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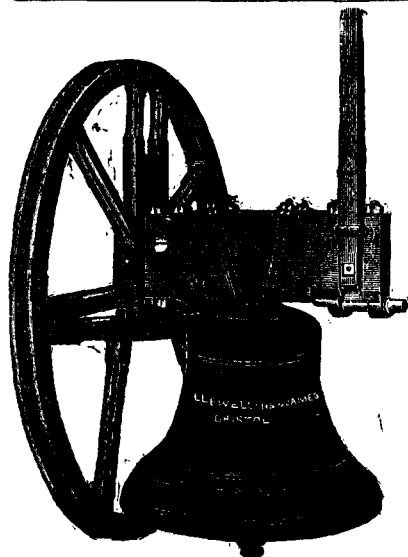
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OUR CHURCH BELLS.

THEIR CONDITION AND SURROUNDINGS:

Being the Report of the Committee appointed by the Central Council to investigate the state of rings of 8, 10, and 12 bells in England, and to collect information calculated to promote the advance of change-ringing.

In the following schedule, which will be continued week by week, the towers are placed in alphabetical order; the name of the place being put first, followed by the dedicatory designation of the church. It is earnestly requested that the omission of any tower, with the name and address of the representative ringer—also alterations required in the information scheduled, may be at once notified to Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., Duffield, Derby, with the envelope endorsed:—C.C.C.B.R. Unless corrections are promptly pointed out, the value of the Report, when subsequently published in pamphlet form, will be seriously impaired.

SCHEDULE (continued).

MINEHEAD (Somerset). St. Michael. Bath and Wells Association. Eight bells. Treble, 2nd, 3rd and 4th by Warner, 1888; 5th, 1607, founder unknown; 6th and tenor by Bilbie, 1804; 7th by Bailey, 1766. Tenor 21 cwt., diameter 4 ft. 2 in. Timber frame. Bells go well. Rehung by Warner, 1888. Ropes good. Methods: Grandsire, Stedman, Union and Plain Bob. Sunday ringing: 10.30 to 11, and 6 to 6.30 except in Advent and Lent. Practice: Monday, 7.30.

MIRFIELD (Yorks). St. Mary. Yorkshire Association. Ten bells. All by Taylor; no date given. Tenor 30 cwt., diameter 4 ft. 8 in. Timber frame. Bells go well. Ropes new 1898, good. Method: Treble Bob. Sunday ringing: 9.30 to 10.30, and 5.30 to 6.30. Practice: Wednesday, 8 in winter.

MITCHAM (Surrey). SS. Peter and Paul. Surrey Association. Eight bells. All by Mears. No date given. Tenor 16 cwt. Timber frame. Bells go well. Ropes good. Methods: Grandsire, Stedman, Treble Bob and "various other methods." Sunday ringing: 10.25 to 11, and 6.25 to 7. Practice: Wednesday, 7.45.

MITCHELDEAN (Gloucestershire). Gloucester and Bristol Association. St. Michael and All Angels. Eight bells. Tenor 15 cwt., diameter 3 ft. 5 in. by Rudhall, 1819; the rest 1760, founder not known. There is also a small Sanctus bell by Rudhall. Timber frame. Bells go well. Repairs by Waite, 1865. Further repairs and new ropes have been recommended, but there are no funds. Ropes very bad. Methods: Grandsire and Plain Bob. Sunday ringing: 5.15 to 5.50, and for half-an-hour after every service. Practice: Friday, 7.30.

MOLESEY, EAST (Surrey). St. Mary. Surrey Association. Eight bells. Six by Lester, 1760; 4th by Mears, 1871; the rest by the same, 1889. Tenor 10 cwt.,

diameter 3 ft. 6 in. Timber frame. Bells go well. Clocking permitted. Half-pull ringing at practice only. No method stated. Sunday ringing: 10.15 to 10.45, and 5.45 to 6.15. Practice: Wednesday, 7.30.

MONMOUTH. St. Mary. Llandaff Association. Eight bells. All by Rudhall, 1706. Tenor 20 cwt., diameter 3 ft. 11 in. Timber frame. Bells go well. Rehung by Day, 1883. Repairs promptly attended to. Ropes fair. Methods: Grandsire and Plain Bob. Sunday ringing on festivals. Practice: Monday, 8. Visitors welcome. A chiming apparatus is fitted.

MONTGOMERY. St. Nicholas. Eight bells. No return.

CASTLE CAREY, SOMERSETSHIRE.

DEDICATION OF BELLS.

On Thursday, December 3rd, these bells were re-dedicated, and now make a nice ring of six, all hung in a new iron cage by Taylor, the "go" of which is all that can be desired. After the service a 720 of Grandsire Minor and several 6-scores of Grandsire and Stedman Doubles—the first on the bells—were rung by Messrs. Burgess, Doble, Maddock (2), Millard and Poole from St. James's, Taunton. The visiting and local ringers were afterwards entertained to a substantial tea in the school-room by the Rector, to whom they tender their best thanks; also the ladies and gentlemen for attending to their wants.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

The usual quarterly meeting of the Eastern Division of the above Association was held on Saturday, November 28th, at Brightling. Bad weather no doubt somewhat interfered with the attendance, but sufficient were present to allow of a good practice in Grandsire, Plain Bob and Stedman, and assistance and encouragement to the local band. An excellent tea was provided by the Rector (the Rev. Sturgess-Jones), to which eighteen sat down, representing the following towers: Blacklands and St. Clements (Hastings). Buxted, Battle, Woolwich and Brightling.

A short business meeting followed at which the minutes of the last meeting were duly read and confirmed. The Secretary in the course of his remarks said he feared the bad weather had prevented a larger number attending, and wished to thank those present for braving the elements. It was very gratifying to him to find there were certain members who supported him at most of his meetings, and more particularly so when from some cause it was anticipated there would be a small attendance, and to these members he was very grateful. He was particularly pleased to see Mr. Franks from Battle, and two members from Buxted, all of whom had to travel by road. He was glad to report that the quarterly peal of Bob Major arranged at the last meeting had been successfully rung at Bexhill.

