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POINTS FROM RECENT PEALS

THE usual title for the article, but the peals not 'so recent'! This is not entirely my fault (I am covering the last quarter of 1959), because we are still, as I write, getting last year's peals published now and again.

Firstly, referring to my last article, I am grateful to those who corrected my mention of a peal at St. Werburgh's, Derby. I thought, at the time, that something was wrong there, for I had an idea that something had happened to the bells at that church. They were removed some years ago. The tower where this peal was rung was St. Werburgh's, Spondon, Derby—a village just outside the city.

Towers in the news in the period under review are led by Erith, the most prolific of all church rings. The 550th peal was rung here in October last, and we shall soon have the 600 up in two or three years' time at the present rate. Most peals in any tower last year were rung at the Bell Foundry, Loughborough: 62 peals in the year, which was a record even for them. I make the grand total here, at the end of 1959, 824. The lead in number of peals amongst 5-bell towers has changed during the period and our congratulations go to Marston, which has passed Warkton's total of 32—a lead which it had held for 30 years or so. Only one tower seems to have reached three figures in the last quarter of 1959—Waltham Abbey. A claim was made for the 100th at Thurcaston, on November 28th, but I made it the 99th—I should be pleased to check this with the tower concerned. Fifty peals were accomplished at the following:—North Muskham, Willesborough, Trumpington and Rothwell. Several towers will reach their 50 with the next peal viz. Buckland (Surrey), Birch-in-Rusholme, Newport (All Saints'), Bowdon, Wenhaston and Brenchley. I confirm the Chobham claim of the 25th peal on the bells.

Now for newly conquered towers. I confirm claims for first on the bells at Sibbertoft, Lowdham, Hartland, North Petherwyn, Marston Trussell and West Tanfield. I add to this list Great Thurlow, where the peal rung would appear to be the first according to my records, although unclaimed. I disallow the claim for first on the bells at Wath, Ripon. I have two peals there, in 1910 and 1929.

Several infrequent visitors to the peal columns have been noticed. As mentioned in the footnote, the peal at Drayton, Oxon, was the first for over 70 years. I had recorded three peals here, two in 1887 and one in 1888 (the last one). That is an unusually long silence for a 'conquered' tower. Four others have been heard for the first time in a peal since before the 1st World War— Bradbourne, whose only previous peal was rung in 1905; Whittlebury and Worfield, last heard in 1911 (in each case, the only peal I have come across); and Orsett, where I confirm the footnote of first peal for 46 years. Again, this was the only previous peal. Sherry and Redmarley D'Abitot (what a lovely name!) last appeared in the peal lists in 1922. At the former of these, five peals have now been rung—the first in 1902; at the latter, two peals in 1922 are the only ones I have.

Siddington and Newent come next—last heard of in 1926. There have now been three peals at Siddington—the first in 1902, and nine at Newent—the first in 1910. The peal at Brampton Ash was the first to be published since 1930 (eight in all now). The 'first peal for 26 years' claim at Upper Beeding should really have been 27 years, for the last one there was one of Bristol Major on May 21st, 1932. Before the first war, I have 16 peals here, mostly of Triples and commencing in 1894. Four of Major (Double Norwich, Superlative, London and Bristol) were rung in 1920, 1930, 1931 and 1932 respectively. It isn't usually the 8-bell towers where long silences have to be mentioned.

Another tower which has not been heard since 1932 is Wellesbourne Hastings, which had its only previous peal then. Strangely enough, it is another 8-bell tower which comes next. Paignton, Devon, has only had 3 peals, Grandsire Triples in 1928, Stedman Triples in 1934 and now London Major in 1959. Dymock (6) has not had a peal of Minor yet. Its three peals are Stedman Doubles in 1933 and Grandsire Doubles in 1935 and 1959. I confirm that the last peal at South Hackney was in 1936 (yet another 8-bell tower, with several peals in the past). Upton, Lincs, had its last peal in 1937. There was one before that, in 1933. The final tower with a peal silence of 20 years or more is Tarvin—two previous peals, in 1910 and 1939.

The following are footnote claims with which I disagree! The peal of Superlative at Bray was not the first in the method on the bells. One in the method was rung in 1901. Double Norwich was not the first of Major at Exminster — Double Norwich was rung there in 1951. Similarly, we have not recently had the first of Surprise at Withycombe Raleigh: Superlative was rung there in 1949. Clun Imperial Bob Major had been previously rung as Hedingham Bob on July 24th, 1957, so the latter must remain its proper name. Some of these points have already been noted in letters to the Editor.

Finally, one or two points of interest. The peal at Basingstoke, All Saints', was the first on the nine bells since the ones which caused such controversy in 1946. I didn't see any comments this time! At Long Stratton, it was the sixth consecutive year that a peal was rung on Christmas Eve—and the only peal in the tower each year, too! Then congratulations to Forncett S. Peter, which becomes yet another 5-bell tower to reach double figures.

K. W. H. FELSTEAD.

Peals rung in honour of the birth of a second son to Her Majesty the Queen, on Feb. 19th, 1960

TEN BELL PEAL

ROTHERHAM, YORKSHIRE.
THE SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY
AND
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., March 19, 1960, *in* 3 *Hours and* 35 *Minutes,*
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,
A PEAL OF 5039 GRANDSIRE CATERS
Tenor 34¼ cwt. in C sharp.

SUSAN CHADDOCK	*Treble*	NORMAN CHADDOCK	6
MRS. N. CHADDOCK	2	PHILIP COOTE	7
GORDON K. CHADDOCK	3	JOHN S. SEAGER	8
HERBERT O. CHADDOCK	4	JOHN N. D. CHADDOCK	9
IAN TILLING	5	PHILIP WALKER	*Tenor*

Composed by J. CARTER. Conducted by NORMAN CHADDOCK.

EIGHT BELL PEAL

LLANDAFF, GLAMORGAN.
THE LLANDAFF & MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Wed., Feb. 24, 1960, *in* 2 *Hours and* 58 *Minutes,*
AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
Tenor 20 cwt. in E.

BRYNLEY TAYLOR	*Treble*	GEOFFREY J. STICKLAND	5
DAVID J. LLEWELLYN	2	THOMAS YEOMANS	6
NEVIL A. JAMES	3	WILLIAM J. GOODFELLOW	7
ANTHONY M. COMBS	4	TREVOR T. LEWIS	*Tenor*

Composed by T. R. PRITCHARD. Conducted by TREVOR T. LEWIS.

OTHER PEALS—

TWELVE BELL PEAL

BIRMINGHAM.
ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.
On Sat., March 19, 1960, *in* 3 *Hours and* 33 *Minutes,*
AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. PHILIP,
A PEAL OF 5280 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS
Tenor 31 cwt. 21 lb. in D.

RUTH M. BORDER	*Treble*	MICHAEL ELSON	7
MURIEL REAY	2	PATRICK I. CHAPMAN	8
*R. GEORGE MORRIS	3	NORMAN J. GOODMAN	9
ARTHUR V. PEARSON	4	*DAVID BEACHAM	10
JOHN MCDONALD	5	JOHN A. ANDERSON	11
GEORGE E. FEARN	6	PETER BORDER	*Tenor*

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF. Conducted by PETER BORDER.
* First peal of Cambridge Maximus.

TEN BELL PEALS

LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Mon., March 7, 1960, *in* 2 *Hours and* 31 *Minutes,*
AT THE BELL FOUNDRY CAMPANILE,
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLE OXFORD BOB ROYAL
Tenor 6 cwt. 2 qr. 13 lb. in C.

BRIAN G. WARWICK	*Treble*	*JOSEPH W. COTTON	6
*A. JAMES POYNOR	2	GORDON A. HALLS	7
*ALAN E. HARTLEY	3	JOHN M. JELLEY	8
ERNEST MORRIS	4	*RUSSELL S. MORRIS	9
*MRS. G. A. HALLS	5	G. RONALD EDWARDS	*Tenor*

Composed by CHARLES J. SEDGLEY (Circuits AW and DX).
Conducted by BRIAN G. WARWICK.
* First peal in the method. First in the method as conductor. First of Royal in the method for the Guild.

BEDDINGTON, SURREY.
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., March 19, 1960, *in* 3 *Hours and* 18 *Minutes.*
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN,
A PEAL OF 5093 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB CATERS
Tenor 18 cwt. 1 qr. 26 lb. in E flat.

MRS. T. J. LOCK	*Treble*	ROY D. TOMLIN	6
CLAUDIA A. CRITCHLEY	2	DENNIS KNOX	7
G. WILLIAM CRITCHLEY	3	*THOMAS J. LOCK	8
JOAN BERESFORD	4	JOHN R. MAYNE	9
JOHN HILL	5	ALFRED J. HOUSE	*Tenor*

Composed by EDGAR C. SHEPHERD. Conducted by JOHN R. MAYNE.
* 600th peal. First of Double Norwich Caters by all the band, and for the Association.

EIGHT BELL PEALS

CRICH, DERBYSHIRE.
THE DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Thurs., March 3, 1960, *in* 2 *Hours and* 53 *Minutes,*
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.
A PEAL OF 5120 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 12¼ cwt. in F sharp.

J. FRANK SMALLWOOD	*Treble*	HERBERT E. TAYLOR	5
MRS. PAT A. M. HALLS	2	*CLIVE W. WALKLATE	6
GORDON A. HALLS	3	MICHAEL R. BLORE	7
GEORGE H. PAULSON	4	RONALD H. BULLEN	*Tenor*

Composed by GORDON A. HALLS and D. R. CARLISLE.
Conducted by GORDON A. HALLS.
* 25th peal.
Rung for the engagement of H.R.H. Princess Margaret.

LONG EATON, DERBYSHIRE.
THE DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., March 5, 1960, *in* 2 *Hours and* 45 *Minutes,*
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,
A PEAL OF 5152 UNSTONE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 10 cwt. 1 qr. 16 lb.

J. FRANK SMALLWOOD	*Treble*	HAROLD TAYLOR	5
*MRS. PAT A. M. HALLS	2	ROGER BALDWIN	6
*GORDON A. HALLS	3	CLIVE W. WALKLATE	7
WM. ARNOLD MORLEY	4	MICHAEL R. BLORE	*Tenor*

Composed by SHIRLEY BURTON. Conducted by GORDON A. HALLS.
* Has now completed the alphabet to Surprise peal. First peal in the method.

BURBAGE, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Tues., March 8, 1960, *in* 2 *Hours and* 45 *Minutes,*
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. CATHERINE,
A PEAL OF 5024 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 14½ cwt.

A. JAMES POYNER	*Treble*	ALFRED BALLARD	5
ERNEST MORRIS	2	PETER J. STANIFORTH	6
JOHN A. ACRES	3	*RUSSELL MORRIS	7
ERNEST W. RAWSON	4	JOHN J. JELLEY	*Tenor*

Composed by FREDK. H. DEXTER. Conducted by PETER J. STANIFORTH.
* First peal in the method.

BRIERLEY HILL, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., March 12, 1960, *in* 2 *Hours and* 42 *Minutes,*
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL.
A PEAL OF 5024 PAINSWICK SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 14 cwt. 1 qr. 3 lb. in F.

*MARY HALL	*Treble*	JOHN PINFOLD	5
*ELISABETH A. G. BOWDEN	2	*DONALD E. COBB	6
RUTH M. BORDER	3	GEORGE E. FEARN	7
ARTHUR V. PEARSON	4	PETER BORDER	*Tenor*

Composed by C. J. SEDGLEY. Conducted by ARTHUR V. PEARSON.
* First peal of Painswick.

COLE-ORTON, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD.
On Sat., March 12, 1960, *in* 2 *Hours and* 48 *Minutes.*
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN,
A PEAL OF 5024 BEDFORDSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 13 cwt. 1 qr. 8 lb. in G.

RUSSELL S. MORRIS	*Treble*	JOHN A. UNDERWOOD	5
*BRIAN G. WARWICK	2	FREDERICK E. WILSHAW	6
JOHN M. JELLEY	3	JOSEPH W. COTTON	7
DAVID W. BRUNNING	4	ALAN E. HARTLEY	*Tenor*

Composed by DENNIS KNOX. Conducted by JOHN M. JELLEY.
* 650th peal. First in the method by all the band, on the bells, and for the Guild.

LLANFEIGAN, BRECONSHIRE.
THE LLANDAFF & MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., March 12, 1960, *in* 2 *Hours and* 50 *Minutes,*
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MEUGAN.
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
Tenor 12 cwt. in G.

*JOHN DAVIES	*Treble*	GEOFFREY J. B. STICKLAND	5
†JANET B. HARVEY	2	DAVID J. LLEWELLYN	6
†NIGEL LAMPING	3	BRYNLEY TAYLOR	7
BRIAN KINGSTON	4	TREVOR T. LEWIS	*Tenor*

Conducted by TREVOR T. LEWIS.
* First peal. † First of Major.
Rung as a compliment to the Rector, the Rev. Ivor Davies.

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x 58 x 14 x 12 x 36 x 14 x 58 x 36 x 78.
Lead-end 18674523.

WICKEN, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., March 12, 1960, in 3 Hours and 2 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-EVANGELIST,
A PEAL OF 5024 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
Tenor 15 cwt. 1 qr. 20 lb.

*ROY PITSON	*Treble*	†CHARLES TRUMAN	5
THOMAS E. ROBERTS	2	FREDERICK C. CASE	6
JAMES LINNELL	3	GEORGE W. HOLLAND	7
†P. DAVID TAYLOR	4	GEORGE E. GREEN	*Tenor*

Composed by C. W. ROBERTS. Conducted by GEORGE E. GREEN.
* First peal. † First of Major.

NETHERSEALE, DERBYSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD.
On Tues., March 15, 1960, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.
A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 11 cwt. 2 qr. 7 lb. in G.

WILLIAM F. WOODWARD	*Treble*	JOSEPH W. COTTON	5
*JOHN K. SMITH	2	DEREK P. JONES	6
JOHN A. UNDERWOOD	3	ROLAND BENISTON	7
RICHARD J. CLIFTON	4	CLIVE M SMITH	*Tenor*

Composed by STEPHEN IVIN. Conducted by DEREK P. JONES.
* First peal of Yorkshire 'inside.'

STOKE POGES, BUCKINGHAMSHIRE.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Wed., March 16, 1960, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES,
A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES
Heywood's transposition of Thurstans' Four-part.
Tenor 13 cwt. 2 qr. 3 lb.

WILFRID G. WILSON	*Treble*	ROBERT HARTLEY	5
HOWARD OGLESBY	2	SYLVIA E. ATKINS	6
ARTHUR D. BARKER	3	†FRANK C. PRICE	7
*DAVID WARD	4	MRS. ARTHUR D. BARKER	*Tenor*

Conducted by ARTHUR D. BARKER.
* First peal in the method, and first attempt. † First of Stedman Triples.
Rung to commemorate over 45 years' faithful and devoted service to Stoke Poges by Mrs. A. D. Barker, who is the first ringer to 'complete the circle' of this tower.

ERITH, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Fri., March 18, 1960, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-BAPTIST,
A PEAL OF 5024 SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 15 cwt. in G.

