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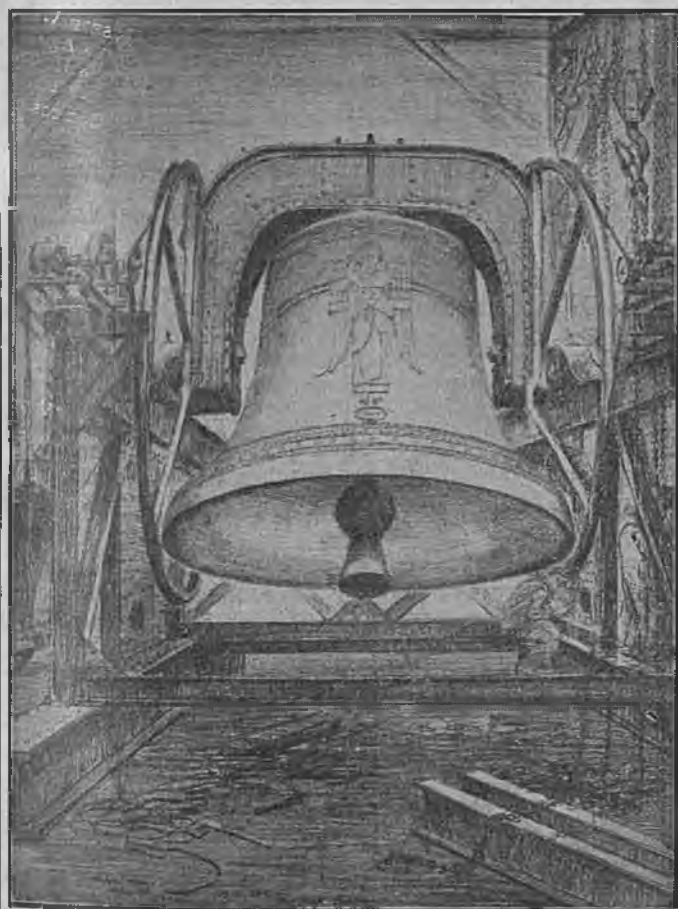
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THE CENTRAL COUNCIL'S PUBLICATIONS.

It is admitted that one of the most valuable parts of the work of the Central Council is the printing and publishing of various books and pamphlets in connection with the art of ringing. Some of these publications are the results of years of patient work, which would probably never have been undertaken except by the incentive of some such representative authority, and would certainly never have passed through the press without the financial backing of a body like the Council. There is too much monetary risk in the printing of ringing literature for any ordinary investigator to undertake the work, but the Central Council is able to step in and serve the Exercise where private enterprise is unable or unwilling to shoulder the responsibility. The Council is representative of the Exercise, and what it does, by way of issuing publications, is therefore done in the name and on behalf, as well as for the benefit, of the Exercise. In effect, when the Council decides upon the issue or reissue of any work, it is carrying out the wishes of the Exercise as expressed through its elected representatives and in this way the whole of the ringing associations have a responsibility in promoting the sales of the Council's publications. The majority of ringers, perhaps, have not viewed the matter quite in this light, and it may be for this reason that in the past the sale of the Council's literature has been of no interest to them. But a little thought on the matter will enable them to see that through their associations they have a direct interest in the successful issue or otherwise of a publication, for it is through this channel that the bulk of the Council's money (derived chiefly from association fees) is expended—this quite apart from the individual interest which a ringer ought to have in the personal possession of any publication which will add to his knowledge of the art.

A few weeks ago the Guildford Diocesan Guild's representatives on the Council put forward to their members a practical suggestion for promoting the sales of the Council's publications. It was that every association should purchase a number of copies of the various works for re-sale on the ground that, as the various ringing bodies get the benefit of the Council's publications, they should bear some of the risk of the loss on sales. As a matter of fact the Council almost every year makes a loss on sales; the total number of publications sold does not defray the cost of advertising. This is not because the goods it has to offer are not worth buying, but because the article itself cannot be come by without a little trouble, and that is one of the things which many ringers

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—we might almost say the majority of them—will not take when it comes to anything affecting ringing. If these publications could be put right into their hands, instead of their having to write a letter and get a postal order, they would probably buy almost any of the books and pamphlets which the Council issue, but if it is left to their own volition, the thing never gets done. Of course, if they only realised what they have lost and are losing by neglect to purchase many of these books—not only those issued by the Central Council but by private enterprise as well—they would quickly make amends, but the difficulty is they do not realise it. We believe, however, that a great deal could be done, if the associations would act upon the suggestion made by the Guildford Guild's representatives. It is true that publications can be had by associations on the 'sale or return' system, but this brings little grist to the mill—last year it brought in to the Council less than five shillings. If the associations purchased the goods outright there would be a keener desire to sell, and if the books were distributed through district officers there ought to be few meetings at which at least a few copies were not disposed of. We suggest that in the interests of ringing, as well as in the interests of the Council's business, which in the long run is the concern of the affiliated bodies, associations should seriously consider taking off the Council's hands a considerable portion of their stock. One other result of this would be to enable the Council to go on with the publication of further works in the interests of the Exercise.

TWELVE BELL PEAL.

BIRMINGHAM.

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

On Tuesday, August 5, 1930, in Three Hours and Forty-One Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5019 CHANGES;

Tenor 37 cwt. in C.

HENRY H. FEARN Treble	* HECTOR G. BIRD 7
GEORGE E. FEARN 2	ROBERT MATHEWS 8
SIDNEY T. HOLT 3	ERNEST MANSELL 9
JOHN NEAL 4	SAMUEL GROVE 10
CYRIL TANSELL 5	ALBERT WALKER 11
JOHN H. B. HESSE 6	WILLIAM T. FROGGATT Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER.

Conducted by ALBERT WALKER.

* First peal of Stedman Cinques and rung at first attempt.

TEN BELL PEALS.

PAINSWICK, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
AND THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF PAINSWICK YOUTHS.

On Monday, August 4, 1930, in Three Hours and Twenty-Eight Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5147 CHANGES;

* FREDERICK BLOWRING Treble	ALBERT WRIGHT 6
THOMAS BALDWIN 2	WILLIAM IRELAND 7
GEORGE GOULDING 3	GEORGE ORCHARD 8
* HORACE RINGE 4	JOHN F. BALLINGER 9
† HAROLD BIRT 5	REGINALD HEARNE Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS.

Conducted by ALBERT WRIGHT.

* First peal of Caters. † First peal 'inside.'

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COALBROOKDALE, SHROPSHIRE.
THE SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, August 2, 1930, in Three Hours and Twenty-Three Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF HOLY TRINITY,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5017 CHANGES;

Tenor 19 cwt. in D.

WILLIAM SHORT... .. Treble	REV. C. CAREW COX... .. 6
ALFRED S. BAYLEY 2	WILLIAM SADNDERS 7
CHRISTOPHER WALLATER ... 3	JOHN PERRY 8
*JOHN GRIFFITHS... .. 4	EDWARD V. RODENHURST ... 9
*ARTHUR FRITCHARD 5	ARTHUR H. GARBETT ... Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF.

Conducted by WILLIAM SHORT

* First peal of Stedman Caters. † First peal on ten bells. Rung on the occasion of the marriage of Miss Margaret Caroline Lago, eldest daughter of Mr. Walter Lago, one of the local ringers, to Mr. Walter Jones, son of Mr. James Jones, of Dawley.

WORCESTER.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.
(WESTERN BRANCH.)

On Monday, August 4, 1930, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 20 cwt.

FRANK LAWRENCE Treble	WILLIAM PAGE 6
DENNIS R. MORRIS 2	WILLIAM RANFORD 7
SIDNEY T. HOLT 3	WILLIAM C. JONES 8
LESLIE W. G. MORRIS 4	CYRIL TANSELL 9
*FRED HAWKES 5	CHARLES CAMM Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS.

Conducted by SIDNEY T. HOLT.

* First peal of Treble Bob Royal.

BIRCHINGTON, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, August 9, 1930, in Three Hours and Twenty-Seven Minutes,

AT THE WATERLOO TOWER, QUEX PARK,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5043 CHANGES;

Tenor 15½ cwt.

ALFRED H. PULLING... .. Treble	WILLIAM SPICE 6
*THOMAS E. SONE 2	CLARENCE H. DOBBIE 7
CHARLES W. PLAYER 3	GEORGE GILBERT... .. 8
ERNEST J. DOBBIE 4	WILLIAM T. BEESON 9
C. ERNEST SMITH 5	STANLEY B. DOBBIE Tenor

Composed by FRED A. HOLDEN.

Conducted by ALFRED H. PULLING

* First peal of Stedman Caters. C. E. Smith was proposed a member of the association before starting.

EIGHT BELL PEALS.

RUARDEAN, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, August 2, 1930, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

GROVES' TRANSPOSITION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 14½ cwt.

WILLIAM BEARD Treble	ALFRED T. POULTON 5
JOSEPH WILLIAMS 2	WILLIAM BISHOP 6
BRUCE P. CHEW 3	WILLIAM POSTON... .. 7
GEORGE WILKS 4	HOWARD MEEK Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM POSTON.

Rung for the anniversary of the restoration and rededication of the bells, and as an expression of gratitude to the members of the Horlick family for kindly defraying the outstanding cost of the work.

TETTENHALL, STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Saturday, August 2, 1930, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

GROVES' TRANSPOSITION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 15 cwt.

ARTHUR BENNETT Treble	ABRAHAM GREENFIELD 5
HAROLD L. FLAVELL 2	HARRY BOSWELL 6
WILLIAM A. JONES 3	ALFRED FALLON 7
ALBERT D. COLLINS 4	THOMAS BATE Tenor

Conducted by A. FALLON.

Rung with the bells half-muffled as a last token of respect and sympathy on the death of Mr. H. R. Pickering, one of the Tettenhall company.

FRAMSDEN, SUFFOLK.
THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Sunday, August 3, 1930, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 16 cwt.

LESLIE G. BRETT Treble	T. WILLIAM LAST 5
JAMES BENNETT, JUN. 2	WILLIAM J. GROOM 6
GEORGE PRYKE 3	CECIL PIPE 7
LESLIE C. WIGHTMAN 4	HARRY PARKES Tenor

Composed by GEORGE H. CROSS.

Conducted by WM. J. GROOM.

Arranged especially for the tenor ringer, who hails from Kent.

ALDERMASTON, BERKS.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, August 4, 1930, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 10 cwt. 2 qr. 10 lb. in G.

WILLIAM HENLEY Treble	GEORGE MARTIN 5
WILLIAM E. TAYLOR 2	SAMUEL QUINTIN... .. 6
*MISS MARIE P. CROSS 3	THOMAS J. FOWLER 7
REGINALD W. REX 4	GEORGE GILBERT... .. Tenor

Composed by J. R. FRITCHARD.

Conducted by GEO. GILBERT.

