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MODERN WORK.

CENTRAL COUNCIL AND "THE RINGING WORLD."

As our readers will have observed from the agenda published last week, the relations between the Central Council and "The Ringing World" will be formally before the meeting of the former at the Clergy House, Westminster, next Tuesday, and will, we hope, be discussed in an amicable spirit. The terms of the motion which is to be moved are different from those which caused the storm of last year, when the question of recognition was discussed and shelved at Leicester. But since then things have changed. With the rank and file of the Exercise "The Ringing World" from its inception has been popular, and the twelve months that have elapsed since last the Council met have served to modify the attitude of those few gentlemen who, on that occasion, showed a desire to do an injustice to the many thousands of our readers, and, incidentally, to handicap the paper itself.

Few things have stirred the feeling of the Exercise so deeply as that did, and those members of the Central Council officially concerned quickly realised—and for their ready appreciation of the position they must be given credit—that a mistake had been made. The result was that, despite what had happened at the Council meeting, "The Ringing World" was given equality of treatment with its contemporary. And thus the matter has rested during the year.

The resolution which stands on the agenda for next week's meeting is one extending a hearty welcome to "The Ringing World," and noting with pleasure the fact that the peals analysis—one of the chief bones of contention—has been compiled from both ringing papers. Although worded in guarded phrase this resolution, we believe, is intended as an acceptance of the claims of this journal to be treated in all respects officially on equal terms with any other paper devoted to the interests of the Exercise. In that spirit we welcome it as providing us with the recognition we have desired and which, we are egotistical enough to believe, we have merited, and as assuring to our readers that the official communications of the Central Council shall be brought under their notice, and that their peals, published in these columns, shall be, as indeed they must be if the Analysis is to be worth the paper it is written on, officially acknowledged. "The Ringing World" and its readers are factors that cannot be ignored, and the motion to be moved next Tuesday will, in effect, place this upon the minutes of the Central Council. A large majority, if not the whole of the members, will go to this meeting fully cognisant of the feeling of ringers generally upon the subject and they will, we are convinced, be fully in accord with the intention of the resolution which is to be moved.

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OPINION OF OUR MODERN WORK.

Broomfield Vicarage,
Chelmsford,
February 19th, 1912.

Dear Sirs,

I have great pleasure in stating that we are perfectly satisfied with the manner in which you have carried out the work entrusted to you of re-arranging and re-hanging the Broomfield Church Bells.

We consider that the work reflects great credit upon your firm, and believe that your system of hanging the bells reduces the vibration of the steel frame supplied by you to a minimum.

The CHURCHWARDENS unite with ME in this expression of opinion. The BELLRINGERS are also unanimous in their praise of the alterations effected by you.

Yours truly,
CHAS. EDMUNDS,
Vicar of Broomfield.

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EIGHT BELL PEALS.

HEENE, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 27, 1912, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,
At the Parish Church of St. Botolph,

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

Tenor 10½ cwt.

ARTHUR ARNELL... ..Treble	HARRY STALHAM 5
JOHN H. PAICE 2	ALFRED W. GROVES 6
WILLIAM HILLMAN 3	BENJAMIN BASSETT 7
GEORGE J. NORRIS 4	EDMUND H. LINDUP... ..Tenor

Composed by FRANK BENNETT, and
Conducted by E. H. LINDUP.

Rung on the occasion of the wedding of Dr. Palmer and Miss Malcombe. First peal of Major on the bells since the rehanging by Messrs. Warner & Sons.

EASTON NESTON, NORTHANTS.

THE TOWCESTER AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 11, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes,
At the Parish Church,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES ;

*GEORGE BASFORDTreble	J. WILFRED SHARP 5.
FRED HOPPER 2	FRANK ROLLINGS 6
*CHARLES FAULKNER 3	†WILLIAM ROGERS 7
ALBERT J. GREEN 4	THOMAS DENNEYTenor

Conducted by FRED HOPPER.

* First peal of Triples. † First peal. Rung to celebrate the jubilee of the Rector (the Rev. R. C. Collins) as incumbent of the parish.

KENNINGHALL, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, May 12, 1912, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANCES ;

Tenor 16 cwt. 1 qr. 12 lbs.

ERNEST FISHERTreble	ALFRED NEWSON 5
FRED SALTER 2	THOMAS FITZJOHN 6
ALFRED MARCO 3	CHARLES CARTER 7
WILLIAM ADCOCK 4	FRED BURROWS... .. Tenor

Composed by H. HUBBARD, and
Conducted by F. BURROWS.

CHISLEHURST, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, May 13, 1912, in Two Hours and Forty-six Minutes,
At the Church of St. Nicholas,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES ;

PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 17¾ cwt.

THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE, Senr. Treble	*HORACE W. HUMBLE 5
ROBERT BRETT SMITH... .. 2	GEORGE DURLING 6
SPENCER MARSHALL 3	ALFRED JAMES... .. 7
GEORGE FRENCH 4	HARRY DURLINGTenor

Conducted by THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE, Senr.

* First peal with a bob bell.

OLDHAM.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(ROCHDALE BRANCH.)

On Tuesday, May 14, 1912, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,
At the Church of St. Thomas, MOORSIDE,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANCES ;

Tenor 18 cwt. 0 qr. 18 lbs.

ALBERT CLEGGTreble	SAMUEL STOTT... .. 5
FRANK CHAPMAN... .. 2	HARRY HAMPSON 6
JOSEPH OGDEN 3	LUKE HAMPSON 7
FRANK WILD 4	CHARLES PLATTTenor

Composed by C. H. HATFIELD, and
Conducted by HARRY HAMPSON.

HULME, MANCHESTER.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, May 16, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes,
At the Church of St. Philip,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANCES ;

Tenor 12½ cwt.

ALFRED BARNES... ..Treble	HARRY CHAPMAN 5
ALFRED CROSS 2	RICHARD NEWTON 6
WILLIAM HOLBROOK 3	WILLIAM H. COOPER 7
GEORGE D. WARBURTON 4	JOHN T. BOTTRILLTenor

Composed by J. FLEMING, and
Conducted by J. T. BOTTRILL.

First peal as conductor. Rung on Ascension Day.

SHIPTON-UNDER-WYCHWOOD.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

(CHIPPING NORTON DEANERY BRANCH.)

On Friday, May 17, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty-six Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES ;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 15 cwt.

ALBERT TURNER... ..Treble	HARRY COOMBS 5
WALTER LONGSHAW 2	HARRY MILES 6
DANIEL COOMBS 3	REV. CYRIL JENKYN 7
GEORGE BARTLETT 4	ALFRED MILESTenor

Conducted by the Rev. CYRIL JENKYN.

Rung on the eve of the Spring meeting of the Chipping Norton Deanery Branch of the Guild.

BRADPOLE, DORSET.

THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD OF RINGERS.

(WEST DORSET BRANCH.)

On Friday, May 17, 1912, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,
At the Church of the Holy Trinity,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES ;

PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 13 cwt. 0 qr. 9 lbs., in F sharp.

†P HAYDEN BEAMSTreble	ARTHUR HUGHES 5
JOHN THOMAS 2	*ERNEST POWELL 6
†WILLIAM OATES 3	T. HERVEY BEAMS 7
*JOHN ZEALLEY 4	*THOMAS LATHEYTenor

Conducted by T. HERVEY BEAMS.

* First peal of Triples, previous longest length having been 504. † First peal, aged 14 years. Also first peal of Grandsire Triples on the bells.

ASHBY FOLVILLE, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 18, 1912, in Three Hours,
At the Church of St. Mary,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES ;

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

*FRANK TALBOTTreble	JAMES HARRIS 5
MISS LILIAN A. WILLSON 2	*EDGAR VALLANCE 6
*LESLIE WILLARS 3	WILLIAM WILLSON 7
T. HENRY HARDY 4	CONYERS BOULTONTenor

Conducted by WILLIAM WILLSON.

* First peal of Triples.

LONDON.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND
LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, May 18, 1912, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary, BATTERSEA, S.W.,

A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES ;

Tenor 15 cwt.

HAROLD BURTON... ..Treble	GEORGE R. PYE 5
BERTRAM PREWETT 2	ALFRED W. GRIMES 6
GEORGE H. JAYE 3	JAMES E. DAVIS 7
CHARLES T. COLES 4	ERNEST PYETenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS, and
Conducted by BERTRAM PREWETT.

PULBOROUGH, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 18, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

A VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 14 cwt.

GEORGE WOODMAN Treble	WESLEY PETTIFER 5
JAMES BURDFIELD 2	JOHN COOK... .. 6
ALFRED GREENFIELD... .. 3	JOHN NETLEY 7
WILLIAM H. HOLLMAN 4	HARRY J. DOICK Tenor

Conducted by A. GREENFIELD.

Rung on the occasion of the marriage of Mr. G. Knight to Miss E. West, brother to one of the local ringers.

BLACKBURN, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(BLACKBURN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, May 18, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 17 cwt.

FRED HINDLE Treble	WILLIAM MALLINSON 5
*JOHN P. FOULDS 2	JOHN WATSON 6
EMMANUEL DUTESON 3	WILLIAM E. WILLSON 7
ARTHUR TOMLINSON... .. 4	JAMES ASHTON Tenor

Conducted by W. E. WILLSON.

* First peal of Stedman Triples. J. P. Fould's fiftieth peal. Rung on the 34th anniversary of W. Mallinson's first peal. The ringers of 2nd and 5th hail from Colne; the others belong to the local company.

HEENE, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 18, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BOTOLPH,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 10½ cwt.

*ARTHUR WHITE Treble	*THOMAS BURTENSHAW, Senr. 5
HENRY EVANS... .. 2	BENJAMIN BASSETT 6
*JAMES W. WHITE 3	HENRY STALHAM... .. 7
ALFRED W. GROVES 4	EDMUND H. LINDUP Tenor

Composed by G. F. WILLIAMS, and
Conducted by E. H. LINDUP.

* First peal of Major.

STONE, STAFFORDSHIRE.

STOKE ARCHIDIACONAL ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 18, 1912, in Three Hours,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

CARTER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 12 cwt.

*F. CHELL Treble	C. PAGE 5
*T. CHELL 2	*J. GOODALL 6
S. CHURTON 3	P. PRESTON 7
E. LANDON... .. 4	*J. ABBERLEY Tenor

Conducted by S. CHURTON.

* First peal.

