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JUNK

I RECENTLY acquired a load of junk. How and where I got it doesn't really matter, but there was enough of it to fill the back seat of the car, almost obliterating the rear window, whilst some overspilled on to the floor. I called at the local grocer's shop and begged a couple of large cardboard boxes with a combined capacity of about a dozen cubic feet. When I arrived home I persuaded the junk to go inside the boxes and the boxes to go inside the house. Quite an operation.

For several days the boxes stood in the hall, one on top of the other, looking a trifle unsteady; they bulged at the sides, particularly the bottom one. When I found that I had a couple of hours to spare I decided to sort out the contents. I underestimated. It took several sessions of two hours. I remembered by instructions:

'You have more right to them than anyone else; keep what you want and burn the rest.'

There were church magazines, brochures and pamphlets from all the churches north of a line from Bristol to the Wash (and a few south of that line) at which various people had called to ring. There were dozens of old Association reports going back to the year 'dot.' Many of these were duplicated and bore signatures of different ringers. Among the books there was a 'Thackrah's,' almost falling to pieces, and a 'Troyte's' in slightly more respectable condition; Sottanstall's meaty tome, held together by string; the Rev. F. E. Robinson's 'Among the Bells,' in the pink of condition. Dorothy Sayers' 'Nine Tailors' was rubbing shoulders with a 1907 edition of the C.C. Collection of Minor Methods, with several editions of 'Standard Methods' in close attendance. A solitary bound edition of 'Church Bells,' 1881, with its name misspelt on the outside, occupied more room than was justified, by the information contained on the inside.

Other books there were of varying degrees of condition and interest.

Among the photographs I unearthed were some that I had forgotten but on which the most vacuous and inane-looking face peering out from a crowd of ringers was, much to my surprise, my own! Could that little brat with the clean white collar and long knee trousers and the cherubic-looking face, who was holding a couple of hand-bells, be me?

To describe in detail all the items of interest that I discovered would be a task of immense proportions, though I trow the reader would tire before the writer, so I will content myself with selecting one or two items of interest to myself and hope, though care not overmuch, that they will prove interesting to others.

There was a 'Ringing Book,' beautifully written in copperplate by a Wath-on-Dearne ringer named William Finch, and dated 1825. This was nine years after the long peal at that tower, and the book contained all the 21 methods included in that peal. Each method showed two or three leads and then the lead-ends and lead-heads required to produce the 720. A veritable treasure house!

The book also contained particulars of a prize ringing contest held at Silkstone in 1832, and some information concerning, apparently, one of William's illustrious ancestors, a 'Colonel Savile Finch . . . of Thribergh . . . son of the Hon. John Finch, second son of the Earl of Ailsford, by Elizabeth, his wife . . . heiress of Thribergh.' The book boasted a short poem, entitled 'A Comparison,' with a familiar ring, of which I quote the last verse:

'I grieve not for the sweets that fade,
Since He in whom I trust,
Shall here protect with heavenly aid,
And rais me from the dust.'

Hidden away in a bundle of old papers I discovered a rule card of a 'West Riding Association,' a Society extinct now for over 85 years. Names of the officials caught my eye, having seen some of them inscribed on an earthenware jug recording a peal rung at Barnsley in 1879. The late J. R. Brearley, whose uncle was in the peal, once wrote to me when I was making some enquiries: 'I well remember George Tyas, a gaunt man, evidently a collier, who bent nearly down to the floor at every stroke—very tall and thin. "Bob" Sparks—short and fat, very red face—I believe he was a barman at a local pub.'

The 'Objects' of the Association fascinated me:—

(1) The promotion of Change Ringing in every known method.
(2) To give all Ringing Members an Annual Excursion free of cost.
(3) To admit such Members free to the Annual Dinner to be held in Christmas week.

No wonder the subscription was 2s. 6d. per quarter!

And what can one say about the bulging, black-backed notebook of A.G.? I suppose it is typical of hundreds that have been compiled up and down the country over the years, most of which have disappeared, although occasionally odd ones turn up here and there. Each one represents the condensed ringing experience of a lifetime. All the peals are there; in this case 198 of them, together with compositions, news cuttings, photographs and odd snippets of information. And comments.

(Continued overleaf)

COVENTRY CATHEDRAL ALL-ENGLAND RALLY

Ringing arrangements for this rally are published separately in this issue.

It is important that all who have received tickets for the Cathedral service should confirm that they do require tea, as all teas ordered have to be paid for by the Guild. Tickets for tea will be sent to those applying. Those who have ordered tea already will receive tickets in due course. The tea will be in the Municipal Staff Canteen in Derby Lane, which is situated 50 yards west of the Cathedral, and is next door to the Public Library, and will be available from 4 to 6 p.m. To help the stewards, will you have 3s. 6d. ready to speed up the service.

COACHES.—The Coach Park is in Pool Meadow, next to the Cathedral.

CARS.—The West Orchard Car Park for several hundred cars is situated just off Broadgate. This is only 150 yards from the Cathedral. Cost 1s. for the whole day.

THE CATHEDRAL SERVICE.—Please be in your seats before 2.45 p.m., as the general public will be admitted to fill any empty seats. This will help the stewards with their job of seating you.

The response to this rally has been tremendous so any help you can give to make it run smoothly will be much appreciated by the undersigned.

J. L. GARNER-HAYWARD.

5, Burges, Coventry.

BACK FROM ANTARCTICA

A great welcome has been accorded Dr. Christopher Brown, the Wareham and Bristol University Society ringer, upon his return from the Antarctic.

While there he had an alarming experience of falling more than 50 feet into a crevasse, and breaking a rib and spraining his left ankle. With other scientists and technologists, he arrived at Southampton in the Danish ship, Kesta Dan. A picture of his welcome by his two daughters, Frances and Clare, appeared in 'The Daily Telegraph.'

Dr. Brown is also a member of the Ancient Society of College Youths, Mr. Donald G. Clift and Mr. Wilfred Williams being responsible for his election.

GRANDSIRE DOUBLES

One of our younger ringers, Mr. N. R. Webber, of the Lord Weymouth School, Warminster, has been experimenting with Grandsire Doubles and points out that 240's with the 120 changes at hand- and at back-stroke can be obtained by calling alternate bobs and singles at every third lead. While this is not original and does not, we think, come within the definition of 240's acceptable by the Central Council for peals, some of our readers may find it useful for practice.

We would say, however, that a 240 can always be obtained by starting one of the standard ten 120's, then ringing another one and then completing the first one. As these arrangements and the recognised 240's by Morris and Pitman are all round blocks, they can be varied by starting the calling at any position. There is therefore a large number of 240's already available and we think that our young enthusiasts would find it more rewarding to experiment on the lines referred to in the letter from Mr. Sage (page 212—varying the hunts) which, by coincidence, appeared in the same week.

FORTY YEARS' RINGING AT HASLEMERE



MR. F. BOWDEN has completed 40 years as a Sunday service ringer in his native town, Haslemere, Surrey. He was taught to ring on the old eight at Haslemere by Mr. Richard Hayes.

The bells were recast and, at the opening ceremony in October, 1923, by the Rector (the Rev. W. Wragge), Mr. Bowden took part in the first touch. He was in another opening touch on November 16th, 1927, when the ring was augmented to 10. A peal he takes a just pride in was that of Grandsire Caters on Haslemere bells on January 28th, 1928, conducted by Mr. H. Langdon. This was the first peal of Caters for the Guildford Diocesan Guild.

Mr. Bowden has another 40th anniversary—of being a continuous subscriber to 'The Ringing World.' In that long period there was only one copy he missed—May 7th, 1926, the week of the General Strike. He has been captain at Haslemere since 1945, when Major John H. B. Hesse left for Wrington.

Mrs. Bowden has been ringing at Haslemere for 36 years, being taught to ring by Major Hesse. Her marriage at Haslemere Parish Church was on February 2nd, 1929.

In the photograph we reproduce, Mr. and Mrs. Bowden are the first two on the left of the seated ringers. It was taken on one of their summer outings, and contains no fewer than 14 of the over 60 pupils they had taught to ring at Haslemere.

COPENHAGEN BELLS

Those who have visited Copenhagen on holiday, and been privileged to worship in St. Alban's C. of E. Church, along the Esplanade, may have heard its bells. When heard last summer they were not being 'change rung,' but a hymn was being played, calling the people to worship.

Most of the Copenhagen churches appear to have one or more bells, but all—where multiple—were 'jangled' by British standards, or tune rung.

One church, where we were able to actually see the bells, was the Church of Our Saviour—the largest church of 'old Copenhagen.' The Reformation appears to have given particular impetus to church building in Denmark—judging by its capital. This particular church was consecrated in 1696. Above the clock (1699) hang two historic bells and three large 'peeling' bells, tuned in the Te Deum-motif: c-e flat-f. Seven big and 33 small bells in the lantern make up the carillon, which was erected 1717-34, at the request of the then organist. This number was later increased, and now totals 47 bells. The 'tenor' is dated 1931—and appears to be perhaps 30-35 cwt.

Copenhagen proved to be a happy holiday centre, but one which would not satisfy from the change ringing aspect—but, then, outside the United Kingdom, few places can!

N. D.

TWYFORD GOLDEN JUBILEE

The bells of St. Mary's, Twyford, Berks, were first rung on Easter Sunday, March 23rd, 1913. To celebrate the jubilee, a peal board, recording the first peal on the bells by a local band, was dedicated on the afternoon of Sunday, March 24th, by the Vicar, the Rev. H. Hartley.

A number of parishioners, local and visiting ringers attended. These included Miss M. R. Cross, secretary of the Oxford Diocesan Guild, whose home tower this is.

Touches of Grandsire Triples and a course of Bob Major were rung after the ceremony.

H. S.

JUNK—*Continued from front page.*

Some of A. G.'s are both enlightening and edifying; not all are complimentary. I wonder what a famous conductor would have said to the opinion: 'Not very good ringing for Treble Bob'? One could write a series of articles on this notebook alone, but I cannot leave it without glancing once again at the footnote he added to the first peal of Major rung on the augmented bells of his home tower:—

'I am including this peal in my list of treasures.' And then the poignant addition: 'Should have liked to stand in.'

I remember he was unable to ring because of an accident at work: I know because I rang in his place. As I said at the beginning: I recently acquired a load of junk.

H. CHANT.

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Letters to the Editor

Quedgley Surprise Royal

Dear Sir,—I am afraid the footnote to the peal of Quedgeley Surprise Royal rung at Loughborough Foundry on March 4th ('R.W' page 197), claiming it as the first peal of Royal in the method, cannot be allowed to stand. Quedgeley was first rung to Royal at St. Michael's, Southampton, on September 1st, 1962: the peal was reported on page 618 of the 'R.W.' for that year.

I should also, as conductor of the first peal rung in the method, like to correct the spelling of the name. In the three peals in the method reported in the 'R.W.' for March 22nd, the names was spelt as 'Quedgley,' omitting the second 'e.' Having several times myself misspelt the name when submitting reports of peals rung at Quedgeley, I had an awful feeling that it may all have been my fault, but a quick look through back numbers of the 'R.W.' reassured me.

Incidentally, am I correct in believing that the peal of Folkestone Surprise Major rung at Edenham, Lincs, on February 18th, was the first peal in the method, although not claimed as such? I have no record of any previous peal in the method, although I believe a Kent band was considering ringing one at Folkestone some ten or more years ago.—Yours sincerely,

CYRIL A. WRATTEN.

Cheltenham.

Dear Sir,—Mr. B. G. Warwick appears to have made an error in the reporting of one or both the peals which he conducted at the Bell Foundry Campanile during the first week of March (reported in 'R.W.' of 22/3/63). The peals in question are: (i) 5,056 Quedgley S. Major rung on March 2nd, and (ii) 5,040 Quedgley S. Royal rung on March 4th.

At first sight it would appear that it is merely a case of Mr. Warwick's spelling being at fault again (shades of Llanfair P.G.), and that the method actually rung in both cases was the variation of Yorkshire which has the name QUEDGELEY. Secondly, had the above peal of Major been in a new method called Quedgley, I feel sure Mr. Warwick's footnote undoubtedly would have claimed it as such. The only claim made, however, was one of 'First in the method by all, on the bells and for the (Midland Counties) Guild.'

To the above peal of Royal is added the footnote, 'The first peal of Royal in the method.' If we assume that the method rung was in fact QUEDGELEY, then I fear that this footnote is the one which is incorrect, since the first peal of Quedgeley S. Royal was rung on September 1st, 1962, at St. Michael's Church, Southampton, for the Winchester and Portsmouth Diocesan Guild.

Perhaps Mr. Warwick can shed some light on the matter, if only by appending the place notation for an extension when he thinks he has rung it for the first time, a minor variation of 'old faithful' though it may be.—Yours faithfully,

R. ROGER SAVORY.

Southampton.

Note.—We thank D. T. Matkin and D. J. Forder who have also replied.—Ed.

Heaviest Four

Dear Sir,—With regard to the inquiry in 'The Ringing World' (page 196), if there has been a quarter peal of Minimus rung on a heavier ring of bells than Bishopthorpe, Yorks, tenor 14 cwt. 0 qr. 20 lb.:

I would like to point out that at Evington, Leicestershire, tenor 17 cwt. approx., a number of quarter peals have been rung by the local band.—Yours faithfully,

BRIAN C. LAW.

Blaby, Leics.

Mr. Stuart Edwards, of Evington, writes: 'During the past six months we have rung five quarter peals and one half peal on Evington bells. The most recent quarter was on March 25th in 37 minutes (a record on the bells), in which eight methods were rung.

Central Council Proceedings

Dear Sir,—Just in case the Central Council meeting is accused again this year of being a bunch of old pals on a tower grab, it may be of interest to hear one ringer's views on the Whitsun scramble. Certainly committee members have very little chance to see much of the countryside, as a lot of the last-minute business is conducted on the Sunday and Monday. If this is fully thrashed out then, the full session on Tuesday should, in theory, go through rapidly, most of the controversial matters having been resolved.

Of course, this is rarely so and the president has his time cut out to keep the discussion to the point, and to move through the agenda in all too short a time. Reading the report in 'The Ringing World,' one is left with the impression that, after allowing for condensation in reporting, the business could not possibly take more than three hours, with perhaps half-an-hour for official welcoming.

