand.' † First peal of Bob Major.

CRANLEIGH, SURREY.
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Friday, Dec. 29th, 1922, in Two Hours Forty-Eight Minutes,
AT THE RESIDENCE OF MR. WHITTINGTON,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5091 CHANGES;

Tenor size 22 in C.

MRS. F. I. HAIRS	1—2	ALFRED H. PULLING	5—6
ROPERT RICHARDSON	3—4	*FRANK I. HAIRS	7—8
GEORGE W. STEERE	9—10		

Composed by E. BENNETT. Conducted by A. H. PULLING.
Umpire: R. WHITTINGTON. Witnesses: MRS. WHITTINGTON, MRS. PULLING and MISS A. PARKINS.

Rung as a congratulatory peal to Mr. George W. Steere, upon his engagement to Miss W. Howick; also as a birthday compliment to Mr. F. I. Hairs and Mr. and Mrs. Whittington's grandson. * 250th peal.

A PEAL IN 30 METHODS.

GREAT ACHIEVEMENT BY A CHESHIRE COMPANY.

A triumph of six-bell ringing has been achieved by the enterprising band at Norbury, Cheshire, where on New Year's Day a peal of Minor in no less than 30 methods, all contained within the scope of seven true extents, was rung. The peal was rung at the third attempt. The first was on December 23rd, and the second on Boxing Day. These attempts failed in the fourth 720 each time. On both occasions the striking was very good, and the first trip upset everything. No trip occurred in the final attempt, and the striking throughout was faultless.

All the methods will be found in the present edition of the C.C. Collection of Legitimate methods, with the exception of Bogedore, Trowell, Grove Delight, Poynton and Overton, which, however, are also regular. Fifteen of the methods have, on previous occasions, been first rung and named by the Norbury company.

To those ringers whose efforts are largely limited to six bells, there is ample scope in the Central Council's Collection, and what can be done by way of increasing interest, variety and intricacy is demonstrated by the men at Norbury. No one can say that six bell ringing need be 'tame' after this.

In addition to the Norbury peal, it is interesting to note that a peal in fourteen Surprise methods was rung at Thornham Magna on December 30th.

THE FIRST PEAL AT EAST ILSLEY.

In the peal columns last week was recorded the first peal in the tower at East Ilsley, Berks. It was decided at the conclusion of the great war to add a bell to the old five in the tower as a memorial to 21 men of the parish who gave their lives (most of this has been printed before, but 'Lest we forget,' Mr. Editor, we would like it printed again). Well, after great disappointments and difficulties tackled and defeated, a seventh bell was promised provided the octave was completed, and after a great fete one summer day in 1919 the job was placed with the firm of Mears and Stainbank, who took the old bells away, and tuned them, cast three trebles, than which no sweeter little bells swing in the county, and hung the peal on a specially designed frame to suit the tower.

It was hoped that an entirely local band would ring the first peal, but the difference between five bells and eight has proved too big a jump at present, so it was agreed by all that a peal ought to be rung before 1922 went out. Therefore, five Ilsley men, with the help of three natives of adjoining parishes, rang a Berkshiremen's peal, which was excellently struck throughout. It very seldom happens that several men in a peal can say that they first rang a bell in a certain tower on a poor old ring of five that would take all the pulling and all the handling that men could give them to get a good six-score, and that now they have rung a first-rate peal on one of the sweetest little rings of eight that can be found. Hearty congratulations from the villagers, and especially from the local ringers who were left outside, showed the good feeling among the band. The visitors were entertained by Mr. and Mrs. W. Hibbert after the peal. Mr. J. Hands is a native of Yattendon; G. Essex, of Hagbourne; and the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn, of East Garston. R. T. H.

DEATH OF MR. JOHN THACKRAY.

A PIONEER OF HANDBELL RINGING IN LEEDS.

As briefly announced in our last issue, the death has occurred at Upper Armley, Leeds, of Mr. John Thackray. The deceased, who was in his 69th year, commenced ringing in the year 1881, when the peal of six bells was hung in Christ Church, Upper Armley, and when opportunity offered, rapidly advanced to be one of the foremost six bell ringers in the district, being possessed of a fine ear, which made him noted for good striking. In the days when handbell ringing was little known in the county, in conjunction with Mr. J. Whitaker (now a veteran indeed), and his brother, Mr. J. Thackray, under the leadership of Mr. H. Williams, rang the first peals in various methods on handbells, in the city, one of the greatest of their exploits, being what is believed to be the only handbell peal of Grandsire Triples ever rung with the conductor blindfolded. For many years the deceased earnestly advocated the addition of two trebles at Armley, and early in 1922 the peal was rehung by Messrs. Taylor. Largely owing to the energies displayed by Mr. Thackray two trebles were added to the existing peal of six, and this was a source of great gratification to him.

The funeral took place on Tuesday, December 26th, when a large and representative gathering of ringers assembled at Christ Church, where the first part of the funeral service was held. Dr. W. Bradley (Mus.Doc. Oxon) officiated at the organ, while the Vicar (the Rev. T. Goodchild) conducted a most impressive service. The Dead March 'in Saul' was played at the conclusion, after which the interment took place in Armley Cemetery, close by the church, and within sound of the bells of which he was so fond. A plain course of Grandsire Triples was rung on handbells at the graveside by Messrs. C. Pratt, W. Barton, H. Williams and P. J. Johnson, as a last tribute of respect to an old friend, who endeared himself to all with whom he came in contact by his kindly and unassuming character, while his loss will be keenly felt at Armley, where the band owe much to his self-sacrificing labours.—R.I.P.

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BELFRY GOSSIP.

The Bristol United Guilds' second annual dinner to-morrow is likely to repeat the success of last year. Already a company of over 120 is assured, and visitors will be present from Birmingham, Cheltenham, Gloucester, Bath, Paulton, Midsomer Norton, Newport, Taunton, Southampton, and various other West of England towns. An excellent musical programme has been arranged.

Councillor Amos Trippier, of Manchester, has just recovered from a serious illness, and was welcomed back to active ringing by a peal at Pendleton on the 2nd inst.

On January 13th, 1772, a peal of 6,048 Imperial Treble Bob was rung at St. Michael Coslany, Norwich, where, a year earlier, on January 15th, 1771, 6,700 Norwich Court Bob had been rung by the Norwich Scholars. This last named was, we believe, the first peal in the Norwich variation of Court Bob, of which there is any record. Peals of Court Bob in other variations had previously been rung in London.

On January 18th, 1844, a record was put up at St. Peter Mancroft, Norwich, when a peal of 7,126 Stedman Cinques was rung in 5 hrs. 17 mins., and the peal tablet recording the performance affirms that 'the bold and regular striking attracted the notice of the public, and is allowed to exceed any other performance ever attempted in England upon Twelve Bells.' Charles Middleton, whose name is so inseparably linked with Cambridge Surprise Major, and Henry Hubbard, who in his day did much work for the art, took part in this peal.

