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THE PRINCESS

YESTERDAY was a memorable occasion in the life of the British Commonwealth with the wedding of the Heiress Presumptive. It was not only at Westminster Abbey, where amid pageantry this solemn sacrament took place, that the bells rang out their message of felicitations, but also from all the great cathedrals of our land as well as the churches of our towns and villages. And the vibrant hum of the bell was not confined to this land; messages have reached us from Canada, Australia and South Africa telling of the plans to give expression to that devotion that in a remarkable manner has been displayed towards the House of Windsor.

This loyalty is almost a paradox, coming as it does in an era when men's minds are drifting towards communal ideas and objectives. Outlook has changed since the days when the first Elizabeth ascended the throne and the individuality of the Sovereign found expression in vigorous direction of the affairs of State. 'Have a care over my people,' she charged her judges. 'You have my people; do you that which I ought to do. See unto them; see unto them, for they are my charge.' To-day the great ties of the throne are by precept and example. The unity of this people has been brought about by the Christian example and the display of those homely virtues by the reigning sovereign and his family. They constitute a pattern for a great people, and while those virtues of truth, unweariness in duty, courtesy and consideration for others are revealed in our King and Queen, then will the traditional respect and homage knit the peoples of their dominions together.

The good wishes and blessings, which have been showered on the young lovers from the hearts and minds of millions are not mere platitudes; they have been stimulated by the words of the Princess in her famous coming-of-age broadcast from South Africa. There was the sense of statesmanship of the first Elizabeth behind her message, which read: 'I declare before you all that my whole life, whether it be long or short, shall be devoted to your service and the great imperial family to which we all belong. I shall not have the strength to carry out this resolution unless you join in it with me.' That dedication of service is not reserved to the Princess. We humbler folk of the ringing chamber will surely accept the challenge and share kinship with her by performing whatever tasks are before us to the best of our might and skill.

EIGHT BELL PEALS

BOWDON, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Oct. 11, 1947, in 3 Hours and 12 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 14 cwt. 1 qr. 26 lb. in F.

*MISS JEAN C. BROWN...Treble	HERBERT A. MCKINNEL	5
MISS MARY ELKINS ... 2	MISS JOAN MORRIS ...	6
C. KENNETH LEWIS ... 3	A. RICHARD ELKINS ...	7
*FRANK ARROWSMITH ... 4	ALAN J. BROWN ...	Tenor

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD. Conducted by ALAN J. BROWN.
* First peal.

NORTHOWRAM, YORKSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Oct. 18, 1947, in 3 Hours and 15 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MATTHEW,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5152 CHANGES;

Tenor 15½ cwt.

WILLIAM AMBLER ... Treble	HARRY WILDE ...	5
W. GEORGE TURNER ... 2	*ROY MANN ...	6
*JOHN PEARSON ... 3	ALBERT E. HANCOCK ...	7
†LEONARD HEALEY ... 4	SAM LONGBOTTOM ...	Tenor

Arranged and Conducted by ALBERT E. HANCOCK.
* First peal in the method. † First peal. First peal as conductor.

KIBWORTH, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thurs., Oct. 23, 1947, in 3 Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. WILFRED,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5152 CHANGES;

*ALAN SALTER ... Treble	†ROLAND H. SMITH ...	5
WILLIAM C. SHUTE ... 2	NIGEL W. BOLTON ...	6
JOSIAH MORRIS ... 3	FRED STANFORTH ...	7
HAROLD J. POOLE ... 4	G. STEDMAN MORRIS ...	Tenor

Composed by ERNEST MORRIS. Conducted by G. STEDMAN MORRIS.
* First peal. † First peal of Major.

NORWICH.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Fri., Oct. 31, 1947, in 3 Hours and 1 Minute,

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

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5104 CHANGES;

Tenor 14 cwt. in F.

WALTER C. MEDLER ... Treble	ARTHUR G. BASON ...	5
ROBERT W. BARBER ... 2	GEORGE SAYER ...	6
ERNEST G. SHORTING ... 3	NOLAN GOLDEN ...	7
F. CHARLES GOODMAN ... 4	A. PATRICK CANNON ...	Tenor

Composed and Conducted by NOLAN GOLDEN.

ERITH, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Fri., Oct. 31, 1947, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes,

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

A PEAL OF BELGRAVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5152 CHANGES;

Tenor 15 cwt.

HARRY HOVERD ... Treble	†JAMES E. BAILEY ...	5
*EDWIN A. BARNETT ... 2	FREDERICK J. CULLUM... 6	
MRS. P. A. CORBY ... 3	†FRANK B. LUFKIN ...	7
HERBERT E. AUDSLEY ... 4	PHILIP A. CORBY ...	Tenor

Conducted by E. A. BARNETT.
* 50th peal on the bells. † First peal of Belgrave Major.

RINGWOOD, HAMPSHIRE.

THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Nov. 1, 1947, in 3 Hours and 15 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 18½ cwt.

*RONALD J. SHERMAN ... Treble	*DAVID R. REED ...	5
*MISS MYRA THILLER ... 2	*COLLIN W. REED ...	6
*LESLIE G. HARRIS ... 3	WILLIAM E. CHEATER ...	7
RONALD MARLOW ... 4	*CHARLES J. DRAYSON ...	Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM E. CHEATER.
* First peal.

WRAXALL, SOMERSET.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Nov. 1, 1947, in 3 Hours and 23 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 23½ cwt.

*EDWARD J. CHIVERS ... Treble	*NORMAN H. COOMBS ...	5
DONALD G. CLIFT ... 2	*EMLYN F. HANCOCK ...	6
*ROYSTON G. BRYANT ... 3	*RONALD G. BECK ...	7
*GEORGE J. HAWKINS ... 4	WILFRED WILLIAMS ...	Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHTS. Conducted by WILFRED WILLIAMS.
* First peal in the method.

CRAYFORD, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Nov. 1, 1947, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAULINUS,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 12½ cwt.

WALTER J. LEMON ... Treble	*FRANK B. LUFKIN ...	5
EDWIN BARNETT ... 2	FREDERICK A. COLEY ...	6
JAMES E. BAILEY ... 3	BRIAN J. E. WHITE ...	7
ALFRED G. WILLIAMS ... 4	EDWIN A. BARNETT ...	Tenor

Composed by C. CHARGE. Conducted by E. A. BARNETT.
* 150th peal.

MARTOCK, SOMERSET.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Nov. 1, 1947, in 3 Hours and 7 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 25 cwt.

HERBERT W. PEARCE ... Treble	WALTER H. POOLE ...	5
R. W. HAYWARD ... 2	WILLIAM E. TURNER ...	6
*REGINALD BEALE ... 3	THOMAS J. SETTER ...	7
ARTHUR H. REED ... 4	WILLIAM G. GIGG ...	Tenor

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD. Conducted by Wm. G. GIGG.
* First peal of Major. First in the method on the bells.

HILLINGDON WEST MIDDLESEX.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Nov. 1, 1947, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

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

Tenor 13½ cwt.

THOMAS G. BANNISTER...Treble	ALICK CUTLER ...	5
GEORGE M. KILBY ... 2	FREDERICK A. FINCH ...	6
WILLIAM WELLING ... 3	*HERBERT W. IMPEY ...	7
FRANK CORKE ... 4	CHARLES W. ROBERTS...Tenor	

Composed by C. W. ROBERTS. Conducted by THOS. G. BANNISTER.
* First peal of Double Norwich.

BALDOCK, HERTFORDSHIRE.

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Nov. 1, 1947, in 3 Hours and 12 Minutes,

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

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 28 cwt.

*CYRIL H. KINCH ... Treble	R. THOMAS NEWMAN ...	5
LEONARD E. FIDLER ... 2	CHARLES F. SAYER ...	6
DONALD C. MEARS ... 3	GEORGE W. DEBENHAM ...	7
FRANK W. CROFT ... 4	†LEWIS H. BYWATERS ...	Tenor

Composed by SIR A. P. HEYWOOD. Conducted by G. W. DEBENHAM.
* First peal in the method. † 100th peal.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.

THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Nov. 1, 1947, in 3 Hours and 16 Minutes,

AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

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

Pitstow's Transposition.	ALFRED H. PULLING ...	5
JOHN DAVY ... Treble	*ROGER O. FRY ...	6
JANET MATTINSON ... 2	CLARENCE H. DOBBIE ...	7
WILLIAM J. ROBINSON ... 3	T. MARK WHITE ...	Tenor

Conducted by ALFRED H. PULLING.
* First peal in the method. To commemorate the reopening of the Cathedral Church.



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DISS, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Nov. 1, 1947, in 3 Hours and 19 Minutes.

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

A PEAL OF NEW CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5280 CHANCES;
Tenor 23 cwt. 82 lb. in D.

ALBERT G. HARRISON ... Treble	*W. ARCHIE LOCK ... 5
ERIC G. BENNETT ... 2	*GEORGE SAYER ... 6
*WILFRED G. SAUNDERS ... 3	WILLIAM CLOVER ... 7
NOLAN GOLDEN ... 4	*A. PATRICK CANNON ... Tenor

Composed and Conducted by NOLAN GOLDEN.

* First peal of New Cambridge.

BURTON-ON-STATHER, Lincs.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Nov. 1, 1947, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW.

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANCES;
Tenor 12 cwt. 28 lb.

FRED JEFFERY ... Treble	JOHN FREEMAN ... 5
CHARLES MCGUINNESS ... 2	JACK BRAY ... 6
JOHN WALDEN ... 3	GEORGE W. MOODY ... 7
PHILIP BARNES ... 4	JOHN A. FREEMAN ... Tenor

Composed by J. W. PARKER. Conducted by JOHN FREEMAN.