HUBERT H. FURMINGER	*Treble*	JOHN W. SMITH	5
ARTHUR G. MASON	2	FREDERICK J. CULLUM	6
JOAN BERESFORD	3	HERBERT E. AUDSLEY	7
IAN H. ORAM	4	RALPH BIRD	*Tenor*

Composed by ALBERT J. PITMAN. Conducted by IAN H. ORAM.
A birthday compliment to F. J. Cullum and A. G. Mason.

WHITWICK, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Fri., March 18, 1960, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-BAPTIST,
A PEAL OF 5056 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 11 cwt. 3 qr. 12 lb.

RICHARD CLIFTON	*Treble*	JOHN A. ACRES	5
JOHN A. UNDERWOOD	2	MICHAEL D. STANIFORTH	6
ERNEST W. RAWSON	3	JOSEPH W. COTTON	7
ROLAND BENISTON	4	PETER J. STANIFORTH	*Tenor*

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF. Conducted by PETER J. STANIFORTH.

BOUGHTON-UNDER-BLEAN, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., March 19, 1960, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,
A PEAL OF 5000 LITTLE BOB MAJOR
Tenor 12 cwt. 1 qr. 12 lb.

JOHN R. COOPER	*Treble*	†NICHOLAS J. DAVIES	5
*ELIZABETH ROGERS	2	CRAWFORD T. HILLIS	6
*THOMAS C. PHILLIMORE	3	MARK W. MARSHALL	7
†MARY S. TAYLOR	4	DENNIS A. CHAPMAN	*Tenor*

Composed by ERNEST MORRIS. Conducted by DENNIS A. CHAPMAN.
* First peal of Major. † First in the method.

HARWICH, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., March 19, 1960, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
Tenor 13¾ cwt.

*BARRY E. GIBBONS	*Treble*	FELIX H. ERITH	5
A. EDWARD LEGGETT	2	WALTER R. FELGATE	6
ADRIAN SEMKEN	3	GEORGE W. BARNES	7
JOHN F. FELGATE	4	BERNARD W. FAIRHEAD	*Tenor*

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD. Conducted by BERNARD W. FAIRHEAD.
* First peal on eight bells. First on eight as conductor.

NORTHFLEET, KENT.
THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.
On Sat., March 19, 1960, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BOTOLPH,
A PEAL OF 5056 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR
In four methods, being 1,664 Cambridge, 1,632 Superlative, 992 London and 768 Bristol; with 104 changes of method, and all the work of each method for each bell. Tenor 16½ cwt.

HUBERT H. FURMINGER	*Treble*	FREDERICK J. CULLUM	5
ARTHUR G. MASON	2	GEORGE J. BUTCHER	6
HERBERT E. AUDSLEY	3	PETER BERESFORD	7
ALICK CUTLER	4	DENNIS BERESFORD	*Tenor*

Composed by HAROLD G. CASHMORE. Conducted by DENNIS BERESFORD.

OVERTON, HAMPSHIRE.
THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., March 19, 1960, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,
A PEAL OF 5184 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 10 cwt. 2 qr. in G.

BRIAN MILLS	*Treble*	GEOFFREY K. DODD	5
BRIAN BLADON	2	ERNEST J. MUNDAY	6
PHILIP MEHEW	3	ROBIN G. LEALE	7
REGINALD W. REX	4	A. PATRICK CANNON	*Tenor*

Composed by S. J. IVIN. Conducted by ROBIN G. LEALE.
First peal of London Surprise Major as conductor.
Rung in honour of the engagement of Peter Sanders, son of the Vicar of Overton and sometime Master of the O.U.G., now in Jamaica, to Miss Deirdre Josephs.

ROTHERFIELD, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., March 19, 1960, in 3 Hours and 13 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. DENYS,
A PEAL OF 5120 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR
In eight methods, comprising 1,120 London, 800 Bristol, 640 each Rutland and Ealing, 480 each Wembley, Superlative, Yorkshire and Cambridge, and 144 changes of method. Tenor 23 cwt. 23 lb. in D.

PERCY J. SPICE	*Treble*	IAN H. ORAM	5
DORIS E. COLGATE	2	ROBERT COLLINS	6
ARTHUR S. RICHARDS	3	WILLIAM ROGERS	7
RALPH BIRD	4	PHILIP A. CORBY	*Tenor*

Composed by H. G. CASHMORE. Conducted by PHILIP A. CORBY.
First eight-spliced peal by all the band.

SALFORD PRIORS, WARWICKSHIRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., March 19, 1960, in 3 Hours and 2 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MATTHEW,
A PEAL OF 5088 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 15 cwt. 14 lb. in F sharp.

*JACQUELINE A. ROBERTS	*Treble*	GEOFFREY J. HEMMING	5
*MICHAEL G. SELBY	2	*WILLIAM B. POMEROY	6
*GORDON T. BROWN	3	MARTYN HAWKES	7
*DEREK PRICE	4	GERALD C. HEMMING	*Tenor*

Composed by WILLIAM BARTON. Conducted by GERALD C. HEMMING.
* First peal of Lincolnshire.

SUNBURY, MIDDLESEX.
THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.
On Sat., March 19, 1960, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,
A PEAL OF 5024 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 14½ cwt.

TREVOR N. J. BAILEY	*Treble*	ALAN E. BAGWORTH	5
MICHAEL P. MORETON	2	DAVID A. S. HAWKINS	6
ROBERT W. HINDE	3	TUDOR P. EDWARDS	7
WILLIAM T. COOK	4	JOHN HILL	*Tenor*

Composed by C. W. ROBERTS. Conducted by JOHN HILL.

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TODMORDEN, YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., March 19, 1960, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes,
AT THE UNITARIAN CHURCH,
A PEAL OF 5056 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 14¼ cwt.

RITA M. JOWETT	*Treble*	*PETER SCHOLFIELD	5
*B. GILLIAN SCHOFIELD	2	W. ERIC CRITCHLEY	6
*PATRICIA REEVE	3	J. HENRY FIELDEN	7
*JOHN H. FIELDEN	4	RICHARD E. PRICE	*Tenor*

Composed and Conducted by W. ERIC CRITCHLEY.
* First peal in the method. First in the method in Todmorden.

WHITCHURCH, HAMPSHIRE.
THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., March 19, 1960, in 3 Hours and 1 Minute,
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL HALLOWS,
A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 14 cwt. in F.

REGINALD W. REX	*Treble*	A. PATRICK CANNON	5
ERNEST J. MUNDAY	2	GEOFFREY K. DODD	6
BRIAN MILLS	3	BRIAN BLADON	7
ROBIN G. LEALE	4	PHILIP MEHEW	*Tenor*

Composed by C. MIDDLETON. Conducted by PHILIP MEHEW.
Rung as a compliment to Miss Jean Stewart, C.C. representative for the Irish Association, who was married on St. Patrick's Day, March 17th, in St. Donard's, Belfast.

HORSMONDEN, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sun., March 20, 1960, in 3 Hours and 9 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,
A PEAL OF 5024 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR
Tenor 19¼ cwt.

*MARGARET A. LADD	*Treble*	THOMAS E. SONE	5
REGINALD E. LAMBERT	2	COLIN A. TESTER	6
ROBERT T. LAMBERT	3	EDWIN BROMLEY	7
OLIVE D. COUCHMAN	4	ERNEST J. LADD	*Tenor*

Composed by A. KNIGHTS. Conducted by THOMAS E. SONE.
* First peal of Treble Bob. The conductor's 100th peal of Kent Treble Bob Major. First in the method on the bells.

FIVE AND SIX BELL PEALS

ELSTOW, BEDFORDSHIRE.
THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Wed., Dec. 16, 1959, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. MARY AND HELENA,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven extents. Tenor 9½ cwt.

*MARION CLARKE	*Treble*	R. HARRISON	4
*KATHLEEN A. RIVETT	2	*FRANK W. RIVETT	5
STEPHEN J. IVIN	3	PETER A. WAKEMAN	*Tenor*

Conducted by STEPHEN J. IVIN.
* First peal.

GOXHILL, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Tues., March 1, 1960, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven extents. Tenor 10 cwt. 2 qr.

*ARTHUR W. HOODLESS	*Treble*	STEPHEN BROMFIELD	4
SEPTIMUS NEAVE	2	W. ARTHUR CROWDER	5
†J. VERNON HEPWORTH	3	MICHAEL W. CROWDER	*Tenor*

Conducted by MICHAEL W. CROWDER.
* 25th peal together. † First peal. The tenor ringer has now 'circled the tower.'

SILK WILLOUGHBY, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thurs., March 3, 1960, in 2 Hours and 20 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. DENIS,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being one extent Single Oxford and Single Court Spliced, one Single Oxford, Single Court and Plain Bob Spliced, two Single Court, two Plain Bob, and one Single Oxford and Plain Bob Spliced.
Tenor 8 cwt. 3 qr. 18 lb.

JOHN F. WRIGHT	*Treble*	WILLIAM R. MARSH	4
HENRY P. COLLIN	2	FREDERICK DERRY	5
*WALTER WESTON	3	JAMES H. MUSSON	*Tenor*

Conducted by JAMES H. MUSSON.
* 25th peal on the bells.
A wedding compliment to Mr. Marcus N. Kidd and Miss Daphne P. Wright (a ringer at St. Denis's), who were married here on February 20th.

MORPETH, NORTHUMBERLAND.
THE DURHAM UNIVERSITY SOCIETY.
On Wed., March 9, 1960, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes,
AT THE WATCH TOWER,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being two callings. Tenor 10 cwt. 26 lb.

KEITH R. WARD	*Treble*	JIM SCOTT	4
JOHN THORLEY	2	CHRIS. HERBERT	5
DENNIS ELLISDON	3	NICHOLAS D. J. WEBB	*Tenor*

Conducted by NICHOLAS D. J. WEBB.
First peal as conductor.
Rung as a compliment to the Rev. and Mrs. S. G. N. Brindley (Whitley Bay) on the birth of a daughter.

SEMPRINGHAM, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., March 12, 1960, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes,
AT THE ABBEY CHURCH OF ST. MARY,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being two extents of Single Oxford, one of Spliced Single Oxford and Single Court, and four of Plain Bob. Tenor 8 cwt.

JOHN F. WRIGHT	*Treble*	EDGAR A. COLE	4
WILLIAM R. MARSH	2	*J. EDWARD BROWN	5
FREDERICK DERRY	3	JAMES H. MUSSON	*Tenor*

Conducted by JAMES H. MUSSON.
* First peal in three Minor methods.
A wedding anniversary compliment to Mr. and Mrs. J. Edward Brown and Mr. and Mrs. James H. Musson

STRATFORD ST. MARY, SUFFOLK.
THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Sat., March 12, 1960, in 3 Hours and 7 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being one extent each of St. Clement's, Single Court, Oxford T.B., Kent T.B. and three of Plain Bob. Tenor 16 cwt.

ALAN R. ANDREWS	*Treble*	WALTER D. BAILEY	4
ROBERT E. LESTER	2	GEORGE N. ORMAN	5
ROY DUESBURY	3	ALLEN W. CANSDALE	*Tenor*

Conducted by ROY DUESBURY.
Rung for the birth on February 23rd of a grand-daughter (Ruth Elizabeth) to the ringer of the fourth.

YAXHAM, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., March 12, 1960, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
In five methods, viz.: Three extents of Plain Bob, one each of St. Clement's, Double Oxford, Kent T.B. and Oxford T.B. Tenor 11 cwt.

JOHN D. DOWE	*Treble*	GEOFFREY R. DREW	4
THOMAS E. SPIGHT	2	PETER ADCOCK	5
EDWARD HOWES	3	H. WILLIAM BARRETT	*Tenor*

Conducted by H. WILLIAM BARRETT.

WATTON, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sun., March 13, 1960, in 2 Hours and 23 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
In seven extents, viz.: One each of Cambridge Surprise, Double Oxford, St. Clement's, Double Court, Plain Bob, Kent T.B. and Oxford T.B.
Tenor 8 cwt.

PETER ADCOCK	*Treble*	THOMAS E. SPIGHT	4
EDWARD HOWES	2	WILLIAM CLOVER	5
FREDA P. GREAVES	3	GEOFFREY R. DREW	*Tenor*

Conducted by GEOFFREY R. DREW.

MARSHAM, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Mon., March 14, 1960, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven different extents. Tenor 7¼ cwt.

*BRENDA JONES	*Treble*	DEREK PARDON	4
MRS. H. CARTER	2	BEVAN W. WILLGRESS	5
HANBURY CARTER	3	GEOFFREY R. DREW	*Tenor*

Conducted by GEOFFREY R. DREW.
* First peal at first attempt.
A 17th birthday compliment to Miss Brenda Jones.

WINTERTON, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Tues., March 15, 1960, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being one extent each of Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, Cambridge Surprise, Double and Single Oxford, St. Clement's and Plain Bob.
Tenor 9 cwt. 1 qr. 23 lb.

RONALD CHAFER	*Treble*	RICHARD HALL	4
HARRY HALL	2	ARTHUR CROWDER	5
JACK BRAY	3	GEORGE W. MOODY	*Tenor*

Conducted by JACK BRAY.
Rung half-muffled to the memory of J. E. Smith, many years a ringer at this church, who died on March 12th, aged 99 years.

ALGARKIRK, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD
On Wed., March 16, 1960, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being one extent each of the following Plain methods: Single Oxford, Double Bob, Thelwall, Childwall, Double Oxford, St. Clement's and Plain Bob. Tenor 12 cwt.

DONOVAN R. WHITE	*Treble*	HAROLD BARSLEY	4
CHARLES MCGUINESS	2	C. HAROLD WHITTON	5
J. MARTIN THORLEY	3	CYRIL R. BURRELL	*Tenor*

Conducted by J. MARTIN THORLEY.
A birthday compliment to Katharine and Penelope Thorley and Mark Howard Whitton.

THEBERTON, SUFFOLK.
THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Wed., March 16, 1960, in 2 Hours and 27 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being 720 each of Oxford Bob, Cambridge Surprise, Double Oxford, St. Clement's, Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 6 cwt. 2 qr. 9 lb.

C. JACK GIBSON	*Treble*	ALAN R. BRIDGES	4
JACK PILGRIM	2	PETER S. BEDFORD	5
H. WILLIAM BARRETT	3	JOHN W. BLYTHE	*Tenor*

Conducted by JOHN W. BLYTHE.

Rung for the birth of Linda Blythe, grand-daughter of the treble ringer and niece of the tenor ringer; also for the first birthday of Rosemary Blythe, daughter of the conductor.

NORTON, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thurs., March 17, 1960, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Being 30 six-scores of Grandsire, ten six-scores of Plain Bob and 240 Grandsire (Morris's). Tenor 15 cwt., approx.

VICTOR A. PERRY	*Treble*	JOHN W. HALL	3
PERCY AMOS	2	TIMOTHY A. WOODING	4
GEORGE F. ROOME	*Tenor*		

Conducted by GEORGE F. ROOME.

Rung for the Festival of St. Patrick.

STISTED, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Fri., March 18, 1960, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being seven extents in 26 methods: (1) Cambridge, Norfolk, Ipswich, Hull, Primrose and Bourne; (2) College Bob IV, Willesden, Old Oxford and Newdigate Delight; (3) St. Albans, Wragby, Neasden and Charlwood Delight; (4) College Exercise, Norbury, Duke of Norfolk and Ockley Treble Bob; (5) London Scholars' Pleasure, Kingston, Sandal and Capel Treble Bob; (6) Double Oxford and St. Clement's; (7) Double Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 9 cwt. 1 qr. 20 lb.