Mr. Lock proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the Rev.

Sturges-Jones for the use of the bells, and for presiding at the meeting. He was glad to see the Rector taking part in the ringing, and taking such a great interest in the Association, and he would like to see more of the clergy presiding at their meetings. He wished to couple with the Rector the names of the Brightling ringers, who had got the bells in readiness, and he hoped they would make good progress in change-ringing.

The Rev. Sturges-Jones in reply said it had given him very great pleasure to welcome the Association to his tower. This was the first meeting held at Brightling, but he hoped it would not be the last, and he would be very glad to let them have the bells at any time. The meeting gave his ringers a great deal of encouragement, and he hoped the Association would soon revisit the tower.

Several new members were elected, and the next quarterly peal was then discussed.

It was finally proposed by Mr. Lock, seconded and carried unanimously, that the quarterly peal be one of Grandsire Triples to be rung at Brightling, and conducted by Mr. W. Franks, of Battle.

A short service followed the business meeting, in which the members heartily joined. The Rector gave a very appropriate address from the pulpit, taking for his text—"Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and to-day, and for ever." A few more touches on the bells brought a very enjoyable meeting to a close.

THE LEEDS AND DISTRICT AMALGAMATED.

The monthly meeting was held at St. Chad's, Far Headingley, when upwards of forty members were present from the following towers: Armley, Bramley, Burley, Bradford, Brighouse, Guiseley, Holbeck, Headingley, Huddersfield, Halifax, Hull, Kirkheaton, Leeds, Pudsey, Pontefract, Wakefield, and the local company. Tower ringing commenced with an attempt for a peal of Stedman Triples which was unsuccessful after ringing an hour. The business meeting took place at The Woodman inn. Previous to the meeting taking place a luncheon provided by the local company was thoroughly enjoyed by all present. The business meeting then took place, Mr. Geo. Barraclough in the chair, and Mr. T. Maude in the vice-chair. The minutes of the previous meeting were passed as read. Eleven new members were elected. The usual vote of thanks to the Vicar and churchwardens for the use of the bells, and to the local company for their kind arrangements, was proposed by Mr. J. Holgate, seconded by Mr. T. Maude. Tower ringing during the evening included touches of Treble Bob Minor and Major, Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Bob Major, etc. Touches on the handbells brought to a close a well-enjoyed meeting by all present.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

A quarterly meeting of the above was held at Midsomer Norton, on Saturday, December 5th, and was attended by about thirty members from various parts, and representing the following towers: Midsomer Norton, Chilcompton, Frome, Nunney, Buckland Dinham, St. John's, Glastonbury, Bridgwater, Bath and Twerton-on-Avon. The bells were available the whole day, and were found to go well. The Vicar, the Rev. E. Newling, extended a most hearty welcome to the members, and very kindly entertained them to tea in the National Schoolroom at four o'clock, willing assistance being given by several ladies of the parish, which was much appreciated. At

the business meeting which followed the minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed. Forty-seven new members—three honorary and fifty-four performing—were elected, and nineteen probationers were made full members. Curry Rivel was chosen for the place of next quarterly meeting. A telegram from the Master of the Association, regretting his inability to attend the meeting, was read, also letters and cards of regret from Revs. Bull (Paulton), Randolph (Frome), Lear (Wells), Dwight (Buckland Dinham), Robinson (Drayton, Berks), &c.

A vote of thanks was unanimously passed to the Vicar for the use of the bells, and another to the Vicar and all the ladies for so kindly providing such an excellent tea and extending such a welcome, was carried with acclamation. A service was held at the church at 5.30 p.m., the Vicar, assisted by the curate and choir, officiating. An excellent and appropriate address was given by the Vicar. This meeting was certainly one of the most pleasant and successful in the history of the Bath and Wells Association. Excepting the time of tea, business and service, the bells were kept merrily going, the methods rung being Grandsire, Stedman and Plain Bob.

EAST DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

The quarterly meeting was held at North Wingfield on Saturday, December 5th. Members were present from Ashover, Blackwell, Tibshelf, North Wingfield, and ringing friends from South Wingfield and Alfreton. A substantial tea was provided by the Rector at 5 p.m., to which twenty sat down. Owing to the miserable weather the attendance was not so good as was expected, the whole district being enveloped in a dense fog, with keen frost. After tea, the Rector (who is President), presided at the meeting, giving the Association a hearty welcome, and expressing regret that so few had put in an appearance. The minutes were read and confirmed. Messrs. Scott and Jackson were chosen as auditors for the Easter accounts. Three new ringing members were proposed. Hearty votes of thanks to the Rector (Rev. C. J. Boden) for ten, bells and room, brought the meeting to a close.

NOTES TO PEALS.

THE PEAL AT NEW ROMNEY.—This was the first peal and first attempt by Messrs. Hopkins, Hutchinson, and Anderson, Mr. Johnson's first peal away from the tenor. It is also the first peal of Grandsire on the bells, and was rung at a meeting of the Romney Marsh and District Guild, it being the first peal by the Guild. The last peal known to have been rung on these bells was in 1820, though it is supposed that John Friend, of Hythe, has rung one there since. This however must have been over thirty years ago.

THE PEAL AT FAREHAM.—This peal was rung in connection with the quarterly meetings which will be held in the district, the object being to ring a peal near about the date, and if possible at the place where the meeting was held. The peal was arranged a fortnight ago, but unfortunately met one short. The band tender their best thanks to Mr. Privett for kindly having everything ready for them.

MR. A. E. THOMPSON'S 100 PEALS.—Grandsire Triples, 30, conducted 14; Major, 1; Caters, 2; Bob Triples, 10, conducted 6; Major, 24, conducted 15; Royal, 4, conducted 1; Canterbury Triples, 3, conducted 3; Major, 1; Caters, 1; Stedman Triples, 7, Caters, 2; Oxford Bob Triples, 3, conducted 1; Union Triples, 1; Darlaston Bob Triples, 1; Duffield Major, 1; Double Norwich Major, 2; Superlative Major, 1; Kent Treble Bob Major, 1; Royal, 3; Bob Major (double-handed) on handbells, 2, conducted 1. Total—100; conducted 41.