First peal of Surprise on the bells.

NORBURY (HAZEL GROVE), CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Nov. 1, 1947, in 3 Hours and 1 Minute.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS.

A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5152 CHANCES;
Tenor 14 cwt. 1 qr. 21 lb.

WILLIAM FERNLEY ... Treble	JAMES A. MILNER ... 5
PETER LAFIN ... 2	TOM WILDE ... 6
ALAN A. POTTS ... 3	*JOSEPH W. WHITTAKER ... 7
JAMES FERNLEY ... 4	JOHN WORTH ... Tenor

Conducted by JOHN WORTH.

Composition from 'Clavis.' * First peal of London on 'inside' bell.

KIDLINGTON, OXFORDSHIRE.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Nov. 1, 1947, in 3 Hours and 12 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;
Heywood's Transposition. Tenor 23½ cwt.

EDWIN G. MOORE ... Treble	WILLIAM JUDGE ... 5
WALTER F. JUDGE ... 2	WILLIAM C. PORTER ... 6
PHILIP WALKER ... 3	FREDK. A. H. WILKINS ... 7
*HERBERT H. ALEXANDER ... 4	J. RICHARD CHAUNDY ... Tenor

Conducted by WALTER F. JUDGE.

* 50th peal. The conductor's 100th peal of Stedman Triples.

BEACONSFIELD, Bucks.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Nov. 1, 1947, in 3 Hours and 12 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY AND ALL SAINTS.

A PEAL OF YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES;
Tenor 22 cwt. 1 qr. 7 lb.

HARRY WINGROVE ... Treble	WILFRED EDWARDS ... 5
DOROTHY R. FLETCHER ... 2	ROLAND BIGGS ... 6
JESSE HARRISON ... 3	WALTER LEE ... 7
KATHLEEN E. FLETCHER ... 4	WILLIAM HENLEY ... Tenor

Composed by A. CRAVEN. Conducted by HARRY WINGROVE.

WROTHAM, KENT.

THE UNIVERSITIES' ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Nov. 1, 1947, in 3 Hours.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GEORGE.

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANCES;
Tenor 20 cwt.

DENIS N. LAYTON ... Treble	BETTY SPICE ... 5
*PETER LAYTON ... 2	PHILIP M. J. GRAY ... 6
JEAN A. SOUTHERST ... 3	E. S. JOHN HATCHER ... 7
WILLIAM L. B. LEES ... 4	VERNON J. BENNING ... Tenor

Composed by SIR A. P. HEYWOOD. Conducted by BETTY SPICE.

* First peal on a working bell and first peal in the method.

HALESWORTH, SUFFOLK.

THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Sat., Nov. 1, 1947, in 3 Hours and 15 Minutes.

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

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5030 CHANCES;
Carter's Twelve-part. Tenor 19 cwt. in E.

W. E. MAULDEN ... Treble	GEORGE A. FLEMING ... 5
*GEORGE W. PIPE ... 2	LESLIE G. BRETT ... 6
FRANK L. FISHER ... 3	EDWIN R. GOATE ... 7
SYLVIA R. E. PIPE ... 4	LESLIE C. WIGHTMAN ... Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE A. FLEMING.

* First peal in the method. In memoriam Frederick C. Lambert.

SADDLEWORTH, YORKSHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Nov. 1, 1947, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. CHAD.

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;
Vicars' Six-part. Tenor 11 cwt.

*H. NUTT ... Treble	A. TAYLOR ... 5
W. HOWARTH ... 2	V. SYKES, SEN. ... 6
H. BARLOW ... 3	+V. W. SYKES, JUN. ... 7
I. KAY ... 4	+J. T. WALMSLEY ... Tenor

Conducted by V. SYKES, SEN.

* First peal of Grandsire. † First peal. A 70th birthday compliment to the ringer of the 3rd.

FAVERSHAM, KENT.

THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

On Sat., Nov. 1, 1947, in 3 Hours and 7 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY OF CHARITY.

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANCES;
H. RICHARD FRENCH ... Treble

H. RICHARD FRENCH ... Treble	BERTRAM JOHN LUCK ... 5
*GEORGE R. FRENCH ... 2	GEORGE H. CROSS ... 6
+MISS BRENDA PHILPOTT ... 3	EDWARD J. BEER ... 7
+CYRIL E. BUESDEN ... 4	GEORGE J. BUTCHER ... Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF. Conducted by GEORGE H. CROSS.

* First peal. † First peal of Major.

LINTON, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Nov. 1, 1947, in 2 Hours and 59 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS.

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANCES;
DORIS E. COLGATE ... Treble

DORIS E. COLGATE ... Treble	GEORGE B. COLLINS ... 5
ROBERT COLLINS ... 2	THOMAS E. SONE ... 6
REGINALD E. LAMBERT ... 3	BENJAMIN F. BAKER ... 7
ERNEST J. LADD ... 4	ROBERT T. LAMBERT ... Tenor

Composed by NOLAN GOLDEN. Conducted by THOMAS E. SONE.

An 80th birthday compliment to Mr. C. H. Sone, father of the conductor.

GILLINGHAM, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Nov. 1, 1947, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALENE.

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANCES;
MRS. P. A. CORBY ... Treble

MRS. P. A. CORBY ... Treble	*WILLIAM A. J. KNIGHT ... 5
GEOFFREY V. MURPHY ... 2	CHARLES E. J. NORRIS ... 6
JAMES BENNETT ... 3	PHILIP A. CORBY ... 7
FREDERICK RICHARDSON ... 4	FREDK. J. CULLUM ... Tenor

Composed by H. W. WILDE. Conducted by FREDK. J. CULLUM.

* First peal in the method. An 80th birthday compliment to Mr. C. H. Sone, of Linton.

EASEBOURNE, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Nov. 1, 1947, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;
Parker's Twelve-part (7th the observation). Tenor 11 cwt.

*HAROLD G. PESKETT ... Treble	FRANK BENNETT ... 5
ARTHUR H. FISHER ... 2	+LEONARD STILWELL ... 6
ERNEST TREAGUS ... 3	HENRY STALHAM ... 7
CYRIL S. WEST ... 4	*GEORGE ORCHARD ... Tenor

Conducted by FRANK BENNETT.

* First peal on eight bells. † 300th peal. ‡ First peal. First peal of Triples on the bells.

TUCKINGMILL, CORNWALL.

THE TRURO DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Nov. 1, 1947, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;
Parker's Twelve-part (7th the observation). Tenor 10½ cwt.

HARRY MILES ... Treble	MRS. A. S. ROBERTS ... 5
REV. A. S. ROBERTS ... 2	WILLIAM J. SANDERS ... 6
*MISS JOAN E. WITHEY ... 3	CYRIL E. LANXON ... 7
GEOFFREY W. TAYSON ... 4	EDWARD SANDERS ... Tenor

Conducted by CYRIL E. LANXON.

* First peal of Triples. First peal of Triples on the bells. 150th peal for the Guild.

EAST MEON, HAMPSHIRE.

THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Nov. 1, 1947, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;
* Tenor 19 cwt. 18 lb. in E.

DANIEL T. MATKIN ... Treble	TOWER R. TAYLOR ... 5
MRS. M. MARSHALLSAY ... 2	WILLIAM T. BEESON ... 6
TOM PAGE ... 3	FREDERICK W. ROGERS ... 7
ERNEST J. MUNDAY ... 4	C. ERNEST SMITH ... Tenor

Composed by FRANK BENNETT. Conducted by FREDK. W. ROGERS.

BUCKLEY, FLINTSHIRE.

THE NORTH WALES ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Nov. 1, 1947, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MATTHEW,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;

OSWALD CLAYBROOK ... Treble	ALFRED LEA 5
FREDERICK R. EVANS ... 2	WILLIAM CATHRAL ... 6
NORAH M. BIBBY ... 3	GEORGE H. RANGLES ... 7
JOHN M. CAPPER ... 4	DENIS MADDOCK ... Tenor

Composed by J. PLATT.

Conducted by GEORGE H. RANGLES.

In honour of the wedding of Miss G. Usher, daughter of a local ringier.

MIDDLESBROUGH, YORKSHIRE.

THE CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION

On Sat., Nov. 1, 1947, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. HILDA,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Heywood's Variation.

Tenor 12 cwt.

C. ROBINSON ... Treble	† L. BONNARD 5
G. WORTHY ... 2	G. P. KEMBALL 6
Mrs. L. WARRIOR ... 3	J. C. POLLARD 7
* T. M. COX ... 4	W. WATSON Tenor

Conducted by J. C. POLLARD.

* First peal in the method. † First peal. Rung to commemorate the birth of a son to the ringier of the 4th and as a 25th wedding anniversary compliment to the conductor.

SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS

PARRAMATTA, SYDNEY, N.S.W.

NEW SOUTH WALES ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Oct. 18, 1947, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

In 10 different callings.

Tenor 10 cwt.

W. H. SHORT ... Treble	WILLIAM M. ROWE ... 4
* G. WILLIAMSON ... 2	* BRUCE DUNBAR ... 5
* J. B. WATTS ... 3	* TOM HOWELL ... Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM M. ROWE.

* First peal. First peal for the Association. First peal as conductor.

SYMONDSBURY, DORSET.

THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Oct. 18, 1947, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes,

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

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Seven different 720's.

Tenor 15 cwt.

* CHARLES W. POOLE ... Treble	CUTHBERT W. H. POWELL ... 4
† JOSEPH BARRETT ... 2	HENRY G. KEELEY ... 5
J. LEONARD GLYDE ... 3	GEO. STEDMAN MORRIS ... Tenor

Conducted by CUTHBERT W. H. POWELL.