CECIL BARKER	*Treble*	ALAN R. SYDER	4
JOHN WARNER	2	JOE E. G. ROAST	5
DENNIS A. S. SYMONDS	3	HOWARD W. EGGLESTONE	*Tenor*

Conducted by JOE E. G. ROAST.

BELSTONE, DEVON.
THE GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.
(Shebbear College Society.)
On Sat., March 19, 1960, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES

Tenor 5 cwt. 2 qr. 25 lb.

*PETER R. TURNER	*Treble*	*IAN R. SLEE	4
*PHILIP C. PLANT	2	JOHN L. QUEEN	5
*PHILIP STEVENS	3	*IAN COLLINS	*Tenor*

Conducted by JOHN L. QUEEN.

* First peal. First as conductor. First on the bells, and by the Society.

Rung in honour of the engagement of Princess Margaret to Mr. Antony Armstrong-Jones.

BUTLER'S MARSTON, WARWICKSHIRE.
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Mar. 19, 1960, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven extents. Tenor 14 cwt. 20 lb.

*JAMES J. SPRAGGETT	*Treble*	ALLAN R. JONES	4
TIMOTHY A. WOODING	2	VICTOR A. PERRY	5
PERCY AMOS	3	GEORGE F. ROOME	*Tenor*

Conducted by GEORGE F. ROOME.

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

FORD END, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., March 19, 1960, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-EVANGELIST,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being seven extents in 52 methods: (1) Double Bob, Windermere, Plain Bob, Canterbury, St. Clement's, Killarney, Childwall, London Bob, College, Double Oxford, Thelwall, Wavertree, Reverse Bob, Cumberland, Frodsham, Ennerdale, Lytham, Fulbeck and Horsmonden (19 plain methods by C. K. Lewis); (2) Newdigate, Marple, Old Oxford, College Bob IV, Humber, Willesden, Braintree, Clarence, Charlwood, Neasden, St. Albans, Wragby, Taxal, Morning Star and Elston (15 methods by A. G. Driver); (3) Cambridge, Norfolk, Ipswich, Hull, Primrose and Bourne Surprise; (4) Beverley and Surfleet Surprise; (5) Berwick and Hexham Surprise; (6) College Exercise, Norbury, Duke of Norfolk and Ockley Treble Bob; (7) London Scholars' Pleasure, Kingston, Sandal and Capel Treble Bob. Tenor 4 cwt. 2 qr. 16 lb.

MARY ROAST	*Treble*	DENNIS A. S. SYMONDS	4
*PATRICK W. SALTMARSH	2	JOE E. G. ROAST	5
PETER J. EVES	3	HOWARD W. EGGLESTONE	*Tenor*

Conducted by JOE E. G. ROAST.

* 50th peal for the Association.

Rung for the wedding of Donald Paul Raymond and Edna May Smith (ringers at Ford End), which was solemnised prior to the peal.

QUADRING, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., March 19, 1960, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being one extent each of Single Oxford, Double Oxford, Cambridge Surprise, Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob, St. Clement's and Plain Bob. Tenor 10 cwt.

ALAN G. PAYNE	*Treble*	HAROLD BARSLEY	4
J. MARTIN THORLEY	2	*FRANK TAYLOR	5
JOSEPH W. BAILEY	3	JOHN R. KETTERINGHAM	*Tenor*

Conducted by J. MARTIN THORLEY.

* 150th peal.

SWINDON, WILTSHIRE.
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Mon., March 21, 1960, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARK,
A PEAL OF 5040 EVENING STAR DELIGHT MINOR

Being seven different extents. Tenor 11½ cwt.

*MICHAEL J. STANLEY	*Treble*	A. TERENCE COLLINS	4
RONALD A. WRIGHT	2	ANTHONY R. PEAKE	5
VICTOR GRIFFIN	3	BRIAN BLADON	*Tenor*

Conducted by ANTHONY R. PEAKE.

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

Rung to commemorate the last steam engine to be taken into service by British Railways; built at the Swindon Works and named 'Evening Star' there on March 18th, 1960.

HANDBELL PEALS

BISHOPSTOKE, HAMPSHIRE.
THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thurs., March 10, 1960, in 1 Hour and 35 Minutes,
AT 68, EDWARD AVENUE,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents. Tenor size 8 in C.

*TOM CHAPMAN	1—2	MARGARET E. L. BEAMISH	3—4
ROBERT C. KIPPIN	5—6		

Conducted by ROBERT C. KIPPIN.

* First handbell peal.

WEST HARTLEPOOL, CO. DURHAM.
THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., March 12, 1960, in ½ Hour and 56 Minutes,
AT 169, STOCKTON ROAD,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents. Tenor size 11 in G.

GORDON R. WALLACE	1—2	MRS. K. LAWSON	3—4
KENNETH LAWSON	5—6		

Conducted by KENNETH LAWSON.

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ABSON, GLOS.—On Mar. 16th, 1,440 Oxford Treble Bob Minor: B. K. Lewis (first of Minor) 1, G. S. Sprules 2, J. W. Sprules 3, C. J. Richards 4, A. W. Gibbs 5, H. Taysom (first as cond.) 6. First of Oxford by all.

BARCOMBE, SUSSEX.—On Mar. 21st, 1,260 Doubles (Plain Bob and Grandsire): H. Turner 1, P. Tomsett 2, S. Brook 3, Mrs. S. Brook 4, B. Turner (cond.) 5, F. Smith 6. Rung half-muffled in memoriam Mr. F. Tanner, churchwarden.

BARNARD CASTLE, CO. DURHAM.—On Mar. 12th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: J. Thorley 1, D. Ellisdon (first of Stedman) 2, W. Robson 3, C. J. Herbert 4, N. Webb (first of Stedman, 22nd attempt!) 5, E. White 6, B. Pattison (cond.) 7, K. Ward 8.

BRAY, CO. WICKLOW.—On St. Patrick's Day, Mar. 17th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: H. W. Jones 1, R. G. George 2, W. H. Wilson 3, T. McMorran (cond.) 4, D. Vokes 5, C. J. Reede 6, J. A. Atkinson 7, H. H. Brown 8. Rung as a birthday compliment to J. A. Atkinson.

BRISTOL.—At the Church of St. Stephen, on Jan. 9th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: E. F. Hancock (cond.) 1, Miss M. Hancock 2, M. J. Hancock 3, E. Hancock 4, D. J. Hunt 5, Mrs. E. A. G. Bowden 6, R. J. Bowden 7, A. M. Tyler 8. Also at the Church of Emmanuel, on Mar. 18th, 1,280 Spliced Plain and Little Bob Major: R. G. Hooper 1, D. C. Exell 2, Miss M. H. Hall 3, C. J. Richards 4, B. A. Shackleton 5, R. J. Bowden 6, D. J. Hunt 7, P. J. Bird (cond.) 8. First of Spliced by all except 7th. Also at the Church of St. Ambrose, on Mar. 20th, 1,280 Kent Treble Bob Major: M. J. Hobbs (first of T.B.) 1, Miss G. M. Hussey (first of T.B.) 2, B. A. Shackleton 3, F. J. Sampson 4, R. G. Hooper 5, A. C. Baker 6, F. Skidmore 7, D. J. Hunt (cond.) 8. First of Kent by local band. For Confirmation service.

BULWELL, NOTTINGHAM.—On Mar. 6th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: D. Hughes 1, P. Pickering 2, Maureen Boden 3, B. Mozley 4, D. R. Boden (cond.) 5, D. Mozley (first quarter) 6.

CAPE TOWN, SOUTH AFRICA.—On Mar. 1st, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: J. Riley 1, L. Hewitt 2, R. Stickley 3, V. Sheppard 4, R. Law (cond.) 5, W. Smith 6. A compliment to H.M. the Queen and the new prince. The first time the tenor has been turned in to a quarter peal.

COMPTON BISHOP, SOMERSET.— On Mar. 9th, 1,260 Doubles (Reverse Canterbury, Plain Bob and Grandsire): T. Feltham 1, Miss A. White (first as cond.) 2, A. J. Peters 3, H. Hooper 4, J. Brinsom 5, J. Loxton 6.

DANBURY, ESSEX.—On Jan. 31st, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: M. Rowling (first quarter) 1, Mrs. M. Roast 2, J. West 3, E. G. Roast 4, J. E. G. Roast (cond.) 5, I. J. M. Saunders 6. Rung as a farewell to the Rev. F. S. Hopkirk, Rector of Danbury for 23 years.

DARLINGTON, CO. DURHAM.—At St. Cuthbert's, on Mar. 20th, 1,280 Double Norwich Court Bob Major: Miss J. Warwick 1, Miss P. Dowse 2, Miss B. Cooke 3, Mrs. T. Cooke 4, T. Cooke (cond.) 5, T. Senior 6, W. E. Mashiter 7, F. Hodgson 8. First in method for 1, 2, 3 and 7. For Evensong on St. Cuthbert's Day.

DERBY.—On Mar. 20th, at St. Peter's Church, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor (tenor covering): Sylvia Hazlewood 1, Jean Larkin 2, A. Mould 3, J. Bailey (cond.) 4, M. Larkin 5, B. Barker 6, W. Steen 7. A wedding anniversary compliment to the ringers of 2 and 5.

DEVIZES, WILTS.—On Mar. 17th, at St. James' Church, Southbroom, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles (with 6, 4, 8 behind): B. Tye 1, R. W. Bridges 2, A. J. 6, 4, 8 behind): B. Tye 1, R. W. Bridges 2, A. T. Weeks 3, W. Bridewell 4, J. S. Weeks (cond.) 5, J. Potter 6, H. Sturgess 7, P. Whale 8. A welcome to Rev. W. D. Williams, as Rector of St. John's, Devizes.

EDMONTON, MIDDX.—On Mar. 20th, 1,260 Plain Bob Triples: Beryl Rayner (first of Triples) 1, G. W. Golding 2, W. George 3, Trudy Newcombe 4, J. Weeks 5, W. Theobald 6, T. Hawkins (cond.) 7, D. Langdon 8. First in method for all the band except the conductor. For Evensong.

EPSOM, SURREY.—At Christ Church, on Mar. 20th, 1,320 Plain Bob Doubles: R. Fentiman (first quarter) 1, D. Herschell 2, F. Oakshott (cond.) 3, Adrienne Gibson 4, Sylvia Marsh 5, W. Parrott 6.

FOBBING, ESSEX.—On Mar. 13th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: Mrs. M. Bibby 1, S. Penfold 2, A. Reeve 3, F. G. Richardson 4, J. Fowler 5, H. Smith 6, T. East 7, A. J. Salisbury (cond.) 8. For Matins.

GATESHEAD, CO. DURHAM.—On Feb. 13th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: Elizabeth Scott 1, Mrs. C. N. Lea 2, E. White 3, C. J. Herbert 4, R. G. Turner 5, C. N. Lea 6, B. Pattison (cond.) 7, R. F. Telford 8.

QUARTER PEALS

HAGBOURNE, BERKS.—On Mar. 15th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: L. F. Cox 1, H. K. White 2, Miss M. Thomas 3, J. H. Napper 4, C. J. Garlick 5, A. H. Webb 6, G. W. Bishop (cond.) 7, J. C. Napper 8. Rung as a compliment to Rev. H. A. Smith-Masters, on the 39th anniversary of the first service conducted by him as Vicar of Hagbourne.

HARMONDSWORTH, MIDDX.—On Mar. 5th, 1,280 Plain Bob Doubles: J. Boyd 1, K. Young 2, M. Lane 3, D. Pickett 4, C. Fynes (cond.) 5, D. J. Evans 6. Also on Mar. 12th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: J. Boyd 1, K. Young 2, D. Pickett 3, M. Lane 4, D. Morgan 5, C. Fynes (cond.) 6.

HASLEMERE, SURREY.—On Feb. 19th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: I. Weatherby 1, J. Clark 2, Mrs. F. Bowden 3, C. Johnstone 4, A. Queen (cond.) 5, M. Rudgwick 6. Rung in honour of the birth of a second son to her Majesty the Queen.

HENLOW, BEDS.—On Mar. 14th, 1,260 Single Oxford Bob Minor: P. Rogers 1, M. Major 2, G. Mayes 3, J. Church 4, P. W. Tompkins 5, L. H. Bywaters (cond.) 6. Rung half-muffled as a token of respect to G. Buckingham, for many years churchwarden. Also on Mar. 20th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: P. Thompson 1, P. Rogers 2, A. Gentle 3, M. Major 4, R. Fuller 5, L. H. Bywaters (cond.) 6.

IVER, BUCKS.—On Mar. 20th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: R. J. Foster (first on 8 bells) 1, W. D. Ward 2, F. R. Scott 3, D. K. Ward (first of Grandsire Triples 'inside') 4, E. R. Gotham 5, W. Birmingham 6, H. W. Impey (cond.) 7, D. G. Rowlands 8. Rung prior to the christening of Derek John Foster, son of the treble ringer. Mr. and Mrs. Foster are both ringers at Iver.

KIDSGROVE, STAFFS.—On Mar 15th, 1,296 Cambridge Surprise Minor: R. A. Challinor 1, N. Sherratt (cond.) 2, W. Sherratt 3, P. A. Mason 4, H. Windsor 5, R. Worrall 6.

KINGSTHORPE NORTHANTS.—On Feb. 27th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: D. Trueman (first of Minor) 1, B. E. Frost 2, J. Payne 3, S. Earl 4, F. Benfield (cond.) 5, P. Giles 6. For the weddings of Mr. G B. Kirton and Miss J. Andrews and Mr. J. Felce and Miss B. Parrott.

LONDON.—At St. Clement Danes', on Mar. 20th, 1,280 Cambridge Surprise Major: Miss M. E. Kirby 1, Mrs. F. A. Threlfall 2, Miss I. Inman 3, D. J. Kirby 4, N. J. Martin 5, I. H. Oram (cond.) 6, P. J. Spice 7, R. T. Newman 8. For Evensong.

MOLLINGTON, OXON.—On Mar. 19th, 1,260 Doubles (Stedman, St. Simon's, St. Martin's, St. Nicholas', Winchendon Place Bob, Plain Bob, Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, and Grandsire): R. F. Diserens 1, D. C. Bowen 2, R. K. Russ 3, H. Oglesby 4, C. C. Clarke (cond.) 5.

NORTH WEALD, ESSEX.—On Mar. 22nd, 1,440 Kent Treble Bob Minor: M. McQuistan 1, Wendy Bowak 2, Janet Evans 3, C. Bingham 4, J. McPhail (cond.) 5, W. Wedlock 6. At Matins for the presentation of a wedding gift to Colin Bingham and Janet Evans, who were married on Mar. 26th. Also on Mar. 22nd, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: G. Horton 1, Ann Hancock 2, Doreen Peacock 3, S. King (cond.) 4, S. Blatch 5, J. Lodge 6. At Evensong. A farewell to Miss Daphne Peacock (Sunday School teacher) and Sally Ann Blatch, who are leaving for South Africa.