* First peal of Bob Major. Rung on the 38th anniversary of Mr. Taylor's first peal. Rung as a 21st birthday compliment to Miss Cross.

HENLEY, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, August 4, 1930, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;

Tenor 8 cwt. 3 lb.

HERBERT FULCHER Treble	GEORGE GOWER 5
JOHN SNELLING 2	FREDERICK R. BORRETT 6
GEORGE HOWLETT 3	RUSSELL RICHES 7
CHARLES BAKER 4	ERNEST WHITING... .. Tenor

Composed by JAMES PAGETT.

Conducted by ERNEST WHITING.

One hundredth peal by the 2nd ringer.

CHRISTLETON, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, August 4, 1930, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 12½ cwt. in F sharp.

ROBERT SPERRING Treble	ARTHUR NEWELL... .. 5
HARRY LEWIS 2	PERCY SWINDLEY... .. 6
MARTIN HARRIS 3	WALTER THOMAS... .. 7
SAMUEL JONES, JUN. 4	ARTHUR E. PEGLAR Tenor

Composed by J. W. PARKER.

Conducted by ROBERT SPERRING.

First peal in the method on the bells.

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SHIFNAL, SHROPSHIRE.
THE SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, August 5, 1930, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HEYWOOD'S TRANSPOSITION OF THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 19 cwt. in E flat.

WILLIAM SHORT Treble	ARTHUR PRITCHARD 5
ALFRED S. BAYLEY 2	ABRAHAM GREENFIELD 6
REV. C. CAREW COX 3	EDWARD V. RODENHURST 7
CHRISTOPHER WALLATER 4	WALTER LAGO Tenor

Conducted by ABRAHAM GREENFIELD.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.
THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wednesday, August 6, 1930, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,
AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 23 cwt. 3 qr. 8 lb. in D.

WILLIAM J. ROBINSON ... Treble	RAYMOND S. PHILPOT ... 5
C. ERNEST SMITH 2	*GEORGE E. CLODE 6
ALFRED H. POLLING 3	FREDERICK W. ROGERS ... 7
ALFRED T. GREENWOOD ... 4	CHARLES H. KIPPIN ... Tenor

Composed by FRANK BENNETT.

Conducted by A. H. POLLING.

* First peal of Surprise on an inside bell. C. E. Smith has now completed the circle in this tower.

HAVANT, HANTS.

THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wednesday, August 6, 1930, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. FAITH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 15½ cwt.

*WILLIAM GENT Treble	*MORGAN MARSHALL 5
FREDERICK A. BURNETT ... 2	ALAN R. PINK 6
JOSIAH HARRIS 3	HARRY L. W. AITKEN ... 7
ERNEST J. HEDGER 4	*SIDNEY PARSONS Tenor

Conducted by ALAN R. PINK.

* First peal. First peal of Triples as conductor. First peal on the bells since their renovation by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank.

CONISBOROUGH, YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(DONCASTER & DISTRICT SOCIETY.)

On Thursday, August 7, 1930, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF SPLICED TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

ILKESTON VARIATION.

Tenor 13 cwt. 2 qr. 20 lb.

*SAMUEL HARRISON ... Treble	*MILTON C. FOWLER 5
OLIVER GREATHEAD 2	*EDGAR C. STACEY 6
*WILLIAM A. WOOLER ... 3	*ERNEST COOPER 7
*J. EDWARD CAWSE 4	PERCY GLEDSTONE Tenor

Composed by ALBERT J. PITMAN.

Conducted by J. EDWARD CAWSE.

* First spliced peal. † First peal of Spliced Major. First 'spliced' peal on the bells.

BUCKLAND, BERKS.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, August 9, 1930, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,

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

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 17 cwt.

MRS. A. E. LOCK Treble	GORDON CAUDWELL 5
WALTER F. JUDGE 2	ALBERT E. LOCK 6
EDMUND A. PASSAM 3	RICHARD POST 7
FRANCIS TAYLOR 4	NELSON SERGEANT Tenor

Conducted by RICHARD POST.

First peal as conductor.

GREAT TEY RINGERS' OUTING.

The ringers of Great Tey, Essex, and their friends had a tour through their own county for their outing. They rang at Wivenhoe and Thorington, and visited the beautiful church of St. Osyth before reaching Clacton, where they had lunch. Returning by way of Kirby-le-Soken and Tendring, where they had tea, they rang in the evening at Great Bromley and Ardleigh, and, in spite of a wet day, spent a very enjoyable time. The ringers wish to thank all the incumbents who granted them permission to ring, and the steeplekeepers who had the bells in readiness for them.

CHESTER, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, August 9, 1930, in Three Hours,

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

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

Tenor 14 cwt.

*HARRY LEWIS Treble	JAMES F. SMITH 5
ROBERT SPERRING 2	JAMES SWINDLEY 6
*MARTIN HARRIS 3	PERCY SWINDLEY 7
†ARTHUR NEWELL 4	GEORGE R. JONES Tenor

Composed by H. W. WILDE.

Conducted by ROBERT SPERRING.

* First peal in the method. † 70th peal.

DORE, SHEFFIELD.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, August 9, 1930, in Two Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes,

AT CHRIST CHURCH,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HEYWOOD'S VARIATION OF THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 11½ cwt. in G.

MISS NOEL CAWTHORNE ... Treble	†ARTHUR S. ROBINSON ... 5
MRS. T. P. RYDER 2	*J. E. LEWIS COCKEY ... 6
*MAURICE E. WILSON ... 3	FRED WATKINSON 7
FREDERICK CARDWELL ... 4	†EVERARD DAVENPORT ... Tenor

Conducted by FRED WATKINSON.

* First peal of Stedman Triples. † First peal in the method. Quickest peal on the bells.

NORTON, DERBYSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(SHEFFIELD DISTRICT SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, August 9, 1930, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5280 CHANGES;

Tenor 15½ cwt.

TOM O'HARA Treble	CHARLEY BATES 5
MISS ELSIE E. SMITH ... 2	WILLIAM BIGGIN 6
ROBERT HARRISON, SEN. ... 3	BENJAMIN A. KNIGHTS ... 7
ARTHUR KNIGHTS 4	A. PERCIVAL KNIGHTS ... Tenor

Composed and Conducted by ARTHUR KNIGHTS.

Rung to celebrate the 80th birthday of Mr. E. Hunstone, many years churchwarden at Norton. The band wish to thank the Rev. Mr. Pegg and Mrs. Pegg for the excellent tea provided at the conclusion of the peal.

OLD WINDSOR, BERKSHIRE.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, August 9, 1930, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 11½ cwt. (approx.).

HARRY WINGROVE ... Treble	GEORGE MARTIN 5
WILLIAM WELLING 2	WILLIAM HENLEY 6
PHYLLIS M. MAYNE 3	FREDERICK W. ROGERS ... 7
*ALFRED T. GREENWOOD ... 4	CECIL C. MAYNE Tenor

Composed by H. DAINS.

Conducted by C. C. MAYNE.

* First peal in the method. Arranged for the ringers of the 4th and 7th, who were elected members previous to the peal.

ERITH, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, August 9, 1930, in Three Hours,

AT CHRIST CHURCH,

A PEAL OF NEW CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5152 CHANGES;

Tenor 17½ cwt.

*FREDERICK A. COLLEY ... Treble	*JOHN H. CRAMPION 5
*GEORGE POPNELL 2	JAMES E. DAVIS 6
CHARLES W. ROBERTS ... 3	FREDERICK J. CULLUM, JUN. 7
*JOHN A. WAUGH 4	*WILFRED WILLIAMS Tenor

Composed by G. H. CROSS.

Conducted by C. W. ROBERTS.

* First peal of New Cambridge. This peal was rung as a wedding peal for Mr. G. H. Cross and Miss M. L. Mutton, who were married at St. Nicholas' Church, Chislehurst, on Monday, August 4th, the band extending to them hearty congratulations.

THRAPSTON, NORTHANTS.

THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, August 9, 1930, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,

At the Church of St. James,

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

Tenor 14 cwt. 7 lb.

JAMES T. WARD	Treble	JOHN R. MAIN	5
WALTER PERKINS	2	JAMES M. NICKERSON	6
ANDERSON Y. TYLER	3	AMOS SMART	7
ARTHUR BELLAMY	4	THOMAS R. HENSHER	Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by THOMAS R. HENSHER

GRUNDISBURGH, SUFFOLK.

THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Sunday, August 10, 1930, in Two Hours and Thirty Eight Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary,

A PEAL OF NEW CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 10 cwt.

CHARLES CLARKE	Treble	FREDERICK W. ROGERS	5
GEORGE PORNELL	2	*ALFRED T. GREENWOOD	6
WILFRED WILLIAMS	3	CECIL W. PIPE	7
CHARLES W. ROBERTS	4	RONALD H. BULLEN	Tenor

Composed and Conducted by C. W. ROBERTS.

* 50th peal. The ringers of the 2nd and 6th were elected members of the Suffolk Guild previous to starting the peal.

SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS.

LONG WITTENHAM, BERKS.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, July 19, 1930, in Three Hours,

At the Church of St. Mary,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 6040 CHANGES;

Tenor 9 cwt.

ALFRED THATCHER	Treble	WILLIAM HUTTON	4
ALBERT EASON	2	EDWARD WINTER	5
HARRY KING	3	EDWARD BRESLEY	Tenor

Conducted by EDWARD WINTER.

First peal by all, except the ringer of the 5th, and first peal on the bells.

MARSTON MAGNA, SOMERSET.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, August 4, 1930, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary,

A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being two six-scores of Bob Doubles and the remainder of Grandsire in 10 different callings. Tenor 13 cwt.

ARTHUR H. S. RAINEY	Treble	HAROLD F. TRAVERS	4
WILFRED LAMBERT	2	FRANK PRICE	5
PERCY N. G. RAINEY	3	THOMAS J. SETTER	Tenor

Conducted by P. N. G. RAINEY.

First two methods peal by all except the ringer of the 5th. Rung as a birthday compliment to the tenor ringer's sister.

SUTTON-IN-ASHFIELD, NOTTS.

EAST DERBYSHIRE AND NOTTINGHAMSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, August 4, 1930, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,

At the Parish Church,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being three 720's of Oxford Treble Bob, three of Kent Treble Bob and one of Plain Bob. Tenor 15½ cwt.

*C. M. HEATHCOTE	Treble	C. J. PARTRIDGE	4
W. ALLIN, SEN.	2	C. BECKLEY	5
J. E. WHEELDON	3	T. BETTISON	Tenor

Conducted by T. BETTISON.

* First peal of Minor. Rung as a birthday compliment to the ringer of the 2nd. J. E. Wheelton hails from Milton, Staffs. This is the first peal in which the ringers of the third and tenor have rung together for 31 years.

