

THE RINGING WORLD

No. 741. Vol. XX.

FRIDAY, MAY 29th, 1925.

[Registered at the G.P.O. for transmission as a newspaper.]

Price 3d.

GILLETT AND JOHNSTON

Croydon, Surrey.

Established 1844.

BELLFOUNDERS,

CARILLON

AND

CLOCKMAKERS.



IN HAND.

The great Carillon of 53 bells for New York, Carillons of 43 and 35 bells for Holland, the ring of 10 for Manchester Cathedral, and over 40 other contracts for various parts of the world.

Telephone—Thornton Heath 1220 and 1221.
Telegrams—"Gillett," Croydon.

THE CENTRAL COUNCIL MEETING.

The visit which the Central Council is to pay to Chester at the beginning of next week promises to be an interesting and enjoyable one. The Chester Diocesan Guild have for some few years past been very pressing in their invitation to the Council to hold its annual meeting in their ancient city, and, now that their turn has come, the Guild is rising splendidly to the occasion, and offering to the Council not only a cordial welcome, but a programme of entertainment which will provide their visitors with a thoroughly pleasant time.

As to the business before the Council, the agenda is not a formidable looking one, but it does not follow that it will not provide the members with a pretty good day's work on Tuesday. There are no fewer than eight committees' reports to be dealt with, of which only one—the Analysis—has yet been published. The other seven may yield much or little in the way of discussion, though the last, that of the committee appointed a year ago to deal with method nomenclature, is a more than possible source of lively debate.

The resolution, presumably emanating from the Chester Guild, regarding the question of 'broadcasting' bell ringing, is a timely one, but it is a subject which will require delicate handling with the B.B.C. The Broadcasting Company are out to provide what their listeners most desire, and, perhaps from want of 'education,' the public for the most part prefer at present tune playing to change ringing. If it is possible to develop a wider appreciation of real change ringing by means of 'wireless,' so much the better, and the resolution may be the means of inducing the B.B.C. to give more attention to, shall we call it, the 'legitimate' art, instead of providing the spurious type which so often precedes the broadcasting of a religious service.

The resolution on the agenda which intrigues us most, is that which asks the Council to disapprove, as a general rule, of the augmentation of peals of eight into peals of ten. It will be interesting to learn the arguments against the practice of adding trebles to a ring of eight—whether on grounds musical, mechanical or campanological. Hitherto the general idea has been to look upon an increase in the number of bells as a step in advance; are we now to learn that an octave of bells is best left an octave; and that ten-bell ringing is to be discouraged? To some ringers, Caters is the most musical of all ringing, and it will be difficult to convince these members of the Exercise that augmentations to ten should be discouraged. At any rate, whatever views are held, the arguments for the motion will be followed with interest.

(Continued on page 338.)

Telephone:
SMETHWICK, No. 18.

Telegraphic Address:
BELLS, SMETHWICK.

CHARLES CARR, Ltd.

Bellfounders,

SMETHWICK, BIRMINGHAM.

BELLS

FOR ALL PURPOSES

RINGS OF BELLS, Any Number

RECASTING AND REHANGING OF
EXISTING RINGS,
Also AUGMENTATIONS,
IRON, STEEL OR WOOD FRAMES,
AND STOCKS,
ROLLER BEARINGS,
CHIMING APPARATUS,
ELLACOMBE CHIMING HAMMERS,
Etc., Etc.

CHIMES FOR CLOCKS,
BELL ROPES AND ACCESSORIES.

Enquiries Respectfully Solicited.

ESTABLISHED 1760.

JOHN NICOLL,

Church Bell Rope and Clock Rope
Manufacturer.

60, QUEEN'S ROAD, PECKHAM, LONDON, S.E.

(Two minutes from Queen's Road Station, L.B.&S.C. Railway).

Late 188, Keeton's Road, Bermondsey.

Makers to St. Paul's Cathedral, Westminster Abbey, Imperial Institute, Canterbury, Edinburgh, St. Albans, Lincoln, Durham, Peterborough, Melbourne (Australia), Rochester, Dublin St. Patrick's, Manchester and Worcester Cathedrals, etc.

The resolution to amend the 'Rules and Decisions' is purely a formal matter to bring them into line with the present day practice of spliced method peals; but we see nothing in the agenda to indicate that the 'Rules and Decisions' have been entirely overhauled, although it was indicated at the last meeting that the Standing Committee would do this.

TWELVE BELL PEAL.

CHELMSFORD, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 23, 1925, in Three Hours and Thirty-Two Minutes.

AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5011 CHANGES;

Tenor 34½ cwt.

ALBERT W. COLES Treble	LEWIS W. WIFFEN 7
CHARLES T. COLES 2	WILLIAM PYE 8
GEORGE R. PYE 3	JOHN WOOD 9
WILLIAM LINCOLN 4	REUBEN SANDERS 10
LESLIE J. CLARKE 5	HAROLD W. CLARK 11
THOMAS LINCOLN 6	ARTHUR HEAD Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF. Conducted by C. T. COLES.

TEN BELL PEALS.

LEICESTER.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, May 18, 1925, in Three Hours and Twenty-Nine Minutes.

AT THE COLLEGIATE CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 21½ cwt. in E flat.

PERCY HARRISON Treble	HAROLD J. POOLE 6
ERNEST MORRIS 2	WILLIAM WILLSON 7
MISS PHYLLIS HARE 3	HAROLD G. JENNEY 8
E. HARRY STONELEY 4	HARRY BROUGHTON 9
SHIRLEY BURTON 5	FREDERICK H. DEXTER ... Tenor

Composed by JOHN A. BURFORD. Conducted by F. H. DEXTER.

* First peal of Surprise Royal. † 200th peal. Also 100th peal as conductor.

TROWBRIDGE.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 23, 1925, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5089 CHANGES;

Tenor 20 cwt.

ARTHUR PRINCE Treble	THOMAS HOGSFLESH 6
GEORGE TEMPLE 2	WILLIAM BAXTER 7
WILLIAM J. PRESCOTT 3	CHARLES W. BELL 8
RAYMOND C. SEAGER 4	E. GEORGE TREW 9
WILLIAM KNIGHT 5	THOMAS F. KING Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by ARTHUR PRINCE.

DERBY.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 23, 1925, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW, LITCHURCH,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5067 CHANGES;

Tenor 29 cwt.

WILLIAM WILLSON Treble	CHARLES DRAPER 6
JOHN H. SWINFIELD 2	ALBERT H. WARD 7
FREDK. S. PRICE 3	EDGAR C. SHEPHERD 8
MAURICE SWINFIELD 4	ARTHUR BRAINES 9
CHARLES E. HART 5	G. CECIL WALLACE Tenor

Composed and Conducted by WILLIAM WILLSON.

Rung in honour of Empire Day, and as a birthday tribute to Mrs. A. H. Ward, wife of the ringer of the 7th, and donor of the treble bell. Mr. F. S. Price hails from Beeston; Messrs. Swinfield from Burton; the conductor from Leicester; the remainder belong to Derby.

RETTENDEN, ESSEX. — On Sunday, May 24th, at All Saints' Church, for evening service, 300 Bob Minor.—Also 504 Kent Treble Bob: W. Jay 1, G. Frost 2, A. Cardy 3, R. Whoston 4, W. May 5, F. May (conductor) 6.

EIGHT BELL PEALS.

BRADFORD, YORKS.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, May 12, 1925, in Three Hours and Twenty-Two Minutes,
AT THE CATHEDRAL,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

BROOKS' VARIATION OF THURSTANS'. Tenor 25½ cwt.	
*HERBERT C. BUCKLEY ... Treble	JOHN WM. CUNDALL ... 5
*GEORGE TITTERINGTON ... 2	JAMES COTTERELL ... 6
EDWIN WHEATER ... 3	FIRTH HOPWOOD ... 7
ARTHUR GILL ... 4	JOSEPH BROADLEY ... Tenor

Conducted by JAMES COTTERELL.

* First peal in the method; also first peal as conductor in the method. The average age of the ringers is 59½ years, and the peal was rung at a birthday compliment to Mr. Chas. Denton Smith, of Pudsey, an honorary member of the association, on the eve of his 79th birthday.

RICHMOND, YORKSHIRE.

CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 16, 1925, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 13 cwt.

*THOMAS WALTON ... Treble	GEORGE HOLMES ... 5
ROBERT H. JOHNSON ... 2	JOHN G. KINCHIN ... 6
*JOHN TODD ... 3	ALBERT HUNTER ... 7
FREDERICK W. JOHNSON ... 4	THOMAS METCALFE ... Tenor

Composed by J. PLATTS. Conducted by T. METCALFE.

* First peal. First peal on the bells, after rehangings by Messrs. Taylor and Co.

RANMORE COMMON, SURREY.

THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 16, 1925, in Three Hours and Twenty-Four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BARNABAS,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 6162 CHANGES;

Tenor 20 cwt. 70 lb. in E.

ALFRED J. TRAPPIST ... Treble	JAMES E. COOPER ... 5
FREDERICK G. WOODISS ... 2	FRANK E. DARBY ... 6
*MISS FRED A. ORR ... 3	JOHN H. WHITE ... 7
GEORGE F. HOAD ... 4	CHARLES H. KIPPIN ... Tenor

Composed and Conducted by CHARLES H. KIPPIN.

* First peal in the method.

BRIDGNORTH, SHROPSHIRE.

THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sunday, May 17, 1925, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LEONARD,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

SIR A. P. HEYWOOD'S TRANSPOSITION. Tenor 20 cwt.

JOHN OVERTON ... Treble	BERTRAM HEAD ... 5
HARRY OVERTON ... 2	WILFRED OVERTON ... 6
WILLIAM SAUNDERS ... 3	HORACE W. OVERTON ... 7
G. LEONARD HEWITT ... 4	ERNEST FOXALL ... Tenor

Conducted by WILFRED OVERTON.

Rung as a complimentary peal to Mr. John Overton, ringer of the treble, on the completion of 50 years' service as foreman ringer at St. Leonard's Church. Although the condition of the tower is considered unsafe, special permission was very kindly given by the Rector for this occasion.

LECKHAMPTON.

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

On Monday, May 18, 1925, in Two Hours and Forty-Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES.

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 9 cwt. in A.

CHARLES W. MARTIN ... Treble	ARTHUR C. CANDLE ... 5
*FREDERICK NURDEN ... 2	WILLIAM TOWNSEND ... 6
JOHN F. BALLINGER ... 3	†WILLIAM HUNT ... 7
GEORGE WALTERS ... 4	WILLIAM HARRISON ... Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM TOWNSEND.

* First peal of Triples. † First peal away from tenor.

MEASHAM, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, May 20, 1925, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 10 cwt.

JOHN CURTIS ... Treble	MAURICE SWINFIELD ... 5
THOMAS MEREDITH ... 2	JAMES GEORGE ... 6
JOHN H. SWINFIELD ... 3	JAMES PAGET ... 7
CHARLES DRAPER ... 4	E. HARRY STONELEY ... Tenor

Composed by ERNEST MORRIS. Conducted by E. HARRY STONELEY

Rung on the eve of the Festival of the Ascension. The band wish to thank the Vicar for permission to ring.

ALDERSHOT, HAMPSHIRE.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Friday, May 22, 1925, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL-THE-ARCHANGEL,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 8½ cwt. in A.

MISS BERTHA M. MILLS ... Treble	GEORGE W. STEERE ... 5
*JOHN A. COLE ... 2	GEORGE UPSHALL ... 6
MISS HILDA F. MILLS ... 3	THOMAS UPSHALL ... 7
Mrs. V. A. JARRETT, R.E. 4	C.Q.M.S. G. GILBERT, R.E. Tenor

Composed by J. THORP. Conducted by GEORGE GILBERT, R.E.

First peal in the method on the bells. * First peal in the method. Musician Jarrett was proposed a member of the Guild prior to attempting the peal.

SOUTHAMPTON, HANTS.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Friday, May 22, 1925, in Three Hours and Thirty-Two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 6040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S ORIGINAL. Tenor 22 cwt. 1 qr. 7 lb. in E flat.