ORMESBY, YORKS.—On Mar. 20th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: R. Millington 1, A. Crosby 2, Mrs. L. Warrior 3, A. Woodall 4, W. Ellerington 5, T. Cox 6, P. Wishart (cond.) 7, C. Oldfield 8. For Evensong.

PRESTON, LANCS.—On Mar. 20th, at 45, Herschel Street, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Betty Faunch (first 'in hand') 1-2, C. Crosthwaite 3-4, J. Couperthwaite (cond.) 5-6. Rung for the engagement of Princess Margaret and Mr. A. Armstrong-Jones.

PUTNEY, S.W.—On Mar. 20th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: B. Bull (first away from covering bell) 1, S. Rymer 2, B. Coatsworth 3, L. Allen 4, C. Mew (cond.) 5, A. Clayton 6. First of Minor for all except 2. For Evensong.

RUGELEY, STAFFS.—On March 8th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: C. A. Brass 1, J. A. Townsend 2, Miss C. Pendlebury (first of Minor) 3, E. Edginton 4, B. J. Townsend 5, J. H. Joyner (cond.) 6. A welcome to Stella Margaret Joyner, first grandchild of the conductor.

ST. ALBANS, HERTS.—At the Cathedral, on Feb. 21st, 1,299 Stedman Caters: B. A. Cornell 1, W. J. Arnold (cond.) 2, Miss D. Whiting (first on 10 bells) 3, Miss P. Doorn 4, R. F. Ewer 5, G. Dodds 6, W. Little 7, J. E. Ewer 8, G. Penney 9, J. McClenahan (first on 10 bells) 10. For the birth of Prince Andrew. Also on Mar. 20th, 1,272 Stedman Caters: B. A. Cornell 1, W. J. Arnold (cond.) 2, C. Hayter 3, Miss P. Doorn 4, G. Dodds 5, N. Smith 6, W. Little 7, J. E. Ewer 8, G. Penney 9, J. McClenahan 10.

SEEND, WILTS.—On Mar. 9th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: R. Saville (first quarter) 1, W. J. Kinchin 2, I. Battersby 3, G. Buchanan 4, F. Ross (cond.) 5, P. King 6. Rung by an R.A.F. band from R.A.F., Melksham.

STAINES, MIDDX.—At St. Mary's Church, on Mar. 12th, 1,271 Plain Bob Minor: J. Boyd 1, K. Young 2, M. Lane 3, D. Morgan 4, D. Pickett 5, C. Fynes (cond.) 6.

STANWELL, MIDDX.—On Mar. 9th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: D. J. Evans 1, C. Fynes (cond.) 2-3, K. Young 4, D. Pickett 5, M. Lane 6. Also on Mar. 13th, 1,260 changes (Little Bob and Plain Bob Minor, Grandsire and Plain Bob Doubles): J. Boyd 1, Mrs. M. Blagrove 2, M. Lane 3, C. Fynes 4, D. Pickett 5, F. Blagrove (cond.) 6. For afternoon service and for the birth of a son to the ringers of 2 and 6. Also 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: J. Boyd 1, C. Fynes (cond.) 2-3, K. Young 4, D. Pickett 5, M. Lane 6. For Evensong.

TEWIN, HERTS.—On Mar. 13th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: F. Garrod 1, C. Geeves 2, Miss J. Gambling (first as cond.) 3, Miss A. Bailey 4, D. Gambling 5, W. Holmes 6.

TOTTERNHOE, BEDS.—On Mar. 20th, 1,260 Minor (St. Clement's and Plain Bob Minor): W. Scar 1, R. J. Scott 2, Mrs J. Sinfield 3, P. Pratt 4, I. Knox 5, J. W. Sinfield (cond.) 6. Rung for Evensong.

TRURO, CORNWALL.—At the Cathedral, on Mar. 15th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: D. Burnett 1, H. Harper 2, Mary Carveth 3, S. A. Read 4, A. J. Davidson (first 'inside' on 8) 5, A. Locke 6, R. A. Southwood (cond.) 7, G. D. Carter (first of Triples) 8. Rung as a welcome to the Rt. Rev. John Maurice Key, 10th Bishop of Truro.

TUNBRIDGE WELLS, KENT.—On Mar. 10th, 1,280 Plain Bob Major: Laura M. Beeney 1, Ann George 2, Margaret A. Ladd 3, B. V. Collison 4, C. W. Hancock 5, R. D. Divall 6, E. J. Ladd 7, S. Jenner (cond.) 8. A compliment to Ann George on her 21st birthday.

WALTHAM ABBEY, ESSEX.—On Mar. 13th, 1,277 Grandsire Caters: Mrs. C. W. Roberts 1, D. Hawkins 2, M. C. Austin 3, L. S. Woods 4, Miss J. Whitcher 5, P. Laws 6, R. D. Pearson 7, K. R. Scrimshaw 8, R. J. Chapman (cond.) 9, T. Pearson 10. First of Caters by 2, 5, 6, 7, and 8. First on 10 by the Sunday service band.

WALTHAM-ON-THE-WOLDS, LEICS.—On Mar. 17th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Gillian Christian 1, C. Matthews 2, J. H. Cook (cond.) 3, J. L. Day 4, R. H. Cook 5, K. Matthews 6. First quarter 1 and 6. Rung for the engagement of Kenneth Christian and Miss Jill Parr.

WANSTEAD, ESSEX.—On Mar. 20th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: B. Petty 1, Miss J. Nash 2, Dr. P. A. F. Chalk 3, Miss B. Nash (first quarter) 4, J. Chalk 5, F. V. Gant (cond.) 6. For Confirmation service.

WEST BROMWICH, STAFFS.—On Mar. 19th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: W. D. Peart 1, Jane E. Clamp 2, J. Cooper 3, E. Parish 4, A. Mills (composer and cond.) 5, J. N. Hadley 6, J. R. Cotterill 7, W. Reynolds 8. A compliment to Mr. Albert Mills for his 80th birthday, attained the previous day. He joined the belfry in 1896.

WHITLEY BAY, NORTHUMBERLAND.—On Mar. 13th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: Norma F. Stockman (first quarter) 1, Elaine Murcott (first quarter) 2, G. Lusk 3, R. A. Gofton 4, K. Ward 5, S. Mallaburn 6, R. A. Gofton 7, N. D. J. Webb (cond.) 8. Rung as a compliment to Rev. and Mrs. S. G. N. Brindley on the birth of a daughter.

WHITTLEBURY, NORTHANTS.—On Mar. 2nd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: C. Truman 1, W. A. Yates (cond.) 2, D. Burbidge 3, G. Linnell 4, J. Linnell 5. First on 'inside bell' for 3 and 4. A 3rd wedding anniversary compliment to Mr. and Mrs. C. Truman.

WICKEN, NORTHANTS.—On Mar. 8th, 1,296 Cambridge Surprise Minor: J. Linnell 1, D. Taylor 2, F. C. Case 3, C. Truman 4, T. E. Roberts 5, G. E. Green (cond.) 6.

BRIDGWATER ARTS CENTRE INVESTIGATES RINGING

An enthusiastic ringer on the sales staff of a local firm often tells of happenings in his ringing activities to his fellow workers, one of these being a keen supporter of the Bridgwater Arts Centre.

A free night occurred in their programme recently and an idea was put forward that the ringer mentioned might be able to arrange something to explain what bellringing was all about. Just a straight lecture was not particularly wanted so a meeting was arranged at West Huntspill on a recent Monday evening.

This tower, with its fine ring of six, was chosen, as it has a large ringing room and ample space beside the bell-frame, thus enabling the visitors to see the bells in action.

In the short time available Mr. C. Clarke, of Wembdon tower, endeavoured to explain the hanging and action of a bell and briefly how changes were rung. A single bell was raised, rung, set and lowered. Then all six were raised in peal. Rounds, call changes, some Doubles and Minor were rung with the differences explained as simply as possible. After a lower in peal, Mr. Clarke gave a few facts on bells and ringing in general. He was assisted by six other capable ringers, including two ladies, showing that the fairer sex could easily take part in the art. In fact, one rang the 23½ cwt. tenor excellently to one touch. Two courses of Triples and rounds on 10 were also rung on handbells.

The visitors said that they found the evening very interesting and that they would now know what to listen for when bells were ringing. No new recruits have been forthcoming up to the present, unfortunately.

Thanks are due to the Vicar of West Huntspill and the local ringers for allowing the use of their tower and bells for this meeting, unusual at least for this area.

R. D. S.

SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD

Newark District

A most enjoyable meeting of the Newark District, attended by approximately 40 ringers, was held at the Church of All Saints, Winthorpe, on March 19th. Many Plain and Surprise Minor methods were rung under the direction of the District Ringing Master, Mr. P. N. White.

A short service was held, conducted by the Vicar, the Rev. B. Houghton, who welcomed the ringers to his church, and based his sermon on St. Dunstan, the patron saint of ringers. A most enjoyable tea was arranged and served by the local ringers and wives in the Village Hall.

At the business meeting, one new member, John Raithby, of Newark, was elected. Barnby-in-the-Willows was confirmed for the meeting on May 21st. Further ringing to suit all tastes then took place up to 8.30 p.m.

W. L. E.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION

A very happy and successful meeting was held in the little five-bell tower of SS. Peter and Paul, Black Notley, on March 19th. Sixty-eight members atended from 27 parishes.

An enjoyable service was conducted by the Rector, the Rev. B. R. McAllister, and the singing was led by the choir and organist. Mr. Pratt, the District Master, read the lesson. The tea was arranged and given by the local ringers, their wives and friends.

At the business meeting one new honorary life member was elected and three new ringing members. It is hoped that the next meeting will be held at Dunmow, on May 14th.

Mr. Pratt expressed thanks to all who had helped to make the meeting such a success and thanked the many ringers who had supported him by their attendance.

The bells of St. Michael's, Braintree, were also available to ringers from 3.30 to 4.30 p.m.

PER ARDUA AD CAMPANOLOGIA

One evening last October a group of ringers were gathered outside St. John's Church, Devizes, and during conversation three of those present realised that they were from R.A.F., Melksham, a few miles away. From this meeting, an active ringing fraternity at the camp grew. Following requests on the camp loadspeaker system, sufficient ringers and ex-ringers were gathered, and with the Padre's backing, bellringing was officially recognised by the camp authorities as a sports afternoon activity.

Handbell ringing, both tune and change-ringing, is practised, and every Wednesday afternoon the band go out to local towers where various Doubles and Minor methods are rung and learners taught.

Last Christmas a tape-recording was made of several carols which were played over the camp broadcasting system prior to the Christmas leave period. It must be admitted that the otherwise good handbells sounded like kitchen utensils when recorded and broadcast!

In February a trip to London was arranged where some ringers and friends visited St. Paul's Cathedral and bells, then proceeded to St. Clement Danes' where an hour's ringing was greatly enjoyed.

A sense of achievement was felt when a quarter peal of Grandsire Doubles was rung on the six bells at Seend recently.

Unfortunately, Melksham is a training camp where personnel only stay for periods of three to six months and the band is likely to suffer fluctuations of membership in the future.

F. R.

WIMBLEDON, SURREY.—On Mar. 20th, 1,276 Cambridge Surprise Minor: Caroline Carpenter 1, Susan Rawlings 2, Anne Garnett 3, M. H. Sinden 4, A. Bagworth 5, A. S. Bishop (cond.) 6. For Evensong.

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BELFRY GOSSIP

Cape Town is enduring its hottest summer for 20 years and with the thermometer at 107 degrees, local ringers decided to hold over their complimentary quarter peal to H.M. the Queen on the birth of an infant Prince for a week. The day before it was rung the city 'enjoyed' a temperature of 102 degrees, and the tenor man was really wet through.

The ringer of the third in the quarter peal of Grandsire Doubles at Bosham on March 6th (see page 210) was Susan M. Haddelsey.

Will 'Junior' please send his name and address. We cannot entertain for publication an article without knowing the name and address of the sender.

Despite the cartoon in the issue of March 18th, Mr. Gerald C. Hemming informs us that the bells of Evesham bell tower went as well as could be expected while ringing for morning and evening service.

Shebbear College, Beaworthy, is in the news again this week with the College Society's first peal. The members are anxious to know if this is the first peal by an all-resident school society.

Congratulations to Mr. T. J. Lock, the popular secretary of the Middlesex County Association, on ringing his 600th peal. The method, Double Norwich Court Bob Caters, rarely makes an appearance in our columns these days.

The last steam engine for British Railways has been taken into service and has been named 'Evening Star.' At that great railway centre, Swindon where the engine was built, a peal of Evening Star Delight Minor was rung at St. Mark's Church to commemorate the event.

Mr. P. Amos calls our attention to the weight of Norton tenor—19 cwt., as given by various authorities. This tenor measures 44½ inches and he suggests its weight is from 15 to 15¼ cwt., as the canons have been removed. The five bells by Hugh Watt, dated 1640, have never been recast. There is a legend (not stated by Mr. Amos) that St. Patrick was born in this parish.

Outstanding personality at West Bromwich is Mr. Albert Mills, who on March 19th called a quarter of Grandsire Triples (his own composition) for his 80th birthday. He joined All Saints' belfry in 1896 and his long service was recognised by a gathering of some 80 parishioners and the presentation to him of a cheque by the Rev. C. Holroyd Baker, honorary secretary of the Society.

The marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Edgar C. Shepherd took place in 1934 and not as given on page 193. Apologies from all concerned.

Mr. Geoffrey K. Dodd points out that in his recent letter 'Captain's in Control,' the tower in question was not Newbury or in Hampshire.

On Sunday, March 15th, 1921, Rev. H. A. Smith-Masters conducted his first service as Vicar of Hagbourne, Berks, and 39 years later his ringers met together to honour the occasion with a quarter peal of Grandsire Triples. Later in the evening he joined them at the Fleur-de-Lys to talk over old times, and, of course, it was 'drinks all round'!

Mrs. A. D. Barker deserves a special mention in this column for being the first person to circle her home tower, Stoke Poges, to peals. Since 1948 she has been a familiar figure at Central Council meetings, although not now a member, and a wider circle than the Oxford Diocesan Guild will, we are sure, desire to join in general congratulations.

Mr. Norman Chaddock sends a reminder of the course in bell ringing to be held at Grantley Hall, Adult College, Ripon, from Friday, April 22nd, to Sunday, April 24th. The course includes lectures by Mr. Frederick Sharpe, Mr. Norman Chaddock and Mr. W. F. Moreton with ringing at Ripon Cathedral and Wath Parish Church. Most sleeping accommodation at Grantley Hall is in private cubicles with some double and single rooms. Men and women of all ages are welcome. Applications to attend the course should be made to the Warden. Inclusive cost, 2 guineas for residents in West Riding, 3 guineas others.

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ALPHABET FOR BEGINNERS

By T. J. LOCK

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We introduce with this issue a new series of articles dealing with terms and words met in change-ringing which will be of great help to beginners and also to many other readers. This list has been compiled by a member of the Central Council, who would like in the preparation of this glossary to acknowledge the help given by other well-known ringers.

