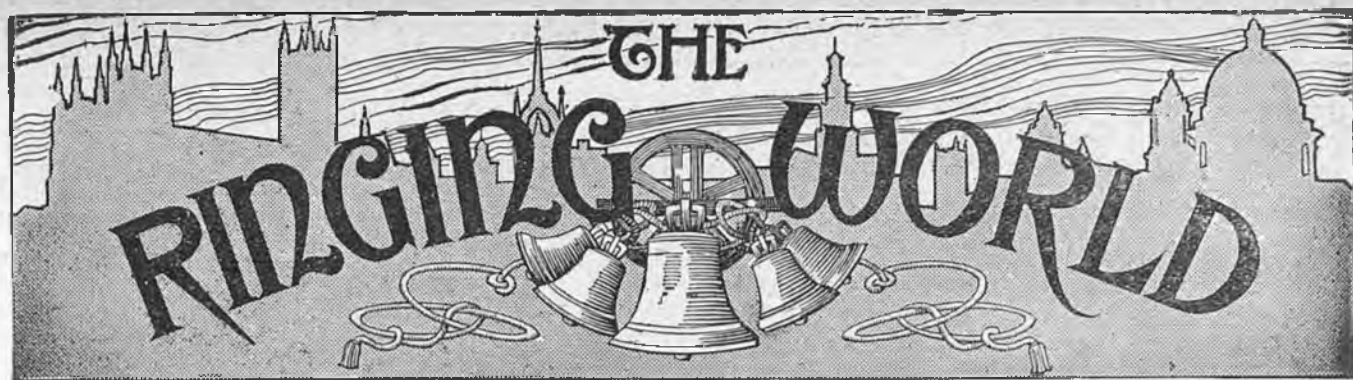




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I am authorized by the Rector and Wardens to say how pleased they are with the result. In the opinion of those well qualified to judge, we have now, undoubtedly, one of the best peals in the Kingdom.

Yours faithfully, F T. BECK,
Architect, Diocesan Surveyor.

MODERN WORK.

BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.

Although, perhaps, not so conspicuous in its activities as some of the other Associations, there are few societies who can lay claim to a stronger position than the Bath and Wells Diocesan Association, which operates in an area exceptionally rich in stately towers and fine peals of bells. The annual report of the Association presented to the members at their meeting at Bath the other day reveals a very healthy state of affairs. During the year six new towers joined the Association, and the promotion of the Art throughout the diocese has gone steadily forward. The strength of the Association is due, undoubtedly, to the excellent way in which it is officered and the close touch which is kept with the many towers through the numerous branches by which the Association is worked. A membership of over 1,200, and a balance in hand of more than £70, is something to be proud of, although the Association is finding it increasingly difficult to prevent its funds from dwindling. About its financial position, however, there is this strong point, that the honorary membership totals 138, and, while this is maintained, there is always at hand a very valuable source of income. On the other hand, it is a matter for regret that six towers have been lost through arrears. Most associations suffer in this respect, and it is very difficult, indeed, to find a means of checking the reduction in strength which thus occurs. In nearly every instance these cases are due to local evaporation of interest, and something more than the single-handed effort of the district secretary is needed to overcome the lukewarmness.

The Master of the Bath and Wells Association (the Rev. C. C. Parker), dealing with this question, advocates the payment of subscriptions due to the Association from a tower fund and not allowing them to be dependent on the punctual payment or non-payment of particular members. This, of course, is a counsel of perfection and is doubtless practised in many towers, but we think it will be found that where there has been lapse of membership through arrears, the ringers themselves have no local organisation or common fund. The best means, we believe, is a system of frequent friendly visits from neighbouring towers to re-awaken the languishing interest and to encourage the laggards. We do not say it is the case in Somerset, but we know it sometimes happens that where a company slacks off in its allegiance to the parent body, perhaps through not meeting for a time or from loss of membership, there is a tendency among ringers of other towers to leave this particular belfry alone, because there happens to be little or no change ringing to be had there. Surely, such cases as these are the ones in which special effort should be put forth to check the lapse and bring the company back to the fold by additional help and more frequent intercourse.

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TEN BELL PEALS.

WEST HAM, ESSEX.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND
LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, July 9, 1914, in Three Hours and Twenty-seven Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;
Tenor 28 cwt.