*E. ALEXR. YOUNG ... Treble	FRANCIS E. DAWE ... 5
GEORGE WILLIAMS ... 2	WILLIAM UPTON ... 6
CHALLIS F. WINNEY ... 3	THOMAS H. TAFFENDER ... 7
WILLIAM J. JOHNSON ... 4	†FRANCIS W. H. SERGISON Tenor

Conducted by CHALLIS F. WINNEY.

Specially arranged as a birthday compliment to Mr. E. Alex. Young, the esteemed and much respected hon. secretary of the Central Council, who completed his 60th year on the above day. * First peal on tower bells away from tenor. † First peal.

CHISWICK.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, May 23, 1925, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

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

Tenor 14 cwt. 1 qr. 21 lb.

JAMES E. DAVIS ... Treble	HARRY KILBY ... 5
J. ARMIGER TROLLOPE ... 2	WILLIAM E. JODD ... 6
WILLIAM H. WORSLEY ... 3	ALFRED G. RIVERS ... 7
WILLIAM H. HOLLIER ... 4	ARTHUR HARDING ... Tenor

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD. Conducted by J. ARMIGER TROLLOPE

Rung on the eve of Empire Day, and arranged for Mr. A. G. Rivers, of Cambridge, who was elected a member previous to starting.

GILMORTON, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD AND THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 23, 1925, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six and a half Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

F. H. DEXTER'S VARIATION OF THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 12 cwt.

WALTER P. WHITEHEAD ... Treble	WALTER MALINS ... 5
JOSEPH A. FENTON ... 2	ALFRED G. GRANT ... 6
*ALBAN DISNEY ... 3	EDWARD R. WHITEHEAD ... 7
JOSEPH B. FENTON ... 4	GEORGE BROUGHTON ... Tenor

Conducted by WALTER P. WHITEHEAD.

* First peal of Stedman. First peal in the method as conductor on tower bells. Rung in honour of Empire Day, after meeting short for Superlative.

RUSPER, SUSSEX.
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 23, 1925, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 6040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

WILLIAM CORKE Treble	SIDNEY PAICE 5
FRANK CORKE 2	JAMES BORDFIELD 6
ALFRED BULL 3	FRANCIS T. HOAD 7
GEORGE F. HOAD 4	HENRY A. HOAD Tenor

Conducted by G. F. HOAD.

HYDE, CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, May 23, 1925, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GEORGE.

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 18 cwt. 11 lb.

WILLIAM SHAW Treble	ALBERT HOUGH 5
WILLIAM BRAMMER 2	GEORGE HILL 6
JOHN BRIERLEY 3	BENJAMIN THORP 7
JOHN P. FIDLER 4	SAMUEL BOOTH Tenor

Composed and Conducted by B. THORP.

Rung on the eve and in honour of Empire Day.

EWELL, SURREY.
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 23, 1925, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 6024 CHANGES;

CHARLES E. READ Treble	ERNEST A. REEVE 5
SEPTIMUS RADFORD 2	*WILLIAM ESSERY 6
JOHN BEAMS 3	ALBERT HARMAN 7
AMOS CLARK 4	CHARLES HAZELDEN Tenor

Composed by FRANK BENNETT. Conducted by ALBERT HARMAN.

* First peal in the method with bob ball.

BRENCHLEY, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 23, 1925, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

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

Tenor 19 cwt.

BERNARD V. COLLISON ... Treble	WILLIAM COLLISON 5
REGINALD E. LAMBERT ... 2	FREDERICK WHITE 6
WILLIAM LATTER 3	TOM E. STONE 7
ROBERT T. LAMBERT 4	STAFFORD H. GREEN Tenor

Composed by C. H. HATTERSLEY. Conducted by S. H. GREEN.

An Empire Day peal.

REDENHALL, NORFOLK.

THE NORFOLK GUILD.

On Saturday, May 23, 1925, in Three Hours and Twenty-Five Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

MIDDLETON'S.

Tenor 24 cwt. in D.

WILLIAM SIEGGALL Treble	ERNEST WHITING 5
CHARLES BAKER 2	CHARLES CUTTING 6
WILLIAM B. DUNCAN 3	ERNEST F. POPPY 7
FREDK. R. BORRETT 4	GEORGE H. CROSS Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE H. CROSS.

First peal in the method on the bells. 200th peal as conductor.

DENHOLME, YORKSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 23, 1925, in Three Hours.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;

Tenor 14½ cwt.

CECIL DRAKE Treble	ALBERT PICKLES 5
ARTHUR BAIRSTOW 2	EDGAR WHITELEY 6
HAROLD PEARCE 3	JOE GREENWOOD 7
VERNEY BAIRSTOW 4	WILLIAM AMBLER Tenor

Composed by C. H. HATTERSLEY. Conducted by WILLIAM AMBLER.

TITCHMARSH, NORTHANTS.
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD

On Saturday, May 23, 1925, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;

Tenor 17 cwt. 3 qr. 22 lb.

*GEORGE JEFFS, SEN ... Treble	*GEORGE JEFFS, JUN ... 5
*MISS KITTY MOORE ... 2	FRANK KIRK 6
MISS PHYLLIS HARE ... 3	JOHN R. MAIN 7
DANIEL REDHEAD 4	GEORGE BASFORD Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by GEORGE BASFORD.

* First peal in the method. Rung in honour of Empire Day.

BOURNEMOUTH, HANTS.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, May 23, 1925, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 6040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S TEN-PART.

Tenor 20 cwt.

CHARLES LOVELL Treble	PERCY W. WIGHAM 5
WILLIAM J. ROBINSON ... 2	†WILLIAM SIMMONDS ... 6
*ARTHUR R. MEDD 3	GEORGE PRESTON 7
CHARLES FORFITT 4	EDWARD GARRETT Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE PRESTON.

* First peal. † First peal of Triples away from tenor. First peal on these bells for five years, and rung to celebrate Empire Day.

CHESTER.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, May 23, 1925, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-WITHIN-THE-WALLS,

A PEAL OF NEW CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5216 CHANGES;

Tenor 14 cwt.

*JAMES SWINDLEY Treble	GEORGE R. JONES 5
ROBERT SPERRING 2	JOHN E. BIBBY 6
EDWARD JENKINS 3	JAMES H. RIDING 7
ALBERT J. HUGHES 4	CECIL RADDON Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHTS (94).

Conducted by E. JENKINS.

* First Surprise peal. First peal in the method on the bells, and by all the band except ringers of 3rd and 6th.

NORTH STONEHAM, HAMPSHIRE.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, May 23, 1925, in Two Hours and Fifty-Four Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICOLAS,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 9 cwt. 26 lb. in G.

GEORGE WILLIAMS Treble	WILLIAM E. CHEATER ... 5
GEORGE PULLINGER 2	*FREDERICK E. COLLINS ... 6
FREDERICK W. ROGERS ... 3	WILLIAM T. TUCKER 7
WALTER G. ROWE 4	*ERNEST J. WHITFIELD ... Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS.

* First peal of Stedman.

AMBLESIDE, WESTMORLAND

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(FURNESS & LAKE DISTRICT BRANCH.)

On Saturday, May 23, 1925, in Three Hours and Twenty-Five Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 6060 CHANGES;

HOLT'S TEN-PART.

Tenor 32 cwt. 2 qr. 2 lb.

*WILLIAM ROBINSON, JUN ... Treble	*WILLIAM MIDDLETON ... 5
*THOMAS B. NEWTON 2	THOMAS F. HEWERTSON ... 6
HENRY HODGETTS 3	WILLIAM ROBINSON 7
*HAROLD HARDY 4	*WILLIAM FISHER Tenor

Conducted by THOMAS B. NEWTON.

This peal was specially arranged for Mr. Henry Hodgetts, of Oshey, Herts, who was on a visit to the Lake district. First peal of Grand-sire Triples on the bells. * First peal of Triples.

THE LATE LORD LEVERHULME.

On Monday, May 11th, at Christ Church, Port Sunlight, in 59 minutes, a quarter-peal of Bob Major (1,378 changes) was rung with the bells half-muffled as a token of respect to the late Viscount Leverhulme, who was interred at Christ Church the same afternoon: F. Bimpson 1, G. Lawrence 2, W. J. Battle 3, G. Burghall 4, W. Dean 5, J. Cooke 6, H. Ludkin (conductor) 7, F. S. Barnes 8. First quarter-peal for ringers of treble and 4th, and first quarter in the method by ringers of 2nd and 5th.

MITCHELDEAN, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sunday, May 24, 1925, in Two Hours and Forty-Nine Minutes,
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

GROVES' VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART Tenor 14½ cwt.	
ALFRED T. POULTON Treble	WALTER T. BENNETT... .. 5
EX-SGT. J. WILLIAMS... .. 2	ROBERT E. SUMMERS... .. 6
FRANK VOYCE 3	WILLIAM POSTON 7
WILLIAM BISHOP... .. 4	GEORGE WILKS Tenor

Conducted by W. POSTON.

SIX BELL PEALS.

MATHON, HEREFORDSHIRE.

THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD

On Sunday, May 10, 1925, in Two Hours and Forty-Three Minutes.

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Violet, Duke of York, Cambridge Surprise, Merchant's Return, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent.

CHARLES LAYTON... .. Treble	CHRIS. BOWERS 4
WILLIAM RANFORD 2	DAVID HORNE 5
WILLIAM TURNER 3	GEORGE GORDON... .. Tenor

Conducted by DAVID HORNE.

First peal of Treble Bob Minor by all the ringers except the second and fifth. First peal of Treble Bob Minor on the bells.

WONERSH, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wednesday, May 13, 1925, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-BAPTIST.

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 of Cambridge, two 720's each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, and Plain Bob, Tenor 16 cwt. in F sharp (approx.).

MISS BERTHA M. MILLS ... Treble	C.Q.M.S.G. GILBERT, R.E. 4
GEORGE W. STERRE 2	WILLIAM R. MELVILLE ... 5
WILLIAM T. BEESON, JUN... 3	ALFRED H. PULLING... .. Tenor

Conducted by A. H. PULLING.

* First peal of Minor.

STRETTON, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, May 14, 1925, in Two Hours and Twenty Minutes

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MATTHEW.

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Double Bob, Double Court, Double Oxford, St. Clement's, College Single Reverse, Oxford Single and Plain Bob. Tenor 9½ cwt. in A.

*ALLAN DONE Treble	EDWARD JENKINS... .. 4
GEORGE VERNON 2	JOHN H. DAVENPORT 5
†FREDERICK HINDES 3	ERNEST H. BOSTOCK Tenor

Conducted by E. JENKINS.

* First peal of Minor. † First peal in seven methods 'inside.'

BARTON-IN-FABIS, NOTTS.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 16, 1925, in Two Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GEORGE.

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being two 720's of Oxford Treble Bob, three 720's Plain Bob, two 720's Kent Treble Bob. Tenor 11½ cwt.

*ARTHUR CHAMBERLAIN ... Treble	JOHN W. BOOTH 4
R. ALLEN HICKTON 2	ALBERT JOYCE 5
EDWARD JOYCE 3	FREDERICK J. TITE Tenor

Conducted by FREDERICK J. TITE.

* First peal.

CHIPPENHAM.—On Sunday, May 24th, at the Parish Church, after the public institution of the Rev. W. F. Wood, M.A., to the cure of souls of the parish, a quarter-peal of Double Norwich Court Bob Major (1,280 changes) was rung in 48 mins.: A. Dale 1, E. Trueman 2, S. Wiltshire 3, E. Perry 4, W. Hulbert 5, R. Pearce 6, J. Ambrose 7, F. Lambeth (conductor) 8. Longest length in the method by all except the conductor.

TEYNHAM, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 16, 1925, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Double Oxford, College Single, Canterbury Pleasure, Oxford Single Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 11 cwt.

*LAWRENCE HALES Treble	WILLIAM J. WALKER 4
SAMUEL E. TAYLOR 2	THOMAS JULL 5
CHARLES TUMBER 3	WILLIAM NYE Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM NYE.

