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SATURDAY, JANUARY 7, 1911.

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THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

The Annual Meeting of the South Eastern Division was held at Great Baddow on Saturday, December 3rd. The bells of St. Mary's were raised soon after 3 p.m., and kept merrily swinging till 5 p.m. the time appointed for the service. The Vicar, the Rev. A. N. Colley, officiated, assisted by the Rev. J. B. Plumbtree, of Danbury. The organist and choir boys were also in attendance. The short form of service as usually used by the Association was brought into use, the Rev. J. B. Plumbtree delivered an excellent address, and the singing was entered into freely. Tea was served at The King's Head by hostess Shorten, twenty-nine sitting down. Mr. C. H. Howard, Master of the Association, presided, supported by the Rev. H. T. Eyre, Hon. Secretary. After tea the business meeting was held. The minutes of the last meeting were passed, one new member elected, and both retiring officers unanimously re-elected. Prittlewell was selected as the next meeting place in March.

The Hon. Secretary proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the Rev. A. N. Colley for the use of his bells and the service he had given, all regretting he was unable to be present at the tea and meeting.

Mr. Howard seconded, and said he was very pleased to come to a meeting at Great Baddow as Master of the Association, he being a native of the parish, and learnt his first ringing there when quite a boy, carrying a small box to stand on each time he went to practice, and when later duty called him to Braintree there was quite a scramble amongst the ringers as to who should have the box. It was eventually secured by old Bill Newman, who boasts about it to this day. He was also most pleased to see Mr. Finch, the churchwarden, joining them, and hoped in the future those meetings would always boast of the attendance of the clergy and churchwardens.

Mr. Finch, responding, said he was sure it gave the Vicar much pleasure in welcoming the Association to Baddow that day, and regretted he was unable to attend the meeting. As for himself he was quite proud to be amongst so many ringers. He was a bellringer himself, but the bells he usually rang were door bells, thus annoying some people that way. He related a little history of the parish, including the meaning of the sign of the bell, indicating The Bell inn; also when in 1819 eight ringers, natives of Baddow, rang a peal of Bob Major, 10,080 changes, in 5 hrs. 40 mins. These men, on entering the churchyard afterwards were met by a large crowd of people, who congratulated them on their performance. His great uncle rang the 3rd. He thanked the members for the kind words that had been said of the Vicar and himself.

The tower was again visited and ringing kept up till 9 p.m., at which hour those who had journeyed from Boreham, Chelmsford, Galleywood, Widford, Maldon, Great Totham, Springfield, Writtle, etc., to make the days proceedings a success, had just one together, then a shake of the hand, and turned towards their respective homes, well satisfied the meeting at Baddow had been a success.

MR. JAMES ROBERT HAWORTH.

BORN APRIL 21ST, 1821. DIED DECEMBER 24TH, 1910.

For nearly seventy years Mr. Haworth has been one of the most prominent personages of the Exercise. During his apprenticeship of seven years he became acquainted with the ringers of that period, and has since been connected with the belfries of the most famous London churches.

Mr. Haworth was a member of several Provincial Associations to some of which he had been a successful instructor, and he was a most regular supporter of the practices of the St. James's and College Youths in London.

His election to the latter took place on August 13th, 1839, and on October 1st of the same year he rang his first peal—Grandsire Triples—at Holy Trinity, Southwark.

In his early peals he was contemporary with Antill, Lobb, Freeman, Tolladay, Goozee, Stockham, Britten, James Mash, Sawyer, Lansdell, Frost, Cox, Menday, Powell, Jameson, Cooter, W. Banister, S. Austin, Wood, Dwight, Nelms, Booth, Muskett, Haley, etc., three of whom are still living.

Some of the more notable performances in which Mr. Haworth took part were: 5088 Kent Treble Bob Maximus in 1846 at St. Saviour's, Southwark, being the first rung in London; 7524 Stedman Cinques at Cripplegate in 1851; 8580 Stedman Cinques at Cornhill in 1861; 5080 Stedman Caters at Bow, Cheapside, in 1863; the first peal in Ireland, Grandsire Triples, at Waterford in 1872; the first peal in Scotland, Grandsire Triples, at St. Mary's, Dundee, in 1873; 8099 Grandsire Caters at St. Clement Danes in 1878; 5014 Stedman Cinques at St. Paul's Cathedral in 1881, being the first on the bells, and he also rang in the first peal on the bells of Chichester Cathedral in 1885. His peals number altogether 176, the last one, Grandsire Caters, was rung at St. Clement Danes, in 1894, conducted by Mr. C. F. Winney.

Mr. Haworth held at different times engagements as Instructor at Dundee, Hanmer, Flintshire; St. Albans Abbey, Wanstead, Privett, Swavesey, Cambs.; and for several years he attended fortnightly at Waltham Abbey to assist the local ringers there.

During his long career he has helped at the openings of new rings in all parts of the British Isles, e.g. St. Stephen's, Carlisle, Leith, Bournemouth, Northwold, Waterford, Dundee, St. Stephen's, Hampstead, St. John's, Deptford, Weybridge, Llanstephan, Privett, Hants., Kingston, Dorset.

In 1883 the College Youths were the recipients from Mr. Haworth, of a silver cup weighing 15 ozs. and costing with the inscription of 141 words, the sum of £8 5s., to commemorate a peal rung on August 4th, 1883, at Sonning, Berks., which was a centenary performance of a contest between the Oxford and Farnham societies and the College Youths on August 4th, 1783, the result of which was that "this cup, the gift of Mr. Peter Bluck, of Sonning, in the county of Berks., was adjudged to the Society of College Youths for the superior style in which

they rang 1008 Bob Major in a contest with the Oxford and Farnham Societies at the above parish church on Monday, August 4th, 1783." These two cups are still placed side by side in front of the Master's chair at the annual dinner and fortnightly meetings of the Ancient Society of College Youths.