ARTHUR J. NEALE Treble	ERNEST PYE 6
GEORGE R. PYE 2	REUBEN SANDERS 7
ALFRED W. GRIMES 3	* WILLIAM THEOBALD 8
ISAAC G. SHADE 4	HARRY FLANDERS 9
EDWIN BARNETT, Senr. ... 5	WILLIAM PYE Tenor

Composed and Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

* First peal of Royal in the method; also first in the method on the bells.

BRIGHTON, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 11, 1914, in Three Hours and Twenty-five Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5000 CHANGES;

Tenor 25½ cwt., in D.

JOHN T. RICKMAN Treble	ALBERT HARMAN 5
JOHN CAPP 2	OLIVER SUPPES 7
ARTHUR W. GRAVETT ... 3	WILLIAM C. HART 8
RICHARD STREDWICK ... 4	ALBERT D. STONE 9
FRANK BENNETT 5	KEITH HART Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF, and

Conducted by KEITH HART.

Rung on the occasion of Mr. Rickman's silver wedding. First peal of Royal on the bells.

EIGHT BELL PEALS.

NORWICH, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, June 25, 1914, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL-AT-COSLANY,

A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 14 cwt. 2 qr.

FREDERICK R. BORRETT ... Treble	FRANK R. COPEMAN ... 5
HERBERT H. PIERCY ... 2	GEORGE H. CROSS ... 6
EDWARD P. DUFFIELD ... 3	WILLIAM L. DUFFIELD ... 7
ERNEST WHITING ... 4	ERNEST F. POPPY ... Tenor

Composed by J. PLATT, and

Conducted by FRED. R. BORRETT.

CHESTER, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(CHESTER BRANCH.)

On Monday, July 6, 1914, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY WITHIN-THE-WALLS,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S TEN-PART.

Tenor 14 cwt.

EDWARD HARRISON Treble	GEORGE W. FRAYNE ... 5
* SAMUEL JONES, Junr. ... 2	ROBERT SPERRING ... 6
SAMUEL JONES, Senr. ... 3	ERNEST CHANNEL ... 7
GEORGE JONES 4	GILBERT GERRARD ... Tenor

Conducted by ROBERT SPERRING.

* First peal. Rung on the occasion of the wedding of Mr. Thomas Rowland, aringer at the cathedral.

EYE, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

On Monday, July 6, 1914, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

SIR A. P. HEYWOOD'S VARIATION OF THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.
Tenor 21 cwt.

FREDK. DAY Treble	THOMAS FORD, Junr. ... 5
WILLIAM ROSE 2	EDWARD JENKINS ... 6
CLEMENT MORE 3	JOHN SOUTER 7
ERNEST POPPY 4	GEORGE DAY Tenor

Conducted by J. SOUTER.

Rung as a birthday compliment to E. Poppy.

SWANSCOMBE, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, July 7, 1914, in Three Hours and Forty-five Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 6000 CHANGES;

Tenor 18 cwt.

GEORGE HAYES Treble	*WILLIAM A. MARTIN ... 5
FREDK. RING, Senr. 2	WILLIAM LANE 6
REGINALD BROUGH 3	EDWIN BARNETT, Senr. ... 7
JOHN H. CHEESMAN 4	WILLIAM HARPER Tenor

Composed and Conducted by E. BARNETT, Senr.

* First peal in the method. Arranged and rung as a birthday compliment to G. Hayes.

FRAMLINGHAM, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, July 8, 1914, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S ORIGINAL. Tenor 16 cwt. 2 qr. 4 lbs., in F.

GEORGE E. SYMONDS Treble	WILLIAM BURGESS 5
REV. WM. C. PEARSON 2	EDWARD JENKINS 6
ROBERT H. HAYWARD 3	WILLIAM FLORY 7
HOBART E. SMITH 4	FREDK. J. S. SARA Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE E. SYMONDS.

SHEFFIELD, YORKSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, July 8, 1914, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST, RAMMOOR,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 15 cwt.

JOHN HOLMAN Treble	TOM O'HARA 5
JOHN THORPE 2	SAM THOMAS 6
J. E. L. COCKEY 3	RICHARD W. COLLIER ... 7
GEORGE O. DIXON 4	CHARLES HAYNES Tenor

Composed by CHARLES H. HATTERSLEY, and
Conducted by SAM THOMAS.

Rung with half-muffled clappers as a last tribute of respect to the memories of the Rt. Hon. Joseph Chamberlain and Joseph Atkin ("Soda"), a member of the Cathedral Society of Sheffield.