CODDENHAM, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 18, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

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

Tenor 16 cwt. 2 qr. 2 lbs., in F sharp.

HUBERT J. DAY Treble	PETER LAFLIN 5
REV. WILLIAM C. PEARSON 2	JAMES BETTS 6
JAMES MOTTS 3	ERNEST F. POPPY 7
CHARLES J. SEDGLEY 4	FREDERICK R. BORRETT... Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF, and
Conducted by JAMES MOTTS.

ALDENHAM, HERTS.

THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 18, 1912, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 15 cwt.

WALTER S. INWOOD Treble	WILLIAM HODGETTS 5
CHARLES N. LEMAN 2	HUBERT EDEN 6
*CHARLES W. SMITH 3	GEORGE N. PRICE 7
FRANK T. MARTIN 4	EDWARD WHITBREAD Tenor

Composed by NATHAN J. PITSTOW, and
Conducted by EDWARD WHITBREAD.

* First peal in the method.

HURST, BERKS.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

(SONNING DEANERY BRANCH.)

On Saturday, May 18, 1912, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

A VARIATION OF J. J. PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 14 cwt. 0 qr. 16 lbs.

*ALBERT PIERCE... .. Treble	JAMES NORTH 5
JOSEPH WHITE 2	HENRY BUNGAY 6
FRANK LUSH 3	ERNEST C. LAMBERT 7
JOHN RANCE 4	JOHN PRINCE Tenor

Conducted by ERNEST C. LAMBERT.

* First peal. This peal was rung as a farewell to James North, who sailed for Australia on May 23rd, the ringers wishing him every success.

KETTERING, NORTHANTS.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 18, 1912, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HEYWOOD'S VARIATION OF THURSTANS'.

*MATTHIAS HOBBS Treble	ROBERT TURNER 5
ALFRED KNIGHT 2	DAVID J. NICHOLS 6
*WILLIAM MACE... .. 3	ARTHUR E. PAYNE 7
CHARLES W. BIRD 4	FREDERICK W. SAWFOOT Tenor

Conducted by ARTHUR E. PAYNE.

* First peal in the method.

KIDDERMINSTER, WORCESTERSHIRE.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, May 18, 1912, in Three Hours,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 25½ cwt.

THOMAS J. SALTER Treble	JOHN SMITH 5
WILLIAM SHORT 2	ROBERT MATTHEWS... .. 6
WILLIAM SHILVOCK... .. 3	CHARLES F. WHITE... .. 7
*WILLIAM SMITH 4	JOHN WOODBERRY Tenor

Conducted by ROBERT MATTHEWS.

* First peal in the method.

THAXTED, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 18, 1912, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 17 cwt.

FREDERICK SUCKLING Treble	HARRY E. BOWERS 5
HARRY P. EMERY 2	ANDREW SHUFFLEBOTHAM 6
FREDERICK C. RADLEY 3	H. WALTER SMITH 7
JOHN T. BARKER 4	EDWARD CLAYDON Tenor

Composed by W. ROYLE, and
Conducted by A. SHUFFLEBOTHAM.

MILVERTON, SOMERSET.
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, May 18, 1912, in Two Hours and Forty-seven Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

GROVES' VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.
Tenor 20 cwt.

W. ANDREWS, JUNR. Treble	WILLIAM CHAPMAN 5
H. NORMAN 2	A. J. ANDREWS 6
R. SCOTT 3	C. R. LILLEY 7
E. CHAPMAN 4	C. NORMAN Tenor

Conducted by C. R. LILLEY.

C. Norman was elected a member of the Association before starting for the peal.

WORKSOP, NOTTS.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
(SHEFFIELD DISTRICT SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, May 18, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes,
AT THE PRIORY CHURCH,

A PEAL OF NORFOLK SURPRISE MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;

Tenor 12½ cwt.

JESSE J. MOSS Treble	GEORGE W. BEMROSE 5
GEORGE W. MOSS 2	WALTER ROBINSON 6
WILLIAM LAMBERT 3	JOHN HOLMAN 7
THOMAS BETTISON 4	JOHN FLINT Tenor

Composed by JAMES PAGET, and
Conducted by JOHN FLINT.

First peal in the method in the county. Rung as a birthday compliment to J. Holman and W. Robinson.

WHITBY, YORKSHIRE.
THE CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, May 19, 1912, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5072 CHANGES;

Tenor 18½ cwt.

*CHARLES WATSON Treble	GEORGE WELLBURN 5
WILLIAM BRECKON 2	GEORGE F. ALEXANDER 6
FRANK S. HODGSON 3	RICHARD DUCK 7
ALBERT COATES 4	JOHN W. LOWTHER Tenor

Composed and Conducted by G. F. ALEXANDER.

* First peal on eight bells.

ROTHERHAM, YORKS.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, May 20, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. STEPHEN, EASTWOOD,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 12½ cwt.

BEN THORP Treble	*WILFRED LLOYD 5
JOSEPH E. SYKES 2	ALBERT C. FEARNLEY 6
SAMUEL WESLEY 3	†R. WILFRED COLLIER 7
CLEMENT GLENN 4	JOHN H. BROTHWELL Tenor

Conducted by R. WILFRED COLLIER.

* First peal in the method. † First peal in the method as conductor.

SIX BELL PEALS.

WRENTHAM, SUFFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, May 14, 1912, in Two Hours and Forty-five Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being two 720's each of Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, and three of Plain Bob, each called differently. Tenor 10½ cwt.

GEORGE E. NAUNTON ... Treble	JOHN O'NEILL 4
FREDERICK C. LAMBERT ... 2	JOHN SPENCER 5
FRANCIS W. NAUNTON ... 3	JOHN LARTER Tenor

Conducted by JOHN LARTER.

First peal in three methods on the bells. Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. Albert James Naunton on his 68th birthday. He is a member of the local company and father of the ringers of the treble and third.

LANE END, BUCKS.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
(EAST BERKS AND SOUTH BUCKS BRANCH.)

On Wednesday, May 15, 1912, in Two Hours and Thirty-two Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Grandsire and Oxford Bob, and five 720's Plain Bob. Tenor 6 cwt. 0 qr. 6 lbs., in B.

WILLIAM BOWNES Treble	RICHARD BUCKLAND 4
RICHARD BOLTON 2	ROBERT H. YOUNG 5
FREDERICK BOLTON 3	GEORGE F. WILLIAMS ... Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE F. WILLIAMS.

ROYDON, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, May 15, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being three 720's Oxford and four of Kent. Tenor 8 cwt.

*WILLIAM MORRIS Treble	†JOHN SMITH 4
HARRY BOTTRILL 2	ISAAC CAVILL 5
GEORGE DENT 3	†HARRY SMALE Tenor

Conducted by I. CAVILL.

* First attempt for a peal. † First peal of Minor

GAYWOOD, KING'S LYNN, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, May 17, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. FAITH,

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Seven differently-called 720's. Tenor 12 cwt.

CREAK SHIPP Treble	TOM GREENACRE 4
WILLIAM MITCHELL 2	B. M. TARGETT 5
PERCY JOHNSON 3	GEORGE HAWES Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE HAWES.

First peal on the bells, and by all the ringers, who are the company practising at the church.

CLIFTON REYNES, BUCKS.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
(NORTH BUCKS BRANCH.)

On Saturday, May 18, 1912, in Two Hours and Forty-four Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of London Scholars' Pleasure, College Exercise, College Pleasure, Violet, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent.

BERNARD FISHER Treble	EDWIN S. MYNARD 4
HENRY W. GAYTON 2	WILLIAM JACQUES 5
FREDERICK J. MYNARD ... 3	CHARLES W. CLARKE ... Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM JACQUES.

First peal as conductor in seven methods.

ALLESLEY, COVENTRY.
THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.

On Saturday, May 18, 1912, in Two Hours and Forty-three Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720's each called differently. Tenor 12 cwt.

*HARRY G. KETTLE Treble	WILLIAM H. BRUNSDON ... 4
JOSEPH H. WHITE 2	CHARLES FREEMAN 5
WILLIAM T. COX 3	ADOLPHUS ROBERTS Tenor

Conducted by A. ROBERTS.

* First peal of Minor.

HANDBELL PEALS.

BURTON-ON-TRENT, STAFFORDSHIRE,
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, May 15, 1912, in Two Hours and Fourteen Minutes,
AT 155, WATERLOO STREET,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES ;

Being 720 each of Oxford Treble Bob, Double Bob, St. Clement's
Bob, Oxford Bob, Grandsire, Canterbury Pleasure and Plain Bob.

CHARLES SANDERS ... 1—2 | ALBERT P. WAKLEY ... 3—4
*WILLIAM SHERCLIFF ... 5—6

Conducted by WILLIAM SHERCLIFF.

Umpire: H. HURDMAN.

* First peal in seven methods and first as conductor. First peal in
seven methods on handbells by all.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, May 16, 1912, in Two Hours and Three Minutes,
IN THE BELFRY OF HOLY TRINITY CHURCH,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES ;

SIR A. P. HEYWOOD'S VARIATION OF THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

ALFRED H. PULLING ... 1—2 | MAURICE SMITHER ... 5—6
JAMES HUNT ... 3—4 | FRANK BLONDELL ... 7—8

Conducted by A. H. PULLING.

Umpire: T. W. RADFORD.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Friday, May 17, 1912, in One Hour and Fifty-eight Minutes,
AT COMMERCIAL HOUSE,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES ;

PISTOW'S VARIATION.

MAURICE SMITHER ... 1—2 | JAMES HUNT ... 5—6
ALFRED H. PULLING ... 3—4 | FRANK BLONDELL ... 7—8

Conducted by A. H. PULLING.

Rung after meeting short for Caters.

LONDON.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, May 17, 1912, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,
AT GEORGE IV, BRUNSWICK STREET, N.E.

A PEAL OF BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANCES ;

Tenor 16 size, in B flat.

MISS ELSIE L. BENNETT... 1—2 | FRANK BENNETT ... 5—6
WILLIAM SHEPHERD ... 3—4 | FRANK I. HAIRS ... 7—8

*ALFRED W. GRIMES ... 9—10

Composed and Conducted by FRANK BENNETT.

Umpires: W. HEWETT and J. E. DAVIES.

* First peal of Bob Royal.

CAMBRIDGE.

THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.