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

RANDWICK, SYDNEY.

NEW SOUTH WALES ASSOCIATION.

On Sun., Oct. 26, 1947, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JUDE,

A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 1,200 Antelope, 1,920 each of Grandsire and Plain Bob.

Tenor 21 cwt.

* MISS RUTH DONNELLY ... Treble	* R. ROWE 4
WILLIAM M. ROWE ... 2	* J. DUNCAN 5
* N. ROBINSON ... 3	* E. WRIGHT ... Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM M. ROWE.

* First peal. First peal by all in three methods.

RIPPLE, WORCESTERSHIRE.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

On Mon., Oct. 27, 1947, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 13 cwt.

THOMAS HILL ... Treble	JACK ROBERTS 4
* DAVID BEACHAM ... 2	CYRIL HALLING 5
CHARLES HAYTINGS ... 3	PETER BENNETT ... Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES HAYTINGS.

* First peal. A compliment to the ringier of the 4th, who is joining the Forces.

BEEFHAM, BERKSHIRE.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Nov. 1, 1947, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being two extents each of Kent and Oxford-Treble Bob and three of Plain Bob.

G. E. FOWLER ... Treble	* A. RICHARDSON 4
JOYCE DOWNHAM ... 2	E. C. WALLACE 5
* L. NICHOLLS ... 3	A. C. C. CHURCHILL ... Tenor

* First peal. Conducted by G. E. FOWLER.

LLANFRECHFA, MONMOUTHSHIRE.

THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Nov. 1, 1947, in 3 Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven extents.

Tenor 8 cwt.

Mrs. LESLIE BAINHAM ... Treble	REV. IVOR J. RICHARDS ... 4
JOHN W. JONES ... 2	LESLIE F. G. BAINHAM ... 5
SIDNEY BAMFORD ... 3	ROBERT E. R. SMITH ... Tenor

Conducted by ROBERT E. R. SMITH.

First peal in the method by all the band and in the method on the bells. A compliment to the Rev. Rhys Morris on appointment as Rural Dean.

HORBLING, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Nov. 1, 1947, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being one extent each of Cambridge Surprise, Double Court, Single Court, Double Oxford, Oxford Bob, Plain Bob and combined Kent and Oxford Treble Bob.

Tenor 9½ cwt.

HORACE BENNETT ... Treble	BERNARD H. DALTON ... 4
CHARLES BROWN ... 2	FREDERICK W. STOKES ... 5
MISS BETTY BROWN ... 3	JACK L. MILLHOUSE ... Tenor

Conducted by JACK L. MILLHOUSE.

BINFIELD, BERKSHIRE.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Nov. 1, 1947, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Seven different 720's.

Tenor 10 cwt. in G.

MISS D. LIDBETTER ... Treble	ALBERT FLEET 4
* THOMAS E. DAVIES ... 2	ARTHUR HARDING 5
† ARTHUR PARKER ... 3	ARTHUR J. N. RANCE ... Tenor

Conducted by ARTHUR J. N. RANCE.

* First peal. † First peal 'inside.' A 21st birthday compliment to the Rector's eldest son.

LADBROKE, WARWICKSHIRE.

THE COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Nov. 1, 1947, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Forty-two extents, ten callings. Tenor 14 cwt. 2 qr. 18 lb. in F sharp.

HAROLD FOLWELL ... Treble	ALBERT E. BRISTOW ... 3
IAN A. MORRISON ... 2	ROBERT J. EDDEN ... 4
WILLIAM A. STOTE ... Tenor	

Conducted by WILLIAM A. STOTE.

First peal on the bells.

CRANFORD, MIDDLESEX.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Nov. 1, 1947, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. DUNSTAN,

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Seven 720's, each called differently.

Tenor 7 cwt.

* MISS D. M. WATTS ... Treble	EDWARD LANKESTER ... 4
E. MAURICE ATKINS ... 2	ALFRED BONE 5
MISS R. MARY DAVIES ... 3	ALAN TOZER Tenor

Conducted by E. MAURICE ATKINS.

* First peal.

COTGRAVE, NOTTS.

THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Nov. 1, 1947, in 3 Hours and 6 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Seven different 720's.

Tenor 17½ cwt.

A. HOODLESS ... Treble	* A. LIGO 4
WALTER WHITE ... 2	W. NICHOLS 5
* C. E. DALE ... 3	* C. KNAPP Tenor

Conducted by WALTER WHITE.

* First peal.

WARBLETON, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Nov. 1, 1947, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being one extent each of St. Clement's Oxford Bob, Double Oxford Bob, Plain Bob, Cambridge Surprise, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, each called differently.

Tenor 10½ cwt. in G.

MARK W. MARSHALL ... Treble	FRANK H. HICKS 4
WM. A. KITCHENSIDE ... 2	ALBERT J. LANCEFIELD ... 5
* FREDK. J. LAMBERT ... 3	MARK S. LANCEFIELD ... Tenor

Conducted by MARK S. LANCEFIELD.

* 75th peal for the Association. Rung on the 21st anniversary of the induction of the Vicar, the Rev. H. W. Severn.

HITCHAM, BUCKS. THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

*On Sat., Nov. 1, 1947, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,*

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being two 720's each of St. Clement's, Single Oxford and Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, and 720 of Plain Bob (methods rung alternately).
Tenor 8 cwt. 11 lb. in B flat.

*Miss GWEN MURKITT ... Treble	Miss J. M. BROOMFIELD ... 4
†Miss MARY R. JAYCOCK ... 2	Miss JOYCE HEARN ... 5
Miss FRED A. MURKITT ... 3	*GEORGE GILBERT ... Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE GILBERT.

* First peal of Minor. † First peal of Minor 'inside.' ‡ 200th peal for the Oxford Diocesan Guild.

SHAPWICK, SOMERSET. THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

*On Sat., Nov. 1, 1947, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,*

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 11 cwt. 1 qr. 8 lb.

*WALTER H. MARKS ... Treble	HERBERT G. WESTLAKE ... 4
*RONALD SHORT ... 2	FREDERICK T. LOCKE ... 5
PERCY COX ... 3	JOHN T. LOCKE ... Tenor

Conducted by JOHN T. LOCKE.

* First peal of Minor.

CLIFTON, BEDFORDSHIRE. THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

*On Sat., Nov. 1, 1947, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,*

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

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

GEORFREY MAYES ... Treble	ARTHUR W. DILLEY ... 4
*CYRIL J. SMITH ... 2	STANLEY H. WALLIS ... 5
*ALFRED J. ODFIELD ... 3	PERCY W. TOMPKINS ... Tenor

Conducted by PERCY W. TOMPKINS.

* First peal.

STANDLAKE, OXON.—On Oct. 30th. 1.260 Doubles, being 120 each of Norfolk, O'd Doubles, Kennington, Plain Bob, April Day, Union, Antelope, Fortune, Northrepps, Reverse St. Bartholomew and 60 of Grandsire: Miss L. Pimm 1, H. Floyd (cond.) 2, J. Coggins 3, G. Wright 4, H. C. Farnier (first in 11 methods) 5, C. Bowsher (first in 11 methods) 6.

RAMPTON, CAMBRIDGESHIRE.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

*On Sat., Nov. 1, 1947, in 2 Hours and 34 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,*

A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 12 extents each of Reverse Canterbury and St. Simon's and 18 of Plain Bob. Tenor 4 cwt. 2 or. 23 lb. in C sharp.

*DAVID MANN ... Treble	PETER BORDER ... 3
†GEOFFREY DODDS ... 2	*BRIAN D. THRELFALL ... 4

ROGER LEIGH ... Tenor

Conducted by ROGER LEIGH.

* First peal. † First peal of Doubles.

SHIPLEY, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

*On Sun., Nov. 2, 1947, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN,*

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being one extent each of Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob, Cambridge Surprise, and four extents of Plain Bob. Tenor 9 cwt.

*Miss ENID LONNEN ... Treble	ERNEST J. MUNDAY ... 4
EDGAR R. RAPLEY ... 2	CECIL F. LONGHURST ... 5
ERNEST TREAGUS ... 3	LEONARD STILWELL ... Tenor

* First peal. Conducted by LEONARD STILWELL.

HANDBELL PEALS

NOTTINGHAM.

THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.

*On Fri., Oct. 31, 1947, in 1 Hour and 49 Minutes,
AT VERNON HOUSE, FRIAR LANE,*

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Seven different 720's.

PETER NIX ... 1-2	EDGAR C. SHEPHERD ... 3-4
RALPH NARBOROUGH ... 5-6	

Conducted by RALPH NARBOROUGH.

LEICESTER.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

*On Thurs., Nov. 6, 1947, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes,
IN THE BELFRY OF THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET.*

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5067 CHANGES;

CHARLES MARSHALL ... 1-2	WALTER P. WHITEHEAD ... 5-6
JOSEPH A. FENTON ... 3-4	ERNEST MORRIS ... 7-8

JOSIAH MORRIS ... 9-10

Composed and Conducted by W. P. WHITEHEAD.

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We are reserving the
issue of December 5th for
the recording of ringing
for the Royal Wedding. This number will be
of 16 pages. Conductors of peals and quarter-
peals will facilitate production if they send in
reports early.

Before our next issue, Mr. James George,
of Heather View, 118, Rossmore Road, Park-
stone, the ringer of 1,279 peals, will have
passed his 94th birthday. Best wishes from
us all for Nov. 27th.

Mr. Peter Laffin has circled Norbury (Hazel
Grove) Church, Cheshire, and Philip Barnes,
Burton-on-Stather, Lincs.