PULHAM, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, July 9, 1914, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALENE,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;

Tenor 14½ cwt.

ERNEST WHITING Treble	CHARLES T. COLES 5
*HERBERT PIERCY 2	EDWIN WHITING 6
CHARLES BAKER 3	ALFRED SMITH 7
FREDK. DAY 4	FREDK. R. BORRETT Tenor

Composed by J. W. PARKER, and
Conducted by ERNEST WHITING.

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

HACKINGTON, CANTERBURY.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 11, 1914, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. STEPHEN,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

PITSTOW'S VARIATION. Tenor 11 cwt.

FREDK. G. BRETT Treble	EDWIN G. BUESDEN ... 5
WILLIAM H. WOOD 2	PERCY GIBBS 6
WILLIAM W. WENBAN 3	CHARLES W. BRETT ... 7
*WILLIAM E. PITMAN 4	*GEORGE DUNGEY Tenor

Conducted by E. G. BUESDEN,

* First peal. Rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor.

CARDINGTON, BEDS.

THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 11, 1914, in Three Hours and Twenty-two Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 20 cwt.

HARRY TYSOE Treble	*HORACE H. SMITH 5
*EDMUND J. HOBBS 2	WALTER SEAR 6
THOMAS BEST 3	HARRY SEAR 7
HERBERT L. HARLOW 4	JOSEPH CHURCH Tenor

Conducted by HARRY SEAR.

* First peal of Stedman.

BUNGAY, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 11, 1914, in Three Hours and Fourteen Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;

Tenor 16 cwt. 1 qr. 4 lbs.

ERNEST LINCOLN Treble	FREDK. R. BORRETT ... 5
FREDK. J. HOWCHIN 2	CHARLES T. COLES ... 6
*JAMES F. DUFFIELD 3	FREDK. SMITH 7
GEORGE HOWCHIN 4	EDWIN WHITING Tenor

Composed by EDGAR WIGHTMAN, and
Conducted by EDWIN WHITING.

* First peal in the method.

PADIHAM, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(BLACKBURN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, July 11, 1914, in Three Hours and Twenty-one Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LEONARD,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5376 CHANGES;

Tenor 15½ cwt.

TOM REDMAN Treble	WILLIAM MALLINSON ... 5
ALFRED BROOK 2	EDWIN OGDEN 6
*TOM WILSON 3	JOHN WATSON 7
WILLIAM E. WILSON 4	ARTHUR TOMLINSON Tenor

Composed by H. JOHNSON, and
Conducted by A. TOMLINSON.

* First peal in the method on a bob bell. J. Watson's 50th peal. The ringers of the treble and 6th hail from Burnley, and of the 2nd and 5th from Colne; the rest belong to Blackburn.

GLASTONBURY, SOMERSET.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 11, 1914, in Three Hours,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S TEN-PART. Tenor 26 cwt.

HENRY J. TRIM Treble	HARRY PARRISH 5
SAMUEL J. HECTOR 2	FREDK. MARSH, Junr. ... 6
GILBERT H. HARDING 3	WALTER FARLEY 7
SAM R. B. HAWKINS 4	HARRY HOLLAND Tenor

Conducted by G. H. HARDING.

Arranged for G. H. Harding, of Bath, and S. J. Hector, of Trowbridge, and as a birthday compliment to Miss Irene Trim and Miss May Hector, daughters of the ringers of treble and second.

CRAYFORD, KENT.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND
LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD

On Saturday, July 11, 1914, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAULINS,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5072 CHANGES;

Tenor 12½ cwt.

EDWARD T. WAGG Treble	EDWIN BARNETT, Senr. ... 5
WILLIAM J. KEMP 2	WILLIAM LANE 6
ISAAC G. SHADE 3	HARRY FLANDERS 7
REUBEN SANDERS 4	WILLIAM PYE Tenor

Composed by J. W. WASHBROOK, and
Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

SHIFNAL, SALOP.
THE SALOP ARCHIDIACONAL GUILD.
On Saturday, July 11, 1914, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

HOLT'S TEN-PART.		Tenor 19 cwt., in E.	
JOSEPH HANLEY	Treble	CHARLES R. LILLEY ...	5
GEORGE HAYCOCK	2	WILLIAM SAUNDERS ...	6
ERNEST M. HYDE	3	ALFRED E. FOLLIOT ...	7
FRANK WILLIAMS	4	"JACK GARRETT	Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES R. LILLEY.