On Saturday, May 18, 1912, in Two Hours and Forty-nine Minutes,
IN THE PRESIDENT'S ROOMS, TRINITY COLLEGE,

A PEAL OF BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANCES ;

REV. A. H. F. BOUGHEY 1—2 | REGINALD O. STREET ... 5—6
REV. H. S. T. RICHARDSON 3—4 | E. MAURICE ATKINS ... 7—8

*J. BRUCE WILLIAMSON ... 9—10

Composed by G. HAYWOOD, and
Conducted by the REV. H. S. T. RICHARDSON.

Umpire: FRANCIS R. WHITE.

* First peal. 50th peal by the Guild.

LAVENHAM, SUFFOLK.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 18, 1912, in Two Hours and Thirty Minutes,
IN THE TOWER OF SS. PETER AND PAUL'S CHURCH,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES ;

ARTHUR SYMONDS ... 1—2 | STEDMAN H. SYMONDS ... 5—6
FREDERICK DEWELL ... 3—4 | W. R. JOHN POULSON ... 7—8

Composed by D. PRENTICE, and

Conducted by S. H. SYMONDS.

Umpire: C. WOODCOCK.

First peal in the method on handbells by all except F. Dewell, who
hails from Bury St. Edmunds. The calling and figures of the peal will
be found in the Norwich Report for 1904, No. 1,357.

We have been asked to insert the three following peals, as they
have not hitherto been published:—

PALGRAVE, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, January 3, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES ;

WILLIAM IRELAND ... Treble | WILLIAM CHENERY ... 5
ERNEST POPPY ... 2 | FRED DAY ... 6
CLEMENT MORE ... 3 | JOHN SOUTER ... 7
GEORGE ARCHER ... 4 | JOHN SMITH ... Tenor

Composed by THOMAS THURSTAN, and

Conducted by JOHN SOUTER.

DISS, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, January 16, 1911, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES ;

GEORGE ARCHER ... Treble | WILLIAM CHENERY ... 5
ARTHUR LEEDER ... 2 | WILLIAM BASON ... 6
WILLIAM IRELAND ... 3 | JOHN SOUTER ... 7
ELLIS HAYWARD ... 4 | JOHN SMITHER ... Tenor

Composed by THOMAS THURSTAN, and

Conducted by JOHN SOUTER.

PALGRAVE, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, February 20, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES ;

CHARLES MILLS ... Treble | THOMAS FORD, SENR. ... 5
THOMAS FORD, JUNR. ... 2 | ALFRED KEEBLE ... 6
CLEMENT MORE ... 3 | JOHN SOUTER ... 7
GEORGE ARCHER ... 4 | JOHN SMITH ... Tenor

Composed by E. TAYLOR, and

Conducted by JOHN SOUTER.

First peal in the method on the bells.

FAR HEADINGLEY, LEEDS.—On May 17th, at St. Chad's Church,
720 Bob Minor: H. Drake 1, Rev. C. C. Marshall (first 720 as conductor)
2, H. Morris 3, — Mann 4, W. Child 5, A. E. Sharman (first 720) 6.

ARUNDEL.—At St. Nicholas' Church, on Sunday, May 12th, 504
Stedman Triples: A. Arnell 1, H. Evans 2, G. H. Lee 3, C. Hills 4, A. W.
Groves 5, Chas. Blackman 6, E. Lindup (conductor) 7, G. Balchin 8.

NUTFIELD, SURREY.—On May 14th, 720 London Surprise Minor:
F. C. Varo 1, O. Gilbey 2, F. Bashford 3, W. Cheesman 4, W. Bashford
5, H. Harman (conductor) 6. First 720 in the method on the bells,
and by all the band.

ST. ALBANS.—The Hertfordshire Association.—On May 13th, on
handbells, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples: G. N. Price (conductor)
1—2, G. E. Howchin 3—4, C. N. Leman 5—6, E. Whitbread 7—8.

Mr. George Bolland and friends, of the Yorkshire Association, will
be in Croydon from Saturday until Tuesday, and will be pleased to
welcome any friends. Their headquarters will be The George IV,
George Street. On Saturday evening they are holding a social, when
any ringers will be heartily welcomed.

CENTRAL COUNCIL.

AGENDA FOR THE ANNUAL MEETING.

The First Session of the Eighth Council (22nd Annual Meeting) will be held on Whitsun Tuesday, 28th May, 1912, in the "Small Hall," of the Church House, Westminster, at 11 a.m. punctually. The morning sitting will be adjourned from 1 p.m. till 2.30 p.m., from which hour the Council will sit if necessary until 5.30 p.m.

The Standing Committee will meet previously at 9.45 a.m. in the same room.

N.B.—The entrance to the Small Hall is from Great Smith Street.

AGENDA 1912.

1. Election of President and of Hon. Secretary and Treasurer.
2. Minutes of the last meeting.
3. Statement of accounts and of sale of publications.
4. Election of honorary members.
5. Introduction of new members to the President.
6. Election of Standing Committee.
7. To receive and discuss the reports of the following committees; and to re-appoint, or alter the constitution of the committees, as may be thought desirable, viz.:—
 - (a) Peal Collection.
 - (b) Church Press.
 - (c) Legitimate Methods.
 - (d) Peal Values.
 - (e) Peals' Analysis.

To discuss the following:—

8. A peal of Minor must consist of at least seven true 720's, and the bells must strike rounds only once at the end of each, and immediately go into the next. The peal may be lengthened by the addition of any number of 720's fulfilling the same conditions, with or without one touch of less than 720 changes to make up some definite number.

9. (a) That a committee of five (?) six-bell ringers be appointed to draw up a scale of points for performances on five and six bells.

(b) That this committee, together with the Peal Values' Committee, try to find a common denominator by means of which the value of such performances, compared with that of peals on higher numbers, can be fixed.

10. That it is desirable to reconsider some of the conditions laid down for the legitimacy of methods as stated on page 18 of "Rules and Decisions," 1904.

11. That this Council, in extending its hearty welcome to the "Ringing World," has heard with satisfaction from the hon. secretary that he has from the first appearance of the paper sent for publication in its columns all essential official notices and reports of the Council, and notes with pleasure that the Analysis of Peals for the past year has been compiled from and has appeared in identical terms in both ringing papers alike.

12. That the hon. secretary of the Council be instructed to write to the Society for the Protection of Ancient Buildings, and request them to meet a deputation from the Council, and discuss the supposed danger to towers caused by substitution steel or iron bell frames for wooden frames. That the hon. secretary also bring to the notice of the Royal Institute of British Architects the Council's recommendations with regard to the proper height to hang bells relative to the belfry windows.

13. That the Council, while itself declining to take part in the formation or subsequent management of such an enterprise if set on foot, and without in any sense pledging its individual members, would nevertheless view with satisfaction the establishment on a sound financial basis of a Benevolent Fund for the benefit of members of the Exercise, who may stand in need of help.

14. That this meeting of the Council, while recognising the value of peal ringing generally, and the laudable desire of the members to assist in placing their own Association at the head of the peal table, wishes to express the strong conviction that the chief aim of all members should be the encouragement in all towers of ringing, rather than chiming the bells for Sunday services, thus helping to achieve the primary objects for which the bells are hung, viz., the Glory of God, and the calling of the parishioners together for His worship.

15. To fix the place of meeting for next year.

16. Other business, if any.

CHARLES D. P. DAVIES,

Hon. Secretary.

A social gathering will be held at the Westminster Palace Hotel at 9 p.m., to which Sir Arthur Heywood invites the members of the Council and their ringing friends.

SPECIAL NOTICE TO MEMBERS.

Arrangements have been made for a photographic group of the Council to be taken immediately the session is adjourned for the luncheon interval at 1 p.m. The photograph is to be taken at the entrance to the Clergy House in Dean's Yard, and as it is essential there should be no delay, on account of the limited time at the disposal of the members, it is hoped that everyone will do his best to facilitate this part of the proceedings.

The photograph is being taken specially for reproduction in "The Ringing World," but copies will be obtainable from this office at 2s. 3d. each, post free, and will form an interesting memento of the gathering. Orders, with remittance, should be sent at once.

The following towers will be open on Whit-Tuesday after the Council meeting:—

St. Margaret's, Westminster, 5.30 to 7 p.m.

St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, 7 to 8 p.m.

St. Paul's Cathedral, 8 to 9 p.m.

LONG PEAL ATTEMPTS.

A long peal of Bristol Surprise Major (15,264 changes) will be attempted at Hornchurch, Essex, on Whit-Monday by eight members of the Middlesex Association, starting about 8.30 a.m.

All being well, five members of the Winchester Diocesan Guild will attempt a long peal of Stedman Caters (14,031 changes) on handbells on Saturday, June 1st, at Guildford, starting about 2.30 p.m.

DEDICATION OF NEW BELLS AT METHERINGHAM.

Some few months ago it was found that the fittings of the five old bells in Metheringham Church, Lincolnshire, were in a very dilapidated and unsafe condition. All ringing was stopped, and a meeting called to consider the question of restoration. Eventually, Messrs. Taylor and Co., of Loughborough, were entrusted with the work of supplying three smaller bells to complete the octave, and hanging the whole in a modern iron frame, the old bells being sent to the foundry to be tuned.

The opening ceremony was performed on Wednesday week, the service being conducted by the Vicar, the Rev. W. I. S. Rawson. The other clergy present included the Rev. Canon Townrow, Lincoln; the Rev. H. Law James, Surfleet (Master of the Lincoln Diocesan Guild); and the Rev. C. H. Scott, Lincoln. The five old bells had been previously rung up, and immediately the dedication of the three new ones was over, these were also raised, and three loads of Grandsire Triples were then rung by: Rev. H. Law James, P. W. Stokes, R. Richardson, A. Mackears, A. Holmes, J. T. Holmes, W. Dickinson, F. R. Kettleboro. The service was then proceeded with, a very fitting sermon being preached by Canon Townrow.

At the conclusion of the service, a peal of Double Norwich Major was attempted, but this unfortunately came to grief, stand being called half-way through the peal, owing to a change course. The ringers were kindly entertained to tea in the Parish Room, afterwards returning to the Church to ring for evening service. Touches of Stedman and Grandsire Triples were successfully brought round. The sermon at this service was preached by the Rev. G. H. Chard, Vicar of Nocton.