A sign of progress from Ringwood, Hants.
Six first peals and all service ringers at the
church.

Appeals have been made in the local Press
at Driffield, Yorkshire, to provide ringers. A
ring of six, with tenor 12 cwt., dated 1593,
was restored in 1880, and during the past 67
years the tower has never possessed a change
ringing band. The Beverley and District
Society are only too anxious to help if the
recruits are forthcoming.

Ernest Morris had hard luck at Bottesford,
one of the only two remaining towers in
Leicestershire he has not rung a peal. After
2½ hours' perfect Stedman Triples the tenor
clapper broke! This is his second similar
occurrence within the last three months. Re-
cently at Syston after 2½ hours the 7th clapper
broke!

Martock, Somerset, does not frequently
appear in the peal column. Between the peal
of Bob Major on November 1st and the last
was a gap of 22 years. Only once before has a
peal of Major been rung here—in 1903 when the
late Mr. W. Pye and other well-known ringers
were on tour. This was New Cambridge Sur-
prise. Preb G. W. Saunders and Mr. Farrant,
the captain, visited the belfry at the end and
congratulated the ringers on their good striking.

BELFRY GOSSIP

Ringling history has been
made in New South Wales
by the first peal for the
local association. It is our pleasure to record
two peals of Doubles this week from Australia.
It's up to you, Canada!

Mr. J. L. Millhouse rang his 50th peal this
year at Horbling, Lincs, on November 1st.

Nine peals were rung on November 1st in
churches dedicated to All Saints, and were for
the patronal festival.

When was the last peal at Stoke Mandeville,
Bucks? Will the conductor please enlighten
the Editor, as it is omitted from copy in hand.

November 25th is the 55th anniversary of
the first peal of Stedman Caters by the All
Saints' Fulham, Society. Of the band, Messrs.
Adams (Warwick), Elson (Fulham) and W. S.
Smith (Wimbledon) are still with us.

The first peal of Royal by a band of the
same Christian name was 5,000 Treble Ten at
Fulham on April 19th, 1902. The band con-
sisted of W. Weatherstone, W. S. Smith, W.
T. Elson, W. E. Judd, W. H. Hollier, W.
Pickworth, W. J. Jeffries, W. Berry, W. J.
Nudds and W. Pye (conductor).

Inadvertently omitted from the list of those
who had completed 50 years' membership and
attended the 310th anniversary dinner of the
College Youths was Mr. Francis T. Hoad, of
Reigate. With his father, the late Francis T.
Hoad, and his brother, George F. Hoad, he
joined the Society in 1897 and is very proud
of his membership.

What is probably the finest model bell in
existence has been loaned to the tower at
Wrington in Somerset. It belonged to the late
Major Hesse, and is complete with wheel and
steel frame, a remarkable engineering job of
the utmost precision. The actual bell was cast
at the Whitechapel Foundry from the cannons
of Sherborne Abbey tenor, and it is fitted with
a clapper of special design, perfected by Major
Hesse, who built the model himself.

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Ringling in British Columbia and the U.S.A.

Dear Sir,—During my recent tour in Canada and the United States I visited Vancouver and Victoria, B.C. Arriving at Vancouver on Sunday, September 14th, I was met by Mr. Limpus, the veteran of ringing in that far western part. In the evening a full muster turned up to welcome me at the R.C. Cathedral Church of the Holy Rosary, and we were able to ring Grandsire Triples. Later on we all spent a very enjoyable evening at the home of Mr. Limpus, jun., and wonderful hospitality was dispensed. The next move was to Victoria, Vancouver Island, a trip of exceptional beauty. Arriving on September 16th, we were met by Messrs. Izard and Lomas. In the evening a full band met at Christ Church Cathedral and we were able to ring Grandsire and Stedman Triples, and a course of Bob Major, the first on the bells (tenor 30 cwt.). The framework was erected and the eight bells hung in five days by local labour under the guidance of Mr. E. W. Izard. The band included Mr. Izard, his son and daughter, Miss Chandler and Messrs. Lomas, White, Melhuish, King, Lake, Merritt and Ernest Weatherby, who had flown from Los Angeles for the occasion. The tower is not yet complete and the bells are housed in a wooden structure on top of the walls. After the ringing the party was royally entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Izard in their home on the shores of a beautiful inlet.

On the following evening, further ringing, and an attempt for a quarter-peal of Stedman, conducted by Mr. Lomas. This unfortunately came to grief after 30 minutes. Three new members were elected to the Ancient Society of College Youths, viz., Messrs. Izard, jun., E. G. H. White and D. Boniface. On the following day I greatly appreciated a tour through Messrs. Yarrows' shipbuilding yards, through the kindness of Mr. Izard. These yards must surely be the most beautifully situated of their kind in the world; they have been described as a shipyard in a beautiful garden. A 7,000 ton ship under construction was to be launched two weeks later.

Ringling in Victoria is certainly making good progress. After visiting California we finally arrived in Boston, Mass., and it was a great joy to meet once again Mr. Warren Sturgis, his son, and Mrs. Arthur Shurecliff (daughter of the late Dr. Arthur Nicholls). Ringling for divine service at Groton School Chapel followed on Sunday morning. The ringing here is carried on by boys of the school, and it is a pity that their progress cannot be continued after school days, for in the great majority of cases the boys are settled where no ringing is possible. The same conditions apply to Kent School. They are, however, wonderfully keen and make good progress.

On the following Tuesday evening, after an enjoyable dinner party at the College Club in Boston, we attended a meeting of tune ringing handbell guilds, originated by Mrs. Shurecliff. The performances were of a very high order, and the harmony produced by some of the bands with only fourteen or fifteen bells was wonderful. Mrs. Hughes also contributed to the evening's entertainment. Mr. Sturgis, Mrs. Shurecliff, Mr. Walker (totally blind) and I were able to ring a course of Grandsire Triples. It was all a delightful experience.

A few days later we returned to Montreal, and after a rough passage arrived at Liverpool 14 hours late to face stern realities once again. The wonderful kindness and hospitality we received everywhere will never be forgotten.—Yours, A. A. HUGHES.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE ASSN.

A successful meeting of the Eastern District was held at St. Oswald's Church, West Hartlepool, on November 8th, when 93 members from various districts attended. The meeting was notable for the progress made by some of the younger ringers. A short service with address was conducted by the Rector.

Old Hill Bells Rehung

RINGER'S WIDOW DEFRAYS COST.

The bells of Holy Trinity Church, Old Hill, Staffordshire, a fine, rich toned ring of eight originally cast in 1876 by Messrs. Taylors, of Loughborough, with a tenor 23½ cwt., have now been retuned and rehung, complete with new fittings and ball bearing movements, in a new steel frame by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, the Croydon bellfounders.

The cost of the work has been defrayed out of a legacy by the late Mrs. A. E. Parsons, widow of a member of the original local band. Many of the older members of the ringing fraternity will remember Albert Parsons, who, with Alfred and Charles Bessano and Harry Mason, were well-known ringers in towers up and down the country.

The bells were rededicated by the Lord Bishop of Worcester on Sunday evening, Nov. 9th. Amongst eight or nine hundred worshippers were many ringers from local towers. Messrs. Gillett and Johnston were represented by Mr. Donovan Bradford, who presented the local ringers with photographs of the bells as reassembled at the foundry. The ringing which followed the service was thoroughly enjoyed; the local band, particularly, are grateful that a somewhat hard-going ring has been transformed into a pleasurable one.

Details of the ring are as follows:—

Treble, note F, 6 cwt. 2 qr.; 2, 1.6 cwt. 2 qr. 7 lb.; 3, D, 7 cwt. 2 qr. 24 lb.; 4, C, 8 cwt. 2 qr. 12 lb.; 5, B flat, 10 cwt. 2 qr.; 6, A, 12 cwt. 12 lb.; 7, G, 16 cwt. 2 qr. 1 lb.; tenor, F, 23 cwt. 1 qr.

THE LOUGHBOROUGH ATTEMPT

Dear Sir,—When your remarks on this subject appeared in Belfry Gossip it was obvious that someone was annoyed at the outcome of this attempt. It was, therefore, not surprising to me when Mr. Corby 'rose to the bait.' In his display of righteous indignation he has, however, missed the essentials, and by stooping to level criticism at individual members of the band he has left himself open to similar treatment.

Had he levelled his criticism where it was really due I should have respected his opinion by allowing the matter to drop. In the circumstances I feel that I must ask him why he did not include in his letter a criticism of the manner in which the third was rung. It would be a conservative estimate to state that 90 per cent. of the faults in the attempt were caused by the bad handling of that particular bell. If this were not the case, can he say why he found it necessary to speak to that particular ringer so many times? Can it be that love is really blind?

I wonder how Mr. Corby would feel if someone took over the conducting from him in the middle of a peal; his behaviour on that occasion was such as to give the impression that a peal was to be scored at all costs.

I would, therefore, advise him to take the words of his popular song to heart, 'The way you do it,' counts for very much, especially among strangers, and while hoping that I shall one day ring a peal in his company, I would assure him that 'peal at all cost' methods will not be tolerated by—Yours faithfully,

Stapleton, Bristol.

D. G. CLIFT.

WINCHESTER & PORTSMOUTH GUILD ISLE OF WIGHT BRANCH.

A well-attended meeting was held at All Saints', Ryde, on November 1st, the day of the patronal festival. This fine Taylor's ring of eight was set going to a variety of methods, not forgetting rounds for beginners.