* First peal of Grandsire. The above was rung after meeting short for Stedman Triples, one of the band being unable to take part owing to an accident. Messrs. Haycock and Williams kindly made up the company, it being eight years since the latter rang a peal. The ringers of 2, 3 and 4 belong to Shifnal, 1, 6, 8 to Coalbrookdale, and 5 and 7 to St. Chad's, Shrewsbury. The band tender their best thanks to Mr. Hyde for having the bells ready.

LONDON.
THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS
AND THE SPITALFIELDS BELL FOUNDRY GUILD.
On Saturday, July 11, 1914, in Three Hours and Twenty-seven Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LEONARD, SHOREDITCH,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;

Tenor 28 cwt. 2 qr. 6 lbs., in C.	
EDGAR WIGHTMAN	Treble
"JESSE B. TYLER	2
NORMAN NORTH	3
† CHARLES LEE	4
THOMAS KING	5
WILLIAM T. POWELL ...	6
JAMES HUNT	7
WILLIAM J. NUDDS ...	Tenor

Composed by H. DAINS, and
Conducted by WILLIAM J. NUDDS.

* First peal of Treble Bob. † First peal of Treble Bob away from the Treble.

CAVERSHAM, OXON.
THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
(LATE THE ST. JAMES' SOCIETY.)
On Saturday, July 11, 1914, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.		Tenor 12½ cwt.	
ALBERT L. GIBBINS	Treble	WILLIAM H. FUSSELL ...	5
THOMAS H. TAFFENDER ...	2	RICHARD N. RUNHAM ...	6
CHRISTOPHER H. HUGHES ...	3	FREDERICK J. HARDY ...	7
ARTHUR JONES	4	FREDERICK V. MARTIN ...	Tenor

Conducted by THOMAS H. TAFFENDER.

Rung on the occasion of the annual outing of the St. George-the-Martyr (Southwark) Society.

SIX & FIVE BELL PEALS.

BOBBING.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, July 2, 1914, in Two Hours and Thirty-five Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BARTHOLOMEW,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being 720 each of Double Oxford, Canterbury, Oxford Treble Bob, College Single, Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob.
Tenor 9½ cwt.

HARRY JEWISS	Treble	THOMAS JULL	4
FREDERICK HOLLANDS ...	2	MRS. V. A. JARRETT, R.E.	5
CORPL. G. GILBERT, R.E.	3	WILLIAM NYE	Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM NYE.

Rung as a birthday peal for Thomas Jull.

SOUTH WINGFIELD, DERBYSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Wednesday, July 8, 1914, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes,
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being seven 720's, called differently.

Tenor 8 cwt. 3 qr. 14 lbs.	
HERBERT DAY	Treble
WILLIAM G. CHRISTIAN ...	2
ARTHUR KENWORTHY ...	3
THOMAS STIMPSON ...	4
JOHN FLOWER	5
FRED WATKINSON	Tenor

Conducted by HERBERT DAY.

The peal was arranged for Mr. W. G. Christian, who is leaving the district for Emsworth, near Portsmouth.

WORPLESDON, SURREY.
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thursday, July 9, 1914, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being 720 each of Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Double Oxford, Canterbury, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob.
Tenor 18 cwt. 2 qr. 22 lbs.

ERNEST OLIVER	Treble	ERNEST NEWELL	4
CORPL. G. GILBERT, R.E.	2	CHARLES EDWARDS ...	5
SAM PETTER	3	HENRY A. BLACKMAN ...	Tenor

Conducted by C. EDWARDS.

Mr. Edwards has now conducted a peal in seven Minor methods from every bell. This was also his fiftieth peal as conductor.

CHEDISTON, SUFFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, July 11, 1914, in Two Hours and Forty-nine Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being 720 of Oxford Treble Bob, and two 720's each of Kent Treble Bob, Canterbury Pleasure and Plain Bob.
Tenor 14½ cwt.

HERBERT G. PRATT	Treble	WALTER KERRISON ...	4
JOHN SPENCER	2	NORMAN R. BAILEY ...	5
ALBERT J. L. NAUNTON ...	3	FRANCIS W. NAUNTON ...	Tenor

Conducted by FRANCIS W. NAUNTON.

This peal was arranged and rung as a birthday compliment to G. E. Symonds, of Framlingham, and W. Kerrison, of Wissett.