BISHOPS STORTFORD, HERTS.—On August Bank Holiday, at St. Michael's Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes) in 47 mins.: Miss D. Wacey 1, C. Beeston 2, Harold Wacey 3, Rev. F. W. Lane 4, H. Bull 5, F. Bird (conductor) 6, H. M. White 7, W. Wilkinson 8.

WELLINGTON, SOMERSET.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, August 4, 1930, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

At the Church of All Saints, Rockwell Green,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being three 720's of Cambridge Surprise and two each of Oxford and Kent. Tenor 12 cwt.

JAMES HUNT	Treble	S. GEORGE COLES	4
ARTHUR H. REED	2	PERCY MERSON	5
ALFRED J. WYATT	3	WILLIAM H. COLES	Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM H. COLES.

First peal of Minor on the bells. Also first of Minor as conductor.

EAST SUTTON, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, August 4, 1930, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,

At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven extents each called differently. Tenor 11 cwt.

CHARLES H. SONE	Treble	CHARLES W. PLAYER	4
HARRY BAKER	2	ALBERT RELFE	5
MRS. H. BAKER	3	THOMAS E. SONE	Tenor

Conducted by THOMAS E. SONE.

First peal on the bells.

CHASTLETON, OXON.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, August 4, 1930, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 6040 CHANGES;

In 10 different callings.

Tenor 8 cwt. in A.

*FRANK TUFFLEY	Treble	†LAWRENCE HAWCUTT	4
WALTER LARGE	2	HORACE TERRY	5
WILLIAM COLEMAN	3	*FREDERICK KINCHIN	Tenor

Conducted by HORACE TERRY.

* First peal. † Proposed a member before starting.

CLIFTON REYNES, BUCKS.

THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, August 5, 1930, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Consisting of 42 six-scores, eight different callings.

EDWARD SEAMARK	Treble	ALBERT MINNEY	4
J. J. PARTRIDGE	2	SIDNEY CORRY	5
AMOS SMART	3	*EDWARD STANTON	Tenor

Conducted by AMOS SMART.

* First peal.

TIBSHELF, DERBYSHIRE.

EAST DERBYSHIRE AND NOTTINGHAMSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, August 7, 1930, in Three Hours,

At the Parish Church of St. John-the-Baptist,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being two 720's of Kent Treble Bob, two of Oxford Treble Bob and three of Plain Bob. Tenor 12 cwt.

ARTHUR SMITHSON	Treble	FRED W. KNOWLES	4
WILLIAM SWAIN	2	HAROLD FRADGLEY	5
ERNEST T. MALLENDER	3	JOHN W. ENGLAND	Tenor

Conducted by JOHN W. ENGLAND.

Rung with the bells muffled as a mark of respect to the late Mr. J. W. Scott, aged 84 years, who had been an active ringer since the age of 12, and who was interred at Tibshelf the same day.

WARKTON, NORTHANTS.

THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, August 7, 1930, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,

At the Church of St. Edmund,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 6040 CHANGES;

Being 42 six-scores, 10 different callings. Tenor 9½ cwt.

*WALTER COPPERWHEAT	Treble	†ERIC J. SARGEANT	3
BURLEY P. MORRIS	2	†CHARLES M. WHITNEY	4
		†WILLIAM J. WHITMORE	Tenor

Conducted by B. P. MORRIS.

* First peal. † First peal away from treble. † First peal of Doubles. All the ringers are under 20 years of age, the average being 18 years.

MORTON, DERBYSHIRE.

On Saturday, August 9, 1930, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,

At the Church of the Holy Cross,

A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720's with different callings. Tenor 4 cwt. 3 qr. 7 lb.

H. HALL	... Treble	F. WHEELER	... 4
E. MALLENDER	2	F. CLARKE	5
A. SMITHSON	3	F. W. KNOWLES	Tenor

Conducted by F. W. KNOWLES.

Rung for the wedding of Mr. Vaughan Cox, a member of the local band, and Miss Lily Knowles, sister of the conductor.

HANDBELL PEALS.

The following four peals were rung at the residence of Mr. J. Bray.

BURTON-ON-STATHER, Lincs.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, July 29, 1930, in Two Hours and Twenty-Eight Minutes,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5072 CHANGES;

Tenor size 11½ in F sharp.

FRANK LORD	1-2	JACK BRAY	5-6
WALTER AYRE	3-4	BERNARD GILLATT, JUN. ...	7-8

Composed and Conducted by WALTER AYRE.

Witnesses: Mrs. J. BRAY and Mrs. W. AYRE.

BURTON-ON-STATHER, Lincs.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wednesday, July 30, 1930, in Two Hours and Fifty-Four Minutes,

A PEAL OF BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor size 11½ in F sharp.

*MRS. J. BRAY	1-2	WALTER AYRE	5-6
*FRANK LORD	3-4	JACK BRAY	7-8

*BERNARD GILLATT, JUN. ... 9-10

Composed by H. J. TUCKER. Conducted by J. BRAY.

Witness: Mrs. W. AYRE.

* First peal on ten. First peal on ten as conductor. First peal of Royal by all except 5-6.

BURTON-ON-STATHER, Lincs.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday and Friday, July 31 and August 1, 1930, in Two Hours and Thirty-Two Minutes,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;

Tenor size 11½ in F sharp.

JACK BRAY	1-2	WALTER AYRE	5-6
FRANK LORD	3-4	BERNARD GILLATT, JUN. ...	7-8

Composed by J. H. PILKINGTON. Conducted by FRANK LORD.

Witnesses: Mrs. J. BRAY (first half).

Mrs. W. AYRE (all but !)

First peal in hand as conductor.

BURTON-ON-STATHER, Lincs.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sunday, August 3, 1930, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes,

A PEAL OF BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor size 11½ in F sharp.

MRS. J. BRAY	1-2	JACK BRAY	5-6
*CHARLES MCGUINNESS ...	3-4	† HAROLD MARCON	7-8

BERNARD GILLATT, JUN. ... 9-10

Composed by W. AYRE. Conducted by J. BRAY.

Witness: FRANK LORD.

* First peal in hand. † First peal of Royal 'in hand.'

LINCOLN.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Friday, August 8, 1930, in Two Hours and Twenty-Nine Minutes,

At 56, MOORLAND AVENUE.

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor size 12 in F.

HARRY CARTER	1-2	JACK BRAY	5-6
*CHARLES MCGUINNESS ...	3-4	HAROLD MARCON	7-8

Composed by GEO. WILLIAMS. Conducted by J. BRAY.

Witnessed by Mrs. C. MCGUINNESS, Miss S. NORTON & Mrs. J. BRAY

* First peal of Major 'in hand.' First peal 'in hand' in the city of Lincoln.

A SUCCESSFUL TOUR.

The following peals were rung during the tour in Lancashire and Cheshire, only two peals being lost during the 'week':—

NEW MILLS, DERBYSHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, August 2, 1930, in Two Hours and Fifty-Four Minutes,

At the Church of St. George,

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

Tenor 13½ cwt.

JAMES H. SHEPHERD	... Treble	GEORGE WILLIAMS	5
WILLIAM HORAN	2	FRANK BENNETT	6
WILLIAM H. FUSSELL	3	THOMAS B. WORSLEY	7
ERNEST BENNETT	4	JAMES GEORGE	Tenor

Composed and Conducted by FRANK BENNETT.

NEWCHURCH, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION

On Sunday, August 3, 1930, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes

At the Parish Church,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 12½ cwt.

JAMES H. SHEPHERD	... Treble	FRANK BENNETT	5
WILLIAM H. FUSSELL	2	WILLIAM HORAN	6
ERNEST BENNETT	3	JAMES GEORGE	7
THOMAS R. DENNIS	4	GEORGE WILLIAMS	Tenor

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW. Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS.

STOCKPORT, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, August 4, 1930, in Three Hours and Twenty-Eight Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERERS, 5031 CHANGES;

Tenor 24 cwt.

GEORGE WILLIAMS	... Treble	WILLIAM HORAN	6
PETER LAFLIN	2	FRANK BENNETT	7
JAMES H. RIDING	3	THOMAS R. DENNIS	8
WILLIAM H. FUSSELL	4	BENJAMIN THORPE	9
*ERNEST BENNETT	5	JAMES GEORGE	Tenor

Composed and Conducted by FRANK BENNETT.

* First peal on ten bells.

STOCKPORT, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, August 4, 1930, in Three Hours and Thirty-Seven Minutes,

At the Church of St. George,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 30 cwt.

EDWARD JENKINS	... Treble	BENJAMIN THORPE	6
THOMAS R. DENNIS	2	WILLIAM R. MADGWICK ...	7
FRANK BENNETT	3	JAMES H. SHEPHERD	8
*ERNEST BENNETT	4	JAMES GEORGE	9
WILLIAM H. FUSSELL	5	JAMES H. RIDING	Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by EDWARD JENKINS.

* First peal of Royal.

REDDISH, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, August 5, 1930, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,

At the Church of St. Elisabeth,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 12 cwt.

JAMES GEORGE	... Treble	WILLIAM HORAN	5
WILLIAM H. FUSSELL	2	GEORGE WILLIAMS	6
THOMAS R. DENNIS	3	JAMES H. SHEPHERD	7
FRANK BENNETT	4	JAMES C. E. SIMPSON	Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF. Conducted by FRANK BENNETT

First peal of Superlative on the bells.

HYDE, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, August 5, 1930, in Three Hours and Fourteen Minutes,

At the Church of St. George,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 17 cwt. 11 lb.

WILLIAM H. FUSSELL	... Treble	FRANK BENNETT	5
GEORGE R. PYE	2	WILLIAM HORAN	6
ERNEST BENNETT	3	GEORGE WILLIAMS	7
JAMES C. E. SIMPSON	4	JAMES GEORGE	Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON. Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS

NORBURY, CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wednesday, August 6, 1930, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes,
At the Church of St. Thomas,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;
Tenor 14 cwt. 22 lb.

WILLIAM H. FUSSELL ... Treble	THOMAS R. DENNIS ... 5
FRANK BENNETT ... 2	JAMES C. E. SIMPSON ... 6
GEORGE R. PYE ... 3	WILLIAM HORAN ... 7
ERNEST BENNETT ... 4	GEORGE WILLIAMS ... Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON. Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS.
The conductor's 1,250th peal.

BOLTON, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, August 7, 1930, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes,
At the Church of St. Peter,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;
Tenor 15½ cwt.

JAMES H. SHEPHERD ... Treble	GEORGE R. PYE ... 5
GEORGE WILLIAMS ... 2	THOMAS R. DENNIS ... 6
ERNEST BENNETT ... 3	JAMES GEORGE ... 7
WILLIAM HORAN ... 4	JAMES C. E. SIMPSON ... Tenor

Composed by C. J. SEDGLEY. Conducted by GEORGE R. PYE.
* 100th peal.