ACOUSTICS.—I would suggest there is more ringing than is necessary which suffers through bad acoustics in the ringing chamber. Appreciating in the first instance that such major works as rehanging bells at a different level, erecting a new soundproof floor, blocking up or enlarging window openings, inserting a lantern light in the flat roof of the tower, etc., are out of the question, you will find quite a lot can be done to improve the sound in many offending cases. Where ringing takes place on the ground floor there is an economic limit on the draught of rope for proper bell control in addition to the difficulty a ringer has in hearing his bell strike. Where ringing takes place directly underneath the bells with a short length of rope and with only a boarded ceiling in between a ringer has an equal but different difficulty—excessive noise. In the first instance the ringer would do better nearer the bells, and in the second, he would do better farther away No solutions are offered here because both causes and cures can be decided only upon investigation into each particular case. In other words, the problem in two cases might be exactly the same, but the treatment to cure might be quite different. For deadening sound, sawdust, cork chips, layers of felt or sacking, rock wool, aluminium foil or fibre glass could be used but for increasing sound additional openings in the floors above the ringing chamber, opening of trap doors, blocking up openings to stop the sound from going outside or sound troughs might be the answer. In some towers there is an appreciable deadening of sound when the sally goes through the hole in the ceiling—why not form one or more holes adjacent to overcome this distracting condition?

ASSOCIATIONS.—Could you really imagine the position of ringing today if through the past three hundred and more years each local band rang exclusively in its own Parish Church? No, and neither could I. Probably, in the olden days when travelling was so limited, contact with other ringers was restricted to neighbouring parishes, but it was at least the beginning of some 'organisation' within the Exercise. This organisation has developed to the extent we know today through the formation of Associations (including, within this term, of course, Guild, Society, and Council). Much hard work has been necessary to build up these Associations, and to verify this statement just have a word with some of your Association's officers. Moreover, you will probably be told that to hold office is itself a thankless and unrewarding job because some ringers are unsympathetic and unreliable. And you will often find that the ringer who is prepared to criticise is the one person who could not, or by reason of various excuses would not, help to fulfil the objects of his Association. These objects usually are, amongst others, the recognition of a bell-ringer as a Church worker and the advancement of the art of bell-ringing. The several Associations are doing much to encourage and advise in the promotion generally of the art of bell-ringing but at the same time without affecting the relationship of an incumbent and his local band. Only a very few, being non-territorial. Associations have direct control of ringing in the tower. Your Association could, undoubtedly, benefit from your help so why not do some more giving and taking, more even than giving your annual subscription and taking the receipt? Attend meetings and help to improve the standard of ringing, assist the officers, who, remember, are doing their job voluntarily, and see to it that as far as you can manage the Association is achieving its objects.

SERVANTS OF THE EXERCISE – No. 14

MR. ALBERT WALKER.
Vice-president, St. Martin's Guild.

So many well deserved words of praise have been written in these columns about Mr. Albert Walker, of Birmingham, that it is difficult to find new ways of expressing the deep feeling of affection that exists in the Exercise for him. He has been called 'Mr. Greatheart,' and on the occasion of his diamond wedding anniversary not long ago, 'Mr. Birmingham.' Such has been his enthusiasm that he has travelled the country far and wide, and he is known to thousands of ringers—indeed there can be very few who have not had the pleasure of meeting him, and appreciating his dynamic personality, and great friendliness.

Mr. Walker was born in Birmingham in 1876, and when his father's employment took him to Taunton, he became interested in bells and ringing. At the suggestion of his fiancée he took up the art and learned to ring at St. Mary Magdalene Church, ringing his first peal (Grandsire Triples) in 1896. He joined the St. Martin's Guild in 1897, and returned to Birmingham in 1900. That city, which had enjoyed great prominence in ringing in the earlier part of the nineteenth century, had struck a bad patch, and was without a conductor. Walker, with no one to instruct him, took up the challenge, and learned the art of conducting Stedman the hard way. Anyway, he learned it so thoroughly that as an exponent in calling Stedman Cinques he has never been surpassed.

The St. Martin's Guild has never in its history possessed a more able, loyal or conscientious member. He has served it as Master for many years—often resigning to enable a younger member to serve in high office. He has never spared any effort to enable an aspiring conductor to reach his goal, and his willingness to help in writing out touches and peals has been appreciated by many. He is now an honoured vice-president of the Guild.

Mr. Walker is just as capable on handbells as he is on tower bells, and was responsible for the great handbell revival which took place in Birmingham over 40 years ago, during which very many peals of Stedman Cinques were rung, also Grandsire Cinques and K.T.B. Maximus, culminating in that great performance, the first peal of Stedman Sextuples ever rung, which he conducted. One outstanding peal on handbells was a non-conducted one where the pairs of bells were drawn for out of a hat held by James George.

Mr. Walker, now in his 84th year, is still capable of conducting a really tricky peal of Stedman Cinques—indeed he did so just after his 83rd birthday, and he is still planning yet another peal for his next. In all he has rung 851 peals, of which he has conducted 337. He has rung no less than 554 peals on twelve bells, a record which has never been surpassed by anyone, alive or dead. Mr. Walker has been a member of the Central Council for 28 years, and served on the Broadcasting and Carter Ringing Machine Committees.

JAFUS.

Durham University Society In Teesdale & N. Yorkshire

The first full scale outing for the Society was held on March 12th, 9.30 a.m. being the departure time from Palace Green in the shadow of majestic Durham Cathedral. Bishop Auckland, on the western limit of the Durham coalfield, was the first tower of the day. Here the back six were raised in peal and Bob Major, Kent T.B. Major and Stedman Triples rung on the 12 cwt. octave.

On further into Teesdale we found a beautiful 15 cwt. ring of eight, at Staindrop, where we rang Double Norwich, Stedman, Grandsire and Oxford Bob Triples, followed by a good lower in peal. This tower was the 500th for one member.

Some preferred a liquid lunch in Barnard Castle, but, at the suggestion of a would-be Stedman ringer from King's, eight of the party rang a quarter peal of Stedman Triples on the 17 cwt. eight to enable the said ringer to score a quarter of Stedman at his 22nd attempt! After the quarter Stedman, Bob Major, Double Norwich and Grandsire were rung.

We then crossed the River Tees into North Yorkshire, but were met with a setback at Cotherstone as the tower was locked. A house to house tour eventually discovered the local captain, and we found a rather unusual ringing chamber with a huge clock case dominating the scene and hiding the 2nd away in a 2 ft. gap. The shorter ringers were at a decided advantage when ringing this bell. On raising the 7cwt. six, we thought we had stumbled across a West Country tower with single ended ropes, but realised that the tail ends had never been tucked in at all and consequently there was about 3 feet of spare rope at backstroke. After some rounds and Kent Minor we beat a hasty retreat to Barnard Castle for tea, where some members are claiming a world record of 80 minutes in waiting for service! This made us very late at Gainford, where the Vicar made us welcome. Cambridge Minor was rung in a hurry here!

Back again into Yorkshire to Richmond for the last tower of the day. Here a course of Cambridge Major was rung in almost immaculate style.

Our thanks to Mike and John Thorley in making the arrangements and to the incumbents for the use of their bells. We also hope that our guests, Billy Robson and George Carr, enjoyed their day with us.

Tips For Beginners—14

When ringing Stedman (or any other method), if you are making thirds place from the front and are returning to lead, there are two bells below you when you are in thirds and they are trapped by you from getting above third's place. Thus, having realised which these two bells are, there is no need to look for any other bells before you return to lead.

OBITUARY

MR. G. H. MYERS

Plymouth, and indeed the West Country, has lost one of its best-known ringers by the death on March 14th of Mr. G. H. Myers ('Harry Myers' to all his old friends), at the ripe old age of 88. He had not rung for about 2½ years when his health began to fail. For many years he had been in business at 79, Regent Street as a watch and clock repairer, jeweller and engraver, the business being now carried on by his eldest son, Mr. Tom Myers. He is survived by his widow, three sons and a daughter. The sons are equally well-known ringers and are members of St. Andrew's band. Mr. Tom Myers being the Ringing Master and hon. secretary of the S.W. Branch of the Guild of Devonshire Ringers.

The funeral on March 16th at St. Andrew's Church was largely attended, many ringers being present, including Preb. E. V. Cox (president of the Guild of Devonshire Ringers), Mr. M. Atkins (hon. secretary), Messrs. R. Bould (Tavistock), M. D. Hood (chairman, Mid-Devon Branch, also representing Mrs. Hood), W. G. Hiscott (Liskeard, formerly of Plymouth), D. F. Farnham (captain, Plympton St. Maurice), H. Adams (captain, Stoke Damerell), W. H. Marks (St. Budeaux). Emmanuel was represented by Messrs. J. P. Sims (captain), H. H. Thomas (hon. secretary and chairman, S.W. Branch), J. L. Blagg, W. Collier, H. O. Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. George Godard, Messrs. A. E. Perkin and H. N. Rogers; St. Andrew's band by Miss Y. C. Porter, Miss M. J. Marks, Messrs. Gluyas, A. Mitchelmore and Couchman. Also from St. Andrew's, and in addition representing the Ancient Society of College Youths, were Messrs. F. D. Wheeler, H. W. Milford, S. F. O'Shaughnessy; and from Emmanuel, Mr. F. E. Day; Messrs. A. Westcott (formerly captain of the old Charles band), C. Sangwin (A. S. of C. Youths and N.W. Branch of the Guild and Stratton Branch of the Truro Diocesan Guild).

The service was conducted by the Vicar, Preb. Cooper. The half-muffled ringing before and after the service was under the direction of Mr. W. G. Lavers, of Plympton St. Maurice, an old friend of Mr. Myers. Floral tributes included those from his loving wife, children and grand-children, the Guild of Devonshire Ringers, the S.W. Branch, the ringers of the churches of St. Andrew, Emmanuel and Plympton St. Maurice. Interment took place at Ford Park Cemetery, where handbells were rung at the graveside by Messrs. W. G. Lavers, M. Atkins, M. D. Hood and R. Bould.

There are few less qualified than I to give some account of the activities of this grand old veteran of the art, as I did not have the privilege to meet him until ringing started towards the end of the last war. With the information given to me by his family I will endeavour to give some account of his achievements: but to convey in full all the experiences in the world of bell-ringers of one who had been a ringer for 76 years and had rung well over 100 peals would require many columns.

Mr. Myers was a great disciplinarian: the method had to be well rung, the striking had to be good, and if anyone thoughtlessly walked into the belfry with hat on, whether friend or stranger, he would be told: 'Take that hat off. Don't you know where you are?' To know him was to respect and admire him for the great ringer he was.

In 1903 he was appointed as the first captain of the Emmanuel Church Ringers, and took part in the first peal rung there. In 1912 he was elected leader of St. Andrew's band, and until 1920 he held both offices, when the duties were taken over at Emmanuel by one of the local band. He remained captain at St. Andrew's until his death.

One of the great events was a full day's ringing on the occasion of Queen Victoria's golden jubilee in 1887, for which he received the sum of four shillings, and until 1957 he had not missed a single royal or civic occasion when the bells were in demand.

At the time of his death he was the oldest member of the Guild of Devonshire Ringers, and was elected a vice-president in 1945, having joined the Guild in 1891. Towards the end of the last century he became a founder member of the Truro Diocesan Guild, and in 1940 he was elected a member of the Ancient Society of College Youths. He had rung peals for each of these three Guilds.

At the time he had to ease up on his ringing he had rung on every ringable ring of bells in Devon, and there is no doubt that many of the very outlying churches were taken in on a series of Wednesday afternoon trips, perhaps three or four each summer, with old friends who included Preb. Cox, the Rev. W. H. Smale, of Petrockstowe, Mr. F. C. Smale, of Okehampton, who for a number of years arranged these excursions, which were always a great joy to Mr. Myers, and several others.

THE LOG BOOK

Amongst treasured possessions of Mr. Myers is the 'log' book, dating from Easter, 1898, of the Three Towns and District Branch, of which he had been secretary and treasurer. The three towns were Plymouth, Devonport and Stonehouse, and it was not until after the first world war the area came into the S.W. Branch of the Guild of Devonshire Ringers.

He had been in first peals at a number of churches, including St. Andrew's and Emmanuel. He was in the first peal of Grandsire Caters at Charles Church, comprised wholly of a local band in 1901, when it was the first of Caters for all ten ringers. He had 'circled the towers' in peals at St. Andrew's and Emmanuel. Although of small stature he had turned the tenor (35 cwt.) in for Bob Royal at St. Andrew's, the first to be rung and which he conducted.

He resided in Truro for about 18 months when a young man, but he deserted the delectable Duchy to return to his native 'town,' though he never lost his love of Cornwall and its bells, and was for a time the recognised ringing instructor of the Guild.

The log book contains accounts of a number of happenings in the early part of the century. A band went to test the new ring at Emmanuel when the seventh and tenor were reported to be not up to standard. Another occasion was when a band, at the invitation of the Vicar, journeyed to St. Mellion, just over the Cornish border, to take part in the dedication of a new ring of six. They had had several touches and then decided to go for a quarter peal of Grandsire Doubles. About 700 changes had been rung when the Vicar came and stopped them, insisting that the ringers must be exhausted and that they come for refreshment. There is an account of a peal at St. Charles' in 1904 when, after ringing about 3 hours and 10 minutes, suddenly one of the ringers, a Mr. Hendy, fell forward flat on his face and died instantly. Mr. Myers attended the inquest, when medical evidence showed deceased had an enlarged heart.

From 1914 the Myers have been responsible for the maintenance of the church clock at St. Andrew's, with its carillon. He had also for a number of years been responsible for the clock at Customs House on the Barbican.

What a record of devotion to the art of change-ringing! It is difficult to say just how much influence this little man had in bringing change-ringing to the area, but it is known that in the very early days he had been almost threatened with annihilation by the call-change and round ringers.

This must be a record of continuous service hard to equal, and it is sad when advancing years bring to a close the activities of such a man; but it remains that whilst most of us want to live long, none of us want to grow old.

His three sons continue at St. Andrew's, so we of the Guild of Devonshire Ringers are assured and sincerely hope the name of Myers will continue at St. Andrew's for many years to come. The ringing must continue, and our departed friend would be the first to say: 'Let there be no moaning at the bar when I put out to sea.'

H. H. T.

MR. ALBERT D. STONE

Ringers who visited Brighton before the war will all regret the passing of Mr. A. D. Stone, of the St. Peter's band, whose funeral service took place in that church on March 17th.

Elected a member of the Sussex County Association prior to a peal in December, 1899, he became one of the well-known band who rang under the direction of George Attree, scoring many Surprise peals in new methods. In 1910 he became a member of the central divisional committee and secretary of the division from 1911 to 1922, which position he resigned on becoming general secretary in 1923. Two years after giving up this office he was elected hon. treasurer, in 1937, and held the position until failing health caused him to give up active participation in the Association in 1943.

Of the 300 peals he had rung, 292 were for the Sussex Association, mainly on heavy bells in spite of his slight physique. In 1926 he rang the ninth at St. Peter's to the first peal of London Surprise Royal in George Baker's No. 2 (the Brighton) version. This he considered to be the highlight of his peal ringing career, and was performed under the conductorship of his lifelong friend, Keith Hart, and with the local band of St. Peter's. Of his total peals 115 were rung in his own tower.

The bells were rung half-muffled as a tribute to his memory before the funeral service and after when the coffin was taken away. Those taking part were Miss Betty Stevenson, Mrs. F. I. Hairs, Messrs. F. I. Hairs (past Master), S. E. Armstrong (past Master), W. A. Riddington (leader of St. Peter's), G. North (secretary, Southern Division), B. North, F. Page, A. W. Bond, L. Stilwell (peal secretary) and L. Batting.