ISLIP, NORTHANTS.
THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, July 11, 1914, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes,
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being 720 each of Violet, Cambridge Surprise, London Scholar's Pleasure, College Exercise, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent.

ALFRED H. MARTIN	Treble	HARRY MEADOWS	4
HENRY W. GAYTON	2	WALTER PERKINS	5
GEORGE LINES	3	CHARLES W. CLARKE ...	Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES W. CLARKE.

First peal in seven Treble Bob methods on the bells. Rung as a birthday compliment to W. Perkins.

MEARS ASHBY, NORTHANTS.
THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(THE ISHAM SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, July 11, 1914, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Comprising 720 each of Court Bob, Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob, Double Oxford Bob, Double Court Bob, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob.
Tenor 11½ cwt.

REX T. BOSWELL	Treble	GEORGE A. BLANLEY ...	4
GEORGE S. VALENTINE ...	2	WALTER T. WILSON ...	5
MATTHIAS HOBBS	3	E. MAURICE ATKINS ...	Tenor

Conducted by E. M. ATKINS.

This was the first attempt for peal by ringer of second, and the peal was rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor.

HANDBELL PEAL.

LONDON.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND
LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, July 7, 1914, in Three Hours and Twenty-Three Minutes,
AT 129, BRUNSWICK STREET, HAGGERSTON,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5007 CHANCES;

*REV. A. H. F. BOUGHEY	1-2	GEORGE R. PYE ...	7-8
WILLIAM PYE ...	3-4	BERTRAM PREWITT ...	9-10
ERNEST PYE ...	5-6	ALFRED W. GRIMES ...	11-12

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF, and

Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

Umpire: M. F. R. HIBBERT.

* First peal of Cinques "in hand."

THE LLANDAFF ASSOCIATION.

A quarterly meeting of the Llandaff Association was held at Caldicot, Mon., on Saturday last, and proved a most pleasant and successful one, and was attended by members from Caerleon, Caldicot, Chepstow, Newport (St. Woolos and All Saints), Llangibby, Llandaff, Rhymney, Penarth, etc. The bells were available all the afternoon, and prior to the service various touches were rung. Service was held in the Parish Church, and was conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. F. W. Clarke), whose address was very much appreciated. At the conclusion of the service, tea was partaken of on the Vicarage lawn, which had been kindly provided by the Vicar and Mrs. Clarke. Tea over, a stroll round the garden and grounds was enjoyed, and afterwards the business meeting took place on the lawn also, the weather being delightfully fine and warm.

The Vicar presided.—The Hon. Secretary reminded the meeting that one of its oldest members, and practically the father of change ringing in the district and of the Association, Mr. Evan Davies, of Caerleon, had sustained a sad bereavement by the death of his wife, a lady who spared no pains in doing her level best to entertain the Association members, whenever a visit was paid to Caerleon. A vote of condolence was passed with Mr. Davies and his family, the members standing in silence.

The Hon. Secretary, as representative on the Central Council, next read his report, and after being thanked for bringing forward the question of inter-affiliation, Mr. Atwell gave notice that he would again at the next annual meeting bring forward an amended scheme to be submitted to the next annual meeting of the Central Council.—It was decided to continue instruction at St. Mellens tower.—The meeting welcomed the rejoining of the Aberavon tower, and congratulated the band on ringing their first peal.—Arrangements for the next Monmouthshire meeting were deferred until the annual meeting.—The Hon. Secretary appealed to the members present not to arrange any outings or peals on the day that a meeting was arranged.—New members were elected, and after a vote of thanks to the Vicar for his great kindness, the bells were again kept going during the evening.

SALISBURY GUILD.

A quarterly meeting of the Devizes branch of the Salisbury Guild was held at Trowbridge on Saturday week at St. James's Church, but owing to the Bath and Wells Association holding its annual meeting at Bath on the same day, the attendance at Trowbridge was not so large as would otherwise have been the case. Tea was provided in the Vestry Room, kindly lent by the Rector (the Rev. P. A. Nash) for the occasion.

Afterwards a short business meeting was held, at which the Rector took the chair, supported by Mr. H. Brownlee West, hon. branch secretary, and ringers from Westbury, Southbroom, Keevil, Edington, Holt, Trowbridge, Hilperton, Bishop's Cannings and Bechingsstoke. The next three meetings were decided upon as follows: August 1st, Bratton; September 5th, Keevil; October 3rd, Bradford.—One new member (unattached) from Westbury was elected.—Mr. West proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the Rector for the use of the church bells, for the use of the Vestry Room for tea, and for his kindness in presiding at the meeting.—Ringing took place during both afternoon and evening, some members adjourning to St. Katherine's Church, Holt, where touches of Grandsire were indulged in, thus bringing a very pleasant meeting to a close.

