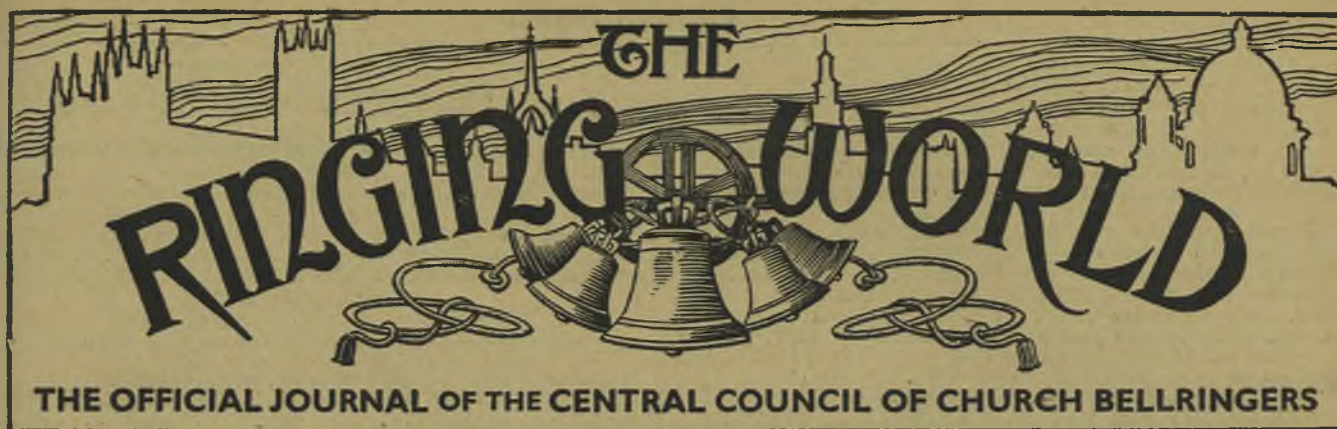




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## DUBLIN

**M**OST Guilds and Associations hold their annual meetings in the early part of the year, Easter Monday being a particularly favoured date. This year a question is being addressed to each Guild by the Central Council to ascertain before the meeting of the governing body the measure of support that would be forthcoming for the holding of the Central Council meeting for 1949 at Dublin.

The matter was ventilated by the new Master of the Cumberlands, who wisely pointed out that the factor of cost could not be ignored. There are a number of wealthy Associations who meet the whole of the expenses of delegates and would probably be in a position to continue this policy despite the added expenses. On the other hand, some of the struggling organisations expect their representatives to pay their own expenses, and the added cost of a trip to Dublin might mean the absence of familiar faces. Against this, the counter-attraction of ringing in Ireland will make a strong appeal.

While it is true that no man is indispensable, a small attendance would mitigate against a representative opinion being obtained. The value of a Central Council meeting is not limited to the conference hall. The informal discussions between members are of great importance, frequently leading to the formation of policy and mutual understanding. Thus when a decision has to be made regarding the cordial invitation of Mr. Dukes, the enthusiastic secretary of the Irish Association, members should be able to vote with the knowledge that it would or would not be possible for their Guild or Association to be represented.

So far no indication has been received as to the opinion of Guilds on this somewhat expensive meeting. The Cumberlands hoped to test their members' opinion by a resolution for the payment of £10 towards the expenses of their Central Council members. The debate was abruptly concluded by a reminder from one of the senior members that only members who had paid 2s. in steepleage during the year were entitled to vote on a financial matter. Thus probably a little coterie of a dozen or fifteen can dictate the policy of a national society. Membership, however, in the eyes of the Central Council is not based on these few but on the multitude who find pleasure and satisfaction in belonging to an honourable society, who incidentally have no voice in deciding yea or nay to their delegates' suggested trip to Dublin. It will, indeed, be a rocky road to Dublin.

## TEN BELL PEALS

RANMOOR, SHEFFIELD.  
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Jan. 24, 1948, in 3 Hours and 29 Minutes,

At THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-EVANGELIST,

## A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5080 CHANGES;

Tenor 16 cwt. 1 qr. 5 lb. in F.

|                           |                            |
|---------------------------|----------------------------|
| WALTER ALLWOOD ... Treble | *J. EDWARD CAWSE ... 6     |
| *F. BERNARD DITCHER ... 2 | *HERBERT O. CHADDOCK ... 7 |
| *HARRY MORGAN ... 3       | *JOHN J. L. GILBERT ... 8  |
| *ERNEST A. THORPE ... 4   | *JOHN A. BREARLEY ... 9    |
| †W. ERIC CRITCHLEY ... 5  | *JOHN E. TURLEY ... Tenor  |

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by J. EDW. CAWSE.

\* First peal of Oxford Royal. † First peal in the method. ‡ First peal on ten bells. First peal of Oxford Royal on the bells.

BURTON-ON-TRENT, STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Sat., Jan. 31, 1948, in 3 Hours and 25 Minutes,

At THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5039 CHANGES;

Tenor 28½ cwt.

|                          |                           |
|--------------------------|---------------------------|
| WILFRED KERR ... Treble  | GEORGE A. PACKER ... 6    |
| WILLIAM J. LEACH ... 2   | BARNABAS G. KEY ... 7     |
| HARRY F. HOLDING ... 3   | HOWARD HOWELL ... 8       |
| RICHARD T. HOLDING ... 4 | ARTHUR PRITCHARD ... 9    |
| GORDON HARRISON ... 5    | GEORGE L. RODEN ... Tenor |

Composed by G. HAYWARD. Conducted by ARTHUR PRITCHARD.

MACCLESFIELD, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Jan. 31, 1948, in 3 Hours and 40 Minutes,

At CHRIST CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5000 CHANGES;

Tenor 23 cwt. 2 qr. 21 lb.

|                              |                           |
|------------------------------|---------------------------|
| WILFRED STEVENSON ... Treble | *CHARLES W. LAWTON ... 6  |
| *SIDNEY HOUGH, JUN. ... 2    | JOHN E. BIBBY ... 7       |
| JOHN WORTH ... 3             | DAVID VINCENT ... 8       |
| *MRS. C. W. LAWTON ... 4     | WALTER ALLMAN ... 9       |
| ALAN A. POTTS ... 5          | JOSEPH W. WHITTAKER Tenor |

Composed and Conducted by JOHN WORTH.

\* First peal of Oxford Royal.

CHILVERS COTON, WARWICKSHIRE.

THE COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Jan. 31, 1948, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes,

At THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

## A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 13 cwt. 1 qr. 24 lb.

|                               |                         |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------|
| JOHN E. S. MORETON ... Treble | †ALAN CATTELL ... 6     |
| WALTER P. WHITEHEAD ... 2     | FRANK TROTMAN ... 7     |
| SHIRLEY BURTON ... 3          | JOHN THOMPSON ... 8     |
| *JAMES DRAYCOTT ... 4         | JAMES F. CLARKE ... 9   |
| ARTHUR H. BEAMISH ... 5       | ERNEST MORRIS ... Tenor |

Composed by REV. H. L. JAMES. Conducted by W. P. WHITEHEAD.

\* First peal of Royal. † First peal of Surprise Royal. First peal of Royal on the bells.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS

FENHAM, NEWCASTLE-ON-TYNE.

THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Jan. 24, 1948, in 3 Hours and 15 Minutes,

At THE CHURCH OF SS. JAMES AND BASIL.

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;

Tenor 14 cwt. 10 lb. in F.

|                             |                         |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------|
| THOMAS W. CROWE ... Treble  | KENNETH ARTHUR ... 5    |
| MISS MARGARET ADDISON ... 2 | ADAM DEAS ... 6         |
| JAMES L. GRAY ... 3         | *JACK ROACH ... 7       |
| JOHN ANDERSON ... 4         | WM. H. BARBER ... Tenor |

Composed by H. DAINS. Conducted by KENNETH ARTHUR.

\* First peal in the method. A thanksgiving for the ministry of the Rev. S. Redman, Vicar for 20 years, on his retirement.

OVER, CAMBRIDGESHIRE.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Jan. 24, 1948, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes,

At THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

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

Tenor 15½ cwt.

|                         |                          |
|-------------------------|--------------------------|
| PETER BORDER ... Treble | T. REGINALD DENNIS ... 5 |
| EDWIN J. LINDLEY ... 2  | *GEOFFREY DODDS ... 6    |
| GEORGE E. CRISP ... 3   | †WILLIAM BAVIN ... 7     |
| HARRY L. MARTIN ... 4   | MANSFIELD GINN ... Tenor |

Composed by E. MAURICE ATKINS. Conducted by E. J. LINDLEY.

\* 50th peal. † First peal in the method.

ADLINGTON, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Jan. 24, 1948, in 3 Hours and 15 Minutes,

At THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL,

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

|                          |                           |
|--------------------------|---------------------------|
| FRED BROWNLOW ... Treble | JOHN BOOTH ... 5          |
| THOMAS BARKER ... 2      | *JAMES BLACKBURN ... 6    |
| *JOSEPH HILL ... 3       | JAMES W. GROUNDS ... 7    |
| *RUTH BRADLEY ... 4      | E. ROGER MARTIN ... Tenor |

Composed by G. W. DEBENHAM (v.i.). Conducted by E. R. MARTIN.

\* First peal in the method. Ring for the patronal festival.

HORSHAM, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Jan. 24, 1948, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes,

At THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 23 cwt. 1 qr. 7 lb. in E flat.

|                          |                             |
|--------------------------|-----------------------------|
| HAROLD A. MAY ... Treble | ALBERT E. LAKER ... 5       |
| *MISS HAZEL DALE ... 2   | HAROLD F. WOOD ... 6        |
| EDGAR R. RALEY ... 3     | LEONARD STILWELL ... 7      |
| ERIC T. LEE ... 4        | A. PATRICK CANNON ... Tenor |

Composed by G. H. CROSS. Conducted by A. PATRICK CANNON.

\* First peal.

HODNET, SHROPSHIRE.

THE SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Jan. 24, 1948, in 3 Hours and 6 Minutes,

At THE CHURCH OF ST. LUKE,

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

Tenor 12 cwt. 24 lb.

|                            |                            |
|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| FREDERICK PRICE ... Treble | *CLIFFORD BARRON ... 5     |
| WILLIAM J. CHESTER ... 2   | WILLIAM A. FARMER ... 6    |
| THOMAS PRICE ... 3         | EDWARD V. RODENHURST ... 7 |
| F. HECTOR BENNETT ... 4    | ARTHUR PRITCHARD ... Tenor |

Composed by F. A. HOLDEN. Conducted by ARTHUR PRITCHARD.

\* First peal in the method. First peal of Major on the bells.

SPELDHURST, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Jan. 24, 1948, in 3 Hours and 11 Minutes,

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

## A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Middleton's. Tenor 12 cwt. in G.

|                           |                            |
|---------------------------|----------------------------|
| THOMAS E. SONE ... Treble | WILLIAM ROGERS ... 5       |
| REGINALD E. LAMBERT ... 2 | ROBERT T. LAMBERT ... 6    |
| ALFRED W. DURHAM ... 3    | *BENJAMIN F. BAKER ... 7   |
| GEORGE B. COLLINS ... 4   | WALTER H. DOBBIE ... Tenor |

Conducted by THOMAS E. SONE.

\* First peal of Surprise.

DARLINGTON, CO. DURHAM.

THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Jan. 24, 1948, in 3 Hours and 6 Minutes,

At THE COLLEGIATE CHURCH OF ST. CUTHBERT,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 18 cwt. 14 lb. in F.

|                             |                          |
|-----------------------------|--------------------------|
| GEORGE F. NEWTON ... Treble | *JACK R. WORRALL ... 5   |
| *BETTY LONGSTAFF ... 2      | *THOMAS W. DOBSON ... 6  |
| THOMAS SENIOR ... 3         | PHILIP A. TOCOCK ... 7   |
| †THOMAS COOKE ... 4         | W. NORMAN PARK ... Tenor |

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW. Conducted by W. NORMAN PARK.

\* First peal of Treble Bob. † First peal of Treble Bob 'inside.'

HILGAY, NORFOLK.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Jan. 24, 1948, in 3 Hours,

At THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 17 cwt.

|                              |                              |
|------------------------------|------------------------------|
| *STANLEY G. ELSEY ... Treble | †WILLIAM BUCKENHAM ... 5     |
| WALLACE W. COUSINS ... 2     | *ARTHUR ROLFE ... 6          |
| *ERNEST H. MASTIN ... 3      | CLAUDE COUSINS ... 7         |
| CECIL V. EBBERSON ... 4      | *GEORGE W. JOHNSON ... Tenor |

Composed by J. CARTER. Conducted by ERNEST H. MASTIN.

\* First peal of Triples. † First of Grandsire 'inside.'

CONGLETON, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Jan. 24, 1948, in 3 Hours and 15 Minutes,

At THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

## A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Middleton's. Tenor 14 cwt.

|                               |                               |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| *MRS. C. W. LAWTON ... Treble | SYDNEY HOUGH, JUN. ... 5      |
| JAMES A. MILNER ... 2         | CHARLES W. LAWTON ... 6       |
| WILFRED STEVENSON ... 3       | JOHN WORTH ... 7              |
| ALAN A. POTTS ... 4           | JOSEPH W. WHITTAKER ... Tenor |

Composed by JOHN WORTH.

\* First peal in the method.

## WITNEY, OXFORDSHIRE.

## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Jan. 24, 1948, in 3 Hours and 12 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES;

Tenor 18 cwt. in F.

|                             |                         |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------|
| MARGARET L. TUTT ... Treble | WILLIAM JUDGE ... 5     |
| HERBERT H. ALEXANDER ... 2  | WILLIAM C. PORTER ... 6 |
| PETER C. WRIGHT ... 3       | H. PETER RAYNOR ... 7   |
| WALTER F. JUDGE ... 4       | ALAN R. PINK ... Tenor  |

Composed by C. W. ROBERTS. Conducted by WALTER F. JUDGE.

## DISS, NORFOLK.

## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Jan. 24, 1948, in 3 Hours and 15 Minutes,

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

## A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5248 CHANCES;

Tenor 23 cwt. 82 lb. in D.

|                            |                       |
|----------------------------|-----------------------|
| FREDK. C. ROPER ... Treble | ERIC G. BENNETT ... 5 |
| *WILFRED G. SAUNDERS ... 2 | NOLAN GOLDEN ... 6    |
| CLEMENT J. MORE ... 3      | W. ARCHIE LOCK ... 7  |
| ALBERT G. HARRISON ... 4   | HENRY TOOKE ... Tenor |

Composed and Conducted by NOLAN GOLDEN.

\* First peal in the method. In memoriam David Whiting.

## LYE, WORCESTERSHIRE.

## THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

On Mon., Jan. 26, 1948, in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes,

AT CHRIST CHURCH,

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

Tenor 3½ cwt.

|                           |                             |
|---------------------------|-----------------------------|
| ARTHUR D. COOK ... Treble | THOMAS HEMMING ... 5        |
| HENRY H. FEARN ... 2      | JAMES F. HARVEY ... 6       |
| JOHN PINFOLD ... 3        | CLIFFORD SKIDMORE ... 7     |
| GEORGE E. FEARN ... 4     | WILLIAM B. CARTWRIGHT Tenor |

Composed by C. W. ROBERTS. Conducted by WM. B. CARTWRIGHT.

## LINCOLN.

## THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Mon., Jan. 26, 1948, in 3 Hours and 2 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

Washbrook's Variation. Tenor 18 cwt. 2 lb. in E.

|                               |                         |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------|
| CHARLES MCGUINNESS ... Treble | JOHN FREEMAN ... 5      |
| MISS JEAN METHAM ... 2        | H. LESLIE PASK ... 6    |
| *ARCHER T. LOWMAN ... 3       | JACK L. MILLHOUSE ... 7 |
| NOEL E. CHAMBERS ... 4        | HAROLD MARCON ... Tenor |

Conducted by JACK L. MILLHOUSE.

\* First peal of Stedman Triples. First peal of Stedman Triples as conductor. A welcome to the Rev. V. I. Dalby, the new Vicar.

## FRODSHAM, CHESHIRE.

## THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tues., Jan. 27, 1948, in 3 Hours and 6 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

## A PEAL OF CHESTER SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES;

Tenor 12½ cwt. in F.

|                             |                               |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|
| OSWALD CLAYBROOK ... Treble | CYRIL VALENTINE ... 5         |
| NORAH H. BIBBY ... 2        | WALTER ALLMAN ... 6           |
| GEORGE H. RANGLES ... 3     | FRANCIS BIBBY ... 7           |
| JOHN E. BIBBY ... 4         | JAMES C. E. SIMPSON ... Tenor |

Composed by T. B. WORSLEY. Conducted by JAS. C. E. SIMPSON.  
The first peal in the method.

## OXFORD.

## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tues., Jan. 27, 1948, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. EBBE,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

Heywood's Transposition. Tenor 4½ cwt.

|                      |                             |
|----------------------|-----------------------------|
| *NORA HONEY ... 2    | WALTER F. JUDGE ... 5       |
| ALAN R. PINK ... 2   | H. PETER RAYNOR ... 6       |
| WILLIAM JUDGE ... 3  | RICHARD WHITE ... 7         |
| EDWIN G. MOORE ... 4 | WM. H. B. WILKINS ... Tenor |

Conducted by WALTER F. JUDGE.

\* First peal in the method.

## QUEENSBURY, YORKSHIRE.

## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Wed., Jan. 28, 1948, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

## A PEAL OF LITTLE BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANCES;

|                            |                           |
|----------------------------|---------------------------|
| *EDGAR WHITELEY ... Treble | *HARRY WILD ... 5         |
| *WM. AMBLER ... 2          | *ALBERT V. PICKLES ... 6  |
| DONALD MARSHALL ... 3      | VERNON BOTTOMLEY ... 7    |
| *MARY LINGARD ... 4        | *SAM LONGBOTTOM ... Tenor |

Composed by STEPHEN H. WOOD. Conducted by S. LONGBOTTOM.

\* First peal in the method. † First peal of Major.

## HANDSWORTH, SHEFFIELD.

## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Wed., Jan. 28, 1948, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Tenor 12 cwt.

|                               |                             |
|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| JOHN J. L. GILBERT ... Treble | HERBERT O. CHADDOCK ... 5   |
| JOHN E. TURLEY ... 2          | JOHN H. BROTHWELL ... 6     |
| *ROY GARTH ... 3              | T. COLIN RYDER ... 7        |
| MRS. J. E. TURLEY ... 4       | JACK G. BROTHWELL ... Tenor |

Composed by C. CHARGE. Conducted by JOHN E. TURLEY.

\* First peal 'inside.' A birthday compliment to Mrs. Brothwell.

## HETHERSETT, NORFOLK.

## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Fri., Jan. 30, 1948, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. REMIGIUS,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES;

Tenor 9 cwt. 74 lb. in G.

|                           |                             |
|---------------------------|-----------------------------|
| CHAS. H. MOORE ... Treble | F. CHARLES GOODMAN ... 5    |
| NOLAN GOLDEN ... 2        | WILLIAM CLOVER ... 6        |
| HENRY TOOKE ... 3         | CEDRIC CURSON ... 7         |
| ARTHUR G. BASON ... 4     | RUSSELL W. CURSON ... Tenor |

Composed and Conducted by NOLAN GOLDEN.

## DEDDINGTON, OXON.

## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Jan. 31, 1948, in 3 Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

Carter's Variation of Parker's Twelve-part. Tenor 17 cwt.

|                              |                             |
|------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| ERNEST C. PEARSON ... Treble | FREDK. C. WHITE ... 5       |
| *EDMUND E. PEARSON ... 2     | *JOSEPH M. STREITON ... 6   |
| FRANCIS A. WHITE ... 3       | HERBERT W. IMPEY ... 7      |
| RICHARD WHITE ... 4          | *GEORGE E. DEELEY ... Tenor |

Conducted by HERBERT W. IMPEY.

\* First peal of Triples. † First peal. First peal on the eight bells and the first known peal to be rung in the tower.

## SOUTH ANSTON, YORKSHIRE.

## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Jan. 31, 1948, in 3 Hours and 8 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Tenor 13 cwt. 1 qr. 5 lb. in G.

|                             |                        |
|-----------------------------|------------------------|
| *MISS MAUREEN GOOING Treble | T. COLIN RYDER ... 5   |
| WILLIE GREEN ... 2          | GEORGE F. TUKE ... 6   |
| MRS. T. C. RYDER ... 3      | ARTHUR FIRTH ... 7     |
| *PETER NORTH ... 4          | DANIEL SMITH ... Tenor |

Composed by F. BENNETT. Conducted by ARTHUR FIRTH.

\* First peal. First peal as conductor.

## FARNDON, CHESHIRE.

## THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Jan. 31, 1948, in 3 Hours and 7 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. CHAD,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLE COURT TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

J. J. Parker's Ten-part (C.C.C. No. 27). Tenor 12 cwt. 22 lb.

|                         |                              |
|-------------------------|------------------------------|
| JOHN HAYES ... Treble   | JAMES S. WEBB ... 5          |
| JOHN W. GRIFFITHS ... 2 | HARRY PYE ... 6              |
| HENRY O. BAKER ... 3    | PERCY SWINDLEY ... 7         |
| JOHN W. BEST ... 4      | GEORGE F. SPERRING ... Tenor |

Conducted by JOHN W. GRIFFITHS.

The first peal in the method by all, on the bells and for the Guild.

## WARNHAM, SUSSEX.

## THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Jan. 31, 1948, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

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

|                             |                             |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| PEGGY G. KITCHEN ... Treble | WILLIAM J. ROBINSON ... 5   |
| *AUDREY M. CASTLE ... 2     | HERBERT G. ANDREWS ... 6    |
| ALFRED H. PULLING ... 3     | T. MARK WHITE ... 7         |
| H. WILLIAM BARRETT ... 4    | G. WILLIAM MORRIS ... Tenor |

Composed by YORK GREEN. Conducted by ALFRED H. PULLING.

\* First peal in the method. Tenor 14 cwt. 2 qr. 11 lb. in F.

## BURFORD, OXFORDSHIRE.

## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Jan. 31, 1948, in 3 Hours and 1 Minute,

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

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

|                              |                           |
|------------------------------|---------------------------|
| MICHAEL C. F. COLLETT Treble | BERNARD S. NICHOLS ... 5  |
| *NORAH HONEY ... 2           | THOMAS W. TIMMS ... 6     |
| WILLIAM J. DIXON ... 3       | ALAN R. PINK ... 7        |
| HARRY P. FLOYD ... 4         | GEORGE R. MILES ... Tenor |

Composed by J. J. PARKER (C.C.C. No. 18).