* First peal in seven methods.

RINGSTEAD, NORTHANTS.

THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, May 16, 1925, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Double Court, Double Oxford, Woodbine, Oxford, and Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Single Bob and Bob Minor. Tenor 12½ cwt.

ARTHUR BAXTER Treble	GEORGE BLANLEY 4
ARTHUR BELLAMY 2	JAMES HUDSON 5
LEONARD J. WYMAN 3	REGINALD C. LOVEDAY ... Tenor

Conducted by REGINALD C. LOVEDAY.

STANFORD-LE-HOPE, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 16, 1925, in Two Hours and Thirty-One Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET.

A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Ipswich, Surfleet, Beverley, London, Wells, Durham and York. Tenor 8½ cwt.

ERNEST F. BUTLER Treble	ALFRED PRIOR 4
WILLIAM H. THEOBALD 2	WILLIAM MILLER 5
EDWARD D. SMITH 3	GEORGE DAWSON... .. Tenor

Conducted by W. MILLER.

This was the first peal on the bells, and was rung as a birthday compliment to Alfred Prior.

DILWYN, HEREFORDSHIRE.

THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, May 16, 1925, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 42 six-scores ten different callings. Tenor 12 cwt.

GEORGE E. HUMPHRIES ... Treble	WILLIAM EVANS 4
*HARRY CHANDLER 2	JAMES P. HYETT 5
*ALBERT H. DAVIES 3	*THOMAS R. ECKLEY Tenor

Conducted by J. P. HYETT.

* First peal. Believed to be the first peal on the bells.

SHARNFORD, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

(HINCKLEY DISTRICT.)

On Saturday, May 16, 1925, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. HELEN.

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720's each called differently. Tenor 12 cwt.

HARRY WOOD Treble	*CYRIL ISON... .. 4
THOMAS K. DEACON 2	WILLIAM COPE 5
*GEORGE R. NEWTON... .. 3	FRED COTTON Tenor

Conducted by F. COTTON.

* First peal of Minor, and first attempt.

PETERCHURCH, HEREFORDSHIRE.

THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sunday, May 17, 1925, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 42 six-scores 22 different callings. Tenor 10 cwt.

*KENNETH SOUTHALL... .. Treble	ALBERT E. JONES 4
WILFRED R. HARRIS 2	JAMES P. HYETT 5
PERCY H. YOUNG 3	*SIDNEY J. BOYER Tenor

Conducted by J. P. HYETT.

* First peal.

STRETTON, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wednesday, May 20, 1925, in Two Hours and Twenty-One Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MATTHEW,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE COURT BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 9½ cwt.

ALLAN DONE Treble	JOHN H. DAVENPORT 4
FREDERICK HINES 2	ERNEST H. BOSTOCK 5
GEORGE VERNON... .. 3	EDWARD JENKINS... .. Tenor

Conducted by E. JENKINS.

First peal in the method on the bells, and by all the band.

MADRESFIELD, WORCESTERSHIRE.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

(WESTERN BRANCH.)

On Thursday, May 21, 1925, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, College Single, Oxford Bob, Canterbury Pleasure and Plain Bob.
Tenor 14 cwt.

ERNEST E. BARBER Treble	ROBERT G. KNOWLES... .. 4
WILLIAM NIBLETT 2	WILLIAM C. DOWDING 5
FREDERICK STANTON 3	CHARLES CAMM Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES CAMM.

Rung especially in honour of Ascension Day.

HANDBELL PEALS.

BRAINTREE, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, May 17, 1925, in Two Hours and Thirty-Three Minutes.

AT 3, CRESSING WAY.

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;

FRANK CLAYDON 1-2	WILLIAM KEEBLE 5-6
LEWIS W. WIFFEN 3-4	GEORGE WIFFEN... .. 7-8

Composed by ARTHUR T. KING. Conducted by WILLIAM KEEBLE

Rung as a birthday compliment to G. Wiffen. First handbell peal rung in Braintree.

CHISLEHURST, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, May 17, 1925, in Two Hours and Twenty-Seven Minutes.

AT 35, ALBANY ROAD,

A PEAL OF GRANTA TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;

Tenor, size 15 in C.

CYRIL BRETT SMITH 1-2	ROBERT BRETT SMITH 5-6
THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE, JUN. 3-4	THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE, SEN. 7-8

Composed by H. HUBBARD. Conducted by T. GROOMBRIDGE, SEN.

Umpire: FREDERICK GROOMBRIDGE.

First peal of Treble Bob on handbells by all. Also first of 'Granta' Treble Bob on handbells by the association. Rung on the birthday of Mrs. T. Groombridge, junr., and Mr. H. D. Brett-Smith.

ENFIELD.

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, May 22, 1925, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes.

AT 'ADVERSANE,' WELLINGTON ROAD,

A PEAL OF BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;

GEORGE W. FLETCHER 1-2	JOHN THOMAS 5-6
MISS EDITH K. PARKER 3-4	WILBY J. HAZELL 7-8
WALTER J. BOWDEN... .. 9-10	

Composed by W. H. BARBER. Conducted by JOHN THOMAS.

WASHBROOK MEMORIAL FUND.

ADDITIONAL SUBSCRIPTIONS.

Oxford Diocesan Guild: Chipping Norton Branch, £5 5s.; East Berks and South Branch, £2 2s.; Witney and Woodstock Branch, £5 5s.; Oxford and City District, £3 3s.; Englefield Tower, 10s. 6d.; Harwill Tower, 5s.; H. G. S. Cowley, St. John, 2s.; Twyford Tower, 8s.; Waltham St. Lawrence, 10s.

Rev. R. Copeman, 10s.; F. Wardman Is. 9d.; R. T. Hibbert, £1; W. H. Fussell, 5s.

Meeting at Todmorden, 11s. 9d. This brings the total amount received to £104 4s.

In the previous list the subscription put down to the Middlesex Guild should be: E. A. Barnett, 2s. 6d.; W. J. King, 2s. 6d., two members of that Guild.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

ANNUAL FESTIVAL: TESTIMONIAL TO LATE MASTER.

The ancient town of Dorchester, in the heart of Wessex, was the venue of the Salisbury Diocesan Guild's annual meeting on Tuesday May 12th. There was a large attendance of members, who enjoyed ringing at the Parish Church of St. Peter, and on the peals in the neighbouring villages. A special service was held at St. Peter's at noon, conducted by the Rev. R. H. Gundry. The lesson was read by the Rev. G. C. Niven (Rector), and the sermon preached by the Rev. H. Pentin.

Luncheon was served at the Corn Exchange, and at the business meeting which followed, the chair was taken by the Rev. R. Hugh Gundry (Shroton, Ringing Master), who was supported by the Rev. F. Ll. Edwards, Kington Magna, general secretary and treasurer; Major Hughes D'Aeth, late Ringing Master, Worthing; the Rev. H. Pentin, Portland; the Rev. G. C. Niven, Dorchester; Captain J. E. Acland, Dorchester, a former Ringing Master; Mr. G. Williams (Master, Winchester Diocesan Guild) and Mrs. Williams; Mr. A. F. Martin Stewart, past Ringing Master, Ferndown; Mr. R. N. Dawes, chairman, Dorchester district; Mr. J. T. Godwin, Dorchester; Mr. T. Hervey Beams, assistant secretary, Bradpole; Mr. J. Bengier, secretary, Dorchester district; the Rev. C. C. Cox, West Moors; and the Rev. C. A. Phillips, Bournemouth.

The Secretary presented the annual report, details of which have already been printed in our columns.

A balance sheet was also presented, which showed that, with a sum of £55 in hand, the receipts for the year had amounted to £117 4s. 6d.; and the disbursements had left £66 17s. 8d. to the credit of the Guild.

MASTER'S REVIEW.

The Chairman observed that, taking the branch reports all round, and the general report as well, they might look upon the condition of the Guild as being very satisfactory. The money was on the right side, and in the advance of membership it was particularly pleasing to note that this was caused principally by younger members joining up (hear, hear). That was what they wanted to see, for that would place the Guild upon a sound footing for the future. He was more than pleased to know that the Guild was doing its work grandly, was growing though slowly, and was going on as well as they could hope for, though perhaps not so well as they might wish. It seemed to him that there was no reason why every parish which had a peal of bells should not be represented on the Guild. Since he had been Master he had tried to influence every parish which had a peal of bells to join, and he was glad to say that there had been a small advance in the number of towers that had joined the Guild. But he still wanted to see more in the Guild, because it was one of the greatest of works for beneficial influence that could be brought about in parishes. A ringers' branch was helpful all round; it kept men together on winter nights, it drew out their interests, kept them earnestly together in the great work of the Church, and in time the belfry became an object of real affection (hear, hear). Looking back on the events of the past year, the Master Ringer said it was with regret that they heard of the decision of Major D'Aeth to retire from the Mastership. Amongst the prominent subjects was the starting of the branch in North Dorset (applause). Although it was the youngest branch in the Guild, he might perhaps be permitted to say, as chairman of it, that it had inherited the proper spirit, and that it was prepared to follow the excellent example set before it. And there was another thing that he was glad to refer to, and that was that, although it was a new branch which at one time they thought would hardly be able to toddle alone, it was now the second strongest member of the family (applause). Proceeding, the Chairman said he was sorry to say they had lost two vice-presidents during the year, Lord Long, of Wraxall, and Sir Everard Hambro, of Milton Abbas. He asked the members to show their respect for the memory of the departed ones by standing in silence, which request was duly complied with.

When he became Master, the Chairman continued, he found that Major D'Aeth had left three legacies. The first was organisation for the establishment of the Peace Bell, the ringing of which he was to restore on Fridays in each week in memory of those who had passed away. He knew there were difficulties to be encountered in the ringing of the Peace Bell every Friday at the noonday hour, but he thought they should be overcome in order that they might continue the lesson of remembrance of those who gave their lives in the war that others might live. The second legacy was the War Memorial that had been erected in the form of a screen in Salisbury Cathedral. He thought it was one of the best memorials of ringers in the country. It had not been taken up in the way one might have wished, and there was still a considerable portion of the £200 that the memorial cost to be made up. He asked all those parishes who had not yet considered the scheme to do so, and do what they could to help the fund. The third legacy left him was the reformation of the clergy (laughter). He had come to the conclusion that they were not past reformation, but at the same time he thought their reformation did

not rest entirely with the Master, but with every single individual member of the Guild. If their parson did not support them as ringers they should boldly approach him. They should ask their parsons, particularly those who were just appointed to parishes, what they were going to do in the way of ringers, and that might wake them up to a full sense of what they ought to do for them as ringers (applause).

The Master, the hon. secretary and treasurer, and hon. assistant secretary, were re-elected as well as the auditors, the Rev. A. D. H. Allan, Wimborne, and Mr. H. R. Hopkins, Kington Magna.

The Rev. R. H. Gundry, in thanking the meeting for his re-election, asked that all secretaries of branches would send him notices of their meetings in order that if possible, he might attend them.

The Earl of Shaftesbury was re-elected president, and vice-presidents were also re-appointed, with the addition of the name of Sir Robert Williams, Bart., who had been an honorary member.

The Rev. C. Wood and Mr. J. R. Jerram were re-appointed on the committee, and the name of the Rev. C. C. Cox was added.

PRESENTATION TO MAJOR D'AETH.

The next business was the presentation of a testimonial to Major D'Aeth in recognition of the services he had rendered to the Guild during the past five years as Master.—The Secretary stated that when Major D'Aeth was approached on the subject he stated that he did not wish for any gift, but that he would be very much gratified with the signatures of individual members of the Guild, or as many as could be collected. Well, they had taken Major D'Aeth at his word, and there had been got together between 700 and 800 signatures (hear, hear). He had also received an autograph letter from Lord Shaftesbury, the president of the Guild, regretting his resignation, and expressing appreciation of his services.

No doubt Major D'Aeth would like to have the letter suitably framed, and he (the secretary) hoped he would have it done and have the bill sent in to him (hear, hear).