ELY ASSOCIATION'S RECORD PEAL.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—As one of the band who took part in the supposed record peal of the above Association on Whit-Monday last, I beg to thank Mr. Symonds for his letter in your issue of June 26th, pointing out our error. At the same time, I think it is excusable, as the following facts will show. Those who know the history of the Ely Association will doubtless remember the reorganisation in 1897, the year following the peal of 7040 changes rung at Belchamp Walter, during which I suppose previous reports were somehow misled. Still, we have been able to verify the facts as stated by Mr. Symonds, since the publication of his letter. In the Association's report of 1910, there appears amongst other items this sentence: "Still the Association can now record the longest peal ever rung by the members, a peal of Bob Major (6240 changes) rung at Lavenham." This peal was rung on December 27th, 1909, and published with a footnote, "Longest peal by the Association." In subsequent reports this 6240 has been marked with an asterisk as the longest peal by the Association. Now, sir, I think it very bad form on the part of Mr. Symonds in allowing this 6240 to go forth to the members as the longest peal yet rung without contradicting it until it had been surpassed, because not only was he, and still is, I believe, a member of the Lavenham band, and rang the tenor to this 6240, but he also rang in the 7040, and, therefore, was fully acquainted with it.—Yours faithfully,

Cambridge.

A. WILKERSON.

BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.

THE ANNUAL MEETING.

PRESENTATION TO A SECRETARY.

The annual dinner and meeting of the Bath and Wells Diocesan Association was held at Bath on Saturday week, when 118 members were present representing about 30 towers. Dinner was served at Messrs. Fortis, the Master of the Association (the Rev. C. C. Parker) presiding, and being supported by Preb. S. A. Boyd, Preb. M. E. Hoets, Preb. H. J. Heard, Rev. F. A. Bromley, Rev. H. E. Tilney Bassett, Rev. E. V. Cox, the Mayor of Bath, Mr. C. T. Foxcroft, Mr. R. G. Cook, and others. After dinner, "The King" was proposed from the chair, and a verse of the National Anthem sung.—"The Church" was submitted by Mr. C. T. Foxcroft, and acknowledged by Preb. Boyd.—"The Mayor and Corporation of Bath" was given by Preb. Hoets, supported by Mr. R. G. Cook, and responded to by the Mayor.—Preb. Heard proposed "Other Ringing Associations," and to this toast the Rev. H. E. Tilney Bassett, Master of the Salisbury Guild, replied.—An interesting presentation on behalf of the members and friends of the Bath Deanery was then made to Mr. W. J. Prescott, Secretary for the Bath Deanery. The gift, which consisted of a gold watch chain, was handed to Mr. Prescott by Preb. Boyd (President of the Bath Deanery), who spoke of the very able way in which the recipient had carried out his duties. Mr. Prescott thanked the members for the very handsome present, and said he should value it not only for its intrinsic worth, but also for the very kind feeling which had prompted the gift.

The business meeting was then proceeded with, and the Master read his report. The balance sheet which was presented by the secretary, and adopted by the members, showed receipts (including a balance of £74 16s. 1½d. from last year), amounting to £136 11s. 0½d., and an expenditure of £62 2s. 3d., leaving a balance to be carried forward of £74 8s. 9½d.—An honorarium of £10 10s. was voted to the secretary, on the proposition of Mr. Prescott, seconded by Mr. G. H. Hill, and the secretary returned thanks for this recognition of his services.—The vice-presidents were re-elected, with the inclusion of the Dean of Wells, subject to his consent.

THE SECRETARY'S HINT.

Preb. Boyd then proposed the re-election of the Rev. C. C. Parker as Master.—This was seconded by Mr. N. Wake, and carried unanimously. Mr. Parker suitably responding.—The hon. secretary and treasurer was also re-elected, on the proposition of Mr. King, seconded by Mr. Fussell; and Mr. Burgess, in returning thanks, remarked on the slack way some of the members had of paying their subscriptions. He suggested that the amounts should be taken from a tower fund and paid early in the year, thus saving the local secretaries as well as the general secretary a lot of work.