BOLTON, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, August 7, 1930, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,
At the Church of the Holy Trinity,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;
Tenor 17½ cwt.

THOMAS R. DENNIS ... Treble	FRANK BENNETT ... 5
GEORGE WILLIAMS ... 2	GEORGE R. PYE ... 6
WILLIAM H. FUSSELL ... 3	JAMES C. E. SIMPSON ... 7
ERNEST BENNETT ... 4	JAMES GEORGE ... Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON. Conducted by FRANK BENNETT.
First peal of Surprise on the bells.

DEANE, BOLTON, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, August 8, 1930, in Three Hours and One Minute,
At the Church of St. Mary,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;
Tenor 13 cwt. 3 qr. 21 lb.

ERNEST BENNETT ... Treble	GEORGE R. PYE ... 5
THOMAS R. DENNIS ... 2	WILLIAM H. FUSSELL ... 6
WILLIAM HORAN ... 3	JAMES GEORGE ... 7
FRANK BENNETT ... 4	JAMES C. E. SIMPSON ... Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF. Conducted by FRANK BENNETT

WESTHOUGHTON, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, August 8, 1930, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,
At the Church of St. Bartholomew,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5072 CHANGES;
Tenor 14 cwt.

JAMES GEORGE ... Tenor	ERNEST BENNETT ... 5
WILLIAM H. FUSSELL ... 2	TITUS BARLOW ... 6
FRANK BENNETT ... 3	JAMES C. E. SIMPSON ... 7
WILLIAM HORAN ... 4	JAMES H. SHEPHERD ... Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR CRAVEN. Conducted by JAMES C. E. SIMPSON
First peal of Double Norwich on the bells.

PRESTWICH, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, August 9, 1930, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
REV. C. D. P. DAVIES' VARIATION OF THURSTANS'.
Tenor 16 cwt. 15 lb.

FRANK BENNETT ... Treble	TITUS BARLOW ... 5
WILLIAM HORAN ... 2	THOMAS R. DENNIS ... 6
ERNEST BENNETT ... 3	JAMES GEORGE ... 7
WILLIAM H. FUSSELL ... 4	JAMES C. E. SIMPSON ... Tenor

Conducted by FRANK BENNETT.
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The Editor of 'The Ringing World' will be glad to receive photographs of churches, with a view to their future publication when suitable occasion arises.

The photographs should be accompanied by brief particulars of the bells, with their inscriptions and dates if possible, and any other interesting information about them.

Pictures should, for preference, be photographic post-cards, and, where there is any choice, the tower should be a feature.

Obviously, of course, all the pictures cannot be published at once, the object of getting a collection being that the photographs may be ready at hand for use when fitting opportunity occurs.

Will each tower secretary be good enough to send a photograph of his own tower? It should be forwarded in an envelope for protection, and addressed to The Editor, 'The Ringing World,' Woking, Surrey, and the sender should enclose his name and address.

BELFRY GOSSIP.

Messrs. Mears and Stainbank have recast the 4th and tenor at Havant, Hants, and rehung the 3rd and 4th in new bearings. The next meeting of the Portsmouth District of the Winchester and Portsmouth Diocesan Guild is to be held at this tower.

Messrs. Mears and Stainbank are also retuning and rehangings the peal of six at Whitstable, Kent.

Six ringers who were delayed in Reading for half an hour on August Bank Holiday were treated to some 'topping' Maximus striking at St. Laurence's Church; in fact, they would have been listening yet had not their shepherd bawled them off to the station to catch their train for a remote village in Berkshire, where they rang a humble peal of Bob Major.

The seventh bell at Tenterden, Kent, being out of action, owing to bearing trouble, no ringing is possible. Will intending visitors please note.

The ringer of the 3rd in the peal of Grandsire Triples at Aberavon on July 11th was W. J. Nulton.

In our account of the veterans' peal at Worcester, Mr. W. Page's peal total was given as 111; whereas he has rung 138. This, however, does not affect the aggregate total rung by the band.

A well-known ringer joined the ranks of the Benedicts on Bank Holiday, when Mr. George H. Cross, formerly of Norwich, and now of London, was married to Miss M. L. Mutton, at St. Nicholas' Church, Chislehurst. The congratulations of their many friends will go out to the happy couple, who are spending their honeymoon in the West.

The peal of Kent Treble Bob Maximus at Norwich on Bank Holiday was rung in honour of the event, as was also a peal of New Cambridge Surprise Major at Eriton on Saturday.

Somebody sat up late at Burton-on-Stather on July 31st, for we record this week a handbell peal begun on that date and finished on August 1st, so that the ringing was spread not only over part of two days, but part of two months as well! It is the kind of performance that cannot very well be beaten unless some band will take on a peal that will need more than a month to ring.

York Minster has the unique record of having had three peals of twelve and a peal of ten in the course of its history. Its tower was the first to contain a peal of twelve. That was in the year 1655, but in 1765 a new peal of ten to replace them was cast at Whitechapel, and these were opened on August 18th of that year. These bells were destroyed by fire in 1840 and another ring of twelve replaced them. These were succeeded by the present glorious peal of twelve, cast at Loughborough.

The ringing 'week' in Lancashire and Cheshire ended on Sunday with a record of 14 successes in 16 attempts. The peals included three of Double Norwich, four of Superlative, three of Cambridge, one of Stedman Triples, two of Stedman Caters and one of Kent Treble Bob Royal. The two unsuccessful attempts were Stedman Cinques at Ashton-under-Lyne, lost after an hour and a half through a change course, and Cambridge Major at Radcliffe, after an hour, from the same cause.

The report of a peal rung on Saturday at Ormesby has been sent without the number of changes.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

BRATTON'S FINE CHURCH.

The monthly meeting of the Devizes Branch was held at the Parish Church of St. James the Great (or St. Margaret), Bratton, Westbury, Wilts, on Saturday, August 2nd. Ringing commenced about 3 p.m. and the Guild service was afterwards held, conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. Seymour Collett), Miss Hobbs being the organist. Tea followed in the Church Institute, to which 21 sat down.

A short business meeting was presided over by Mr. C. D. Heginbottom, and Miss M. Traylen and Mr. S. Davis, of Devizes, were elected members of the Guild. Ringers, including Mr. J. T. Dyke, of Chilcompton, hon. secretary of the Bath and Wells Diocesan Association, were present from Bratton, Devizes (St. John's and St. Mary's), Southbroom, Trowbridge, Westbury, Warminster and Rowde. On the motion of the chairman, a vote of thanks was passed to the Vicar, the organist and those who prepared the tea.—The Vicar suitably replied and extended an invitation to those present to visit the Vicarage gardens.

Touces of Grandsire and Stedman Doubles and Plain Bob Minor were rung during the afternoon and evening, also a touch of Cambridge Surprise Minor, which is believed to be the first touch of Cambridge on the bells. The following is a description of the bells:—

1. Mears and Stainbank, Founders, London, 1897. On waist: 'These two small bells were added A.D. 1897 in commemoration of Queen Victoria's long and eventful reign.'

2. Mears and Stainbank, Founders, London. On waist: 'R. S. Jacob, Vicar. G. G. Cleverley, James Hurlle, Churchwardens.'



The Interesting Church at Bratton, Wilts.

3. God be our Guyd, 1587. I.W. On waist: 'Recast by Mears and Stainbank, Whitechapel Foundry, London, 1896.'

4. John Whitaker, Churchwarden, 1793. (4 roses.). Thomas and James Bilbie, Chew, Stoke, Somerset. Fecit (rose).

5. G. Mears, Founder, London, 1858.

6. Honour the King. I.W. 1617.

The tenor and old treble were cast by J. Wallis, the large capitals I.W. on the 3rd being, according to Cocks' 'Church Bells of Bucks,' an imitation of the fancy ones used sometimes by Wallis, as at Hemington, Somerset, and Windsor Castle (Curfew Tower). There were 'tall bells' in the tower in the days of the 1553 Church Inventory.

The following is a description of the church taken from 'Highways and Byeways of Wiltshire':— 'Under the White Horse on Bratton Down I went on to Bratton, and saw the noble church there. There is nothing in all this county finer in its way than this airy and spacious village church of stone, a work as we see it of the early fifteenth century. It is a cruciform building with fine central tower of four stages splendidly ceiled, and consists of clerestoried nave of two bays, with north and south aisles, transepts and chancel, with three doorways north, south and west of nave; the two former strangely far to the east, and the south doorway having a porch. The position of these two side doorways, perhaps, is due to the older church which certainly stood here in Norman times, as the bowl

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GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

THE CENTRAL COUNCIL'S PUBLICATIONS.

A pleasant meeting of the Farnham District of the Guildford Diocesan Guild was held at Hawley, an eight-bell tower, on Saturday. Hawley is on the fringe of the diocese, and is one of the half-dozen towers in Hampshire which come within the Guild's area. The church and bells are modern and ideally situated for ringing. The surroundings are rural, but the bells, which are a useful peal, with tenor about 16½ cwt., would be improved outside if the sound were better modulated by stopping up the slate louvres, which throw the sound down in a rather overpowering way in the immediate neighbourhood of the church. There is one other little drawback in the tower, and that is closeness of some of the ropes to the walls. On Saturday a stalwart guardsman found that the easiest place from which to ring the tenor was the belfry window sill. Although the gathering was not a large one, most of the district towers were represented during the day, including Aldershot, Ash, Bagshot, Farnborough, Farnham, Hawley and Yorktown, while there were also ringers from Woking and a welcome visitor in Mr. Maurice Hibbert, of Bushey, who, seeking an afternoon in the country, succeeded in getting it by landing at a railway station three miles from his objective, and finding no means of reaching Hawley except by walking.

The Guild's service was conducted by the Rector, who, in his address, emphasised the need of personal example in the lives of all those who served the church. A bountiful tea was served in the Parish Room, and thoroughly enjoyed by the 23 who participated.

The Rector was thanked, on the call of Admiral T. P. Walker, for the use of the bells and conducting the service, and thanks were also extended to the ladies who prepared the tea, and to the organist.

At the brief business meeting, over which Admiral Walker presided, as the Rector had to leave for another engagement, one new member was elected, and a discussion took place on the recommendation of the Guild's Central Council representatives that the Guild should purchase, for resale to members, copies of some of the Council's publications. The suggestion found favour, as it was thought that sales might be effected at meetings if the publications were on view, whereas ringers would not trouble individually to send to the librarian for them.

Major Gale (Hawley) was elected to fill a vacancy on the Executive Committee of the Guild, caused by the regretted departure from the district of Mr. H. Tinsey (Scale), to whom it was resolved to send a letter of good wishes on the new venture which he has undertaken in Norfolk.

It was announced that the next meeting would be held at Farnborough, where the bells have recently been increased to six, and where this meeting would have been held but for the recent death of one of the churchwardens.