The Chairman then handed over to Major D'Aeth a small volume containing the signatures of members of the Guild, which was accompanied by the president's letter.

Major D'Aeth expressed his thanks for all the most acceptable kindnesses that had, during the five years of his Mastership, been shown him. He thought it was no secret that his Mastership had been a disappointment. The Ringing Master had given them a hint of that. In the first place he had an idea to stop all the bickerings that occasionally occurred between bellfries and the clergy. He had endeavoured to impress the idea from a layman's point of view, of the importance of the duties devolving upon the clergy and ringers, for when ringers called parishioners to church by the sound of church bells it

should be inspired by the prayers of some ordained minister. Although the ideal had not been attained he was glad to say that to a degree it had been realised, as there was now in bellfries an office which could be read before any practice or service, and he was glad that even this much had been brought about during his Mastership. His other ideal was the revival of the Peace Bell. This was not his suggestion, because it was started before he came back from the war, though it was during his Mastership that it was sanctioned by the Bishop. The idea, however, had not come to maturity, though he hoped sincerely that it might be developed. Every parish had a bell, and this ought to be sounded once a week in order that everyone within hearing of it might be reminded of those men who laid down their lives for others (hear, hear). He looked upon the gift that the members had just presented to him not in the light of a consolation prize, but as the finest indication of esteem that they could possibly give him. He thanked them all very sincerely indeed for the kind co-operation he had received on all occasions, and for the splendid way in which they had consistently backed him up.

THE WAR MEMORIAL.

In making a statement as to the War Memorial screen in Salisbury Cathedral to ringers, Mr. Beams said that of the 107 towers affiliated with the Guild 40 had contributed. There was £59 7s. 1d. in the bank, £1 5s. had since been received, and that day's collection in St. Peter's Church had amounted to £2 5s. So that of the £200 required they had only in hand £62 17s. 1d. Further contributions would be thankfully received.

The Secretary stated that during the past year death had removed from their list of life members the honoured name of James W. Washbrook, a veritable prince of ringers, whose fame would endure for ever in the annals of the Exercise.—It was resolved to contribute £2 2s. towards a memorial to be erected to the deceased at Oxford.

The Secretary announced that he had received a communication from Whitechurch Canonorum stating that it was proposed to restore the bells there, for which it was desired that a sum of £250 might be raised.—Mr. Beams observed that the frame wanted renewing, and the bells wanted retuning, the object being to provide an admirable peal of eight bells.—On the motion of Mr. Beams, seconded by Mr. Northover, it was resolved to contribute £2 2s. towards the restoration fund.

After a short discussion it was resolved that the rules be so amended as to provide that in future, when difficulties arose between ringers and incumbents, the ringers should not withhold their services, but that appeal should be made to the Guild.

Notes of thanks were passed to those who had assisted in the arrangements for the day.

JOHN TAYLOR & Co.,

LOUGHBOROUGH.

THE

LEADING BELL FOUNDERS

MEARS & STAINBANK,

**Foundry
Established
A.D. 1570**
(19th year
of reign of
Elizabeth).

**Bellfounders and
Bellhangers,**

**32 & 34, WHITECHAPEL ROAD
LONDON, E.1.**



ESTIMATES SUBMITTED

for

Recasting, Retuning and Rehanging.

HANDBELLS
In Sets of any number.

BELL ROPES, MUFFLES, &c

BELFRY GOSSIP.

The dedication of the memorial bell at Hoole, Cheshire, on Sunday, will take place at 5.15 p.m.

It is proposed to erect a carillon, at a cost of about £15,000, at the University of Sydney, New South Wales, as a war memorial. The whole of the money was raised in little more than six months.

Members of the Norfolk Guild will be asked on Monday to discuss the question of changing the date of the annual meeting from the Autumn to Easter Monday.

It is not uninteresting to note that the Norfolk Guild, since its formation in 1877, has rung no fewer than 4,038 peals.

The Guild membership now comprises: Life members, 6; non-resident life members, 238; Suffolk non-resident life members, 192; Norfolk members, honorary, 38; performing, 339; probationers, 3; a total of 816.

Congratulations will be extended to Mr. E. Alex. Young, the hon. secretary of the Central Council, not only upon reaching his 60th birthday on Friday last, but upon celebrating it with a peal of Grandsire Triples in which he rang the treble—his first peal away from the tenor.

The peal was rung by intimate friends at St. Mary's Church, Southampton, where Mr. Young was baptized, Southampton being his birthplace. It was a matter of gratification that Mr. Young has made a complete recovery from his recent accident, and was able to stand the strain of three and a half hours' ringing. The band desire to thank Mr. Young for his generosity, both before and after the peal.

Thirty years ago to-day the record of Grandsire Cinques, at that date, viz., 10,075, was rung at Ashton-under-Lyne. This record has since been exceeded by the 13,001 at Painswick.

Two interesting first performances took place on May 29th, 1901, when a peal of Stedman Caters was rung on handbells on the Irish Sea, and in the evening the first Surprise peal in Wales (New Cambridge at Bangor) was rung.

The first peal of New Cumberland Surprise Major was rung exactly 40 years ago on May 31st, at Burlon-on-Trent, where at that date was one of the foremost bands in the country.

On May 31st, 1909, a peal of 11,040 Double Norwich Major was rung at Leiston, Suffolk, conducted by C. F. Bailey.

A handbell peal of 14,031 Stedman Caters was rung at Guildford on June 1st, 1912, in 7 hours 3 minutes.

The first twelve-bell peal in Birmingham was rung on June 3rd, 1775. This was a 5,324 Grandsire Cinques.

The anniversary of two interesting bell openings occur on June 4th. On this date in 1762 the new peal of ten at Bow, Cheapside, was rung for the first time, and in 1814 the bells at St. Nicholas', Liverpool, were opened.

The popular steeplekeeper at St. Leonard's, Bridgnorth, Mr. John Overton, has just completed a half century of service, and a peal in celebration of the event was rung on Sunday week.

The correspondent who informed us of the College Youths' attempt for Dulfield Maximus at Southwark in honour of the opening of the Wembley Exhibition, was mistaken in the purpose of the peal. The attempt for the peal was made in an endeavour, in a small way, to popularise this musical but much neglected method, whose author was one of the greatest benefactors to the Exercise.

On Saturday week a new treble bell will be dedicated at Brightwalton, near Wantage, Berks.

THE RAILWAY CENTENARY.

SUGGESTED RAILWAYMEN'S PEAL.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—It has been suggested to me that a railwaymen's peal might be rung in connection with the railway centenary celebrations, which take place at Stockton on July 2nd. To carry out the idea properly, the peal should be rung at Stockton, or in that district, on the above date, and I would like to suggest that some of our Northern friends should consider whether or not this is practicable.

It so happens that I shall be away on holiday at that time, and so shall be unable to do anything, but if a peal in London later on, to celebrate the centenary year, could be rung by railwaymen, I shall be glad to help.

What do ringers who are workers on the railway think of the idea of a Railwaymen's Guild?—Yours faithfully,
49, Wood Street, Walthamstow, E.17.

C. T. COLES.

RECORD PEAL COMMEMORATION.

The Ashton-under-Lyne Society, on Sunday, May 17th, rang a quarter-peal of Kent Treble Bob Major at Ashton Parish Church, to celebrate the anniversary of that famous record peal of Kent Treble Bob Major (16,608 changes), which was rung at the Church of St. Michael's, Mottram, Cheshire, on Whitsun Friday, May 18th, 1835, in 9 hours and 48 minutes.

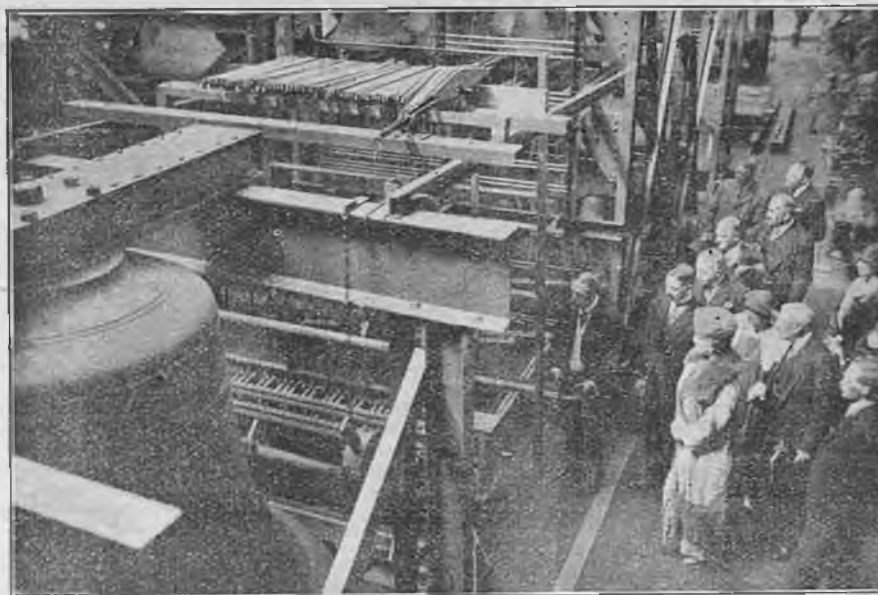
THE KING AND QUEEN AT CROYDON BELL FOUNDRY.

THE GREAT CARILLON SHIPPED TO NEW YORK.

The accompanying photograph shows their Majesties the King and Queen inspecting the New York Carillon at Croydon Bell Foundry, accompanied by Mr. Cyril Johnston, Miss Nora Johnston, and a number of distinguished guests, including Sir William Mitchell Thomson

completion of the great carillon, the employes of the firm had a most enjoyable social evening, which began with a concert and concluded with a dance.

The carillon which Messrs. Gillett and Johnston have cast for New York has now been dismantled at the Croydon Bell Foundry, and conveyed to the Docks for shipment to America. The bass bell (9½



(Postmaster-General, and M.P. for South Croydon) and Mrs. Mitchell Thomson, the Mayor of Croydon (Alderman Southwell), and the Vicar of Croydon (the Rev. Canon Pat McCormick, D.S.O.).

To the left of the picture is the great 9½ ton bell.

Members of the staff, including the foremen, were presented to their Majesties, who witnessed the casting of one large and two small bells, as well as a miniature souvenir bell, which will be presented to the King and Queen.

On Friday last, to celebrate the firm's 81st birthday, and the

(tons) left Croydon on Thursday evening, and had something of a triumphal progress through London on Friday, proceeding from Aberfeldy Street, Poplar, on one of the giant lorries of Messrs. E. W. Rudd, viz.: Commercial Road, Bishopsgate Street, Cheapside, Holborn, New Oxford Street, Hyde Park Corner, Park Lane, Knightsbridge, Brompton Road and Fulham Road, to Blake's Wharf, Fulham, where the bells were placed on lighters for transport down the Thames. The bells are being conveyed to New York by the Cunard Steamship Company.

DURHAM & NEWCASTLE ASSOCIATION.

NORTHERN DISTRICT'S ENJOYABLE MEETING.

An enjoyable meeting of the Northern District was held at Cramlington on May 16th, and was fairly well attended, some eighteen members and visitors being present from Newcastle, Gosforth and Cramlington. The five-toned peal of six were set going soon after three o'clock, and as the meeting was primarily for the encouragement and education of the less advanced members of the association, only the simpler methods were attempted.

An excellent tea was very kindly served, under the presidency of Mrs. Simm, in the Church Hall, at which were present the Vicar of Cramlington, and Mr. Davison, one of the churchwardens.—The Vicar, in an address of welcome to the visitors, expressed his extreme pleasure at meeting the association members from other districts, and stated that he would always be pleased to welcome them at any time. He took a great interest in the bells, and very much appreciated the services of his local ringers, under the able and painstaking charge of Mr. Oswald Simm, and he would always be pleased at any time to do what he could to further their important branch of church service.