Conducted by ALAN R. PINK.

\* First peal in the method. Tenor 19½ cwt. in E flat.

**DUNSTABLE, BEDFORDSHIRE.**  
**THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**  
*On Sat., Jan. 31, 1948, in 3 Hours and 13 Minutes,*  
 AT THE PRIORY CHURCH OF ST. PETER,  
**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**  
 Tenor 24 cwt.

|                                     |                                    |
|-------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| ANDREW C. SINFIELD... <i>Treble</i> | *HERBERT C. HILLYARD... 5          |
| C. HENRY HARDING ... 2              | HAROLD BURTON ... 6                |
| RONALD J. SHARP ... 3               | †C. EDWARD JEFFRIES... 7           |
| *EDGAR CONQUEST ... 4               | ARTHUR E. SHARMAN ... <i>Tenor</i> |

Composed by C. MIDDLETON. Conducted by ARTHUR E. SHARMAN.  
 \* First peal of Surprise. † First peal of Cambridge.

**BROADCLYST, DEVONSHIRE.**  
**THE GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.**  
*On Sat., Jan. 31, 1948, in 3 Hours and 7 Minutes,*  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-BAPTIST,  
**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**  
 Washbrook's Variation of Thurstan's'. Tenor 21 cwt.

|                                   |                                    |
|-----------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| WILLIAM H. HOWE ... <i>Treble</i> | JACK SALWAY ... 5                  |
| *MISS QUEENIE PRING ... 2         | FREDK. WREFOED ... 6               |
| *HORACE W. BUTT ... 3             | EDWARD W. BIFFIN ... 7             |
| ARTHUR G. GOODING ... 4           | *ERNEST E. RETTER ... <i>Tenor</i> |

Conducted by EDWARD W. BIFFIN.  
 \* First peal of Stedman. First peal of Stedman as conductor.

**NORTON, DERBYSHIRE.**  
**THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**  
*On Sat., Jan. 31, 1948, in 3 Hours and 8 Minutes,*  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,  
**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

|                                   |                                 |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| HERBERT O. CHADDOCK <i>Treble</i> | GORDON C. BRIGGS ... 5          |
| *DENNIS HOLLAND ... 2             | LESLIE W. BACON ... 6           |
| BARRY HOLLAND ... 3               | WALTER ALLWOOD ... 7            |
| JOHN W. SYKES ... 4               | JOHN E. TURLEY ... <i>Tenor</i> |

Composed by J. E. BURTON. Conducted by JOHN E. TURLEY.  
 \* First peal. Tenor 16 cwt.

**SEFTON, LANCASHIRE.**  
**THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**  
*On Sat., Jan. 31, 1948, in 3 Hours and 6 Minutes,*  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. HELEN,  
**A PEAL OF OXFORD & KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**  
 Ilkston Variation. Tenor 11½ cwt.

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| *ROBT. GUY ... .. <i>Treble</i> | *DENNIS BOOTH ... 5            |
| *PHYLLIS BOOTH ... 2            | THOS. S. HORRIDGE ... 6        |
| THOS. HAMMOND ... 3             | *GEO. SKELLAND ... 7           |
| *JOHN MCKEE ... 4               | WM. H. DEACON ... <i>Tenor</i> |

Composed by E. C. GOBEY. Conducted by WM. H. DEACON.  
 \* First peal in the method.

**BICESTER, OXFORDSHIRE.**  
**THE OXFORD UNIVERSITY SOCIETY.**  
*On Sat., Jan. 31, 1948, in 3 Hours and 7 Minutes,*  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. EDBURG,  
**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**  
 Tenor 15 cwt.

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| MARGARET L. TUTT ... <i>Treble</i> | PETER W. B. SEMMENS... 5           |
| *R. ANDREW ROUTH ... 2             | PETER RAYNOR ... 6                 |
| *GRAHAM R. KERR ... 3              | PETER C. WRIGHT ... 7              |
| *DAVID GALLOP ... 4                | C. JOHN DICKINSON ... <i>Tenor</i> |

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD. Conducted by C. JOHN DICKINSON.  
 \* First peal of Major. To celebrate the conductor's 21st birthday.

**KIRBY-LE-SOKEN, ESSEX.**  
**THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**  
*On Sat., Jan. 31, 1948, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,*  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,  
**A PEAL OF ST. CLEMENT'S COLLEGE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**  
 Tenor 8½ cwt.

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|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| WALTER SOUTHGATE ... <i>Treble</i> | ERNEST H. SCARFE ... 5           |
| EDWARD E. DAVEY ... 2              | RONALD G. BUGG ... 6             |
| URBAN W. WILDNEY ... 3             | GEORGE WATERMAN ... 7            |
| GEORGE W. MOSS ... 4               | ALAN R. ANDREWS ... <i>Tenor</i> |

Composed by H. W. WILDE. Conducted by ALAN R. ANDREWS.  
 First peal in the method by all the company and on the bells.

**EWHRUST, SURREY.**  
**THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**  
*On Sat., Jan. 31, 1948, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes,*  
 AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER & PAUL,  
**A PEAL OF PAINSWICK SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**  
 Tenor 11 cwt.

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|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| *ERIC T. LEE ... .. <i>Treble</i> | *FREDK. A. MUNDAY ... 5          |
| *EDGAR R. RAPLEY ... 2            | LEONARD STILWELL ... 6           |
| ERNEST J. MUNDAY ... 3            | HAROLD A. MAY ... 7              |
| WILLIAM T. BEESON ... 4           | C. ERNEST SMITH ... <i>Tenor</i> |

Composed by CORNELIUS CHARGE. Conducted by C. ERNEST SMITH.  
 \* First peal in the method. First in the method as conductor and on the bells.

## SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS

**GRAFTON UNDERWOOD, NORTHANTS.**  
**THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.**  
*On Thurs., Jan. 22, 1948, in 2 Hours and 32 Minutes,*  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;**  
 Being 3 six-scores of Stedman, 9 of St. Simon's, 18 of Grandsire, 12 of Plain Bob (different callings, methods rung in alternate 720's).  
 Tenor 7½ cwt.

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|--------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| MISS ENID WALKLATE ... <i>Treble</i> | LEONARD G. TOSELAND... 3 |
| PATRICK I. CHAPMAN ... 2             | JOHN SHATFORD ... 4      |
| GEOFFREY E. WATSON ... <i>Tenor</i>  |                          |

Conducted by GEOFFREY E. WATSON.

**CARLTON-JUXTA-SNAITH, YORKSHIRE.**  
**THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**  
*On Sat., Jan. 24, 1948, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,*  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN,

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**  
 Seven different extents. Tenor 6 cwt.

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|-----------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| *MARGT. R. GRAVES (16)... <i>Treble</i> | JACK WAUD ... 4                    |
| †GEORGE WAUD' ... 2                     | †THOMAS H. FOSTER ... 5            |
| HORACE S. MORLEY ... 3                  | LESLIE M. WOODHEAD... <i>Tenor</i> |

Conducted by LESLIE M. WOODHEAD.  
 \* First peal. † First peal 'inside.' ‡ First peal of Minor.

**PATRINGTON, EAST YORKS.**  
**THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**  
*On Sun., Jan. 25, 1948, in 3 Hours and 9 Minutes,*  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PATRICK,

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**  
 Being seven extents. Tenor 10 cwt. 24 lb.

|                                   |                                   |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| LEONARD RODMELL ... <i>Treble</i> | HAROLD ANDREWS ... 4              |
| DAVID A. FEWSTER ... 2            | *LEONARD MARRIOT ... 5            |
| *GEORGE PEARCY ... 3              | *THOMAS ROBINSON ... <i>Tenor</i> |

\* First peal. Conducted by LEONARD RODMELL.

**EATON, LEICESTERSHIRE.**  
**THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**  
*On Thurs., Jan. 29, 1948, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes,*  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. DENYS,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**  
 Being two 720's Kent Treble Bob, five of Plain Bob, each differently called. Tenor 7 cwt. 1 qr. 19 lb.

|                                    |                                |
|------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| *WALTER WHITE ... .. <i>Treble</i> | †DENNIS TOON ... 4             |
| J. HARRY COOK ... 2                | HARRY CLAYTON ... 5            |
| FREDK. J. STIMSON ... 3            | ERNEST MORRIS ... <i>Tenor</i> |

Conducted by ERNEST MORRIS.  
 \* First peal on treble. † First of Minor.

**FLITTON, BEDFORDSHIRE.**  
**THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**  
*On Thurs., Jan. 29, 1948, in 2 Hours and 26 Minutes,*  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-BAPTIST,

**A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**  
 Being 720 each of Rossendale, Stamford, Durham, York, Beverley, Surfleet and Cambridge. Tenor 6 cwt.

|                                    |                                     |
|------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| BRYAN F. SIMS ... .. <i>Treble</i> | CYRIL A. PRINDIVILLE ... 4          |
| C. EDWARD JEFFRIES ... 2           | C. HENRY HARDING ... 5              |
| RONALD J. SHARP ... 3              | ANDREW C. SINFIELD ... <i>Tenor</i> |

Conducted by C. HENRY HARDING.

First peal of Surprise on the bells First peal of Surprise as conductor.

**WHITBOURNE, HEREFORDSHIRE.**  
**THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**  
*On Sat., Jan. 31, 1948, in 3 Hours,*  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-BAPTIST,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;**  
 Being 42 six-scores (10 callings). Tenor 11½ cwt.

|                                     |                               |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| *WILLIAM JAMES ... .. <i>Treble</i> | *JOHN CLEMENTS ... 4          |
| *CHARLES DAVIES ... 2               | FREDERICK W. DAVIES... 5      |
| THOMAS COOPER ... 3                 | *JAMES SOLEY ... <i>Tenor</i> |

Conducted by THOMAS COOPER.

\* First peal. A tribute to Mr. George Soley, 22 years District Ringing Master, recently resigned through ill-health.

**KEYMER, SUSSEX.**  
**THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**  
*On Sat., Jan. 31, 1948, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes,*  
 AT THE CHURCH OF SS. COSMAS AND DAMIAN,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;**  
 Forty-two extents, ten callings. Tenor 7 cwt.

|                                       |                                      |
|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| *MICHAEL J. ADES ... .. <i>Treble</i> | *JOHN W. REYNOLDS ... 4              |
| †MICHAEL A. C. FREWER ... 2           | †STANLEY E. ARMSTRONG ... 5          |
| *J. TERENCE MURPHY ... 3              | *JOHN R. CLAPPERTON ... <i>Tenor</i> |

Conducted by STANLEY E. ARMSTRONG.

\* First peal. † First peal of Grandsire. ‡ 75th peal. The first peal by the Varndean School Society.

**HOLYWELL, HUNTS.**  
**THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

*On Mon., Jan. 26, 1948, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes,*

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

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Seven 720's. Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qr. 25 lb.  
 \*SIDNEY CLEMENTS ... Treble | FRANK WARRINGTON ... 4  
 \*GERALD NICHOLLS ... 2 | JOHN PERKINS ... 5  
 LESLIE W. FISHER ... 3 | \*HAROLD HODGE ... Tenor

\* First peal. Conducted by FRANK WARRINGTON.

**GROBY, NEAR LEICESTER.**

**THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Sat., Jan. 31, 1948, in 2 Hours and 29 Minutes,*

**AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PHILIP AND JAMES,**

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being two 720's each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, one of Oxford Bob and two of Plain Bob.