CENTRAL COUNCIL GLOSSARY REPRINT.—Bellfounders, Bellhangers and others wishing advertisements to appear in the reprint should communicate with Messrs. Bemrose and Sons, 4, Snow Hill, E.C.

In Memoriam.

FREDERICK WILLIAM JOSEPH REES.

We deeply regret to announce that Mr. Rees passed away on Thursday, November 5th, after a short illness. All his life he had taken a deep and practical interest in bell-ringing, and in everything else conducing to the more worthy rendering of the services of the Church of which he was a devoted member. He was laid to rest on November 10th in the cemetery of Nayland, Suffolk, with every mark of respect and regret, as was only natural for one who had endeared himself to all around him.

Twenty-five of his earlier years were spent in India in the Bengal Civil Service, to which he was appointed in 1862. It was in the latter part of this period that a series of letters appeared in the ringing columns of *Church Bells* with the *nom de plume* of "A Looker-on in India." These were in reality due to him, and they dealt with ringing, its progress, and other matters connected with it as presented to one at a distance by the reports in that paper at the time.

In spite of the long intervals that elapsed between the occasions on which he took his furlough he never suffered his interest in ringing to flag, but during the visits then paid to England he lent all his aid to the furtherance of the art by joining the local band of ringers in whatever neighbourhood he temporarily found himself to be living.

His ringing began in boyhood when he was at Shrewsbury School, and was continued during his undergraduate days at St. John's College, Cambridge.

After retiring from the service he lived for some years in the parish of St. Nicholas, Guildford, where he helped to reorganize the local band, which during his stay there made excellent progress. On leaving there he presented two bells to the tower, thus augmenting the ring from eight to ten, and leaving behind him a grand and permanent memorial of his residence in the parish. His next move, destined to be his last, was to Nayland, near Colchester, where his interest in ringing continued unabated, and where he largely contributed to the rehanging of the bells. He was a member of the Ancient Society of College Youths, and of the Diocesan Associations of Norwich, Oxford, Winchester, Ely, and of the Midland Counties Association. In the time at our disposal it has not been possible to obtain a complete list of his peals, but between the years 1890 and 1894 inclusive there are twelve marked in his copy of "BELL NEWS." These include 5 of Grandsire Triples, 3 of Bob Major, 2 of Stedman Triples, and 1 each of Treble Bob Major and Grandsire Caters. One of the peals of Stedman Triples was an E.C.U. peal, all the performers being members of the Union, at St. John's, Pimlico, on the anniversary, June 16, 1894. Among historical occasions on which he handled a rope may be mentioned that at St. Nicholas, Chislehurst, at the death of the late Emperor of the French.

With the apparent exception of the period 1894-96 inclusive he was a member of the Central Council from its inception, first as representing the Winchester Guild, and subsequently as an honorary member. When on the Council he was always a member of the standing committee, and it was in this last capacity that quite recently and with the utmost readiness he carefully went through the Glossary, correcting the typographical errors preparatory to the reprint. It was hoped that he would have completed this work by the correction of the proofs, but this alas! was not to be. He was a member of the

Committee on the Preservation of Bells, etc. By his death the Council has lost one of its original members, and one who, by his repeated election to the Standing Committee was thus recognised as a useful and valued member. In whatever capacity he was acting it was always a great pleasure to act with him, or indeed to meet with him in any way. His bright face and happy genial manner were not the least of the pleasures of the Council. All will be truly sorry that he is gone, and our sincere sympathy is with his family circle in their bereavement.

R.I.P.

PEN-Y-FAI CHURCH, GLAMORGANSHIRE.

A large clock with Cambridge chimes has just been erected in this church by John Smith and Sons, Midland Clock Works, Derby. It is fitted with all the latest improvements, and similar to a clock erected a short time since in Baglan church, Glamorganshire, by the same firm.

Correspondence.

While allowing the utmost freedom for the expression of opinion, it must never be considered that we are in any way bound to statements made by correspondents.

To the Editor of "THE BELL NEWS AND RINGERS' RECORD."

Re PEAL AT PULFORD.

SIR,—I was pleased to see from Mr. Morgan's letter that they had paid their subscription to the Chester Diocesan Guild. I have before me now a copy of our balance sheet last year, and the only money paid to the General Secretary was 11s. by the Handbridge Society, and when I inform Mr. Morgan that the money for which he holds a receipt, and which was paid to their Branch Secretary at the beginning of this year, has not yet found its way to the Treasurer at Grappenhall, he will quite understand the position I was placed in. It was certainly my duty to ask the question, but had the Chester Branch Secretary done his duty in the matter all this correspondence would have been unnecessary.

FREDK. T. SPENCE.

INFORMATION WANTED.

SIR,—I have lately been so unfortunate as to find myself at disagreement with some other of the ringers in the belfry to which I belong, on a matter connected with the instruction of beginners in the Art. If I am in the wrong I shall of course be ready to give way at once. I venture, therefore, through your columns to ask the opinion of the leading members of the Exercise. The point in dispute is this: Should call-change ringing be employed as a means of teaching change-ringing? I was brought up to believe that "Stony" and change-ringing, as systems, were opposed to one another, and that rope-sight was only made more difficult to learn if a beginner were allowed to ring call-changes. I should be grateful to hear what change-ringers of experience have to say on this subject.

Reading.

H. C. BELL.

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Composed by W. HARRISON, and Conducted by C. R. LILLEY.

Umpire—O. Wiles.

ST. NEOTS, HUNTS.—THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.*On Sunday, November 29, 1903, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,**AT THE RESIDENCE OF MR. G. D. COLEMAN,***A PEAL OF BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES.**

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CHARLES R. LILLEY 9-10.	

Composed by G. LINDOFF, and Conducted by CHARLES R. LILLEY.

Umpire—H. Fields.

Date Touches.