Through having a remarkably retentive memory almost up to the last, Mr. Haworth's stories of bygone events were always most interesting, and we deeply deplore the loss of one whose life reached so far back in ringing history.

His generosity to the Printers' Pension Corporation, noted in the Press recently, affords a striking illustration of philanthropy on the part of a working man. At the graveside in Highgate Cemetery on December 29th, 1910, four members of the St. James's Society (now known as the London County Association), paid their last tribute on handbells, and the whole pull and stand funeral peal, and two courses of Stedman Cinques were rung the same evening by members of the Ancient Society of College Youths at St. Paul's Cathedral.—R.I.P.

THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

The annual meeting took place at Llandaff on Monday, December 26th, and was well attended. Proceedings commenced with the reading of the minutes, which were accepted and signed. The election of officers for the ensuing year was the next item, Mr. F. E. B. Charles being unanimously chosen as Master. The Hon. Secretaries and Auditors were re-elected. The place for the next annual and quarterly meetings was next discussed, and it was decided to hold the quarterly meeting at Radyr on Easter Monday next, and the annual at St. Woolos, Newport, on December 26th next. A letter was next read from the Hon. Secretary of the West Wales Association, suggesting that their Association should amalgamate with the Llandaff Diocesan Association. After a long discussion it was decided for nothing to be done at present, with the exception of obtaining the rules of the West Wales Association, and for it to be further considered at a future meeting. As regards the proposed testimonial to the late Rev. F. E. Robinson, it was decided to close the fund on December 31st. Mention was made that more peals had been rung this year than in any one year since the formation of the Association.

Several new members were then elected, and subscriptions taken. Tea was served in the adjoining room, very kindly provided by the Dean.

The Rev. D. Phillips, Rector of Radyr, very kindly took the chair in the unavoidable absence of the Dean.

OAKHAM CHURCH BELLS.

Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, of Croydon, were successful some months ago in obtaining the contract for the erection of new steel frames and the recasting of the whole of the peal of bells for Oakham Church. The work had reached such a stage by Thursday, December 23rd, that a party of ringers, churchwardens, and others were invited to Croydon to see the process of casting the last three bells of the peal and generally inspected the work and works.

The party, numbering twelve, was met at Croydon station by Mr. Johnston and conducted to his residence, where a bountiful luncheon had been provided to which everyone did full justice. At 2 o'clock a move was made

to the works, and Mr. C. Johnston gave an exhibition of carillon chiming, selections from well-known melodies, etc., on the 21 bells in the tower.

The pattern shop was then visited, and patterns from which frames, headstocks, and other parts are moulded were shown in the process of making. The party then adjourned to the bell-casting department and the mysteries of bell founding were lucidly explained by Mr. Johnston, who dealt with the composition of bell metal, the size, shape, thickness and weight of bells in a manner which showed that he was a pastmaster in the art. The molten metal in the furnaces having been tested and found to be of a temperature of 1000° Fahr., the signal was given; the forman moulder knocked a hole in the bottom of the furnace, and a stream of molten metal rushed down the ducts into the moulds and in a few minutes the three bells were successfully cast.

The party next visited the tuning shop where the bells are turned down and tuned on the five-tone Simpson principle, and the process was seen in practical operation. Lastly the seventh bell of the peal having been fixed complete in the frame it was rung and everyone was struck with the fine and beautiful tone it emitted.

A photograph of the party was then taken. Before leaving the works Mr. G. Phillips, churchwarden, moved a hearty vote of thanks to Mr. Johnston for his kindness in inviting them to lunch, and said that the visit had been most interesting, instructive, and enjoyable. Certainly no one could see what they had seen without knowing something more about bells than merely how to ring them, and no doubt the ringers would take a keener interest in their art from the fact that they knew now something about how bells were made.

Mr. Johnston briefly responded, and the party left Croydon Station on the return journey with hearty good wishes for the New Year.

The bells are to be fixed in the tower and the whole of the work completed, as well as Westminster chimes being fixed to the clock, for the dedication by the Bishop of Peterborough on February 24th, 1911.

ST. LAWRENCE, LUDLOW.



The above church is one of the most beautiful churches in the west of England, both inside and out. It is interesting to note that there are 165 steps up to the ringing-chamber, and when you get there you are practically in darkness, as there are no windows. There is a circular lead light let into the floor, through which the ringers can look down into the body of the church. As there is scarcely any light to be obtained from this source,

even for the 11 o'clock morning service, it is absolutely necessary to light candles, which are fixed upon the walls, there being no gas or electric light. This is one of the very few churches in England where ringing for morning service has to be done with the aid of artificial light.

In the year 1902 Robert Marston, esq., then Master of the belfry, was elected Mayor of Ludlow, so that the ringers of St. Lawrence's church are proud to know that they have had among their numbers two gentlemen who have been elected to the high office of Mayor of the ancient borough, which is no doubt unique in the annals of ringing history.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

During the past year the Dagenham band with visitors have rung 131 720's of Minor as follows:

Kent 23, Oxford 19, Woodbine 9, Treble Bob. Plain Bob 28, Double Oxford 18, Double Court 18, Colledge Single 16.

Those taking part were—G. Piayle rang 127 (conducted 84), F. Freestone 121 E. Hawkins 209, A. Playle 108 (conducted 2), R. Miles 97 (conducted 28), E. Butler 81, D. Chaplin 26, G. Chapn 23, J. Dale 21 (conducted 7), A. Chaplin 18 (conducted

4), R. Ward 9 (conducted 4), J. Hawkins 8, T. Newman 3, A. C. Hardy 2, T. Faulkner 2 (conducted 1), C. Anderson 2, G. Jaye 1 (conducted 1), W. Woodgate 1, J. Dear 1, W. Halls 1, F. Ottley 1, and T. Cranfield 1.

THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.