The first peal of Forward Maximus was rung at St. Martin's, Birmingham, twenty years ago to-morrow.

On January 14th, 1899, the St. Peter's Society, Brighton, then at the zenith of their fame, rang the first peal of London Surprise in the City of London. That was at St. Stephen's, Coleman Street, if we remember aright.

At a meeting of Gravesend Council, on Dec. 20th, it was unanimously resolved to contribute from the borough funds one hundred guineas towards the recasting of the bells at the Parish Church.

Mr. John Overton has been re-elected Ringing Master of the Bridgnorth Branch of the Hereford Diocesan Guild, and Mr. W. Hayward hon. secretary. It is hoped that more of the towers in the district will join the Guild during the coming year.

There are not many towers in which a peal of Cambridge Major, Royal and Maximus has been rung, but St. Martin's Guild, Birmingham, have just completed the circuit on the famous bells in the Bull Ring.

ENGLISH BELLS FOR AMERICA.

MESSRS. GILLETT AND JOHNSTON'S GREAT CONTRACT.

The carillon of 42 bells ordered by Mr. J. D. Rockefeller, from the celebrated Croydon foundry of Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, for the campanile of the Park Avenue Baptist Church, New York, will be the largest on the American Continent, and, owing to the perfection to which the founders have brought the art of bell tuning, it will also be unequalled for purity of tone and tune.

The bells will be played by a skilled carilloneur, by means of a hand clavier, fitted also with foot pedals, this method giving complete control over the volume of sound produced, and enabling the operator to play the most elaborate music, the great number of the bells allowing for an unlimited repertoire.

Before selecting the Croydon firm, Mr. Rockefeller secured the services of a well-known American musical expert to visit and report to him upon the leading bell founders of America and Europe, and Messrs. Gillett and Johnston are to be congratulated that, after such a critical investigation, they have secured, in the open market of the world, a contract of such interest and importance.

The church, situated in the newest and perhaps the most fashionable avenue in New York City, is of an unusual type, inasmuch as, owing to restricted ground space, the Sunday School classrooms are built in vertical tiers outside the lofty nave, and are reached by means of large capacity express elevators. The building is surmounted by an exceptionally beautiful Gothic campanile, the delicate tracery of which will allow the music of the bells to be heard to the best advantage in the broad boulevard beneath.

At present the largest carillon on the Continent is that of 23 bells, with a 4-ton tenor, installed by the same founders earlier this year at the Metropolitan Methodist Church, Toronto. Recitals have been given on these bells throughout the summer, and a novelty in the way of carols was prepared for Christmas by uniting the voices of the large and perfectly trained choir, conducted by Dr. Fricker, formerly organist of Canterbury Cathedral, England, with those of the bells, the choir singing in the actual belfry, grouped round the carilloneur.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

A 'BELL WARMING' AT HASTINGS.

A quarterly meeting of the Eastern Division was held at All Saints', Hastings, on Saturday last, when the members had a very hearty welcome from the Rector (the Rev. E. A. Penson). The bells, which until quite recently were a ring of six, have now been augmented to eight by Messrs. Taylor and Co., of Loughborough, and the 'go' of the bells is splendid

The following towers were represented at the meeting: Battle, Bexhill, Eastbourne (St. Saviour's), Brede, Hailsham, Christ Church, St. Leonards; Christ Church, Blacklands, and Pevensey. Mr. Piper (Eastbourne), Mr. C. Player (Stone, Ashford), and Mr. G. Kenward (Westfield) were present, together with the local ringers. During the afternoon touches in the standard methods were rung, followed by a service, which was conducted by the Rev. E. A. Penson.

After the service, the Rector kindly entertained the members to tea in the Parish Room, and presided both at this and at the business meeting which followed. He was supported by the lady organist, and by Mr. Wray, who gave a most interesting account of the history of All Saints' tower and bells for the past 500 years.

The following new members were elected: Leonard Giles and Searle Driver (Blacklands), and Charles Relf (Battle).—The place for the next meeting was discussed, Mr. W. Franks proposing Salehurst, which was agreed to unanimously.

With reference to a sum of 13s. 1d., which was collected at the Rotherfield meeting in June last, under the title of 'The Sussex Diocesan Bell Restoration Fund, as no such fund existed in the association, Mr. G. H. Howse proposed, and Mr. W. P. Smith seconded, that the sum be transferred to the general fund. This was put to the meeting, and carried.

Mr. Howse proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the Rector for the kind invitation extended to the association for the use of the bells, and for so kindly entertaining the members to tea.—This was supported by Mr. G. Penfold, of Pevensey, and carried by acclamation.

The Rector, in reply, said that it gave him great pleasure to have such a good number present, and he considered it an honour to All Saints' for the association to pay a visit. He remarked that usually, when they built a new house, they had a 'house warming,' and so when they had a new peal of bells it was only right that they should have a 'bell warming.' He hoped that every member present had enjoyed himself.

The members then returned to the tower, and the bells were kept going in different methods until 8 p.m.

WESTERN DIVISION AT CHICHESTER.

A very successful meeting of the Western Division was held at Chichester on Saturday, Dec. 30th. Members were present from Henfield, Pulborough, Heene, Brighton, Shoreham, and the local band, and also visitors from Portsmouth, Isle of Wight and Harwich. Touches of the following methods were rung during the afternoon and evening: Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Plain Bob, Double Norwich, Kent Treble Bob, Cambridge and Superlative Surprise Major.

At 4 o'clock the party attended evensong in the Cathedral, after which a goodly company sat down to tea at Cowley's Restaurant.—The Master, Mr. J. Thornton Rickman, presided at the business meeting, at which the following new members were elected: Mr. G. W. Fletcher, of Southgate; Messrs. F. A. Burnett, F. R. Taylor and R. J. Stone, of Portsmouth; Dr. Bruce Williamson and J. Rymer, of Whitmill, Isle of Wight (life members); Mr. S. Hopper, of Shoreham; Messrs. S. Pickson, R. Heasman, C. Smart, junr., J. Carter and F. Beacher, of Pulborough (annual members).

It was proposed to hold the next quarterly meeting at Steyning in March.—A proposal was put before the meeting by Mr. G. Norris, and seconded by Mr. H. Stalham, that a motion should be brought before the general committee at their next meeting: 'That each member should pay an annual subscription of 2s., irrespective of what is paid by the church authorities of certain towers.'

The business meeting concluded with thanks to Mr. J. T. Rickman for presiding, and Mr. Tomkins (the late Master) for making the necessary arrangements, also to Dean Hannah for granting the use of the bells.