On the other hand, the representatives come away with the impression that some items could have had more discussion, but had been virtually guillotined for lack of time. How then are the six hours spent and is any of it wasted (apart from the decisions with which one personally disagrees)?

Representatives reading 'The Ringing World' report notice that the opening speeches are considerably curtailed. This is so with nearly all routine speeches elsewhere (except in Hansard). There is one item which is not published in full—losses by death during the year of past representatives, when their names are read out and all stand in silence as a mark of respect. Then follow tributes to their memory by friends and officers of their Associations and Guilds. This is all much as occurs at almost any Guild A.G.M. The only difference is that it is on a much larger scale; in fact, anything up to three-quarters of an hour of tributes, many of which have already been made in 'The Ringing World' during the year.

No one would wish to prevent such tributes being paid to old and respected friends, but is there some way round using so much limited business time without causing offence? Would perhaps publication of names and subsequent tributes in 'The Ringing World' suffice as they occur?

Every three years large numbers of newly elected members are sponsored by older representatives, who introduced their charges to the president. This Parliamentary procedure is completed surprisingly quickly, due to very efficient organisation. Are there any other items of business which could be streamlined without loss of dignity or opportunity for full discussion?—Yours, etc., R. E. P.

Handbell Ringing—'A Good Advertisement'

Dear Sir,—The recent letters published giving details of handbell teams, mainly in the North of England, shed some light on one of the most interesting yet, I feel, sadly neglected branches of our art of ringing. This is certainly a pity as there is no doubt all that it is the **only** branch of ringing that is **always** appreciated.

Mention was made on page 156 of the tune ringing team I run at Ashton-under-Lyne Grammar School. Like the team at Eccles-field Grammar School we have been ringing for the last four years, during which time we have played 'in public' on some couple of dozen times—often in school (Christmas parties, school fairs, etc.) and also locally (for such organisations as the National ETAO parties, school fairs, etc.), and also locally (for such organisations as the National Children's Homes, Inskip League, Rotary Club, etc.). The pleasure given to the various people, especially those in hospital, is something I don't think the girls themselves appreciate to the full.

Just as tower bell ringers receive help from neighbouring towers so we have received help from handbell ringers in the district. Your correspondent, Mr. Thomas Ogden, of Shaw, Oldham, has always been most helpful, especially in providing us with handbell music (anyone requiring 12-bell music should definitely contact him). Similarly, Mr. Norman Wilkinson, of Oldham, has arranged various tunes, especially for our 17 bells. Visits have been made to hear the Hazel Grove handbell ringers, and on a number of occasions to hear the Moorside handbell ringers (and, incidentally, we have even visited Loughborough Bell Foundry!). To all these people I would like to say a personal 'Thank you,' at the same time inviting any passing ringer to join in our practice at 4 p.m. most Tuesdays.

The reason for my writing in such detail is mainly to draw attention to a branch of ringing which is a good advertisement for ringers and ringing in general, and, after all, this is something that ought to be encouraged. Possibly we ringers in the teaching profession can help by forming tune ringing teams—and I can vouch that enthusiastic tower bell ringers can be found through this introduction to ringing.

I was most pleased to read of other school bands—possibly we could have a 'get together' sometime? If any other schools are interested then please contact me, and if there are enough interested I am quite willing to organise such an event.—Yours sincerely,

JOHN P. PARTINGTON.

23, York Street, Heywood, Lancs.

RINGERS' NAMES, AND OTHERS

Dear Sir,—'Have a go' says 'A. Flat,' and no doubt Wilfrid Pickles would be 'tickled to death' to read a few of the names that appear from time to time in 'The Ringing World,' as in some of the Directories, too—not only of ringers, but of places, such as Giggleswick, Stratton Strawless, Swineshead, Isle of Muck (off Scotland), Merry Town, Tarts Barn, Willoughby Waterless, Appletree, Edith Weston, Pityme, Wallop and Nether Piddle, to quote a few that come to mind.

Then, in 1931, thede was a peal rung by eight ringers, all the names of a colour—Fred White, William Brown, Albert Green, Robert Black, Alan Pink, Harold Hazell, William Rose and Nolan Golden.

I've both read and known of others, such as Edward Beir, Maurice Stout, Mansfield Ginn, Fred Larger, Bertram Waters; Agnes Duck, Michael Chicken, Maurice Hen, Albert Gooseman, Harold Peacock, Joshua Partridge, Frank Rabbit, Phyllis Hare (later Mrs. Poole), Frank Fox, Geoffrey Badger, Ronald Deer;

Frank Sparrow, Reginald Finch, Anthony Hawk, Philip Nightingale, Ron Dove, Joseph Linnett, Samuel Bunting, William Wren, Harry Crow, Ralph Bird, Cecil Swan;

John King, Anthony Queen, Albert Prince, Fred Dukes, Stanley Earl, Albert Lord;

Anthony Head, George Brain, Michael Foot, Harry Tooth, James Legge, Septimus Tongue, Walter Bone;

Jack Cock, Robert Haycock, Harry Hitchcock, Wilfrid Tilcock, Alice Allcock, Edwin Glasscock;

Robin Baker, Reginald Butcher, Tony Brewer, Harry Cook, Harry Plumber, Fred Leadbeater, James Seaman, Albert G. Driver, John S. Goldsmith, Albert Ploughman, George Gardiner, Maurice Setter, Charles Chandler, Roland Carpenter, not forgetting, of course, Terence ('Dusty') Miller;

Betty Spice, Thomas Pepper, Frank Curry, Harold Peppercorn (and the name of the borough treasurer in the town of my birth is Leslie Salt), David Ginger;

Finally, I've seen together on one platform a George Nutt, with a Peter Bolt, in addition to having met a Percy Spokes, George Rivett, Mary Tack, Gordon Staple and a Rev. Rust.

Somebody said to me a fortnight ago (a name that has been in your journal a lot these last three issues) that 'The Ringing World' needs gingering-up, that it is getting boring and dull. So now 'A. Flat'— beat the above—if you can. 'CRESCENDO.'

THE SPLICING OF ALLIANCE MINOR METHODS

(Continued from page 214)

In certain Alliance methods the four middle rows when removed will fit directly into a Little method to form a Plain one. The two halves of the Alliance method which are left will not join directly together; if, however, the middles are removed from a complete course of Alliance the ten parts left will form a complete course of Plain, e.g.:

Norwood Alliance		Stedman
123456		
214365		
241356		145263
423165		412536
243615		421356
246351		243165
423615		**423615**
432651	→	**432651**
342561	→	**342561**
324516		**324516**
235461		234156
234516		321465
324156		312645
231465		136254
213456		
124365		163524
142635		

Here is a list of methods that can be so treated:

TABLE No. 2

A complete Course of Alliance combined with five separate Leads of Little.

	Alliance Method		Little Method		Method Left		New Plain		Transposition
(1)	Norwood	Oa	Crayford	Ma	Lytham	N	Stedman	M	45263
			Little	Jb	Thelwall	K	Stepney	J	(46235)
(2)	Kimberley	Oa	Crayford	Ma	Stedman	M	Stedman	M	63245
			Little	Jb	Stepney	J	Stepney	J	(43562)
(3)	Winterton	Gb	Crayford	Ma	Canterbury	L	Stedman	M	43625
			Little	Jb	Fulbeck	H	Stepney	J	(53264)
(4)	Farleigh	Oc	St. Lawrence	Hc	Loch Lomond	M	Bala	H	62354
					Roydon	J			(34652)
(5)	Beltring	Oc	Belvedere	Gc	Loch Lomond	M	Brentford	G	56432
					Roydon	J			(65423)

It will be noted that although the original Alliance method is without a 2nds (or 6ths) place partner the rearranged parts are in all cases capable of two variations. If, therefore, both these are required, preparation must be made beforehand in order to obtain them.

Ringers can, of course, prepare their own arrangements if they wish, but it will be found that 720 No. 335 is suitable for Groups (1), (2) and (3), and 720 No. 325 for Groups (4) and (5).

The following procedure will serve as a guide.

1. Place Alliance in the courses which bear their group letters.
2. Place the Plain method in place of the Alliance in the remaining courses.
   N.B.—The Plain method will have the same Capital Group letter as the Alliance which it is replacing.
3. Make the alterations in the Little methods to allow for this substitution of Plain methods for Alliance.
4. Choose one of the courses of Alliance and change to Plain, making the necessary adjustments to the Little.

Here is Group (1) after the first three steps have been taken:

23456	Oa Alliance	(Norwood)
S 64253	Little J (b)	Leads altered to
64532	,, M (a)	Plain as per
64325	,, J (b)	transposition.
S 35624	Plain K	(Thelwall)
63542	Oa Alliance	(Norwood)
P.L. 42356		

The extent should now be written out in full, one of the Alliance courses altered to Plain and the necessary changes made to the Little.

Here is the 720 so treated; it should serve as a model for the other extents in the Groups (2), (3), (4) and (5) of Table 2:

23456		Norwood All.
24365		
42635		,, ,,
46253		
S 64253		Stepney
35246		
32564	(I)	
46523	(H)	,,
64532		Crayford L.C.
23546		
32456		Stedman
65423		
56243		,,
34265		
43625		Crayford L.C.
52634		
25364		Stedman
46352		
64325	(A)	Stepney
52346	(J)	
53264		Little Bob
46235		
42653		Stepney
35624		
S **35642**	(A)	Thelwall
62345	(B)	
63254	(C)	,,
24653	(D)	
26435	(E)	,,
45236	(F)	
42563	(G)	,,
53462	(H)	
54326	(I)	,,
36524	(J)	
63542		Norwood All.
65324		
56234		,, ,,
52643		
25463		,, ,,
24536		
42356		Norwood All.
43265		
34625		,, ,,
36452		
S 63452		Little Bob
25436		
24563		Stepney
36542		
63524		Stedman
42536		
24356		,,
65342		
56432	(G)	,,
23465	(F)	
32645		Crayford L.C.
54623		
45263		,, ,,
36254		
63245		Stepney
54236		
52463		,,
36425		
34652	(B)	,,
25643	(C)	
S 25634		Thelwall
64235		
62453		,,
43652		
46325		,,
35426		
34562		,,
52364		
53246		,,
26543		
62534		Lytham Bob
54632		
45362		,, ,,
32465		
23645		,, ,,
65243		
56423		,, ,,
43526		
34256		
34256		Lytham
26354		
S 62354		Little Bob
45326		
43562		Stepney
26534		
62543		Crayford L.C.
34526		
43256	(E)	Stedman
65234	(D)	

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Splicing of Alliance Minor Methods—Cont.

56324 42365	Stedman
24635 53642	"
35462 26453	Crayford
62435 53426	Stepney
54362 26345	Little Bob
23654 45632	Stepney
45623 63425	Thelwall
64352 32654	"
36245 25346	"
23564 54263	"
52436 46532	"
64523 65432	Norwood All.
56342 53624	" "
35264 32546	" "
23456	

The middle course of Norwood All. is changed to Lytham, otherwise the 720 is the same as the 3-part given above. The transposition to change the Little methods into Plain is 45263, and as an example of its use I have shown in detail the first course of Thelwall with identifying letters. The remaining Thelwall and the Lytham are similarly treated. Without the Lytham the extent would be a regular 3-part.

(To be continued)

SURREY ASSOCIATION

The first quarterly meeting of the year of the Southern District was held on March 16th, at Limpsfield and the Chart.

Ringing started with a happy touch to a bride and bridegroom as they left the church, to be followed by a varied programme, which included Cambridge Surprise Minor, until Evensong in the church. The tea was kindly provided free of charge by local ladies.

A sad note was struck by the secretary announcing the sudden death the previous day of Mr. Frank Oakshott, a loyal member of the Association. The company stood in silence as a tribute to his memory. The election of four new members was the only other item of note. Ringing continued in both towers until 9 p.m.

Next meeting (quarterly), Old Coulsdon, June 22nd. K. G.

LIVERPOOL UNIVERSITY SOCIETY ANNUAL DINNER

THE second annual dinner of the Liverpool University Society was held on March 2nd. In the morning, members of the Society attempted a peal of Bob Major at Oxton. Although this unfortunately came to grief, owing to the conductor missing out a course, two out of the three visitors' peals attempted were successful. In the afternoon, there was general ringing at four towers on the Wirral. The standard of this ringing was surprisingly high, with methods ranging from London Major to Grandsire Doubles. A couple at St. Mary's, Birkenhead, were pleasantly surprised to hear the bells pealing out on the occasion of their wedding.

The dinner was held at the Prenton Hotel, Birkenhead, at 8 p.m.; 54 members and friends attending. After an excellent meal, the president (Mr. M. Pilgrim) having welcomed the visitors, especially those from Birmingham, Bristol, Hull and Nottingham, proposed the loyal toast, followed by that of 'The Church.' The Rev. E. A. Owen, Vicar of St. Mary's, Birkenhead, replied to the latter saying that he was not accustomed to making entertaining speeches, but rather those which the congregation seemed to regard as a time to regain lost sleep. Ringing was the traditional art of calling people to church, and he hoped that this was in fact true for campanologists, and not as in China, where bells are used to drive away evil spirits. He concluded by saying that he hoped that the Society would carry on its service to the Church with pride.

After the toast of 'The Visitors' had been proposed, Mr. Philip Tocock proposed that of 'The Society.' He said that as he was a soldier he had been stationed in many parts of the country, and had thus seen the work that universities did in manning silent towers. He was glad to note that that Society did its share of this work. After relating stories of students' high spirits, he registered his surprise at their ability to think about two things at once; a talent, which he said could be quite useful whilst ringing. Assuring the Society that it was always welcome at Liverpool Parish Church, he hoped that it would go from strength to strength, and produce, one day, a conductor who did not miss out courses.

In reply Mr. Roger Shea thanked Mr. Tocock for his remarks and advice. He gave details of the Society's achievements and remarked on the keenness of the learners. He hoped members would make more major peal attempts, and also widen the circle of their friends at the annual dinners and on the annual tours.

Handbells and good fellowship concluded the evening.

On Sunday, ringing took place at St. Nicholas', St. Francis Xavier's and Liverpool Cathedral, with the help of the local bands. The Society would like to thank the visitors for making this dinner such a success, and also the local ringers for the warm-hearted welcome that they gave to the visitors, both on Saturday and Sunday.