COCKINGTON (Torquay).—On September 1st, at the parish church. 480 Grandsire Doubles. F. Stevens, A. W. Bowers, F. Moore, W. Stone conductor, T. Stevens, G. Browning. On September 22nd, 480 Grandsire Doubles. J. Olding, A. W. Bowers, F. Moore conductor, W. Stone, T. Stevens, W. Parnell. On September 25th, for morning service, 480 Grandsire Doubles. J. Olding, A. W. Bowers conductor, F. Moore, W. Stone, T. Stevens, W. Parnell. On October 2nd, for morning service, 600 Doubles. R. Peel, A. W. Bowers conductor, F. Moore, W. Stone, T. Stevens, G. Browning.

WESTERHAM.—On Tuesday, September 6th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples. H. J. Selby, A. J. Lewis, G. B. Selby, S. A. Wright, R. Stone, Ven. Archdeacon Vincent, D. Wright conductor, G. Steer. Rung as a send-off to the Ven. Archdeacon Vincent, who sailed for South Africa on September 10th.



THE MAYOR OF LUDLOW AND BELL-RINGING.

To perpetuate the peal of Stedman Triples which was rung at the church of St. Lawrence on Saturday, November 26th, 1910, the Mayor of Ludlow has very kindly presented to the church a very handsome marblette peal tablet, which was unveiled on Wednesday, December 28th. There were present at the ceremony the Rector (Rev. A. E. Lloyd Tennyson), Mr. E. Richard Marston, representing the churchwardens, Mr. W. Woodhouse, representing the Mayor of Ludlow (Councillor George Woodhouse), Mr. J. C. Galloway, and the ringing members of the local Guild. After a short service, which was held in the ringing-chamber, the Rector called upon Mr.

W. Woodhouse to unveil the peal-tablet on behalf of the Mayor, who was unavoidably absent owing to indisposition. One and all were delighted with the tablet, and Mr. Marston, one of the churchwardens, asked Mr. Woodhouse, jun. to thank the Mayor for his handsome gift to the church. The bells were then rung, and several touches were successfully brought round. The peal-tablet was supplied by Caspar and Co., of London, both the design and workmanship being of the highest class.

Reading from left to right the names are:—Top Row, J. Robinson (Swindon), J. H. Shepherd (Wolverhampton), F. G. May (Bristol), and W. R. Nash (Ludlow). Bottom Row: F. S. Wilson (Ludlow), W. Short (Clent), the Mayor of Ludlow, A. Lawrence (Swindon), and J. Clark (Ross).

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 January 17th; at St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street Street, on the 19th; at St. Paul's Cathedral on the 10th; and St. Michael's, Cornhill, on the 24th; all at 8 p.m.

The subscription of 1s. 8d. which entitles members to vote on matters of finance, is now due. **WILLIAM T. COCKERILL, Hon. Sec.**
32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.

The London County Association, late the St. James's Society.—Established 1824.—Notice is hereby given that the practices at St. Clement Danes, Strand, are now held every fortnight on a Monday evening. Tower open at 8 p.m.

W. G. MATTHEWS, Master.
43, Chaplin Road, Willesden, N.W.

The London County Association late the St. James's Society.—Established 1824.—A meeting for united practice and social intercourse will be held on Saturday, January 14th, at the church of St. George, Well Street, Camberwell, S.E. The tower will be open from 4.30 p.m. All ringers will be made welcome. **T. H. TAFFENDER, Hon. Sec.**
35, Crawford Street, Denmark Hill, S.E.

The Society of Royal Cumberland Youths.—The annual general meeting will be held at St. Martin-in-the-Fields on Saturday, Jan. 21st. Tower open at 4 o'clock. Meat tea in St. Martin's vestry hall at 5.30, 9d. each to those who inform me by the 19th inst.

F. BENNETT, Hon. Sec.
3, Margaret Terrace, Harts Lane, New Cross.

The Middlesex County Association and the London Diocesan Guild.—North and East District.—A meeting of the above Association will be held at St. Mary's, Walthamstow, on Saturday, January 21st, by kind permission of the Vicar, the Rev. H. Dudley Lampen. The bells (10) will be raised at 4 p.m., and the Hon. Secretary will arrange for a tea on the usual terms, if members will kindly notify their intention to be present. Members are reminded that subscriptions for 1911 are now due.

CHARLES T. COLES, Hon. Sec.
228, St. John's Road, Waltham.tow.

Sheffield District and Old East Derbyshire Society.—The next meeting will be held at Chesterfield to-day, Sat., January 7th, 1911.

T. RILBY, Hon. Sec.

Leeds and District Society.—The next meeting will be held at Bramley to-day Sat., Jan 7th, 1911. Peal attempt 2.30 to 3 p.m. (6). Meeting at The Cardigan Arms at 7.30 prompt.

A. S. MITCHELL, Sec.
2, Granville Terrace, Holbeck, Leeds.

Society for the Archdeaconry of Stafford.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Bloxwich on Saturday, January 7th. Bells (8) available at 2.30. Service, with short address by the Vicar at 5. Tea (1s) at 6.

H. KNIGHT, Hon. Sec.
15, Rugby Street, Wolverhampton.

The St. Peter's Amalgamated Society, Sheffield.—Established 1883. — The next

meeting will be held at St. Stephen's, Eastwood, Rotherham (the new ring of eight), on Saturday, January 7th, 1911. Bells available from 5 to 7.30 p.m., when the business meeting will take place in an adjoining room, kindly lent by the Vicar, the Rev. W. Dyer. All members please attend. business important. Ringers welcomed.

SIDNEY F. PALMER, Hon. Sec.

The Bedfordshire Association.—Quarterly meeting at Luton on Saturday, January 14th.

The Lancashire Association — Rochdale Branch.—The next meeting of the above will be held at Newhey on Saturday, January 14th. Bells at liberty 3.30. Business meeting at 6.30. A good attendance is requested as business is important. **JAS. JACQUES, Sec.**

The Midland Counties Association.—Derby District.—A special meeting will be held at Chesterfield in St. James's room, Vicar Lane, at 4.30 p.m., on Saturday, January 14th, for the purpose of electing officers for the new district which will then be formed. All those who are interested should make a point of being present. **W. E. WHITE, Hon. Sec.**

Bath and Wells Diocesan Association.—Chew Deanery Branch.—The annual meeting will be held at Wraxall on Saturday, January 14th. Bells available at 3.30. Service in the parish church at 4.30. Tea and business meeting to follow.