A further visit was made to the campanile, where the party was joined by Miss Burnett, who took part in various touches until the time arrived for the ringers to depart to their various destinations. The campanile is one of the few examples left in England, being a separate structure from the Cathedral, and contains an excellent ring of eight.

ILLNESS OF MR. JAMES MOTTS.

At the annual meeting of the St. Mary-le-Tower Society, Ipswich, held on January 2nd, regret was expressed at the serious illness of Mr. James Motts. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Master, Mr. James Rose; Deputy Master, Mr. William Tillett; steward and steeplekeeper, Mr. Frederick J. Tillett; auditors, Messrs R. H. Brundle and W. P. Garrett; secretary, Mr. George E. Symonds, 28, Chevallier Street, Ipswich.

DONCASTER & DISTRICT SOCIETY.

A SUCCESSFUL YEAR.

The annual meeting of the above society was held at St. George's, Doncaster, on Saturday, Dec. 30th. There was an attendance of about 40 members, representing some 12 different towers. Ringing commenced about 3 o'clock, and touches of Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Kent Treble Bob Major, Bob Major, and Double Norwich Court Bob Major were rung.

A short service was held in the Forman Chapel, and was conducted by the Rev. T. H. Mousley, M.A., S.C.F., the new curate of the Parish Church. In the absence of the President (the Ven. Archdeacon Sandford, M.A.), the Rev. H. T. Eddershaw, M.A., gave the address. The preacher apologised for the absence of the Vicar, and said that something very important indeed must have kept him away, as it always gave him great pleasure to come and speak to the ringers. He thanked the ringers for their services, and said how much the clergy and officers of the church appreciated the good work which they did Sunday after Sunday in calling the people to church, and reminding all that there was a God to be worshipped. There was no music, the speaker said, that was so beautiful as that produced by a peal of bells when they were well rung. In the name of the Vicar, he welcomed the ringers to St. George's, and wished them a successful new year.

The address, which was inspiring to a degree, and had to be given at a moment's notice without any preparation, was much appreciated by all who heard it.

Tea was served in the Memorial Hall, and was followed by the business meeting.—The Rev. T. H. Mousley was voted to the chair, and he was supported by the vice-president (Mr. G. Halksworth), the Ringing Master (Mr. G. Clark), the hon. treasurer (Mr. H. Woodhouse), the hon. secretary (Mr. Harold Walker), and Mr. C. D. Potter, hon. secretary of the Barnsley and District Society.

The Secretary reported a successful year's work in 1922, and his report was adopted.

The Chairman, who said that he was already a member of the Surrey Association, was elected a member of the society, together with three ringers from Adwick-le-Street.

Mr. G. Clark was re-elected Ringing Master, to serve another three years.

Votes of thanks were accorded the Vicar for the use of the bells, the Rev. H. T. Eddershaw for his splendid address, and the local band for having the bells ready, the chairman for his services, and the hon. secretary for his work during the past year. Coupled with the hon. secretary's name was that of Miss K. Jackson, who is a most enthusiastic worker for the society.

In a brief reply, the Secretary said he was looking forward to the time when the Doncaster and District Society would be the foremost society in the country, and he appealed to the members to put aside all petty jealousies and to work together for one thing, that was progress of the society.

The Chairman, in his reply, said how pleased he was to be at the meeting, and to be elected a member of the society. He could ring a bell, but that was all, and he hoped to be able to get amongst the ringers a bit more in the future. He was very glad, he said, to see in the report a reference to the fact that ringers should give of their best for Sunday ringing; and also he was glad that ringers who had been called to higher service were not forgotten in the annual report.

This meeting was held a month earlier than usual, owing to the fact that the annual general meeting of the Yorkshire Association is to be held in Doncaster on January 27th, it being twenty years since the last general meeting of that association was held at Doncaster.

AN EASY WAY TO SUPERLATIVE.

Dear Sir,—Some ringers will make such a fuss of the odd place in Superlative. If the novice will learn what is Treble work, odd place first, odd place last, long dodge last, and long dodge first, and then ring the method by the treble, the method should not be any trouble at all.

Three times in a course you leave the front and the back. Now my experience has been this, that no mother's son requires to be told that long dodge last is followed by long dodge first. The remaining two occasions you leave it for either odd place first or odd place last—which?

Never make odd 6th's when the treble is in 7—8, nor make odd 3rd's when the treble is in 1—2, but please remember that the odd place does change your direction.

Again, on leaving places the treble is either in the direction you are going, or you leave it behind you. If the treble is not in your path do the intermediate dodge and then treble work. If it is in your path you take it in 3—2 or 6—7 according to the direction you are going and do long dodge last.—Yours truly,

SUPERLATIVE.

GILLETT & JOHNSTON

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STANMORE BELLS RE-OPENED.

The bells of the Parish Church of Stanmore, Middlesex, entered upon a new phase of their existence on Saturday, Dec. 23rd. Taken in 1851 from the old church they were rehung in the belfry of the new church, which had just been completed, and they have been well-known ringers since then. For some time past it has been realised that the whole of the framework, etc., was unsafe, and that the bells required overhauling. With the assistance of the Rector and churchwardens the necessary funds were secured, and then to everyone's pleasant surprise a member of the congregation came forward with the offer to complete the peal by the addition of two new bells in memory of members of her family. This offer was gratefully accepted, and the whole of the work placed in the hands of Messrs. Mears and Stainbank. Upon examination it was found that No. 5 bell was badly cracked, and would require recasting. The work, however, was pushed along, and the sequel came on Saturday, Dec. 23rd, when a short dedication service, which included special prayers and hymns, was held.—The Rector gave a brief address, in which he traced the origin of bells from the earliest recorded times.

After the service, the following rang three courses of Stedman Triples: Hubert Eden 1, Percy Parsloe 2, William Whitehead 3, Fred Brinklow 4, Chas. Leman 5, William Seeley 6, Maurice Hibbert (conductor) 7, George A. Hughes 8. At the conclusion of this the ringers adjourned for tea at the Institute. On returning to the tower, several touches were rung, the methods including Cambridge, Superlative and Grandsire. Great praise is due to Messrs. Mears and Stainbank for the splendid splice which has been effected, and also for the 'go' of the bells, which is now perfect.

BELLS TOO NOISY FOR RINGERS.

WHY THERE IS NO BAND AT ANSDELL.

The December meeting of the Fylde Branch of the Lancashire Association was held at Ansdell St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church on Saturday, Dec. 16th. The bells are a light and handy ring of eight by Mears and Stainbank, cast shortly after the war broke out. The tower was erected a little earlier, and, according to one of the workmen, when nearing completion on their arrival to begin work one morning they were astonished to find the tower had subsided about eighteen inches during the preceding night. After further investigation the official in charge of the work was convinced that there would be no further subsidence. This incident, together with the outbreak of the war, caused a delay of twelve months between the casting of the bells and their erection in the tower, the bells meanwhile being at the foundry, paid for in advance.