\*WILFRED E. GEARY ... Treble | VICTOR GEARY ... 4  
 \*TERENCE E. GARDNER ... 2 | REDVERS F. ELKINGTON ... 5  
 STANLEY R. GARDNER ... 3 | †GEORGE E. SPENCER ... Tenor

Conducted by REDVERS F. ELKINGTON.

\* First peal in more than one method. † First peal on six bells.

**WARKTON, NORTHANTS.**

**THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Sat., Jan. 31, 1948, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes,*

**AT THE CHURCH OF ST. EDMUND,**

**A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 2 six-scores of Stedman and 8 six-scores each of New Doubles, St. Simon's, Canterbury, Plain Bob and Grandsire. Tenor 8½ cwt.

BURLEY P. MORRIS ... Treble | ALAN F. KIRKMAN ... 3  
 LEONARD G. TOSELAND ... 2 | JOHN SHATFORD ... 4

BERTRAM F. LUMBERS ... Tenor

Conducted by BERTRAM F. LUMBERS.

First peal as conductor, aged 15 years.

**KERESLEY, WARWICKSHIRE.**

**THE COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Sat., Jan. 31, 1948, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes,*

**AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS,**

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Forty-two extents, ten callings. Tenor 6½ cwt.

\*COLIN A. WHARTON (14) Treble | \*MISS M. D. REEVES (15) 3  
 WILLIAM A. STOTE ... 2 | IAN A. MORRISON ... 4

HAROLD FOLWELL ... Tenor

\* First peal. Conducted by WILLIAM A. STOTE.

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**GREAT STAUGHTON, HUNTS.**

**THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

*On Sat., Jan. 31, 1948, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes,*

**AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,**

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being seven 720's. Tenor 19 cwt. 2 qr.

\*CYRIL YOUNG ... Treble | HERBERT FIELDS ... 4  
 \*WM. A. R. CHAMBERLAIN 2 | REGINALD HOUGHTON ... 5  
 STANLEY GILBERT ... 3 | FRANK WARRINGTON ... Tenor

Conducted by FRANK WARRINGTON.

\* First peal of Treble Bob.

**CASTLE HEDINGHAM, ESSEX.**

**THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**

*On Sat., Jan. 31, 1948, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes,*

**AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,**

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

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

ERNEST BROWN ... Treble | REGINALD RIPPINGALE ... 4  
 SIMON DACE ... 2 | RONALD SUCKLING ... 5  
 CECIL BARKER ... 3 | THOMAS BIRD ... Tenor

Conducted by RONALD SUCKLING.

**WARSOP, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.**

**THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Sat., Jan. 31, 1948, in 3 Hours,*

**AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,**

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being three extents each of Kent Treble Bob and Oxford Treble Bob and one of Plain Bob. Tenor 15 cwt.

\*DONALD CHADWICK ... Treble | FREDERICK FLINT ... 4  
 †RICHARD HIND ... 2 | HERBERT T. ROOKE ... 5  
 ROLAND T. FLINT ... 3 | ARTHUR B. COOPER ... Tenor

Conducted by HERBERT T. ROOKE.

\* First peal. † First peal in three methods.

**ROWDE, WILTSHIRE.**

**THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Sat., Jan. 31, 1948, in 3 Hours and 2 Minutes,*

**AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MATTHEW,**

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 2,160 changes C.C.C. No. 152 and four 720's. Tenor 12½ cwt.

\*P. W. J. HARDING ... Treble | FRANK A. PENN ... 4  
 MRS. F. A. PENN ... 2 | †HAROLD SMITH ... 5  
 †HARRY PROUT ... 3 | FREDK. S. SLATFORD ... Tenor

Conducted by FREDERICK S. SLATFORD.

\* 50th peal. † First peal of Treble Bob.

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*'The Ringing World' was founded in the year  
1911 by John Sparkes Goldsmith, who remained  
its proprietor and editor until his death in 1942.*

Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Poole have had to relinquish the office of secretary and assistant secretary of the Shropshire Association, a post they have held since 1942, through at present living in Buckinghamshire. Mr. E. A. Reeves, 22, Rosedale, Harlescott, Shrewsbury, is the new hon. secretary.

Mr. C. John Dickinson came of age on Jan. 31st and called a peal of Bob Major at Bicester for the Oxford University Society. Happy birthday!

Mr. Maurice F. R. Hibbert has a birthday once every four years. We trust his quota of birthday peals is none the lighter in consequence.

Mr. Ernest Morris has found a new tower in the Leicester Diocese in which to ring a peal. Eaton is his 127th tower in the diocese and his peal was his 1,027th.

There has been some 'moonraking' in Wiltshire lately. The peal of Bob Minor credited to North Bradley in our issue of Feb. 13th should have been 'Seend, Wiltshire.'

In 1888 one of J. J. Parker's compositions of Grandsire Triples was rung for the first time at Burford, Oxfordshire. The 60th anniversary was commemorated by a visit to the tower and a repetition of the peal called by Alan R. Pink.

Special interest lies behind the peal of Double Norwich at Hethersett, Norfolk, on Jan. 30th. Out of 600 odd peals in the method recorded for the Norwich Diocesan Association this is believed to be the first to be rung with 4ths place bobs.

St Mary's, Standon (Herts), send us a bright account of their annual supper, at which it was announced that their bell repair fund stood at £200 towards an original estimate of £203. Most of this sum was raised by the ringers themselves, substantial contributions being received as the result of handbell ringing at Christmas time.

## BELFRY GOSSIP

Ald. A. E. Sharman, of Dunstable, and a member of the Bedfordshire County Council, called a peal of Cambridge at Dunstable Priory as a golden wedding compliment to Mr. H. D. Harris, of Woburn. Both are Cumberland Youths and the peal in consequence was under the auspices of that Society. Have we any other Aldermen living among our peal conductors?

Mr. Clifford Skidmore completed his 'circle' of Lye, Worcestershire, tower by a peal of Double Norwich Court Bob Major on Jan. 26th.

Another 'circler' this week is Mr. Vernon Bottomley at his tower, Queensbury, Yorks, with a peal of Little Bob Major on Jan. 28th.

The third to circle this week is Mr. Robert Guy at Sefton, Lancs, with a peal of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob Major. He was ringing for his silver wedding and the completion of 25 years as a service ringer at Sefton.

Finally Mr. Burley P. Morris has 'circled' Warkton, Northants, with a peal of Doubles, five methods.

Mr. A. H. Pulling is appearing in the 'Down Your Way' B.B.C. Light Programme of March 14th. He has been interviewed by Mr. Richard Dimbleby at Guildford Grammar School and there is no question that ringing will be mentioned.

Bournemouth calling again. Their second festival will be held on April 24th. In addition to the dinner, two charabanc tours are being planned—one into Dorset and the other to Hampshire. Towers on the list include Wimborne Minster and Christchurch Priory. The Assistant Bishop of Winchester has promised to preside at the dinner. Organiser is Mr. Arthur V. Davis, of 116, Alma Road, Bournemouth, who can also give a few addresses where accommodation may possibly be found.

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## ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS

## Change of Mastership

## BIG INFLUX OF NEW MEMBERS.

The Society of Royal Cumberland Youths decided at their annual meeting on February 14th on a change in the Mastership. Mr. G. H. Cross, who has held office for the past 13 years, was defeated in a ballot by Mr. Walter Ayre. The reason advanced for the change was that for the Cumberlands to progress as a national body it was advisable that the Master should not necessarily be associated with the Church of St. Martin-in-the-Fields. The meeting was largely attended. The new Vicar (the Rev. L. M. Charles-Edwards) conducted the service and there was a company of over 100 at tea.

Mr. G. H. Cross presided at the business meeting, supported by the secretary (Mr. G. W. Steere). The statement of accounts showed that the balance from 1946 of £48 8s. 4d. had been increased to £69 7s. 3d.

The secretary's report stated that the past year, marking as it did the 200th anniversary of the formation of the Society, had been one of continued prosperity. Seventy-one new members had joined, the majority of whom were young ringers on the threshold of their ringing careers. Such an influx augured well for the Society's future prospects.

The 12 peals rung during the year covered a wide range from Bob Minor to Stedman Cinques and were rung in 12 different churches, under nine conductors. Two handbell peals had also been recorded—both at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields—but again with different conductors.

The report recorded the meetings held and the bicentenary dinner, and concluded with a vote of thanks to Mr. W. Ayre for presenting a chairman's gavel to the Society.

The Chairman congratulated the Society and gave additional details of the peals, in which 68 members participated. The secretary announced that four peals were already 'in the bag' for this year.

Mr. Steere was thanked for his services on the proposition of Mr. W. Ayre.

Apologies for absence were received from Messrs. Robert Heazel (Essex Association), George Dawson and J. Bailey. The meeting heard with regret that Mr. Bailey had been ordered to bed for three months, and the secretary was asked to write to him expressing the Society's wishes for a speedy recovery.

The meeting ratified the following elections: Miss Margaret Fidell (Monkseaton), Miss Brenda Philpott, C. E. Buesden (Canterbury), A. H. Jackson (Ryde, Isle of Wight), D. J. Gay (Dorset), R. G. French (Sturry, Kent), M. J. Butler (Southampton), H. G. Andrews (Hampton Wick), J. H. C. Davy (Bramley, Surrey), F. E. Walker (Dartford), E. Conquest (Luton), Miss Beryl J. Denton (Keston, Middlesex), Dr. William L. Leese (Herne Hill).

The following new members were elected at the meeting: J. L. Morris, J. L. Harris, C. R. Packer, R. H. Baker, J. H. Arlet and Miss Eleanor Arlet (Orrington), R. S. Goodchild, R. Stereck and R. W. Dent (Chislehurst), C. P. Suddards (Sidecup), P. Holness (Hemel Hempstead), D. Cartwright (Tring), G. W. Seaman (Watford), Mrs. E. Roseoe, Miss Eleanor E. Wollidge and Mr. R. E. Godfrey (Bexley), P. J. Eves, A. G. Bartholomew, W. J. Barrett (Galleywood), Mrs. Elsie Savory, C. Poulter (Ruislip), A. R. Ward (Ryde, Isle of Wight), T. J. Clark (Bushey), Miss E. D. Farrell, Miss R. J. Pett (Isleworth). Honorary member: Rev. L. M. Charles-Edwards.

The Chairman congratulated Mr. Frank Knight on securing so many new members.

## ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

There were five nominations for the post of Master, and a ballot resulted as follows: W. Ayre 32, G. H. Cross 27, F. E. Hawthorne 10, T. Sevan 5, C. J. Matthews 4.

Assuming the chair amid applause, Mr. Ayre said it was an honour he had never anticipated. He owed his knowledge of 12 bell ringing to a former Master, Mr. Matthews' father, and he was also indebted to him for his first peal on handbells and first peal on 12 bells.

He asked each member to regard himself as a cell for the Society from which other members would sprout so that their Society would bloom.

Other officers elected were: Senior steward, Mr. T. Bevan; junior steward, Mr. F. E. Hawthorne; trustees, Mr. C. J. Matthews and Mr. W. R. Winterton; hon. secretary and treasurer, Mr. G. W. Steere; hon. auditors, Messrs. G. H. Cross and A. H. Pulling; Central Council representatives, Messrs. G. W. Steere, G. H. Cross, Frank C. W. Knight and Tom Francis.