H. A. A. & C. K. C.

WORCESTERSHIRE & DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION

On March 2nd the Western Branch held a meeting at Kempsey, where the six fine bells were rung to methods up to London Surprise. The Vicar, in his address, told us that although often our homes, churches and bells were secondhand we must take care that our religion was not, and it was only by regularly taking part in the church services that our religion could be thoroughly first hand.

The tea and business meeting took place in the comfortable surroundings of the Vicarage. At the beginning of the meeting tribute was paid to the late Mr. Fred Hyde, and the company stood in silence. It was agreed that the next quarterly peal be associated with his memory. The gap which has been left by his passing will be hard to fill, and it is a tribute to his efficiency as Branch secretary to say that before his death he had competed arrangements for this meeting.

During the meeting, Bishop C. E. Stuart and Rev. C. J. Kay, Vicar of Welland, were elected clerical vice-presidents, and Mr. Arthur Jopp secretary. The perennial question of General Fund versus Belfry Repair Fund again reared its head and, despite impassioned support for the latter, a collection was made for the General Fund. (One muttered remark, overhead during the discussion, suggested that since the Belfry Repair Fund appeared to be in such a strong state, it should subsidise the straightening out of the apparently square wheels on Crowle bells to stop their slipping rope.)

On our return to the tower, ringing ranged from rounds to London, and even included a course of Worcester Surprise. P. C.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD

Witney and Woodstock Branch

Despite a stormy afternoon, there was a warm welcome at Cassington for a good number of ringers who attended the annual meet- of the Witney and Woodstock Branch on March 16th. The ringing was of a higher standard than usual.

The Master of the Guild (Canon C. Elliot Wigg), who conducted the service jointly with the Rev. Peter Wilkins, Vicar of Cassington, commented especially on the quality of the service touch. Mr. David Smith read the lesson, and the Vicar gave a short address.

Mrs. Wilkins and her helpers excelled themselves in the tea enjoyed by a company of 45. Canon Wigg was in the chair for the business meeting. The accounts, presented by Mr. Graham Orme, showed that funds had increased by over £9. A report on Branch activities from the honorary secretary stated that two peals and 17 quarters had been rung in the Branch in 1962. The only changes in the officers were the Rev. P. Wilkins as chairman and the Rev. H. P. Hudson as vice-chairman.

Mr. Alec Cantwell spoke about the proposed rehanging of Northmoor bells; about £800 was needed, including a new frame. The Branch decided to give £40.

Evening ringing was at Cassington, Eynsham and Stanton Harcourt.

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Ashford Parish Church—200th Anniversary

ON Saturday, March 16th, history was remembered when a peal was rung by eight members of the Kent County Association to commemorate the 200th anniversary of the first ring on the eight bells, and the first peal thereon.

The first definite mention of bells occurs in 1552, when 'V great bells, one lytell bell' are recorded in the inventory of church goods of this year. These may well have been given by Sir John Fogge, who rebuilt much of the church and raised the great central tower to its present height of 120 feet at the end of the 15th century; the latter was destined to become one of the most famous landmarks of the locality.

In 1620 at least three bells were recast by Joseph Hatch, who added a new treble to make six; it is more than likely, however, that the old bells were exchanged for a new ring of six, although the third bell of this ring was recast by Joseph in 1633, and the second by his nephew, William Hatch, in 1651. The inscriptions on these six were recorded as:

Treble.—IOSEPHVS HATCH ME FECIT 1620.

Second.—WILLIAM HATCH MADE ME O 1651.

Third.—IOSEPHVS HATCH ME FECIT O 1633 W.H.

Fourth.—IOSPEHVS HATCH ME FECIT O 1620.

Fifth.—PETRVS PARRIS CW IOSEPHVS HATCH ME FECIT O 1620.

Tenor.—IOHN ASHERST CW IOSEPHVS HATCH ME FECIT 1962.

For the dimensions of the other bells the tenor was probably about 19 cwt., somewhat lighter than the present tenor.

In 1762 two new trebles were cast by Lester and Pack, and the augmented ring was rehung in a massive wooden frame of the traditional 2—4—2 design, with 3, 4, 7, 8 hung in the middle row. A board in the ringing chamber depicts that the 'First ringing of the eight bells was on Monday, 14th March, 1763,' and the first peal on the bells was rung on the following day by a band from Leeds (Kent); this was 5,184 Oxford Treble Bob Major in 3 hours 23 minutes, conducted by the famous James Barham. The first peal by the local company was in 1765, and the present peal boards record performances in a variety of methods during the next few decades: there were even one or two remarkable peals of over 6,000 changes.

In 1795, the tenor bell sustained some injury; it was taken to Whitechapel, where it was recast by Thomas Mears I, and came back in 1796, weighing about 24 cwt.; possibly the previous bell was a little thin and weak compared with the rest of the ring.

In 1878 it was noted in the vestry minute book that the 6th bell was cracked in the crown, but nothing seems to have been done to rectify this for 20 years.

In 1885 the old chimes, which had been originally made by a local craftsman and had made Ashford famous, were completely restored by Gillett and Co., who also placed a new clock and striking mechanism in the tower. The new chimes necessitated the addition of two extra semi-tone bells, and these are fastened 'dead' to a beam above the main ring.

In 1898 the bells were thoroughly overhauled and rehung with new fittings throughout by Taylors, who recast the sixth bell, which was quite useless by now. The old bell weighed 12 cwt. 2 qr. 3 lb., while the new bell weighs 11 cwt. 3 qr. 23 lb., and is tuned on the Simpson 5-tone principle.

Finally, in 1924, the cannons were removed from the bells, which were hung with new (wooden) headstocks, clappers and ball bearings by Gillett and Johnston, who estimated the tenor as weighing 23 cwt. in E flat.



THE TENOR BELL OF 1796.

The bells at present are generally regarded as a good 'old-style' ring, and they go very easily, although one or two are somewhat odd-struck. This is remarkable when one considers that the bells have never been tuned together as a ring, and that they are still hung in the original framework of 1763. The chimes were regularly heard until the last decade, but they are now in need of a thorough overhaul; the clock, however, still gives good service, and is hand wound every day.

By kind permission of the Vicar (Canon Granville Sharpe) eight members of the Kent County Association were privileged to attempt a commemoration peal. At 4.30 p.m., after the local press had taken photographs, a start was made for 5,184 Oxford Treble Bob Major. This was stopped after a course of indifferent ringing, and Bob Major was substituted in an attempt to reconcile good striking with a method more familiar to the band. Accordingly a good peal was rung in the quick time of 2 hours 48 minutes. N. J. D.

A VISIT TO LANCASHIRE

On March 23rd, one of the first fine days that Yorkshire has seen this year, five ringers from Leeds Parish Church and one from All Saints', Pontefract, had a tour of Lancashire.

At St. Mark's, Preston (a rough-going six), we found the rope of the third just protruding through the ceiling. Nothing could be done about this, and we were reduced to ringing five, and adding the third with the Ellacombe chimes.

An excellent eight was sampled at Walton-le-Dale and at Leyland Parish Church we regretted the smallness of our numbers, when confronted with the majestic ten, and had to be content with the back six. Three of the local band joined us at St. James', Moss Side.

The 'go' did not match the tone of the bells at St. Michael's, Croston, but at Eccleston we felt we did justice to the bells. At Chorley and Adlington we were disappointed in not getting a ring, nevertheless, the day was enjoyable, and we thank Mr. C. Barrie Dove for organising the tour. J. W.

HERTS COUNTY ASSOCIATION

On March 16th the St. Albans District visited the Houses of Parliament to see Big Ben. Even we ringers found the steps a few over the eight, but the view from the belfry was tremendous. We knew he (Ben is male, isn't he?) had a crack, but it looked more as if mice had been at him.

On regaining terra firma, just after the hour, we were conducted round the historic chambers where our destiny is decided. Our congratulations to our guide who had been doing a grand job for exactly 43 years.

After ringing at two London towers, there was singing, etc., on the coach, the tunes coming from Harpenden, while most noise came from one particular member from Wheathampstead. J. D. C.

50 YEARS AGO

'R.W.' April 4th, 1913.—

At last four peals have been rung in a day by the same band, and the honour falls to the six-bell men of the Kent Association. They accomplished this performance on Easter Monday, when four separate 5,040's were rung each in seven Minor methods....

This performance recalls an episode in Sussex about 14 years ago, when four ringers took part in five 5,000's, which were completed in less than 31 hours.

CIRENCESTER GRAMMAR SCHOOL

On March 29th, the bells of Cirencester Parish Church were rung by members of the Grammar School's Ringing Society, before the annual Founder's Day service. Such an event has now become a well established part of the Society's activities.

The first time the bells were rung for the Founder's Day service was on the occasion of the school's quincentenary celebration, when a band was formed consisting of past and present ringers from the school. Now the school is able to form a band made up entirely of pupils from the school.

This year, to everybody's horror, a photographer from one of the local papers appeared in the tower, claiming that he had been sent by the headmaster. Despite protests, especially from one of the fair sex, who claimed that having been caught unawares she was not looking her best, a photograph was taken. The visitor then left to go and worry the choir. The remainder of the band, presumably having been warned of the presence of the photographer, then arrived and the back eight bells were rung to Triples. M. D.

OLD ALBANIAN SOCIETY

On March 23rd five past and five present members of St. Albans School spent an enjoyable afternoon in Northern Hertfordshire. Ringing up to Surprise Minor took place at four towers, this being the first outing of the Society.

At Hinxworth, a quaint church with lovely bells, the rail to the ringers' gallery seemed to be better arranged to trip one up than for safety.

Wallington will always be remembered as the place where one driver didn't notice the duck pond until too late. The Master had to tow him out. J. D. C.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION

A meeting of the Biggleswade District was held at St. Peter's, Arlesey, on March 9th. There was ringing during the afternoon before a short service, conducted by the Vicar, Rev. E. Edgell. An excellent tea was provided in St Peter's Hall by lady church workers, and a short business meeting followed, with the Rev. E. Edgell in the chair.

Ringing continued after tea until 8.15 p.m. and the standard of ringing was moderately good.

Next meeting: Silsoe, April 20th.

MRS. LEWIS COCKEY

The sympathy of many friends is extended to Mr. J. Lewis Cockey on the death of his wife. Mrs. Annie Gordon Cockey, which was very peaceful at Stratton Hospital, Swindon.

A native of Holmsdale, Sutherlandshire, Mrs. Cockey (nee Bruce) was a distant relative, on her mother's side, of the late President Grant, of the U.S.A. She met Mr. Cockey while serving as a student nurse in Sheffield, and served much of World War I in the Army Nursing Service. Her marriage was on July 22nd, 1919, at St. Andrew's Cathedral, Inverness, the Bishop of Moray (the Rt. Rev. A. J. McLean) being the officiating clergyman. The Second World War saw her again in service, this time as a warden at Ealing, where her nursing experience was of much value in a number of incidents.

Although not a ringer, Mrs. Cockey took a great interest in bells and loved to entertain people after peals and other functions. There was a welcome for everyone at her home at Dore, near Sheffield.

In 1955, when she was ailing somewhat, she had a great desire to be with her daughter in Winnipeg. Mr. and Mrs. Cockey emigrated and intended to live there permanently. Unfortunately, after a time, she suffered a seizure and became so weak that it seemed better to return to England. Her last few happy years were spent at Swindon near relatives. A further seizure necessitated her removal to Stratton Hospital, where she was quite happy and normal except for great weakness.

APPRECIATION

His ringing friends will have seen with great regret the notice of the death of Mrs. Annie Gordon Cockey, wife of Mr. J. E. Lewis Cockey, of Swindon, and formerly of Ealing and Dore. She will be remembered by us because of her interest in ringing and her kind hospitality on many occasions after ringing, and we would assure Mr. Cockey of our sympathy in his loss. W. G. W.

OBITUARY

MR. W. C. RHODES

AN APPRECIATION

Mr. Rhodes will be missed by many over a wide area. He assisted the ringers of Kingsbury from call changes to Surprise Minor, attended most practice nights and apologised if he could not come. He was always ready to assist in a peal, ring for weddings, or go on outings. Indeed, we at Kingsbury have lost a very dear friend. G. H. L.

MR. WILLIAM SHARPE

Ringers in the Melton District of the Leicester Diocesan Guild heard with great regret of the death of Mr. William Sharpe, of Hose, on March 18th, after a long illness. He was born in 1877 and had been a ringer at St. Michael's, Hose, for 60 years, and for over 50 of these tower captain. He was the oldest member of the Framland Association; a member of the Midland Counties Association and the Leicester Guild.

Mr. Sharpe was the leading figure in getting Hose bells rehung in 1898, and again in 1928, when they were all recast. He conducted the only peal on the old five in May, 1927, in which his old friend, Mr. Ernest Morris, took part. A very good Ringing Master, he insisted on good striking and belfry discipline. But above all this, he was a great churchman, and had held many offices in the church, having been Vicar's warden for 25 years.

Many friends attended the funeral on March 21st, which was conducted by the Rev. A. Willcock. Messrs. Edward Tinsley, R. Caunt sen., R. Caunt jun., E. Caunt and J. W. Kirton represented the ringers. Wreaths were sent from the Framland Association and the Leicester Diocesan Guild.

In the evening, 1,260 Doubles (Plain Bob and Grandsire) were rung half-muffled by R. Caunt 1, J. H. Cook (cond.) 2, E. Tinsley 3, H. Clayton 4, R. H. Cook 5.

ST. VEDAST'S CHURCH—ONLY TWO PEALS

The recent two peals at St. Vedast's, Foster Lane, London, are the first on the bells. 'As far as can be ascertained,' writes Dr. D. E. Sibson, 'the bells had not been rung this century up to when the church was damaged in the war. For many years there had been eight bells in the tower, although originally it was a six-bell tower. Where the other two came from is apparently unknown, but they were put in in such a way as to make it impossible to ring the original six. Neither Canon K. W. H. Felstead nor Mr. F. T. Blagrove knows of any other record of a peal having been rung at this church, beyond the two recent peals.'