At present the ringing chamber is immediately under the bell chamber, the noise from the bells is terrific, and they have not been rung since Armistice Day, 1918. Mr. Maries, of Lytham, spent many arduous months in trying to get a band of ringers, but failed, and no wonder, for the din is too much for any but the steadiest of ringers. Originally it was intended to have the ringing chamber in the room below, but this would have interfered a little with the choir, so the bells are unringable because of the ringers being too near the bells.

This lower room is from 16 to 18 feet high, and it was the opinion of the meeting that a floor could be placed midway, which would allow ample space for the choir in the lower part and the ringing chamber above.

The members found the bells in admirable going order, except the third, which wanted a little attention. When this had been made right touches of Bob Major, Stedman Triples, Treble Bob Major and Minor were successfully brought round. Besides the usual Blackpool contingent, there were two members present from Lytham Parish Church, one from St. Anne's-on-Sea Parish Church, and Mr. Robinson, of the Preston branch.

5,088 SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR.

By JOSEPH W. PARKER.

23456	B	M	W	H	52436	B	M	H
45326			—	—	52364	—		—
53462	—				52643	—		—
53624	—			—	65243			—
42635		—	—	—	54632	—		
42356	—			—	54326	—		—
35426			—	—	63425		—	—
35264	—			—	63254	—		—
23564				—	26354			—
65432		—	—		26543	—		—
65324	—			—	26435	—		—
36524				—	46632		—	
62345	—				46325	—		—
24653	—				34625			—
24536	—			—	34256	—		—
52436				—	23456			—

This peal, composed in 1912, is the first with the maximum number of bobs Before, and was first rung at Sunderland on Dec. 26th, 1922.

WHY NOT A REFERENDUM?

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—There are some things in the Rev. H. B. Woolley's letter in your issue of the 29th December with which I am practically in agreement with him; there are again other things—matters of opinion—as regards which we differ, and as to which he is, of course, entitled to his own view, and I to mine. But when definite statements of fact are concerned, there can be no such latitude allowed. If positive assertions are made they must be accurate. It is here I find myself in conflict with Mr. Woolley.

To quote from his letter: 'and call it by the same title as the Bishop has already given to the diocesan association.' The exact reverse is the truth. The title, St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich, had already been adopted by our Suffolk branch just four months before the Bishop announced his decision also to take it for the new association. All this is on record in the 'Ringing World,' q.v.:—

Feb. 10th, 1922, p. 89.—Norwich and Ipswich title extended to N., St. E. and I. meeting at Ipswich, Feb. 4th.

Feb. 24th, p. 125.—Meeting of Suffolk Diocesan Association at Ipswich, Feb. 4th.

May 12th, p. 297.—Meeting of S.D.A. at Ipswich left it to Bishop to decide as to title.

May 26th, p. 327.—The Bishop announces his decision to change title to St. E. and I.

I think, therefore, I am justified in objecting to that part of Mr. Woolley's letter, and further in complaining that he does not read his 'Ringing World' as carefully as he ought.

And to quote again: 'East is East, and West is West.' Exactly so. We of Norwich, St. E. and I. had always respected that view, and appreciated the difficulties of the case. May I appeal to history again? The ecclesiastical frontier between E. and W. Suffolk was removed when the new diocese of St. E. and I. was founded in 1914. For a period of eight years from that date, the Norwich Association was content to accept the old position, and made no move. Not so our West Suffolk friends, who as early as May 9th, 1914 (see 'Ringing World,' August 26th, 1921, p. 513), passed a resolution to inaugurate a campaign of penetration of East Suffolk. Only the war for a time prevented this action. But in 1921 they started the invasion in earnest, first of all by arrogating to themselves a title embracing the whole of Suffolk (Suffolk County Association); then in 1922 holding a meeting at Ipswich on February 4th; and lastly demanding the surrender of our East Suffolk members. All this and more. Now, when once St. Edmundsbury had gone to Ipswich, how can Ipswich reasonably be denied the equivalent as regards St. Edmundsbury?

And then as to the Referendum proposal. A referendum is generally understood to be a reference to a whole country, or a whole district, collectively upon a given question, as distinct from putting that question to the vote sectionally. By claiming the whole diocese as the sphere for the new association, Mr. Woolley, ipso facto, defines the electoral area. Yet he now would decline to abide by a referendum in it.

It is greatly to be regretted that when the present Bishop came to the diocese he did not adopt the bold course of becoming patron of his ringers both East and West; fusion would then assuredly have come about—or, he might have followed his predecessor, and made E. Suffolk the nucleus of his new diocesan association, when it might have been relatively easy to win the West, which was unattached. In selecting the minority in the West for his favour, he was inevitably 'up against' the majority in the East, which moreover was not unattached. The expectation of easily winning the East failed; as it was bound to do. Recourse has since been had to a form of coercion, which has not only failed, but brought in a feeling of bitterness. Hence the present impasse. And now West Suffolk is too small an entity to carry on by itself economically.—Yours very truly,

G. P. BURTON.

Manor House, Bracondale, Norwich.
2nd January, 1923.

DEATH OF A BEVERLEY RINGER.

On December 12th, at the Beverley Minster, 539 Grandsire Caters was rung, half-muffled (circumstances not admitting of further ringing) as a mark of sympathy and respect on the passing away, after a long and painful illness, of Mr. G. Ford, who was for many years a zealous and devoted ringer at Beverley, and one noted for his regular attendance at Divine service.

It is gratifying to know that the sound of the bells was a source of hope and comfort to the deceased right up to the time of his death.

At St. Mary's, Woolwich, on December 31st, 1,263 Grandsire Triples was rung in 44 mins., with the bells half-muffled, as a token of respect to the late Mr. F. W. Groves, who was a member of St. Mary's belfry: W. J. Aldridge 1, A. W. Connely 2, W. Watchorn 3, W. W. Horsley 4, H. Beckford 5, A. J. Horsley 6, N. North (conductor) 7, W. H. Horsley 8.

Sunday Service Ringers' Page.

BENTLEY-BY-WEALD. — For evensong, on Jan. 7th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles, in 43 mins.: *E. Rainbird 1, *F. Rainbird 2, E. Furbank 3, A. Rainbird 4, J. Cavill (conductor) 5. * First quarter-peal.

HOUNSLOW.—At St. Paul's Church, on Sunday, January 7th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, in 43 mins.: Fredk. G. Goddard 1, Wm. C. Parker 2, A. Price 3, J. Milner 4, J. Kent 5, J. Townley (Dublin) 6, C. J. Tricker (conductor) 7, D. G. Archer 8.