A vote of thanks was proposed to the Vicar for the use of the bells, and to Mr. and Mrs. Oswald Simm for the preparations they made for the visitors, by Mr. William Story, the vice-president of the Northern District; and Mr. Oswald Simm responded.

The tea was preceded by a most interesting game of quoits, when several of the ringers showed that it is possible also for them to get 'ringers' on the quoit pitch as well as being ringers on the tower bells, whilst, after tea a Jazz band of the local ringers gave an enjoyable concert.

Later, the tower was again visited, and a 720 of Kent Treble Rob Minor, conducted by Mr. Oswald Simm, came round in good time, and concluded a most delightful day.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

The bi-monthly meeting of the Northern District was held at St. Matthew's, Bethnal Green, on Saturday, May 16th. This famous peal of bells, coupled with the beautiful weather, brought together a goodly company, bent on doing full justice to the excellent tone of the bells. Ringing commenced at 3.15 p.m., and some good touches in standard methods, in which several rang their first inside, were brought round. The company then adjourned to the hall, where an excellent tea was provided by the local band, and ladies of the entertainments committee (not forgetting the 'Flemish'), and was much appreciated. Afterwards were rung a few touches on handbells.

At the business meeting, one new member, Mr. L. G. Landymore, South Hackney, was elected.

It is proposed to hold the next meeting at Barret and Hadley on Saturday, July 18th.

The District Master referred to the annual summer outing of the association, to be held at Marlow on June 27th, and asked all members and friends to support it.

A hearty vote of thanks was accorded to the Rector, the Rev. S. L. Sarel, for the use of the bells; to Mr. Stevens, steeplekeeper; to the ladies who waited at table; and to the local company for the hearty manner in which they had welcomed us.

A move was again made to the tower, where a course of Cambridge Major and touches in standard methods, brought a most successful day's ringing to a close.

During the day about forty members and friends attended, all expressing appreciation of this fine old peal, and the excellent 'go'; many expressions of admiration were also made of the peal boards placed in the tower to record the recent peal of Grandshire Triples, rung by the local company, the board being the workmanship of one of their own members.

THE CENTRAL COUNCIL.

The Second Session of the Twelfth Council (33rd annual meeting) will be held in the Refectory, the Cathedral, Chester, on Whitsun Tuesday, June 2nd, 1925, at 11 a.m. precisely.

The morning sitting will be adjourned from 1 p.m. till 2.30, from which hour the Council will sit, if necessary, until 5.30 p.m.

The Standing Committee will meet previously at 9.45 a.m. in the same room.

AGENDA, 1925.

GENERAL.

1. Minutes of the last Meeting.
2. Apologies for Absence.
3. Statement of Accounts and Sale of Publications.
4. Election of Honorary Members.
5. Presentation of New Members to the President.
6. To receive and discuss the Reports of the following Committees, viz. :-
 - (a) Peal Collection.
 - (b) Literature and Press.
 - (c) Methods.
 - (d) Peals Analysis.
 - (e) Towers and Belfries.
 - (f) Records.
 - (g) Science Museum Exhibit.
 - (h) Nomenclature.

7. Honorary Secretary to present Card of Instructions, and ask for directions as to circulating same.

MOTIONS.

8. That considering the future possibilities of Radio, the attention of the Press and Literature Committee of the Central Council be drawn to the performances of 'Bell-chiming' occasionally broadcast, as such performances are liable to create a wrong impression of the true nature of Bell Ringing, and, further, to request the Committee to bring to the Notice of the British Broadcasting Company all unsuitable imitations of bell ringing which may be broadcast.
9. That this Council as a general rule disapproves of the augmentation of peals of eight into peals of ten.
10. Rules and Decisions, 1891-1903, page 13. In the paragraphs headed :-
 - (a) 'On nine and eleven bells.'
 - (b) 'On eight, ten or twelve bells.'
 Move to omit the words 'in any one method.'
11. Rules and Decisions 1909 (Rules 9 and 12). Move that it be an instruction to the Honorary Secretary that he adds the names of the Proposer and Seconder of a motion, when the same is printed in the Agenda.
12. To fix the place of next year's meeting.
13. Other business, if any.

E. ALEXANDER YOUNG,

Hon. Secretary.

155, Rushey Green, Catford, London, S.E.6.

The official headquarters will be Blossom's Hotel, where letters for the officers should be addressed.

The Roll of Honour will be brought from St. Paul's Cathedral Library, and will be available for inspection at the Council's meeting.

CHESTER'S GUILD'S ARRANGEMENTS.

Particulars of the arrangements made by the Chester Guild were given in full in our last issue. They include ringing at the Cathedral, and various churches on Sunday and Monday, a trip to Eaton Hall on Monday afternoon, Evensong in the Cathedral at 4.15 on Tuesday, followed by tea in the Refectory at 5.30, and a social evening at the Grosvenor Hotel at 8 p.m.

FOR INFORMATION, APPLY TO—

Members of the Sub-Committee appointed by the Chester Diocesan Guild to look after the entertainment of the Central Council during the visit to Chester, will wear the St. Werburgh's badge as a distinguishing sign. This badge is a bronze medal of St. Werburgh's geese in a basket. Members of the Council will by this means, be able to recognise to whom they should go for information.

ECCLESTON CHURCH.

Members of the Central Council and their friends who are visiting Chester, should make a point of seeing the church at Eccleston, which was built by the late Duke of Westminster regardless of cost, and was dedicated on Ascension Day, 1900.

This church is designed in the style of the 14th century, and is strictly English in its character. It is groined throughout with red sandstone vaulting, and the whole of the interior is of wrought-stone ashlar.

The bells are a peal of eight (tenor 26½ cwt.) by John Taylor and Co., and the tower will be open for ringing in the evening on Whit Monday.

INTERESTING FEATURES OF ANCIENT CITY.

When the Central Council meet at Chester at Whitsuntide they will visit one of the most interesting old cities in the country.

Chester, says a recent writer in a weekly periodical, is one of the strangest survivals of the Middle Ages to be found in Britain. Nowhere else are the walls so complete—red sandstone walls some six centuries old, partly following the line of the ancient Roman fortifications, and making a circuit of nearly two miles.

A narrow pavement along the top accords a delightful walk, and from time to time we come to sturdy towers, including the water tower, where ships used to be moored in the days when the tidal waters of the Dee came right up to the city. At one turning-point of the walls are the Wishing Steps, where, we are told, all our wishes are granted if we can rush up and down eighteen steps seven times without taking breath.

No stone wears so badly as Chester sandstone, and the Cathedral had become the most dilapidated in Europe when Sir Gilbert Scott set to work to restore it.

One of the unique features of Chester is known as the Rows, which enable shops to double their attractions and shoppers to multiply their joys. Along the first floor of the four principal streets, which meet at the Market Cross, are strange galleries or arcades, forming a second sidewalk with a second set of shop windows. They are approached by flights of nine steps and run along over the ceilings of the ground floors of the projecting houses.

Nothing really like them is to be seen anywhere else in the world, though one or two Swiss and Italian towns possess imitations. They were probably conceived in the times of marauders from Wales.

Chester is full of beautiful old houses, and houses so cleverly restored that they keep up the ancient atmosphere. Cheshire possessed abundant forests, and the timber was used lavishly for outer beams and balconies and groins and colonnades.

Chester is thought to be honeycombed with subterranean ways like Rome and Paris, a regular rabbit warren, which may some day be brought to light.

We enter a teashop and find ourselves in a vaulted crypt of the year 1230, which was discovered by accident in 1833, when the owner wanted more storage accommodation and set men to clear the ground, who soon found they had no need to excavate. It was probably the chapel of a small monastery.

The New Gate, which is certainly 300 years old, was shut up for a long time because a young man ran away with the mayor's daughter while she was playing in Pepper Street. Hence arose a local variation of the proverb about the stable door: 'When the daughter is stolen, then shut the Pepper Gate.'

Some of the old inns have scarcely changed at all during the lapse of centuries. 'Ye Olde Blue Bell' was licensed in 1494. The Yacht Inn is more modern. Dean Swift was detained there by a storm, and invited the church dignitaries to sup with him. But none of them turned up, perhaps dreading the sharp tongue of the author of 'Gulliver's Travels,' so he revenged himself by writing a rude rhyme on the window with his diamond ring:—

Rotten without and mouldering within.

This place and its clergy are all near akin.

Chester is specially fortunate in her recreation ground, known as the Roodee or Rood-eye, which means Island of the Cross. Once upon a time this cross fell on the lady of the manor and killed her while she was at her prayers. For this it was solemnly tried, convicted of murder, and drowned in the River Dee. But it came up with the tide, and the superstitious say it has since worked miracles.

Chester does not neglect modern activities and conveniences. She ranks as an important railway centre, has twelve square miles of land for potential factories, and thrives on such industries as flour milling, wire and tobacco manufacture, anchor and chain making, and boat-building.

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS, 1925.

RECEIPTS.		£ s. d.
Balance in Bank	...	62 17 1
Affiliation Fees	...	13 17 6
Sale of Publications (Nil)	...	—
Stock, i.e., £50 14s. 9d. War Bonds, 1927	...	4 9 4
Stock, i.e., £50 War Bonds, 1928	...	—
Total	...	£81 3 11
EXPENDITURE.		£ s. d.
Gratuity at London	...	0 5 0
C. W. O. Jerken (loss on Sales Account)	...	2 5 6
E. A. Young (Stationery, Postage, etc.)	...	3 14 4
'Ringing World' (Printing)	...	3 9 6
Cash in Hand	...	3 18 2
Balance in Bank	...	67 11 5
Total	...	£81 3 11

DEATH OF A WOLVERHAMPTON RINGER.**MR. JOHN BRADNEY'S CAREER.**

While sitting peacefully in his chair at Idsall Cottage, Penn Fields, near Wolverhampton, Mr. John Bradney breathed his last on March 30th, at the age of 75 years, and was laid to rest in Penn Fields Churchyard on April 3rd.

He began his ringing career at Shifnal—rather late in life—and, with the assistance of the late Mr. Rowland Cartwright, was instrumental in reviving change ringing in that noted tower of bygone days. He taught a band of youths, who, on February 22nd, 1906, were successful in ringing a peal of Grandsire Triples—their ages averaging 20 years, which was claimed to be a record at that time. His list of peals totalled 47, made up as follows: Grandsire Doubles 2, Triples 31 (conducted 2), Caters 4, Plain Bob Triples 2 (conducted 1), Bob Major 1 (composed by him and rung for the first time), and Stedman Triples 7. These were rung under the auspices of the Shifnal Albion Society, Salop Archidiaconal Guild, St. Martin's Guild (Birmingham), Hereford Diocesan Guild, Midland Counties Association, Worcestershire and Districts Association, Warwickshire Association, and the Society for the Archdeaconry of Stafford. The list includes one of Grandsire Caters rung at Aston, Birmingham, on May 2nd, 1914, by veterans whose ages totalled 653 years and 10 months (an average of 65 years and 4 months). At the time it was claimed to be the oldest band to ring a peal on 10. Alas! only four of the band remain with us to-day.

The deceased, in his early life, was connected with a well-known firm of contractors in Wolverhampton, and supervised the laying of railway tracks and the construction of important buildings in various parts of the country. Latterly he was in business as a quantity surveyor in Birmingham and Wolverhampton—in the latter place up to the time of his death.

CLEOBURY MORTIMER BELLS REHUNG.**RESTORATION OF AN ANCIENT HEREFORDSHIRE PEAL.**

In January, 1924, the authorities at Cleobury Mortimer Parish Church decided that something must be done to the bells, and wisely invited the Master of the Hereford Guild (Mr. C. Edwards) to make an inspection and report to the Parochial Council. On examination, it was found that all the bells were sound, but the framework and fittings were in a deplorable state, and the advice was 'have complete clear out and put in a new frame.' The bells were cast by Abraham Rudhall in 1757 (tenor 12 cwt.), and very little attention had been given since, as the bells had not been even quarter turned.