Mr. Rowe expressed the hope that at future annual meetings an eight-bell tower would be also available.

The Chairman said that owing to the kindness of the senior steward, a party did visit Hampstead and Gospel Oak.

A member: Why was it not announced in 'The Ringing World'?

Mr. Steere replied that he received notice too late and notified Mr. Ayre and certain other members.

The Chairman promised that at future annual meetings opportunity would be provided for eight-bell ringing.

## CENTRAL COUNCIL AND IRELAND.

Mr. A. H. Pulling said that the next Central Council meeting the holding of the 1949 meeting in Ireland would be discussed. It would be an expensive journey and he would like to move that £10 he voted towards the travelling expenses of Council representatives.

The Chairman said he understood that a circular letter was being sent out by the Central Council asking the different Guilds whether they would support a meeting in Dublin. The matter would come before the next Council meeting, and it was felt that the Guilds or Associations should consult the members first.

Mr. C. Matthews said according to the rules no member was entitled to take part in any discussion on finance unless he had paid 2s. in steeples fees the previous year. He proposed that the matter be shelved until the next meeting as under that rule he doubted whether there were two dozen members entitled to vote.

It was decided to adjourn the matter to the next annual meeting.

A vote of thanks to the retiring Master was proposed by Mr. Geoffrey Carter, seconded by Mr. Frank Knight and endorsed by the chairman.

Thanking the members, Mr. Cross said he started to ring when he was 14. It was then either a case of taking a hiding from his elder brother or ringing. He preferred ringing.

Mr. T. Bevan raised the question of holding a dinner, and Mr. Cross supported such a venture. After discussion it was decided to hold a dinner, and the meeting fixed as a tentative date Saturday, October 9th.

Quarterly meetings suggested were Chislehurst, April 10th; Dunstable, June 19th; and Guildford, September 18th.

The thanks of the Society to the new Vicar were voiced by Mr. Frank Hawthorne. Mr. Cross stated that a peal was rung for his induction and afterwards the Vicar and his wife came into the belfry to congratulate the ringers. They both expressed a wish to climb the steeple and see the bells.

Last year a new ring was installed at Carlton-juxta-Snaith, Yorks. The first of the band of learners recruited for the tower to ring a peal is Miss Margaret R. Graves (aged 16). The peal was in memory of the two sons of Dr. and Mrs. J. B. McGranahan (the donors of three of the new six bells).

## A Note on Fourths Place Bobs in Double Norwich

BY NOLAN GOLDEN.

In spite of its interest and possibilities in the realm of composition, few ringers seem to have paid 'court' to the queen of plain major methods with fourths place bobs. One advantage of the use of this bob is that peals of 5,000 changes, composed entirely of five-lead courses with 4, 5 and 6 only in 6th's place at course-ends may be produced—an impossibility with the 6ths place bob.

Bobs and singles made at the first treble lead are as under:—

| Bob | 64187253 | Single | 64187253 |
|-----|----------|--------|----------|
|     | 61482735 |        | 61482735 |
|     | 16847253 |        | 16847253 |
|     | 18642735 |        | 16842735 |
|     | 81467253 |        | 61487253 |
|     | 84162735 |        | 64182735 |

It will be seen that the calls produce a bob and single lead of Hereward Bob.

The calling positions, keeping the tenors together, are: (a) In and Fifths (bobs at leads 1 and 2); (b) In and Fifth's and Before (1, 2 and 4); (c) Middle (3); (d) Middle and Before (3 and 4); (e) Home (5); and (f) Before (6).

The following specimen compositions give some idea of the possibilities of the 4ths place bob. Each contains 60 course-ends with all the combinations of 4-5-6 in 5-6. The four-part contains, in addition, the 6th the extent in 5-6, while the six and three-parts have 4-5-6 only in 6ths.

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| — | — | — | 32456 |        |   |   |   |       |  |
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| — | — | — | 35246 |        |   |   |   |       |  |
| — | — | — | 54236 |        |   |   |   |       |  |
| — | — | — | 25436 |        |   |   |   |       |  |
| — | — | — | 42536 |        |   |   |   |       |  |
| — | — | — | 23465 |        |   |   |   |       |  |
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|   |   |   |       |        | — | — | — | 52364 |  |
|   |   |   |       |        | — | — | — | 26354 |  |
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|   |   |   |       |        | — | — | — | 25634 |  |
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|   |   |   |       |        | — | — | — | 34256 |  |
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|   |   |   |       |        | — | — | — | 32546 |  |

Five times repeated, substituting bob for the single in all but the fourth part.

Three times repeated, substituting single for bob at H at the 3rd or 11th or 13th course end in alternate parts.

## NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

The annual meeting of the North Norfolk Branch was held at Marsham, with members attending from Caston, Aylsham, Carbrooke, Diss, Hethersett, Norwich, New Buckenham, Mulbarton, Buxton, Palgrave, Garboldisham, Northrepps, Wymondham, Saxlingham, Attleborough. At the meeting in the Reading Room all the officers and committee were re-elected and thanked for their services.

The next meeting will be held at Wymondham on April 10th.

## Middlesex Association

### NORTH AND EAST DISTRICT.

The annual meeting of the North and East District was held at Finchley on January 31st, when over 70 ringers and friends made a representative gathering.

The retiring officers were re-elected, viz., Ringing Master, Mr. A. Cutler; secretary, Mr. T. J. Lock; assistant secretary, Mr. E. H. Kilby; auditor, Mr. W. N. Genna; whilst Messrs. E. M. Atkins, R. H. Begrie and H. G. Hart were elected as representatives on the Central Committee.

Mr. Lock, in submitting the district report, indicated that including three Association general meetings, 13 towers had been visited for meetings, and at those where business was transacted an average of 39 ringers attended. Three members had been lost to the district through death. One honorary life, nine non-resident life and 35 ringing members had been elected to membership. A sharp increase in the number of quarter-peals, mostly for Sunday service ringing, had been notified, the total reaching 88, in which at least 33 shared the conducting and in 14 towers. Harrow Weald is one of only six towers in the country to celebrate the double event of Princess Elizabeth's 21st birthday and wedding day by ringing peals on the two actual days.

The statement of accounts showed that the balance of income over expenditure to be carried to the Central Fund amounted to £22 8s. 11d.

The Rev. M. Ridley (Finchley) and the Rev. R. W. Matthews (Willesden) were elected hon. life members, Mr. J. Alsop (Ebbw Vale) a non-resident life member, and the Misses V. Look (unattached) and A. Barker (Kilburn) and Messrs. F. Bullock and R. Wilkinson (Stammore) and W. Nicholls (Enfield, St. Andrew's) ringing members.

### OXFORD UNIVERSITY SOCIETY

The Society's annual lunch was held on January 31st at Oxford, the guests of honour being Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Poole. Ringing in the morning at St. Cross' and St. Thomas' culminated in ringing at St. Mary-the-Virgin, which was followed by a service in St. Mary's, conducted by the Vicar, Dr. R. S. Lee.

About 65 attended lunch at the Forum Restaurant, which was followed by speeches and a business meeting. In particular, thanks were accorded on the Society's behalf to the City ringers, several of whom were present, including Mr. W. F. Judge and Mr. V. Bennett, for very valuable assistance during the year. A special welcome was extended to Canon G. F. Coleridge, a past Master. Later it was agreed that the Society's Ringing Week should be held after Easter—at Bedford, if possible; and Miss Spice promised to investigate the possibilities. Mr. Moreton's proposal (in absence) of a general secretary was also approved.

During the afternoon there was ringing at St. Ebbe's and Magdalen, followed by tea at Magdalen under the auspices of the vice-president, Dr. Sutton. Unfortunately, half way through the ringing at Magdalen (after a course of Cambridge Royal) the rope of the second broke—so ringing continued on the back eight. An otherwise very successful day culminated with ringing at All Saints'.

### BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION

Regarded as a record was the attendance of 50 at the annual meeting of the Ilchester Deanery Branch at Marlock on February 7th. Preb. G. W. Saunders conducted the service.

At the business meeting officers re-elected were Preb. G. W. Saunders (chairman), Mr. F. Farrant (secretary) and Mr. W. H. Poole (ringing master). Welcomed to the meeting were Mr. S. Woodburn, Bath branch secretary, and Mr. T. Locke, secretary of the Crewkerne Branch.

Dr. S. L. Brimblecombe, of Stoke-under-Ham, was added to the list of hon. members, and five new members were elected.

### ANGMERING, SUSSEX.

—On Jan. 29th, 1,260

Doubles (Grandsire, Plain

Bob, St. Simon's): J. Baker 1, H. Peskett 2, Miss E. Lonnen 3, E. Treagus (cond.) 4, H. Weaver 5, H. Ungless 6. First quarter for 1 and 6. In appreciation the Rev. J. R. Walkey.

**BALDOCK, HERTS.**—On Feb. 7th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: W. Pooley (first in method) 1, L. Fidler 2, F. Croft 3, E. Buck (first in method) 4, E. Winters 5, D. C. Mears (cond.) 6, L. Bywaters 7, R. T. Newman 8.

**BATTERSEA, LONDON.**—On Jan. 25th, at St. Mary's, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: B. Wheeler 1, F. Bush 2, Miss E. Cropley 3, B. Williams 4, R. Stallibrass 5, R. Hart 6, S. Hart (cond.) 7, E. Howard 8.

**BELGRAVE, LEICESTER.**—On Feb. 3rd, 1,260 Grandsire Triples (half-muffled): C. Linch 1, G. Castleman 2, Mrs. Wilson 3, R. Swann 4, F. Wilson 5, A. Skinner 6, R. Barrow (cond.) 7, E. Bass 8.

**BROMLEY, KENT.**—At St. Luke's Church on Feb. 1st, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss Hilda Oakshett 1, G. Kite 2, E. C. Bishop (first quarter inside) 3, G. F. James 4, M. F. Oakshett 5, S. J. Humprey 6, J. Lyddiard (cond.) 7, P. J. Spice 8.

**CROYDON, SURREY.**—At the Church of St. John the Baptist on Feb. 1st, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: G. Lodge 1, Miss J. England 2, E. Razzell 3, C. Parks 4, F. E. Mitchell 5, D. Parsons 6, W. Oatway 7, R. Davis 8, D. Cooper (cond.) 9, G. H. Humphries 10. First of Caters for 1 and 3.

**DONCASTER.**—On Feb. 1st, 1,360 Bob Major: Mrs. N. Wall 1, E. C. Stacey 2, E. Dalingwater 3, C. Toyne 4, F. A. Staveley 5, L. Webb 6, W. E. Critchley (cond.) 7, J. McCluskey 8. First in the method on new bells.

**EXETER.**—At St. David's on Feb. 1st, 1,260 Stedman Triples: A. W. Searle 1, W. S. Lethbridge 2, H. Spicer 3, T. J. Bartell 4, E. Rowe (first quarter Stedman) 5, P. Foote (first quarter Stedman) 6, W. H. Howe (cond.) 7, H. Kingdom 8.

**HARLOW COMMON, ESSEX.**—On Jan. 31st, 1,260 Bob Major: Fred Whitby 1, Vincent Tipton 2, Stanley Clark 3, Benjamin Burton (first quarter) 4, Geoffrey Blake (first quarter) 5, Lewis Cordell 6, William Wedlock 7, William Wheeler (cond.) 8.