CIRENCESTER, GLOS.—On Sunday, January 7th, for morning service, at Holy Trinity Church, Watermoor, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes): J. E. Waters 1, W. G. Cook (conductor) 2, F. J. Lewis 3, W. Hayward 4, W. C. Cuss 5, G. Dore 6, H. C. Bond 7, H. Lewis 8.

WAKEFIELD.—On Sunday, January 7th, at the Cathedral, for evensong, 539 Grandsire Caters: G. Heald 1, J. Chapman 2, W. Turner 3, W. Preston 4, A. Scott 5, J. Moorhouse 6, J. W. Moorhouse (conductor) 7, J. T. Eason 8, F. Cockhill 9, W. Archer 10.

FARNHAM, SURREY.—On Sunday, January 7th, for morning service, at St. Andrew's Church, in 46 mins., a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes): S. Meadows (1st quarter-peal) 1, H. Prior 2, A. J. Le Clercq 3, G. Upshall 4, E. Clapshaw 5, T. Upshall 6, R. Basted, senr. (conductor), 7, A. E. King 8.

HAMMERSMITH.—At St. Paul's Church, on Sunday, Dec. 31st, for midnight service, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (1,260 changes): M. Jacobs 1, W. Stevens 2, H. Barrett 3, H. Cook 4, R. Mackrill 5, F. Skevington (conductor) 6, C. Hunt 7, J. Willmott 8.—On Sunday, January 7th, for evening service, 1,280 Kent Treble Bob Major: W. Stevens 1, W. Wood 2, W. Matthews 3, H. Cook 4, G. Iles 5, R. Mackrill 6, F. Skevington (conductor) 7, C. Hunt 8.

SCOTHORNE, LINCS. — For Sunday morning service, 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor: S. Cade 1, Miss D. Barnes 2, Miss D. Mottram 3, N. Round-Turner 4, C. Cade 5, W. Creasey 6.

KEIGHLEY, YORKS.—On Sunday, Dec. 2nd, for Divine service, at St. Andrew's Church, 1,260 Stedman Triples: J. Edmondson 1, H. Thorp (conductor) 2, A. Jackson 3, R. Bottomley 4, J. Hall 5, R. W. Jennison 6, S. Murgatroyd 7, J. W. Coulton 8. Longest length in the method by all except conductor.

WORTLEY (near Sheffield).—At St. Leonard's Church, on Sunday, Dec. 3rd, for evening service, 720 Plain Bob Minor, with 7-8 covering: Frank Downhill 1, Amos Sellars 2, George Wadsworth 3, Cliff Dronfield 4, Bert Raisey 5, John Dronfield (conductor) 6, William A. Wooler 7, Thomas Long 8. First 720 for ringers of 1, 2 and 3.

ELVEDEN, SUFFOLK.—On Sunday, Dec. 3rd, for evening service, at the memorial tower of SS. Patrick and Andrew's Church, 720 Kent Minor, rung on the back six: G. W. Dixon 1, A. Maxim 2, A. Macro 3, W. Everett 4, F. A. Salter 5, D. E. Elliott (conductor) 6. Also touches of Bob Major and Grandsire Triples, the ringers including P. Fordham and T. Stagg. Messrs. Dixon and Elliott hail from Sudbury, A. Maxim from Foxearth, P. Fordham from Mildenhall, and the rest from Thetford.

EALING, MIDDLESEX.—At St. Mary's Church, on Sunday, Dec. 3rd, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Bob Major (1,264 changes), in 46 minutes: H. A. Harding 1, J. E. Churchill 2, A. H. Fulwell 3, A. M. Stacey 4, J. H. Hunnisett 5, H. J. Hunnisett 6, F. W. Goodfellow (conductor) 7, L. H. Page 8. First quarter-peal of Bob Major as conductor. Also for evensong, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,280 changes), from Holt's Original, in 40 mins.: *G. A. Stevens 1, J. Hunnisett 2, A. H. Fulwell 3, A. M. Stacey (conductor) 4, L. H. Page 5, H. J. Hunnisett 6, F. W. Goodfellow 7, W. A. Hunnisett 8. * First quarter-peal.

KINGSNORTH, KENT.—On Sunday morning, Dec. 3rd, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles, in 45 mins.: H. Hodges (first quarter-peal) 1, F. Hodges 2, F. Good (conductor) 3, G. Young 4, S. Hopper 5. The first quarter-peal for H. Hodges.

CROMER. — On Sunday, Dec. 3rd, for evening service, 720 Bob Minor, in 25 mins.: R. Amis 1, W. Tennant 2, E. Wilson 3, C. Pooley 4, F. Pearce 5, T. Price (conductor) 6.

LONDON. — On Sunday, Dec. 3rd, for evening service, at St. George-the-Martyr, Southwark, S.E., a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples: A. Keighley (first quarter-peal) 1, T. H. Taffender (conductor) 2, J. Carter 3, T. W. Taffender, junr., 4, F. V. Martin 5, J. S. Hawkins 6, J. R. Gammon 7, H. N. Platt (first quarter-peal) 8.

READING, BERKS.—On Sunday, Dec. 3rd, for Divine service, at the Church of St. Giles, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (1,260 changes), in 45 mins.: L. T. Osborne 1, A. W. Osborne 2, R. Bishop 3, H. Osborne 4, A. Bailey 5, H. Egby 6, G. Wiggin (first quarter-peal as conductor) 7, J. H. Barnes, senr., 8.

EPPING UPLAND.—For evening service, on Dec. 3rd, at the Parish Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles (1,260 changes), in 45 mins.: W. Wedlock 1, A. Bailes 2, A. J. Mansfield (conductor) 3, A. Mansfield 4, J. Shambrook 5, G. Bailes 6. First quarter-peal on the bells by the local band, and first quarter-peal for all except the ringers of the 1st, 3rd and 4th.—Also on December 10th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles (1,260 changes), in 47 mins.: A. Bailes 1, W. Wedlock 2, A. J. Mansfield 3, A. Mansfield (conductor) 4, J. Shambrook 5, F. Seymour (first quarter-peal) 6.

CIRENCESTER, GLOS.—At Holy Trinity, Watermoor, on Sunday, Dec. 3rd, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes): A. Parsons 1, F. J. Lewis 2, W. G. Cook 3, W. H. Hayward 4, J. Butler 5, W. C. Cuss (conductor) 6, H. C. Bond 7, J. Hayward 8.

BRISTOL.—Before the special men's service, at St. Michael's (City), on Sunday afternoon, Dec. 3rd, 720 Bob Minor: S. Isaacs 1, A. Smith 2, S. Thomas (conductor) 3, W. Thomas 4, C. Cann 5, G. Tudball 6. All the ringers are members of St. Michael's Old Boys' Society.