GEORGE YEO, Hon. Local Sec.

The Salisbury Diocesan Guild.—Devizes Branch.—The annual meeting of this branch will be held at Devizes on Saturday, January 14th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Business meeting to follow.

GILBERT H. HARDING, Br. Sec.

Stoke Archidiaconal Association.—The next monthly meeting will be held at Silverdale on Saturday, January 14th. Bells ready at 3. Tea at 6. Service in church at 7. Those intending to be present, please notify Mr. George Taylor, Wheatshaf inn, Silverdale, not later than January 11th.

**REV. C. E. DONNE, } Hon. Secs.
J. JOHNSON, }**

The Lancashire Association.—Liverpool Branch.—A meeting will be held at Walton on Saturday, January 14th. Bells ready at 5.

WALTER HUGHES, Sec.

The North Notts. Association.—Next quarterly meeting at Shirecaks on Saturday, January 14th. Tea at 5

B DARLEY, Hon. Sec.

The Kent County Association.—Maidstone District.—The quarterly meeting will be held at All Saints, Maidstone, on Saturday, Jan. 21st. Bell y open at 4 p.m. Short service at 6 o'clock. Business meeting after service.

G. MOORE, Dis. Sec.

The Winchester Diocesan Guild.—Portsmouth District.—The annual meeting will be held at Havant on Saturday, January 21st. Bells available all the afternoon. Short service at 4.50. Tea at 5, at the Church Institute. Meeting after. Members requiring tea kindly inform me by the 17th inst.

Fareham. J. W. WHITING, Dis. Sec.

The Lancashire Association.—Manchester Branch.—The next meeting will be held at the Cathedral on Saturday, January 21st. Bells ready at 5. Meeting at 7.

W. H. SHUKER, Br. Sec.

The Kent County Association.—Canterbury District.—A special meeting for the practice of Stedman will be held at Boughton on Saturday, January 21st. The bells will be available at 5 p.m.

E. TRENDLELL, Hon. Dis. Sec.

The Kent County Association.—Tonbridge District.—The annual meeting of this district will be held at Tonbridge on Saturday, Jan. 28th. Full particulars will be announced next week.

W. LATTER, Hon. Dis. Sec.

The Yorkshire Association.—The annual meeting will be held at Horbury on Saturday, January 28th. For full particulars see circular.

CLEMENT GLENN, Hon. Sec.

11, Fisher Street, Sheffield.

The Truro Diocesan Guild.—Truro Cathedral (10 bells).—By the permission of the Dean and Chapter, ringing meetings will be held on the first Thursday in each month from 7.45 to 9 p.m. All ringers cordially invited.

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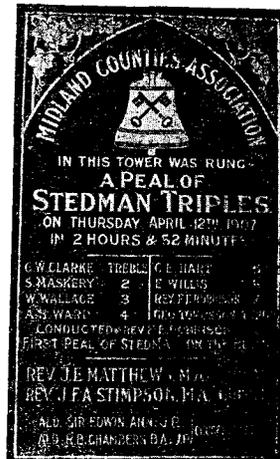
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THE CENTRAL COUNCIL.

PRELIMINARY NOTICE.

The Third Session of the Seventh Council (21st annual meeting) will be held at Leicester on Whitsun Tuesday, June 6th, 1911. Reports of Committees and Notices of Motion should reach me not later than Saturday, May 6th, in order that they may be forwarded in due course for insertion in "THE BELL NEWS." Hon. Secretaries of Diocesan or County Guilds or Associations affiliated to the Council will kindly bear in mind that Affiliation Fees (2s. 6d. for each elected Representative) became due on the 1st inst., and should be forwarded to me as soon as possible. The rights of Representatives whose quota has not been paid are in abeyance until payment has been made. I shall be glad if they will at the same time kindly inform me of any change in their own address since last year, or in that of any Representative, or of any change in the representation itself. **CHARLES D. P. DAVIES,** Fretherne, Stonehouse, Gloucestershire. Hon. Sec. Money Order Office, Frampton-on-Severn (NOT Stonehouse).

MARSHFIELD, MONMOUTHSHIRE.

On Thursday evening, December 22nd, the dedication and opening of the two new treble bells took place. The service was taken by the Lord Bishop of the Diocese, Dr. Hughes, and the Church was well filled.

Immediately following the close of the service the bells struck out in Grandsire Triples by members of the Llandaff Diocesan Association, and were kept going during the evening. The work has been very ably carried out by Messrs. Warner and Sons.

The Metropolis.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND THE LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, December 27, 1910, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY, BARNES,

A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES.

Tenor 12 cwt.

MAURICE F. R. HIBBERT <i>Treble</i> ..	ALFRED PYE 5.
BERTRAM PREWETT 2.	GEORGE R. PYE 6.
ISAAC G. SHADE.. .. . 3.	ERNEST PYE 7.
CHARLES T. COLES 4.	WILLIAM PYE <i>Tenor</i> .

Composed by A. KNIGHTS, and Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.
First Surprise peal on the bells.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND THE LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, December 27, 1910, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS, CHISWICK,

A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.

Tenor 14 cwt. 1 qr. 21 lbs.

MAURICE F. R. HIBBERT <i>Treble</i> ..	BERTRAM PREWETT 5.
ISAAC G. SHADE.. .. . 2.	ALFRED PYE 6.
GEORGE R. PYE 3.	WILLIAM PYE 7.
CHARLES T. COLES 4.	ERNEST PYE <i>Tenor</i> .