After an enjoyable tea, kindly provided by the branch ringing master (Mr. W. Unton), the bells were again rung. For the service 1.260 Grandsire Triples was rung by A. Lambkin (Scunthorpe) 1, B. C. Stirling (first quarter on eight) 2, C. Taylor 3, F. Taylor (cond.) 4, A. R. Ward 5, W. Upton 6, A. Jackson 7, A. White 8.

OBITUARY

THE REV. J. H. HASTINGS.

A valued correspondent writes apropos the death of the Rev. J. H. Hastings that he rang in the first peal of the Oxford University Society—Stedman Triples at Drayton on Feb. 2nd, 1882. The first clerical peal (Stedman Triples) was also rung at Drayton two years later, but Mr. Hastings did not participate.

MR. WILLIAM HAYNES.

Many ringers knew Mr. William Haynes, who died on November 6th in his 90th year. He retired early in 1932 after 60 years' service with John Smith and Sons, Midland Clock Works, Derby.

In 1893 he undertook the installation of the new great clock at St. Paul's Cathedral, and during his long career travelled all over the British Isles on behalf of the firm. From 1913 until his retirement he was manager of the firm. His sound advice was in great demand by the clock making industry.

MR. FRED RIGBY.

The sudden death of Mr. Fred Rigby, secretary of the Preston Branch of the Lancashire Association, is a distinct loss to the Exercise. A most lovable character, he was serving his second term as secretary, the first being from 1920-33, and then from 1939 until his death. He was a service ringer at St. Lawrence's, Chorley, for 45 years.

The scoring of peals for him was a most difficult matter in years gone by than now, and he had to travel far, sometimes on foot or cycle, to collect his 106 peals. One of his regrets was the absence of Cambridge inside from his list. He had conducted quite a number of Minor and Grandsire peals, one of the latter being his own variation of Taylor's Six-part.

The funeral at Chorley Parish Church was preceded by half-muffled touches and the whole pull and stand. It was held on All Saints' Day, and the Rector (Canon Wyatt), who officiated, fittingly included Fred in that numerous company. As the cortege moved off to Charnock Richard, where the interment took place, a finely struck touch of Stedman was rung. Some of his most intimate ringing friends acted as bearers, and on theasket with the family wreath was a floral bell from the Preston Branch.

On the following day, All Souls' Day, a half-muffled peal of Double Norwich Court Bob Major was rung to his memory, and on Monday a half-muffled peal of Cambridge was rung at Southport, which was incidentally the first Surprise peal by a Wigan Branch band. So 'That's all' and 'Stand' was called to the earthly changes of one who in his time and place called forth the love and esteem of his friends. F.G.B.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION

LEWISHAM DISTRICT.

Very welcome visitors from the Rochester and Maidstone Districts and also from London were among the attendance of 65 ringers at the annual meeting at Erith on October 25th. The Vicar (the Rev. G. L. Bennett) conducted the service.

At the business meeting the Vicar presided and paid a tribute to Mr. F. J. Cullum and his band of ringers. The election of two members previous to peals was ratified. Penge was chosen for the meeting on January 31st.

After the adoption of the secretary's report, Mr. A. G. Hill was re-elected secretary, and Messrs. J. E. Bailey and P. A. Corby district representatives. Following precedent, the post of Ringing Master changed hands, Mr. W. J. Rawlings (Beckenham) being appointed. A cordial vote of thanks was passed to Mr. A. S. Richards, the retiring Master.

Dartford was recommended for the annual general meeting of the Association which is to be held in the Lewisham district. A social evening is to be held at Erith on December 6th.

IN AFFILIATION WITH CENTRAL COUNCIL

EAST DERBYSHIRE AND NOTTS ASSN.

WITH the object of restoring Sunday ringing to its rightful place in the service of the Church, this Association was formed in 1887 at Clay Cross under the title of the East Derbyshire Association.

Its early existence was a struggle; at times the threat of extinction loomed large, but happily for change ringing in this area a stalwart invariably made his appearance in the hour of need and so kept burning steadily the flame of enthusiasm for our art. In the forefront of these is Mr. J. H. England, of South Normanton, who at the last annual meeting resigned the post of secretary owing to pressure of other duties after holding office for 16 years. In the less onerous post of vice-president he is still ever ready to help as opportunities arise, either in ringing or church work.

THE OBJECTS.

At the inaugural meeting the following were the four main objects of the Association:—

(1) The observance of good and peaceful behaviour in the belfries of our churches, as being an integral part of the Church, and therefore consecrated to the service of God; while the bells and ringers are intended to be exercised equally with the organ and choir, for His glory and worship.

(2) The refrain as far as possible from using the bells on the Lord's Day except for the services of the Church.

(3) To obtain full recognition of the Ringer's Office, as essentially a branch of the Church's work; that they and their services (which demand much time, skill and mental labour) may be placed upon a true and acknowledged basis.

(4) To cultivate the art of change ringing, by meetings in various centres for friendly peal ringing; and to provide, at a reasonable cost, instructors for those who may require them.

The first patron that can be traced is the Bishop of Southwell. Other officers elected at the inauguration of the Association were Canon Massey, the then Rector of South Normanton, president; and the late Rev. J. B. Nodder, Rector of Ashover, as vice-president.

At its foundation the Association was confined to six towers, these being Clay Cross, North Wingfield, Ashover, Brampton (Chesterfield), Crich and South Normanton. From these, which were all six-bell towers, there were 46 ringing members.

Of these towers, Ashover, Crich and Brampton have ceased to be members, but the Association has increased its scope and has members at the following towers: Alfreton, Ault, Hucknall, Blackwell, Denby, Heath, Heanor, Mansfield, Mansfield Woodhouse, Morton, Pleasley, Ripley, Silston, Swanick, Sutton-in-Ashfield, Shirland, Tibshelf and Warsop, with the original three. These towers are three eight-bell, five five-bell, one four-bell and the remainder six-bell.

Clay Cross was the centre of the Association until 1902, annual meetings always being held in this tower. South Normanton was selected for the 1903 meeting, and since then meetings have been held at different centres.

TWO ASSOCIATIONS.

Rivalry caused by the presence of two Associations covering much the same area was a cause of early weakness. In 1903 a joint meeting of the East Derbyshire Association and the old East Derbyshire Association was held, when a resolution was moved by Mr. Butler that both East Derbyshire Associations be merged into one association. This was de-

feated by a large majority and the Associations continued as two separate bodies. The change in the title was introduced in October, 1927, when the Association became known as 'The East Derbyshire and Nottinghamshire Association.'

The Association has always worked as one body and been centrally administered. A proposal was, however, made at the meeting at Wingerworth in 1918 that a northern and southern division be formed. This did not find favour with the majority of members.

JUBILEE SHIELD.

To mark the jubilee of the Association in 1937 a shield was presented, to be awarded to



CLAY CROSS CHURCH

the tower showing the most progress during the year. This was judged on points, which were awarded as follows:—

Sunday service attendance	55
General progress	35
Association meetings attendance	10

Total 100

This shield is not rung for and cannot in any sense be classified as competition ringing.

The first tower to hold the shield was Kirkby-in-Ashfield, followed in 1938 by Sutton-in-Ashfield; 1939 Tibshelf, and this tower held it again in 1943, when ringing was resumed. Clay Cross held the shield during 1944 and 1945.

The E.D.N.A. have never been pealminded, but a few peals have been scored for the Association by different bands of ringers.

During the life of the Association six persons have held the office of secretary. These are Mr. J. J. Cook, 1887-1894; Mr. T. Allibone, 1894-1920; Mr. H. G. Fretwell, 1920-1926; Mr. W. Allin, 1926-1930; Mr. J. W. England, 1930-1945; Mr. J. W. Price, 1945-. Clay Cross provided the first secretary, and the present secretary also comes from that tower.

The oldest member is Mr. H. Dravcott, of Tibshelf, with 57 years to his credit, and he is still regular in his attendance at both Sunday service and ringing meetings. J.H.P.

Beverley and District Society

APPOINTMENT OF NEW MASTER.

The handy ring of eight at Cottingham (tenor 20 cwt.) were made good use of when the Society accepted the hearty invitation of the Rector (the Rev. W. R. Hebron) on November 8th. The bells were raised in peal and rung to various methods. The Rector conducted the service, the organist being Mr. A. H. Fox, president of the Eastern District of the Yorkshire Association.

For the business meeting which followed tea, attended by a company of over 50, Mr. G. F. Williams (president) was in the chair, supported by Mr. F. Dales, Mr. L. Daggett, Mr. A. H. Fox, the Rev. G. S. Storer and the secretary (Mr. A. E. Sellers).

The main business was the appointment of a ringing master in succession to Mr. Clem Glenn, whose resignation was regretfully accepted. The choice was Mr. Len Rodmell, of Patrington, who was proposed by Mr. Wood, seconded by Mr. T. W. Kneeshaw. In thanking the Society for the honour, Mr. Rodmell assured the members that he would do his utmost to further the art of change ringing. Mr. F. Wilkinson, of Minburnholme, was elected to the vacancy on the committee.

Mr. F. Dale (vice-president) moved that the secretary write to Mr. Glenn expressing extreme regret that circumstances had made necessary his leaving the district and the indebtedness of the members to him for his untiring and devoted services as first Ringing Master. The resolution expressed the hope that he would return at an early date to the Beverley district and resume his ringing activities. This was carried with applause.

The next meeting was announced for Hedon on December 15th, and St. Mary's, Lowgate, Hull, was selected for the January meeting.

The Rev. G. S. Storer offered to compile a short service for the use of the Society at their meetings, and said he hoped that they would soon have the bellfounders at work at Hutton Crauswick putting in their bells.

The next item on the agenda—new members—proved to be a great compliment to the Society. It was a personal application for enrolment of the whole company of nine members from St. Mary's, Scarborough. Their election was hailed with enthusiasm.