During the day Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Bob Minor, Bob Major and Treble Bob Major were rung. Major Gale and Admiral T. P. Walker took part in some of the touches, and the treble to a course of Kent was rung by a thirteen-year-old schoolgirl from Aldershot, where there seems an inexhaustible supply of 'youngsters,' and an example is set to other towers to 'catch 'em young.'

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.

ALTON DISTRICT.

The quarterly meeting of the Alton District was held on Saturday at Froyle. The unfavourable weather no doubt affected the attendance, and there was only a small party, which included the master (Mr. G. Williams) and Mrs. Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Read, and ringers from Blackmoor, Petersfield, Alton and Froyle. After about two hours' use of the bells, the Guild Office was said in St. Mary's Church by the district secretary, and then the party adjourned to the Shrubbery House for tea, by the kind invitation of Sir Hubert Miller, who is a life member of the Guild. Sir Hubert joined the ringers during tea, and, in response to the vote of thanks proposed by the master, cordially expressed the hope that the fixture at Froyle might become an annual one. The visitors afterwards had a stroll in the beautiful grounds, under the guidance of Mr. Gerald Robinson, head gardener, and a member of the Froyle band. This was most enjoyable, as the sun was then shining brightly, and when the company dispersed at 7 p.m. their only regret was there had not been a larger number to enjoy Sir Hubert's hospitality.

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of the font testifies, as do the east walls of the transepts and the walls of the porch. Apart from them, the whole church is a really fine work of the early Perpendicular time at its best, and gives one a most happy notion of the art of the fifteenth century.'

The country round about Bratton is supposed to be the scene of the Battle of Ethandun, in 878, when King Alfred conquered the Danes.

MR. JAMES BENNETT'S 500 PEALS.

Although there are quite a number of ringers who have scored 500 peals, the man who would achieve this record has got to keep busy over a considerable number of years. The latest addition to the ranks of those who can claim this distinction is Mr. James Bennett, of Lewisham, whose performance is the more noteworthy from the fact that over 300 of the peals were rung while he was serving in the Royal Marines. Here is the list of Mr. Bennett's peals, and, as will be seen, it is made up of a great variety of methods:—

		Rung Conducted	
Minor.—In 1 method	...	2	1
In 2 methods	...	1	1
In 3 methods	...	4	1
In 4 methods	...	2	1
In 5 methods	...	2	2
In 6 methods	...	2	2
In 7 methods	...	17	5
Triples.—Grandsire	...	19	2
Stedman	...	72	—
Union	...	2	—
Erin	...	1	—
Major.—A. Plain Bob	...	15	5
Little Bob	...	1	—
Reverse Bob	...	1	—
Canterbury Pleasure	...	1	—
Little Canterbury Pleasure	...	1	—
Dartford Little Bob	...	1	—



MR. JAMES BENNETT.

Crayford Little Bob	...	1	—
Kent Treble Bob	...	33	12
Oxford Treble Bob	...	9	—
Spliced Kent and Oxford Treble Bob	...	2	—
Cam Treble Bob	...	1	—
Double Bob	...	1	—
Double Oxford Bob	...	2	—
Double Norwich Court Bob	...	61	—
'Real' Double Norwich Court Bob	...	1	—
Spliced Double Norwich and Plain Bob	...	1	—
Norfolk Surprise	...	4	—
Superlative Surprise	...	29	—
Cambridge Surprise	...	47	—
New Cambridge Surprise	...	2	—
Bristol Surprise	...	20	—

(Continued in next column.)

SOME 'EXERCISE'!

If in one hundred years' time our art is taken from us, we can at least see to it that our ringing societies shall, although bereft of their bells continue as organised bodies down the pathway of time. Here is a suggestion for what it is worth; only we must organise at once.

I furnish an extract from 'Bengal Lancer' (Gollancz, Ltd.):—

'At Tughlakabad . . . we found the hereditary well-jumpers of the Moghul court still plying their profession. In 1922 some twenty of these men were alive, and all still active, including the eldest, who was ninety-nine.

'The shaft was eighty feet deep and only eight feet wide, so that if the jumpers had taken off with the slightest outward impetus they would have hit the sides and killed themselves. The only way to reach the bottom in safety was to step off as if going down a stair, and this the old men did.

'One after another they went down, making a noise like popping corks.'

(One side of the well is cut away in a ramp to water level with five arches in the shaft which enable spectators to see the performers flash by.—Ed.)

' . . . The eldest well-jumper came up to us, wringing his wet, white beard.

"Sahib, what are we to do with our boys," he asked. "Government has forbidden us to teach them to jump, saying it is dangerous, and that they must be educated. Are they to sit in schools with idol-worshippers instead of learning our ancient craft?"

"Who is to know what you teach them?"

"That is true," he chuckled, "and on bright nights we do still show them how the trick is done, beginning from the bottom archway. But their heads are so full of this new tyranny of education that I doubt whether they will ever have our skill."

So, there you are! Let us catch and train the younger generation now. Alternate Saturdays for 'Youths' and 'Gumberlands' at Tower Bridge, commencing from the low level. Jumps from the top span to count as a peal of Cambridge Maximus. Other bridges on the river to be allotted to the junior London societies.

A committee to be formed, known as 'The Extinction Committee,' to bring this most important question forward at the next annual meeting of the Central Council.

May I add that our certificate will in no way be affected, as the descent from campanology to Thames is very clearly depicted thereon.

'COLLEGE YOUTH.'

(Continued from previous column.)

London Surprise	...	22	—
Londonderry Surprise	...	1	—
Lincolnshire Surprise	...	1	—
Yorkshire Surprise	...	1	—
Rutland Surprise	...	1	—
Pudsey Surprise	...	1	—
Spliced Surprise in 4 methods	...	5	—
Spliced Surprise in 5 methods	...	1	—
Spliced Surprise in 6 methods	...	1	—
Spliced Surprise in 10 methods	...	1	—
Caters.—Grandsire	...	1	—
Stedman	...	30	—
Spliced Erin, Stedman and Grandsire	...	1	—
Royal.—Plain Bob	...	2	—
Little Bob	...	1	—
Kent Treble Bob	...	10	—
Oxford Treble Bob	...	1	—
Cambridge Surprise	...	14	—
Cinques.—Grandsire	...	1	—
Stedman	...	26	—
Maximus.—Kent Treble Bob	...	3	—
B. Cambridge Surprise	...	13	—
Superlative Surprise	...	2	—
C. Spliced Superlative and Cambridge Surprise	...	2	—
Total	500	32	

A. Includes the first peal ever rung by a Navy and Army band of ringers

B. Includes the record peal on 12 bells, also of Surprise.

C. The only spliced peals ever rung on 12 bells.

Rung in 23 counties, for 22 associations, in 168 towers, in nine of which the circle has been completed.

The first of these peals was rung at St. Mary's, Chatham, Kent, on 10th April, 1912, and the 500th at St. Mary's, Ealing, Middlesex, on 21st May, 1930; 303 being rung whilst Mr. Bennett was serving in the Royal Marines. Since the above total was completed, Mr. Bennett has rung a further nine peals, of which four have been Cambridge Surprise Maximus.

HOLT'S ORIGINAL. TOUCHES FROM THE PEAL.

The famous one-part peal of Grandsire Triples, known as 'Holt's Original,' which was, so far as is known, the first peal of Grandsire Triples composed with ordinary bobs and two ordinary singles only, is a composition that all Grandsire conductors should aim at calling. There was a time when it was recognised as an outstanding performance to call this peal; and it is still one of the best proofs of a conductor's ability to memorise a difficult composition. True, it is no uncommon achievement in these days—another sign of the advance of the times—and a week or two ago we published the record of the peal being rung 'non-conducted.' It was not the first time it had been rung in this way, but whenever it is done it is a performance which ranks high among notable peals. But when all is said and done, there are a great many Grandsire conductors who rather shrink from calling the 'Original,' not because it is really beyond them, but because of the application that is necessary to memorise the calling. It is sometimes overlooked that scores of touches of various lengths can be got from the peal, and that practically the whole of this 'one-part' can be learnt and practised piecemeal.

For instance, a start can be made on the first five hundred or so, a touch of 545 being obtained by ringing the first 33 leads producing:—

476532
S. 364725 3
P.L. 325476 3

Round at hand previous change.

Or there is the last 756 changes of the peal got by starting in the plain course, which comes up at this point.

Our old friend Mr. Challis Winney, who is a past master in the calling of this composition, sends us two quarter-peals, out of the middle of it. One, which he got from 'Dick' French nearly 50 years ago, emanated from All Hallows, Tottenham, and commences 18 leads after the half-peal (564723).

234567
672453 2
346572 1

From the peal 673425 3
to
653724

246375 2
P.L. 234567 1

The other is a 1,259, commencing 18 leads before the half-way.

234567
From the peal 672453 2
to
P.L. 425376

S. 364725 1
P.L. 325476 3

Round at hand.

Mr. Winney adds that he sends us these quarter-peals in the hope that young ringers will aspire to call the 'Original' and, to borrow his old friend Matt Wood's expression, not despise Grandsire Triples.

ANOTHER WHO 'COMPLETED THE CIRCLE.' To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—Amongst others who have called Holt's Original from every bell is Mr. Herbert P. Harman, one time of Bromley, Kent. This gentleman 'completed the circle' on December 26th, 1901, at Dartford, Kent. I myself had the pleasure of taking part in this peal.—Yours faithfully,
GEORGE R. NEWTON.

WOLVERHAMPTON RINGER'S CYCLING FATALITY.

It is with very deep regret that we have to record the death of Mr. H. R. Pickering, a very promising ringer at St. Michael and All Angels', Tettenhall, Wolverhampton. His end came with tragic suddenness. He was cycling home on Saturday, July 26th, when he fell from his cycle in such a manner as to sustain fatal injuries, death taking place in the Royal Hospital, Wolverhampton, on Monday, July 28th.

The funeral took place in the beautiful churchyard at Tettenhall on Saturday, August 2nd, when six of his brother ringers carried him to the grave. The bells were rung half-muffled for the service, and again afterwards, when the whole pull and stand was rung 28 times, corresponding with the years of his age. Afterwards a peal of Grandsire Triples half-muffled was rung, which is recorded in the proper column.

COLLINGHAM BRIDGE, YORKS.—On Tuesday, August 5th, at the ancient Parish Church of St. Oswald, 720 Grandsire Minor, in 35 mins.: W. Hague 1, A. E. Rawlings 2, H. Mason 3, C. Hague 4, G. H. Rawlings, jun., 5, W. Scheerer (conductor) 6, H. Groves 7, S. Atkinson 8 (7 and 8 covering). First 720 for all ringers. The last previous 720 at this church was rung before the war.

SUFFOLK GUILD.

AN ASSISTANT SECRETARY APPOINTED.