Estimates were obtained, and the work entrusted to Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, who have made a most excellent job of it by erecting a new iron and steel frame about 15ft. lower in the tower than the original. The frame is placed on steel girders, securely braced all ways to the tower walls. The bells are all hung on the most modern principles, and run on ball bearings. The bells themselves were taken to the foundry, the treble recast, and the rest lined and sand blasted, with the result that they are now a perfect and musical six.

There being no local ringers, the Guild Master was invited to take a band of ringers from Hereford for the reopening, which took place on May 7th. At the service there were quite 500 people present. The Bishop of Hereford was the preacher, and in his address dealt with the many secular and sacred uses of bells. Immediately after the dedication by the Bishop a few rounds were rung, and after the service the bells were set going to Grandsire Doubles, Bob Minor, Kent Treble Bob and Stedman.

The ringers were entertained to tea by the Vicar, about twenty sitting down. They had come from Ludlow, Chiu, Bridgnorth and Bromfield, and the party included the Rev. H. S. T. Richardson (Hopesay), Mr. S. Roper, representing Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, and the Rev. G. W. Turner, secretary of the Hereford Guild.

After tea, the tower was again visited, and various methods rung until 7.45, when it was thought advisable to return home, as the weather was not on its best behaviour. Everyone was pleased with the excellent work that has been done by the bell hangers, and it is hoped that a local band will very soon be organised and become affiliated to the Guild, as the Ludlow district is quite ready to take them in hand.

BARNESLEY & DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.

The monthly meeting was held at the picturesque village of Cawthorne, amid lovely weather, on Saturday, May 16th. Members attended from Barnsley, Darfield, Roystone, Hoylandswaine, Wortley, Wath, Horbury, Sandal, Shelley, Penistone, and members of the local company. Ringing commenced at 3 p.m., and continued with slight intermission until 9.30 p.m., in a variety of methods, acceptable to learners and others. Tea was provided at the Spencer's Arms by Host Heywood, who rendered yeoman service for the benefit and comfort of everyone at the meeting.

The usual vote of thanks was heartily given after the business meeting. Afterwards, the evening being warm, members assembled in cheerful groups to chat and listen to the sounds of the bells.

TRAGIC END OF A CARDIFF RINGER.

The Llandaff and Monmouth Association has lost one of its oldest and keenest members, in the person of Mr. W. B. Biss. On Thursday, May 14th, he took part in the usual practice at St. John's, Cardiff. The day following, whilst partaking of fish, a bone lodged in his throat. He was taken to Cardiff Hospital, and operated upon, but complications set in, and he gradually sank, and passed away on Wednesday of last week.

It was intended to ring a muffled peal on Sunday afternoon, but owing to a specially arranged service this could not be attempted. A quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters (1,277 changes) was, however, rung half-muffled for the evening service by the following: W. H. P. Evans 1, F. Smith 2, G. Large 3, J. W. Jones 4, J. Davies 5, W. Richards 6, A. Parnell 7, E. Coombes 8, F. Chamberlain 9, S. R. Barker 10.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**GRIMSBY DISTRICT AT ELSHAM.**

A Grimsby District meeting was held at Elsham on Saturday, May 16th, when members were present from Bigby, Barrow-on-Humber, Grimsby, Scunthorpe, Burton-on-Stather, and the local tower; Messrs. Howell and friends from Hull; the Rev. E. W. Carpenter (Kingerby), and the Rev. J. H. Park (Thornton Curtis). The handy peal of six were kept going during the afternoon in various methods, and service was conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. C. H. Frith). Hymns were heartily sung, and the Vicar gave a most interesting address. Mr. Harold Rushby, of Grimsby, the district organist, presided at the organ. Tea was partaken of in the school, to which 31 members and friends sat down.

The President (the Rev. H. T. Parry) presided at the business meeting which followed.

Owing to the Ringing Master (Mr. B. S. Long) having left the district to reside at Sheffield, a new Ringing Master had to be appointed.—The President spoke of the loss which the district had sustained by Mr. Long's departure, and said it would also be a great loss to St. Andrew's company, Grimsby, where he was conductor.—Mr. C. W. Taylor proposed Mr. G. Blanchard, of Bigby, as Ringing Master.—This was seconded by Mr. C. Bird, and Mr. Blanchard was duly elected.—Eight new members from Scunthorpe, two from Bigby, two from Elsham and two from Burton-on-Stather were elected.

The Rev. J. H. Park, of Thornton Curtis, was elected as an hon. member, and spoke of the great task in front of him in getting a band together again in Thornton Curtis, where two or three years ago they used to have a good company. He thought it only right that he should set an example and join the Guild. He thanked Mr. E. Darnett and other ringers of Barrow-on-Humber for the pains they have taken in trying to teach some young men of the tower on their practice nights, and hoped they would get a band together in the near future.

The confirmation of the election of Mr. C. Bird, Mr. J. Almond, of Scunthorpe, and Mr. Cole, of Burton-on-Stather, was agreed to, and a collection for the Grimsby District Bell Fund amounted to 11s. 6d.

The Rev. C. Steele, Vicar of Scunthorpe, sent an apology for non-attendance.

The President, in welcoming the Rev. E. W. Carpenter, spoke of the great work which he had done for the Exercise for so many years on the Analysis Committee, and the Rev. E. W. Carpenter said it gave him much pleasure to be amongst the ringers that day. — Votes of thanks were accorded to the Rev. C. H. Frith for arranging the meeting, for the service and address, and for the use of the bells; and to Mrs. Frith, the ringers' wives and friends for the splendid tea they had provided; to the president for presiding; and to Mr. Rushby for presiding at the organ.

Scunthorpe was selected for an extra meeting, to be held on Saturday, September 26th.

Members then adjourned to the belfry for more ringing, the methods including Stedman Doubles, Grandsire Doubles and Bob Doubles, Kent and Bob Minor, which brought a very pleasant meeting to a close.

The next meeting is at Bigby on Saturday, June 6th.

RINGING IN BELFAST.

On May 17th, the team of ringers of St. Thomas', Belfast, journeyed to Lurgan, where there is a fine ring of eight bells by Taylor (1878), with tenor of 22 cwt. They rang the bells for morning and evening services. Only call charges were rung, but the young team handled their bells admirably. They are anxious to learn change ringing, and can manage Bob Doubles on handbells quite well, but have not yet got the rope sight for tower bells.

The following were the ringers: D. Ireland, J. Waring, T. Waring, W. Long, A. Abraham, F. C. Elliott, R. W. Adamson and N. Robinson. This is the first visit to Lurgan by St. Thomas' Society since the year 1913 or 1914. An invitation to Dublin has been received from Mr. G. Lindoff, and it is hoped that some will be able to accept.

SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES.

CROYDON.—At the Parish Church of St. John-the-Baptist, on Sunday, May 24th, for Empire Day, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, in 50 mins.: *J. Rumble, junr., 1, J. Rumble, seunr., 2, G. H. Humphries 3, H. Skelt 4, A. W. Clark 5, J. Cawley 6, D. Cooper (conductor) 7, J. E. Cooper 8. * First quarter of Stedman. — On

NORTHLEACH, GLOS. — On Sunday, May 24th, at the Parish Church, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes), in 43 mins., from Groves' Variation of Parker's 12-Part: J. C. Acock 1, D. Hills 2, R. Westmacott 3, J. Mustoe 4, J. Sly 5, H. Barrett 6, C. Westmacott (conductor) 7, J. Cook 8.

STONY STRATFORD, BUCKS.—At the Church of St. Giles for evening, on Sunday, May 24th (Empire Day), a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes), in 44 mins.: G. Pedley, aged 13 (first quarter) 1, W. Clarke 2, E. C. Lambert 3, H. C. Edwards (conductor) 4, T. C. Tompkins 5, W. W. Bonham 6, W. M. Pedley 7, E. Yates 8.

LAWTON, CHESHIRE.—For evening service, on Sunday, May 24th, 1,008 Stedman Triples, in 35 mins.: E. Harper 1, W. Longman 2, T. Arrowsmith 3, G. Biddulph 4, W. Rigby 5, J. Wildblood 6, J. Booth (conductor) 7, R. Arrowsmith 8. Longest touch of Stedman by ringers of 2nd, 3rd and 4th.

ELTHAM.—At the Parish Church, for evening service, on May 24th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: H. Flowers 1, F. Fraser 2, C. Bines (first quarter) 3, P. Spice 4, R. Thompson 5, G. Huxley 6, Capt. W. Anderson, M.C., 7, F. J. Hurrell (first in the method as conductor) 8.

SANDHURST, BERKS.—On Sunday, May 24th, for morning service, 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor: J. Payne 1, A. Doe 2, C. Barlow (conductor) 3, E. Barlow 4, G. Englefield 5, J. Moth 6. — For evening service, 720 London Surprise Minor: C. Barlow 1, A. Doe 2, C. Doe 3, E. Barlow 4, G. Englefield 5, J. Moth (conductor) 6.

LOWER BEEDING, SUSSEX.—On Sunday, May 24th, Empire Day, at Holy Trinity Church, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Doubles (1,260 changes), in 44 minutes, being 240 each of St. Simons, the Dream, Canterbury, Pleasure, Bob Doubles, and 300 Grandsire Doubles: J. Mitchell 1, R. Langridge 2, W. Watts (conductor) 3, F. Hinds 4, G. Feist 5, C. Feist 6. First quarter-peal by all the band, in five methods, except the conductor.

EXETER.—On Sunday, May 10th, for Divine service, at the Cathedral Church of St. Peter, on the Minor 10, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters, in 59 minutes, as follows: J. Arbury 1, J. Oke 2, T. Laver 3, W. Lethbridge 4, F. Murphy 5, J. Sandover 6, E. Gardner 7, C. Glass 8, F. J. Davey (conductor) 9, J. Harris 10. First quarter on the Minor Ten.—On Saturday, April 25th, in 55 minutes, at the same church, on the 'Thomas' eight, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: J. Harris 1, F. J. Davey 2, T. Bartlett 3, T. Laver 4, F. Murphy 5, A. Mitchell 6, J. Sandover (conductor) 7, G. Bells 8.

PUBLICATIONS.

'AMONG THE BELLS.' — THE RINGING CAREER OF LATE REV. F. E. ROBINSON, M.A., Vicar of Drayton, Berks, Master of the Oxford Diocesan Guild. Part I. to XX may be had singly at 6d. net. Unbound numbers I to XX complete, 8s. 6d. Or the whole work bound in cloth for 10s. 6d. net. From Mrs. ROBINSON, Fair Home, Wokingham.

'BOB MINOR AND MAJOR, SIMPLY EXPLAINED.' Price 6½d. Post free. 5s. 9d. a dozen. Post free. Also 'GRANDSIRE, DOUBLES AND TRIPLES SIMPLY EXPLAINED.' Price 6½d., post free. 5s. 9d. a dozen post free. The above are intended for beginners, and for those who find the ordinary books of instruction too difficult.—From I. Roe and M. Broome, 9, Lansdown Crescent, Bath.

THOMAS MILLINGTON,

Turret Clockmaker.

Church and Tower Clocks. Chimes and Carillons.
Cleaning, Repairs and Overhauling.
Dials Painted and Gilded.

713, LONDON ROAD, DERBY

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

WITNEY AND WOODSTOCK BRANCH.

The spring meeting of the Witney and Woodstock Branch was held at Wootton on May 9th. There were 47 members and friends present, including representatives from the following towers: Woodstock, Kidlington, Tackley, Coombe, Witney, Stonesfield, Bladon, Freeland, Wootton and Eynsham.

A service was held in the Parish Church, and a helpful address was given by the Rev. W. H. L. O'Rourke, M.A., Rector of Woodstock. Those present were entertained to a substantial tea, through the kindness of the Rector (the Rev. F. R. Marriott). The chair was taken by the Rev. A. C. R. Freeborn, chairman of the branch.—The Chairman proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the Rector, and it was carried with enthusiasm.

The report and balance sheet were read by the Hon. Secretary, who stated that progress had been made both in honorary and ringing members. There was a balance of £20 10s. 7d. brought forward from last year.