The customary votes of thanks included tributes to the Rector and the local company.

AN OLDHAM MEMORIAL

On October 29th, in the belfry of St. Mary's (Oldham) Parish Church, Mr. H. Barlow unveiled a memorial plaque to Mr. E. B. Sykes, a former ringer, who was killed in action in the Mediterranean on March 31st, 1941.

Canon Stephenson, M.C., Vicar and Rural Dean, gave an address in the presence of Mr. E. Sykes (mother) and other close relatives.

After the ceremony a quarter-peal of Grand-sire Triples was rung with the bells half-muffled by the following band: H. Nutt 1, W. Howarth 2, H. Barlow 3, I. Kay 4, A. Taylor 5, V. Sykes, sen. (conductor) 6, V. W. Sykes, jun. 7, J. T. Walmsley 8. First quarter for 1st and 7th.

GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS

VISIT TO ILSINGTON.

A number of members of the Mid-Devon Branch visited Ilington, near Newton Abbot, on November 8th, where the bells have lately been returned and relung. Touches of Grand-sire and Stedman Doubles and Plain Bob Minor were rung during the afternoon, after which the visitors adjourned to the Carpenters Arms for tea.

QUARTER PEALS

ALVERSTOKE, HANTS. — On Oct. 26th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: F. W. Burnett 1, E. A. Jurd 2, J. Merritt (first quarter) 3, S. E. Cook 4, H. A. Nobes 5, P. H. Speck 6, J. H. Hunt (cond.) 7, F. G. Barron 8.

ASHBY-DE-LA-ZOUCH, LEICS. — On Oct. 31st, 1,260 Stedman Triples: T. Beadmoore 1, G. Hutton 2, W. Rhodes 3, A. Beadmoore 4, H. Beadmoore 5, H. Overs 6, E. W. Beadmoore (cond.) 7, J. Bradford 8.

BANSTEAD, SURREY. — On Oct. 26th, 1,280 Double Norwich: Margaret E. Pitstow 1, P. R. Layton (first in method) 2, Elizabeth Layton (first in method inside) 3, Jill Brittain 4, Winifred Adams 5, H. Cheesman 6, D. N. Layton (cond.) 7, A. J. Adams 8.

BEDDINGTON, SURREY. — On Oct. 25th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: J. Welsh (first quarter) 1, Miss J. England 2, J. Pink 3, D. E. Parsons 4, F. Jennings 5, J. Galver 6, F. E. Darby (cond.) 7, L. E. Reece 8. In memoriam Thomas Talbot, one time member of the local band.

BEXHILL-ON-SEA, SUSSEX. — At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul on Oct. 19th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles to celebrate the birth of a son to the conductor: Nancy Booth (first quarter) 1, Kathleen E. Fletcher 2, A. F. Wellington 3, Rev. P. J. Boulsover (cond.) 4, Colin Verdon 5, Olive Scarfe (first quarter) 6.

BOURNEMOUTH. — At St. John's on Oct. 19th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: W. Butler (first quarter-peak) 1, H. Mitchell (cond.) 2, Miss B. Adam 3, J. Daniels 4, G. Evenden 5, Miss F. Child 6, A. Butler 7, P. Hunt 8.

BURNHAM, BUCKS. — On Oct. 12th, by the local band, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss G. Murkitt 1, Miss M. R. Jaycock 2, Miss M. Pemberton 3, Miss J. M. Broomfield 4, Miss F. Murkitt 5, Miss J. Hearn 6, C. A. Burgess (first as cond.) 7, G. Gilbert 8.

BURTON-ON-TRENT, STAFFS. — At St. Modwen's on Oct. 21st, a 'date touch' of 1,805 Grandsire Triples in honour of Trafalgar Day victory: Jill Cochrane (first lady to take part in the touch) 1, T. Pryce 2, G. Harrison 3, A. Sharp 4, J. H. Brittan (cond.) 5, F. Fretwell 6, K. Pratt 7, A. Skelton 8.

CLAVERTLEY, SATOP. — On Oct. 16th, after the funeral of Rev. Ralph Guy, former Vicar for 39 years, 1,260 Grandsire Triples, half-muffled: F. Bennett 1, W. Francis, jun. 2, J. Marsh 3, E. Drew (cond.) 4, G. Goodson 5, C. Jones 6, F. Hinton 7, T. Davies 8. First quarter-peak on eight bells by the regular Sunday service band.

CRANFORD, MIDDLESEX. — On Oct. 26th, 1,260 Stedman Doubles: H. W. Impey 1, W. H. Coles 2, F. W. Goodfellow 3, T. G. Banister 4, F. Corke 5, P. J. Woodgyer 6. Rung non-conducted. First of Stedman Doubles by all except the 5th.

CUBITT TOWN, ISLE OF DOGS. — On Oct. 26th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: N. G. Hollingworth 1, T. H. Taffender (cond.) 2, Miss A. M. Castle 3, S. Croft 4, C. Hughes 5, E. Furbanks 6, J. Bullock 7, C. Otley 8.

DESBOROUGH, NORTHANTS. — On Oct. 24th, 1,264 Bob Major: G. Wright (first quarter) 1, C. A. Coe 2, H. Baxter 3, L. W. Kilborn 4, F. Kilborn 5, R. F. Law 6, P. J. Chapman 7, R. H. Idle (first quarter as cond.) 8.

EAST HAGBOURNE, BERKS. — On Oct. 26th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: G. Bishop (first in method) 1, A. H. Webb 2, H. K. White 3, J. Gordon 4, R. B. Blond 5, H. Bishop 6, B. L. J. Brown (cond.) 7, W. White 8.

FULMER, BUCKS. — At the Church of St. James on Oct. 13th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Marie E. Elderfield (first quarter) 1, R. Posnet 2, C. J. Watkins (first quarter) 3, W. W. Wolstencroft 4, W. Butler (cond.) 5, P. F. Black 6.

HASTINGS. — At All Saints' on Oct. 7th, 1,260 Court Triples: Miss B. Cowlin 1, A. Easton 2, J. Downing 3, S. Driver 4, J. Pennells 5, S. May 6, A. Levett (cond.) 7, S. Reed 8. First in method by all. — On Oct. 12th, 1,260 Oxford Bob Triples: H. Joiner 1, A. Easton 2, W. Kitchenside (first in method) 3, S. May 4, J. Pennells 5, G. Piper 6, A. Levett (cond.) 7, W. Levett 8.

HALESOWEN, WORCS. — On Oct. 19th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: G. Williams 1, J. H. Cox 2, L. Clissett 3, A. Greenhall 4, Moly Tromans 5, H. Shirock 6, E. Woodall (cond.) 7, A. H. Harris 8. For the 68th birthday of Mr. W. H. Webb, Ringing Master.

HARROW WEALD, MIDDLESEX. — On Oct. 17th, 1,320 Kent Treble Bob Minor: P. D. Beedie 1, Mrs. P. M. Mayne 2, Miss E. K. Fulton 3, H. G. Hart 4, J. R. Mayne 5, C. C. Mayne (cond.) 6. In memoriam Mrs. W. Weuban.

HELLINGLY, SUSSEX. — On Oct. 19th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Michael G. Collins (aged 13, first quarter) 1, J. Goldsmith 2, G. Beeny 3, B. Stepney 4, F. H. Hicks (cond.) 5, A. Elms 6. Also on Nov. 2nd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: E. Gavan D. Tonkin (aged 13, first quarter) 1, J. Goldsmith 2, G. Beeny 3, B. Stepney 4, F. H. Hicks (cond.) 5.

HIGH LITTLETON, GLOS. — On Oct. 19th, 1,320 Doubles (480 each of Plain Bob and Grandsire, 360 April Day): J. Brooks 1, Mrs. J. Naish 2, Mrs. E. Ford (first quarter) 3, J. Naish 4, W. J. Gait (first as cond. on six bells) 5, H. J. Chick 6. First quarter by the local band together and by all in three methods.

HONITON CLYST, DEVON. — On Oct. 19th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: E. R. Retter 1, Miss E. Lomas 2, Miss Q. Pring 3, D. Callard (first inside) 4, E. E. Retter 5, J. Salway 6, G. E. Retter (cond.) 7, G. Richards 8.

HOLLOWAY, LONDON. — At the Church of St. Mary Magdalene on Oct. 14th, 1,280 Kent Treble Bob Major: R. Charge 1, N. G. Hollingworth 2, Miss M. Prockson (first inside in method) 3, R. Newman 4, E. Pratchett 5, P. Blake (first of Major) 6, G. Charge 7, A. Warren (cond.) 8.

IPSWICH. — At St. Margaret's on Oct. 26th, 1,280 Spiced Oxford and Kent Treble Bob Major: P. Whittell 1, J. Rose (cond.) 2, E. Ellenger 3, E. Bloomfield 4, J. Munnings 5, K. Whittell 6, E. Grimes 7, C. Woodward 8.

LAVENHAM, SUFFOLK. — On Oct. 28th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: S. H. Symonds (cond.) 1, M. T. Symonds 2, S. Smith 3, W. R. J. Poulson 4, F. Boreham 5, L. Pryke 6, F. Belts 7, J. Corder 8.

LEAFIELD, OXFORD. — On Oct. 24th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss Lena P. Wilshire 1, L. Smith 2, H. Townsend 3, A. Franklin 4, A. Lynes (cond.) 5, H. Wiggins 6. First quarter for 1, 4 and 6.