A very satisfactory meeting of the Suffolk Guild was held recently at Grundisburgh, at which ringers from a number of towers were present, and many different methods were rung. But the chief feature of the meeting was the reorganisation of the local band, under the guidance of ex-Sergt.-Major Pipe. Besides some young beginners, several very old members rejoined the band, among the best ringers being Mr. Clarke, now in his 80th year, and his son.

These also journeyed to Southwold, where a very successful meeting was held on Bank Holiday, August 4th. By kind permission of the Vicar, the bells of St. Edmund's Church were at the disposal of the ringers from midday; the methods rung were Plain Bob Major, Grandsire and Stedman Triples, and Double Norwich; and members and friends were present from Beccles, Grundisburgh, Leiston, Halesworth, Wrentham, Cambridge, Ufford, London and other places.

The business meeting was held in the belfry, with Mr. F. C. Lambert, Halesworth, in the chair. Much sympathy was expressed with the general secretary in his nervous breakdown, which considerably limited his powers. It was decided to elect an assistant secretary, and the mantle fell on to Mr. C. E. Fisher, who, to the satisfaction of all the members, promised to do all he could to help with the work until such time as the secretary had completely recovered.

After considerable discussion, it was decided to divide the Southwold District into two parts, which would be absorbed into the neighbouring districts. Members from all the towers concerned agreeing, it was unanimously decided to join Southwold to Halesworth, and Wrentham and Brampton to Beccles.

It was agreed that the next meeting be held at Fressingfield on September 27th. After the usual votes of thanks, members adjourned to Chapman's Restaurant for tea, which was admirably served.

On their way back members tried to visit the tower at Walberswick, but as a service was being held, only the exterior, together with the beautiful ruins and excavations, could be inspected. Then to Westleton, where everything was locked up. A warmer welcome was met with at Middleton, where some local ringers joined the company, including two ladies who are learning to ring. There was only time for a few touches of Grandsire and Stedman here before the ringers dispersed.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.

The annual meeting of the Peterborough Branch of the Peterborough Diocesan Guild was held at Whittlesey on Monday, August 4th. Between 40 and 50 ringers were present from various parts of the country. A short service was held in St. Andrew's Church and was conducted by the Rev. A. E. T. Newman. This was followed by a tea and meeting, held at the White Lion Inn, the general secretary (Mr. R. G. Black) presiding.

The bells of St. Mary's and St. Andrew's Churches were kindly placed at the disposal of the ringers and were kept going during the day to various methods, ranging from Bob Major to Double Norwich, a most enjoyable day being spent by all.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

A meeting of the Ashford District was held at St. Martin's, Cheriton, on Saturday, August 9th, but would have been poorly attended had it not been for visitors from Canterbury, Lewisham and Rochester Districts. Service at 5 o'clock was followed by tea in the School-room, kindly provided by the Church Council.

At the business meeting votes of thanks were passed to the lady organist and Mr. H. Beal, who kindly had everything in readiness. Returning to the tower, the ringers were able to practice methods up to Double Norwich, and the small meeting, which was noteworthy in having present members from four districts, was quite successful.

BURFORD RINGERS AT EVESHAM AND TEWKESBURY.

The ringers of Burford, Oxon, had their annual outing on Saturday, July 26th. Leaving the lovely little Cotswold town behind at 8.30, they were soon at Moreton-in-Marsh, and the peal of eight peals at the Parish Church going to the tune of Grandsire and Stedman Triples. Thence to Chipping Campden, a fine eight, with 24 cwt. tenor, where good ringing was enjoyed. A surprise call was made at Badsey, and, consent being readily given, the peal of eight (tenor 17½ cwt.) were soon ringing out. A move was then made to Evesham, where a welcome lunch had been arranged, and Mr. J. D. Johnson was waiting to welcome the visitors to the bell tower. A long stay could not be made, owing to the tenor being required for a soul departed. Tewkesbury was the next place of call, and ringing on the beautiful peal of ten bells at the Abbey was much enjoyed. With the help of the Rev. E. G. Benson and Mr. T. Devereaux, a course of Stedman Caters was brought round, being the first Caters rung by most of the visiting band. After tea at Tewkesbury the party headed for the Cotswolds again, calling at Northleach, where there is another fine peal of eight. Home was reached at 9.30 after plenty of exercise and a most enjoyable day. The best thanks of the ringers are given through 'The Ringing World' to the various incumbents for permission to ring, and to those who kindly met them at the towers.

SEVENTY-TWO YEARS A RINGER.**DEATH OF A DERBYSHIRE VETERAN.**

We regret to announce the death, on Tuesday, August 5th, at the advanced age of 84 years, of Mr. John William Scott, of Tibshelf, Derbyshire. The deceased was a member of the East Derbyshire and Nottingham Association since its formation in 1887, and had always faithfully attended its meetings until a few months ago. Always willing to give his help and advice in the training of young ringers, he was known and held in great esteem among ringers in a very large district. Born in Co. Durham, he commenced ringing at Winlayton at the age of 12, and thus had the remarkable record of 72 years as an active ringer, nearly 50 of which had been spent at Tibshelf as ringer, tower-keeper and clock attendant.

At the funeral on Thursday, August 7th, the Vicar paid tribute to the sterling work of the deceased, and urged all young ringers to take his life as an example. He was consistent in his work as a ringer and consistent also in his worship of God.

Mr. Scott leaves one son, Mr. J. E. Scott, of North Shields, who is also an enthusiastic change ringer, and often takes part in peals in the North. The bells were rung at the funeral by fellow-members of the association, which was represented in the cortege by the secretary (Mr. J. W. England), who received his early training at the capable hands of deceased. In the evening a muffled peal was rung, particulars of which will be found in the peal columns. John William Scott was a remarkable man. May he rest in peace.

DONCASTER BELLS.**OPPORTUNITY FOR BROADCAST COMPARISON.**

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—I understand Doncaster bells are to be broadcast on Sunday, August 31st.

As you are aware, the late Lord Grimthorpe designed and was very proud of these bells, and perhaps some of your interested readers may care to express an opinion in your columns as to how they compare with modern bells when heard via a loud speaker.

The bells are very thick and the tone rather hard. The tenor is a 54in. bell in E flat and weighs 30½ cwt.

HAROLD WALKER.

A CENTENARIAN'S BIRTHDAY.

At Fressingfield, Norfolk, on Aug. 7th, to celebrate the 100th birthday of Mrs. Emma Culver, 1392 Bob Major: Wm. Riches 1, E. Plummer 2, J. Etheridge 3, R. Rayner 4, E. Austin Head 5, J. Riches 6, Wal. Riches 7, R. Riches (conductor) 8; also 448 in the same method with A. Riches ringing the 5th.

THE LANCASHIRE TOUR.

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MANCHESTER, LANCASHIRE.**THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

On Saturday, August 9, 1930, in Three Hours and Twenty-Four Minutes,

AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY,

SS. GEORGE AND DENYS,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 6007 CHANGES;

Tenor 27 cwt. 3 qr. 6 lb.

JAMES C. E. SIMPSON	Treble	WILLIAM HORAN	6
WILLIAM H. FOSSELL	2	FRANK BENNETT	7
WILLIAM R. MADGWICK	3	BENJAMIN THORPE	8
TOM WILDE	4	JAMES GEORGE	9
JAMES H. RIDING	5	JAMES H. SHEPHERD	Tenor

Composed by SIR A. HEYWOOD. Conducted by FRANK BENNETT.

WHITTLE-LE-WOODS, LANCASHIRE.**THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

On Sunday, August 10, 1930, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 502½ CHANGES;

Tenor 21 cwt. 1 qr. 23 lb.

*ROBERT T. DAVIES	Treble	THOMAS B. WORSLEY	5
WILLIAM H. FOSSELL	2	FRANK BENNETT	6
WILLIAM HORAN	3	TITUS BARLOW	7
WILLIAM R. MADGWICK	4	JAMES GEORGE	Tenor

Composed by HENRY DAINS. Conducted by FRANK BENNETT.

*First peal of Double Norwich. Rung as a compliment to Mr. and Mrs. R. Davies on the 37th anniversary of their wedding. The thanks of the party are due to them for the excellent arrangements made for their accommodation.

WEDDING BELLS.**MR. G. H. CROSS AND MISS M. L. MUTTON.**

A wedding of much interest to members of the Exercise took place at Chislehurst on August Bank Holiday, when Mr. George Herbert Cross, second son of the late Mr. F. and Mrs. Cross, of Winter Road, Norwich, was married to Miss Marjorie Louise Mutton, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Mutton, of 6, Camden Grove, Chislehurst. Mr. Cross is well known in ringing circles, both as an able ringer and composer, and since coming to London from Norwich has taken an active part in ringing in the Metropolis, being now Ringing Master at St. Clement Dances. His bride has been one of the ringers at St. Nicholas', Chislehurst, and is a member of the Ladies' Guild.

The service took place at St. Nicholas', Chislehurst, and was conducted by Canon Oscar Hardman. The service was fully choral, the Rev. F. H. Keyworth accompanying on the organ the following hymns: 'Love divine, all loves excelling,' 'O perfect love,' and 'Gracious Spirit, Holy Ghost.'

The bride, who was given away by her father, wore a gown of parchment satin, underlined with pink, in mediæval style; she wore a necklace of pearls and a gold watch, the gift of the bridegroom. The bridesmaids were the Misses Gwen, Mary, Annie, Eileen and Evelyn Mutton (sisters of the bride), while the bride's brother, Master Donald Mutton, was a diminutive page. The elder maids wore long gowns in lemon, green, mauve and pink, and the two children cream and green; their ornaments were crystal necklets, the gift of the bridegroom. The bridegroom's brother, Mr. B. Cross, acted as best man. Chislehurst Ringers, of which the bride was a member, formed a guard of honour.

A number of ringing friends were present, and as the happy couple left the church, the bells were 'fired' and two courses of Stedman Triples and two courses of Double Norwich, in which Messrs. T. H. Taffender and C. W. Roberts (London), F. W. Rogers and A. T. Greenwood (Portsmouth) and B. Thompson (Norwich) took part.

After a reception, held by the bride's parents at the Guides' Hall, at which over a hundred guests were present, the happy pair left for a honeymoon tour of Somerset, Devon and Cornwall. The bride's going-away dress was of pale green crepe georgette.

During the reception two courses of Stedman Triples and two courses of Stedman Caters were rung on handbells, and as their car left for the station, they were given a send off with Stedman Triples and a 'size sixteen' shoe.

ANOTHER CHISLEHURST WEDDING.

Another Chislehurst ringer was married, on Saturday, when the wedding of Mr. Cyril Brett-Smith, younger son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Brett-Smith, of 68, White Horse Hill, Chislehurst, and Miss Mildred Doris Mallett, elder daughter of Mr. Frederick F. Mallett and Mrs. Mallett, of 89, Green Lane, Chislehurst, took place at St. Nicholas' Church, the Rev. G. R. Hampson officiating.