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BELFRY GOSSIP

The peal that is published under the title Stormy Weather Surprise Minor is a very old one and was formerly known as College Bob V, but this name has been replaced, and the correct title, writes Mr. Frank T Blagrove, is Luton Surprise Minor. It is an irregular method and not related to the regular method, Luton Surprise Royal.

The band who rang a peal of Durham Surprise Minor at Wigston, Leicester, have now rung Durham from Minor to Maximus!

We regret that the peal of Warwickshire Surprise Major rung at Shepshed on February 16th and published in the issue of March 22nd was a duplicate of a peal published on March 15th.

In connection with the peal at Rowde, Wilts, on March 16th, Mr. R. J. Purnell, of Chippenham, asks us to thank the Vicar and Mr. Amor, the tower captain, for making the necessary arrangements.

This year's Grantley Hall (Yorks) Bell-ringing Course will be from Friday night, October 25th, to Sunday, October 27th, and will be limited to 30 students. Details will be advertised in due course.

Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Schofield, of Bradford, Yorks, rang their 50th peal together at Liversedge on March 23rd. It was called by their daughter, Gillian, and Barry was also in the band.

In ringing his 120th peal of Double Norwich Court Bob Major at Ashtead, Mr. A. Patrick Cannon informs us that this is the first time he has duplicated a tower for a peal in this method.

Will readers please ignore the composition of 5,201 Grandsire Caters by Brian Downes on page 207. Unfortunately the first line under bracket A, 1-2-3 2345 is out of place. It should be the last line in the bracket. The error is regretted.

Capt. N. Denson, C.A., after a spell in Germany, has been posted to the R.N. Air Station, Lossiemouth, Morayshire. While on the Continent Capt. Denson kept a watchful eye for bells and contributes to our column an article on Copenhagen bells.

Mr. George E. Fearn rang his 1,250th peal for the St. Martin's Guild on March 2nd. It would be interesting to learn whether the late Mr. Ernest Morris rang more than 1,250 peals for the Leicester Diocesan Guild. He certainly rang more than 1,250 in Leicestershire, but the Leicester Guild was not formed until 1946, and its predecessor, the Midland Counties Association, of which Ernest was secretary for 21 years, was then also divided between Midland Counties Guild, Derbyshire Association and Southwell Diocesan Guild.

The youngest member, of Godalming, Surrey, 12-year-old Nicoli Stroud, has called her first quarter of Grandsire Triples—and faultlessly, too, writes her mentor.

Owing to leaks in the balancing tank at St. Albans Cathedral, caused by the severe winter, the tank had to be emptied and it was only considered safe to ring the front bells. Rumour has it that dexterous use of large quantities of chewing gum has now committed all the bells to be rung again.

In a tube train between Charing Cross and Euston, via Victoria, High Street Kensington, Paddington, Edgware Road and Baker Street, on March 6th a quarter peal of Plain Bob Minor was rung 'in hand' by Mary Taylor 1—2, P. Cattermole (cond.) 3—4, J. C. Eisel 5—6. Umpires: Pauline Fennell and Yvonne Edwards. This is believed to be the first 'in hand' on an underground train, and possibly the first mobile quarter in London. It was rung during London University Rag Week.

Old Tom Dexter, one of the leading bell founders of his day, has a fine testimonial to his work at Leeds Parish Church. Despite a long draught, a very rocking tower and great weight, no trouble was experienced by a band, which included five minors, in scoring a peal of Bob Major on the back eight after meeting short for Royal. Tom Dexter, writes R. H. D., hung the present ring in 1932, and the tenor again in 1949. Strangely, he was not a ringer in the true sense, but he raised and set the 42 cwt. bell by the wheel, to the amazement of the spectators.

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TEN BELL PEALS

BIRMINGHAM.
ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.
On Sat., March 2, 1963, *in* 3 *Hours and* 16 *Minutes,*
At the Cathedral Church of St. Philip,
A PEAL OF 5040 ROCHESTER SURPRISE ROYAL
Tenor 31 cwt. 21 lb. in D.

Edward W. Colley	*Treble*	Charles A. S. Webb ..	6
Muriel Reay	2	*George E. Fearn	7
Roderick W. Pipe	3	David J. Purnell	8
Norman J. Goodman ..	4	John A. Anderson	9
Frederick Ross	5	Peter Border	*Tenor*

Conducted by Peter Border.
* 250th peal of Royal, and 1,250th peal for the Guild. First in the method for the Guild, and by all.

BIRMINGHAM.
ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.
On Thurs., March 7, 1963, *in* 3 *Hours and* 7 *Minutes,*
At the Cathedral Church of St. Philip,
A PEAL OF 5040 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE ROYAL
Tenor 31 cwt. 21 lb. in D.

Muriel Reay	*Treble*	George E. Fearn	6
*Susan Funnell..	2	Roderick W. Pipe	7
Frank E. Haynes	3	David J. Purnell	8
*Edward W. Colley ..	4	Charles A. S. Webb.. ..	9
Frederick Ross	5	Peter Border	*Tenor*

Conducted by Peter Border.
* First peal of Yorkshire Royal.

EIGHT BELL PEALS

AUGHTON, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Feb. 16, 1963, *in* 2 *Hours and* 55 *Minutes,*
At Christ Church,
A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES
Tenor 14 cwt.

*Frederick Pearson ..	*Treble*	Terence M. FitzGerald..	5
†Dennis R. Jones	2	Kenneth J. Hesketh ..	6
John R. Lunham	3	Thomas W. Hesketh ..	7
Robert L. Larkey	4	Harry Moorcroft	*Tenor*

Composed by J. W. Washbrook. Conducted by Thomas W. Hesketh.
* 25th peal. † First in the method.
Rung to celebrate the 90th birthday of Mr. W. Larkey.

LLANBADARN FAWR, CARDIGANSHIRE.
THE UNIVERSITY OF WALES SOCIETY.
On Sat., March 2, 1963, *in* 3 *Hours,*
At the Church of St. Padarn,
A PEAL OF 5088 KENT AND OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR
Ilkeston variation. Tenor 13 cwt.

*Peter K. Else..	*Treble*	Peter F. T. Smith (Aber.)	5
(Aberystwyth)		W. Gwyn Thomas (Aber.)	6
*Richard Hedges (Aber.)	2	Colin A. Lewis (Aber.) ..	7
Gillian E. Graney (Aber.)	3	Donald R. Marshall ..	*Tenor*
David W. Beard (Aber.)	4	(Bangor)	

Composed by Nolan Golden. Conducted by David W. Beard.
* First peal of Major. First of Treble Bob for the Society.
A compliment to Canon D. H. Lloyd, Vicar of Llanbadarn Fawr, recently appointed Archdeacon of St. David's.

ST. IVES, HUNTINGDONSHIRE.
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., March 9, 1963, *in* 2 *Hours and* 57 *Minutes,*
At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF 5152 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 12 cwt. 4 lb. in G.

Paul Cattermole	*Treble*	T. Reginald Dennis ..	5
*C. Gay Williams	2	John C. Eisel	6
*E. Jane Sibson..	3	Derek E. Sibson	7
*Peter H. Langton	4	Philip Mehew	*Tenor*

Composed by R. F. B. Speed. Conducted by Derek E. Sibson.
* First peal in the method.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.
THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Tues., March 12, 1963, *in* 3 *Hours and* 12 *Minutes,*
At the Church of the Holy Trinity.
A PEAL OF 5024 TRING SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 23 cwt. 3 qr. 8 lb. in D.

Pamela R. Gough	*Treble*	Stanley G. Ponting.. ..	5
E. Jane Sibson	2	Derek E. Sibson	6
William T. Beeson	3	George Francis..	7
Edgar R. Rapley	4	W. Leslie Weller	*Tenor*

Composed by R. F. B. Speed. Conducted by Derek E. Sibson.
First peal in the method by all the band, and for the Guild.

BIRMINGHAM.
ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.
On Thurs., March 14, 1963, *in* 2 *Hours and* 47 *Minutes,*
At the Cathedral Church of St. Philip,
A PEAL OF 5088 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 10 cwt. in A.

Muriel Reay	*Treble*	Roderick W. Pipe	5
*Susan Funnell	2	Charles A. S. Webb.. ..	6
Norman J. Goodman ..	3	Frederick Ross	7
Edward W. Colley ..	4	George E. Fearn	*Tenor*

Composed by C. J. Sedgley (No. 20).
Conducted by Roderick W. Pipe.
* First peal of Bristol.

ERITH, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Fri., March 15, 1963, *in* 2 *Hours and* 48 *Minutes,*
At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist,
A PEAL OF 5056 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR
Tenor 15 cwt. in G.

*James T. Stevens	*Treble*	Bernard F. L. Groves ..	5
Arthur G. Mason	2	Ian H. Oram	6
*D. Paul Smith..	3	Trevor A. Cross	7
Frederick J. Cullum ..	4	John W. Smith	*Tenor*

Composed by G. H. Cross. Conducted by Ian H. Oram.
* First peal in the method.
Birthday compliments to Arthur G. Mason and Frederick J. Cullum.

BIRMINGHAM.
ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.
On Sat., March 16, 1963, *in* 3 *Hours and* 22 *Minutes,*
At the Cathedral Church of St. Philip,
A PEAL OF 5088 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 31 cwt. 21 lb. in D.

Roderick W. Pipe	*Treble*	George E. Fearn	5
John Pinfold	2	Norman J. Goodman ..	6
Charles A. S. Webb ..	3	John A. Anderson	7
Frederick Ross	4	Peter Border	*Tenor*

Composed by S. J. Ivin. Conducted by Peter Border.

CHILHAM, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., March 16, 1963, *in* 3 *Hours and* 13 *Minutes,*
At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF 5408 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR
In nine methods, comprising 1,024 London, 800 Watford, 768 Bristol, 640 Cambridge, 512 each Dorchester and Pudsey, 416 Cassiobury, 384 Superlative and 352 Lincoln; with 123 changes of method, and all the work of each method for each bell. Tenor 18¾ cwt. in E.

Ann Jenner	*Treble*	*Stanley Jenner	5
*Doris E. Colgate	2	*Ian H. Oram	6
*Arthur S. Richards ..	3	Thomas Cullingworth..	7
*Ralph Bird	4	*Philip A. Corby	*Tenor*

Composed by Albert J. Pitman. Conducted by Ian H. Oram.
* First peal of 9-Spliced on this plan.

ARUNDEL, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Tues., March 19, 1963, *in* 3 *Hours and* 7 *Minutes,*
At the Church of St. Nicholas,
A PEAL OF 5056 DOVER SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 13 cwt. 3 qr. 4 lb. in F.

Leonard Stilwell	*Treble*	Stanley G. Ponting.. ..	5
E. Jane Sibson	2	Derek E. Sibson	6
Robert Wake	3	George Francis..	7
William T. Beeson	4	W. Leslie Weller	*Tenor*

Composed by C. J. Sedgley. Conducted by Derek E. Sibson.
First peal in the method (Corrigan, No. 102).

MANCHESTER.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Wed., March 20, 1963, *in* 2 *Hours and* 45 *Minutes,*
At the Church of St. John-the-Evangelist, Miles Platting,
A PEAL OF 5120 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 12 cwt. 22 lb. in G.

*Margaret Wright	*Treble*	Neil Bennett	5
†Edna M. Poulter	2	John Robinson..	6
‡Derek J. Marshall ..	3	§Jeffrey Brannen	7
†Derek A. Ashton	4	Derek Butterworth ..	*Tenor*

Composed by T. B. Worsley. Conducted by Neil Bennett.
* First peal of Treble Bob. † First in the method. ‡ First of Major in the method. § First of Major, and of Surprise.

BIRMINGHAM.
ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.
On Thurs., March 21, 1963, *in* 2 *Hours and* 36 *Minutes,*
At the Cathedral Church of St. Philip,
A PEAL OF 5088 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 10 cwt. in A.

Muriel Reay	*Treble*	Frederick Ross..	5
Roderick W. Pipe	2	Norman J. Goodman ..	6
Susan Funnell	3	Charles A. S. Webb.. ..	7
Edward W. Colley	4	George E. Fearn	*Tenor*

Composed by S. J. Ivin. Conducted by Roderick W. Pipe.

CHILVERS COTON, WARWICKSHIRE.
THE COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thurs., March 21, 1963, *in* 2 *Hours and* 37 *Minutes.*
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
Pritchard's. Tenor 13 cwt. 1 qr. 13 lb.

*WILLIAM J. DAY	*Treble*	*CHRISTINE L. MASON	5
JOHN E. LLOYD	2	HARRY M. WINDSOR	6
ARTHUR H. BEAMISH	3	JAMES DRAYCOTT	7
DOROTHY E. BEAMISH	4	LEONARD TREVOR	*Tenor*

Conducted by LEONARD TREVOR.
* First peal attempt, aged 16 years.

MORPETH, NORTHUMBERLAND.
THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Thurs., March 21, 1963, *in* 2 *Hours and* 41 *Minutes,*
AT THE WATCH TOWER.
A PEAL OF 5024 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 10 cwt. 26 lb. in G.

JOHN E. ANDERSON	*Treble*	NORMAN ERRINGTON	5
GEORGE S. DEAS	2	MARTYN L. J. JORDAN	6
*NICHOLAS I. WRIGHT	3	†J. ALAN AINSWORTH	7
ALAN R. PATTERSON	4	ERIC N. HARRISON	*Tenor*

Composed by JOSEPH W. PARKER. Conducted by J. ALAN AINSWORTH.
* First peal of Surprise on an 'inside' bell. † 50th of Cambridge, and 150th peal as conductor.

ROTHERHAM, YORKSHIRE.
THE SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.
(Yorkshire Association.)
On Thurs., March 21, 1963, *in* 3 *Hours and* 30 *Minutes,*
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,
A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR
Middleton's. Tenor 34¼ cwt.

MARGARET BURNS	*Treble*	J. HENRY FIELDEN	5
ELSIE CHADDOCK	2	JOHN N. D. CHADDOCK	6
*NEIL DONOVAN	3	NORMAN CHADDOCK	7
†STUART ARMESON	4	RICHARD A. PRICE	*Tenor*

Conducted by NORMAN CHADDOCK.
* First peal of Cambridge. † First of Cambridge Major 'inside.'
Rung to celebrate the enthronement of the Rt. Rev. John Taylor as Bishop of Sheffield this day.