Mr. J. W. Taylor, head of the famous Loughborough firm, was present at the dedication, and was warmly congratulated on the excellence of the work. The three new bells are exceptionally fine in tone, and harmonise beautifully with the rest, the result being a musical ring of eight, with a tenor of 8½ cwt. in A flat. All who had the pleasure of taking part in the ringing expressed themselves highly satisfied with the splendid "go" of the bells. At the present time there is no band of change ringers in Metheringham, but the local men have already started handbell practice, and it is to be hoped that before very long the first "local" peal may be attempted.

PROGRESS AT NEWCHURCH.

A well-attended meeting was held at Newchurch on Saturday last, when about 24 members were present. Some very good touches of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob and Stedman were rung. The Newchurch ringers are to be congratulated on the progress they have made since joining the Association, and upon having probably the youngest ringer in the Lancashire Association, a young man of 13 years, who is able to ring 720's.

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- Kent Treble Bob Maximus by the College Youths.
- Stedman Cinques by the Middlesex Association.
- Cambridge Surprise Maximus by the College Youths.
- Stedman Cinques by the St. Martin's Guild, Birmingham, on May 11th, 1912.

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THE LATE MR. J. PETTIT.

STORY OF AN INTERESTING CAREER.

The death of Mr. James Pettit, recorded in our last issue, has removed a well-known figure from the ranks of the Exercise, one whose gentleness of nature, quiet dignity and personal charm won the affection, as it commanded the respect, of all who knew him. For more than half a century he had participated in bell ringing, and he was among those who, in the days before the Art had attained its present standard, and before ringers were organised as they are to-day, were the backbone of the Exercise. It was with the College Youths that he was most closely identified. With the Ancient Society he rang most of his peals, and, as the leader for so many years of the St. Paul's Cathedral band, in its ranks he occupied a most prominent position. Born on April 25th, 1834, Mr. Pettit was a Hackney man, and began his ringing career at St. John's Church. He was associated with the men of a generation all but vanished—Haley, Wood, Cooter, Dwight and others no less notable in their day.



THE LATE MR. J. PETTIT.

The first peal booked by the College Youths in which he took part was Grandsire Triples at South Hackney, on December 3rd, 1857, conducted by William Green, and thereafter he took part in most of the notable performances by the society. His first peal of Stedman Triples was rung at Bethnal Green on November 26th, 1862, conducted by W. Cooter, followed by Kent Treble Bob Major at Bethnal Green on May 22nd, 1863, and Stedman Caters at Bermondsey on November 28th; Kent Treble Bob Royal at Stepney on January 30th, 1864; Stedman Cinques at Southwark on March 18th, 1865, and 8448 Kent Treble Bob Major at Bethnal Green on March 3rd, 1866. All these peals were conducted by Henry Haley. In 1866, also, Mr. Pettit rang in a peal of Kent Maximus at Cornhill, conducted by Matt. Wood, and that same year he became a member of the St. James' Society, while two years later he was one of the band that rang the 15,840 of Kent Major at Bethnal Green, which Mr. Haley called.

No one probably has called Holt's Original so many times as Mr. Pettit, and the first of this long series of performances was at South Hackney on January 20th, 1869. He called this peal often in an effort to help beginners, and many of the present members of the society rang Holt's Original for their first peal, conducted by Mr. Pettit. On July 27th, 1872, he called the composition at Waterford

Cathedral, the first peal ever rung in Ireland, and on October 23rd, 1884, took part in Holt's Original non-conducted at St. Giles-in-the Fields. It was not until 1881 that his first peal of Stedman Cinques as conductor was rung, this being achieved at Southwark on October 15th, and being followed on December 10th by the first peal on the bells of St. Paul's Cathedral, Mr. Pettit having previously been appointed conductor there. He has also called Stedman Cinques at St. Bride's, Fleet Street, and St. Leonard's, Shoreditch—both in 1882, while in 1883 he conducted the then record peal of Stedman Caters, 11,111 in 6 hours 25 minutes at Fulham on December 8th. He was also the conductor in that memorable attempt for the record peal of Stedman Cinques at Cornhill, when, in a peal of 10,030 changes with only the last two bobs of the coming home course to be called, the tenth man collapsed after seven hours 35 minutes ringing.

From this date he may be reckoned the premier conductor of the society, and for the St. James' Society as well as the College Youths he called many peals in the standard methods. Unfortunately, however, a complete list of his peals is not for the present, at any rate, available. James Pettit was one of the safest ringers and conductors that ever stepped into a tower. It might almost be said of him that he never made a mistake. He was a composer, too, although we believe he never composed a 5000. It is said of him that he had a different three-courses of Stedman Cinques for every Sunday service in the year at St. Paul's, and many of them were touches which he had constructed.

On April 25th, 1896, his 62nd birthday, Mr. Pettit conducted a peal of Stedman Caters at St. Clement Danes, and was afterwards, at the Essex Head, presented with a testimonial and purse of gold as a small token of the regard and esteem in which he was held, and in recognition of the valuable services he had rendered to the Art of change ringing. As long as health and strength permitted he continued this good work with that personal charm and dignity before referred to and so well remembered by all who had the privilege of his intimate acquaintance. Stricken by illness, he ended his days in the Hackney Infirmary and passed peacefully away on Sunday week. His memory will long be cherished, for he was one of Nature's gentlemen.

Many ringers attended the funeral at Manor Park Cemetery on Saturday, when all that was mortal of James Pettit was laid to rest. The College Youths, the London County (late the St. James' Society), the Cumberland Youths, etc., were represented, and, after the service, a course of Stedman Caters was rung over the open grave by F. E. Dawe 1-2, T. H. Taffender 3-4, C. F. Winney 5-6, H. Langdon 7-8, W. T. Cockerill 9-10.

There was but one wreath, a handsome floral emblem, in which a bell, composed of violets and bearing the words "At rest," was encircled by choice flowers.

In the evening the customary whole pull and stand, denoting the age of the deceased, was rung at St. Paul's Cathedral as a tribute of respect to the memory of a good and true man. Afterwards, with the bells still half-muffled, a touch of Stedman Cinques was brought round. Arrangements were made for a muffled peal at Stepney last night, and another at St. Giles, Cripplegate, tomorrow at 3 p.m. Our photograph is from a group taken a few years ago by Mr. F. E. Dawe.

Peal cards 1s. 1d. per dozen, post free. Order and remittance must accompany the peal when sent us for publication.

ODD CHANGES.

Collected from all Quarters.

Our readers are reminded that in order to ensure the insertion in next week's issue of peals rung on Monday, the reports should be posted to us the same night.

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Chelmsford bells, which are in a very bad state of repair, and considered unsafe, will ring out for the last time on Whit-Sunday next. The clergy and churchwardens are unanimous that the time has come for something to be done, and a meeting is to be held early next month to decide what improvements are to be made. All ringing is therefore suspended until further notice.

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The heavy ring of five at Sible Hedingham, Essex, are to be rebung in an iron frame and a new treble added. The Rector and churchwardens are inviting tenders, and the work is to be put in hand at once.

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An attempt for a new record of Bristol Surprise Major is to be made, as we announced last week, at Hornchurch, on Monday, by eight members of the Middlesex Association. The composition is a 15,264, about 3,000 longer than that rung at Knebworth on Easter Monday. Ringers generally will wish success to Mr. William Pye and his band. A start is to be made at 8.30 a.m. Hornchurch tenor is 20 cwt. in E.

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Last Saturday, May 18th, was the 66th anniversary of the first occasion upon which Thurstans' celebrated four-part peal was rung. The first person to call it was Henry Johnson, and that was in the year 1846.

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The peal of six at Newton, Cambs, has been restored by Messrs. Taylor and Co., who have carried out the work in their customary first class manner. The dedication was performed by Bishop Harrison, and after the service members of the Wisbech band rang 720 Bob Minor: H. Banham 1, T. Haines 2, W. H. Freeman 3, G. Piggins 4, R. Narborough 5, C. Goakes (conductor) 6. Following some "firing," the local men rang a few rounds and set changes, and then, with the assistance of Messrs. Piggins and Collison, touches of Minor and Doubles were rung. Afterwards the ringers were entertained to supper at the residence of Mr. Churchwarden Goose, who, with the Rector and Mr. Churchwarden Eyre, has worked extremely hard to raise the necessary funds for carrying out the restoration. The beautiful "go" and pleasant tone of the bells is spoken of in the highest praise by both ringers and the villagers.

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In connection with the Suffolk County Show at Stowmarket on June 6th and 7th, the bells of the parish church will be available for visiting ringers.

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The Towcester Association have rung a peal to celebrate the jubilee of the Rev. R. C. Collins as Vicar of Easton Neston, and the ringers attached to the church have erected a flag staff on the tower to commemorate the event. The Rev. R. C. Collins holds an unique record. From 1851, the year he was ordained deacon, to 1855 he was curate of Towcester, from 1855 to 1861 he was curate of Easton Neston, since when he has held the office of Vicar.

The other day we spoke of the good work done in the Hereford Guild in regard to the training of young ringers by Mr. J. Preece. A correspondent informs us that Mr. J. P. Hyett, of Clifford, has also done a lot of teaching of young hands, no fewer than 21 having been through his hands since 1906. This is not a bad record when it is recollected that Mr. Hyett can only attend practices on alternate weeks owing to his duties as a signalman.

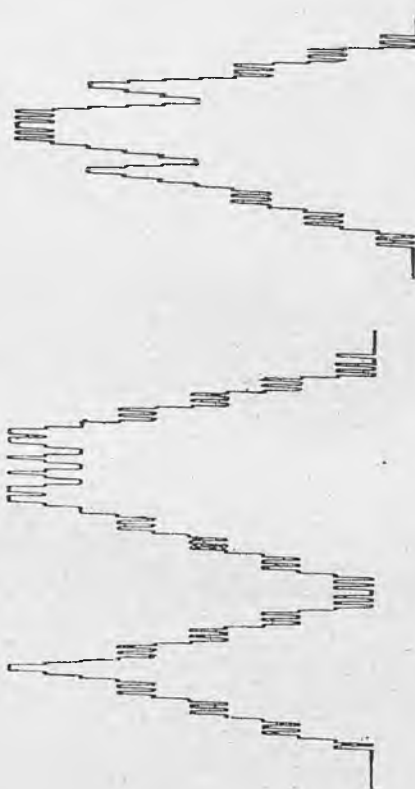
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The three peals rung by the Norwich Association early last year, and which we have now been asked to insert, as they have not yet been published, and have been omitted also from the Norwich Report for 1911, would, had they appeared at the proper time, have placed the Norwich Association second instead of third in the Analysis.