The Rev. A. J. Hook was re-elected auditor, and accorded a vote of thanks for his services.—Preb. H. J. Heard, the Rev. F. A. Bromley and Mr. R. G. Cook were elected hon. members.

The places for quarterly meetings during the year were selected as follows: Burnham in September, Portishead in December, and Cheddar the second Saturday after Easter.

A hearty vote of thanks was accorded Preb. Boyd for arranging the service at the Abbey, and for granting the use of the Abbey bells; to Preb. Hoets for consenting to give the address; to the organist for playing at the service, and to all the Vicars who had given permission for the use of their bells.

A move was then made to the Abbey, where an enjoyable service was held.

During the day many of the peals of bells in Bath were rung in various touches.

The report of the Master showed that the present membership of the Association is made up of hon. life members, 8; hon. members, 130; performing members, 1,003; non-resident life members, 123; non-resident ringing members, 23; unattached, 63. St. Michael's and St. Matthew's, Bath, Badgworth, Babery, Chipstable and Tickenham had joined the Association, but six towers had been lost through arrears. The Master added that he was not altogether satisfied with the balance sheet (which showed a balance in hand of £74 8s. 9½d., as against £74 16s. 1½d. at the beginning of the year). He pointed out that they had not yet paid for the issue of the new badges, which reduced the balance by at least the amount received from the sale of the same (£2 17s.). They did not want to hoard up a large amount of money, but it was not satisfactory to see their small capital decrease, even by a small amount year by year.

EIGHT "EXTENTS" ON FOUR.

On Thursday of last week, three of the Frodsham ringers, with Mr. A. H. Ward, of Derby, who was staying at Frodsham, visited Thornton-le-Moors, and rang the extent in eight methods on the bells, which are a very nice peal of four, tenor 11 cwt., by Messrs. John Taylor and Co. This was the first change-ringing on the bells, which were hung in 1910.

BELL TOWERS AND BELL HANGING.

INTERESTING POINTS FROM SIR ARTHUR HEYWOOD'S BOOK.

Our brief notice of last week has apparently stirred up no little interest in the publication, by Sir Arthur Heywood, of the new book on "Bell Towers and Bell Hanging," if we may judge from the many inquiries which have reached us. For the information of the Exercise, we are now able to announce that the book is to be published by Longmans, at 2s. net. The arrangements in this connection were not completed in time to announce this last week.

Sir Arthur's object in publishing the book is very concisely summarised in the preface from which we extract the following: "The widespread desire for an effective weight of bell metal, not infrequently in towers too contracted or too weak to safely carry it, together with an immensely increased amount of ringing, has resulted in many cases of structural damage. A considerable proportion of architects have concluded that such mischief is largely due to the modern methods of bell hanging, and it is with the purpose of endeavouring to disprove this conclusion and to explain the conditions under which a peal of bells can be satisfactorily hung and rung that I venture, with the support of the Central Council of Bell Ringers, to publish this pamphlet. Any success which may attend the effort will be largely due to the valuable contributions of my coadjutors."

In the articles for which he has made himself responsible, Sir Arthur offers several interesting obiter dicta, with which, we think, the majority of ringers will be in full agreement. For instance, he remarks: "The proposal to install a ring of bells or to increase the number of existing bells in a tower, is almost always extraordinarily popular, although it is no less extraordinary how soon, after completion, pride in and care for the new acquisition evaporate."

ARCHITECTS AND BELL HANGERS.

In showing how unfortunate it is that the architect and bell hanger cannot work more appreciatively together, the author says: "The bell hanger may be, and occasionally is, a dangerous man to be allowed a free hand in a church tower. His proposals should be submitted to, and have the approval of, a qualified architect who has personally examined the tower—if possible, in his company."

Church authorities, however, whether from motives of economy or in deference to the wishes of the bell hanger, not uncommonly allow the latter to have his own way. Now, both church towers and bell hangers vary in excellence. A capable bell hanger in a sound tower will be pretty sure to produce satisfactory results. Either a less able bell hanger or a more delicate structure is liable to involve subsequent trouble. An incompetent bell hanger dealing with a frail tower almost certainly works mischief."

On the question of frames, Sir Arthur writes: "At the present day all the leading firms in the trade, I believe, have accepted the soundness of eliminating timber, and, by preference, supply iron frames, but, it must be confessed, of varying degrees of excellence."