**HELLINGLY, SUSSEX.**—On Feb. 1st, 1,272 of Minor (1,080 of Reverse Canterbury and 192 of Plain Bob): E. G. D. Tonkin (14) 1, J. Hobden 2, E. E. Breed 3, B. Stepany 4, G. Beoney 5, F. H. Hicks (cond.) 6. First of Minor in two methods by 1, 2, 3 and 4.

**HEMINGFORD ABBOTS, HUNTS.**—On Feb. 1st at St. Margaret's, 1,248 Bob Minor: G. Nicholls 1, H. W. Pratt 2, Miss C. Dunnington 3, F. Warrington (cond.) 4, G. L. Perkins 5, John Perkins 6.

**HETHERSETT, NORFOLK.**—On Feb. 1st, 1,264 Bob Major: G. Moore (first quarter) 1, R. Loft 2, C. Cuson 3, R. Fisher 4, T. Spight 5, C. H. Moore 6, H. Tooke 7, R. W. Curson (cond.) 8.

**HILLINGDON, MIDDLESEX.**—At St. John's Church, on Feb. 1st, 1,260 Stedman Triples: T. G. Bannister 1, F. W. Goodfellow 2, F. Blondell 3, F. G. Baldwin 4, F. Corke 5, W. N. Genna 6, A. R. G. Twinn 7, W. H. Coles 8. Rung unconduted.

**HOLYWOOD, CO. DOWN.**—On Jan. 31st, at the Church of SS. Philip and James, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: T. Dunwoody 1, J. T. Dunwoody 2, John Savage 3, W. Pratt 4, N. Savage 5, J. Edgar 6, H. Brown (cond.) 7, Joseph Savage 8. A farewell to the three Savages, who are leaving for U.S.A.

**LAMBETH, LONDON.**—On Feb. 1st at St. Mary's Church, 1,280 Cambridge Surprise Major: W. D. Grainger 1, T. H. Taffender 2, Miss A. M. Castle 3, S. Croft 4, N. G. Hollingworth 5, T. W. Taffender (cond.) 6, E. Furbanks 7, J. Bullock 8.

**LUTON, BEDS.**—On Feb. 1st, 1,280 Double Norwich Court Bob Major: A. J. Smith 1, H. Burton 2, J. Herbert 3, L. A. Goodenough 4, E. Conquest 5, R. Kendall 6, H. Wood 7, A. E. Rushton (first in method as conductor) 8. First quarter for 3, 5 and 6.

## QUARTER PEALS

### MANGOTSFIELD,

BRISTOL.—On Jan. 29th,

1,260 Grandsire Triples: E.

Cooksley 1, C. E. Jefferies 2, Miss N. Gardner 3, F. Scudemore (first quarter) 4, D. Gardner 5, J. W. Jefferies 6, J. G. Jefferies (cond.) 7, W. Bush 8. In memoriam Mrs. E. Palmer.

**PRESTON CAPES, NORTHANTS.**—On Feb. 5th, at the Church of SS. Peter and Paul, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles (half-muffled): Miss M. Locke 1, F. W. Hutt 2, Rev. R. H. Palmer (first quarter) 3, K. R. Holtom 4, V. Perry (cond.) 5. In memoriam John Hulls, killed in road accident. Believed to be first quarter on the bells.

**ROYSTON, HERTS.**—At St. John the Baptist's Church, on Feb. 1st, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: E. Linwood 1, A. Gilbert 2, W. Houghton 3, H. Heathfield 4, S. E. Roberts 5, A. Parish 6, E. W. Roberts (cond.) 7, G. Allgood 8. First quarter in the method 1, 4, 6 and 8.

**RUNCORN, CHESHIRE.**—On Feb. 1st, 1,280 Oxford Treble Bob Major: Wm. E. Allman 1, C. Ward 2, W. Allman (cond.) 3, T. H. Mather 4, A. Billington 5, E. H. Hughes 6, J. Orme 7, D. Maddock 8. First by all the band except the conductor. Also on Feb. 3rd, 1,260 Stedman Triples: W. Allman 1, R. Hulse 2, A. Billington 3, C. Valentine 4, J. Orme 5, T. Mather 6, J. Bibby (cond.) 7, E. Hughes 8. First quarter by 2, 3, 5 and 8.

**RUARDEAN, GLOS.**—On Jan. 9th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: W. T. Penn 1, H. Marfell 2, W. Scott (first quarter) 3, G. Wilks (first as cond.) 4, H. Meek 5, W. Beard 6. In memoriam Lloyd Watkins, former ringer.

**ST. IVES, HUNTS.**—At All Saints' on Feb. 1st, 1,344 Bob Major: S. Clements (first quarter Major) 1, Miss C. Dunnington 2, G. L. Perkins 3, L. W. Fisher 4, H. W. Pratt 5, G. H. Dunnington 6, F. Warrington (cond.) 7, John Perkins 8.

**STANMORE, MIDDLESEX.**—On Feb. 1st, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: A. Wenban (first quarter) 1, D. E. Cattell 2, T. J. Clark 3, F. Bullock 4, C. Wenban (first inside) 5, R. Wilkinson 6, E. J. Leversuch (cond.) 7, G. A. Hughes 8.

**STAINES, MIDDLESEX.**—At St. Peter's on Jan. 18th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: F. G. Fairhead (first quarter) 1, Miss A. E. Smith 2, W. C. Parker 3, N. E. Shorter 4, E. Armstrong 5, W. A. Goldstone 6, F. E. Hawthorne (cond.) 7, R. G. Andrews 8.

**STEPNEY, LONDON.**—On Feb. 1st, 1,264 Bob Major: A. H. Russell (first of Major) 1, G. J. Boomsma 2, T. G. Fox 3, L. J. Fox 4, A. T. Boomsma (first of Major) 5, J. H. Boomsma 6, R. F. Deal 7, J. Phillips (cond.) 8.

**SOUTH CADBURY, SOMERSET.**—On Jan. 30th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: P. O. Baker 1, J. Bartlett 2, Miss M. Critchell 3, A. J. Gray 4, E. G. Coward (cond.) 5, A. Braddick (first quarter) 6.

**SUCKLEY, WORCS.**—On Jan. 31st, quarter-peal of Plain Bob: J. Ranford 1, F. Boucher 2, T. Pratt 3, F. Merrick 4, W. Ranford 5, C. Bowers (cond.) 6. In memoriam Miss B. Morris.

**SUNNINGWELL, BERKS.**—On Feb. 1st, 1,260 Doubles (300 Grandsire, 240 Antelope, 120 each of Reverse Canterbury, Clifford Pleasure, Plain Bob, Old, Norfolk and April Day): J. Honey 1, Miss N. Honey 2, D. Wilks 3, A. R. Pink (cond.) 4, W. Cudd 5, J. Wilks 6. First quarter in eight methods 1, 3, 5 and 6. First quarter 'inside' in eight methods 2.

**TWYFORD, BERKS.**—On Jan. 31st, 1,260 Stedman Triples: Mrs. A. D. Barker 1, F. V. Sinkins 2, J. B. Ford 3, W. E. Judd 4, R. C. Noun 5, G. Martin 6, W. Birmingham 7, A. D. Barker (cond.) 8. A birthday compliment to F. V. Sinkins (83).

**WOBURN, BEDS.**—On Jan. 31st, 1,248 Oxford Treble Bob Major: C. Matthews 1, H. D. Harris (cond.) 2, C. E. Jeffries 3, C. H. Harding 4, R. J. Sharp 5, A. C. Sinfeld 6, A. Rushton 7, B. F. Sims 8. A 'double' golden wedding compliment to C. Matthews and H. D. Harris.

## LETTERS

## KENT MEMBERSHIP

Dear Sir,—Mr. Macey is right off the subject in his letter on membership qualification. My letter criticised Rule 5 of the K.C.A. and this Association is still governed in a democratic way by the voice of its members. If the bells are open for ringing in a church or cathedral (whatever denomination) or a public building, ringers will be there to ring them.—Yours, etc.,

WILLIAM A. J. KNIGHT.

Gillingham.

## GREATEST NUMBER OF BELLS

Dear Sir,—It would seem that Lincoln Cathedral holds the record for possessing the greatest number of bells among the English cathedrals. In the central tower there is Great Tom (5 tons 8 cwt.) and four heavy quarter bells; the north-west tower holds two old bells used for daily services, and in the south-west tower is the modern ring of twelve, a total of 19, which will be increased to 20 when the Rupert Richardson memorial bell is installed.—Yours truly,

HAROLD WALKER.

Clifton, York.

## HETHERSETT IMPERIAL C.B. MAJOR

Dear Sir,—The method in 'The Ringing World,' dated February 6th, 1948, 'Hethersett Imperial Court Bob Major,' is misnamed. A method cannot be 'Imperial' and 'Court.' It is either one or the other. A method is 'Imperial' when it has one or more pairs of adjoining places. 'Court' implies the absence of adjoining places. 'Court Bob' literally means 'short dodge.' In ringing it is applied when one or more dodges in a sequence of four rows is or are omitted due to an internal place or places other than adjoining places.—Yours faithfully,

W. TAYLOR.

Penwortham, near Preston.

## CATERING

Dear Sir,—I report the following facts of the Watford (Herts) District meeting in the hope that there might be some easing of the difficulties of district secretaries by securing co-operation of ringing members.

As I advertised asking for names for tea I was led to expect 50 to tea and I gave the caterers instructions accordingly. In the tower before tea many ringers were present who had not advised me and quite 10 ringers were absent who had done so. I had to announce that the catering was for 50 and those who advised me should have priority.

As a result of this not more than 40 sat down to tea and a loss was incurred. I now feel it is useless to ask people to advise me about tea and I must in future take a chance and err on the small side.

I feel sure all district secretaries would say that catering is now their chief difficulty and they need all the help they can get.—Yours faithfully,

S. H. HOARE.

Hon. Sec., Watford District.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD  
NEWBURY BRANCH.

According to Mr. Hedges, a veteran ringer of Brightwalton, the meeting at Speen was the first to be held there for 70 years! Ringing ranged from Grandshire to London Surprise and Shaw bells were also visited. The Vicar (the Rev. J. J. Williams) conducted the service.

A discussion arose at the business meeting over the granting of certificates of membership to beginners. No qualifications were at present required, but the meeting thought that new members should be able to ring 120 changes on the treble before being granted a certificate. The branch representatives were asked to bring the matter forward at the General Committee meeting.

It is hoped to arrange a combined meeting with the Basingstoke Branch of the Winchester and Portsmouth Guild early in May at Aldermaston.

## Doncaster &amp; District Society

With regret the Society received at the 27th annual meeting at Doncaster on January 31st the resignation of Mr. H. Woodhouse, who had held the office of treasurer since the formation of the Society and was now 86. Canon J. L. Davies, who presided, spoke in appreciation of Mr. Woodhouse's services.

The following officers were elected: Ringing Master, Mr. E. C. Stacey; secretary and treasurer, Mr. W. E. Critchley; peal secretary, Mr. F. Newsome; committee, Messrs. E. Short (chairman), E. Daingwater, E. Padgett, B. Birkett; auditors, Messrs. E. Cooper, H. Wagstaff.

It was announced that Doncaster had again won the Walker Cup, for the best attendance at Sunday service ringing in 1947, and the presentation was made by Mrs. Spibey, of Preston, to the Ringing Master, Mr. E. C. Stacey. Mr. Stacey, in response to applause, said that although he was pleased that Doncaster had won the cup, he would be much more pleased to see more towers taking part in the competition.