Composed by G. LINDOFF, and Conducted by BERTRAM PREWETT.
First Surprise peal on the bells. The ringers desire to thank Mr. J. W. Kelley for his kind hospitality after the peal.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, December 31, 1910, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN, DEPTFORD,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S ORIGINAL. Tenor 14 cwt.

ROBERT FOSDICK* <i>Treble</i> ..	ALFRED G. BENNINGTON.. 5.
VICTOR PAVIER 2.	GEORGE HOLIFIELD, JUN. 6.
FREDK. WM. RICHARDSON 3.	WILLIAM J. JEFFRIES .. 7.
JOSEPH LAW.. .. . 4.	ALBERT E. GODDARD .. <i>Tenor</i> .

Conducted by FREDK. WM. RICHARDSON,

*First peal, and was elected a member of the Association previous to starting for the peal.

The Provinces.

BANGOR, CARNARVONSHIRE.

THE NORTH WALES ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, November 1, 1910, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. DAVID,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.

Tenor 13½ cwt. in F sharp.

WILLIAM CRANE, SEN.* .. <i>Treble</i> ..	WILLIAM T. PEGLER 5.
REV. T. LEWIS JONES* .. 2.	*MOERIS J. MORRIS 6.
WILLIAM CRANE, JUN.* .. 3.	*JAMES H. MIDWINTER .. 7.
ALBERT J. HUGHES 4.	ARTHUR E. PEGLER <i>Tenor</i> .

Composed by CHARLES H. HATTERSLEY, and
Conducted by ARTHUR E. PEGLER.

*First peal in the method. First Surprise peal ever rung in Wales by a local band.

CUTCOMBE, SOMERSETSHIRE.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 5, 1910, in Two Hours and Forty-six Minutes.

AT THE PARISH CHURCH.

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES.

Tenor 9 cwt.

FRED WEBBER*.. .. . <i>Treble</i> ..	*WILLIAM H. WEBBER .. 4.
WILLIAM HOYLE 2.	HENRY MOORE 5.
JAMES FUGSLEY* 3.	*JOHN BENNETT <i>Tenor</i> .

Conducted by H. MOORE.

*First peal. First peal on the bells.

RISHTON, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(BLACKBURN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, December 3, 1910, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

TAYLOR'S Tenor 12½ cwt.

RICHARD ASHWORTH.. .. <i>Treble</i> ..	WILLIAM MALLINSON .. 5.
JOHN FOULDS 2.	JOHN WATSON 6.
HERBERT WORMWELL .. 3.	WILLIAM E. WILSON .. 7.
EMMANUEL DUTESON .. 4.	*ARTHUR MITCHELL .. <i>Tenor</i> .

Conducted by W. E. WILSON.

*First peal.

BIRMINGHAM.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, December 3, 1910, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes,

AT BISHOP RYDER'S CHURCH.

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

CARTER'S TWELVE-PART.

SAMUEL COLEY <i>Treble</i> ..	JOHN B. COLLETT 5.
ALBERT F. SCRIVENS .. 2.	JOHN T. PERRY.. .. . 6.
EDWARD LARGE.. .. . 3.	GEORGE TAYLOR 7.
WILLIAM WEBB.. .. . 4.	WILLIAM G. ELLIS <i>Tenor</i> .

Conducted by JOHN T. PERRY.

This peal was arranged for E. Large. The ringers of the treble and 3rd were proposed members previous to starting.

NORTH WINGFIELD, DERBYSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, December 3, 1910, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

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

Tenor 16½ cwt.

NEVILLE WIDDOWSON .. <i>Treble</i> ..	WILLIAM LAMBERT 5.
HERBERT DAY 2.	FRED R. KETTLEBOROUGH 6.
THOMAS W. GORE 3.	GEORGE A. THOMPSON .. 7.
JOSEPH BAILEY*.. .. . 4.	ARTHUR KNIGHTS <i>Tenor</i> .

Composed and Conducted by ARTHUR KNIGHTS.

*First peal in the method.

LAVENHAM, SUFFOLK.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

(SUDBURY ARCHDEACONRY.)

On Saturday, December 3, 1910, in Three Hours and Twenty four Minutes

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES.

STEDMAN H. SYMONDS .. <i>Treble</i> ..	ARTHUR SYMONDS 5.
WILLIAM DENT 2.	W. R. JOHN POULSON .. 6.
WILLIAM FAYERS 2.	THOMAS W. GARRARD .. 7.
GEORGE LAMBERT* 4.	THOMAS PRYKE <i>Tenor</i> .

Conducted by S. H. SYMONDS.

*First peal.

STOKE GOLDING, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, December 3, 1910, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being three 720s of Grandsire, one of Bob Minor, and three of Kent Treble Bob, each called differently.

Tenor about 10 cwt. in G sharp.

GEOFFREY J. STONELEY .. <i>Treble</i> ..	WALTER J. HORTON.. .. 4.
EDGAR VALLANCE 2.	THOMAS H. VALLANCE .. 5.
ROBERT C. CLIFFORD .. 3.	E. HARRY STONELEY .. <i>Tenor</i> .

Conducted by E. HARRY STONELEY.

First peal by all the band, and first on the bells. The ringer of the treble was elected a member before starting. All are members of the local band.

**SOUTHOVER, LEWES, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

On Saturday, December 3, 1910, in Two Hours and Fifty-one Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 17½ cwt.**

ALFRED J. TURNER Treble.	EDWARD C. MERRITT 5.
CHARLES PALMER 2.	ERNEST GOWER 9.
GEORGE H. HOWSE 3.	KEITH HART 7.
GEORGE PENFOLD 4.	ARTHUR W. GRAVETT .. Tenor.

Conducted by KEITH HART.

GLOSSOP, DERBYSHIRE.

On Saturday, December 3, 1910, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY, DINTING,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of City Delight, College Pleasure, Arnold's Victory,
Duke of York, Violet, Oxford, and New London. Tenor 12½ cwt.

FRED BOOTH Treble.	CHARLES BROOKS 4.
WILLIAM HARROP 2.	SAMUEL SHAW 5.
JESSE NEAL 3.	ARTHUR LAWTON .. Tenor.