LIGHTON BUZZARD, BEDS. — On Oct. 21st, 1,260 Stedman Triples: W. J. Jeffs 1, W. Insley 2, H. C. Hillyard 3, W. B. Whitney 4, F. J. Plummer 5, V. W. Conquest 6, J. E. Arnold (cond.) 7, L. Head 8. To celebrate 50th birthday of W. Insley.

LLANDUDNO. — At Holy Trinity Church on Oct. 22nd, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss Gwenda Roberts 1, Miss K. N. Ruffell 2, Leslie Pitman 3, J. R. Wilson 4, T. Jones 5, V. Child 6, L. S. Griffiths (cond.) 7, J. Flood 8. First quarter of Triples for 1 and 3.

LYME REGIS, DORSET. — On Oct. 23rd, at St. Michael's Church, 1,260 Stedman Triples: J. Barrett 1, C. W. Powell 2, S. Green 3, Miss J. Burlinson 4, L. Glyde 5, Rev. C. C. Cox (cond.) 6, H. G. Keeley 7, C. E. Tett 8. In honour of the golden wedding of Mr. and Mrs. John Ganner, grandparents of ringers of the 4th.

MORTIMER, BERKS. — On Oct. 25th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Mrs. C. Osler 1, Mrs. M. Knight 2, Miss O. Osler 3, C. Osler 4, A. Ham 5, W. Clift (cond.) 6, C. Herridge 7, C. Urwin 8. First quarter of Triples by 1, 2, 7 and 8.

OLD WINDSOR, BERKS. — On Oct. 26th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: M. Bishop 1, A. H. Bates 2, F. Tindall 3, C. Heskins 4, A. Cross 5, R. A. Welling (first quarter) 6, W. Welling (cond.) 7, W. J. Burt (first quarter) 8.

PETERSFIELD, HANTS. — On Oct. 12th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: A. Garrett 1, G. Sayers (first quarter inside) 2, A. Fisher 3, C. West 4, C. Wright 5, N. Oner 6, E. Smith (cond.) 7, N. Bassett 8. In honour of the birth of a son to Mr. C. E. Bassett.

PINNER, MIDDLESEX. — On Oct. 19th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: E. Thurlow 1, Elsie Savory 2, Ruth Geraghty 3, W. N. Genna (cond.) 4, T. Collins 5, H. Punt 6, W. Pichall 7, H. Stratford 8. To celebrate the 34th anniversary of R. Colyer, of Pinner.

RANDWICK, SYDNEY, AUSTRALIA. — On Oct. 19th, 1,260 Antelope and 360 Plain Bob: Ross Allass (11) 1, Miss R. Donnelly 2, N. G. Robinson 3, R. S. Rowe (cond.) 4, J. Duncan 5, W. Peverell 6. First quarter of Antelope for the band and in Australia.

SOUTHOVER, LEWES. — On Oct. 26th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: T. Woolston 1, G. P. Elphick 2, Mrs. G. P. Elphick 3, F. J. Crees 4, H. James 5, R. C. Hide 6, R. W. E. Dawe (cond.) 7, J. Wilmshurst 8.

SOUTH CADBURY, SOMERSET. — On Oct. 18th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: F. Mead (first quarter) 1, J. Bartlett (first quarter inside) 2, Miss M. Critchell 3, W. Tiley (cond.) 4, F. Andrews 5, S. Wake (first quarter) 6. A 21st birthday compliment to the ringers of the 3rd.

STAMFORD HILL, LONDON. — At St. Ann's on Oct. 19th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: E. J. Rowe 1, D. J. Gay 2, G. F. Carter 3, A. W. J. Butler (cond.) 4, A. F. S. Jackson (first of Grandsire Doubles) 5, J. T. O'Dell 6.

STEPNEY, LONDON. — At the Parish Church on Oct. 12th, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: T. H. Francis 1, A. T. Boomsma 2, C. W. King 3, G. J. Boomsma 4, W. A. Hewett 5, E. W. Furbank 6, E. A. Reeves 7, L. J. Fox (cond.) 8, J. G. Boomsma 9, J. Phillips 10. First quarter on ten bells for 2 and 3.

SWAFFHAM, NORFOLK. — On Oct. 26th, 1,264 Bob Major: J. Buckenham 1, J. Thomas (cond.) 2, W. W. Cousins 3, W. Buckenham 4, C. V. Ebberson 5, E. H. Mastin 6, E. Barker 7, C. Cousins 8.

TAUNTON. — At St. George's, Wilton, on Oct. 17th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: A. J. Wyatt 1, D. F. Sheldon 2, W. T. Clarke 3, E. Causley 4, A. W. Hayward 5, F. Avery (first quarter in the method) 6, R. W. Hayward (first quarter as cond.) 7, S. G. Coles 8. For the induction of the Rev. J. N. Higgins.

THURLBY, Lincs. — On Oct. 19th, a quarter-peak of Doubles (240 each of St. Simon's, April Day, Canterbury Pleasure Reverse and Plain Bob, 180 Grandsire and 120 St. Dunstan's): N. Ward 1, R. Wade 2, N. Horton 3, A. Wade, R.A.F. 4, C. Wade 5.

TWINEHAM, SUSSEX. — 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: G. Packham 1, F. Godsmark 2, Miss S. Wickens 3, G. A. Packham 4, E. Packham 5. In memoriam Col. R. W. McKergow, O.B.E., churchwarden for 45 years.

WALSALL, STAFFS. — On Oct. 19th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: A. Adams 1, H. T. Higgins 2, A. Botterell 3, A. T. Dutton 4, G. W. Hughes 5, E. T. Smith 6, J. S. Eastwood (cond.) 7, H. E. Green 8.

WICKEN, NORTHANTS. — On Oct. 16th, 1,264 Bob Major: A. J. Green 1, J. A. Green 2, F. C. Case 3, G. Holland 4, E. Lines 5, G. Hinton 6, T. E. Roberts 7, W. Yates (first of Major as cond.) 8. First quarter on eight bells by 5 and 6.

WILLESDEN, MIDDLESEX. — At St. Mary's on Oct. 12th, a quarter-peak of Minor (720 Spiced Oxford and Kent, 540 Plain Bob): Mrs. E. Lankester 1, E. Lankester 2, Mrs. M. Hodgson 3, M. Hodgson (cond.) 4, L. H. Bowler 5, A. Cutler 6.

WITHYHAM, SUSSEX. — On Oct. 26th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: H. N. Vaughan 1, F. Hicks 2, R. Collins 3, D. E. Colgate (first in method) 4, A. Lewry 5, B. Collison 6, E. J. Ladd (cond.) 7, W. Kitchenside 8. 1,280 Double Norwich Court Bob Major: H. N. Vaughan 1, B. Collison 2, E. J. Ladd 3, D. E. Colgate 4, A. Lewry 5, W. Kitchenside 6, F. Hicks 7, R. Collins (cond.) 8.

WOOTTON BASSETT, WILTS. — On Oct. 16th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: W. B. Kynaston 1, C. J. Gardner 2, I. H. Trueman 3, H. W. Bishop 4, E. J. Berry 5, T. Townsend 6, W. H. Trueman (first of Stedman as cond.) 7, R. Shailes (first of Triples) 8.

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MEETINGS

ESSEX ASSN. — South-Eastern Division.—Meeting, Broomfield (6), Sat., Nov. 22nd, 2.30. Service 4.30. Numbers for tea to A. H. Everett, Rose Cottage, Boreham. 2214

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Banbury Branch.—Sat., Nov. 22nd, Tadmarton, 3. Swalcliffe after tea. Please notify.—E. Pearson, Adderbury West, Banbury. 2234

DERBYSHIRE ASSN. — Derby District.—Monthly meeting, Belper, Nov. 22nd, 3. Tea 5. Cups of tea provided; bring food.—W. A. Parsons, Dis. Hon. Sec. 2251

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSN. — Biggleswade District.—Meeting Eaton Socan, Sat., Nov. 22nd. Bells (8) 3. Tea 5.—C. J. Ball, 25, Tempsford Road, Sandy. 2240

KENT COUNTY ASSN.—Maidstone District.—East Malling (6), Sat., Nov. 22nd. Bells 2.30. Service 4.15. Tea 5. Names to Dr. E. S. J. Hatcher, Kimmeridge, Ditton, Kent. 2238

LANCASHIRE ASSN. — Bolton Branch.—Meeting at Saviour's, Bolton, Sat., Nov. 22nd. Bells available 2.30. Business 6.30. Cups of tea provided.—Peter Crook, Hon. Sec. 2257

COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.—Warwick and Stratford-on-Avon Branch.—Meeting Tredington (6), 3, Sat., Nov. 22nd. Tea provided, followed by short service at 5.30. Good attendance, please.—D. Stanley, Branch Sec. 2689

HANSLOPE, BUCKS.—The two new trebles by Mears and Stainbank to complete the octave will be dedicated by the Bishop of Oxford on Sunday, Nov. 23rd, at 3.—R. H. Howson. 2250

ALDEBY, near Beccles.—Dedication of new treble, making ring of 5, Sunday, Nov. 23rd, at 3 p.m., by the Lord Bishop of Norwich. Handbells 2.30. Ringing after service. Tea in School. Names for tea to Rev. W. H. Gunter, Aldeby Vicarage, Beccles. —A. G. G. Thurlow, Gen. Sec. 2125

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH GUILD.—I.W. District.—Quarterly meeting Newport, Nov. 29th. Notifications for tea by Nov. 25th to Mrs. Guy, 3, Merrie Meade, Watergate Road, Newport, I.W. 2242

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN.—Meeting at St. Dunstan's, Whitehorse Road, Stepney, on Sat., Nov. 29th. Bells 3 and 6.30 p.m. Tea and business 4.30 p.m. Service 6 p.m.—T. J. Lock. 2236