The pleasing number of 14 new members was elected. A vote of thanks was moved by Mr. E. Cooper to the Vicar for all his help, to Mr. Owen Le P. Franklin, organist, and to the ladies and the local company for the magnificent tea which had been provided. The fine ring of eight, tenor 30½ cwt., was rung in various methods until nine o'clock.

## GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS

The Mid-Devon Branch's annual meeting at Kingsteignton on February 7th attracted a good attendance, the general secretary of the Guild being voted to the chair. Five new members were elected.

The secretary's report mentioned weekly handbell practices under the leadership of the branch secretary, and tower bell practices at Highweek directed by Mr. J. E. Lilley.

The Rev. W. R. D. Mills resigned the office of chairman and Mr. J. E. Lilley was unanimously elected his successor, as well as Branch Ringing Master. Mr. A. L. Bennett was re-elected secretary and treasurer; whilst Mr. H. H. Cooper was re-elected auditor. Miss L. E. Cloud, of Teignmouth, and Messrs. C. F. Austin and W. C. Wakley, of Paignton, were re-elected to serve on the General Committee. The Guild representatives on the Central Council are due to be appointed this year, and the branch decided to send a recommendation to the General Committee that Messrs. A. L. Bennett (Buckfastleigh) and T. G. Myers (Plymouth) be nominated.

Hearty votes of thanks were accorded to the Vicar of Kingsteignton for the use of his bells and for conducting the service, to the local ringers for having everything in readiness, and to the branch officials for their past services.

Ringing took place at Highweek Parish Church in the evening.

## LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH ASSN.

About 70 members attended a most successful quarterly meeting at Pontypridd on Feb. 7th. After the service, conducted by the Rev. Shilton Evans, the visitors were entertained to tea by Mr. Hopkin Morgan, son of the donor of the bells.

Mr. J. W. Jones, reporting on restorations at the business meeting, said it was doubtful if Abergavenny bells would be ready for Easter as was anticipated, additional work having to be done to the tower.

The Rev. Ivor Richards reported that Trevechin bells had been restored and rededicated. Mr. S. R. Barker stated that St. John's, Cardiff, tenor was going badly and needed attention. It was intended to have it seen to as soon as possible.

An endeavour is to be made to meet the request of Machen ringers for an instructor.

Mr. E. Coles reported that a new band had been formed at Bonvilston, and he hoped they would be ringing rounds for Easter. Five new members and one life member were elected.

## OBITUARY

## MR. T. A. BURTENSHAW.

Shoreham-by-Sea has lost a veteran ringer by the death of Mr. T. A. Burtenshaw, aged 84. 'Tommy,' as he was known by Sussex ringers, had been ringing for over 50 years.

The funeral was on February 14th, and immediately after the service 1,260 Grandshire Triples was rung, half-muffled, in memory of a great friend, by B. Challon 1, R. Challon 2, L. Sears 3, E. Marsh 4, M. Thomas 5, F. Howe (cond.) 6, H. Stalham 7, T. Drinkwater 8.

## MR. ALFRED J. REDMAN.

The death occurred at his home, 23, Hyde Park Place, London, on February 13th, of Mr. Alfred J. Redman, aged 72. A widow, two sons and a daughter are bereaved.

Mr. Redman was for some years a keen ringer and his home tower was St. Peter's, Staines, where he was a Sunday service ringer. His first peal was at Wraysbury on March 12th, 1904. After leaving Staines he did but little ringing on account of business ties, and from 1919 to 1936 he lived at Byfleet, Surrey, where the funeral took place on February 16th.

He was a breeder of thoroughbred horses, also chairman of Messrs. Wells and Winch, brewers, of Biggleswade, Messrs. Sanders and Co., jewellers, of Brixton, and Messrs. Pembertons, of Oxford.

## MR. FREDK. F. TRUSLER.

A regular service ringer at St. Leonard's Church, Aldington, Sussex, for close on 50 years, Mr. Frederick F. Trusler died on Feb. 5th after a brief illness. He was in his 80th year.

Mr. Trusler became a member of the band in 1899 and previously was a member of the Midhurst branch. A very reliable ringer and of a jovial disposition, he will be much missed by all who knew him.

Of his peals at St. Leonard's two are of special interest. That on February 2nd, 1901, for the passing of Queen Victoria was the first on the bells by a local band, and that on January 14th, 1928, of London Surprise Minor, the first to be rung by a local band in Sussex.

The funeral service at St. Leonard's Church on February 10th was conducted by the Rector (the Rev. H. T. Mogridge). The towers of St. Peter's, Brighton, and the Good Shepherd, Brighton, were represented by Messrs. R. G. Cross, W. Hart and J. Reynolds. There was half-muffled ringing at the close of the service, and 720 Grandshire Doubles were rung in the evening by W. K. Sharpe 1, S. Brown 2, E. G. Godley 3, A. J. Cherryman 4, G. A. Steele (cond.) 5, H. Brown 6.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD  
ELLOE DEANERIES BRANCH.

Most towers were represented at the annual meeting held at Spalding on February 7th.

Canon P. C. A. Carnegie, Vicar of Spalding, presided over the business meeting, and was supported by Mr. J. Freeman, Master of the Guild.

The officers were re-elected en bloc: President, Canon P. C. A. Carnegie; secretary and treasurer, Mr. J. E. Allen; Ringing Master, Mr. J. G. Ames; Guild representative, Mr. A. J. Farr; auditors, Miss B. Duffy and Mr. A. J. Farr.

The Rev. L. C. Perfect, of Deeping St. Nicholas, was elected vice-president. The Rev. Leeke, of Surfleet, was elected an honorary member, and Messrs. G. Johnson, B. Spicer and B. Pell were made ringing members.

A collection for the Belfry Repair Fund amounted to 27s.

The quarterly meetings for 1948 were arranged as follows: Donington, April 3rd; Tydd St. Mary, June 12th; Lutton, August 7th; Bicker, November 13th.

BATTERSEA.—At St. Mary's on Feb. 1st, 1,386 Grandshire Triples: G's. Barber 1, R. Cropley 2, Miss B. Smith 3, F. Bush 4, W. Coe 5, S. Hart 6, B. Williams (cond.) 7, R. Brooks 8.

ARLESEY, BEDFORDSHIRE.  
THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Jan. 31, 1948, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being seven different extents. Tenor 10½ cwt.  
RAYMOND FULLER ... Treble | GEOFFREY MAYES ... 4  
\*GORDON DEAR ... 2 | JOHN CHURCH ... 5  
MISS DAPHNE J. HARE ... 3 | LEWIS H. BYWATER ... Tenor  
\* First peal. Conducted by LEWIS H. BYWATER.

SLYMBRIDGE, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Jan. 31, 1948, in 3 Hours and 6 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-EVANGELIST,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 10 six-scores of Grandsire and 32 six-scores of St. Dunstan's. Tenor 12 cwt.  
DEREK TOCKNELL ... Treble | OLIVER HILL ... 4  
HAROLD HOBBS ... 2 | TREVOR PRITCHARD ... 5  
LESLIE BARRY ... 3 | \*VICTOR WARD ... Tenor  
\* First peal. Conducted by LESLIE BARRY.

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On Sat., Jan. 31, 1948, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,  
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**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being two 720's each of Cambridge, Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob and one of Plain Bob. Tenor 7½ cwt.  
H. WINGROVE ... Treble | T. G. HAWKINS ... 4  
MISS D. R. FLETCHER ... 2 | W. LEE ... 5  
W. W. WOLSTENCROFT ... 3 | F. D. BOREHAM ... Tenor  
Conducted by H. WINGROVE.

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CARBROOKE, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Jan. 31, 1948, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being an extent each of Single Court, Double Oxford, Oxford Treble Bob and two extents each of Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 12 cwt.  
FREDK. WILLIAMS ... Treble | FREDK. C. JOHNSON ... 4  
GEOFFREY W. SMITH ... 2 | THOMAS A. A. POTTER ... 5  
ALBERT E. DIXON ... 3 | LESLIE W. HOUGHTON ... Tenor  
Conducted by LESLIE W. HOUGHTON.

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THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Jan. 31, 1948, in 3 Hours and 8 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Forty-two six-scores, 10 callings. Tenor 18 cwt. 3 qr. 18 lb.  
\*HARRY DAVIS ... Treble | FREDK. W. SWEET ... 4  
MERVYN E. FARTHING ... 2 | WILFRED R. KENT ... 5  
RONALD D. SHORT ... 3 | T. GEORGE BURGE ... Tenor  
Conducted by WILFRED R. KENT.  
\* First peal. First as conductor.

SHIPDHAM, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sun., Feb. 1, 1948, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being six different extents of Plain Bob and one of Kent Treble Bob. Tenor 12 cwt. in G.  
EDWARD A. ETHERIDGE Treble | ALBERT E. DIXON ... 4  
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FREDK. C. JOHNSON ... 3 | LESLIE W. HOUGHTON ... Tenor  
Conducted by LESLIE W. HOUGHTON.

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THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD

On Sun., Jan. 25, 1948, in 2 Hours and 8 Minutes,  
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Tenor size 15 in C.  
WILLIAM L. B. LEESE ... 1-2 | ERNEST MORRIS ... 7-8  
BETTY SPICE ... 3-4 | ALFRED BALLARD ... 9-10  
WALTER P. WHITEHEAD ... 5-6 | HAROLD J. POOLE ... 11-12  
\* Composed by FREDK. H. DEXTER. Conducted by HAROLD J. POOLE.  
Witness: John R. Smith.

SIBLE HEDINGHAM, ESSEX.

THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Mon., Jan. 26, 1948, in 2 Hours and 12 Minutes,  
AT VICTORIA VILLAS,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**  
EDWIN JENNINGS ... 1-2 | ALBERT CATTERWELL ... 5-6  
ERNEST W. PYE ... 3-4 | OLAVE BROYD ... 7-8  
Composed by G. LINDOFF. Conducted by ERNEST W. PYE.

BELFAST.

THE IRISH ASSOCIATION.

On Tues., Jan. 27, 1948, in 1 Hour and 51 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Consisting of 480 Stedman, 720 St. Simon's, 1,920 Grandsire, 960 April Day and 960 Plain Bob. Tenor size 14 in D.  
FREDERICK E. DUKES ... 1-2 | JOHN T. DUNWOODY ... 3-4  
A. ERNEST MCGRATH ... 5-6  
Conducted by FREDERICK E. DUKES.  
First peal in five Doubles methods in Ireland, for the Association and by all the band.

BELFAST.

THE IRISH ASSOCIATION.

On Wed., Jan. 28, 1948, in 2 Hours and 8 Minutes,  
IN THE BELFRY OF ST. THOMAS' CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Seven different extents. Tenor size 14 in D.  
\*A. ERNEST MCGRATH ... 1-2 | JOHN T. DUNWOODY ... 3-4  
FREDERICK E. DUKES ... 5-6  
Conducted by FREDERICK E. DUKES.  
\* First peal of Minor. First peal of Bob Minor 'in hand' by all the band.

LINCOLN.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wed., Jan. 28, 1948, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes,  
AT 32, RUSKIN AVENUE,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5055 CHANGES;**

Tenor size 13 in F.  
JACK L. MILLHOUSE ... 1-2 | JOHN FREEMAN ... 5-6  
CHARLES MCGUINNESS ... 3-4 | JOHN A. FREEMAN ... 7-8  
\*KENNETH W. MAYER ... 9-10  
Composed by GEO. R. NEWTON. Conducted by JOHN FREEMAN.  
\* First peal of Stedman 'in hand.'