MALDON, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Fri., March 22, 1963, *in* 2 *Hours and* 54 *Minutes,*
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,
A PEAL OF 5184 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 12 cwt. 2 qr. 2 lb. in F.

IAN FOSTER	*Treble*	*PETER J. CAME	5
JOE E. G. ROAST	2	BERNARD W. FAIRHEAD	6
ANDREW S. HUDSON	3	JAMES L. TOWLER	7
DENNIS A. S. SYMONDS	4	PETER J. EVES	*Tenor*

Composed by FREDERICK DENCH. Conducted by JOE E. G. ROAST.
* First peal of London. First of London on the bells.
Rung for the birth of a daughter (Clare) to Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Harrison.

SHERFIELD ENGLISH, HAMPSHIRE.
THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD
On Fri., March 22, 1963, *in* 2 *Hours and* 39 *Minutes,*
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LEONARD.
A PEAL OF 5056 NAILSTONE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 9 cwt. 57 lb. in A flat.

MALCOLM M. POWELL	*Treble*	RAYMOND HAINES	5
MARY S. TAYLOR	2	MICHAEL J. THOMAS	6
PAULINE FENNELL	3	DAVID E. HOUSE	7
CAROLYN VIBERT	4	ROBERT C. KIPPIN	*Tenor*

Composed by C. J. SEDGLEY. Conducted by ROBERT C. KIPPIN.
First peal in the method by all the band, and for the Guild.

ASHTEAD, SURREY.
THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., March 23, 1963, *in* 2 *Hours and* 50 *Minutes,*
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES,
A PEAL OF 5024 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR
Tenor 12 cwt. 2 qr. in F.

JOHN W. EUSTON	*Treble*	ALAN F. THIRST	5
*GERALDINE C. PIPER	2	DEREK G. ASHRIDGE	6
*MARTYN W. HARBOTT	3	ARTHUR H. SMITH	7
*JOHN L. HAYNS	4	A. PATRICK CANNON	*Tenor*

Composed by A. P. HEYWOOD. Conducted by A. PATRICK CANNON.
* First peal of Double Norwich C.B.

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x 58 x 14 x 56 x 36 x 12 x 38.14.56 x 78. L.-e. 18674523.
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BOUGHTON-UNDER-BLEAN, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., March 23, 1963, *in* 2 *Hours and* 47 *Minutes,*
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL.
A PEAL OF 5152 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR
In six methods, comprising 960 London, 928 Watford, 832 each Cambridge, Superlative and Pudsey, 768 Bristol; with 124 changes of method, and all the work of each method for every bell.
Tenor 12 cwt. 1 qr. 12 lb. in G.

JOHN D. FAIRCLOTH	*Treble*	RALPH BIRD	5
*DORIS E. COLGATE	2	*IAN H. ORAM	6
ARTHUR S. RICHARDS	3	†DENNIS A. CHAPMAN	7
†ANDREW J. CORBY	4	PHILIP A. CORBY	*Tenor*

Composed by ALBERT J. PITMAN. Conducted by PHILIP A. CORBY.
* 50th peal together. † First of 6-Spliced.

CALVERLEY, YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., March 23, 1963, *in* 2 *Hours and* 45 *Minutes,*
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. WILFRID,
A PEAL OF 5090 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 10 cwt. 2 qr. 26 lb. in G.

ROGER J. LUMLEY	*Treble*	B. GILLIAN SCHOFIELD	5
S. BARRY SCHOFIELD	2	BARRY SULLIVAN	6
RODERICK W. PIPE	3	FREDERICK A. MUNDAY	7
*PETER A. KIRKBY	4	ROY BETTLEY-COOKE	*Tenor*

Composed by BRIAN D. PRICE. Conducted by RODERICK W. PIPE.
* First peal of Cambridge.
Rung to celebrate the silver wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. M. Lumley, parents of the treble ringer.

CAYTHORPE, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., March 23, 1963, *in* 2 *Hours and* 53 *Minutes,*
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. VINCENT,
A PEAL OF 5024 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR
Tenor 10 cwt. 3 qr. 3 lb. in F.

JOHN R. KETTERINGHAM	*Treble*	†WILLIAM S. SMITH	5
*JOYCE M. GURNHILL	2	†ANGUS DIXON	6
JACK L. MILLHOUSE	3	GEOFFREY PAUL	7
GEOFFREY R. PARKER	4	LOUIS WILLDERS	*Tenor*

Composed by FREDERICK DENCH. Conducted by JACK L. MILLHOUSE.
* First peal of Kent Treble Bob. † First of Major.

CLIFTON, BEDFORDSHIRE.
THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., March 23, 1963, *in* 2 *Hours and* 54 *Minutes,*
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

PERCY W. TOMPKINS	*Treble*	LEWIS H. BYWATERS	5
ERIC EDMONDSON	2	†DAVID R. SAUNDERSON	6
*RAYMOND J. FULLER	3	GEOFFREY W. MAYES	7
JACK S. DEAR	4	MARTIN MAJOR	*Tenor*

Composed by E. W. TIPLER. Conducted by MARTIN MAJOR.
* First peal of Major. † First of Major 'inside.' First of Major as conductor, first attempt. Tenor 11 cwt.
Rung as a birthday compliment to Lewis H. Bywaters.

COLEMAN'S HATCH, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., March 23, 1963, *in* 2 *Hours and* 53 *Minutes,*
AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY.
A PEAL OF 5152 SOUTHGATE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 11 cwt. 2 qr. 2 lb. in G.

REGINALD E. LAMBERT	*Treble*	MONTY W. GILBERT	5
CYRIL S. JARRETT	2	ROBERT T. LAMBERT	6
ERNEST J. LADD	3	BERNARD F. L. GROVES	7
THOMAS E. SONE	4	MARTIN L. HOWE	*Tenor*

Composed by G. LEWIS. Conducted by BERNARD F. L. GROVES.
First peal in the method by all the band.
Rung as birthday compliments to Joanne Elizabeth Needs and George Howe.

EARL SHILTON, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., March 23, 1963, *in* 2 *Hours and* 36 *Minutes,*
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. SIMON AND JUDE,
A PEAL OF 5024 WEMBLEY SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 11 cwt. 3 qr. 13 lb. in G.

HUBERT A. ASHLEY	*Treble*	GEOFFREY PRATT	5
RICHARD F. B. SPEED	2	JOHN W. T. TAYLOR	6
DAVID J. ALLEN	3	L. MICHAEL CALLOW	7
PERCY STONE	4	PETER BORDER	*Tenor*

Composed by F. BENNETT. Conducted by PETER BORDER.
First peal in the method for the Guild, and by all except the ringer of the second.

HANBURY, WORCESTERSHIRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., March 23, 1963, *in* 3 *Hours and* 5 *Minutes,*
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN.
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
Tenor 12 cwt. 1 qr. 25 lb. in F sharp.

*MARTIN POWELL	*Treble*	ARTHUR BERRY	5
*CATHLEEN HEANEY	2	REGINALD J. WOODYATT	6
*JOHN E. WHITTALL	3	ALLEN MORGAN	7
GEORGE EVENDEN	4	PAUL CATTERMOLE	*Tenor*

Composed by J. E. BURTON. Conducted by PAUL CATTERMOLE.
* First peal of Major.
The quarterly peal for the Western Branch; rung as a welcome to Rev. J. C. Cunningham, Rector of Hanbury.

HARROW WEALD, MIDDLESEX.
MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. & LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., March 23, 1963, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes,
At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF 5024 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 7 cwt. 3 qr. 3 lb.

John E. Rootes	*Treble*	William A. Yates	5
Elsie K. Hart	2	James Linnell	6
Vernon Green	3	Christopher W. Woolley	7
H. George Hart	4	George W. Holland	*Tenor*

Composed by G. Lindoff. Conducted by Christopher W. Woolley.

KNOWLE, WARWICKSHIRE.
ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.
On Sat., March 23, 1963, in 2 Hours and 22 Minutes,
At the Church of SS. John-the-Baptist, Lawrence and Anne.
A PEAL OF 5056 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 10 cwt. 7 lb. in A flat.

Richard F. Wilkins	*Treble*	George E. Fearn	5
Muriel Reay	2	Norman J. Goodman	6
Charles A. S. Webb	3	Anthony Ager	7
Martin C. Faulkes	4	R. Kingsley Mason	*Tenor*

Composed by Wm. Barton. Conducted by R. Kingsley Mason.

LIVERSEDGE, YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., March 23, 1963, in 3 Hours,
At Christ Church,
A PEAL OF 5184 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 13 cwt. 7 lb. in F.

Angela M. Skidmore	*Treble*	B. Gillian Schofield	5
*Mrs. H. B. Schofield	2	Roderick W. Pipe	6
S. Barry Schofield	3	*Harold B. Schofield	7
†Shirley A. Mudd	4	Roger J. Lumley	*Tenor*

Composed by S. J. Ivin. Conducted by B. Gillian Schofield.
* 50th peal together. † First of London. First of London as conductor.

FIVE AND SIX BELL PEALS

WEST DERBY, LIVERPOOL.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Thurs., Jan. 17, 1963, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,
At the Church of St. James,
A PEAL OF 5040 BEVERLEY SURPRISE MINOR
Being seven different extents. Tenor 12 cwt.

Hubert Richardson	*Treble*	Frederick Pearson	4
Thomas W. Hesketh	2	Kenneth J. Hesketh	5
V. David Jenner	3	Tudor P. Edwards	*Tenor*

Conducted by Tudor P. Edwards.

LONDON, E.C.
THE UNIVERSITY OF LONDON SOCIETY.
On Mon., March 4, 1963, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Vedast, Foster Lane,
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES
Being 42 different extents: eight each of Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, St. Simon's and St. Martin's, four each of Plain Bob, St. Nicholas' and Winchendon Place, and six of Grandsire.
Tenor 16 cwt. 2 qr. 12 lb. in F.

Mary S. Taylor	*Treble*	†Peter J. Bushell	4
*Pauline Fennell	2	John C. Eisel	5
Paul Cattermole	3	Nicholas J. Davies	*Tenor*

Conducted by Paul Cattermole.
* First peal of Doubles. † First 'inside.' First on the bells, a ring of six since the 17th century, and recently restored after war damage.

BRISTOL.
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Thurs., March 7, 1963, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Michael-on-the-Mount, Without,
A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR
Being seven extents in seven methods, viz.: (1) Durham, (2) York, (3) London, (4) Wells, (5) Beverley, (6) Surfleet, (7) Cambridge.
Tenor 14½ cwt.

Henry Taysom	*Treble*	Brynley A. Shackleton	4
Reginald G. Hooper	2	Don C. Exell	5
D. John Hunt	3	Anthony R. Kench	*Tenor*

Conducted by Don C. Exell.
Rung as a wedding compliment to Michael J. Hobbs and Jacqueline A. Reason.

MILTON REGIS, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., March 9, 1963, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes,
At the Church of the Holy Trinity,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being an extent each of London Surprise, Ipswich Surprise, Oxford Treble Bob, Cambridge Surprise, Kent Treble Bob, St. Clement's and Plain Bob. Tenor 10 cwt. 3 qr. 13 lb.

John D. Faircloth	*Treble*	Ralph Bird	4
D. Paul Smith	2	Crawford T. Hillis	5
Thomas Cullingworth	3	Ian H. Oram	*Tenor*

Conducted by Ralph Bird.

CROWLAND, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Mon., March 11, 1963, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes,
At the Church of SS. Guthlac and Bartholomew,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
In seven methods, being one extent of Double Court, Double Oxford, Cambridge Surprise, St. Clement's, Oxford T.B., Kent T.B. and Plain Bob. Tenor 10 cwt. (approx.).

Brian Harris	*Treble*	Edwin T. Chapman	4
Dennis Woods	2	Albert W. A. Leggett	5
George W. Massey	3	Cyril R. Burrell	*Tenor*

Composed by Cyril R. Burrell.

AUGHTON, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Thurs., March 14, 1963, in 2 Hours and 15 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Michael,
A PEAL OF 5040 SURFLEET SURPRISE MINOR
Being seven different extents. Tenor 5¼ cwt.

Robert L. Larkey	*Treble*	Kenneth J. Hesketh	4
Frederick Pearson	2	Thomas W. Hesketh	5
V. David Jenner	3	Tudor P. Edwards	*Tenor*

Conducted by Tudor P. Edwards.

HEREFORD.
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., March 16, 1963, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Nicholas,
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES
In three methods, being five extents of April Day, 15 of Plain Bob and 22 of Grandsire. Tenor 11 cwt.

*Kenneth J. Tyler	*Treble*	Leslie H. Colcombe	4
*John F. I. Turney	2	Michael V. Powell	5
Joy Smith	3	Anthony E. Stevens	*Tenor*

Conducted by Michael V. Powell.
* First peal in three methods. First in three methods as conductor.

OSSINGTON, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.
NON-ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., March 16, 1963, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes,
At the Church of the Holy Rood,
A PEAL OF 5040 STORMY WEATHER SURPRISE MINOR
Tenor 6 cwt.

Colin W. Chaulk	*Treble*	Frank McMee	4
Peter Hulme	2	Clement Atkinson	5
Steven W. Merton	3	T. C. P. West	*Tenor*

Conducted by T. C. P. West.

ROWDE, WILTSHIRE.
THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., March 16, 1963, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Matthew,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven different extents. Tenor 11 cwt. 1 qr. 1 lb. in A flat.

*Richard Lovelock	*Treble*	Frederick Box	4
†David Nibbs	2	Robert J. Drewett	5
Phillip S. Gaisford	3	Robert J. Purnell	*Tenor*

Conducted by Robert J. Purnell.
* First peal of Minor. † First of Minor 'inside.'
For the wearing of the green (St. Patrick's Day).

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SANDON, HERTFORDSHIRE.
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., March 16, 1963, *in* 2 *Hours and* 33 *Minutes,*
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

In 14 methods, being three extents each of Westminster II, Blackburn Place, St. Hilary, St. Vedast, New, Huntspill, St. Nicholas, St. Remigius', Winchendon Place, St. Simon's, St. Osmund, St. Martin's, Reverse Canterbury and Plain Bob. Tenor 10 cwt.