Conducted by JESSE NEAL.

**STOKE-IN-COVENTRY.
THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.**

On Saturday, December 3, 1910, in Three Hours and One Minute,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR,
5184 CHANGES. Tenor 13¾ cwt.**

EDWARD H. JOHNSON .. Treble.	SIDNEY C. SMALL 5.
FRANK E. PERVIN 2.	ALFRED J. HESSIAN 6.
JOHN W. CHANDLER .. 3.	JOSEPH B. FENTON 7.
WALTER MALINS 4.	ARTHUR ROBERTS .. Tenor.

Composed by ARTHUR CRAVEN, and Conducted by J. B. FENTON.

This is the first peal in the method by the Guild, and first peal in the method by all except the ringers of the 2nd, 7th and tenor. Also the conductor's 50th peal.

**LAWTON, CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**

On Saturday, December 3, 1910, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;
IN THE KENT VARIATION.**

JAMES WILDBLOOD .. Treble.	*RICHARD LANGFORD 5.
RICHARD T. HOLDING, JUN. 2.	*ALBERT CRAWLEY 6.
JAMES HENRY RIDING .. 5.	*JOHN DENTITH 7.
GEORGE H. CRAWLEY* .. 4.	RICHARD T. HOLDING, SEN. Tenor.

Composed by W. HUDSON, and Conducted by R. T. HOLDING, SEN.

*First peal of Treble Bob Major. First peal of Treble Bob Major as conductor.

BEDDINGTON.—THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, December 3, 1910, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes,
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5021 CHANGES.
Tenor 20½ cwt.**

JAMES W. TRAPPITT .. Treble.	ARTHUR J. FLOWMAN .. 6.
ALFRED CLAYTON 2.	JAMES WIGNELL 7.
ALFRED BOXALL 3.	ALFRED T. TRAPPITT .. 8.
SIDNEY ROPER* 4.	FRANK HOLDER 9.
ALFRED T. JONES 5.	CHARLES KIPPEN .. Tenor.

Composed by EDGAR BENNETT, and Conducted by F. HOLDER.

Rang as a birthday compliment to J. W. Trappitt and A. T. Jones.
*First peal of Caters.

**OLNEY, BUCKS.—THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
(NORTH BUCKS. BRANCH.)**

On Monday, December 5, 1910, in Three Hours,
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
CARTER'S VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 25 cwt.**

R. PERKINS Treble.	F. J. MYNARD 5.
F. BOSWELL 2.	H. BROWNING 6.
T. WRIGHT 3.	W. FREEMAN 7.
B. FISHER 4.	S. H. SMITH Tenor.

Conducted by W. FREEMAN.

R. Browning was proposed a member of the branch before starting. This is the quickest peal on the bells.

PENDLETON.—THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, December 5, 1910, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS,

**A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;
IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 18 cwt. 10 lbs.**

ALBERT E. WREAKS .. Treble.	ROBERT DAVIES 5.
ALFRED CROSS 2.	WILLIAM H. SHUBER .. 6.
JOSEPH TURNER 3.	HERBERT DRANSFIELD .. 7.
CYRIL F. JOHNSTON .. 4.	HARRY CHAPMAN .. Tenor.

Composed by C. H. HATTERSLEY, and
Conducted by HARRY CHAPMAN.

Mr. Johnston was elected a member before starting, and this is his first peal in the method.

SANDHURST, BERKS.—THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, December 5, 1910, in Two Hours and Thirty-six Minutes,
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Duke of York, Woodbine, Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Bob, College Single and Plain Bob.

L. GOSWELL Treble.	B. HAWKINS 4.
C. DOE 2.	A. PAYNE 5.
M. GODDARD 3.	J. MOTY Tenor.

Conducted by J. MOTY.

BUSHEY, HERTS.

THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, December 5, 1910, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 13 cwt.**

BERTRAM PREWETT .. Treble.	FRANCIS A. SMITH 5.
THOMAS R. SCOTT† .. 2.	FREDK. EDWARDS 6.
ARTHUR W. DIX 3.	WILLIAM G. WHITEHEAD .. 7.
MAURICE F. HIBBERT .. 4.	WILLIAM I. OAKLEY .. Tenor.

Conducted by WILLIAM G. WHITEHEAD.

Rung with the bells half-muffled as a last token of respect to the late W. M. Harford, esq., of Merry Hill House, for many years churchwarden of the parish.

WREXHAM, DENBIGHSHIRE.

THE NORTH WALES ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, December 6, 1910, in Three Hours and Thirty Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5076 CHANGES.
Tenor 28 cwt.**

GEORGE VAUGHAN† .. Treble.	*WILLIAM JONES 6.
EDWARD LLOYD† 2.	EDWARD ROWLAND 7.
JOHN CLUTTON† 3.	*ALFRED LEA 8.
HARRY MOORE 4.	SAMUEL MEADOWS 9.
ROBERT JONES* 5.	WILLIAM WILLIAMS .. Tenor.

Composed by H. HUBBARD, and Conducted by E. ROWLAND.

†First peal in any method. *First peal in the method.

ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION AND THE ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE SOCIETY.

On Tuesday, December 6, 1910, in Three Hours and Thirty-eight Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS.

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAXIMUS 5040 CHANGES;
IN THE KENT VARIATION.

HEBBERT STANSFIELD .. Treble.	WALTER WOLSTENCROFT.. 7.
CHARLES BOWER 2.	BENJAMIN GILL 8.
JAMES WOOD 3.	RICHARD NEWTON 9.
GEORGE GARNETT 4.	SAMUEL WOOD 10.
ALFRED CROSS 5.	BENJAMIN THORP 11.
SAMUEL BOOTH 6.	HARBY CHAPMAN .. Tenor.

Composed and Conducted by SAMUEL WOOD.