As the bride, who was given away by her brother, Mr. H. C. Mallett, entered the church, the Bridal Chorus from 'Lohengrin' was played. She wore an ankle-length dress of ivory silk, a tulle veil with a wreath of orange blossom, and gold brocade shoes. Her bouquet was of red roses and white heather, and she wore a necklet of pearls, the gift of the bridegroom.

The bridesmaids were Miss Mary R. Mallett (bride's sister), Miss Rosetta E. Gale (bride's cousin), and the Misses Lizzie, Annie and Lydia Brett-Smith (sisters of the bridegroom). They were attired in forget-me-not blue silk, with silver net mob-caps and wreaths of forget-me-nots; and their bouquets were of pink sweet peas. They also wore necklets of pearls. Mr. Jack Brett-Smith, the bridegroom's brother, acted as best man.

As the congregation left the church Mendelssohn's 'Wedding March' was played by the Rev. F. H. Keyworth, who officiated at the organ. The local ringers 'fired' the bells and rang a touch of Grandsire Triples in honour of the event.

After a reception, held by the bride's mother, at which over 40 people attended, the happy pair left for a honeymoon in Hertfordshire. Green silk marocain was the basis of the bride's going-away dress, and she wore a hat to match.

RINGERS' WEDDING AT WINGFIELD.

The wedding took place at North Wingfield Church on Saturday, August 9th, of Mr. Bert Wheeler, of Morton, and Miss D. A. Tarlton, daughter of Mr. J. P. Tarlton, of North Wingfield, hon. secretary of the Chesterfield District of the Midland Counties Association. Both bride and bridegroom are enthusiastic ringers at North Wingfield Church.

At the close of the ceremony 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor was rung by local members and friends. In the afternoon a peal of Double Norwich was attempted, but came to grief. Various touches were afterwards brought round by a band of friends from the surrounding districts, the bride's father also taking part.

At the Holy Cross Church, Morton, Derbyshire, for the wedding of Miss Lily Knowles and Mr. Vaughan Cox, a peal of Oxford Treble Bob Minor, recorded in our peal columns, was rung on Saturday. The bridegroom is a ringer at the church and the bride a sister of the conductor of the peal (Mr. F. W. Knowles).

WORSLEY RINGERS' TRIP INTO DERBYSHIRE.

The annual outing of the St. Mark's, Worsley, bellringers took place on Saturday, August 2nd. The showery weather, in which the party started at 7 a.m., did not damp the courage of the ringers, their wives and 'intendeds,' and friends from neighbouring towers of Walkden and Swinton. Tideswell was reached by 9 a.m. and lunch was provided at the Star Hotel. Afterwards the ringers were greeted at the church by the steeplekeeper. Touches of Grandsire, Stedman, Kent Treble Bob and Bob Major were rung on the fine peal recently placed in the tower by Taylor's, three members of the local company joining in with touches of Bob Major. Just before 11 a.m. the journey was resumed to Matlock, the destination. Handbells were set going again to change ringing and tunes, and Matlock was reached about noon, and after dinner the Parish Church was visited. Here Mr. Paulson, the vergier, was waiting for the party, and touches of Grandsire, Stedman, Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob were rung. Mr. Paulson joining in. After a good spell at the ropes the party spent some time in a round of sightseeing. At tea time they received a visit from the Vicar (the Rev. J. Renshaw) and his wife. The return journey was enlivened by the handbells and mouth organ solos, and after a call at Buxton, where an hour was spent, home was safely reached about 10.30 p.m., all somewhat tired after a most enjoyable outing that will not be forgotten. Through the medium of 'The Ringing World' the party wish to thank the towerkeepers of Tideswell and Matlock, the Vicars and churchwardens for the use of the bells, and all those who helped to make the outing such a pleasant one.

A PEAKLAND EXCURSION.

The Overseal ringers' first trip to Peakland, which was made last year, aroused such keen interest in the hills and dales of Derbyshire that this year the ringers planned a similar tour. The first point of interest to be reached was the wonderful church of Hoar Cross, near Burton-on-Trent. Built by the beneficence of Lord and Lady Meynell-Ingram, this church possesses features such as may be found in few churches of its size. Beautifully proportioned and rich in carving of wood and stone, its beauty holds one spellbound. Leaving Hoar Cross, the party passed on to the very old town of Abbot's Bromley, where the ancient market hall is still intact. Its Tudor buildings take us back to the days of 'Bluff King Hal,' and many are the good old tales of Abbot's Bromley in the 'good old days.' From here they went on via Wetley Rocks and Cheadle to Leek, 'the metropolis of the moorlands.' It saw much of the struggles of the Stuart period, being a garrison town of Charles I. Its ancient church has many interesting features, including curious epitaphs.

After an excellent lunch at the Red Lion Hotel, the drive took the company out of Leek to the top of Morridge, and, passing via Oneocote down a steep, winding road, they reached Hulme End Station in order to take a trip by the narrow gauge railway down the wonderful Manifold Valley. This valley is rich in caves and recently many relics, including Roman coins, have been unearthed. Leaving Hulme End, they travelled on to the pretty village of Hartington. Nestling in the valley, this village was beloved of John Cotton and Isaac Walton. 'The Compleat Angler.' The road then lay by way of Olstonfield and Hopedale to Ilam, and as a thrilling experience the 'drop' into Ilam compares very favourably with the 'snake' at Castleton. The sexton only was with the party this time, but his services were not required, as the bus and driver were both equal to the task. Passing through Ilam, the Isaac Walton Hotel was reached, and, after a good tea, a ramble in beautiful Dovedale was enjoyed. Mayfield was then reached, where the bells were tried. The old church, with its bullet-scarred doorway and door, and strict Puritan severity, forms a marked contrast with the church of Hoar Cross. Leaving Mayfield, the route lay through Ellastone and the old town of Uttoxeter to Tutbury, famous for its old castle. And then through Burton-on-Trent to Overseal.

NETHERTON RINGERS' CELEBRATION.

On Sunday evening, August 3rd, at Netherton, Dudley, Worcester-shire, a quarter-peal (1,260 changes) of Grandsire Triples in 46 mins. was rung by the following local ringers and friends: Ben Gough (Coseley) 1, Ben Boote 2, Tom A. Townsend 3, Sam Hughes (Smethwick) 4, Alf Rowley (Brierley Hill), conductor, 5, Harry Hubble 6, Albert Prestidge, sen., 7, Albert Prestidge, jun., 8.

This quarter-peal was specially rung in honour of its being the 30th anniversary of the election of Mr. Albert Prestidge as a ringer to the St. Andrew's, Netherton, band, he having been made a member on Sunday, August 3rd, 1900. Mr. Prestidge is also a member of the local Church Council, is now ringing master and conductor, and a prominent citizen of Netherton, where he has been licensee of the Bird-in-Hand, St. Andrew's Street, for over 20 years, and where he is always pleased to see all ringing friends.

FIRST ON THE BELLS.

On Tuesday, August 5th, at the Parish Church, Withernsea, Yorks, 720 Bob Minor: Miss N. Dalton 1, T. Sheppard 2, J. Pickering 3, C. Tomlinson 4, S. Webb (conductor) 5, M. Dixon 6. First 720 of Minor on the bells, which were recently augmented to six.

NOTICES.

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ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637).—Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus' on the 28th, *St. Giles', Cripplegate, on the 19th, St. Andrew's, Holborn, on the 21st; all at 7.30 p.m. *Business meeting afterwards.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. — Manchester Branch.—The next meeting will be held at St. James', Birch-in-Rusholme, on Saturday, August 16th. Bells ready 6 p.m. A good attendance is requested.—J. Hall, Branch Sec., 22, Silver Street, Miles Platting.

ESSEX, HERTS AND MIDDLESEX ASSOCIATIONS. — Joint meeting at Edmonton on Saturday, August 16th. Bells available from 2.30. Service at 4.30. Tea, at 5, at 1s. 3d. each. Ringing also at St. Andrew's, Enfield, at 2.30, and at All Hallows', Tottenham, from 6.30 to 7.30. All ringers welcome! Come in your hundreds!—E. J. Butler, W. Lawrence and C. T. Coles, Hon. Secs.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Eastern District.—A meeting of the above will be held at Sunderland on Saturday, August 16th. Bells of Bishop Wearmouth Church and St. Ignatius available. Meet Bishop Wearmouth Church at 2.30 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m. in St. Ignatius' Institute. All ringers from rounds to Surprise welcome. — F. Robson, Hon. Dis. Sec., 6, Water Street, West Hartlepool.

OXFORD AND WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILDS.—Newbury and Andover Branches. — A joint meeting will be held at Thatcham on Saturday, August 16th. Bells (8) available at 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea, 5 p.m., at 1s. All ringers welcome.—H. W. Curtis and the Rev. F. C. Sear, Hon. Secs.

EAST GRINSTEAD GUILD.—A ringing meeting will be held at Edenbridge on Saturday, August 16th. Tower opened 3.30 p.m. All ringers welcome.—G. Lambert, Drummond Hay, Moat Road, East Grinstead.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. — Burton District.—The next meeting will be held at Hanbury on Saturday, August 16th. Bells (8) ready 4 p.m. Yellow bus leaves Wetmore Road Park at 3.30 p.m. Please see that this meeting is well supported.—John Leach, Dis. Sec.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. — Bedford District.—A meeting will be held at Biddenham (6 bells) on Saturday, August 16th, at 2.30 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m. Bletsoe bells are not available for this meeting. All ringers welcome.—Percy C. Bonnett, Staggsden, Beds.

WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.—The next meeting will be held at Berkswell, near Coventry, on Saturday, August 16th. Bells available during afternoon and evening. Tea will be provided at a moderate charge.—D. E. Lewis, Gen. Hon. Sec., Firholm, King Edward Road, Nuneaton.

NOTTINGHAM SOCIETY OF SHERWOOD YOUTHS (Established 1672).—A meeting of the above will be held at Greasley (8 bells) on Saturday, August 16th. Bells ready 3 p.m. South Normanton bus from Millstone Lane 2.20 p.m. every half-hour. Those requiring tea please advise Mr. F. T. Justice, Watnall, Notts.—F. Blood, Hon. Sec.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Wigan Branch. — A meeting will be held at Rainford on Saturday, August 16th. Bells available at 3 o'clock. Will all members make a special effort to attend? Subscriptions are due.—James W. Grounds, Branch Sec., 8, School Lane, Standish.

MIDLAND COUNTIES' ASSOCIATION.—Peak District.—The next monthly meeting will be held at Castleton on Saturday, August 16th. Church of St. Edmund, 8 bells (tenor about 15 cwt.), available afternoon and evening. Tea will be arranged at a moderate charge.—J. E. Lewis Cockey, Hon. Dis. Sec., Leamwood, Dore.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Bridgwater Deanery Branch. — The quarterly meeting will be held at Enmore on Saturday, August 16th. Bells available 2.30. Service 4. Tea 5. All ringers welcome.—C. Evans, Hon. Sec., 14, Redgate Street, Bridgwater.