TERRY R. HATCHETT	*Treble*	JACK S. DEAR	3
DAVID R. SAUNDERSON	2	J. RICHARD CASTLEDINE	4
PHILIP MEHEW	*Tenor*		

Conducted by J. RICHARD CASTLEDINE.

First peal of Doubles in 14 methods by all the band, in the county, and for the Association.

A compliment to Miss A. Roden, a ringer at this church, on her 21st birthday.

LONDON, E.C.
THE UNIVERSITY OF LONDON SOCIETY.
On Mon., March 18, 1963, *in* 3 *Hours and* 2 *Minutes,*
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. VEDAST, FOSTER LANE,
A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR

In seven methods, being one extent each of Hexham, Berwick, Hull, Norfolk, Primrose, Annable's London and Norwich.
Tenor 16 cwt. 2 qr. 12 lb. in F.

PAULINE FENNELL	*Treble*	JOHN C. EISEL	4
E. JANE SIBSON	2	DEREK E. SIBSON	5
MARY S. TAYLOR	3	BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE	*Tenor*

Conducted by DEREK E. SIBSON.

First peal of Minor on the bells.

ABSON, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Thurs., March 21, 1963, *in* 2 *Hours and* 38 *Minutes,*
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,
A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR

In ten methods, viz.: (1) London and Wells, (2) Durham, (3) York, (4) Berwick and Hexham, (5) Beverley and Surffeet, (6) Primrose, (7) Cambridge. Tenor 10 cwt.

HENRY TAYSOM	*Treble*	ANTHONY R. KENCH	4
*REGINALD G. HOOPER	2	DON C. EXELL	5
*BRYNLEY A. SHACKLETON	3	D. JOHN HUNT	*Tenor*

Conducted by DON C. EXELL

* 100th peal together.

STISTED, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Thurs., March 21, 1963, *in* 2 *Hours and* 45 *Minutes,*
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,
A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR

In 15 methods, being the following extents: (1) Chester, Munden, Newcastle and Alnwick; (2) London, Wells and Cunecastre; (3) Beverley and Surfleet; (4) York and Durham; (5) Cambridge and Ipswich; (6) Primrose; (7) Cambridge. Tenor 9½ cwt.

JENNIFER M. DYE	*Treble*	JOHN A. WARNER	4
*ROBERT J. LINDSELL	2	ALAN R. SYDER	5
DENNIS A. S. SYMONDS	3	PATRICK W. SALTMARSH	*Tenor*

Conducted by PATRICK W. SALTMARSH.

* First peal in 15 methods.

CARLTON COLVILLE, SUFFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., March 23, 1963, *in* 2 *Hours and* 38 *Minutes,*
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB DOUBLES

Being 42 extents (four callings). Tenor 12 cwt. 1 qr. 26 lb. in F.

*LEONARD M. RAPHAEL	*Treble*	*PETER M. SHIPLEY	3
NORMAN P. J. COSSEY	2	MICHAEL J. PARKER	4
†RICHARD C. L. BROWN	*Tenor*		

Conducted by RICHARD C. L. BROWN.

* First peal of Doubles. † 50th peal. First of Doubles as conductor.

CLENT, WORCESTERSHIRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., March 23, 1963, *in* 2 *Hours and* 43 *Minutes,*
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LEONARD.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being extents in seven variations of calling, with no 6-5's at backstroke.
Tenor 11 cwt. 18 lb. in F sharp.

*ALLAN ROBERTS	*Treble*	WILLIAM H. COOPER	4
MICHAEL J. FELLOWS	2	JOHN C. EISEL	5
†CHRIS. F. WOOLDRIDGE	3	MARTIN D. FELLOWS	*Tenor*

Conducted by MARTIN D. FELLOWS.

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

CROSTHWAITE, WESTMORLAND.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., March 23, 1963, *in* 2 *Hours and* 35 *Minutes,*
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In four methods, being one extent of St. Clement's and two each of Oxford T.B., Kent T.B. and Plain Bob. Tenor 10¼ cwt.

NICHOLAS M. NEWBY, JUN.	*Treble*	ALAN CAPSTICK	4
JAMES E. DICKINSON	2	NICHOLAS M. NEWBY	5
JAMES E. BURLES	3	THOMAS F. METCALFE	*Tenor*

Conducted by THOMAS F. METCALFE.

First peal in four methods as conductor.

Rung as a wedding compliment to Miss Beryl Mayor and Mr. Lawrence Clement, married this day at Kendal Parish Church.

DORNEY, BUCKINGHAMSHIRE.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., March 23, 1963, *in* 2 *Hours and* 28 *Minutes,*
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being seven extents in eight methods, viz.: Cambridge Surprise, Oxford T.B., Kent T.B., Double Court, Single Oxford, Double Oxford and St. Clement's, and Plain Bob. Tenor 7 cwt. 2 qr. 13 lb.

FREDERICK R. SCOTT	*Treble*	TONY FORTIN	4
MONICA M. BLAGROVE	2	FRANK T. BLAGROVE	5
WILLIAM BIRMINGHAM	3	J. KEITH WARD	*Tenor*

Conducted by FRANK T. BLAGROVE.

HARSTON, CAMBRIDGESHIRE.
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., March 23, 1963, *in* 2 *Hours and* 36 *Minutes,*
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,
A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR

Being seven extents. Tenor 9½ cwt.

COLIN JOHNSON	*Treble*	JOHN W. WARD	4
PETER WOOLLVEN	2	DENNIS E. PEPPER	5
JOHN E. GOODWIN	3	*ALAN M. BARBER	*Tenor*

Conducted by ALAN M. BARBER.

* 25th peal for the Association.

WOODFORD, WILTSHIRE.
THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., March 23, 1963, *in* 2 *Hours and* 37 *Minutes,*
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents. Tenor 8 cwt.

PAULINE FENNELL	*Treble*	*CAROLYN VIBERT	4
MALCOLM M. POWELL	2	*JOHN R. FAITHFULL	5
MARY S. TAYLOR	3	ROBERT C. KIPPIN	*Tenor*

Conducted by ROBERT C. KIPPIN.

* First peal of Plain Bob Minor. First on the bells.

HANDBELL PEALS

LEICESTER.
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Tues., March 12, 1963, *in* 2 *Hours and* 28 *Minutes,*
AT THE WAYSIDE, 150, NARBOROUGH ROAD SOUTH,
A PEAL OF 5077 STEDMAN CATERS
Tenor size 15 in C.

*ROBERT B. SMITH	1—2	ALFRED BALLARD	5—6
PETER J. STANIFORTH	3—4	JOHN M. JELLEY	7—8
JOHN A. ACRES	9—10		

Composed by FREDK. H. DEXTER. Conducted by PETER J. STANIFORTH.

* First peal of Stedman on handbells.

BARROW-UPON-SOAR, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
(The Humphrey Perkins School Campanological Society.)
On Fri., March 15, 1963, *in* 1 *Hour and* 14 *Minutes,*
AT THE HUMPHREY PERKINS SCHOOL,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven extents. Tenor size 15 in C.

RUPERT A. CLARKE	1—2	DAVID F. MOORE	3—4
B. STEDMAN PAYNE	5—6		

Non-conducted.

BARROW-UPON-SOAR, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
(The Humphrey Perkins School Campanological Society.)
On Sun., March 17, 1963, *in* 1 *Hour and* 35 *Minutes,*
IN THE BELFRY OF THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY NATIVITY,
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Being two extents each of St. Simon, St. Albans, St. Martin, St. Paul, St. Peter, Shareshill, St. Miles, Winchendon, St. Luke, Ryton, Plain Bob, Kennington, April Day, Old, Seighford, Southrepps, Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, Clifford's Pleasure, St. Columb, Little Aston and Grandsire. Tenor size 15 in C.

MALCOLM D. BARSBY	1—2	B. STEDMAN PAYNE	3—4
MICHAEL WHITE	5—6		

Conducted by B. STEDMAN PAYNE.

For St. Patrick's Day.

LEICESTER.
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sun., March 17, 1963, *in* 1 *Hour and* 52 *Minutes,*
AT 29, MANOR ROAD, WIGSTON.
A PEAL OF 5040 DURHAM SURPRISE MINOR
Being seven extents.

JOHN A. ACRES	1—2	JOHN M. JELLEY	3—4
ROBERT B. SMITH	5—6		

Conducted by ROBERT B. SMITH.

First peal of Durham Minor 'in hand' by all the band, and for the Guild. All the band have now completed peals of Durham from Minor to Maximus 'in hand.'

HALF PEALS

DESBOROUGH, NORTHANTS.—On March 22nd, 2,520 Grandsire Triples: Mrs. G. Haycock 1, I. W. Hall 2, G. Wright 3, D. Loake 4, Miss S. Feakin 5, B. Yeomans 6, M. A. Coleman (cond.) 7, Mrs. A. Loake 8. An 80th birthday compliment to Mr. Alfred Tailby.

NEWPORT, MON.—At All Saints' Church, on March 23rd, 2,520 Grandsire Triples: J. Philips 1, J James 2, Mrs. D. J. King 3, R. Smith 4, C. Bainham 5, L. Bainham 6, D. J. King (cond.) 7, R. Owen 8. A welcome to the new Vicar, the Rev. J. A. A. Jones.

ADLINGTON, LANCS.—On March 22nd, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: K. Brindle 1, T. Turner 2, Pauline Turner (first 'inside') 3, K. Stainton 4, M. Arrowsmith 5, B. Moss (cond.) 6.

AYLSHAM, NORFOLK.—On March 17th, 1,280 Plain Bob Major: A. Blyth 1, D. Phillips 2, Freda Willgress 3, R. Cullington 4, W. Dumolo 5, J. Pumphrey 6, D. Pardon 7, B. Willgress (cond.) 8. Rung for the Confirmation of boys from Burebank School by the Bishop of Norwich.

BALDOCK, HERTS.—On March 24th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: J. I. Dear 1, S. Bonnett 2, L. Scoot 3, M. Hopkins 4, E. Buck 5, P. Flack 6, J. S. Dear (cond.) 7, R. Castledine 8. Rung to commemorate the 100th birthday of Mrs. Bonnett, mother of the ringer of 2nd.

BEXLEY, KENT.—On April 17th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Miss J. R. Cox 1, Miss B. M. Foster 2, Miss P. A. Turk 3, K. D. Pearce 4, K. Medhurst 5, Miss M. R. Andrews (cond.) 6. A welcome to the Rev. A. D. Morris, on his appointment as Vicar of St. Mary's.

BRAY, BERKS.—On March 14th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Wenda R. Harris 1, R. A. Blewitt 2, Sylvia Woods 3, Diana L. Harris 4, D. T. Young 5, Doreen Hague (cond.) 6, J. W. Blackwood 7, J. E. Norsworthy 8. Rung as a compliment to Diana L. Harris, upon her engagement to Mr. Francis D. Cartman.

BROOMFIELD, ESSEX.—On March 24th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: G. P. Cowling (first quarter) 1, J. B. Crowe (first 'inside') 2, Marion R. Panton (first 'inside') 3, M. J. Cowling 4, G. Nicholls 5, I. R. Panton (cond.) 6. For Mothers' Day.

CAPEL, SURREY.—On March 21st, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Elizabeth Rumbold (12) 1, Hannah Penfold 2, Barbara Rumbold 3, Alice Ward 4, A. Harman (cond.) 5, P. Ede 6. Rung half-muffled in memoriam Mr. F. Oakshott.

CHESHUNT, HERTS.—On March 17th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss C. Farrington 1, E. Newnhan: 2, D. King (cond.) 3, E. Pickett 4, R. Durrant 5, D. Billimore 6. For Confirmation by the Bishop of Bedford.

COCKINGTON, DEVON.—On Feb. 25th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: A. Stokes (first quarter) 1, B. Shingler 2, Mary Russell 3, R. Preston 4, D. Roberts (cond.) 5, G. Roberts 6.

DONCASTER, YORKS.—On March 24th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: Janet Staveley (first of Major) 1, H. Scott 2, E. Dalingwater 3, F. A. Staveley 4, H. Wagstaff 5, J. McCluskey 6, G. Graham 7, W. E. Critchley (cond.) 8.

DOWNE, KENT.—On March 23rd, 1,320 Plain Bob Doubles: T. Lewis 1, Mavis E. Kirby 2, Katharine M. Guy 3, P. J. Spice 4, M. G. Foster (cond.) 5. First of Doubles for all except ringer of 4th.

DUBLIN, EIRE.—At St. Patrick's Cathedral, on St. Patrick's Day, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: V. R. McCormack (first quarter) 1, H. W. Jones 2, R. I. George 3, W. H. Wilson 4, C. J. Reede 5, J. A. Atkinson 6, T. McMorran (cond.) 7, H. H. Brown 8. A wedding compliment to Viscount Elveden and Miss Miranda Smiley. Rung on the light eight in the ring presented by the first Earl of Ivcagh, grandfather of the bridegroom.

EDMONTON, MIDDX.—On March 17th, 1,260 Plain Bob Major: Pat Rix (first quarter) 1, D. Langdon 2, Trudy Newcombe 3, H. Howson 4, E. Beaucham (cond.) 5, T. Hawkins 6. For Evensong.

ELSTOW, BEDS.—On March 24th, 1,260 Single Oxford Bob: Miss S. Law 1, Miss M. Pettitt 2, S. R. Huckle 3, M. Marriott 4, R. H. French 5, R. F. Law (cond.) 6. For Mothering Sunday. Correction: Elstow (page 173), Miss F. Prole 1. A birthday compliment to Mr. S. R. Huckle, and not as printed.

EPSOM, SURREY.—At Christ Church, on March 21st, 1,260 Plain Bob Triples: Rosemary Blyth 1, Sylvia Marsh 2, Sally Parrott 3, R. E. Fentiman 4, J. Munton 5, D. Herschell 6, W. Parrott (cond.) 7, Adrienne Gibson 8. Rung half-muffled by members of the Sunday service band in memoriam Frank Oakshott, interred this day.

QUARTER PEALS

FINDON, SUSSEX.—On March 21st, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Margaret E. Taylor 1, Angela M. Wright 2, Jean M. Warner 3, D. P. Snoswell 4, B. J. Stone 5, B. G. North (cond.) 6. First of Minor 1, 2 and 4. Rung as a 17th birthday compliment to the conductor and a 91st birthday compliment to Harry Stalham, by a visiting band from St. Peter's, Brighton.