CAMBRIDGE.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thurs., Jan. 29, 1948, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes,  
AT, 37, WARKWORTH STREET,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor size 14 in D.  
GEOFFREY DODDS ... 1-2 | JOHN A. ACRES ... 5-6  
EDWIN J. LINDLEY ... 3-4 | \*JOHN B. ROWSELL ... 7-8  
Composed by E. M. ATKINS. Conducted by EDWIN J. LINDLEY.  
\* First peal 'in hand.'

SIBLE HEDINGHAM, ESSEX.

THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Thurs., Jan. 29, 1948, in 2 Hours and 14 Minutes,  
AT VICTORIA VILLAS,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 502½ CHANGES;**  
OLAVE BROYD ... 1-2 | ALBERT CATTERWELL ... 5-6  
ERNEST W. PYE ... 3-4 | EDWIN JENNINGS ... 7-8  
Composed and Conducted by ERNEST W. PYE.

BOURNEMOUTH.

THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Jan. 31, 1948, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes,  
AT 26, WELLINGTON ROAD,

**A PEAL OF BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor size 15 in C.  
\*WILLIAM G. YOUNG ... 1-2 | \*DANIEL T. MATKIN ... 5-6  
\*MRS. F. J. MARSHALLSAY ... 3-4 | ARTHUR V. DAVIS ... 7-8  
\*FRED PRICE ... 9-10  
Composed by H. J. TUCKER. Conducted by ARTHUR V. DAVIS.  
\* First peal of Royal 'in hand.' First peal of Royal 'in hand' as conductor.

LEVERSTOCK GREEN, HERTS.

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sun., Feb. 1, 1948, in 1 Hour and 41 Minutes,  
AT THE OLD SCHOOLHOUSE,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being seven extents.  
\*DONALD C. PRICE ... 1-2 | WILFRID H. J. HOOTON ... 3-4  
WALTER AYRE ... 5-6  
Conducted by WILFRID H. J. HOOTON.  
\* First peal 'in hand.'

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## MEETINGS

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Hunts District.—Meeting, Hemingford Abbots, Saturday, Feb. 28th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Bring own food. Cup of tea available.—S. Gilbert, District Sec. 3074

SUSSEX ASSOCIATION.—Eastern Division.—Annual meeting, St. Mary's, Eastbourne, Feb. 28th, 2.30. Tea 4.30. Service 6 p.m.—John Downing, Hon. Sec. 3086

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Western Branch meeting, Saturday, Feb. 28th. Fakenham. Service 4.30. Tea 5. Please reply early.—W. J. Eldred, 4, Wellington Street, King's Lynn. 3081

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—East Berks and South Bucks Branch.—Windsor Parish, Saturday, Feb. 28th, 5.45 p.m.—A. D. Barker, Cambridge, Wexham, Slough. 3082

DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Derby District.—Monthly meeting, Alvaston, Feb. 28th, 3. Tea 5. 3083

DONCASTER AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.—Thrybergh (6), Feb. 28th, 3 p.m. Tea provided.—W. E. Critchley, 38, Castle Hills Road, Scawthorpe, Doncaster. 3101

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—On Monday, March 1st, practice meeting, St. Mary's, Lambeth, at 7.15 p.m. Everyone welcome.—H. W. Rogers, Sec. 3125

SUFFOLK GUILD.—Ipswich District.—Ringing meeting, March 6th, Ipswich. St. Clement's St. Lawrence's and St. Mary Quay. Bells 2.30. Tea 5 at Co-op Cafe, Carr Street. Names by March 3rd, please, to Edward Ellenger, District Sec., 108, St. John's Road, Ipswich. 3073

OXFORD GUILD.—North Bucks Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Aney (8), March 6th. Bells 2.30. Service 3.30. Names for tea by March 1st.—R. H. Howson, 19, Greenfield Road, Newport Pagnell, Bletchley. 3087

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Ashford District.—Quarterly meeting, Tenterden, Saturday, March 6th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5. Names for tea by March 3rd to T. Cullingworth, 95a, High Street, Ashford, Kent. 3085

LADIES' GUILD.—Central District.—Practice meeting at St. Michael's, Sittingbourne, Kent, March 6th. Bells available 2.30. Service 4.15. Tea 5. Names to Miss D. Dobbie, 117, High Street, Milton Regis, Sittingbourne, Kent, by March 3rd, please. All ringers welcome.—E. M. Mitchell. 3088

SWANSEA AND BRECON GUILD.—Southern District.—Meeting, Morriston, March 6th. Bells 6.30. Service 4.30. Tea and business following.—E. Stitch, 21, Cambrian Place, Port Talbot. 3081

PETERBOROUGH GUILD.—Kettering Branch.—Meeting, Barton Segrave (5), March 6th. Bells 3 p.m. Cups of tea.—G. Watson. 3115

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.—Guisborough Branch.—Meeting, Watford (6), March 6th. Names for tea to me by March 2nd.—E. Orland, High Street, Long Buckby. 3113

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.—Northampton Branch.—Kingsthorpe (6), March 6th, 2.30 p.m. Names MUST be sent for tea by Feb. 24th to Eric Nobles, Hon. Sec., 48, Millway, Duston, Northants. 3096

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.—West Dorset Branch.—Quarterly, Loders (6), March 6th, 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5. Names by March 1st.—C. H. Lathey. 3110

NORTH STAFFS ASSOCIATION.—Meeting, Brown Edge (6), Saturday, March 6th. Names for tea to Mr. A. Pointon, 126, North Street, Ball Green, Norton, Stoke-on-Trent.—W. Carnwell Hon. Sec. 3097

OXFORD GUILD.—Sonning Deansy Branch.—Combined practice at Finchampstead (6) on Saturday, March 6th, 6 p.m. to 9 p.m.—B. C. Castle. 3102

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Blackburn Branch.—Meeting at St. Michael's, Blackburn, March 6th. Tower open at 2.30 p.m. Cups of tea provided. Meeting in the tower 6 p.m.—Charles W. Blakey, Branch Sec. 3103

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.—Bristol Rural Branch.—Coalpit Heath (6), March 6th, 3. Service 4.30. Tea 5.—Miss Hilliar, 48, Kennington Avenue, Bristol 7. 3105

SUSSEX ASSOCIATION.—Northern Division.—Practice meeting, Hartfield, March 6th, at 3.30 p.m. Tea. Names by March 3rd to Mr. G. T. Jennings, 5, Malthouse Road, Crawley. 3123

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Lancaster Branch.—Half-yearly meeting at St. Mary's, Lancaster, Saturday, March 6th. Bells (8) 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea and meeting 5.—J. Skeats, Branch Sec. 3120

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—Northern District.—Meeting at Witham (8), Saturday, March 6th. Bells 2.30. Service 4.15 p.m. Numbers for tea by Wednesday, 3rd, to H. A. Pratt, 6, Council Houses, Black Notley, Baintree. 3121

BARNSELY DISTRICT SOCIETY.—A special meeting will be held at Barnsley on Saturday, March 6th. This is arranged as a farewell to Canon Wilkinson, who is leaving shortly for Ripon. Bells 2.30. Tea 5 p.m., Hagenbach's Cafe, for those who notify me not later than March 4th.—D. Smith, Hon. Sec. 28, Chapel Street, Shafton, near Barnsley. 3121

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—East Norfolk Annual.—Meeting at Acle (6), Saturday, March 6th. Bells from 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea, Church Room, 5.15. Bring own sugar. Number for tea by Wednesday, March 3rd, to J. Harwood, 189, Palgrave Road, Great Yarmouth. 3024

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Wigan Branch.—Meeting, Coppull, on March 6th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Tea 1s. 6d. per head. Please notify Rev. J. W. Carpenter, St. John's Vicarage, Coppull, Lancs, by Wednesday, 3rd. Please make it a good meeting.—N. Heaps. 3111

SOUTHWELL GUILD.—Nottingham District.—Meeting, Sutton-in-Ashfield, Saturday, March 6th, 3 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. F. Bradley, 2, Glen Street, Sutton-in-Ashfield, Notts, by March 3rd. 3122

MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD.—Meeting, Netherseale (8), March 6th. Service 4.30. Tea only for those who notify by March 4th.—J. W. Cotton, Overseal. 3127

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Bedford District.—A meeting will be held at Kempston (now 8) on March 6th at 2.30 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m.—P. L. Culbert, Dis. Sec. 3117

ST. DAVID'S GUILD.—Quarterly, Haverfordwest (8), March 13th, 3. Service 4, tea following. Names by March 6th.—C. Hawkins, 2, Machynis Road New Dock, Llanelly. 3089

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Annual General Committee meeting, Oxford, Saturday, March 13th, at St. Aldate's Rectory Room, 3 p.m. sharp.—Wm. Hibbert, Gen. Sec. 3072

EAST GRINSTEAD GUILD.—Annual, East Grinstead, March 13th. Service 4.30, followed by tea and business in Small Parish Hall. Names by March 10th to Miss K. Shepherd, 34, Cantelune Road, East Grinstead. 3106

SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.—Annual meeting, Rammoor, March 13th. Bells ready 3 p.m. Committee meeting 4 p.m. For tea notify Mr. E. G. Dickens, 18, Gisborne Road, Sheffield 11.—H. O. Chaddock, Hon. Sec., 1, Hemsworth Road, Sheffield 8. 3107

DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.—Annual meeting, Dudley, March 13th, 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea and meeting. Numbers for tea by the 9th, please.—F. Colclough, Hall Park Street, Bilston. 3104

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Canterbury District.—By-meeting at Great Mongeham on Saturday, March 13th. Bells 2.30. Service 4.15, followed by tea at 1s. 9d. per head. Names for tea must reach Mrs. C. E. Court, Owens Sound, Northbourne Road, Great Mongeham, Deal, not later than Wednesday, March 10th. Northbourne available after tea.—B. J. Luck, Hon. Dis. Sec. 3100

PETERBOROUGH GUILD.—Davertry Branch.—Meeting, Badby, Saturday, March 13th. Names for tea to Mr. R. Fennell, Charwelton, Rugby, by March 6th.—F. W. Hancock. 3099

DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Ilkeston District.—Monthly, Ilkeston, March 13th, 2.30. Service 4.15. Tea 4.30. Names by March 10th to F. Shaw, 38, Inglefield Road, Ilkeston. 3108

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.—Cheltenham Branch.—Quarterly meeting, March 13th, Bishop's Cleeve (6), 3. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15. Names by Monday, March 8th. Good bus service.—Charles Rouse, Westdene, Bouncers Lane, Prestbury, Glos. 3112

LADIES' GUILD.—Western District.—District annual meeting, Corston, Saturday, March 13th. Ringing from 3 o'clock. Service 4.30. Tea and meeting to follow. Please notify me by March 9th.—N. G. Williams, Hon. Sec., Weston House, Weston, Bath. 3114



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**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Western District.—Northchurch (8), Saturday, March 13th. Bells 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea following. Names must be sent to R. Ashby, 133, High Street, Northchurch, Berkhamsted, by Wednesday, March 10th.—W. C. Hughes. 3109

**SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Next meeting at Hodnet, March 13th. Bells (8) available from 3 p.m. Service 5 p.m. Bring own food.—A. E. Reeves, Hon. Sec. 3116

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