HASFIELD (Gloucestershire).—On Sunday, October 4th, a date touch of Grandsire Doubles in 55 mins. B. Etheridge conductor, W. Etheridge, J. Clarke, W. H. Harris, W. Wix, J. Taylor.

Miscellaneous.**THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**

SHALFORD (Hants).—On Tuesday, November 10th, for practice, 720 Oxford Bob Minor. W. Worsfold, E. Worsfold, T. Streeter, R. Crowhurst, E. Lucas, W. Frewin conductor. Composed by H. Burkitt. On Tuesday, November, 17th for practice, 720 Bob Minor by the same band.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

WITNEY (Oxon).—On Monday, December 7th, at St. Mary's church, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples in 46 mins. A. Brooks, H. Brooks, F. Pounds, J. Monk, T. Bull, J. Brooks, Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn conductor, J. Richards.

THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

HIGHGATE.—On Sunday evening, December 6th, for Divine Service at St. Anne's church, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples in 40 mins. E. Chapman, J. Durrant, T. Titchener, R. Bevan, M. Woodcock, W. J. Nudds, F. Smith conductor, E. Bonfield.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

LONDON.—On Sunday evening, December 6th, for Divine Service at St. Matthew's church, Bethnal Green, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples in 45 mins. T. O. Bone, W. Truss, A. Hughes, M. A. Wood composer and conductor, D. F. Gibbons, A. Coles, H. C. Alford, G. Dorrington, jun.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

CURRY RIVEL (Somerset).—On Sunday, November 29th, for afternoon service, 720 Grandsire Minor, in 25 mins. W. Proles, F. Rabbage, F. Stuckey, F. Alford, A. Sams, R. H. Vercker conductor.

THE WATERLOO SOCIETY, LONDON.

SUNBURY (Middlesex).—On Saturday, September 26th, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples taken from Thurstans. H. Langdon, F. G. Perrin, H. Last, J. E. Davis, E. H. Oxenham, F. Goddard, J. H. B. Hesse, W. Warne. Conducted by H. Langdon.

THE WATERLOO SOCIETY, LONDON, AND THE ST. MARGARET'S SOCIETY, WESTMINSTER.

LONDON.—On Sunday, September 27th, at St. Margaret's church, Westminster, a quarter-peal of Stedman Caters in the handstroke home position. J. W. Cattle, A. N. Hardy, F. G. Perrin, F. Smith, E. H. Nixon, J. E. Davis conductor, G. Daynes composer, E. Brett, H. Langdon, C. Ward.

THE ALL SAINTS SOCIETY, FULHAM.

FULHAM.—On October 25th, at All Saints church, 1263 Stedman Caters, in 47 mins. A. Jones, W. E. Judd, J. W. Kelley, D. W. Griggs, J. C. Jackson, W. Hollier, A. Jones, W. T. Elson composer and conductor, C. Charge, J. Hollingsbee. On November 8th, for Men's Service, 1259 Grandsire Caters, in 49 mins. A. S. Ough, A. Jones, J. W. Kelley, W. J. Troughton, S. M. Dodington, A. Jones, H. Adams, J. H. B. Hesse, W. T. Elson conductor, F. J. Gee. On November, 14th, after an attempt for a peal, 1259 Grandsire Caters, in 49 mins. J. W. Kelley, J. W. Driver, W. E. Judd, W. J. Troughton, S. M. Dodington, H. Last, C. Charge conductor, H. Adams, R. Charge, F. J. Jee.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

LEICESTER.—On Sunday, October 4th, at St. Martin's church, 845 Grandsire Caters. G. Cheshire, S. Cotton, G. Potter, F. H. Dexter, J. O. Lancashire, G. Cleal, E. E. Smith, J. S. Needham, A. Martin, T. Taylor. For evening service, 720 in the same method. G. Cheshire, H. Rushby longest touch of Caters, S. Cotton, F. H. Dexter conductor, J. O. Lancashire, J. Buttery, E. C. Smith, J. S. Needham, A. Martin, T. Taylor.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

GRIMSBY.—On Tuesday, November 10th, on the occasion of the marriage of Mr. Gabriel Lindoff to Miss Annie Coupland-Nixon, 1134 Grandsire Triples. H. Fuller, J. Chapman, S. G. Steeles, W. H. Heyhoe, G. Weldon, C. Jackson conductor, J. W. Seamer, A. B. Shepherd. And 720 Bob Minor. G. Weldon, J. W. Seamer, J. Chapman, A. B. Shepherd, W. H. Heyhoe, C. Jackson conductor, At St. Andrew's church, 630 Grandsire Triples. G. Weldon, W. H. Heyhoe, S. G. Steeles, P. Long, A. W. Long, A. B. Shepherd, C. Jackson conductor, J. W. Seamer. The ringers wish the happy pair every success and a bright and prosperous future.

THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

LEDGERBY.—On October 4th, at the parish church, on the occasion of the Harvest Festival, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples. For evening service 720 in the same method. After service 360. J. Pitt, J. Davis, E. Gurney, C. Malpas, J. Dance, W. Pitt, F. Sumners conductor, H. Ellsmore.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

WIDFORD.—On Tuesday, October 6th, for practice, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, in 45 mins. R. Edwards, W. J. Piper, T. Lincoln, A. Head, H. W. Kirton, E. Runter, W. Lincoln conductor, F. G. Radley.

WRITTLE.—On Wednesday, October 7th, for practice, 720 Double Norwich Court Bob Major. R. Wood, T. Lincoln, G. W. Sorrell, F. G. Radley, H. W. Kirton, H. Head, W. Lincoln conductor, A. Head. Longest touch in the method by the local company.

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TIRLEY (Gloucestershire).—On Sunday, October 4th, five 6-scores of Grandsire Doubles. B. Etheridge conductor, W. Etheridge, J. Clarke, J. M. Turner, W. Wix, T. Taylor. Also a 6-score by the same. And a 350. T. Taylor, J. M. Turner, W. Etheridge, H. Harris, W. Wix, B. Etheridge conductor. Also 480. B. Etheridge conductor, W. Etheridge, J. Clarke, W. H. Harris, W. Wix, T. Taylor.