GODALMING, SURREY.—On March 24th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: N. Stroud (first of Triples) 1, Nicolai Stroud (first of Grandsire and Triples as cond.) 2, Rachel Betton-Foster (first 'inside') 3, R. J. C. Hagley 4, J. W. Hagley 5, Elizabeth Stevinson 6, A. C. A. Hunter 7, P. G. Stroud 8. For Mothering Sunday. Called faultlessly by the 12-year-old conductor, who is still the tower's youngest ringer.

GODMANCHESTER, HUNTS.—On March 24th, 1,320 Plain Bob Minor (tenor covering): Mrs. R. Davey 1, Mrs. J. Wells 2, P. Woollven 3, Miss J. Davey 4, A. J. Davey 5, P. E. Wells (first as cond.) 6, G. W. Henson 8. First quarter 1 and 4. A compliment to Margaret Carter and Richard Seale, married at this church the previous day.

GOOLE, WEST YORKS.—On March 21st, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Mrs. J. J. Taylor 1, James Thorley 2, J. Martin Thorley 3, R. Stephenson 4, E. Thorley 5, J. J. Taylor 6, L. M. Woodhead (cond.) 7, G. Waud 8. Rung for the enthronement this day of Lord Bishop of Sheffield.

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HALEWOOD, LANCS.—On Feb. 10th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: K. J. Hesketh 1, Miss H. Simmons 2 J. H. Wilton 3, V. A. Jenner 4, H. Richardson 5, J Robinson 6, T. W. Hesketh (cond.) 7, F. W. Currie 8. Rung half-muffled in memoriam Mrs. M. Houghton, Richard Winstanley and Mrs. E. Robertson.

HASLEMERE, SURREY.—On March 24th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: E. Venton 1, F. Bowden (cond.) 2, Mrs E. Weatherley 3, Mrs. F. Bowden 4, I. Weatherley 5, C. Pound 6, H. Gauntlett 7, R. Burford 8. For Mothering Sunday.

HAWKHURST, KENT.—On March 24th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: E. Baker 1, Mrs. R. Tappenden 2, A. K. Kemp 3, W. Gorringe (cond.) 4, L. W. Jarvis 5, R. Tappenden 6, S. G. Waters 7, B. Stevens (first quarter) 8. For Mothering Sunday.

HERSHAM, SURREY.—On March 24th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss D. Colcombe 1, Miss G. Mooring 2, Miss G. May 3, Mrs. P. Bird 4, H. Colcombe 5, D. Leach 6, J. King (cond.) 7, C. Chinnery 8. For Mothering Sunday.

HILPERTON, WILTS.—On March 15th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: J. Sawtell 1, D. Nibbs (cond.) 2, J. Stillman 3, K. Jones 4, G. Carter 5, J. Beaven (first quarter) 6. Rung to commemorate the Ides of March.

HUTTON, ESSEX.—On March 24th, 1,260 Doubles (seven methods): P. Friend 1, W. T. Hill 2, J. J. Wallet (cond.) 3, C. E. Hill 4, R. G. Jones 5. For Evensong.

LECKHAMPTON, GLOS.—On March 17th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: T. Stephens 1, B. Read (first of Triples 'inside') 2, A. Newman 3, D. Newcombe 4, H. Read (first of Triples 'inside') 5, J. Homfray 6, C. Wratten (cond.) 7, H. Harrison 8. For Evensong.

LISS, HANTS.—On March 24th, 1,440 Grandsire Doubles: Patricia Smith (first away from tenor) 1, Susan Ellenor (first 'inside') 2, A. W. Betsworth 3, B. R. Walton (cond.) 4, D. M. Hughes 5, M. P. Rogers 6. 25th quarter together 4 and 5. For Mothering Sunday.

LLANBADARN FAWR, CARDS.—On March 15th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Gwen Storer 1, Gillian Graney 2, Janice Williamson 3, P. F. T. Smith 4, W. G. Thomas 5, D. W. Beard (cond.) 6, P. K. Else (covering) tenor. Rung before the University College of Wales Arts Festival concert held in this church.

LONDON.—On Feb. 24th, at St. Vedast's, Foster Lane, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: T. G. Pett 1, Gillian Sewell 2, R. Powell 3, J. C. Eisel 4, P. Cattermole (cond.) 5. Rung for Sung Mass.

LONG ASHTON, SOMERSET.—On Jan. 26th, 1,280 Yorkshire Surprise Major: D. G. Yeo 1, P. C. Wright 2, V. G. Roberts 3, M. Press 4, J. H. Gilbert (cond.) 5, P. Bridle 6, R. G. Edwards 7, P. Mehew 8.

MAIDENHEAD, BERKS.—On March 24th, at All Saints', Boyne Hill, 1,260 Stedman Triples: S. Gibson 1, Miss K. North 2, E. R. Gotham 3, Miss D. Seal 4, J. Blackwood 5, E. Gosling 6, A. L. Pearson (cond.) 7, D. Young 8. Rung for Mothering Sunday service, and as a compliment to Mrs. Gosling, mother of ringer of 6th, on her 87th birthday.

MACCLESFIELD, CHESHIRE.—At St. Michael's, on March 24th, 1,320 Plain Bob Maximus: G. Henshaw 1, J. Morlidge 2, H. Lomas 3, H. C. Lonyon (cond.) 4, M. M. Mottershead 5, J. Smith 6, G. Earles 7, D. Wright 8, G. Owen 9, J. Taylor 10, V. J. Norbury 11, F. Yates 12. By the service band for evening service, and to mark the retirement of the treble ringer. First in the method for all except 4, 11 and 12.

MAIDS MORETON, BUCKS.—On March 8th, 1,260 Doubles (Stedman, Plain Bob and Grandsire): G. W. Holland (cond.) 1, Miss G. Smith 2, R. A. Vickers 3, W. A. Yates 4, C. Stopps 5, W. H. Yates 6. Rung half-muffled following the funeral of Herbert Jones (92 years), a ringer at this tower for over 70 years.

OLD WOKING, SURREY.—On March 20th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss G. Mooring 1, Miss P. Drury 2, Miss J. Smith 3, H. Colcombe 4, J. Martin 5, A. D. Leach 6, C. Webb (cond.) 7, D. Pollard 8.

PETERSFIELD, HANTS.—On March 24th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Dawn Handley 1, K. Sansom 2, C. Bassett 3, K. Tipper 4, W. Davison (first as cond.) 5, B. Kercher 6. For Mothering Sunday Evensong.

PONTEFRACT, YORKS.—On March 25th, 1,280 Plain Bob Major: K. B. Sissons 1, G. W. Dyson 2, J. R. Harker 3, Miss D. M. Hawley 4, F. Gledhill 5, E M. Bradley 6, J. Potts 7, J. Weaver (first as cond.) 8.

POYNTON, CHESHIRE.—On March 24th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Rosemary Eccleston 1, C. Jenkins 2, S. Hough jun. 3, D. Welch 4, I. Jenkins 5, E. Holdsworth (cond.) 6. First quarter 1, 2 and 4. Rung at the farewell service for the Rev. E. A. Chapman, who is leaving for Thurston, Suffolk.

SHERBURN-IN-ELMET, YORKS.—On March 17th, 1,260 Doubles (Grandsire and Plain Bob): P. Thomlinson (first quarter) 1, P. Copley 2, A. Sheppard 3, J. Potts 4, K. B. Sissons (cond.) 5, B. Sheppard 6. For Confirmation service.

SOUTHGATE, N.14.—At Christ Church, on March 24th, 1,296 Cambridge Surprise Minor: Diana Belcham 1, Pamela Miller 2, Monica Moore 3, W. Wainwright 4, S. G. Peck 5, D. E. Belcham (cond.) 6. First of Cambridge for 2 and 4. Rung for the annual Mothering Sunday children's service. Also 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Margaret Moore 1, Diana Belcham 2, Monica Moore 3, W. Wainwright 4, M. Stanyon 5, D. E. Belcham (cond.) 6. For Evensong.

STOTFOLD, BEDS.—On March 17th, 1,296 Cambridge Surprise Minor: Verna Rix 1, Audrey Alexander 2, D. Saunderson 3, P. J. Staniforth 4, M. D. Staniforth 5, P. Mehew (cond.) 6. First of Cambridge for 1, 2 and 3. Rung for Confirmation service. Also on March 24th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: G. Goodwin 1, M. D. Staniforth 2, D. Saunderson 3, Audrey Alexander 4, P. Mehew (cond.) 5, R. V. Webb 6. For Evensong on Mothering Sunday.

THRYBERGH, YORKS.—On March 21st, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: D. Burling 1, F. Pickering 2, W. Green 3, F. Brunt 4, B. Heppenstall 5, G. W. Pilkington 6. Conducted by 5 and 6. Rung to celebrate the enthronement of the Right Rev. John Taylor as Bishop of Sheffield.

WARNFORD, HANTS.—On March 23rd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: M. Butler (first quarter) 1, C. E. Bassett 2, Mary White 3, R. A. Stone 4, K. G. Waller (cond.) 5, T. White 6.

WATFORD, HERTS.—On March 24th, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: Sally Holland (first on ten) 1, G. W. Seaman 2, W. G. Paul 3, G. Avent 4, Jennifer Bunyan 5, R. G. Smith 6, R. D. Bell 7, D. Laud 8, R. G. Bell (cond.) 9, S. Laud 10. A compliment to Pam and Peter Pratt on the birth of a daughter, also to Angela and Ted Pascoe on the birth of a son, a grandson for the conductor.

WICKEN, NORTHANTS.—On March 17th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: G. E. Green 1, W. A. Yates 2, F. Vickers 3, R. A. Vickers 4, Major D. Satow 5, T. E. Roberts 6, G. W. Holland (cond.) 7, W. H. Yates 8. For morning service.

WIVELISCOMBE, SOMERSET.—On March 24th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: A. Gale 1, W. Baker 2, W. A. J. Knight (cond.) 3, Mrs. E. S. Powell 4, H. Purchase 5, F. Casley 6, H. Young 7, F. Eastman 8. Rung as a 94th birthday compliment to Mrs. Stone, the oldest inhabitant of Wivelscombe.

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Will our ringing friends please note that our address as from April 21st, 1963, will be 'Esta,' Grundisburgh, Suffolk.—George and Diana Pipe, Melbourne, Australia. 2238

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ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Ely District.—Meeting on Saturday, April 6th, at Burwell. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m.—D. F. Murfet, Dis. Sec. 2202

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—S.W. District.—Quarterly meeting at West Ham, April 6th. Bells (10) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to J. McPhail, 12, Wingfield Road, E.15. 2161

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Farnham District.—Combined practice at Pirbright (6) on Saturday, April 6th, from 6 to 9 p.m.—D. P. Elsmore, Dis. Sec. 2182

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Northern District.—Quarterly meeting at Baldock on April 6th at 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Everyone welcomed.—E. Buck, Dis. Sec. 2179

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Watford District.—Meeting at Elstree, Saturday, April 6th. Bells 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea, please, to Miss J. Bunyan, 139, Mill Way, Bushey 2204

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Tonbridge District.—Quarterly meeting, joint with LADIES' GUILD, Kent Branch, annual meeting at Penshurst on April 6th. Bells from 3 p.m. Tea 4.30 p.m., followed by service and meeting. Names for tea to Mr. L. P. Goater, 3, Pioneer Cottages, Smarts Hill, Penshurst.—W. H. Dobbie, Dis. Sec. 2174

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—North and East District.—Saturday, April 6th, Edmonton. Ringing from 3 p.m. Service 4.30, followed by tea and business. Evening ringing till 8.30 p.m.—E. H. Kilby, Dis. Sec. 2177

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—North Bucks Branch.—Monthly practice, Old Bradwell, Saturday, April 6th. Bells (6) from 5.45 p.m.—R. W. Sear, Hon. Sec. 2151

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD.—Quarterly meeting at Boldmere on April 6th. Bells (8) available 3.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Please notify G. E. Fearn, 92, Ettwall Road, Birmingham 28. Phone SPR 1025. 2197

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Northern Division.—Practice meeting, Danehill (6), Saturday, April 6th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15 p.m. Notifications for tea to F. L. Hairs, Norman Cottage, Park Corner, Groombridge. T.N. 438. 2186

SUFFOLK GUILD.—North West District.—Ringing meeting at Rougham (6), Saturday, April 6th. Bells 2.30 to 9 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Meeting follows. Names for tea, **please**, to Mr. L. Wright, Horringer Road Stores, Bury St. Edmunds.—A. F. Ballam, Dis. Sec 2203

SWANSEA AND BRECON DIOCESAN GUILD.—Northern Section.—Meeting, Glasbury, April 6th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea and meeting to follow. Names for tea to M. R. Thomas, 7, Wheat Street, Brecon.—M. R. T.

BARNSLEY & DISTRICT SOCIETY.—Meeting at Cawthorne, near Barnsley, Saturday, April 13th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Tea, please notify, not later than April 10th, Mr. Herman Rusby, Darton Lane, Cawthorne, Barnsley. 2246

SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.—North Notts District.—Meeting at Everton (6), Saturday, April 13th. Names for tea by 10th to Mr. A. Wilson, Old Post Office Street, Everton, Doncaster.—H. Denman. 2245

BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.—Annual general meeting at Crewkerne, Easter Monday, April 15th. Service 12 noon. Lunch and meeting at Crewkerne Secondary Modern School. Names for lunch (5s.) and tea (2s. 6d.) essential, enclosing stamped, addressed envelope, to General Secretary. Bells available: Haslebury Plucknett (6) 10.30-11.30 a.m., Merriott (6) 10.30-11.30 a.m. and 5.30-8 p.m., Winsham (8) 10.30-11.30 a.m. and 5.30-7.30 p.m., Crewkerne (8) 11 a.m.-12 noon and 5.30-8 p.m., Hinton St. George (6) and North Perrott (6) 5.30-8, Broadway (5), Dowlish Wake (5), Chaffcombe (5), Chard (8) 6-8, Kingstone (6), Seavington St. Mary (6), Ilminster (8), Shepton Beauchamp (8), South Petherton (8) and Norton-sub-Hamdon (6) 6.30-8.30 p.m. G. Salmon, Gen. Sec., 9, Kennion Road, Wells, Somerset. 2244

CUMBERLAND AND NORTH WESTMORLAND ASSOCIATION

Annual General Meeting, Crosthwaite, Keswick, on Easter Monday, April 15th. Bells available 1 p.m. Service 3.45. Tea 4.30 A.G.M. 5.30 p.m.