Mr. Monk proposed, and Mr. W. Judge seconded, 'That the sum of five guineas be given to the Washbrook Memorial Fund.'—This was carried.

It was resolved that Mr. W. Judge should be the third representative on the Guild Committee.—Thirty-three new members were elected.—The Secretary stated that this was the largest number they had ever elected at one meeting.

The Master (Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn) addressed the branch, and congratulated them on the progress they had made. He expressed his pleasure that they had made a donation to the Washbrook Memorial Fund.

The General Secretary (Mr. R. T. Hibbert) asked those present to try and see if they could not get the towers to do something for the memorial, seeing that many present could remember the good work Mr. Washbrook had done to improve change ringing, especially in that district.—The Guild treasurer (Mr. A. J. Wright) added a few words.

A vote of thanks to the preacher and the Master concluded the meeting.

NORTH BERKS BRANCH.

The North Berkshire Branch held a very successful annual meeting at Drayton on Saturday, May 23rd, some 70 members and friends attending. The Vicar (the Rev. Littlewood) officiated at the service, assisted by the Master of the Guild (the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn, M.C.), who gave the address.

Tea was afterwards served in the Institute, and was followed by a business meeting. The secretary's report showed the branch to be in a flourishing condition, with some 175 members, 19 towers, and a balance in hand of £17.

Mr. R. T. Hibbert and Mr. A. J. Wright, having spoken on the claims of the Washbrook Memorial Fund, £4 was voted toward it by the Branch.

The meeting over, the tower was again visited, and touches of Grandsire, Stedman, Double Norwich and Cambridge, were rung.

Abingdon, Milton, Stevenage and Sutton Courtney towers were open for ringing to the members, and many availed themselves of the opportunity to have a pull. Wallingford was selected for the next branch meeting, on September 19th.

M.C.A. ANNUAL MEETING.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—The letters you have recently published concerning the arrangements of the annual meeting of the M.C.A. at Leicester are welcome, inasmuch as criticism denotes interest. At this point, may I say the committee is willing, and indeed anxious, to arrange details to suit the members. The next annual meeting is a long way off, but it is not too early for those interested to express their wishes to their particular district committee, so that at the intervening quarterly meetings of the association suggestions may be considered, and the best possible arrangements made.—Yours truly, A. C. WRIGHT.

THE BANNED BANNS BELLS.

To the Editor.

Sir,—In your issue of the 15th inst., I read with astonishment an announcement by the Vicar of Addlestone, Surrey, that there will be no 'Banns Bell' rung during his incumbency.

In thus enforcing his own views of marriage, which, to say the least, may be infelicitous, he is abrogating a custom which probably dates back to Pre-Reformation times.

It is, undoubtedly, vandals of this kind who are responsible for the discontinuance of the curfew in so many places.—Yours,
Wedmore, Somerset. E. B. BARTER.

SWINDON.—On Empire Day, May 24th, for morning service, at the Parish Church, a quarter-peal of Stedman Caters (1,259 changes): C. J. Gardiner 1, A. Lawrence 2, S. Palmer 3, R. W. Hyner 4, A. W. Bond 5, R. Townsend 6, W. G. Lancaster 7, H. A. Hearl 8, E. Bishop (conductor) 9, A. W. Harrington 10.

NOTICES.

THE CHARGE FOR NOTICES of Meetings inserted under this heading is at the rate of 3d. per line (average 8 words) per insertion, with a minimum charge of 1/6.

The **EDITORIAL OFFICE** of the 'RINGING WORLD,' to which all communications should be sent, is 63, **COMMERCIAL ROAD, WOKING.**

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

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—South-Western Division.—A meeting will be held at North Weald on Saturday, May 30th. Bells available from 3.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea to follow.—E. Butler, 3, Eustace Road, Chadwell Heath.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.—Derby District.—The next meeting of this branch will be held at Melbourne on Saturday, May 30th. Bells available from 3 p.m. until 6.30 and after evening service. All ringers invited.—Chas. Draper, Local Hon. Sec., 25, Western Road, Derby.

SUFFOLK GUILD.—Sudbury District.—A meeting will be held at Assington on Saturday, May 30th. Bells (6) available from 2.30 p.m. All ringers welcome.—A. Scott, Dis. Sec., Sudbury.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Western Division.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Walberton on Saturday, May 30th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Tea.—A. W. Groves, 9, Sugden Road, Worthing.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Northern District.—The summer meeting will be held at Knebworth on Saturday, May 30th. Bells (8) available afternoon and evening. Service in church at 4.45 p.m., followed by tea and meeting at the Lytton Arms. Tea 1s. 3d. each. Ringers and friends heartily welcome.—F. R. Bacon, Hon. Dis. Sec., 21, Lancaster Avenue, Hitchin.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.—Hinckley District.—The next meeting of this branch will be held at Sharnford on Saturday, May 30th. Bells (6) available from 3.30 p.m. All ringers welcome.—W. Cope, Hon. Dis. Sec., Wigston Parva, Hinckley.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.—The annual meeting will be held on Whit Monday, June 1st, at Northampton. Committee meeting in St. Giles' School at 11.15 a.m. Service in St. Giles' Church at 12 noon. Luncheon and business meeting at 1 p.m. at Valentine's Cafe, 36, Gold Street. Towers available: St. Peter's (8) and Kingsthorpe (6) from 10 to 11.15 a.m. only; All Saints (8) after lunch; St. Giles (10), St. Edmund's (8) throughout the day.—D. J. Nichols, Gen. Sec., 3, York Road, Kettering.

CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—The Annual meeting will be held at Ripon on Whit Monday, June 1st. The bells of the Cathedral (10) available for ringing 10.30 a.m. to 4.30 p.m. Sharow bells (8) available all day. Committee meeting at the Black Bull Hotel at 12.30. Services in the Cathedral 10 a.m. and 4.45 p.m. Lunch will be provided at the Black Bull Hotel at 1 p.m., members 1/6, non-members 2/6. Annual business meeting to follow.—T. Metcalfe, Hon. Sec., 26, High Street, North Ormesby, Middlesbrough.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Furness and Lake District Branch.—The next quarterly meeting for ringing only will take place at Ambleside and Brathay on Whit Monday, June 1st. Bells (8) and (6) will be available afternoon and evening. Visitors welcome.—W. T. Clark, Branch Sec., Broughton-in-Furness.

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—The annual festival will be held at Hereford on Whit Monday, June 1st. Service in the Cathedral at 12.15. Dinner at the Booth Hall at 1, followed by the business meeting, the Master (Mr. C. Edwards) in the chair. Tickets for dinner should be obtained by May 26th from district secretaries, or from the general secretary, Rev. G. W. Turner, Madley Vicarage, Hereford.

DEVONSHIRE GUILD.—The annual meeting will be held in Plymouth on Whit Monday. Service at Charles Church 12 noon. Preacher, the Lord Bishop of Plymouth. Dinner in Charles Church Hall 1 p.m., followed by business meeting. Towers available at various times: Charles (10), Emmanuel (8), Plympton St. Mary (8), Plympton St. Maurice (8), Stoke (6).—Rev. E. V. Cox, Gen. Hon. Sec., The Vicarage, Exmouth.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—The 46th annual meeting will be held at Chelmsford on Whit-Monday, June 1st. 11.30 a.m., Service in the Cathedral, with address by the Rev. J. Jordan, Vicar of Finchingfield. 12.15, meeting in Cathedral Hall. 1.30, Lunch at Hicks' Restaurant, High Street, price 2s. each. Towers open for ringing during the day: Cathedral (12), Writtle (8), Widford (8), Galleywood (8), Great Waltham (8), Great Baddow (8), Springfield (6), Broomfield (6), Boreham (8). No ringing permitted during service and meeting.—F. J. Pitstow, Gen. Sec. and Treas., 45, High Street, Saffron Walden.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Northern District.—A ringing meeting will be held at Scarborough on Whit Monday, June 2nd, when the Parish Church bells (by permission of the Vicar) will be available from 11 a.m. The 6th and tenor have recently been quarter turned and hung on ball bearings by Gillett and Johnston.—H. Ferguson, 55, Mayville Avenue, Scarborough.

NORTH WALES ASSOCIATION.—The annual meeting will be held at Portmadoc on Whit Monday. Service at St. John's Church 2.30 p.m., followed by business meeting. Those intending to be present please notify Mr. P. Roberts, Cambria, Station Road, Portmadoc, as early as possible, so that arrangements can be made for tea.—C. H. Jones, Hon. Sec., 33, Liverpool Road, Buckley, near Chester.

WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Isle of Wight District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Ryde. All Saints (8) on Whit Monday. Bells available 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m., followed by business meeting.—W. Upton, Dis. Sec., 10, Elm Grove, Newport, I.W.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—The Whit Monday meeting will be held at North Shields and Whitley Bay. The bells of North Shields (10) and Whitley Bay (8) are available all day. Committee meeting at 12 noon, and dinner at 1 o'clock, at the Albion Grill, Saville Street, North Shields. Dinner 2s. to members, 4s. to non-members.—E. Ferry, Hon. Sec., 16, Gordon Avenue, Gosforth, Newcastle-on-Tyne.

NORFOLK GUILD.—General meeting will be held at Norwich on Whit Monday, June 1st. By kind permission of the Vicar, the ring of twelve bells at St. Peter Mancroft, and also, by permission of the Vicar, the ring of eight bells at St. John de Sepulchre will be at the disposal of the members. Luncheon at Messrs. William Grix, Limited, Criterion Restaurant, White Lion Street, at 1 p.m.—Arthur L. Coleman, Sec., High Croft, North Walsham, Norfolk.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637). — Meetings will be held at *St. Michael's, Cornhill, on June 2nd, and Sunday, the 21st (6 p.m.); St. Andrew's, Holborn, on the 4th; St. Magnus on the 11th and 25th; *St. Paul's Cathedral on the 16th; Southwark Cathedral on the 23rd; *St. Mary le Bow on the 30th; all at 7.30 p.m. *Business meeting afterwards. — William T. Cockerill, Hon. Secretary, 'Frodingham,' 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

SHEFFIELD DISTRICT AND OLD EAST DERBY-SHIRE SOCIETY.—The next meeting and the cup contest will be held at Norton, near Sheffield, on Saturday, June 6th. The draw for the order of ringing will take place at 3.30 prompt. Tea and presentation of cup at 6 o'clock. Will those requiring tea please notify Mr. W. Biggin, 13, Abbey Lane, Woodseats, Sheffield, not later than Tuesday, June 2nd?—T. W. Chown, Hon. Sec., 68, Canada Street, Sheffield.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.—Leicester District.—The next meeting will be held at Lutterworth on Saturday, June 6th. Ringing 2.30. Tea 5. Those requiring tea please notify me by June 4th. All welcome.—H. J. Poole, 61, New Park Street, Leicester.

STOKE ARCHIDIACONAL ASSOCIATION. — A meeting will be held on Saturday, June 6th, at Cheadle (R.C.) Church. Bells (6) available from 3 p.m. Tea 5.30 p.m. Will those intending to be present please send word on or before June 2nd to Mr. A. W. Hall, 77, Queen Street, Cheadle, Staffs?—A. Vaughan, Hon. Sec., 10, High Street, Knutton, Staffs.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. — North Bucks Branch.—The annual meeting of above branch will be held at Newport Pagnell on Saturday, June 6th. Bells (8) available from 2.30 p.m. Service 3.30 p.m. Tea 4.30 p.m. Ringing friends welcome. — Walter Sear, Hon. Sec., 19, Albert Street, Bletchley.

WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Portsmouth District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Netley on Saturday, June 6th. Bells (8) available 2.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m., at Alexander Café, to be followed by business meeting. Will those requiring tea kindly inform me by Wednesday, June 3rd? All ringers welcome.—F. W. Rogers, Hon. Dis. Sec., 52, Samuel Road, Portsmouth.