NOCTON, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Tuesday, December 6, 1910, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Double Court, Double Oxford, Single Court, Oxford Bob, Plain Bob, Oxford Treble Bob and Kent Treble Bob.

Tenor 8½ cwt.

WALTER WILLEY* .. Treble.	HARVY BOWCOCK 4.
FREDERICK W. STOKES .. 2.	CHARLES SEMPER 5.
EDWARD R. SEMPER .. 3.	JOHN SEMPER Tenor.

Conducted by FREDERICK W. STOKES.

*First peal. First peal in seven methods by all except the conductor.

WOLSTANTON, STAFFORDSHIRE.

STOKE ARCHIDIACONAL ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, December 6, 1910, in Two Hours and Fifty-six Minutes

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES.

Tenor 14 cwt. in F.

GEORGE A. SMITH .. Treble.	WALTER R. WASHBROOK.. 5.
JOHN WOODWARD* .. 2.	*JOHN MORLEY 6.
JOHN DARLINGTON .. 3.	JAMES W. WASHBROOK, JUN. 7.
CHARLES BISHOP* .. 4.	JAS. W. WASHBROOK, SEN. Tenor.

Composed and Conducted by J. W. WASHBROOK, SEN.

*First peal of Stedman.

STROUD, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

GLOUCETER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF PAINSWICK YOUTHS.

On Tuesday, December 6, 1910, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5021 CHANGES.

Tenor 20 cwt.

ALBERT F. COOK .. Treble.	WILLIAM HALE.. .. 6.
JOHN WIGMORE 2.	WILLIAM HASTINGS .. 7.
JOHN AUSTIN 3.	HUBERT SCRIVENS .. 8.
ALBERT WRIGHT .. 4.	FRANK COLE 9.
THOMAS BALDWIN .. 4.	HUBERT HANKS Tenor.

Composed by A. KNIGHTS, and Conducted by JOHN AUSTIN.

Rung as a birthday compliment to W. Hale.

CONGLETON, CHESHIRE.

STOKE ARCHIDIACONAL ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, December 7, 1910, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

A VARIATION OF THURSTANS'S. Tenor 14½ cwt.

HARRY WASHBROOK .. Treble.	WILLIAM WALMSLEY .. 5.
GEORGE A. SMITH 2.	WILLIAM WOODHEAD .. 6.
JOHN DARLINGTON .. 3.	JAMES W. WASHBROOK, SEN. 7.
JAMES W. WASHBROOK, JUN. 4.	WALTER R. WASHBROOK .. Tenor.

Conducted by JAMES W. WASHBROOK, SEN.

LEDBURY, HEREFORDSHIRE.

THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, December 8, 1910, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
GROVES'S VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 25 cwt.

T. WILLIAMS .. Treble.	FREDK. HYNES 5.
WILLIAM MANSELL .. 2.	JAMES DANCE 7.
DAVID OWEN 3.	THOMAS DANCE 5.
THOMAS DAVIES .. 4.	GEORGE MORRIS .. Tenor.

Conducted by THOMAS WILLIAMS.

First peal by all except the conductor, First peal on the bells by an entirely local band. Quickest peal on the bells.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(GUILDFORD DISTRICT.)

On Thursday, December 8, 1910, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICOLAS,

A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR,
5120 CHANGES. Tenor 23 cwt. in E.

HENRY L. GARFATH .. Treble.	MAURICE SMITHER .. 5.
CHARLES WILLSHIRE, JUN. 2.	*SEPTIMUS RADFORD .. 6.
FRANK BLONDELL* .. 3.	*JAMES HUNT 7.
CHARLES WILLSHIRE.. 4.	ALFRED H. PULLING .. Tenor.

Composed by J. REEVES, and Conducted by A. H. PULLING.

SAXLINGHAM NETHERGATE, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, December 8, 1910, in Two Hours and Forty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.

Tenor 8 cwt. 1 qr. 20 lbs.

JOHN ALDIS, JUN. .. Treble.	*RANDALL GRIMBLE .. 5.
JOHN WILSON 2.	ALFRED FUNNELL .. 6.
RICHARD BALDREY .. 3.	GEORGE POINTS.. .. 7.
FREDK. WHITEHAM .. 4.	WILLIAM STEELE .. Tenor.

Composed by YORK GREEN, and Conducted by WM. STEELE.

*First peal in the method.

Handbell Peal.

HERSHAM, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(YORK TOWN DISTRICT.)

On Saturday, November 26, 1910, in Two Hours and Thirty-eight Minutes,

AT THE SCHOOLS,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5021 CHANGES.

WILLIAM A. WOODROW 1-2.	WILLIAM SHEPHERD .. 5-6.
ARTHUR F. SHEPHERD.. 3-4.	GEORGE B. EDGER .. 7-8.
FREDERICK G. WOODISS .. 9-10.	

Composed by HENRY JOHNSON, and Conducted by WM. SHEPHERD.
Umpires—H. Walter and J. Loveridge.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(GUILDFORD DISTRICT.)

On Monday, December 5, 1910, in Two Hours and Twenty-five Minutes,

AT THE RESIDENCE OF A. H. PULLING,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART.

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

Conducted by A. H. PULLING.

*First peal of Stedman on handbells, Umpire—H. L. Garfath.

Miscellaneous.**THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**

NEWHALL.—On Wednesday, December 7th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles, in 47 mins. O. Slack, H. Hurdman, G. Godfrey, G. Baseley, D. Cotton conductor, R. Allcock. Rung with the bells half-muffled as a tribute of respect to Mrs. Hoose, over fifty years a Sunday School teacher.

THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

NEWPORT.—On Thursday, December 29th, at All Saints church, an attempt was made for a peal of Stedman Triples, but it came to grief after ringing just over half way. F. Morgan, C. R. Lilley, J. Bullen, J. Bullen, J. W. Jones, C. Greedy, J. Pippin A. E. Morgan conductor, J. Goddard. Longest length in the method on the bells.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

PRITTLEWELL.—On Saturday, January 1st, at St. Mary's church, for midnight service, 504 Grandsire Triples. H. M. Tebby, E. Bendix, H. T. Wilson, W. Dudley conductor, W. Bedwell, J. Smith, J. Prior, H. Kebby. On Sunday, January 1st, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 45 mins. H. M. Kebby, W. Bedwell, E. Bendix, H. T. Wilson, J. Perry, W. Dudley conductor, J. Smith, J. Prior.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

KEWSTOKE.—On Sunday, December 25th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles, in 42 mins. J. Weakley, E. B. Crowder conductor, J. H. Weakley, W. Thomas, A. Thomas, C. Thomas.

BIRMINGHAM.—At Bishop Ryder's church, for morning service a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 44 mins. S. Coley, A. Scrivens, E. Large, W. Webb, J. T. Perry conductor, W. H. Carrod, G. Taylor, J. T. Collett. Rung as a birthday compliment to E. Large.

CHESTERTON.—On a recent Sunday, 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor, in 27 mins. W. Mansfield, R. Rayner, P. Pigg, F. Brown, O. W. M. Shelton, W. Eusdon conductor.

HONNINGTON.—Recently, at the parish church, 180 Stedman Doubles. A. Hobbs, F. Moss, T. Male, E. Cook, W. Large, W. Adams.

NETHERSEALE.—On December 5th, six 6-scores of Grandsire Doubles. F. Spencer, R. Stevenson, W. Hair, T. White, W. W. Worthington conductor, H. Berridge. First 720 by the local band. On December 10th, 720 Canterbury Pleasure Minor. W. J. Smith, F. Shepherd, J. H. Swinfield, W. W. Werthington, D. Cotton conductor, L. Bullock. Also 720 Grandsire Minor, with H. Hurdman instead of W. J. Smith. First 720 in both methods on the bells.

TREDDINGTON.—Recently, at the parish church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire. C. Chapple, A. Hobbs, C. Randall, E. Cook, W. Large conductor, T. Male. Longest touch on the bells.

HARBORNE.—On Sunday, January 1st, for Divine Service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 45 mins. J. Such, J. W. Gilby, E. Grice, W. H. Keys, J. Gibbs, G. Hitchman conductor, A. Beecham, H. Grosvenor.

DEFECTIVE REPORT.—A peal of Minor has been sent from Pinchbeck, Lincolnshire, without any date being mentioned.

"AMONG THE BELLS."

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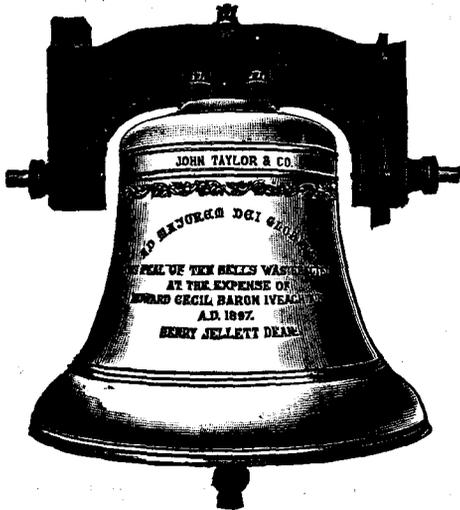
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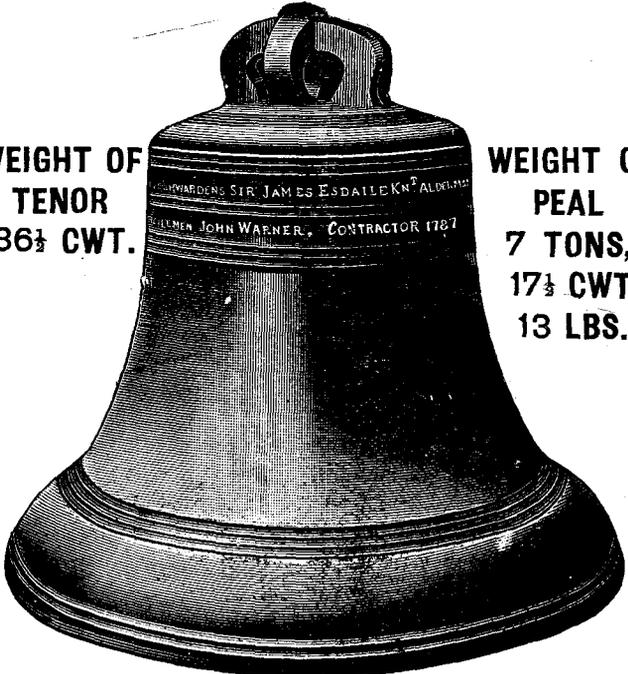
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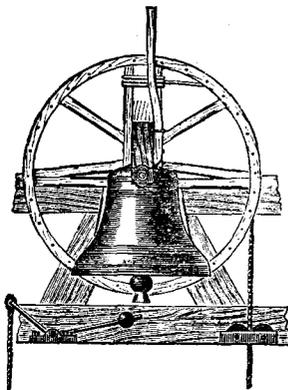
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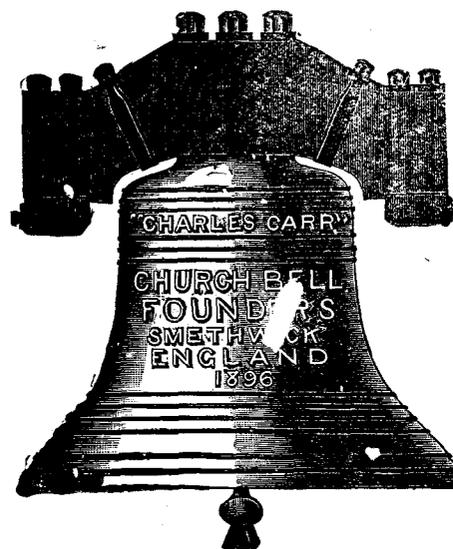
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