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The Lancashire Association.—Rochdale Branch.—The next meeting will be held at St. Thomas's, Newhey, to-day, Saturday, Dec. 12th. Bells ready at 4. Meeting at 6.30. All ringers welcome. J. H. BASTOW, *Branch Sec.*
9, Booth St., Middleton.

The Lancashire Association.—Liverpool Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Garston to-day, Saturday, Dec. 12th. Bells ready at 3 p.m. Members intending to be present please send word to me.
WALTER HUGHES, *Sec.*
3, Belmont Place, Garston.

The Lancashire Association.—Manchester Branch.—The next meeting will be held at the Town Hall to-day, Saturday, December 12th. Ringing from 3 o'clock till 7. Business meeting at 7.15.
JOHN SMITH, *Branch Sec.*

The Liverpool Diocesan Guild.—The next meeting of this Guild will be held at St. James's church, Poolstock, Wigan, to-day, Saturday, December 12th. Bells ready, 3 p.m. Tea 5.30 p.m. Business meeting 6 p.m.
Rev. W. T. BULPIT, } *Hon. Secs.*
W. BENTHAM, }

The Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association.—Cirencester Branch.—The annual meeting will be held at Swindon to-day, Saturday, December 12th. Bells ready at 2.30, service at 4.30, tea at 5, business meeting immediately after. Members cordially invited.
S. MOORE, *Hon. Sec.*
69, Chester Street, Cirencester.

The Heavy Woollen District Association.—The next meeting of the above Society will be held at Huddersfield to-day, Saturday, December 12th. Meeting to commence at 5 o'clock. Meeting house, The Swan with Two Necks.
WALTER IDLE, *Sec.*
47, Vulcan Road, Dewsbury.

The Winchester Diocesan Guild.—A district meeting of the above will be held at Winchester to-day, Saturday, December 12th.
E. W. CARPENTER, *Hon. Sec.*

The Sussex County Association.—Western Division.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Steyning on Saturday, December 19th. Tower open from 4 p.m. Tea and business meeting at 5.30 p.m. Members intending to be present kindly inform Mr. E. Bristow, 34, Charlton Street, Steyning, by Friday, Dec. 18th. All subscriptions owing for the present year should now be paid without delay.
H. EVANS, *Hon. Dist. Sec.*
Northbrook, Goring, Worthing.

The Lancashire Association.—Blackburn Branch.—The next branch meeting will be held at Padiham on Saturday, December 19th. Ringing from 3 o'clock. Meeting at 6.30.
THOS. DUXBURY, *Branch Sec.*

The Llandaff Diocesan Association.—The annual meeting will be held at Llandaff on Boxing Day, December 26th, at 4 o'clock. A good muster is earnestly requested, there being important business. The Dean will preside. Cathedral bells available.
Rev. CONNOP L. PRICE, *Hon. Sec.*
J. W. JONES, *Asst. Hon. Sec. pro tem.*

The Leeds and District Amalgamated Society.—The next monthly meeting will be held on January 2nd, 1904, at St. Peter's,

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The Durham and Newcastle Diocesan Association.—Report is now ready. Will the following members send their correct addresses:—Messrs. John Buffery, A. Ingleby, E. Horrex, A. Tyler, F. E. Dawe, Ralph Ellis, Herbert Dickinson, J. W. Passman, J. Holmes, W. Thompson, Percy Hind, J. H. Shepherd, R. Dale, H. E. T. Glover, and the Revs. W. H. Deane, F. N. Thicknesse, W. Venables and R. Stevenson. C. L. ROUTLEDGE, 62, Jesmond Rd., Newcastle-on-Tyne. *Hon. Sec.*

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SATURDAY, DECEMBER 12, 1903.

It has been hinted to us that the practice of Sunday peal-ringing, for no other purpose than securing a peal, has increased of late. From a general point of view the practice is not worthy of commendation, and is one which it would be better to avoid. It is a very probable cause of offence; and we certainly do not want to add to that disfavor with which bellringing is regarded by some persons. There are prominent members of the Exercise who would like to make Sunday peal-ringing very unpopular, in fact abolish it altogether, and we go a long way with these gentlemen in their ideas upon the subject. For peals on handbells there is no excuse at all. Ringers will never do wrong in declining a peal on the Sunday; they may give great satisfaction, in fact, by refraining.

The Metropolis.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS, AND THE ST. STEPHEN'S SOCIETY, WESTMINSTER.

On Saturday, November 21, 1903, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes,
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER, WALWORTH,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR,
 5056 CHANGES. Tenor 15 cwt.

HENRY R. NEWTON Treble.	WILLIAM H. PASMORE .. 5.
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On Wednesday, December 2, 1903, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN, WATERLOO ROAD,

A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR,
 5120 CHANGES. Tenor 20 cwt.

WILLIAM SOMMERVILLE .. Treble.	FREDERICK DENCH .. 5.
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THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, December 5, 1903, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS, POPLAR,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5031 CHANGES.

Tenor 25 cwt.

JOHN D. MATTHEWS .. Treble.	*SIDNEY A. WRIGHT .. 6.
WILLIAM PYE 2.	REUBEN CHARGE .. 7.
BERTRAM PREWETT 3.	HARRY FLANDERS .. 8.
ALFRED W. BRIGHTON .. 4.	ERNEST PYE 9.
ISAAC G. SHADE 5.	FREDERICK H. GOOCH .. Tenor.

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS, and Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

*First peal of Stedman Caters.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Tuesday, December 8, 1903, in Three Hours and Twenty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. DUNSTAN, STEPNEY.

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;
 IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 31 cwt.

HENRY SPRINGALL Treble.	THOMAS LANGDON .. 6.
WILLIAM TRUSS 2.	SAMUEL HAYES .. 7.
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A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

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THOMAS TAYLOR Treble.	GEORGE GRIFFITHS .. 5.
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WILLIAM PEART 4.	ELIJAH PAGETT Tenor.

Conducted by WILLIAM COOPER.