BRIGHTWALTON. — The new treble bell will be dedicated on Saturday, June 6th. Service at 4. Preacher, Dr. Wickham Legg, Archdeacon of Berks. Collection for Bell Fund. Tea 4.50. All ringing friends welcome, but please notify me by Wednesday, June 3rd. — J. E. Hedges, Brightwalton, Wantage.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD. — North Dorset Branch. — The next quarterly meeting will be held at Stourton (6 bells) on Saturday, June 6th. Ringing from 3 p.m. Service at 4.30. Preacher, the Rev. H. Poole King. Tea 5 p.m. (6d. for members, 1s. for others). Meeting to follow. Other towers available: Bourton (6), Zeals (6). Will those wishing to be present at the tea kindly let me know by June 1st?—R. E. P. Gorringe, Sec., Manston Rectory, Sturminster, Newton.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD. — Elloe Deaneries Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Moulton on Saturday, June 6th. Bells available from 12.30 o'clock. Service in church at 3.30 p.m. Tea in the Parish Room at 4.15 p.m. Business meeting afterwards.—Geo. Ladd, Hon. Sec., Pinchbeck, Spalding.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION. — St. Albans District.—A meeting will be held at Luton on Saturday, June 6th. Bells available at 3 p.m. All ringers and friends welcome.—Wm. Nash, Dis. Sec., North Mymms.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Liverpool Branch.—A meeting will be held at West Derby on Saturday, June 6th. Bells ready at 4. Meeting at 6. — Walter Hughes, Branch Sec., 3, Shrewsbury Place, Garston.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—A meeting of the Hunts District will be held at Somersham on June 6th. All wishing for tea (in the Church Room) are requested to write by June 2nd to Rev. H. B. Woolley, Long Stanton.

HERTS COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Western District.—Next meeting will be held at Berkhamsted on Saturday, June 6th. Bells available 3 p.m. Short service at 5 p.m., followed by tea and meeting. All welcome.—W. Ayre, Dis. Sec.

LADIES' GUILD.—Western District.—The quarterly meeting will be held at Bath on Saturday, June 6th. St. Saviour's bells (8) available at 3.15 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea, 1s. 3d. per head, at Werry's Cafe, Stall Street, at 5.30. Ringing at St. Michael's at 6.30. Please let me know by Tuesday, June 2nd, if requiring tea.—E. E. Emm, School House, Evercreech, Bath, Somerset.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Fylde Branch. — The annual meeting of the branch will be held on Saturday, June 6th, at St. Cuthbert's, Lytham. Bells ready 2.30, also bowls and clock golf in Nicarage grounds. Service in church 4.30. Tea at 5 p.m., free to all who send in their names not later than Tuesday, June 2nd.—C. Sharples, Branch Sec., 320, N. Promenade, Blackpool.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. — Archdeaconry of Wisbech Branch. — A quarterly meeting will be held at Newton, Wisbech, on Saturday, June 6th. Six bells. Good condition. Will those who intend to be present please let me know by June 1st? It is the wish of the Rector. Service, tea and business meeting.—H. W. Giddings, 101, Elwyn Road, March.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Blackburn Branch. — A meeting of the above branch will be held at the Parish Church, Blackburn (10 bells), on Saturday, June 6th. Bells ready 3 p.m. Meeting 6.30 p.m. All ringers cordially invited. The annual branch meeting, tea and social has been arranged for Saturday, August 15th, at the Burnley Parish Church.—J. Watson, Branch Sec.

SUFFOLK GUILD.—Meeting will be held at Debenham on Saturday, June 6th (to coincide with 33rd anniversary of 16,608 Treble Bob Major). Bells available from 2 p.m. Tea will be provided in the Parish Room at 4.45, at a charge of 6d. each. Please notify me by Thursday, June 4th, of intention to be present. Short business meeting to follow, at which the Vicar has kindly consented to preside. All ringers welcome.—W. C. Rumsey, Debenham, Stowmarket.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Meetings for June: St. Clement Danes, Sunday, the 7th, at 10 a.m., and Mondays, the 8th and the 22nd, at 7.30. The annual outing has been fixed for Saturday, June 27th, to Marlow. Trains from Paddington at 1, 1.25 and 2.7 p.m.; return fare 3s. 5d. Tea 1s. All members invited.—A. H. Keighley, Gen. Sec., 18, Merrick Square, S.E.1.

BARNSELY AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.—The annual cup contest on six bells will take place at Hoylandswaine on June 13th, commencing at 3.15 p.m. (draw at 2.40 p.m.). Secretaries and all other intending visitors kindly note that tea will be provided for all those notifying Mr. L. Wilkinson on or before Tuesday, June 9th. In view of the above event the usual monthly meeting will not be held in June.—C. D. Potter, Hon. Sec.

SURREY ASSOCIATION.—Western District.—The next meeting will be held at S. Nicolas' Church, Guildford, on Saturday, June 13th. Bells (10) available from 3 p.m. Service 5 p.m. Tea 5.30 p.m., meeting to follow. Those requiring tea please notify me by Wednesday, June 10th. All ringers welcome.—Miss N. E. Shorter, Hon. Sec., Ferndene, 15, Russell Road, Walton-on-Thames, Surrey.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.—Devizes Branch.—The quarterly meeting will be held at Melksham on Saturday, June 13th. Bells (8) ready at 2.30 p.m. Service at 4.40. Tea at 5. Business meeting directly after tea. Will those requiring tea please write by June 10th to F. Green, Branch Hon. Sec., 53, Avon Road, Devizes?

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.—South and West District.—A meeting will be held at Ruislip on Saturday, June 13th. Ringing from 3.20, and tea will be arranged, as usual, at 5.30. All ringers and friends welcome.—W. H. Hollier, Hon. Sec., 29, Duke Road, W.4.

DEVON GUILD.—North-Eastern Branch.—Next quarterly meeting will be held at Uplowman on Saturday, June 13th. Bells (6) available at 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15, 1s. each. Numbers for tea must reach me by Tuesday, June 9th.—M. Hanson, 2, The Avenue, Tiverton.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.—The first general quarterly meeting will be held at Bolsover on Saturday, June 20th. Will local secretaries and members please note? Further details later.—Ernest Morris, Gen. Hon. Sec., 24, Coventry Street, Leicester.

LADIES GUILD.—Southern District.—Preliminary Notice.—The annual meeting for this district will be held at Aldershot on Saturday, June 20th. Further particulars later.—Hilda F. Mills, 125, St. Michael's Road, Aldershot.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Southern District.—A meeting will be held at Saturday, June 20th, at St. Mary's, Beddington. Tower open from 3.30 p.m. Tea at 5.30 at 1s. Business after. Will those requiring tea please let me know by the 17th? Everyone will be heartily welcomed.—C. F. Mitchell, Hon. Dis. Sec., 4, Phene Street, Chelsea, S.W.3.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Wotton-under-Edge Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Wotton. Bells open from 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. All ringers welcome.—H. G. Phillips, Branch Hon. Sec., Lynch, Berkeley.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT.

Mrs. Gordon and family wish to thank all those who kindly sent flowers and letters, expressing sympathy in their great bereavement.—Beddington, Surrey.

WM. POTTS & SONS, LTD.,
Cathedral, Church & Turret Clock
Manufacturers.

Makers of many of the Largest and Most Important Clocks in Great Britain.

CLOCKS REPAIRED & DIALS RESTORED.

Guildford Street, Leeds; and
Pilgrim Street, Newcastle-on-Tyne.

The Ringer's Pendant.



Exact Size

With the Name of your Association Engraved as Illustration.

Special Terms to Guilds & Associations.

PRICES.

	£	s.	d.
Gilt or White Metal	...	0	4 0
Solid Silver	...	0	7 6
Solid 9ct. Gold	...	1	10 0

GEO. STACEY, Jeweller & Engraver,
PARK STREET, MINEHEAD, Somerset.

BELL ROPES.

MAKERS FOR NEARLY
200 Years.

For Quotation send Length and Number Required, also Weight of Tenor Bell.

Satisfaction Guaranteed.

JOHN ASTLEY & SONS, LTD.,
ESTAB. 1730. COVENTRY.



WM. HALEY, Handbell Manufacturer,

16, GRANVILLE ROAD, WALTHAMSTOW E.17.

Repairs Executed. Price List for New Bells on Application.

INDISPENSABLE TO ALL RINGERS.

'Change Ringing'

— BY —

Charles A. W. Troyte.

THREE TO EIGHT BELLS.

208 pages, with 3 illustrations.

Cloth 3/6, post free 3/10.

THREE TO SIX BELLS.

Sewn 1/6, post free 1/9.

EXETER:

HENRY S. ELAND, 236, HIGH STREET

ALFRED BOWELL,
CHURCH BELL FOUNDER,
IPSWICH.

The Jasper Snowdon Series.

REVISED PRICES.

- ROPE-SIGHT, 1s. 10d.; seventh ed.; 150 pages; treats Plain Bob commencing on three bells.
- GRANDSIRE, 2s. 10d.; second ed.; 204 pages, commencing on five bells, complete with the Thompson Charts, etc.
- STANDARD METHODS, 8th Edition, 2s. 10d.
- STEDMAN, 2s. 10d.; 275 pages, by the Rev. O. D. P. Davies, M.A., with an appendix by the late Sir Arthur Haywood, Bart., etc.
- TREBLE BOB, I., 1s. 10d.; second ed.; with appendix; 100 closely printed pages.
- PART II.—At present out of print.
- DOUBLE NORWICH O. B. MAJOR.—Out of print at present.
- All post free, on receipt of postal order, from

Mrs. LAURA SNOWDON, Cartmel, Lancashire.

The Central Council Publications

LIST OF PUBLICATIONS

to be obtained Post Free from the HON. LIBRARIAN:
REV. G. W. O. JENKYN, Broadlands, Caversham, Reading

	s.	d.
GLOSSARY OF TECHNICAL TERMS	5	5
RULES AND DECISIONS OF THE COUNCIL	6	6
LEGITIMATE METHODS (Doubles, Minor, Triples)	9	9
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION I (Odd-Bell Treble-Dominated Methods)	1	0
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION II (Plain Bob and Double Oxford Bob)	9	9
COLLECTION OF PEALS—SECTION III (Double Norwich)	1	0
REPORT OF CONFERENCE WITH S.P.A.B.	4	4
ON THE PRESERVATION OF BELLS, ETC	4	4

"The World's Best Bellropes"

PROVED IN THE RINGING OF THE
WORLD'S RECORD PEAL.

NOTED FOR EASY HANDLING & NON-STRETCHING.

CLOCK AND CHIMING ROPES.
FLEXIBLE ENDS, SPLICING AND REPAIRS.

JOHN PRITCHARD,

26, Swan Street,
LOUGHBOROUGH.

Price List
of the
Sole Maker.

Established over a HUNDRED YEARS.

UNIQUE FOR PRESENTATION.

An Inkstand in the design of a Well-shaped Bell



This charming model in Solid Hall Marked Silver will make a most appropriate and useful gift.

It can be supplied in the following sizes:—

Diameter	2½ in.	2¾ in.	3½ in.	3¾ in.	4 in.	4½ in.	5 in.
Price ...	22/-	33/-	40/-	48/-	60/-	75/-	98/-

Monogram or Inscriptions Engraved at Moderate Charges

J. COMBER, Goldsmith and
WOKING Silversmith.
(MAKER OF THE RINGERS' BADGE.)

JAS. E. GROVES,
CHURCH BELL 43, Malvern Road,
HANGER, Handsworth,
Birmingham.

All the latest improvements in Bell Hanging, Ball and Roll Bearings. Everything for Bells supplied.

THE BADGE OF THE CRAFT

A Beautifully Executed

RINGERS' PENDANT

In Gold, Silver or Bronze.

Especially Suitable for Gifts.

Prices, Gold (9 carat) 38/-, Silver 7/6
Bronze 3/8 (post free).



J. COMBER, Goldsmith and Jeweller,
WOKING
Telephone: 171 WOKING

Printed for the Proprietor by the Woodbridge Press, Ltd., Guildford, and Published by The Rolls House, Publishing Co., Ltd. Bream's Buildings, London, E.C.