Imperative that those requiring tea inform Mr. J. W. Brownrigg, 14, Greta Hamlet, Keswick, Cumberland, on or before April 11th, as there will be no other means of obtaining refreshment. 2184

DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION (Chesterfield District) and SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.—Joint meeting at Staveley, Easter Monday, April 15th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by April 13th, **please**, to Mrs. D. Smith, 73, Railway Cottages, Staveley, Derbys.—M. Phipps, J. Seager, Secs. 2190

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Annual general meeting at Huntingdon, Easter Monday, April 15th. Ringing arrangements—Route 1: Woodston (6) 10 to 11 a.m., Stanground (6) 11.15 a.m.-12.15 p.m., Whittlesey St. Mary (8) 12 noon-1.30 p.m., Whittlesey St. Andrew (8) 12.30-1.45, Warboys (6) 1.30-3, Godmanchester (8) 2.45-4. Huntingdon All Saints' (6) 3.45-4.15 p.m.; Route 2: Somersham (6) 10-11.30 a.m., Holywell (6) 11 a.m.-12 noon. St. Ives (8) 12 noon-1.30 p.m., Fenstanton (5) 1-2, Hemingford Grey (6) 1.45-2.45, Hemingford Abbots (6) 2.15-3.15, Godmanchester (8) 2.45-4, Huntingdon All Saints' 3.45-4.15. Service 4.15, Huntingdon All Saints'. Tea 5 p.m. All Saints' Parish Room, Ferrars Road. General business meeting after tea. Tickets for tea 3s. each, with stamped, addressed envelope, from Gen. Sec. Huntingdon St. Mary's (8), Huntingdon All Saints' and Brampton (6) towers open after tea. Ringing Masters will be in every tower.—H. S. Peacock, General Secretary, 8, Roscrea Terrace, St. John's Street, Huntingdon. 2194

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Easter Monday, April 15th, 1963, annual general meeting at Tonbridge. Service in Parish Church 12 noon, **preacher the Lord Bishop of Rochester.** Luncheon and meeting, Dowgate Hall. Luncheon tickets, agenda, details of ringing times at 15 towers shortly available from Mr. B. W. May, 'Kenhston,' Keycol Hill, Bobbing, Sittingbourne, Kent. Luncheon tickets 9s. each. Reduced prices for children of members. Please state age of children when applying.—P. A. Corby, Hon. Gen. Sec., 10, The Close, Montreal Park, Sevenoaks, Kent (phone 52638). 2125

LLANDAFF & MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Annual general meeting at Llandaff on Easter Monday, April 15th, 1963. Bells 2 p.m. Service in the Cathedral at 4 p.m., followed by tea and meeting. Cathedral

bells and St. John's, Cardiff, available after meeting. Numbers for tea, please, by Tuesday, April 9th, to M. J. Pryor, Hon. Sec., 43, Downton Road, Rumney, Cardiff. 2129

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.—Annual meeting at Worcester on Easter Monday, April 15th. Service at All Saints', 11 a.m. Business meeting in College Hall, 12.15 p.m. (Coffee available after the meeting if possible.) Bells available: All Saints' (10) 10-11 a.m. and 7-9 p.m., St John's (8) and St. Swithun's (6) 2.15-4.30, Cathedral (12) 6-7.30, Powick (6) 2.3.30, Leigh (6) 2.30-4, Hallow (8) 3-4, Grimley (6) 3-4.30, Ombersley (6) 3.30-4.30, Claines (10) 2.15-4.30. Tea at the Old Pheasant Inn, New Street, at 5 p.m. (5s.), for those who notify me **before Thursday, April 11th.**—D. Beacham, Gen. Sec., Goodiers Lane, Twyning, near Tewkesbury, Glos. 2226

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. — Northern District.—Meeting, West Tanfield (6), Easter Monday. Bells from 2.30 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. W. H. Johnson, Station House, West Tanfield, Ripon, by Thursday, April 11th.—Edward Hudson, Hon. Sec. 2249

COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.—Coventry Cathedral Festival, April 20th. Ringing arrangements:

Route 1.—Salford Priors 10-11 a.m., Bidford-on-Avon 10.30-11.30, Stratford-on-Avon 10.45-11.45 a.m., Warwick (St. Nicholas') 12 noon-1.30 p.m., Warwick (St. Mary's) 1-2 p.m.

Route 2.—Brailes 10-11 a.m., Tysoe 10.45-11.45, Butlers Marston 11.30 a.m.-12.30 p.m., Harbury 12.15-1.15, Leamington Spa 1-2 p.m.

Route 3.—Atherstone 10-11 a.m. Nuneaton 10.45-11.45, Chilvers Coton 11.30 a.m.-12.30 p.m., Bulkington 12.15-1.15, Bedworth 1-2 p.m.

Route 4.—Dunchurch 10-11 a.m., Newbold 11.30 a.m.-12.30 p.m., Monks Kirby 12.15-1.15, Brinklow 1-2 p.m.

Also Wootton Wawen 11.30 a.m.-12.30 p.m., Rowington 1-2, Stoke and Allesley 1-2.30, Kenilworth, Stoneleigh 1-2.15 p.m.

After tea: Church Lawford 6-7, Newbold-on-Avon 6.30-7.30, Willoughby 7-8, Stoneleigh 6-7, Kenilworth 6.30-7.30, Whitnash 7-8, Sherbourne 6-7, Snitterfield 6.30-7.30, Wellesbourne 7-8, Berkswell 6-7, Coleshill 7-8, Stoke, Allesley 6-8, Warwick (St. Nicholas' and St. Mary's) 6.30-8.30, Nuneaton, Chilvers Coton and Stratford-on-Avon 7-8.30 p.m. One or two more towers may be available by next week.—H. M. Windsor. 2240

EAST GRINSTEAD AND DISTRICT GUILD.—Meeting, Saturday, April 20th, at Oxted (6), 3.15-4.45 p.m. Limpsfield (6), 6.30-8.30 p.m. Tea for those who notify B. E. Jeffrey, 34, Hever Road, Edenbridge, by April 18th. 2256

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.—A.G.M. at Henbury, Saturday, April 20th, at the Manor School 2 p.m. Tea 4.30, Blaise Castle Tea Rooms, 4s., which must be paid in advance to Mr. J. Tyers, 80, Crow Lane, Henbury, Bristol. Association service 6 p.m. Towers open: Warmley and Thornbury, 10.30-11.30 a.m.; Mangotsfield and Olveston, 11 a.m.-12 noon: St. Ambrose's, Winterbourne and Coalpit Heath, 11.30 a.m.-12.30 p.m.; Almondbury and Filton, 12 noon-1 p.m.; Henbury 10.30 a.m. onwards. Nominated to be Master, The Rev. F. F. Rigby, M.A., B.Sc., M.Ed., Rector of Bromsberrow.—Charles Rouse, Gen. Sec. 2235

DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION. — Annual general, Derby, Saturday, April 20th. Bells available: St. Alkmund's (8), 2-3.15 p.m.; Cathedral (10), 3.15-4.15; St. Peter's (8), 4-4.15 and after meeting. Service in St. Peter's Church at 4.30 p.m. followed by tea and meeting in St. Peter's Parochial Hall. Names for tea to Mr. A. Mould, 22, Silver Lane, Elvaston, Derby, by April 18th, please.—B. P. Morris, Sec. 2251

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Chertsey District.—Meeting at Walton-on-Thames on Saturday, April 20th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to Mrs. V. Lathbury, 15, Russell Road, Walton-on-Thames, by the previous Wednesday. 2241

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Annual general meeting at Berkhamsted on Saturday, April 20th. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. in St. Peter's Hall, followed by business meeting. Notice of resolution (Rule 2): That the annual subscription of Ringing Members shall be five shillings. Names for tea must be sent to Mr. G. Rees, 23, High Ridge Road, Hemel Hempstead, Herts, by Thursday, April 18th. Ringing arrangements: Flamstead (6), 9-11 a.m.; Sarratt (5), 9-11; King's Langley (8), 10 a.m.-12 noon; Redbourn (6), 10 a.m.-12 noon; Great Gaddesden (6), 11 a.m.-1 p.m.; Hemel Hempstead (8), 12 noon-2 p.m.; Tring (8), 2-4; Apsley (6), 2-4 and 7-8.30; Berkhamsted (8), 3-4.30 and after tea until 8.30; Northchurch (8), 7-8.30 p.m.—A. R. Agg, Gen. Sec. 2222

LADIES' GUILD.—Devon Branch.—Annual meeting at Eggbuckland, Plymouth, on April 20th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m., followed by tea and meeting. Names for tea, please, by Tuesday, 16th, to Miss Y. Porter, 17, Hillside Road, Saltash, Cornwall. Gentlemen welcomed. 2227

LADIES' GUILD.—Lincolnshire Branch.—Annual meeting at Willingham-by-Stow, near Gainsborough, Saturday, April 20th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 o'clock. Names to Mrs. G. Bingham, Grange Farm, Willingham-by-Stow, near Gainsborough, Lincs. not later than Tuesday, April 16th.—Mrs. A. Richardson, Hon. Sec. 2243

LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Annual general meeting in Leicester, April 20th. Ringing arrangements: Leicester, St. Margaret's (12), 1.30-3 p.m.; Leicester, All Saints' (8), 2.30-3.45; Humberstone (6), 2.30-3.45; Leicester Cathedral (12), 3-4.10; Leicester, St. John-the-Divine (10), 7.30-9. Service, Leicester Cathedral, 4.15. Preacher, the Lord Bishop of Leicester. Tea (adults 3s., juniors (under 16) 2s.) at 5 p.m., in Alderman Newton's Boys' School Dining Centre (21, St. Martin's), which is adjacent to Cathedral. The meeting will follow. Important business includes election of TWO vice-presidents, and alterations to rule relating to peal fees. For full agenda see annual report for 1962. Cars may be parked in Alderman Newton's Boys' Schoolyard (west side of Cathedral), entrance in Peacock Lane, opposite bus station. Accommodation for tea limited to 140. Names must be sent to Mrs. P. J. Staniforth, 150, Narborough Road South, Leicester (Tel.: Leicester 823140), by Wednesday, April 17th. **No name no tea.**—B. G. Warwick, Hon. Gen. Sec. 2250

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.—Southern Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Stoke Rochford and Skillington, Saturday, April 20th. Bells (5) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Monday, 15th, to the Bishop of Grantham, Stoke Rochford, Grantham, Lincs. Special methods: Original and Reverse New Bob.—F. G. Vickers, Hon. Sec. 2252

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Southern Branch.—Meeting at Kenninghall, Saturday, April 20th. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday, April 17th, to C. F. W. Phillippo, 1, Council Houses, Bunwell, Norwich, NOR 01X. 2234

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.—Wellingborough Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Doddington, April 20th. Important business. Names for tea by previous Tuesday to Mr. C. Sharpe, Glebe Farm, Great Doddington. 2247

SUFFOLK GUILD.—Annual general meeting, Ipswich, Saturday, April 20th. St. Clement's, 2.30 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m.; St. Lawrence's, 2.15 to 3; St. Mary-at-Quay, 2.15 to 4; St. Margaret's 3.30 to 4.30; St. Mary-le-Tower, 7 to 9; St. Matthew's, 7 to 9. Service, St Margaret's, 4.30. Tea and business meeting, Manor House, 5 p.m. Names for tea to Mrs. S. R. E. Pipe, Easta, Grundisburgh, Woodbridge, by Friday, April 19th.—J. W. Blythe, Gen. Sec. 2248

WINCHESTER & PORTSMOUTH GUILD.—Winchester and Southampton Districts.—Combined meeting, Saturday, April 20th. Bells: Owlesbury (6), 2 p.m.; Twyford (8), 6. Service 4.15, Twyford. Tea 5 p.m. in Parish Hall, followed by business meetings. Names for tea by April 15th to Miss I. Jetten, 2, Park Lane, Twyford, Winchester. 2242

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. — Annual general meeting, Bacup, April 27th, 1963. Towers available: Christ Church, Bacup (8), 11 a.m. to 3.15 p.m.; St. Saviour's, Bacup (8), 11 a.m. to 3.45 p.m.; St. Nicholas', Newchurch (8), 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.; St. James', Waterfoot (6), 1 to 3.15; St. Mary's, Rawtenstall (8), 1 to 3 p.m.; St. James', Haslingden (8), 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. It would be desirable if local ringers could be in attendance to meet visitors. Service in St. Saviour's Church at 3.45. Preacher: Rev. J. A. Slater, B.A. Tea 4.30 (4s. 6d.) in St. Saviour's School. Names for tea, together with money, to Mr. H. Parkinson, 7, Holme Street, Stacksteads, Bacup, by Friday, April 19th. Tower secretaries are asked to make block orders for their tower and to send a stamped, addressed envelope with their request. Meeting to follow at approximately 5.30 p.m. in St. Saviour's School. 2223

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Annual festival, St. Mary's, Market Drayton, Saturday, May 11th. Service 4 p.m. Preacher: Rev. Grenville Morgan (Vicar of Market Drayton). Tea 5 p.m. in the Church Hall, followed by business meeting. Tickets for tea 5s. each if purchased before May 6th, obtainable from Mr. W. Kerr, 107, Moreton Road, Crewe, Cheshire. Towers available: Market Drayton (8), 2-4 p.m. and after the meeting; Broughton (8), Hodnet (8) and Cheswardine (8), 2-3.30 p.m. and after the meeting by arrangement.—Henry O. Baker, Gen. Sec. 2168

GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.—A meeting of the Exeter Branch will be held at St. David's, Saturday, May 11th. Bells 3 o'clock. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15 p.m. Meeting following. Other dates: 14–9–63 and 14–12–63. 2237

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Dear Sir,—By kind permission of the Vicar and local ringers of St. Peter's, Ashton-under-Lyne, I wish to give notice that an attempt will be made to ring a peal of 11,552 Superlative Surprise Major on Monday, April 15th, 1963. Ringing will commence at 10 a.m.

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