Rung as a 21st birthday compliment to Frederick Bendall, being his first peal.

BURTON-ON-TRENT, STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES' ASSOCIATION, AND THE ST. PAUL'S SOCIETY, BURTON-ON-TRENT.

On Thursday, November 26, 1903, in Three Hours and Thirty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR,
 5040 CHANGES. Tenor 26 cwt.

EDWARD I. STONE Treble.	ALBERT E. THOMPSON .. 5.
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SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Saturday, November 28, 1903, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES.

Tenor 17 cwt.

HORACE BELCHER Treble.	C. TYLER 5.
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A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

BROOK'S VARIATION.

Tenor 28 cwt.

JAMES GRATER, JUN. .. Treble.	R. GRATER, JUN. .. 5.
W. GRATER 2.	*J. HART 6.
JAMES ELSWORTHY* .. 3.	JAMES BABBAGE 7.
E. MUNDAY 4.	H. WARE Tenor.

Conducted by JAMES BABBAGE.

*First peal in the method.

REDDISH, LANCASHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(STOCKPORT AND BOWDEN BRANCHES.)

On Saturday, November 28, 1903, in Two Hours and Forty-four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ELISABETH,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

PITSTOW'S VARIATION OF THURSTANS'S

THOS. JACKSON Treble.	*THOS. SMITHSON 5.
GEORGE ASTBURY† .. 2.	A. S. GORDON 6.
ALFRED BARNES 3.	EDWARD READER 7.
TOM MARSHALL 4.	*HERBERT SMITHSON .. Tenor.

Conducted by EDWARD READER.

*First peal in the method. †First peal of Stedman Triples. This is the conductor's 70th peal.

HAMPTON, NEAR EVESHAM, WORCESTERSHIRE.

On Saturday, November 28, 1903, in Two Hours and Forty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being forty-two 6-scores of Grandsire and St. Dunstons.

HARRY COOK* Treble.	FREDK. JOHNSON 4.
JAMES HEMMING* .. 2.	WILLIAM KEEN 5.
FRANK COOK 3.	FRANK COOK Tenor.

Conducted by F. JOHNSON.

*First peal.

LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES' ASSOCIATION.

(LOUGHBOROUGH BRANCH.)

On Saturday, November 28, 1903, in Three Hours and Thirty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES.

Tenor 30½ cwt.

JAMES GOODWIN Treble.	FRANK PERVIN 6.
THOMAS H. COLBURN .. 2.	LEONARD F. TAYLOR .. 7.
J. W. TAYLOR, JUN. .. 3.	JAMES L. WELLS 8.
WILLIAM PERVIN 4.	HORACE W. ABBOTT .. 9.
ALBERT E. THOMPSON .. 5.	FRANK G. BURLEIGH .. Tenor.

Composed by W. H. INGLESANT, and Conducted by T. H. COLBURN

First peal of Bob Royal by all except the 5th man, and this is his 100th peal a lis of which appears elsewhere.

FAREHAM, HANTS.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(PORTSMOUTH DISTRICT.)

On Saturday, November 28, 1903, in Three Hours and One Minute,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION.

Tenor 14½ cwt.

JOHN W. WHITING .. Treble.	GEORGE E. CHAPPELL .. 5.
JOHN HARPER* 2.	ALBERT MILLARD 6.
GEORGE W. GRAHAM .. 3.	*EDWARD J. HARDING .. 7.
ROBERT FUGE 4.	FREDERICK S. BAYLEY .. Tenor.

Composed by H. DAINS, and Conducted by FREDERICK S. BAYLEY.

Reference elsewhere

EMBERTON, BUCKS.

THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 28, 1903, in Two Hours and Thirty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being two 720s each of Oxford Treble Bob, College Single, Oxford Bob, and one of Plain Bob.

EDWIN MYNARD* .. Treble.	FREDERICK J. BOOTH .. 4.
JOHN LOVELL 2.	*SIDNEY SMITH 5.
FRED MYNARD 3.	WILLIAM FREEMAN .. Tenor.

Conducted by WILLIAM FREEMAN.

*First peal. E. Mynard (aged 15), was proposed a member of the Association before starting. Rung as a birthday compliment to S. Smith.

RAYLEIGH, ESSEX.—THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 28, 1903, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.

HENRY W. KIRTON* .. Treble.	WILLIAM DUDLEY 5.
REGINALD EDWARDS† .. 2.	JOSEPH SMITH 6.
GEORGE SMITH 3.	HENRY T. WILSON 7.
GEORGE E. WILSON .. 4.	WILLIAM H. JUDD .. Tenor.

Composed by J. E. BURTON, and Conducted by H. W. KIRTON.

*First peal as conductor. †First peal of Major. Rung on the occasion of the wedding of Miss Ada Frances Rouse, daughter of the Rev. R. C. M. Rouse, M.A., the Rector, to Mr. John Jackson Matthias, of Lewisham.

BOLSOVER, DERBYSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIRE, MIDLAND COUNTIES' AND SHEFFIELD DISTRICT ASSOCIATIONS.

On Saturday, November 28, 1903, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5152 CHANGES.

Tenor 14 cwt. 3 qrs.

ARTHUR CRAVEN .. Treble.	THOMAS BETTISON 5.
WILLIAM LAMBERT .. 2.	GEORGE HOLLIS 6.
BENJAMIN A. KNIGHTS .. 3.	ARTHUR KNIGHTS 7.
JOHN FLINT 4.	SAM THOMAS Tenor.

Composed by A. CRAVEN, and Conducted by SAM THOMAS.

First peal in the method on the bells, and first peal in the method by all except Messrs. Craven and Thomas.

IRTHLINGBOROUGH, NORTHANTS.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 28, 1903, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES.

Tenor 10 cwt. 1 qr. 4 lb.

HENRY STUBBS .. Treble.	WALTER PERKINS 5.
FREDERICK PALMER* .. 2.	WILLIAM PETTITT 6.
JOHN B. MARTIN 3.	ALFRED H. MARTIN .. 7.
WILLIAM V. NEWMAN .. 4.	ANDERSON Y. TYLER .. Tenor.