THE RINGING MACHINE.

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achievement of being able to ring any method up to twelve bells, this extraordinary machine, as we have previously mentioned, will print the changes, or the course ends as they are rung, will record the number of changes that have been struck, and will in addition draw the diagram of the method.

For the first time, the Exercise at large is able to see one of the results of the ringing machine, for we reproduce to-day a facsimile of two diagrams which the machine has drawn. The first of the two is a course of Duffield Maximus, showing the path of the tenor, the second a course of Stedman Cinques, showing the track of the eleventh. The perpendicular strokes at the beginning and end of each; show, of course where the rounds are being rung. The dots through the diagram show the actual place where the blow is struck, the place-making being indicated by a line of double length. For the rest, the continuous line shows the passing of the bell from one place to another. We have added figures at the top for the convenience of our readers.

NORTH STONEHAM.—The Winchester Diocesan Guild.—On Easter Eve, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1260 changes), in 45 mins.: *O. Giles 1, W. T. Tucker 2, W. G. Edwards 3, W. J. Rowe 4, A. Marks 5, C. Fray 6, W. H. George (conductor) 7, *J. Thompson 8. * First quarter-peal.

St. Leonard's Church, Shoreditch.

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12 : 10 : 12	10 : 8 : 9 : 10	11 : 9 : 12	10 : 8 : —	12 : 12 : 10 : 12	10 : 8 : 9 : 10
Oran-ges and D.C. When will that	le-mons says the be says the	bells of St. bells of Step	Clemen's; - ney;	You owe me five farthings I do not know,	says the says the
11 : 9 : 12	10 : 8 : —	9 : 7 : 9	7 : 5 : 6.7	8 : 6 : 9	7 : 5 : —
bells of St. great bell of	Martin's Bow.	When will you	pay me says the	bells of Old	Bai-ley;
				D.C.	
9 : 7 : 9	5 : — : 6.7	8 : 6 : 9	5 : — : —	10 : 8 : 12	10 : 8 : 9.10
When I grow	rich,	says the	bells of Shore-ditch;	Here comes a	can-dle to
9 : 11 : 7	8 : — : 9	10 : 8 : 12	10 : 8 : 9.10	11 : 10 : 9	8 : — : —
light you to	bed,	And	here comes a chop-per to	chop	off your head.

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KENT ASSOCIATION.

BIG GATHERING AT ASHFORD DIVISION MEETING. LADY NORTHCOTE'S GENEROUS GIFT.

The quarterly meeting of the Ashford Division of the Kent Association was held at Eastwell, on Saturday, and, in view of the fact that the bells have recently been restored, the visit was a fitting one, to endeavour to secure the affiliation of the Eastwell tower to the Association. The happy result, we understand, will probably be achieved, and it is very gratifying to know that the efforts of the seventy odd members present succeeded in partly, if not wholly, inducing the local ringers to take up change ringing. The towers represented were: Appledore, Ashford, Boxley, Brabourne, Canterbury Cathedral, Chart, Headcorn, Horsnonden, Hythe, Iden, Mersham, New Romney, Rolvenden, Rye, Sellinge, Stone-in-Oxney, Tenterden, and Woodchurch.

The church contains six bells. The tenor has been re-cast, and the whole peal rehung most satisfactorily by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank. Previous to the rehanging, ringing was done on the ground floor, but a ringing chamber was erected at the time of the restoration. The whole expense was borne by Lady Northcote, of Eastwell House, in memory of the late Lord Northcote, and a tablet, with a suitable inscription, recording the fact, has been placed on the north wall, inside the tower, near the entrance.

By kind permission of Lady Northcote, the company were allowed to view the beautiful grounds at Eastwell House, a privilege which the visitors enjoyed to the full. The magnificent conservatories, full of the most exquisite blooms, were a source of great delight, while the well-kept gardens and lawns were much admired. After the tour of the grounds, the company returned across the park, which is 15 miles in circumference, to the church. To give our readers some idea of the size and magnificence of Eastwell House and its surroundings, it may be added that thirty gardeners are employed there.

A service was held at five o'clock, the Rev. F. J. O. Helmore, hon. secretary of the Association, intoning the prayers, while the hymns, "O God, our help in ages past," and "Saviour again, to Thy dear name we raise," were sung, and suitable psalms chanted.

The Rector (the Rev. J. A. Halloran) delivered an address from II. Timothy i., 9, "Who hath saved us, and called us with a holy calling." The last two words, said the reverend gentleman, seemed to so well describe ringers' work, which was a holy calling. Ordinary trades and businesses were often pursued by the same family from generation to generation, and that, he thought, was especially true about ringers. Probably it was so with some of the members of their Association, for several members of a family might form a part of the ringers at one tower. There seemed to him to be very often a sort of family inheritance in connection with bell ringing. The office of a ringer was a holy calling, and bell ringers could always feel they were doing a direct and special work for God, in calling people to church. The more they worked together and other kinds of church workers toiled together, and the more they recognised the respective callings they had, as sacred, holy callings, the more it would tend to uplift the whole work done into a sphere of sanctity and brightness. There was a very gracious duty, and they had to be skilful to perform it. They were God's messengers, summoning people to worship, and they, who rang the bells were doing God's work, by sending out the message. But they could not execute their duties without God's help. It was the same with the parson. He had to seek God's help, and if they also sought it, they would find their work would be much happier and more cheerful.

Subsequently an adjournment was made to the boat-house, near the pretty lake. Here, an excellent tea was kindly given by Lady Northcote.—The Rector presided, and the business meeting followed.

The Rector was elected an honorary member, and Messrs. H. C. Humphrey and Albert Noakes (New Romney) were admitted as probationers.

The Rev. F. Helmore moved a hearty vote of thanks to Lady Northcote for providing the tea, and extending to them the privilege of inspecting the grounds of Eastwell House. He thanked the Rector for the use of bells, and for his admirable address. He also mentioned that at the annual meeting of the Association, at Westerham, on Whit-Monday, a special form of service, which had received the sanction of the three episcopal heads, would be used.

The votes of thanks were carried with acclamation, and, in response, the Rector said he was very glad to welcome them to Eastwell. It was the first time they had visited there, and he hoped to have the pleasure of seeing them again. He would convey their message of thanks to Lady Northcote, who was not in residence at present, but he was sure if her ladyship was at Eastwell when they came again, she would attend personally. Continuing, the Rector referred to the restoration of the bells, and expressed the opinion that he thought the work was done well. He hoped the bells would long remain as a memorial to Lord Northcote, who was only with them a short period, before he was called to rest. They knew little of him, but he had a very distinguished career, and although his time was short in their midst, they learnt to admire and esteem him. In conclusion, the reverend gentleman wished success to the Association.

The bells were kept going in the afternoon and evening, among the methods practised being: Grandsire Doubles, Plain Bob, Grandsire and Kent Treble Bob Minor.

Mr. A. C. Kay, of Ashford, kindly obtained permission for Kennington, another six-bell tower to be open during the evening, and some capital Minor was indulged in there. Ringing concluded at about nine o'clock, after one of the largest meetings held in the Ashford Division for some time.

SCARBOROUGH RINGERS' OUTING.

Through the kindness of the Vicar and churchwardens, the ringers of St. Mary's Parish Church, Scarborough, held their annual outing on Saturday week, and visited Selby and Hemmingbrough. At Selby, which was reached at 9.45, the party were met by Mr. A. Hall, the genial secretary of the Selby band, who had kindly obtained permission for the visitors to ring both at Selby and Hemmingbrough. The Rev. W. P. Wright, himself a change ringer, had met the party on their way to Hemmingbrough, where the bells, a nice handy ring of six, were raised in peal, and 120 Stedman Doubles and a touch of Bob Minor tapped off. After a look round the church, which was greatly admired, another touch of Kent Treble Bob Minor, in which the Rev. W. P. Wright took part, was rung, and the return made to Selby, where dinner was partaken of at the Abbey Cafe. The visitors were then met by the Selby ringers, and conducted round the historical Abbey, where they had the pleasure of listening to a short, but interesting lecture, on the foundation and building of the Abbey by the Monks. Then the bells, a magnificent peal of ten, were raised, and a touch of Grandsire Caters rung, followed by 672 Bob Major on the back eight, brought round in fine style by: H. Milner, H. Morley, H. Ferguson, J. R. Barton, W. Hinton, H. Gibson, J. Dixey, and the Rev. W. P. Wright, conductor. A stroll round the town, boating, bathing, and a visit to the cricket match, etc., filled in the time until tea was partaken of. Then the Abbey belfry was once more visited, and three courses of Grandsire Caters and 504 Grandsire Triples were rung. The return journey was begun at 9.45 p.m., and Scarborough reached at 11.55 p.m.—The best thanks of the visitors are due to Mr. A. Hall for the trouble he took in making the arrangements, the Rev. J. Solloway, and the Rev. W. P. Wright for the use of their respective peals of bells, and to the Selby ringers who helped to make this outing the most successful the Scarborough band have ever had.

OUTWARD BOUND.

PRESENTATIONS TO OXFORD GUILD RINGER.

Yesterday, Mr. James North, a well-known member of the Oxford Guild, sailed by the s.s. "Geelong" for Australia, and he carries with him the good wishes of a large circle of ringing friends, who have given tangible expression to their esteem by making him the recipient of some useful gifts. At a special practice, at Eastthamstead, on Thursday week, after a quarter-peal of Minor in five methods had been rung, Mr. A. Gough presented Mr. North with a handsome set of hair brushes in case, with the initials, "J. N.," suitably inscribed.—Mr. Gough voiced the good wishes of the members for Mr. North's future success, and remarked that it would take a long time to fill the vacancy caused by his departure with another so talented a ringer.—Mr. North, in response, thanked his fellow members for their kind thoughts and good wishes, and said the present would be a constant reminder of the good fellowship which existed between himself and the ringers in his old tower at home.

On Saturday, a farewell peal was rung at Hurst, and afterwards a handsome Gladstone bag was presented to Mr. North. The gift was subscribed for by ringing friends in several towers in the Sonning branch of the Oxford Guild.—Mr. J. White, in making the presentation, expressed the sorrow which they felt in losing so good a ringer, so hard a worker, and so genial a friend, and he wished him every prosperity in the country of his adoption.—Mr. North, in acknowledging the gift, thanked the members for their kindness, and said the very useful present would serve to remind him of the happy times spent with his friends at the ropes, and of the good fellowship which existed between them.