S. E. A.

MR. FREDK. O. STEVENS

The oldest member of the Rutland Branch of the Peterborough Diocesan Guild, Mr. Frederick O. Stevens, sexton of SS. Peter and Paul Church, Preston, near Uppingham, died on March 17th, aged 89 years. Since the formation of the Rutland Branch he had been their representative on the Guild committee.

Except for illness, Mr. Stevens was most regular in attending branch meetings, although for the past three or four years he had been unable to ring owing to failing eyesight and difficulty in climbing the belfry steps. He would, however, sit in the churches, content just to listen to the bells and exchange a cheery greeting to all the ringers. By his passing the Branch has lost a true and loyal friend who earned the respect of all by his devotion to what he considered to be his duty—the furtherance of bell-ringing.

A wreath was sent from the Rutland Branch, and in the evening members gathered from many parts of the county at Preston to ring his bells half-muffled, a last token of respect to a great friend.

J. H.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

FAULTS IN COMPETITION RINGING

Dear Sir,—In reply to R. J. Carlton's Faults in Competition Ringing, I am a competition ringer and I do not plead ignorance, neither will Mr. N. Moxon, of Cawthorne, who, I am sure, will reply.

To R. J. Carlton and others here is my suggestion whether they ring open leads, close leads, or Churchyard Bob (which I put as any other).

Firstly, we have our own Parsons, Wardens, Officers of the Church and the parishioners to consider and make them appreciate our services to them, as it is our duty to do. Now, R. J. Carlton, my suggestion to you, and all others who plead ignorance, is to have their own ringing recorded, then played back to them slowly. Stand and listen, try to count at an equal speed. If you do not find faults at first try again, eventually you will begin to realise the rhythm it should be and that is my explanation of a system.

I have a recording of our own Friezland bells which I would gladly let R.T.C. have to give unto him that which he does seem to desire.—Yours faithfully,

JOSEPH BURGESS.

62 Manchester Road,
Greenfield, nr. Oldham.

THE FIRST PEAL AT SOUTH STOKE

Dear Sir.—It is with pleasure that I write to verify the letter of W. Simmonds, in your issue of March 18th. I conducted the first peal at South Stoke, in which W. Simmonds rang the fifth. To the best of my memory it was in 1924, and was in three methods, but the record can be found in the Oxford Diocesan Peal Book. The dates of four of the six bells were duly noted during our visit. The band included such stalwarts in Minor ringing in those days as George and James Abery, John Bower and Jim Smith.

Like W.S., I can vividly remember the locals peeping round the curtains with amazement and excitement during the last half hour of the peal. Also, there was only about one inch of the candles left to burn when we finished. The ringing created quite a sensation in the quiet little village at that time.—Yours faithfully,

E. TIGWELL.

Hook, Basingstoke, Hants.

EDINBURGH DELIGHT

Dear Sir.—The recent correspondence regarding Edinburgh Delight Minor overlooks one point.

A peal of Edinburgh Delight Major was rung at All Saints', Wigston Magna, on November 20th, 1948, conducted by R. F. Roe, in honour of the occasion of the birth of Prince Charles.

This method published in the 'R.W.' does not contract to Minor.—Yours faithfully,

T. E. HARROLD.

Wigston Magna, Leics.

CAPITA MAGNISSIMUS

Dear Sir.—Each member of the Derbyshire Association committee, which annually awards the insignia of Capita Magnissimus, is sufficiently versed in Latin to realise their (deliberate) mistakes. On occasions such as our annual dinner we consider that the possession of a sense of humour is a far better qualification than a sound knowledge of Latin.—Yours sincerely,

G. A. HALLS.

Derby.

DUPLICATION OF SURPRISE METHODS

Dear Sir.—I should like to comment on two points raised by your correspondents Brian J. Woodruffe and Denis A. Frith on the subject of Duplication in Surprise Methods in last week's 'Ringing World.'

First, Mr. Woodruffe states that '. . . Wye, . . . Braunstone and Biddenden are mere variations of Yorkshire!' They may be variations of Yorkshire, but I fail to see why the belittling word 'mere' has to be used or why an exclamation mark has to be appended.

Second, Mr. Frith asks that if we ring a peal in these methods, we should not make a claim as to ringing the 'first peal' in the method, presumably because the differences from Yorkshire are so slight. These methods do serve a useful purpose in that they provide a relief from ringing pure Yorkshire all the time and even a good band has to keep its wits about it to ring these methods correctly. They also give composers something to think about, too. They are new methods—and worth calling as such.

With regard to the naming of methods raised by Mr. P. Amos in the same issue, I believe it is the desire of the Central Council that new methods should be named after places. Does it matter whether they have bells or not? In any case, Arnesby certainly has FIVE bells.

Nevertheless, Mr. Amos can take heart in the fact that previously I called a peal which contained no less than eleven 'Saints' methods. The most important thing about ringing is that the bells should be rung for the Christian festivals, to proclaim to the public the message of the Church.—Yours faithfully,

Leicester. BRIAN G. WARWICK.

LONDON SURPRISE ROYAL NEEDS TAG

Dear Sir.—May I remind Mr. Peter Border, the conductor of two peals rung at Birmingham and published in your last issue as well as several earlier ones, and also you yourself, sir, of the Council's decision in 1955 that it 'declines to recognise any method hitherto rung or published as entitled to the designation of "London Surprise Royal" unless the words "Stepney version," "Brighton version" or "No. 3 or Beddington version" be added.'

I think it is safe to say, without the fear of reopening an old controversy, that it is generally agreed London Surprise Royal as a regular method does not exist. The version usually used—No. 3—has therefore no more exclusive right to this title than those rung at Brighton in 1926 or at Stepney in 1910, however near to or far from the ideal any of them may be.—Yours sincerely,

E. A. BARNETT, Hon. Secretary,
Central Council of Church Bell Ringers.

'MORE INTERESTING EVERY WEEK'

Dear Sir.—I have taken a ringing paper since 1895, the Editor then being Harvey Reeves. Although it was only one penny in those days and is now 8d., I consider 'The Ringing World' is well worth the extra money and gets more interesting every week.

I reached the age of 84 on March 17th and am now looking forward to my 60 years of married bliss, which will be on April 16th. On my wedding day I rang in a peal of Grandsire conducted by the late Alfred Lawrence, of Christ Church, Swindon.

I still keep up my ringing, attending on practice nights and for Sunday ringing at Wootton Bassett, where I have had charge of the ringing for 63 years. My best wishes to my ringing friends in all parts of the country.—Yours faithfully, LOUIS A. WILSON.

109, High Street, Wootton Bassett, Wilts.

THE FIRST THREE PEALS IN AMERICA

Dear Sir,—In reply to Mr. Ogden's letter in 'The Ringing World' of December 11th, may I present my knowledge of the first three peals rung on the North American continent:

PHILADELPHIA, U.S.A.
On June 9, 1850, in 3 Hours and 15 Minutes.
At Christ Church.
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES
Holt's 10-part. Tenor 20 cwt. 2 qr. in E.

Thomas H. Lesage	Treble
Charles Rayhill	2
F. G. Wade	3
Henry W. Haley	4
J. Hewitt	5
William Lobb	6
Edward Sawyer	7
Richard Dodd / James Davey	Tenor

Conducted by Henry W. Haley.
First peal rung in U.S.A.

VANCOUVER, B.C., CANADA.
On July 1 (Dominion Day), 1911, in 3 Hours 13 Minutes.
At Holy Rosary Pro-Cathedral.
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES
Holt's Original. Tenor 16 cwt. in F.

Alfred C. Limpus	Treble
James Carrier	2
Richard Pitman	3
Arthur King	4
M. Bennett	5
George W. Foster	6
Andy B. Lomas	7
Thomas Greenway	Tenor

Conducted by George W. Foster.
This peal also rung for the Coronation of King George V.

VICTORIA, B.C., CANADA.
On Oct. 3, 1905, in 3 Hours 15 Minutes.
At Christ Church Cathedral.
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES
Parker's 12-part.
Tenor 29 cwt. 1 qr. 19 lbs. D flat

D. Boniface	Treble
Margaret Izard	2
Ernest Weatherby	3
Arthur King	4
E. W. Izard	5
Andy B. Lomas	6
Ernest F. Salmon	7
Edward Lake	Tenor

Conducted by Ernest F. Salmon.

Arthur King and A. B. Lomas formerly of Holy Rosary. Ernest Weatherby, Los Angeles, U.S.A. E. F. Salmon, Royal Navy, Stoneham, Hants, England.

These bells were a new ring of eight cast by Mears and Stainbank in 1936.

The ringers in the first peal were six of a party of London handbell ringers touring U.S.A. with 'Barnum's Circus.' They discovered a ring of eight bells in Philadelphia, cast by the Whitechapel foundry, by Lester and Pack, who also cast the Liberty Bell in 1754; other information of the party may be obtained from 'The College Youths,' London, and must not be confused with the Lancashire ringers who returned to England in 1847.

In the second peal, Vancouver, the band were all Englishmen who had made residence in Canada. When Mr. Limpus arrived in Vancouver, at that time a non-ringer, he became interested in the Holy Rosary Cathedral bells and was instrumental in the recasting of the seven French bells into a ring of eight.

To conclude with a note of interest. The carillonneur, Mr. James R. Lawson, of the University of Chicago, U.S., is having the ring of 10 bells in the Mitchell tower restored and equipped for ringing after 20 years of silence.—Yours etc.,

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A BELL RINGER'S ADVENTURE

This amazing fictional story, that for its macabre qualities will make 'Nine Tailors' read like a fairy story, first appeared in the church magazine of St. Margaret's Church, Whitnash, Warwickshire, in August, 1859. We are indebted to the Rev. C. H. Gleave, the present rector, for bringing this to our notice and for the preservation of the old magazine, and to Mr. P. A. Oram, hon. secretary of the Southern District of the Coventry Diocesan Guild, who has been instrumental in providing us with a copy. May we add a word of warning: don't read this story late at night.

IN my younger days bell-ringing was much more in fashion among the young men of Blanktown than it is now. Nobody, I believe, practises it here at present except the salaried servants of the Church, and the melody has been much injured in consequence. Some fifty years ago about twenty of us, who lived in the vicinity of the Cathedral, formed a club which used to ring every peal that was called for; and from continual practice, and the rivalry which rose between us and a club attached to another steeple, we became very Mozarts on our favourite instruments. But my bell-ringing practice was shortened by a singular accident, which not only stopped my performance, but made even the sound of a bell terrible to my ears.

One Sunday I went with another into the belfry to ring for morning prayers, but the second stroke we pulled showed us that the clapper of the bell had been muffled. Some one had been buried that morning, and it had been prepared, of course, to ring a mournful note. We did not know of this beforehand; but it mattered little we thought, for the remedy was easy.

'Jack,' said my companion, 'step up to the loft and cut off the hat'; for the way we had of muffling was by tying a piece of an old hat to one side of the clapper which deadened every second toll. I did as I was told and mounting into the belfry, crept, as I had often done before, into the bell, and began to cut away the muffler from the clapper. But the piece of felt had been tied on in some more complicated manner than usual, and I was, perhaps, three or four minutes in getting it off; during which time my companion below was hastily called away by a message from his sweetheart, I believe, but that is not material to my story.

The person who called him was a brother of the club, who knowing that the time had come for ringing for service, and not thinking that anyone was above, began to pull. I was just getting out when I felt the bell beginning to move. I guessed the reason at once—it was a moment of terror; but by a hasty and almost convulsive effort I succeeded in jumping down, and throwing myself on the flat of my back under the bell. The room in which it hung was little more than sufficient to contain it, the bottom of the bell coming within a couple of feet of the floor of lath. At that time I certainly was not as bulky as I am now, but as I lay the bell was within an inch of my face. I had not laid myself down a second when the ringing began. It was a dreadful situation.

Over me swinging an immense mass of metal, one touch of which would have crushed me to pieces; the floor under me was principally composed of crazy laths, and if they gave way, I would be precipitated to the distance of fifty feet, upon a loft which would in all probability, sink under the impulse of my fall, and send me to be dashed to atoms upon the marble floor of the church, one hundred feet below.

I remember—for fear is quick in recollection—how a common clock weight, about a month before, had fallen, and bursting through the floors of the steeple, had driven in the ceilings of the porch, and even broken into a stone altar tomb that was beneath. This was my first terror; but the ringing had not continued a minute before a more awful and immediate dread came over me. The deafening sound of the bell smote into my ears with a thunder which made me fear their drums would crack.

There was not a fibre of my body through which it did not thrill—it entered my very soul; thought and reflection were almost utterly vanished; I only retained the sensation of agonizing terror. Every moment I saw the bell sweep within an inch of my face, and my eyes (I could not close them, though to look at the object was bitter as death) followed it instinctively in its oscillating progress until it came back again. It was in vain that I said to myself it could come no nearer at any future swing than it did at first. Every time it descended I endeavoured to shrink into the very floor to avoid being buried under the down-sweeping mass; and then reflecting on the danger of pressing too heavily on my frail support, I would cower up again as far as I dared.

At first my fears were about matters of fact. I was afraid the pulleys above would give way and let the bell plunge on me. At another time the possibility of the clapper being shot on me in some sweep, and dashing through my body, as I had seen a ramrod glide through a door, flitted across my mind. The dread, also (as I have already mentioned) of the crazy floor, tormented me; but these soon gave way to fears more visionary, and, of course, more tremendous. The roaring of the bell confused my intellect, and my fancy soon began to teem with all sorts of strange and terrifying ideas.

The bell pealing above, and opening its jaws with a hideous clamour, seemed to me, at one time, a ravening monster raging to devour me, at another, a whirlpool, ready to suck me into its bellowing abyss. As I gazed upon it, it assumed all shapes; it was a devouring eagle, or rather, a Roc of the Arabian story-tellers, clapping its wings and screaming over me. As I looked upwards into it, it would appear sometimes to lengthen into indefinite extent, or to be twisted at the end into the spiral folds of the tail of a flying dragon. Nor was the flaming breath or the fiery glance of that fabled animal wanting to complete the picture. My eyes inflamed, bloodshot, and glaring, invested the supposed monster with a full proportion of unholy light.

The air, set in motion by the swinging of the bell, blew over me, nearly with the violence, and more than the thunder of a tempest, and the floor seemed to reel under me as under a drunken man. But the most awful of all the ideas that seized on me were drawn from the supernatural. In the vast cavern of the bell, hideous faces appeared, and glared down on me with terrifying frowns, or with grinning mockery, still more appalling. At last I thought that the devil himself, glaring on me with eyes of infernal lustre, made his appearance, and called on me to curse God and worship him, who was powerful to save me.

This dread suggestion he uttered with the full-toned clangour of the bell. Strenuously and desperately I defied him and bade him begone. Reason then for a moment resumed her sway, but it was only to fill me with fresh terror, just as the lightning dispels the gloom that surrounds the benighted mariner, only to show him that his vessel is driving on a rock where she must inevitably be dashed to pieces. I found I was becoming delirious, and trembled lest reason should utterly desert me. This is at all times an agonising thought, but it smote me then with tenfold agony. I feared lest when utterly deprived of my senses, I should rise, for I was every moment tempted to do so by that strange feeling which calls on a man whose head is dizzy from standing on the battlements of a lofty castle to precipitate himself from it, and find a death instant and tremendous.