ISLEWORTH, MIDDLESEX.—On Sunday, Dec. 3rd, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Bob Major (1,280 changes), in 50 mins.: W. Lidbetter 1, F. G. Goddard 2, T. Beadle 3, E. F. Cole 4, C. J. Tricker 5, J. Milner 6, A. Beckensale 7, G. Spencer (conductor) 8.

BRISTOL.—At St. Stephen's, Church, on Sunday, Dec. 3rd, for Matins, after an unsuccessful attempt for a quarter-peal, 615 Stedman Caters: W. A. Cave 1, W. H. Thomas 2, Miss Annie Brown 3, C. H. Jennings (Weymouth) 4, R. Clark 5, F. E. Tyler 6, E. J. Brown 7, J. Gould 8, J. A. Burford (conductor) 9, J. R. Jones 10. Arranged as a birthday compliment to the ringer of the 4th.

PONTEFRACT, YORKS.—On Sunday, Dec. 3rd, for evening service, 880 Kent Treble Boy Royal: A. Walker, junr., 1, A. Walker, senr., 2, J. Pickard 3, W. Pearson 4, W. Hawley 5, W. Senior 6, J. Lenton (conductor) 7, J. Jackson 8, J. Fryer 9, H. Walters 10.

THORNE, YORKS.—At the Parish Church, on Sunday, Dec. 3rd, for evening service, 720 Bob Minor: O. Darley 1, A. Woods 2, W. Sleight 3, A. Darley 4, C. Thorley, junr., 5, C. H. Thorley (conductor) 7, 6 and 8 behind, by W. Hobson and L. Tate (1st 720).

WALTHAM ABBEY. — On Sunday, Dec. 3rd, for evening service, 1,277 Grandsire Caters, in 55 mins.: Mrs. J. Thomas 1, G. Peace 2, J. Thomas (conductor) 3, E. Adams 4, H. Barnett 5, H. Ellis 6, W. Saban 7, G. Thurgood 8, G. Radley 9, G. Cole 10.

MARKET DEEPING.—At the Parish Church, on Sunday, Dec. 3rd, for morning service, 360 Single Court; also 360 Double Court: T. Henson 1, A. Riggall 2, H. M. Day 3, F. Simpson (first touch in the method) 4, W. A. Day (conductor) 5, G. H. Wells 6.—For evening service, 360 Cambridge Surprise: F. Simpson 1, A. Riggall 2, H. M. Day (conductor) 3, W. A. Day 4, J. Landon 5, G. H. Wells 6.

GRIMSBY.—On Sunday, December 3rd, for morning service, at St. Andrew's Church, 160 Bob Major, two courses Double Norwich and a course of Superlative Surprise. For evening service, in 47 mins., a quarter-peal Double Norwich Major (1,280 changes): J. W. Seamer (conductor) 1, F. Overton 2, T. Fitzjohn (first quarter-peal in method) 3, R. S. Long 4, J. B. Budd 5, C. Taylor 6, S. Bromfield 7, F. Metcalfe 8.

WORKSOP.—On Sunday evening, Nov. 26th, for Divine service, and also as a birthday compliment to the ringer of the 2nd bell, a quarter-peal of Bob Major (1,280 changes), in 46 minutes, was rung on the Priory bells: G. Gabbittas, Miss A. Taylor, A. Johnson, G. Hardwick, H. Haigh (conductor), E. Clarke, J. T. Wilson, S. Eastland. First quarter-peal of Major by 1st, 2nd and 8th, and the first on the bells in which a lady has taken part.

LODDON, NORFOLK.—On Sunday, Nov. 26th, for evening service, at the Church of the Holy Trinity, 720 Oxford Treble Bob, in 25 mins.: H. Barrett 1, C. Spurgeon 2, R. Warman 3, H. Dennison 4, A. Corbyn 5, F. A. Finch (conductor) 6. This is the first 720 of Oxford by a local band for over thirty years.

WORKSOP.—On Sunday evening, Nov. 26th, for Divine service, and also as a birthday compliment to the lady ringer, a quarter-peal of Bob Major (1,280 changes), in 46 mins.: G. Gabbittas 1, Miss A. Taylor 2, A. Johnson 3, G. Hardwick 4, H. Haigh (conductor) 5, E. Clarke 6, J. T. Wilson 7, S. Eastland 8. First quarter-peal of Major by ringers of 1, 2 and 8, and also the first of Major on the Priory bells in which a lady has taken part.

NEATH, SOUTH WALES.—At St. Thomas' Church, for evening service, on Sunday, Nov. 26th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles (1,260 changes), in 42 mins.: J. Hammond (conductor) 1, F. Hatton (first quarter on a bob bell) 2, H. Boyce 3, R. Ellis 4, A. Hatton 5, W. Hopkins 6. Also rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor. All the above are regular Sunday Service ringers at St. Thomas's.

PORTISHEAD, SOMERSET.—On Sunday, Nov. 26th, for evening service, at the Parish Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 45 mins.: C. O. Grieves 1, *Miss A. Stokes (conductor) 2, Miss Stokes 3, Miss Willet 4, J. Nisbet 5, Miss Dobbs 6, W. Gillingham 7, C. Carey 8. * First quarter-peal conducted by Miss A. Stokes.

BRAINTREE.—On Advent Sunday, for evensong, at the Parish Church, 840 Stedman Triples: C. H. Howard (conductor) 1, W. J. Sadler 2, H. E. Hammond 3, G. W. Melbourne 4, H. W. Dyson 5, G. Lindridge 6, L. W. Wiffen 7, F. Ely 8.

NOTICES.

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ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. — The Hunts district meeting will be held at St. Neots on Saturday, Jan. 13th. Bells, St. Neots (8), Eynesbury (6), and Eaton Soham (6). Service at St. Neots Church 4.30, followed by tea and business meeting in the Parish Room. —Rev. H. B. Woolley, Long Stanton.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Luton District. —A meeting will be held at Leighton Buzzard, on Saturday, Jan. 13th. Bells (10) will be available at 3 p.m. A hearty welcome to all.—A. E. Sharman, Hon. Sec., 199, High Street North, Dunstable.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Bedford District.—A meeting will be held at Bromham, on Saturday, Jan. 13th. Bells available from 2.30. Tea at 5 o'clock. All ringers welcome.—H. L. Harlow, District Sec., 14, Newnham Lane, Bedford.

LADIES' GUILD.—Southern District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at St. Nicolas, Guildford, on Saturday, January 13th. Bells from 3.30. Service 4.45. Tea and meeting to follow. All welcome.—Hilda F. Mills, 125, St. Michael's Road, Aldershot.

SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.—Quarterly meeting at Christ Church, West Bromwich, Saturday, Jan. 13th. Bells (12) available at 3 p.m. Service in Church, with address by the Rev. J. Goodacre, Vicar, at 4.45.—H. Knight, Hon. Sec., 15, Rugby St., Wolverhampton.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Blackburn Branch. —The next branch meeting will be held at Accrington on Saturday, Jan. 13th. Bells ready 3 p.m. Meeting 6.30.—J. Watson, Branch Sec.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.—South-West District.—A meeting will be held at Chiswick (by permission of the Rev. E. P. Gough, Vicar), on Saturday, Jan. 13th. Ringing from 3 p.m. Tea at 5.30 at a small charge. Combined practices are again resumed at Heston the first Saturday, and at Isleworth the third Saturday in the month.—W. H. Hollier, Hon. Sec., 29, Duke Road, W.4.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. — Maidstone District.—A Quarterly meeting will be held at Barming, on Saturday, Jan. 13th. Bells available at 3 o'clock. A short Service at 5 o'clock. Tea at the Cross House at 5.45, provided by the Rector.—Stephen Hayzelden, Hon. District Sec., Lower Street, East Farleigh, near Maidstone.

BARNSLEY AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.—The annual meeting will be held at Barnsley on Saturday, Jan. 13th. Bells ready 2 p.m. to 9 p.m. Committee meeting 4 p.m.; all towers to send one representative. Business important. Short service 5 p.m. Tea 5.30 p.m. Business meeting 6 p.m. The officials desire this meeting to be fully as popular as those that have been held every month during past year. Tea 1s. each.—G. D. Potter, Sec., 119, Doncaster Road, Barnsley.

BRISTOL UNITED GUILDS' Second Annual Dinner, Grand Hotel, Broad Street, Bristol, Saturday, Jan. 13th. Start sharp at 6.30 p.m. Ringing at St. Mary, Redcliffe (12 bells), 3 p.m.; St. James' (10), St. Phillip's (8), St. Michael's (6), at 3.30 p.m. Full particulars of other ringing obtainable at these mentioned towers.—Edgar Guise, Hon. Sec.

ST. CLEMENT'S YOUTHS. — St. Clement Danes, Strand, W.C.—Practice every Wednesday evening 6.30 till 8 o'clock. Ringing Sunday mornings, Jan. 14th and 28th, at 10 o'clock. Sunday afternoon, Jan. 14th, from 2.15 to 3.15. Annual general meeting on Saturday, Jan. 20th. Tower open from 4.30 till 5.30. Tea will be arranged at a local cafe if sufficient members advise hon. secretary by Wednesday evening, Jan. 17th. Cost of tea about 1s. 6d.—F. W. H. Sergison, Hon. Sec., 36, Acacia Grove, New Malden, Surrey.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Practices: Mondays at 7.30 p.m.; Bishopsgate, Jan. 15th; St. Clement Danes, Jan. 22nd; Sundays, St. Clement Danes, 1st and 3rd, at 10 a.m.; Bishopsgate, 2nd and 4th, at 5.15 p.m.—A. D. Barker, Hon. Gen. Sec., Stoke Green, near Slough.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.—Leicester District.—The Annual meeting will be held at St. Peter's, Belgrave, Leicester, on Tuesday, Jan. 16th. Ringing from 7.30 till 8.45 p.m. Business meeting in Smoke Room, Talbot Inn, 9 p.m. Subscriptions for 1923 become due at this meeting.—H. E. Norman, District Sec., 52, Ivy Road, Leicester.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (established 1637).—The subscription of 1/8, which enables members who have not attended 20 times in the past year to vote on matters of finance, is now due. Meetings for practice will be held at Southwark Cathedral, on Jan. 30th; St. Magnus, on the 18th; * St. Paul's Cathedral on the 23rd, all at 7.30 p.m. * Business meeting afterwards. —William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Manchester Branch. —The next meeting will be held at Swinton Parish Church, on Saturday, Jan. 20th. Bells ready at 3 p.m. Meeting at 7 o'clock. Reports now ready. All ringers welcome.—J. Hall, Branch Sec., 22, Silver St., Miles Platting, Manchester.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.—Northern Branch.—The Quarterly meeting will be held at Harborne, on Saturday, Jan. 20th. Bells available at 3 o'clock. Service in Church at 4.30. Tea will be provided for those who notify me not later than Jan. 15th.—A. J. Skelding, Branch Sec., 7, Cecil St., Stourbridge.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Rossendale Branch. —The next Branch meeting will be held at St. Paul's, Ramsbottom, on Saturday, January 20th. Bells ready at 3 p.m. Meeting at 6.30. Subscriptions are due. Reports to hand.—J. H. Haydock, Branch Sec., 31, St. Paul's St., Ramsbottom.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Southern District.—The Annual meeting will be held on Saturday, Jan. 20th., at All Saints', Fulham. Tower open from 4 to 8 p.m. Business meeting to follow, election of officers, etc. All ringers invited.—F. A. Smith, Hon. Sec., 14a, Oxford Avenue, Merton Park, S.W.20.

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Chester Branch.—The annual branch meeting will be held at the Cathedral on Jan. 20th. Service at 4.15 p.m., followed by tea and business meeting. Will those requiring tea (price 9d.) please advise me by Monday, Jan. 15th?—J. W. Clarke, Hon. Sec., Aldford, Chester.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—A combined meeting of the Fylde and Preston branches will be held at Kirkham, on Saturday, Jan. 20th. Bells ready 3 p.m. Tea at 5.30 to all who send in their names not later than Tuesday, January 16th, to either W. Taylor, Preston Branch Sec., Tower House, Penwortham, or C Sharples, 3, Rutland Gate, North Promenade, Blackpool.

LADIES' GUILD.—Midland District. — A quarterly meeting will be held on Saturday, Jan. 20th, at Edgbaston Old Church. Bells available at 3.30. Service at 5 o'clock. Tea and meeting afterwards. Tea will be provided for those who send in their names not later than Wednesday, Jan. 17th. Gentlemen invited. A social will be held at St. Martin's Hotel, commencing at 7 o'clock. Names to Mrs. Groves, 43, Malvern Road, Handsworth.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION. — Northern District.—Annual meeting will be held at St. Mary's Islington (Upper Street), on Saturday, Jan. 20th. Ringing from 3.30 p.m. Service. Tea at about 1s. per head. Business after (election of officers, etc.). Will all wishing for tea kindly let me know by Jan. 17th? Large attendance requested.—E. C. Russell, Hon. Dis. Secretary, 57, Market Street, W.2.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION. — St. Albans District.—A meeting will be held at St. Albans on Saturday, Jan. 20th. St. Peter's Tower (10 bells) available from 2.30 till 6 p.m. The Cathedral bells available after. Tea arrangements will be made on the day. All ringers and friends welcome. — Wm. Nash, District Sec., North Mymms, Hatfield.

SURREY ASSOCIATION.—Central District. — The next quarterly meeting will be held at Richmond on Saturday, Jan. 20th. Ringing from 3 p.m. Service 5. Tea 5.30. Will those requiring tea please advise me not later than Tuesday, Jan. 16th? — A. J. Trappitt, Hon. District Sec., 47, Beddington Grove, Wallington.

CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.—Thrapston District. — A quarterly meeting will be held at Woodford (6) on Saturday, Jan. 20th. Bells available 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea 5 o'clock.—J. Nickerson, District Secretary, Halford Street, Thrapston.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—North-Eastern Division.—A meeting will be held at Great Bromley on Saturday, Jan. 20th. Tea at 5.30. All members wishing to attend, will they please notify me by Tuesday, Jan. 16th?—R. W. Stannard, Hon. Sec., 12, Ireton Road, Colchester.

CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION. — Northampton District.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Kingsthorpe on Saturday, Jan. 20th. Bells ready at 2.30. Notify me for tea not later than the 15th inst. Subscriptions for 1923 now due.—S. J. Lawrence, 60, Harlestone Road, Northampton.

STOKE ARCHIDIACONAL ASSOCIATION. — A meeting will be held at Fenton on Saturday, Jan. 20th.—A. Vaughan, Hon. Sec., 26, Clarence Street, Newcastle, Staffs.

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Wirral Branch.—The annual meeting will be held at West Kirby on Saturday, Jan. 20th. Tower open at 3 p.m. Service 5.30 p.m. Tea and meeting immediately after.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Rochdale Branch.—The next meeting will be held on Saturday, Jan. 20th, at Hamer. Bells ready at 3. Meeting 6.30. Reports are now ready.—T. K. Driver, 31, Samuel Street, Middleton.

HERTS COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Eastern District.—A meeting will be held at Cheshunt on Jan. 20th. The bells will be ready from 3 o'clock. Tea at the Green Dragon Hotel at 4.30, 1s. 6d. each. Service in church at 6.30, with an address by the Vicar. Would those intending coming kindly notify me so as to arrange for tea? All members and friends will be made welcome.—W. H. Lawrence, Hon. District Sec., Little Munden.

WARWICKSHIRE GUILD. — The next quarterly meeting of the Guild will be held at Leamington Spa on Saturday, Jan. 20th. The bells of the Parish Church (8) will be available from 3 p.m., and those of St. Peter's (R.C.) from 2.30 to 5 p.m. Short service in the Parish Church at 5 p.m. Tea and business meeting to follow. Those requiring tea will oblige by sending their names to the Hon. District Secretary, Mr. F. Ashbourne, 28a, Saltisford, Warwick, not later than Thursday, Jan. 18th. — A. Wilkerson, Hon. General Secretary, 68, Norman Avenue, Nuneaton.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Lewisham District.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at St. Alfege, Greenwich, on Saturday, Jan. 20th. Tower open at 3 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m., 1s. per head, to those who notify me by Tuesday, Jan. 15th, the latest. Service at 6 p.m. Business meeting to follow. Will secretaries of bands please hand in times of Sunday ringing and practice nights, methods, etc., for the annual report? Subscriptions are now due, and should be paid at this meeting.—T. Groombridge, Hon. District Sec., 35, Albany Road, Chislehurst.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Frome Branch.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Buckland Dinham on Saturday, Jan. 20th. Service 4 p.m., followed by tea and meeting.—J. T. Dyke, Hon. Sec., Midsomer Norton.

NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION. — The first meeting of the New Year will be held at Worksop on Saturday, Jan. 20th. Bells available from 2 p.m. to 9 p.m. Short service in the Priory Church 4.30 p.m. Meat tea in the Priory Gatehouse at 5 p.m. for all those who notify H. Haigh, 103, Gateford Road, Worksop, not later than the 18th inst. Will ringers please note this request is very important? A good attendance is desired. — H. Haigh, Hon. Sec.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Sonning Deanery Branch.—The annual branch meeting will be held at St. Paul's, Wokingham, on Saturday, Jan. 20th. Service at 4 p.m. Tea at 4.45, followed by business meeting. Ringing before service and after meeting at All Saints' and St. Paul's Churches. Those intending to be present at tea please notify me by Jan. 13th.—F. Dentry, Hon. Sec., Church Street, Twyford, Berks.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.—Nottingham District.—The annual meeting of the above will be held on Saturday, Jan. 20th. Ringing at St. Mary's (10 bells) 2.30 to 6 p.m. and St. Peter's (10 bells) 4 to 6 p.m. Business meeting in St. Peter's tower 4.45 p.m. There will be a short service in St. Mary's Church 4.15.—Thos. H. Kirkby.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. — Derby District. — The annual meeting will take place in St. Peter's belfry on Monday night, Jan. 22nd. Will as many as possible please attend? — A. Braines, 7, Seale Street, Derby.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.—Nottingham District.—A dinner will be held at the Flying Horse Hotel, Market Place, Nottingham, on Saturday, Jan. 27th, at 6.30 p.m., to honour the memory of William Doubleday Crofts (1737—1809), one of the greatest ringers of his day. A first-class musical programme will be given. Applications for tickets (6s. each) to be in the hands of the local Secretary by Tuesday, January 23rd.—Thos. H. Kirkby, 7, Selkirk St., Carrington.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Chew Deanery Branch.—The annual meeting will be held at Long Ashton on Saturday, Jan. 27th. Bells available from 2.30 p.m. Divine service at 4 o'clock. Tea at 5 at the Church House, with business meeting to follow.—Percy G. Yeo, Hon. Local Sec., Long Ashton.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.—North and East District.—Annual meeting at Southgate on Saturday, Jan. 27th. Ringing from 3 p.m. District Committee meeting in the Choir Vestry at 4 p.m. Service at 5. Tea at the Cherry Tree at 5.45, followed by usual business meeting. Will all requiring tea please advise me by Wednesday, Jan. 17th?—C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec., 49, Wood Street, E.17.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. — Tonbridge District. — The annual meeting will be held at Sevenoaks on Saturday, Jan. 27th. Tower open at 3. Service at 5. Tea at 5.45 at the Lime Tree Hotel, followed by business meeting; 6d. per head will be charged for tea. All members requiring tea must notify the district secretary not later than Tuesday, Jan. 23rd. Subscriptions are now due, and should be paid at the meeting or sent to the district secretary.—W. Latter, Hon. District Sec., 11, Dudley Road, Tunbridge Wells.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. — Bolton Branch.—The next meeting will be held at the Bolton Parish Church on Saturday, Jan. 27th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Meeting at 7 p.m. Reports ready.—Peter Crook, Sec., 201, Devonshire Road, Bolton.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Wotton-under-Edge Branch.—The annual meeting will be held at Wotton-under-Edge on Saturday, Jan. 27th. Bells from 3 p.m. Tea 4.45. Service 6 o'clock.—W. A. Lewis, Branch Hon. Sec., Ham, Berkeley, Glos.

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