BENTLEY BELLS RESTORED.

After having been silent for some six months, the bells of Bentley, Hants, have been heard once more. Last year it was found that two bells were badly cracked and required re-casting, while two others were so badly out of tune that re-casting was necessary in their case also. The six bells were removed, and four of them re-cast and fitted with new clappers, and a new bell frame was also fitted. The work has been done by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, and the total cost has been nearly £190, of which sum £145 0s. 10d. was raised by the members of the C.E.M.S., by house-to-house visiting for donations.

On Saturday week, the bells were re-dedicated by the Rector (the Rev. W. H. Moody), who at the same time unveiled a small stained glass window to the memory of the late Mr. J. H. Petrie and his wife.

After the service the bells were rung under the conductorship of Mr. C. Edwards, of Farnham.

BLETCHLEY, BUCKS.—On Sunday, May 5th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: V. Sear 1, J. Mead 2, T. Best 3, A. Crane (first quarter-peal inside) 4, H. Sear (conductor) 5, E. Marks 6, W. Sear 7, F. Goodman 8. Rung as a birthday compliment to A. Crane and E. Marks.

THE FUNERAL OF MRS. JAMES.

Recorded briefly in our last issue was the death of Mrs. Rosa James, of Palace Yard, Gloucester, widow of the late Canon George James, Rector of St. Michael's, and mother of two of the best known of the ringing clergy, the Revs. H. Law James and E. Bankes James. The first portion of the funeral service took place in the Cathedral, and was of a most impressive character. The music, including the hymn "Come unto Me ye weary" and the anthem "Oh, for the wings of a dove" (Mendelssohn), was beautifully rendered by the Cathedral choir, who afterwards, at the graveside in the cemetery, to which the remains were conveyed in a four-horse funeral car, sang Dr. Brewer's anthem "I heard a voice from Heaven" and the hymn "Now the labourer's task is o'er." The chief mourners were the two sons, Miss G. W. R. James (daughter) and Mr. F. Hannam-Clark, and a numerous congregation attended the last sad rites.

As a tribute of respect, the St. Michael's Juniors rang a quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters (time not permitting a peal) with the bells muffled: T. Newman 1, J. Gillett 2, C. H. Austin 3, J. Austin (conductor) 4, A. T. Brunson 5, F. E. Hart 6, C. L. Sadler 7, R. A. Judd 8, E. E. Davis 9, T. Whiting 10. Afterwards a short touch of Grandsire Triples was rung with the bells open.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

A meeting of the Southern District of the London County Association was held at St. Mary's, Putney, on Saturday, and there was a record attendance. During the afternoon touches of Grandsire, Stedman, Plain Bob, Treble Bob, Double Norwich and Superlative Surprise were rung. The business meeting was afterwards held at the Half Moon Hotel, the Master (Mr. H. S. Ellis) presiding.—It was decided to hold the next meeting at Isleworth, on the third Saturday in July, or failing that, St. Stephen's, Ealing.—A vote of thanks for the use of the bells was accorded the Rector, and to Messrs. Bolton and Honeyball (Master and secretary of the Putney ringers, respectively).—Subsequently a musical evening was enjoyed, most of the members of the company contributing songs or recitations, Mr. Mance deputising in the chair for the Master, who had to leave early.

THE LATE MR. A. J. DAY.

In response to the appeal on behalf of the widow of the late Mr. A. J. Day, of Tunstall, Kent, Mr. W. Spice, of 4, Pond Cottages (to whom contributions should be sent) acknowledges the following generous donations:—

Previously acknowledged, 19s.; Barming, 2s.; Birchington, 5s. 6d.; Borden, 10s.; Boughton-under-Blean, 5s.; Boxley, 5s.; Bromley (SS. Peter and Paul), 10s.; Bromley (S. Luke), 5s. 6d.; Chatham, 8s. 6d.; Charing, 2s. 6d.; Deal, 10s.; Eltham, 3s.; Erith, 4s.; Eynsford, 4s. 6d.; Greenwich, 5s.; G. Hadaway, 6d.; Hadlow and East Peckham, 5s.; Headcorn, 2s. 6d.; Rev. F. J. O. Helmore, 5s.; Hernhill, £1; F. A. Holden, 3s.; Leeds, 6s. 6d.; West Malling, 5s.; Meopham, 5s.; Newington-next-Sittingbourne, 8s.; Penge, 4s.; Rochester (S. Margaret), 5s.; New Romney, 5s.; Seal Chart (Bell ringers at S. Lawrence, 8s.; Miss A. Banfield, 1s.; Mr. and Mrs. Luttmann, 2s.; Rev. A. S. H. Scott, 2s. 6d.; Miss L. Upton, 1s.; Mrs. A. Wilkinson, £1; C. Wilkinson, Esq., £1; Miss E. M. Wilkinson, 5s.; Miss T. M. Wilkinson, 1s.) £3 0s. 6d.; Swanscombe, 5s.; Tonbridge, 5s.; Tunbridge Wells, 6s. 6d.; Tunstall, 10s.; Westerham, £1; Wickhambreux, 4s.; Deptford (St. John), 4s.; Faversham, 5s.; Gravesend, 5s.; Hythe, 5s.; Lamberhurst, 5s. 6d.; Lyvinge, 4s. 6d.; Maidstone (All Saints'), 10s.; Rochester Cathedral, 10s.; Rodmersham (Bell ringers, 5s.; Hon. Rev. A. H. T. Massey, 10s.; E. Knight, 1s.), 16s.; Stone-in-Oxney, 4s.; total, £17 14s.

HINT TO MIDLAND COUNTIES' CONDUCTORS.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir.—I find that a peal of Grandsire Triples rung at Eastwood, Notts, on February 4th, 1911, has, through an oversight, been omitted from our annual report for the year. The total number of peals rung during the year should, therefore, be 159, and not 158 as published. I may be to blame for the omission, but to prevent a recurrence, may I ask the conductors of peals rung for the M.C.A. in the future to let me have particulars within 14 days, and not leave it to me to ferret them out from the ringing papers, and after that, in many cases, to be obliged to write for the composition.—Yours truly,

W. E. WHITE, Hon. Sec.

NOTICES.

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THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637).—Meetings for practice will be held at St. John's, Hackney, on the 28th, and St. Paul's Cathedral on the 28th, at 8 p.m.; also at St. Mary's, Walthamstow, on Saturdays, at 7.30 p.m.—William T. Cockerill, Honorary Secretary, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Ross Branch.—The next branch meeting will be held at Helmshore on Saturday, May 25th. Bells will be ready at 3.30. Meeting at 6.30.—T. Rollerson, Branch Secretary.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Manchester Branch.—The next monthly meeting will be held at Eccles on Saturday, May 25th. Bells available from 5 p.m. Meeting at 7. The president (Rev. H. J. Elsee, M.A.) will unveil a peal board, and a good attendance is desired.—W. W. Wolstencroft, Victoria Street, Ashton-under-Lyne.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Castle Cary Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Ditchat on Saturday, May 25th. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea provided free in the Church Schools 5 p.m. Business meeting to follow. Bells available from 2.30 to 9 p.m. All ringers invited.—T. G. Vincent, Wraxall, Shepton Mallet.

THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.—A monthly meeting will be held at Hampton-in-Arden, on Saturday, May 25th. Bells (6) available from 3.30 p.m.—Rev. C. C. Cox, Shotton, Honorary Secretary.

RE-OPENING AND DEDICATION of new bells (8) at Biggleswade, Beds, will take place on Sunday afternoon next, May 26th, at 3 o'clock. Bedfordshire members kindly note.—F. Blood, District Secretary.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—The annual general meeting will be held at Westerham on Whitsun-Monday, May 27th. Committee meeting in Vestry, 11 a.m. Service at 12, preacher, the Right Rev. the Lord Bishop of Rochester. Dinner in the Public Hall, 1 p.m. Towers open for ringing: Westerham (8), Brasted (6), Limpsfield, St. Peter's (6) and St. Andrew's (6). The elected Central Council Representatives will be expected to attend the meeting on Whitsun-Tuesday.—For dinner tickets, etc., apply to Fred. J. O. Helmore, Honorary Secretary, The Precincts, Canterbury.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.—Eastern Counties Branch.—The next general meeting will be held at Gosberton on Whit-Monday, May 27th. Divine service in the church at 3.30 p.m. Dinner at the Public Hall at one o'clock. Tickets 2s. 6d. each. Business meeting immediately after dinner. Bells available all day.—G. Ladd, Honorary Secretary, Pinchbeck, Spalding.

THE SHEFFIELD DISTRICT AND OLD EAST DERBYSHIRE AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.—The next meeting of this society will be held at North Wingfield on Whit-Monday, May 27th, Church of St. Lawrence, 8 bells (tenor 16 cwt.). Available 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. The Rector, with his usual generosity, has offered to provide tea in the schoolroom about 5 p.m., but only to those who inform me by p.c. of their intention of being present not later than May 22nd.—J. E. L. Cockey, Honorary Secretary, 504, Ecclesall Road, Sheffield.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—The annual meeting will be held at Kettering on Whit-Monday, May 27th. Bells available from 10 a.m.; service in the Parish Church at 12 noon; luncheon and business meeting at the Royal Hotel at 1 o'clock. — F. Wilford, General Secretary, 149, Ashburnham Road, Northampton.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE ASSOCIATION.—The Whit-Monday meeting will be held at West Hartlepool. Bells of St. Oswald, St. Aidan, and Stranton available all day. Committee meets at Grand Hotel 1.0 p.m. Dinner at 1.30.—Members intending to be present please notify Chas. Todd, Hon. Secretary, 26, Greenbank Crescent, Darlington.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—The annual meeting will be held on Whit-Monday at Kelvedon. 11.0 Divine service at St. Mary's Church, with address by Rev. H. S. Sanders, Vicar of Woodford. 12.0 Annual meeting at the Infant School. 1.30 Dinner at the Church Hall. A brake will convey ringers to the neighbouring towers after the meeting.—Henry T. W. Eyre, Honorary Secretary, Great Totham Vicarage, Witham.

CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—The annual meeting will be held at Thornaby-on-Tees on Whit-Monday, May 27th, 1912. Bells of Thornaby (8), Stockton (10) and Middlesborough (8) will be available all day. Committee meeting at 11.30 a.m. Divine Service at Thornaby Parish Church, 12. Dinner will be provided at the Saddlers' Hotel, Thornaby, members, 1s., non-members, 2s. 6d. each, at 1 p.m. prompt.—T. Metcalfe, Hon. Sec., 26, High Street, North Ormesby.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Isle of Ely District.—A meeting will be held at Chatteris on Whit-Monday, May 27th. Towers open: Chatteris (6) and Doddington (5) during the afternoon. Short service parish church 5.30 p.m., tea at 5.45 p.m. Will members intending to be present please notify me before May 25th.—F. Rowlinson, District Secretary, Burnsfield Street, Chatteris.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Blackburn Branch.—A branch meeting will be held at Rishton on Saturday, June 1st, 1912. Bells available at 3 o'clock. Meeting at 6.30 p.m. in the Harwood Road Schools.—J. Watson, Branch Secretary.

LEEDS AND DISTRICT AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.—The next meeting will be held at Tong on June 1st. Peal attempt at 2.30; business meeting at the Greyhound Inn at 7.30.—Frank R. Cundale, Secretary, 24, Recreation View, Holbeck, Leeds.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—North Bucks Branch.—The annual meeting of the above branch will be held at Shenley, Bucks, on Saturday, June 1st. Bells ready 2 p.m. Service at 3 p.m. Outstanding subscriptions should be paid at this meeting.—F. W. Booth, Honorary Secretary, Emberton, Newport Pagnell.

ST. PETER'S AMALGAMATED SOCIETY, SHEFFIELD.—The next meeting of this society will be held at All Saints (8 bells), Sheffield, on Saturday, June 1st. Tower open at 4 p.m.—J. Evinson, Honorary Secretary, 91, Clarence Street, Sheffield.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.—North and East District.—A meeting will be held at Hornsey on Saturday, June 8th, by kind permission of the Rector (Rev. Bernard Spink). Bells available at 3.30. Meeting at 6. All are

welcome.—C. T. Coles, Honorary Secretary, 173, St. John's Road, Walthamstow.

VISITORS TO BRISTOL will find every convenience and moderate charges at Mrs. Walker's, Admiral Duncan, Nicholas Street, Bristol Headquarters of the Bristol Ringers.

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MISCELLANEOUS PERFORMANCES.

HARBORNE, STAFFS.—On Easter Sunday, at the Parish Church, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, in 43 mins., the first rung by the local company: T. Gibbs 1, J. W. Tiley 2, G. Hitchman 3, H. Pratt 4, H. Grosvenor 5, A. T. Hyland (conductor) 6, A. Beacham 7, J. Such 8. For evensong, another quarter-peal in the same method, in 42 mins., rung as a birthday compliment to J. Eaton: G. Hitchman 1, G. W. Tiley 2, H. Pratt 3, H. Grosvenor 4, J. Eaton 5, A. T. Hyland (conductor) 6, A. Beacham 7, J. Such 8.

CRANLEIGH, SURREY.—On Saturday, April 13th, an attempt was made for a peal of Bob Major, but it came to grief, after ringing 2100 changes, in 14 hours: *Mrs. R. Whittington 1, W. Streeter 2, R. Whittington 3, H. Charman (longest on a bob bell) 4, *C. Charman 5, A. Charman 6, T. Worsfold 7, W. Charman (conductor) 8. *Longest length of Major.

SWANSEA.—West Wales Association.—At St. Mary's Church, for evening service, on April 14th, 504 Stedman Triples: W. Curtis 1, Frank Morgan 2, A. Searle 3, P. Kneath 4, J. Davies 5, C. Hoare 6, J. Hoare (conductor) 7, E. Davies 8.—On April 13th, a half-peal of Stedman Triples in 1hr. 33 mins.: P. Kneath 1, Frank Morgan 2, W. Rice 3, C. Morse 4, J. Davies 5, C. Hoare 6, J. Hoare (conductor) 7, E. Davies 8. Rung after an attempt for a peal came to grief, time not allowing for a fresh start.

KIRKHEATON.—Yorkshire Association.—On Easter Day, for evening service, a date touch of 1912 changes was rung in 1 hr. 10 mins., consisting of Violet, New London Pleasure, and Oxford Treble Bob: W. Swift 1, N. North 2, F. Hardy (conductor) 3, H. Hanson 4, J. Bottom 5, J. Rangely 6.

ST. ALBANS.—At St. Peter's Church, on April 8th, a date touch of Grandsire Triples (1912 changes), in 1 hr. 16 mins.: T. Seymour 1, E. P. Debenham 2, F. C. Rice 3, T. J. Hull (conductor) 4, R. A. Kirby 5, H. G. Lightfoot 6, H. J. Fewell 7, E. A. Hull 8. This is the first date touch ever rung in the tower. The above are all members of the St. Peter's Society.

LIVERPOOL.—The Lancashire Association.—At St. John the Baptist's Church, Tuebrook, on Easter Eve, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, in 43 mins.: P. M. Hayes (first quarter-peal of Stedman) 1, G. R. Newton 2, H. Fyles 3, G. Woodhall 4, S. Stewart 5, W. Twist 6, E. Caunce (conductor) 7, W. Mansell 8. At St. Mary's Church, Grassendale, on Easter Sunday morning, for 6 a.m. Celebration, 720 Cambridge Surprise: T. J. Morris 1, R. H. Green 2, G. R. Newton (conductor) 3, E. Caunce 4, W. Hughes 5, J. Turner 6. For morning service, 720 Plain Bob: T. J. Morris 1, R. H. Green 2, T. Jennwin 3, E. Caunce (conductor) 4, J. Turner 5, J. Allen 6. For evening service, 720 Woodbine, standing as before, conducted by J. Turner.

COSELEY, STAFFS.—Society for the Archdeaconry of Stafford.—On Good Friday evening, Mr. Henry W. Wilde, of Pulford, near Chester, visited his native place (Coseley), and was received in the tower by the local band and other members of the above Society. For evening service, 276 Erin Triples (conducted by Geo. Hughes), and a course of Stedman Triples was rung with the bells half-muffled, and after service 240 Bob Major, conducted by W. Fisher.—On Easter Sunday, the following touches were rung: For 6.0 a.m. Holy Communion, 368 Grandsire Triples; for 7.30 a.m., 288 Canterbury Pleasure Major and 97 Grandsire Triples; for 11.0 a.m. Choral Communion, 240 Bob Major and a course of Canterbury Pleasure Major; for evensong, 210 Oxford Bob Triples, and after service, another 210 Oxford Bob Triples. The two touches of Oxford Bob and 97 Grandsire Triples were conducted by B. Gough, and the remainder by W. Fisher.

WARWICK.—On Easter Sunday, at St. Mary's Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters (1259 changes), in 50 mins.: Miss J. I. Williams (first quarter-peal) 1, W. Male 2, F. Brassington 3, J. Ambrose 4, J. Jones 5, T. Male 6, E. Brassington 7, W. Collett 8, E. H. Adams (conductor) 9, G. Lapworth 10.

LUDLOW, SHROPSHIRE.—On Easter Monday, an attempt for a peal of Stedman Triples came to grief, through a change course, after 2 hrs. good ringing: G. J. Taylor 1, W. J. Taylor (Shrewsbury) 2, F. S. Wilson (Ludlow) 3, J. Clark (Ross) 4, F. Downing (Coalbrookdale) 5, W. Overton (Bridgnorth), conductor, 6, W. Saunders (Coalbrookdale) 7, W. R. Nash (Ludlow) 8. The band wish to thank the Rector of Ludlow for the use of the bells; also Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Wilson for kindly entertaining them to a splendid tea, at which the Vicar of St. John's presided.

WALTON-ON-THAMES, SURREY.—Winchester Diocesan Guild.—On Easter Sunday, a quarter-peal of Bob Major (1264 changes), in 50 mins.: H. Walter 1, C. Edwards 2, F. Shepherd 3, A. F. Shepherd 4, W. Shepherd (conductor) 5, A. H. Winch 6, J. H. B. Hesse 7, J. Howes 8.

CHORLEY, LANCS.—At St. Mary's (R.C.) Church, on April 6th, 720 Bob Minor (first in any method on the bells): T. Lofthouse (conductor) 1, F. Rigby 2, T. Lucas 3, H. Jones 4, W. H. Hunter 5, J. H. Gartside 6.

CHATHAM.—At St. Mary-the-Virgin's Church, on Good Friday, with the bells half-muffled, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: H. Springate 1, S. Shellock 2, E. Sills 3, G. Riordan 4, F. Belsey 5, F. Riordan 6, C. Norris 7, G. Lawrence 8.—On Easter Day, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: H. Springate 1, G. Riordan 2, J. Hunt 3, H. Hogarth 4, F. Belsey 5, J. Bennett 6, F. Riordan 7, G. Lawrence 8. Both conducted by F. Belsey.

STANFORD-ON-SOAR, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.—On Easter Day, for early service, a 504 and 336 Grandsire Triples, by: J. Yates, junr., H. Whittle, G. Wilson, W. Pervin, J. Yates, senr., W. Trigg, W. Thorley, A. Harred. Two touches were rung for morning service. A peal of Stedman Triples was attempted in the afternoon, but a misplaced call ended it, after 1½ hrs. ringing: J. Oldham and E. Reader (Loughborough), H. Whittle (Stanford), W. Pervin (conductor), Coventry, W. Trigg and A. Harred (Stanford), W. Johnson (Nottingham). Before evening service, time put an end to (672) a short distance from the end.

CHARING, KENT.—The Kent County Association.—On Easter Sunday, at 6 a.m., a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles, 1260 changes: H. Willard 1, C. F. Good 2, H. E. Good 3, J. Edwards 4, C. L. Prior (conductor) 5, J. Colbreay 6. Also a 720 in the same method on April 1st, by the same ringers.

BIRMINGHAM.—At St. John's Church, Deritend, on Easter Sunday, after morning service, the late H. Johnson's quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: S. Coley 1, A. T. Scrivens (conductor) 2, E. Large 3, J. T. Perry 4, E. Mansell 5, W. F. Webb 6, J. B. Collett 7, T. Pearce 8. Rung as a compliment to W. F. Webb, who has just been appointed tower keeper to the above church. The above band, except the ringer of the 5th, are service ringers at Bishop Ryders Church, where Mr. Webb also has rung for some years.