SURREY ASSN.—North-Western District.—Meeting St. Stephen's (8), Weir Road, Clapham Park, Sat., Nov. 29th. Bells 2.30. Service 3. Tea and meeting 4.15 at Williamson's, 55, High Road, Balham. Ringing after to 8.30. Nominations for district officers for 1948. Numbers for tea by Nov. 26th to R. Lathbury, Hon. Dis. Sec., 15, Russell Road, Walton-on-Thames. 2244

ESSEX ASSN. — South-Eastern Division.—A thirteenth bell will be dedicated on Sat., Nov. 29th, at 4.30, at the Cathedral Church of St. Mary, Chelmsford. Bells available after tea until 9. Numbers for tea to A. H. Everett, Rose Cottage, Boreham. 2245

ELY DIOCESAN ASSN.—Hunts District.—Buckden, Sat., Nov. 29th. Bells 3. Service 4.30. Tea 5.—H. J. Parker, Dis. Sec., Great Staughton. 2248

METROPOLITAN POLICE GUILD and LADIES' GUILD (Central District).—Joint meeting St. George's, Borough, Sat., Nov. 29th. Ringing 3. Service. Tea provided for those notifying Mr. N. S. Bagworth, 5a, Clandon Terrace, Kingston Road, S.W.20, by Tues., Nov. 25th. —N. S. Bagworth and E. E. Davis, Hon. Secs. 2249

DEVON GUILD. — Practice at Highweek, Sat., Nov. 29th, at 3. Tea.—F. C. Smale. 2266

LADIES' GUILD (Midland Branch) and LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD (Loughborough District).—Joint meeting, Shepshed, Nov. 29th. Bells (8) 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. at Charnwood Cafe (price 2s. each). Names for tea to Mrs. B. A. Whitworth, Charnwood Cafe, Field Street, Shepshed, by Nov. 24th. 2267

LEICESTER GUILD.—Melton and Syston Districts.—Joint, Asfordby, Sat., Nov. 29th. Bells 3. Service 4.30. Tea and meeting 5. Names to J. H. Cook, New Street, Asfordby, by the 27th. 2671

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Grappenhall Branch.—Meeting Grappenhall, Sat., Nov. 29th. Please advise if requiring tea not later than 26th.—John E. Ashcroft, Hon. Sec. 2673

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—E. Berks and S. Bucks Branch.—Next meeting Fulmer (6), Sat., Nov. 29th, 6. Note date.—A. D. Barker, Cambridge, Wexham, Slough. 2675

ELY DIOCESAN ASSN.—Cambridge District.—Harston (6), Sat., Nov. 29th. Bells 3. Service 4.30. Tea 5, at Pemberton Arms.—H. L. Martin, Dis. Sec. 2676

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Stockport and Bowdon Branch.—Ashton St. Peter's, Sat., Nov. 29th. Service 4.30. Make own arrangements for tea.—T. Wilde. 2679

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE ASSN.—Western District.—Consett (8), Sat., Nov. 29th, 2.30. Names for tea by Nov. 27th, to C. T. Lamb, 26, St. Mary's Crescent, Blackhill. 2261

PETERBOROUGH DIO. GUILD.—Kettering Branch.—Meeting Geddington (5), Sat., Nov. 29th, 2.30; cups of tea.—G. Watson. 2263

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.—Eastern Branch.—Next meeting at Wigtoft, Sat., Nov. 29th. Bells (5) 2.30. Service 4.15. Tea, Parish Hall, 5, for those who notify me by Mon., Nov. 24th.—W. E. Clarke, 99, Norfolk Street, Boston, Lincs. 2681

WORCESTERSHIRE ASSN.—Western Branch.—Annual meeting, Hanley Castle, Sat., Nov. 29th. Bells (6) 3. Service 4.15, followed by tea and business meeting. Numbers for tea early, please.—E. F. Cubberley, Park Cottages, Kempsey, near Worcester. 2268

LEEDS AND SELBY DISTRICT SOCIETIES.—Joint meeting Kippax, Nov. 29th. Bells from 3. Tea for drinking provided; visitors carry own food. Business meetings to follow tea. Buses from Leeds Corporation bus station 5 minutes and 29 minutes past each hour.—H. Loft-house and T. H. Foster, Secs. 2268

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSN.—Bristol Rural Branch.—Stapleton (6), Nov. 29th, 3. Service 4.30. Tea 5.—Miss M. P. Hilliar, 48, Kennington Avenue, Bristol 7. 2269

UNIVERSITY OF LONDON SOCIETY.—Meeting Nov. 29th, Beckenham. Names for tea by Nov. 24th to P. R. Blackman, Hon. Sec., Imperial College Union, Prince Consort Road, S.W.7. 2262

DONCASTER AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.—Conisborough, Nov. 29th, 3; no tea provided.—W. E. Critchley. 2264

OXFORD GUILD.—Sonning Deanery Branch.—Combined practice at All Saints', Wokingham, Sat., Nov. 29th, 6.30-9.—B. C. Castle. 2260

SELBY AND DISTRICT SOC.—Joint meeting with Leeds and District Society at Kippax, Sat., Nov. 29th. Bells 3. Bring food; cups of tea provided. Good attendance, please.—T. H. Foster, Hon. Sec. 2687

SUFFOLK GUILD.—General meeting, Bury St. Edmunds, Nov. 29th. Norman tower (10), 2.30. Special: D.N. Caters. Tea and business 5. St. Mary's (8) until 8.—C. W. Pipe, Grundisburgh. 2684

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.—Next meeting Nov. 29th, All Saints', Fulham, 4 p.m.—A. B. Peck. 2690

LEIGHTON BUZZARD.—Bells (10), 6 to 8. Monthly practice will be held on Sat., Nov. 29th, January 31st, February 28th and March 27th. 2677

RADCLIFFE-ON-TRENT, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.—The new ring of eight will be dedicated on Wed., Dec. 3rd, 7.30. **Sat., Dec. 6th**, will be an open date. Ringing from 2.30 until 8. Names for tea (price 2s. 3d.) to A. C. Lygo, Radcliffe-on-Trent, by Dec. 2nd latest. 2258

SUSSEX ASSN.—Northern Division.—Quarterly meeting Lindfield (8), Dec. 6, 3. Service and tea. Names by Dec. 3rd to G. T. Jennings, 5, Malthouse Road, Crawley. 2688

YORKSHIRE ASSN (Southern District) and **SHEFFIELD DISTRICT SOCIETY.**—Joint meeting Rawmarsh, Dec. 6th. Bells (8) 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea (1s. 6d.) at 5 to all who notify Mr. F. C. Wilson, 131, Wheatcroft Road, Rawmarsh, near Rotherham, by Dec. 3rd.—J. J. L. Gilbert and H. O. Chaddock. 2685

LANCASHIRE ASSN.—Wigan Branch.—Meeting Standish, Sat., Dec. 6th. Bells (8) 2.30. Service 4.15. Tea in School to those who write E. Birchall, 163, Preston Road, Standish, by Nov. 27th. Business meeting to follow. Make it a success. 2672

SWANSEA AND BRECON GUILD.—Southern District.—Meeting Baglan, Dec. 6th. Bells (6) 3. Service 4.30. Tea, business follow. Numbers by 2nd.—E. Stitch, Dis. Sec., 21, Cambrian Place, Port Talbot, Glam. 2680

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSN.—Bristol City Branch.—Annual meeting, Sat., Dec. 6th, St. Mary Redcliffe (12). Ringing 3. Service 4.30. Tea in Under Croft 5.15. Tea bookings by Dec. 1st, to C. H. Wood, Sec., 1, Brunswick Street, St. Paul's, Bristol 2. 2678

SALISBURY GUILD.—West Dorset Branch.—Annual Bridport, Sat., Dec. 6th. Bells 3. Service 4.30. Tea 5, only if notified by Nov. 29th. Other towers open: Bradpole (8), Burton Bradstock (6) and Symondsburys (6). 2239

DUDLEY & DISTRICT GUILD.—Quarterly meeting Brierley Hill, Sat., Dec. 6th. Bells 2.45. Guild Service 4.15. Tea and meeting. Numbers for tea before Dec. 2nd, please. Remember!—Colclough, Hall Park Street, Bilston. 2259

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.—Northampton Branch.—Meeting St. Giles', Northampton, Sat., Dec. 6th. Names for tea, please, to Mr. W. A. Hammond, The Mounts, Northampton. 2255

KENT COUNTY ASSN.—Lewis- ham District.—Sat., Dec. 6th, Christ Church, Erith. Bells 3. Tea 5.15. Social evening after. Come with your wife, friends, children. Tea 2s. 3d., snacks later 1s. If you are coming, write. Having written, come! Names by Sat., Nov. 29th, to A. G. Hill, 24, Stanmore Road, Belvedere. 2674

PETERBOROUGH GUILD.—Daventry Branch.—Meeting Weedon, Sat., Dec. 6th. Names for tea to Mr. G. Webb, Queen's Park, Weedon, by Dec. 4th.—F. W. Hancock, Hon. Sec. 2265

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSN.—Cheltenham Branch.—Annual meeting Leckhampton (8), Dec. 13th. Bells 3. Service 4.30. Tea for those notifying me by Dec. 1st.—Charles Rouse, Westdene, Bouncers Lane, Prestbury, Cheltenham. 2683

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It was proposed if possible to hold the next meeting at Acle on March 6th next year. A vote of thanks by the Rev. A. St. J. Heard was passed to the Rector and to the ladies who assisted at tea. Handbells came into use at the Rectory, and ringing was resumed at the church, an enjoyable afternoon being provided.

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