When I thought of this I became desperate. I caught the floor with a grasp which drove the blood from my nails, and I yelled with the cry of despair. I called for help—I prayed, I shouted, but all the efforts of my voice were, of course, drowned in the bell. As it passed over my mouth it occasionally echoed my cries, which mixed not with its own sound, but preserved a distinct character. Perhaps this was but fancy. To me, I know, the echoes of my cries then sounded as if they were the shouting, howling, or laughing of the fiends, with which my imagination had peopled the gloomy cave which swung over me.

You may accuse me of exaggerating my feelings, but I am not. Many scenes of dread have I since passed through, but they are nothing to the self-inflicted terrors of that half hour in the belfry The ancients conceived that one of the spirits in Tartarus was doomed to be for ever under a rock, which every moment seemed to be descending to annihilate him—and an awful punishment it would be. But if to this you add a clamour as loud as if ten thousand furies were howling about you—a deafening uproar, banishing reason and driving you to madness—you must allow that the bitterness of the pang was rendered more terrible. There is no man, firm as his nerves may be, who could retain his courage in this situation.

In twenty minutes the ringing was done. Half of that time passed over me without power of computation; the other half appeared an age. When it ceased, I gradually became more quiet, but a new fear seized me. I knew that five minutes would elapse without ringing, but at the end of that short time the bell would be rung a second time for five minutes more. I could not calculate time—a minute and an hour were of equal duration. I feared to rise, lest the five minutes should have elapsed, and the ringing be again commenced, in which case I should be smashed, before I could escape, against the walls or frame-work of the bell. I therefore still continued to lie down, cautiously shifting myself, however, with a careful gliding, so that my eye no longer looked into the hollow. This was of itself no slight relief. The cessation of the noise had, in a great measure, the effect of stupifying me, for my attention, being no longer occupied by the chimeras I had conjured up, began to flag. All that now distressed me was the constant expectation of the second ringing, for which, however, I settled myself with a kind of sullen, stolid resolution, I closed my eyes and clenched my teeth, as firmly as if they were screwed in a vice.

At last the dreaded moment came, and the first swing of the bell extorted a groan from me, as they say the most resolute victim screams at the sight of the rack to which he is for a second time to be bound. After this, however, I lay silent and lethargic, without a thought. Wrapt in the defensive armour of stupidity, I defied the bell and its intonations. When it ceased I was roused a little by the hope of escape. I did not however, decide on this step hastily, but putting up my hand with the utmost caution, I touched the rim. I thought the ringing had ceased: it still was tremulous from the sound and shook under my hand, which instantly recoiled as from an electric jar.

A quarter of an hour probably elapsed before I again dared to make the experiment, and then I found the bell at rest. I determined to lose no time, fearing that the bell for afternoon service would catch me. This dread stimulated me, and I slipped out with utmost rapidity and arose. I stood, I suppose, for a minute, looking with silly wonder on the place of my imprisonment, penetrated with joy at escaping, and then rushed down the stony and irregular stairs with my utmost speed, and arrived in the bell-ringers' room.

This was the last act I had power to accomplish. I leant against the wall motionless, and deprived of thought, in which posture my companions found me, when, in the course of a couple of hours, they returned to their occupation. They were shocked, as well they might be, at the figure before them. The wind of the bell had excoriated my face, and my dim and stupified eyes were fixed with a lack lusture gaze in my raw eyelids. My hands were torn and bleeding my hair

A Bell Ringer's Adventure—Cont.

dishevelled, and my clothes tattered. They spoke to me, but I gave no answer; they shook me, but I remained insensible; they then became alarmed and hastened to remove me. He who had first gone up with me in the forenoon met them as they carried me through the churchyard, and through him, who was shocked at having, in some measure, occasioned the accident, the cause of my misfortune was discovered.

I was put to bed at home, and remained for three days delirious, but gradually recovered my senses. You may be sure the bell formed a prominent topic of my ravings, and if I heard a peal they were instantly increased to the utmost violence. Even when the delirium abated my sleep was continually disturbed by imagined ringing, and dreams were haunted by the fancies which almost maddened me while in the steeple. My friends removed me to a house in the country, which was sufficiently distant from any place of worship, to save me from the apprehension of hearing the church bell going; for what Alexander Selkirk, in Cowper's poem, complained of as a misfortune was then to me a blessing.

There I recovered; but even long after my recovery, if the gale wafted the notes of a peal towards me, I started with nervous apprehension. I felt a Mahommedan hatred for all the bell tribe, and envied the subjects of the commander of the faithful the sonorous voice of their Muezzin. Time cured this, as it does the most of our follies; but even at the present day, if by chance my nerves be unstrung, some particular notes of the Cathedral bell have power to surprise me into a momentary start and tremor.

ODE TO A LOST RINGER

In 'Ringing Worlds' long past we saw,
Full oft in many a peal.
The name of Wratten, bold in print,
His fame was very real.

But now, alas, no more we see
That well remembered name,
The lad we used to know so well
Has given up the game.

'Tis rumoured that he's signed the pledge,
And given up all vice.
What ails the lad? we want to know.
T'aint really very nice.

His clapper's mute, his rope is snapped,
His stay all bent and broke.
His wheel no longer turns about.
What's up with the poor old bloke?

One time we used to see him stand
Before the parlour rail.
'Twas naught to see this hearty lad
Sink pints of good strong ale.

'Tis said that he has gone to naught,
A shadow of his self,
No bells, no beer, no football pools,
He must be in bad health.

No doubt you're wondering what's occurred
To bring this lad's decline.
The poor chap, one dark night, got caught
By maiden's fair design.

A warning to you bachelors gay:
A churchyard's not the place;
Stay in the tower and lock the door,
That way you'll ne'er lose face.

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CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY AT DINNER

ON Saturday, March 5th, the annual dinner of the Cambridge University Guild was held in the Hall of Selwyn College.

The day was much too pleasant to be wasted in peal ringing, and it was possibly in view of this that, despite very kind encouragement from the Vicar, the conductor of the band which was trying to ring Stedman Triples at Ickleton saw the light after 40 minutes and miscalled it. Having rung a quarter of Bob Major to keep out of mischief until opening time, the band returned to Trumpington to lend a judicious ear to the peal of eight-spliced Surprise which was going on there. Hearing that it was good, they sat in the Red Lion until the peal came round a little later, to the deserved satisfaction of all concerned.

For those who wished to bolt their lunches, Mr. Roaf was on display at St. Bene't's for an hour, after which the ringing chamber at Great St. Mary's was crammed to capacity. It should be explained that Cambridge was holding a Fiesta Day in aid of the Refugee Appeal, and one young man who was sitting in the shadow of St. Mary's, solemnly playing a clarinet, was nearly blown away when the 12 were pulled off. He is believed to have gone elsewhere.

The ringing at the Roman Catholic Church was interrupted, surprisingly briefly, by a wedding, but reached a higher standard than usual, including Double Norwich, Bristol and London. This was courteously, and ruefully, attributed to the visitors and the older members.

St. Andrew's was the last tower open, and ringing included Yorkshire and London, though certain figures were by this time conspicuously, if understandably, absent.

87 AT DINNER

The second remarkable feature of the day was immediately evident at sherry before dinner, and it was later stated by the secretary that no fewer than 87 people sat down to the very satisfactory dinner. Later, after the loyal toast, the president (Rev. A. C. Blyth) welcomed the guests and visitors, presented with regret apologies for absence from Canon A. L. Woodard and Mr. J. H. Fielden, and observed that, under conditions of some secrecy, the Guild had contrived to ring a 4-bell tower for a wedding. This, he suggested, added some weight to the assertion that the Guild was flourishing.

Mr. S. E. Darmon, proposing the toast of 'The Guild,' revealed that he had asked himself why the Guild continued to exist. (Perhaps after our afternoon's activities the same question may have been asked elsewhere in Cambridge.) He finally attributed its present flourishing state to the degree of contact between resident and non-resident members, stressing the importance of Guild Week in this connection, and also to the great good fortune of the Guild in its two presidents, both past and present. This proposition was strongly and audibly supported.

Mr. P. H. Langton, the Master, confirmed in his reply impressions of the present state of the Guild by quoting a resident membership of 52, of which 22 were new members. The Guild rang for four services on Sundays, and learners were encouraged to assist regularly at Trumpington. Two practices were held each week and also two muffled practices for learners: special mention was made of a system of entering individually the progress of learners each week, which had enabled the large numbers to be instructed with economy and purpose. The number of peals rung over the year was slightly below average, but the achievements in terms of methods was felt to offset this to some extent: peals had been gained in two new plain and two new Surprise Major methods—Wymondham and Winchester, and Cornwall and Glasgow. A peal of Bob Royal 'in hand,' nonconducted, had also been rung. Outings and local meetings of the Ely Diocesan Association had been very well attended, particularly by learners. As his personal proof of the present state of the Guild, said the Master, he took the fact that, before a recent attempt for a peal of eight-spliced Surprise, a prominent resident peal ringer had been found practising on a lashed treble at St. Andrew's.

The secretary, Mr. J. R. Taylor, proposing the toast of 'The Guests,' welcomed representatives of the Oxford University, University of London and University of Bristol Societies, and the Master and a not unfamiliar member of the Society of Cambridge Youths. The latter he complimented on their ability to ring not only the bells but also the tower of Great St. Mary's.

Replying for the guests, the Master of the Oxford University Society (Mr. A. Stubbs) congratulated the Guild on its achievement in the peal of eight-spliced Surprise rung earlier in the day, but gently defended his own Society by reference to their own achievement in the peal rung for the recent Royal birth. He wondered why no similar attempt had been made by the Guild.

As usual, the company proceeded after dinner to the Tower Room for beer, libel and handbells until a suitably late hour. On Sunday there was no shortage of ringers and ringing was interesting. By the evening, however, the residents were again in possession after what was agreed to have been a most successful and enjoyable week-end. P. B. H.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION

Maidstone District

The meeting of the Maidstone District at Lenham was enhanced by the presence of the Ladies' Guild and members of the Central Council. This combined meeting had good support from both Societies and resulted in a congregation of 63 at the service, conducted by the Rev. O. F. R. Strictland. Other visitors before and after must have brought the total attendance to a good century.

Unfortunately Mr. A. Waddington, the District Ringing Master, was indisposed, and the role was ably filled by Mr. Reg Sills, the District secretary.

The Vicar in his address drew a simile of bells to 'Praise Him on the Loud Trumpet' and in more modern theme to the cook house call of 'Come and get it.' He looked on bells ringing for service as a call to all people to come and get the spiritual substance offered by the Church.

He also thanked those present for ringing the bells, giving the people of Lenham an opportunity of hearing their rehung bells for which they had worked so hard. A new band is being formed locally and the bells now ring for most services.

After the business meeting Mr. P. Carter thanked the Vicar for the use of the bells and his most interesting address, also Mr. J. Manktelow, the local captain, for his assistance with the arrangements.

P. M. T.

Rochester District

There was a very happy gathering of some 60 odd members for the Rochester District by-meeting at the little village church of St. Bartholomew, Bobbing, on March 12th.

The Vicar (the Rev. F. L. Talbot) conducted the ringers' service at which a collection was taken on behalf of the Kent County Association Belfry Repair Fund. Tea was kindly given and served in the Village Hall. The District secretary, Mr. T. Barton, in proposing a vote of thanks, especially mentioned the vicar, churchwardens and lady helpers for their hospitality and very warm welcome.

Ringing on the six bells was under the leadership of Mr. G. A. Nayler, District Ringing Master.

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CHANGE OF ADDRESS

The address of Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Hodgson is now 16 The Braid, Chesham, Bucks. 5623

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MEETINGS

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.—Business meeting at the Rising Sun, Carter Lane, E.C., Saturday, April 2nd, 6 p.m. Ringing at St. James', Clerkenwell, 4 p.m. Advance Notice. Meeting at Derby, Saturday, April 30th. Full details of ringing and luncheon arrangements later. The 323rd Anniversary Dinner will be held at The Bridge House Restaurant, London Bridge, S.E.1, on Saturday, November 5th, 1960.—John Chilcott, Hon. Sec. 5946

DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.—Annual meeting Dudley, April 2nd. Bells available 3.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m., followed by tea and business meeting. 5994

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Ely District.—Evening meeting, Saturday, April 2nd, at Haddenham. Bells (6) 5.30 p.m.—D. F. Murfet, Dis. Sec. 5976

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Chertsey District.—Meeting at Ottershaw, Saturday, April 2nd. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. 5989

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Northern District.—Quarterly meeting at Norton, April 2nd. 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m.—E. Buck, Dis. Sec. 5968

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Tonbridge District.—Quarterly meeting Penshurst on Saturday, April 2nd. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. (2s. 6d.). 5926

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—South Oxon Branch.—Annual meeting, Dorchester, Saturday, April 2nd. Ringing 3 to 4.15 p.m. Meeting, followed by Evensong 6 p.m. 5971

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD, BIRMINGHAM.—Quarterly meeting, Solihull (10), April 2nd. Bells 3.30 p.m. Service 4. Tea and meeting 4.30 p.m. 5992

SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.—Meeting at Wortley, Saturday, April 2nd. 3 p.m.—J. Seager, Sec. 5998

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Northern Division.—Practice meeting, West Grinstead (6), Saturday, April 2nd, 3 p.m.—Mrs. E. L. Hairs, Hon. Sec. 5997

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH GUILD.—Andover District.—Quarterly meeting Thruxton (6), Saturday, April 2nd. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service, tea and meeting. Ringing afterwards. Amport (6) 6.30 to 7.30 p.m. Abbott's Ann (5) 7.30 to 9 p.m. 5970

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Practice meeting, St. Giles-in-the-Fields (one minute from Tottenham Court Road tube station), Monday, April 4th, 7 p.m. 5611

SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.—Newark District.—Evening practice, Balderton, on Monday, April 4th. Bells 7.30. Methods: Oxford Treble Bob, Cambridge Surprise, London Surprise and Edinburgh Delight.—W. L. Exton, Hon. Sec. 5605

SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.—Monthly practice, St. Martin-in-the Fields, Wednesday, April 6th, 6.30 p.m. 5634

BARNSLEY DISTRICT SOCIETY.—Meeting to be held at East Ardsley, near Wakefield, Saturday, April 9th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Please bring your own food.—J. W. Buxton. 5614

BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.—Dunster Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Porlock, Saturday, April 9th, from 3 p.m. Tea for number notified by 6th.—A. R. Tudball. 5642

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Biggleswade District.—Meeting, Old Warden (6), Saturday, April 9th. Bells open 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Special methods: College Exercise and Single Court. Everyone welcome.—A. Smith, Dis. Sec. 5637

BEVERLEY AND SELBY DISTRICT SOCIETIES.—Joint meeting, Beverley, Saturday, April 9th. Minster bells (10) 2 p.m. Service in St. Mary's Church 4.30. Tea (moderate charge) 5. St. Mary's bells (10) from 6 p.m. Names for tea by April 7th to Mr. A. Taylor, 28, Albert Terrace, Beverley. 5609