STISTED—Essex Association.—On Easter Sunday morning, 720 Oxford Treble Bob: C. Duncombe 1, A. Chaplin 2, G. Chaplin 3, E. Chaplin 4, E. Radley (conductor) 5, A. Saunders 6. For evensong, 720 Double Court: E. Newman 1, A. Shuffelbotham (conductor) 2, E. Radley 3, E. Chaplin 4, F. Radley 5, A. Chaplin 6. Also 720 each of Kent Treble Bob and New London Pleasure: A. Saunders 1, A. Chaplin 2, A. Shuffelbotham 3, E. Chaplin 4, E. Radley 5, E. Newman (conductor) 6.

LUTON, BEDS.—Bedfordshire Association.—At the Parish Church, on Easter Day, for a quarter-peal of Kent Treble Bob Major (1280 changes), in 48 mins.: H. Shepherd 1, J. Rookwood 2, F. Hunt 3, W. Payne 4, B. Wilson 5, C. Wing 6, H. Walker 7, A. King (conductor) 8. First quarter-peal in the method on the bells by an entirely local band.

IPSWICH, SUFFOLK.—At St. Clement's Church, on Easter Sunday, for morning service, 720 Double Court Bob Minor, in 25 mins.: F. Bowell 1, F. Kinsey 2, F. J. Long 3, H. Cook 4, W. Kinsey 5, A. Bowell (conductor) 6. For evening service, 720 Oxford Treble Bob Minor, in 25 mins.: F. Kinsey 1, W. Brown (Bramford) 2, F. Long 3, H. Cook 4, W. Kinsey 5, A. Bowell (conductor) 6.

SPROUGHTON, SUFFOLK.—At All Saints' Church, on Easter Monday, 360 Double Court Bob Minor: F. Bowell (Ipswich) 1, G. Mee 2, W. Brown (Bramford) 3, H. Cook (Ipswich) 4, W. Kinsey (Ipswich) 5, F. J. Long (Ipswich), conductor, 6.

BRADFORD.—At the Parish Church, on Sunday, April 21st, a quarter-peal of Bob Royal, in 49 mins.: H. C. Buckley 1, J. Hardcastle 2, J. Poddy 3, Geo. Titterton 4, Ed. Wheeler 5, J. W. Cundall 6, J. Watton 7, J. H. Mawson 8, Wm. Boocock 9, J. Perfect (conductor) 10.

POTTON, BEDFORDSHIRE.—On Sunday, April 14th, a quarter-peal of Minor, in four methods (180 Plain Bob, 360 Single Court, 360 College Single, 360 Single Oxford Bob): F. Carter 1, W. G. Inskip 2, A. O. Bailey 3, F. Blood (conductor) 4, W. H. Compton 5, C. A. Pratt 6. Rung as a farewell to the Rev. A. Long (Vicar of Potton), on the occasion of his preaching his farewell sermon.—On April 16th, 720 Single Court, by F. Carter 1, W. G. Inskip 2, A. O. Bailey 3, W. H. Compton 4, S. Stubbings 5, F. Blood (conductor) 6. Rung on the eve of the reverend gentleman's departure.

OLDHAM, LANCASHIRE.—On April 18th, at the Parish Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters (1313 changes), in 52 mins.: H. Wright 1, S. Elson 2, M. Newton 3, J. Priestley 4, Samuel Stott (conductor) 5, A. Waites 6, J. H. Barton 7, H. E. Fielding 8, S. M. Butterworth 9, J. Garlick 10. The bells were deeply muffled, as a last mark of respect to the late Mr. John Dodd, of Oldham.

DEPTFORD.—The Kent County Association.—At St. John's Church, on April 22nd, previous to an organ recital, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, in 46½ mins.: E. F. Pike 1, A. G. Bennington 2, F. Davis 3, F. W. Richardson 4, G. Durling 5, J. E. Davis 6, W. J. Jeffries (conductor) 7, J. Law 8.

BRENT KNOWLE, SOMERSET.—Bath and Wells Diocesan Association.—On Tuesday, April 16th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire and Bob Doubles (1260 changes): C. Bird 1, B. Ham 2, J. Steer 3, J. Peters 4, E. B. Crowder (conductor) 5, W. Webber 6. Rung with the bells half-muffled, as a last token of respect for the Rev. W. H. Beach, who was interred in the churchyard on the same day.

WEST GRINSTEAD, SUSSEX.—On April 27th, 720 Woodbine Treble Bob: A. Coote 1, W. Denman, junr., 2, H. Turrell 3, G. Lucas (conductor) 4, O. Sippetts 5, W. Denman, senr., 6.—On Sunday, April 28th, 720 Violet Treble Bob: A. Coote 1, J. Bowell 2, C. Killick 3, G. Lucas 4, H. Turrell 5, W. Denman, senr. (conductor) 6. First 720, both methods by A. Coote.

LONDON.—The Whitechapel Foundry Band.—On Sunday, April 28th, at St. John's, South Hackney, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (composed by M. A. Wood), in 46 mins.: L. A. Hughes 1, A. Hughes, junr. (conductor) 2, Wilby Hazell 3, D. Gibbons 4, A. Hughes, senr., 5, F. Conn 6, John Thomas 7, T. Lawrence 8.

CREWE.—On Sunday, April 21st, at Christ Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters (1368 changes), in 59 mins.: W. S. Holding 1, R. Langford, senr., 2, J. H. Riding 3, A. Crawley 4, R. T. Holding, junr., 5, G. H. Crawley 6, J. Dentith 7, C. J. B. Cooke 8, R. T. Holding, senr. (conductor) 9, R. Langford, junr., 10. The above is the longest touch of Caters for all the band except the ringers of the 3rd and 9th, also the longest touch upon the bells.

RANMOOR, SHEFFIELD.—On Wednesday, April 24th, a quarter-peal (1320 changes) of Double Norwich Major, in 48 mins.: S. Thomas (conductor) 1, *T. O'Hara 2, *J. E. L. Cockey 3, F. Ward 4, M. Ward 5, *J. Evinson 6, R. W. Collier 7, C. Hayner 8. *First quarter-peal in the method. Also three courses of Superlative Surprise Major: J. Evinson 1, T. O'Hara 2, L. Charlesworth 3, S. Thomas (conductor) 4, M. Ward 5, F. Ward 6, W. S. Plant 7, C. Hayner 8.

LAVENHAM.—On April 27th, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples: W. Fayers 1, S. H. Symonds (conductor) 2, F. Parker 3, F. A. Poulson 4, A. Symonds 5, G. Lambert 6, W. A. J. Paulson 7, T. Pryke 8.

THORNTON CURTIS.—Lincoln Guild.—On April 23rd, a date touch (1912 changes), in 1hr. 12 mins., consisting of Plain Bob, Grandsire and St. Dunstan's Doubles: H. Thompson 1, J. Atkinson 2, S. Bromfield 3, W. Goddard 4, G. Atkinson (conductor) 5.—On April 28th, 240 Stedman Doubles, for evening service: S. Bromfield 1, G. Atkinson 2, J. Major 3, J. Atkinson 4, W. Goddard 5.

POLTON, LANCASHIRE.—On Sunday, April 28th, for afternoon service, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples: G. Pineott 1, F. Abbott 2, W. Tebey 3, T. Worsley 4, W. Pennington 5, T. Jackson 6, T. Barlow (conductor) 7, P. Nuttall 8. For evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: W. Thornley 1, J. Nuttall 2, R. Fiddies 3, G. Pineott 4, J. Gregory 5, R. Barlow 6, W. W. Pennington (conductor) 7, P. Nuttall 8.

CLAPTON.—At St. Matthew's Church, on Sunday evening, April 28th, in 47 mins., a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: S. H. Cooper 1, H. J. King 2, F. E. Ringrose 3, P. R. Hilslop 4, W. J. Kemp 5, H. F. Hull 6, W. Bottrill (conductor) 7, S. S. Dummore (first quarter-peal) 8.

SCUNTHORPE.—On Sunday evening, April 21st, for the "Titanic" disaster, with the bells half-muffled, 1260 Grandsire Triples, in 50 mins.: W. J. Thyng 1, N. Short (conductor) 2, W. Miller 3, G. Oliver 4, T. P. Hocknell 5, Chas. Bird 6, G. Vamplew 7, H. Strickland 8.—On Sunday evening, May 5th, 742 Grandsire Triples (from Holt's Original): G. Oliver 1, N. Short 2, T. P. Hocknell 3, Chas. Bird 4, W. J. Thyng (conductor) 5, A. Moss 6, G. Vamplew 7, Hy. Strickland 8.

HIGHAM-ON-THE-HILL, LEICESTERSHIRE.—On Saturday, May 4th, 840 Doubles, being 480 Plain Bob and 360 Grandsire: A. Smith 1, F. Smith 2, W. M. Martin 3, W. Martin 4, A. E. Clayfield (conductor) 5.

BRIDGEND, GLAMORGAN.—On Sunday, May 12th, at St. Illtyd's Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 45 mins.: *Willie Evans 1, A. J. Stanley 2, T. J. Evans 3, R. Evans 4, Rees James 5, J. Evans 6, J. Cox (conductor) 7, *J. Fisher 8. *First quarter-peal and longest touch.—On Sunday, May 5th, a quarter-peal Grandsire Triples, in 45 mins.: *R. Gregory 1, A. J. Stanley 2, T. J. Evans 3, J. Evans 4, *W. Hardwick 5, R. James 6, J. Cox (conductor) 7, —, Smith 8. *First quarter-peal.

PRESTON, SUFFOLK.—On May 1st, 720 Superlative Surprise: H. Crick 1, S. H. Symonds 2, W. R. J. Poulson 3, T. Hollock 4, A. Symonds 5, W. Hollock (conductor) 6. Also 360 of Cambridge Surprise.

GREAT BARTON, SUFFOLK.—On Sunday, April 28th, 720 Oxford Treble Bob Minor: A. E. Moore 1, R. Wilding 2, F. Levitt 3, W. P. Johnson 4, O. Bullman 5, H. W. Foulger (conductor) 6.

WALTHAM.—Lincoln Diocesan Guild.—At All Saints' Church, on Sunday morning, April 28th, 720 Bob Doubles, each six-score called differently: G. White 1, A. Starnson 2, J. Powell 3, D. Scott 4, H. Kendall (conductor) 5, R. Thornton 6. For evening service, another 720 Doubles, with H. Saunders 6. These are the first 720's by all the band, and first ever rung by local ringers, who are all Sunday service ringers.

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