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF, and

Conducted by ANDERSON Y. TYLER.

*First peal in the method away from the treble.

CARDINGTON, BEDS.
THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(WOBURN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, November 28, 1903, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
HOLT'S TEN-PART. Tenor 22 cwt. in E flat.

HERBERT FIELDS Treble.	LOUIS J. FLINT 5.
SYDNEY J. COLEMAN .. 2.	ERNEST HERBERT 6.
GEORGE D. COLEMAN .. 3.	CHARLES R. LILLEY .. 7.
MORTIMER J. MATTHEWS 4.	JAMES WILLSHIRE Tenor.

Conducted by CHARLES R. LILLEY.

It was intended to have rung Double Norwich, but owing to pressure of time the above is the result. First peal of Triples on the bells.

WICKHAM SKEITH, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 28, 1903, in Two Hours and Forty-four Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR 5040 CHANGES;

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

GEORGE KEMP Treble.	THOMAS DAVY 4.
HARRY DAVY 2.	JAMES ROSE 5.
FREDERICK PLEASANCE .. 3.	GEORGE CATTERMOLLE .. Tenor.

Conducted by GEORGE CATTERMOLLE.

SOUTH WINGFIELD, DERBYSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 28, 1903, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720s, each called differently. Tenor 8 cwt.

J. THOMPSON Treble.	E. BUTLER 4.
W. BUTLER 2.	T. CLOUGH 5.
J. P. TARLTON 3.	J. T. BUTLER Tenor.

Conducted by J. T. BUTLER.

First peal on the bells.

OLDSWINFORD, WORCESTERSHIRE.

On Saturday, November 28, 1903, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;
IN THE KENT VARIATION.

J. G. ORFORD Treble.	H. SKELDING 5.
T. HEATHCOCK 2.	F. BRACE 6.
R. MOORS 3.	W. WHITEHOUSE 7.
W. NEWMAN 4.	A. H. SKELDING Tenor.

Composed by F. ROBINSON, and Conducted by J. G. ORFORD.

Rung with the bells half-muffled as a token of respect to the late W. Cochrane, of Middlesbrough, who lately added two bells, and also new iron framework to all the bells.

NEW ROMNEY KENT.—THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
(THE ROMNEY MARSH AND DISTRICT GUILD)

On Saturday, November 28, 1903, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
HOLLIS'S FIVE-PART.

GEORGE BILLENNESS .. Treble.	THOMAS A. VINCETT .. 5.
WILLIAM BILLENNESS .. 2.	GEORGE JOHNSON .. 6.
STEPHEN HOPKINS .. 3.	EDWARD HUTCHINSON .. 7.
CHARLES TRIBE .. 4.	GEORGE B. ANDREWS .. Tenor.

Conducted by GEORGE BILLENNESS.

Reference elsewhere.

ALTON, HANTS.—THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, November 28, 1903, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
HOLT'S TEN-PART.

C. FORDER Treble.	A. HARDIMAN 5.
W. J. BRAMBLEY* .. 2.	W. PERRY 6.
R. APPELGATH 3.	F. HEALEY 7.
A. W. EVANS 4.	F. NOAKES Tenor.

Conducted by W. J. BRAMBLEY.

First peal by all except C. Forder. *First peal as conductor.

FOXLEY, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, November 29, 1903, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS,

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES.

Being seven 720s, each called differently. Tenor 9 cwt.

ROBERT WILLEY Treble.	WILLIAM J. HOWSON .. 4.
FREDERICK WILBY .. 2.	WALTER E. AYERS .. 5.
F. ISAAC FUTTER .. 3.	WALTER BURROWS .. Tenor.

Conducted by W. BURROWS.

HALEWOOD, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(LIVERPOOL BRANCH.)

On Monday, November 30, 1903, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.

Tenor 11½ cwt.

ALFRED H. EDWARDS* .. Treble.	EDWARD CAUNCE 5.
JOHN DILLON 2.	*J. WILLIAM RAWLINSON .. 6.
JOHN ASPINWALL .. 3.	ALBERT LOVELL 7.
JAMES MARTIN 4.	†WALTER HUGHES Tenor.

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD, and Conducted by WALTER HUGHES.

*First peal of Major. †First peal of Major as conductor.

SPROUGHTON, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

(THE ALL SAINTS SOCIETY, SPROUGHTON).

On Monday, November 30, 1903, in Two Hours and Thirty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Superlative and Cambridge Surprise, Double Court, Double Bob, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, and Plain Bob. Tenor 10½ cwt.

ALFRED A. GIRLING .. Treble.	HARRY J. MEE 4.
EDGAR RIVERS 2.	CHARLES MEE 5.
GEORGE W. MEE 3.	ALFRED G. RIVERS .. Tenor.

Conducted by ALFRED G. RIVERS.

Rung as a birthday compliment to George W. Mee.

STANSTED, ESSEX.—THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, November 30, 1903, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES.

Tenor 13 cwt.

JOHN LUCKEY Treble.	WALTER PRIOR 5.
HERBERT LITTLE* .. 2.	WILLIAM T. PRIOR .. 6.
GEORGE GRAY* .. 3.	*ISAAC HAMMOND .. 7.
THOMAS J. WATTS .. 4.	WILLIAM WATTS Tenor.

Composed by W. SHIPWAY, and Conducted by WILLIAM WATTS.

*First peal in the method. First peal in the method on the bells. Rung with the bells half-muffled as a last tribute of respect to Thomas Cavill, who was for forty years sexton of the parish church.

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OLD WARDEN, BEDS.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, November 30, 1903, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LEONARD,

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES.

Being seven 720s, each called differently. Tenor 11 cwt. in F.

CHARLES R. LILLEY .. Treble.	THOMAS R. SCOTT .. 4.
FRANK W. YORK .. 2.	WILLIAM J. MAYES .. 5.
WILLIAM NEWTON .. 3.	FREDERICK WELLS .. Tenor.

Conducted by CHARLES R. LILLEY.