CHESTER GUILD.—Grappenhall Branch.—A meeting will be held at Daresbury on Saturday, April 9th. Bells (8) 3 p.m., Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m.—C. Raddon. 5607

DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Chesterfield District.—Monthly meeting, Creswell, April 9th, 3 p.m. Names for tea to L. Barlow, Lilac House, Mansfield Road, Creswell, Worksop, Notts. 5646

EAST GRINSTEAD GUILD.—Meeting at Barcombe, Saturday, April 9th. Tea difficult: names essential to Mr. S. Brook, Half Yard Cottage, Barcombe Mills, Lewes.—C. A. Bassett. 5627

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Cambridge District.—Meeting, Harston, Saturday, April 9th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m.—E. W. Bullman, Dis. Sec. 5640

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Swindon Branch.—Wroughton (6), Saturday, April 9th. Names for tea to Luton, 169, Cheney Manor Road, Swindon, Wilts. 5618

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.—Stow Branch.—Meeting at Stow-on-Wold, Saturday, April 9th. Bells (8) available 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to F. Newton, 44, Bishops Drive, Bishop's Cleeve, Cheltenham, Glos. All welcome. 5633

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Ross District.—Annual meeting, Ross, Saturday, April 9th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. at Central Café.—J. J. Webb, 23, Alton Street, Ross-on-Wye. 5641

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Eastern District.—Meeting, Saturday, April 9th, Sawbridgeworth (8), 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. E. Rochester, 7, Small Gains, Sawbridgeworth.—R. Durrant, Dis. Sec. 5986

LADIES' GUILD.—Sussex District.—Meeting at Uckfield (8), April 9th. Bells 3 p.m., Service 4.15, Tea 5 p.m. Ladies, please support. Gentlemen cordially invited. Names for tea by April 6th, to Miss L. Beeney, Hon. Sec., St. George's Nursery, 7, Chilston Road, Tunbridge Wells, Kent. 5974

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Joint Manchester and Rochdale Branches.—Meeting, St. Mary's, Oldham, Saturday, April 9th. Bells 3 p.m. Cups of tea. Business 6 p.m., both at Burnley Street School.—Fearnehough and Hudson, Secs. 5632

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Blackburn and Preston Branches.—Joint meeting, Whalley, Saturday, April 9th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Cups of tea 5 p.m. Meeting to follow. Buses X27, 215, X23, 231, 227.—J. Pilkerton and L. Walmsley. 5625

LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Loughborough District.—Packington (6), Saturday, April 9th. Ringing 2.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Names by April 5th to Mr. R. Clifton, Normanton Lodge Farm, Normanton-le-Heath, Leicestershire.—C. W. Hall. 5615

LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Syston District.—Meeting, Sileby, Saturday, April 9th. Bells 3 p.m., Service 4.30. Tea and meeting in Pochin Hall 5 p.m. Names by the previous Wednesday, please, to Mr. W. W. Draper, 3, Highgate Road, Sileby, near Loughborough, Leics. 5620

LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Market Harborough District.—Meeting Saturday, April 9th. Husbands Bosworth. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m.—L. W. Allen. 5631

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Eastern Branch.—Meeting at Acle, April 9th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m., Service 4.15, Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday, 6th, certain, please, to Mr. H. W. Lidbetter, Hollycroft, Acle, Norwich, NOR 202.—P. G. W. Newstead, Branch Sec. 5975

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.—Daventry Branch.—Meeting, Lower Heyford, Saturday, April 9th. Names for tea by Monday previous to Mr. W. Collins, Furnace Lane, Lower Heyford, Northampton.—F. W. Hancock. 5628

SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.—North Notts District.—Meeting, Tuxford (8), Saturday, April 9th. Names for tea by 5th to Mr. W. Brett, 1, Ashvale, Tuxford, Newark.—H. Denman. 5639

SUFFOLK GUILD.—North West District.—Practice meeting at Lakenheath (6), April 9th. Bells 6.30 p.m.—A. F. Ballam, Dis. Sec. 5980

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Western Division.—Practice meeting, Bosham (6), Saturday, April 9th, 3 p.m. Names for tea to E. W. Keys, Greystones, Salthill Road, Fishbourne, Chichester. 5624

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Luton District.—Quarterly meeting, Woburn, Saturday, April 16th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Tea (2s. 6d.) 5. Short service 6 p.m. Names to Mr. Coleman, The Bell Inn, Woburn. No name, no tea. 5630

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—A.G.M., Bridgwater, Easter Monday, April 18th. Service 12 noon, St. Mary's. Lunch 1 p.m., Tudor Café. Meeting at St. Mary's Hall, 2.30 p.m. The following rings are available: Ashcott (6), 10 to 11; Huntspill (6), 10 to 11; North Petherton (6) 10 to 11; Cossington (6), 10.30 to 11.30; Woolavington (6), 10.30 to 11.30; Bridgwater (8), 10.30 to 12, 4.30 to 5.30 and 7 to 8; Chilton Trinity (5), 5 to 6; Durleigh (6), 5 to 6; Cannington (6), 6 to 7; Spaxton (6), 6 to 7; Wembdon (6), 7 to 8. Tickets for luncheon, 6s. (which are essential), can be obtained upon receipt of a S.A.E. (send no money now) from D. Hoare, 13, Coombend, Radstock. 5938

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Annual meeting, Easter Monday, April 18th. Towers: Maulden (8), 10 to 10.45; Silsoe (6), 10.30 to 11.15; Gravenhurst (5), 11 to 11.45; Shillington (5), 11.15 to 12; Clifton (8), 12 to 12.40 and 2 to 3; Henlow (6), 2.30 to 3.30; Biggleswade (8), 3.15 to 4 and 7 to 8.30. Business meeting 5.30 p.m. Dinner 6s. Tea 3s. 3d. Meals only supplied if names and cash sent by April 13th to A. Smith, Turnpike Farm, Potton Road, Biggleswade, or District secretaries. Nominations for officers and C.C. representatives to J. M. Stephens, Gen. Sec., 9, Poplar Close, Leighton Buzzard. 5638

DEVON GUILD.—East Devon Branch.—A.G.M., Honiton, Easter Monday, April 18th. Bells from 3 p.m.: St. Paul's (8), St. Michael's (6). Service, St. Paul's, 4.30 p.m. Tea and business after. Names for tea by 13th, please, to Webb, Oakwell, Millhead Road, Honiton. 5613

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—The annual general meeting will take place on Easter Monday, April 18th, at Ely. Ringing arrangements: Swavesey (6), 10 to 12; Over (8), 10 to 12; Longstanton (8), 10.30 to 12.30; Willingham (6), 11 to 1; Cottenham (6), 12 to 2; Swaffham Prior (6), 12 to 2; Burwell (8), 12 to 2; Soham (10), 1 to 3; Wilburton (6), 1 to 3; Haddenham (6), 1.30 to 3; Stretham (6), 2 to 3.30; Littleport (8), 2 to 3.30. Service in Ely Cathedral 4.15 p.m. Tickets for tea 4s. each, with S.A.E. by April 13th, from general secretary; limited number. General business meeting after tea. Towers available after tea: Stretham, Wilburton, Littleport and Sutton (6).—H. S. Peacock, Gen. Sec., 8, Roscrea Terrace, St. John's Street, Huntingdon. 5636

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.—Elloe Deaneries Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Pinchbeck, Easter Monday, April 18th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday, April 13th to A. R. Withyman, Glenlivet, Spalding Road, Pinchbeck, Spalding.

LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH ASSOCIATION.—Annual meeting on Easter Monday, April 18th, at All Saints', Newport. Bells 2 p.m. Service at 4 p.m. Tea and business meeting to follow.—F. J. Hannington, 32 Surrey Street, Canton, Cardiff. 5617

CUMBERLAND AND NORTH WESTMORLAND ASSOCIATION

Annual general meeting at Kirkby Stephen on Easter Monday, April 18th. Bells available 1 p.m. A.G.M. 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea to follow. Those requiring tea must inform on or before Wednesday, April 13th, Mr. A. Morland, Mount View, South Road, Kirkby Stephen, Westmorland.—J. W. Brownrigg, Hon. Sec. 5610

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.—Annual meeting, Worcester, Easter Monday, April 18th. Service, All Saints' 11.15 a.m. Business meeting, College Hall, 12.15 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. for all who notify me before Wednesday, April 13th. Bells available, Cathedral (12) 6-7.30 p.m., All Saints' (10) 10-10.30, 11-11.10 a.m. and 7-9 p.m. Claines (10), St. John's (8), S. Swithun's (6) and Kempsey (6) all 2.15-4.30 p.m.—J. D. Johnson, Gen. Sec., Sedgeberrow, Evesham. 5635

GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.—South-West Branch.—Quarterly meeting, April 23rd. Ugborough (8 bells) from 2.30 p.m. Tea and meeting, Anchor Inn, 5 p.m. Names by April 18th to T. G. Myers, 79, Regent Street, Plymouth. 5995

HALIFAX ASSOCIATION.—Ringing meeting Elland, April 23rd. Bells available 3-4.30 and 6.30 to 8 p.m. Teas provided at 2s. 6d. each. Please notify by April 16th, Mr. F. Linfoot, The Mouth, Wistons Lane, Elland. No names no tea.—A. Farrand, Sec. 5606

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Canterbury District.—Quarterly meeting, Teynham (6), Saturday, April 23rd. Bells 2 p.m., Service 4, Tea (2s. per person) 5 p.m. Names together with cash by Tuesday, April 19th, to Mr. V. Page, No. 1, The Crescent, Teynham, Sittingbourne. 5608

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LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Annual general meeting, Saturday, April 23rd. Bells available: Sileby (8) 10.30-11.30, Cossington (5) 11.45-12.15, Syston (8) 12-1, Kibworth (8) 12-1, Great Glen (6) 1.30-2.15, Oadby (6) 2.30-3.15, Leicester All Saints' (8) 2-3.30, Leicester St. Margaret's (middle 8 ONLY) 2-3, Leicester St. John-the-Divine (10) 2.30-3.30, Leicester Cathedral (12), 3-3.55, Aylestone (8) 7-8.30, South Wigston (8) 7.30-8.30. Service in Cathedral 4 p.m. Tea followed by meeting, in Aylestone Parish Church Hall 5 p.m. A bus will leave Cathedral at 4.40 p.m. to convey ringers and friends free to Aylestone. Numbers for tea, anticipated cost 2s. 6d., and numbers of seats on bus to undersigned by first post Friday, April 22nd (none accepted later). General Committee meet in Vestry of St. John-the-Divine, Wednesday, April 20th, 7.45 p.m.—B. G. Warwick, Hon. Gen. Sec., 12, Dorothy Avenue, Glen Hills, Leicester. (Tel: Wigston 3244). 5629

MAIDSTONE GRAMMAR SCHOOLS' SOCIETY.—Meeting Linton, Saturday, April 23rd. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Please bring sandwiches. All members welcome, non-members cordially invited.—Pamela J. Usborne, Sec., 315, Loose Road, Maidstone. 5621

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Annual general meeting, Morecambe, April 30th. Towers available: Lancaster Cathedral, St. Peter R.C. (10) 10.30 a.m. to 2.45 p.m., Lancaster Priory (8) after meeting until 9 p.m., Morecambe Holy Trinity (8) 10.30 a.m. to 3 p.m. and after meeting until 9 p.m. Hornby St. Margaret (8) and Scorton St. Peter (8), also available for peals. It would be desirable if local ringers could be in attendance to meet visitors. Service to be held in Morecambe Holy Trinity Church at 3.15 p.m., Preacher, the Rev. G. Snowdon. Tea at 4 p.m. (4s. per head) in the Parish Hall (across the road from the Church). Names for tea, together with money, by Wednesday, April 27th, to Mr. R. F. Eccles, 22, Walton Avenue, Morecambe. Tower secretaries are asked to make block orders for their towers, to save postage. Meeting to follow at approximately 5 p.m. in the Parish Hall. 5644

IMPORTANT NOTICE

The publication of 'The Ringing World' in Holy Week will be advanced one day.

This means that the last day for receiving notices for that issue is Saturday, April 9th.

We would like all copy for that issue, especially peals and quarter peals, submitted as early as possible in the week.

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CONINGSBY, LINCS.—On Mar. 12th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: E. Flintham 1, P. H. Reynolds 2, J. P. Morriss 3, J. W. Baily 4, A. E. Flatters 5, L. H. Taylor (cond.) 6. First quarter on bells since re-hanging. Believed to be first quarter ever rung on the bells.

COOKHAM, BERKS.—On Mar. 12th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Mrs. C. Eldridge 1, Janet Taylor 2, Doreen Hague 3, Mrs. J. Lake 4, J. Muller 5, E. Eldridge 6, H. Oglesby (cond.) 7, J. Norsworthy 8. Rung in memory of John Fowler, late Ringing Master of Cookham.

BILLINGSHURST, SUSSEX.—On Jan. 10th, 1,260 Doubles (Stedman, Plain Bob, Grandsire): Miss S. Bradder 1, H. Wood 2, G. Rix 3, R. A. Brown 4, B. E. Matthews (cond.) 5, H. Botting 6. Also on Jan. 31st, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss S. Beresford (first of Triples) 1, Miss S. Bradder (first 'inside') 2, R. P. Wood 3, B. C. Burrough 4, G. Rix 5, H. Wood 6, B. E. Matthews (cond.) 7, H. Botting 8. Also on Feb. 7th, 1,440 Plain Bob Major: Miss S. Bradder 1, Miss J. Stephens 2, Miss J. Clements 3, B. C. Burrough 4, R. V. Johnson 5, G. Rix 6, H. Wood 7, B. E. Matthews (cond.) 8. First of Major 1, 2 and 6. Also on Mar. 13th, 1,440 Plain Bob Major: Miss S. Bradder 1, R. A. Brown 2, R. P. Wood 3, B. C. Burrough 4, G. R. Crisp 5, G. Rix 6, H. Wood 7, B. E. Matthews (cond.) 8.

DORKING, SURREY.—On Mar. 20th, 1,260 Cambridge Surprise Major: G. F. Pratt (first of Treble Bob) 1, E. G. L. Coward 2, A. J. Bull 3, G. Olliver 4, F. E. Roberts 5, A. Streeter 6, A. Harman 7, A. P. Cannon (cond.) 8. Rung by a resident band of the Southern District, Surrey Association.

MONMOUTH.—On Mar. 12th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles (with 1, 2, leading): Miss G. Ellaway 1, J. Clarke 2, Mrs. K. Smith 3, S. Goodwin 4, L. H. Jones 5, J. J. Webb (cond.) 6, K. Goodwin 7, C. Goodwin 8. In memoriam A. Goodwin, a former ringer.

ROMSEY, HANTS.—On Mar. 15th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Carolyn White 1, Audrey J. Knight (first of Triples as cond.) 2, M. J. Pointer 3, M. D. G. Northway 4, H. J. Page 5, C. M. White 6, D. Greenlaw 7, K. J. Jacobs 8. Rung for Confirmation.

SOUTH CADBURY, SOMERSET.—On Mar. 19th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Beryl D. Mundy (first quarter) 1, H. F. Creed 2, D. M. C. Hill 3, H. C. Lintern 4, W. J. Tiley (cond.) 5, F. H. Mundy (first quarter) 6.

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