SURREY ASSOCIATION.—Southern District. — A meeting will be held at St. Mary's, Oxted, on Saturday, August 23rd. Tower open at 3. Service at 5. Tea and business meeting to follow. Those requiring tea please let me know by Wednesday, August 20th.—A. J. Bull, Hon. Sec., Jesmond, Queen's Road, Horley.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Blackburn Branch. — The annual branch meeting and social will be held at Church Kirk on Saturday, August 23rd. Bells available from 3 p.m. Tea, 1s. 6d. each, at 5 p.m. Meeting 6 p.m. Business: Election of officers. Social commences at 7.30 p.m. Will all those intending being present at tea please notify Mr. L. J. Williams, 58, York Street, Church, not later than Tuesday, August 19th? — F. Hindle, Hon. Branch Sec., 58, Anvil Street, Blackburn.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Preston Branch. — The next meeting will be held at St. Helen's Church, Garstang, on Saturday, August 23rd. Bells available from 3 p.m. Will those requiring tea kindly notify Mr. J. Shore, Oak Lea, Kirkland, Garstang, not later than Wednesday, August 20th?—Fred Rigby, Hon. Sec., 8, Carrington Road, Chorley.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Ely Archdeaconry.—A ringing meeting will be held at Bourn (8) on Saturday, August 23rd. Bells 3 p.m. Tea, 5 p.m., in the Vicarage. No service. Please notify by August 20th for tea. Methods: Double Norwich, Cambridge and Superlative. Plain Bob for any others if required.—F. Warrington, Ashcroft, Mill Road, Over, Cambs.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—South-Eastern Division. — A meeting will be held at Malden on Saturday, August 23rd. Bells available: All Saints' (8) and St. Mary's (6) at 2.30. Service at All Saints' at 4.30. Tea at 5 o'clock. Will all those intending to be present at tea please let me know by Wednesday, August 20th? — A. E. Coombes, Hon. Sec., 8, Council Houses, Galleywood, Chelmsford.

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Crewe Branch. — The next monthly meeting of the above branch will be held at Marbury on Saturday, August 23rd. Six bells. Will all those who intend being present kindly let me know on or before August 20th?—Richard D. Langford, Branch Hon. Sec., 6, Laura Street, Crewe.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. — The Bolton Borough Police have placed their bowling green at the disposal of ringers, wives and friends on Saturday, August 23rd. Names please by August 20th to Peter Crook, 203, Devonshire Road, Bolton.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.—The next meeting of the Chesterfield District will be held at Ashover on Saturday, Aug. 23rd. Will members who have not paid their annual subscription please note that they are due? A good attendance is earnestly requested, and all ringers will be welcome. No arrangement is made for tea, as there are places where tea may be obtained. East Midland buses leave Markham Road, Chesterfield, for Kelstedge, which is close to Ashover, every hour.—J. P. Tarlton, Hon. Sec.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION. — St. Albans District.—A meeting will be held at Harpenden on Saturday, August 23rd. Bells available at 3 p.m. Arrangements for tea will be made. All are welcome.—W. Nash, Dis. Sec., North Mimms, Hatfield.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—North-Western Division.—A meeting will be held at Hatfield Broad Oak on Saturday, August 23rd. Bells ready at 3 p.m. Service at 5 p.m. Tea at 5.30 p.m.—C. Beeston, 5, King Street, Bishop's Stortford.

EAST DERBYSHIRE AND NOTTS ASSOCIATION.—The next meeting will be held at Selston on Saturday, August 23rd. Bells ready 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea, 5 p.m., at 1s. each. Please notify Mr. Wilson Dobb, Church Lane, Selston, by Thursday, August 21st.—J. W. England, Sec., South Normanton.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. — East Berks and South Bucks Branch.—The next ringing meeting has been arranged at Marlow on Saturday, August 23rd. Bells available 6.30 to 9 p.m.—A. D. Barker, Branch Sec. and Treasurer, Cambridge, Wexham, Slough.

LADIES' GUILD.—Northamptonshire District. — A meeting will be held at St. Mary's, Peterborough (6) on Saturday, August 23rd. Usual arrangements. Will those requiring tea kindly notify Mr. J. J. Jutson, St. Mary's School House, Peterborough, by August 20th?—S. Thursfield, Hon. Sec.

ROMNEY MARSH AND DISTRICT GUILD. — The next meeting will be held at Kennington on Saturday, August 23rd (not 16th as arranged at last meeting). Bells available 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. All ringers welcome.—A. J. Battin, Hon. Sec., Heronden Hall Gardens, Tenterden.

TRURO DIOCESAN GUILD.—The Bishop of Truro proposes (p.v.) to dedicate the recast peal of eight bells at St. Mary's, Penzance, on Monday, August 25th, at 4 p.m. Ringing from 10.30 a.m. All ringing friends welcomed.—John Symons, Ringing Master, Buriton House, Penzance.

DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD. — A quarterly meeting of this Guild will be held at Wombourn (Staffs) on Saturday, August 30th. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Service in church at 4.30. Business meeting afterwards.—Herbert Sheppard, Hon. Sec., 113, Himley Road, Dudley.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.—South and West District.—A meeting will be held at St. Peter's, Staines, on Saturday, August 30th. Usual arrangements made. Cheap tickets on Southern Railway.—Wm. H. Hollier, Hon. Sec., 29, Duke Road, W.4.

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD AND SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—A joint meeting will be held at Church Stretton on Saturday, August 30th. Ringing from 3 p.m. Further particulars later.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Western Division.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Wisborough Green on Saturday, August 30th. All those intending being present kindly advise me early. — A. W. Groves, Amherst, Dominion Road, Worthing.

SWANSEA AND BRECON DIOCESAN GUILD.—Annual Festival at Brecon on Saturday, August 30th. Towers of St. Mary's and St. David's Churches open for ringing from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Service in St. Lawrence Chapel of Cathedral at 3 p.m. Tea at Ely Tower (by kind invitation of Lord Bishop) at 4 p.m. Business meeting to follow. Please let Hon. Treasurer (Mr. Charles Powell, 3, North Road, Brecon) know numbers expected for tea by August 23rd.—W. R. Howells, Hon. Sec., N. P. Bank Chambers, Neath.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.—Western Branch.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Hanley Castle on Saturday, August 30th. Lady Lechmere has kindly offered to provide tea for all those who notify Mr. E. Gibbs, Hanley Swan, by August 27th. —J. Rowlett, Branch Sec., Old Street, Upton-on-Severn.

SURREY AND LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATIONS.—A district joint meeting will be held at Beddington on Saturday, August 30th. Bells (10) at 3 p.m. Service 5, tea following. Ringing after till 9 p.m. Those requiring tea please advise Mr. C. H. Kippen, 18, Guy Road, Beddington, by August 27th.—D. Cooper and J. Herbert, Hon. Secs.

SWANSEA AND BRECON DIOCESAN GUILD.—Southern District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Sketty on Saturday, Sept. 6th. Bells (8) available at 3 p.m. Service at 4.30 p.m., with tea and business meeting to follow. All ringers welcome.—E. Stitch, Hon. Dis.

HOYLANDSWAINE CHURCH.—Change Ringing Contest. Six bells, to be held on Saturday, Sept. 13th. Rules will be sent to any band wishing to join on receipt of stamped addressed envelope. Teas only guaranteed to those who apply. Closing date August 30th. — E. Brookes, Hail Lane, Hoylandswaine, Sheffield.

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SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES.

MARHAM, NORFOLK.—On Sunday, August 10th, at Holy Trinity Church, 720 Bob Minor in 25 mins.: H. Bird 1, A. E. Bacon 2, F. Matthews 3, A. Mason 4, W. Bone 5, W. Buckenham (conductor) 6. All the above are local service ringers.

LINSLADE, BUCKS.—On August 10th, for matins, a quarter-peal of Double Norwich Court Bob Major (1,280 changes): W. Insley 1, F. Jeffs 2, W. J. Jeffs 3, B. Calcott 4, G. W. Harris 5, A. E. Sharman (conductor) 6, A. G. Matthews 7, F. Vicars 8. First quarter in the method on the bells, also by ringers of 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 8th, who are local men. The rest are from the Priory Church, Dunstable, where ringing is temporarily suspended owing to the tower being under restoration.

OVER, CAMBS.—On Sunday, August 10th, at the Church of St. Mary, 720 changes of Cambridge Surprise Minor for evensong: W. Bavin 1, M. Ginn 2, B. Wayman 3, C. Robinson 4, A. J. Ginn 5, F. Warrington (conductor) 6.

PAIGNTON.—On Sunday, August 10th, for evensong, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes): F. Allwood 1, F. Hayes (conductor) 2, G. H. Lewes 3, T. S. Collings 4, A. J. Grant 5, F. E. Parnell 6, H. J. Hole 7, C. F. Austin 8. Arranged for Messrs. Hayes and Grant, who hail from High Wycombe (Bucks) and Taunton respectively.

FARINGTON, BERKS.—On Sunday, August 10th, for evening service, at All Saints' Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes) in 44 mins.: E. Walker 1, F. H. Freegard 2, F. Wheeler 3, E. C. Hughes 4, H. Taylor 5, T. Clarke 6, C. I. J. Pearce (conductor) 7, J. Beasley 8.

HEMINGFORD ABBOTTS, HUNTS.—On Sunday, August 10th, at the Church of St. Margaret, 1,248 Kent Treble Bob Minor: F. Warrington (conductor) 1, G. L. Perkins 2, H. Saunders 3, G. Ransome 4, H. Lavender 5, J. Perkins 6. Rung on the occasion of the dedication of a new south chapel by the Ven. Archdeacon of Huntingdon in memory of Col. Linton, many years warden of this church and much respected by all who knew him.

WATFORD, HERTS.—At the Parish Church, for evening service, on Sunday, August 10th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes) in 50 mins.: W. Crowsley 1, W. E. Oakley 2, H. G. Cashmore 3, S. H. Hoare 4, F. H. Crook 5, F. Edwards 6, R. G. Bell (first quarter-peal as conductor) 7, S. E. Edwards 8.

WILBURTON, ISLE OF ELY.—On Sunday, August 3rd, for evensong, at the Church of St. Peter, 1,320 Cambridge Surprise Minor: H. Markwell 1, C. Robinson 2, F. G. Gleaves 3, F. Thurton 4, H. Sharp 5, F. Warrington (conductor) 6.

PUTNEY.—At St. Mary the Virgin's Church, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples in 45 mins.: T. Bolton 1, W. Malins 2, W. H. Worsley 3, Arthur Jones 4, J. Herbert 5, C. Moody 6, W. T. Elson (conductor) 7, G. F. Edwards 8.

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