First peal by all except the conductor.

HEADINGLEY, YORKS.—THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, December 1, 1903, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES. Tenor 20½ cwt.

JOHN WHITAKER .. Treble.	WALTER WOOD .. 5.
PERCY JOHNSON* .. 2.	BENJAMIN SHAW .. 6.
HARRY WILLIAMS .. 3.	HENRY LINDSAY .. 7.
TOM FLINT .. 4.	ALBERT HASTE .. Tenor.

Composed by ARTHUR CRAVEN, and Conducted by HARRY WILLIAMS.

*First peal in the method with a bob bell.

BRIGHTON, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, December 1, 1903, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF NEW CUMBERLAND SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES. Tenor 10½ cwt.

JAMES N. FROSSELL .. Treble.	FRANK BENNETT .. 5.
GEORGE F. ATTREE .. 2.	ROBERT J. DAWE .. 6.
ALBERT D. STONE* .. 3.	GEORGE A. KING .. 7.
GEORGE SMART .. 4.	KEITH HART .. Tenor.

Composed and Conducted by FRANK BENNETT.

*First peal in the method. Rung in honour of the birthday of Her Majesty Queen Alexandra.

SPELDHURST, KENT.

SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

On Wednesday, December 2, 1903, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES.

Tenor 13 cwt.

PERCIVAL TURLEY .. Treble.	GEORGE TURLEY .. 5.
JAMES BAKER .. 2.	GEORGE A. CARD .. 6.
JAMES MAYNARD .. 3.	CHARLES CHAPMAN .. 7.
RICHARD PELLING .. 4.	THOMAS CARD .. Tenor.

Composed by A. T. KING, and Conducted by THOMAS CARD.

Rung to celebrate the coming of age of Lieut. L. D. I. Mackinnon, of H.M. navy, youngest son of D. D. Mackinnon, M.A., Rector of the parish. It is worthy of note that Mr. Baker is the only one remaining of the band that rang to celebrate his birth.

MITCHAM, SURREY.—THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, December 2, 1903, in Three Hours and Fourteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION.

WILLIAM S. SMITH .. Treble.	JOSEPH A. LAMBERT .. 5.
JAMES D. DREWETT .. 2.	ALBERT CALVER .. 6.
DOUGLAS J. DREWETT .. 3.	CHARLES BANCE .. 7.
JOHN C. JACKSON .. 4.	JOSEPH FAYERS .. Tenor.

Composed by A. KNIGHTS, and Conducted by JOSEPH FAYERS.

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PLYMOUTH.—THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.

(THREE TOWNS BRANCH.)

On Wednesday, December 2, 1903, in Three Hours and Twenty-three Minutes,

AT CHARLES CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5021 CHANGES.

Tenor 23½ cwt.

EDWARD TAYLOR .. Treble.	ERNEST W. MARSH .. 6.
WILLIAM G. HISCOTT* .. 2.	G. HARRY MYERS .. 7.
FRED. T. MARRIOTT* .. 3.	EDGAR MANNING .. 8.
WILLIAM RICHARDS .. 4.	WALTER H. MARSH .. 9.
WILLIAM HOPLEY .. 5.	*THOMAS LINNELL .. Tenor.

Composed by JOHN COX, and Conducted by G. HARRY MYERS.

*First peal of Caters.

WYMONDHAM, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION, AND THE ST. PETER MANCROFT SOCIETY, NORWICH.

On Thursday, December 3, 1903, in Three Hours and Thirty-three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION.

Tenor 25 cwt. in D.

ALBERT G. WARNES .. Treble.	ARTHUR E. FULLER .. 5.
FREDERICK KNIGHTS .. 2.	EGBERT BORRETT .. 6.
FREDERICK J. HOWCHIN .. 3.	WILLIAM L. DUFFIELD .. 7.
ROBERT HUTTON .. 4.	FREDERICK BORRETT .. Tenor.

Composed by J. THORP, and Conducted by A. G. WARNES.

This is the second peal on the bells, and first in the method.

SWINDON, WILTS.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

On Saturday, December 5, 1903, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

AT CHRIST CHURCH,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5376 CHANGES.

THOMAS ROBINSON .. Treble.	CHARLES J. GARDINER .. 5.
ROBERT W. HYNTER .. 2.	OLIVER NORMAN .. 6.
ALFRED LAWRENCE .. 3.	SIDNEY PALMER .. 7.
OWEN W. LAYNG .. 4.	THOMAS RICKETTS .. Tenor.

Composed by HARRY WHITTLE, and Conducted by THOMAS RICKETTS.

GODALMING, SURREY.

THE OXFORD AND WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILDS.

(GUILDFORD DISTRICT.)

On Saturday, December 5, 1903, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

A VARIATION OF THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 25 cwt.

ROBERT ROFFEY .. Treble.	THOMAS ATTWELL .. 5.
SEPTIMUS RADFORD .. 2.	ALFRED H. PULLING .. 6.
ERNEST ALLEN .. 3.	REV. F. E. ROBINSON .. 7.
JOHN J. JONES .. 4.	JAMES HUNT .. Tenor.

Conducted by the REV. F. E. ROBINSON.

SOUTHOVER, LEWES, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, December 6, 1903, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES. Tenor 17 cwt. 1 qr. 2 lbs.

ALFRED J. TURNER .. Treble.	GEORGE A. KING .. 5.
ALBERT D. STONE .. 2.	FREDERICK W. RICE .. 6.
ROBERT J. DAWE .. 3.	KEITH HART .. 7.
FRANK BENNETT .. 4.	GEORGE WILLIAMS .. Tenor.

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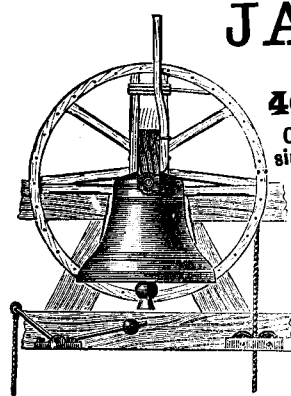
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