"From the very first our leading architects discountenanced the substitution of metal for oak, and, with a few exceptions, their objections have been up to now, scarcely, if at all, modified. As a consequence, a bell hanger is not sorry if he is allowed to do his work in the tower free from supervision and almost certain restriction, although his business instincts will lead him to accept such supervision with a good grace if it is imposed."

"Where the bell hanger is accorded a free hand, he, not being necessarily a building expert, may so arrange and fix his girders and frames as to damage or even imperil the tower. Particularly is this likely to happen with the less experienced man. On the other hand, if his design is submitted to the criticism of an architect, the latter, careful of the structure, and unaware, perhaps, of some of the important details of modern bell hanging imposes conditions which make it difficult, or even impossible, to install a thoroughly satisfactory ring of bells."

THE PERFECT TOWER.

From Sir Arthur's counsel of perfection as to construction of towers, we take the following points:—

A tower is a fine opportunity for a competent architect.

If the structure is to form the setting of a ringable peal of bells, which may range in value from three hundred pounds to as many thousands, it is surely right that the internal arrangement shall be such as to secure the best musical results and reasonable convenience of manipulation. Strange to say, a bell-tower built on these lines is almost unknown.

The height of the ringing chamber for reasons of safety and comfort should never be much less than twelve feet, fourteen is better and enough.

Nothing spoils a ringing chamber more than the intrusion of the bob of the pendulum through the ceiling with a clumsy or no containing case.

A peal of bells is a grand and costly musical instrument, which, to be effective, requires to be arranged with a proper regard to acoustic principles.

The ideal tower to produce the perfection of bell music would be one completely open at the top and with no windows. Unfortunately the necessity of protection against weather makes such an arrangement impracticable.

There would seem to be no reason why the central part of a tower roof should not be raised three or four feet above the level of the rest, leaving a reasonable passage round the inside of the parapet; the sides of the raised part to be louvred throughout and the parapet of a height sufficient to act as a screen.

The greater the distance through which the sound from the up-turned bells can rise before it leaves the tower, the softer and more melodious are the tones.

A tower should be so arranged that the sills of the belfry windows are two or three feet—six or eight feet, if possible—above the rims of the up-turned bells.

That a large reduction of the belfry-window openings, obtained by bricking them up, materially lessens noise and improves the music, is well established.

6 BELL FRAMES AND TOWERS.

To the Editor.

Sir,—You will pardon me writing to correct a misinterpretation of the position of the Society for the Protection of Ancient Buildings in regard to bell frames, in your editorial of June 12th.

As far as I am aware the society has at no time advocated a "spring" frame, either in the popular phraseology as a frame with steel springs in its construction, or in its more technical use as a frame with compartments mutually independent. What the society has recommended is that the frame should be constructed of a material that tends to absorb vibration, and that seasoned oak meets this requirement.

Mr. Lewis' experiments are of the greatest importance and open up many new fields. Without in the least wishing to belittle his work, it yet appears necessary to point out that—as far as I have been able to follow his experiments—his spring frame does not in any sense correspond to an oak frame, and moreover that it only takes account of one of the forces present (the horizontal), and magnifies its effect by placing the spring between the frame and the measuring point, rather than between the gudgeon and the frame; the weight of the bell to the frame being, roughly, as 2:3.

The only satisfactory way by which an oak frame can be tested is by testing an oak frame, properly constructed. A metal frame on rollers, with a horizontal spring, is an absolutely different thing, and it is necessary to keep an open mind until satisfactory tests have been made on oak frames. I believe the S.P.A.B. would be only too ready to give any help they could in carrying out such experiments.

I lay emphasis on a "properly constructed" frame. Mr. Lewis refers to replies to the Central Council's circular letter agreeing that 75 per cent. of old oak cages have been wedged to the walls; but I should like to ask how many of these were made with vertical posts, on which the cage is sooner or later bound to ride. Moreover, no oak frame can be expected to hold tight for ever; a bolted metal frame requires to have its bolts tightened at frequent intervals, and this is surely some argument in favour of the oak frame, which usually gets no attention at all, until it is so loose that it is wedged up.

To pass to another point. Some time ago one of your correspondents remarked that oak girders could never be firmly secured to the walls because of the shrinkage of the timber. But again I have frequently observed in the case of steel girders that cracks can be found in the cement in which the ends are fixed; probably due to the expansion and contraction of the metal, and producing the same result. A metal shoe bolted on to an oak girder may be a possible solution of this difficulty.

To the many points of agreement with Mr. Lewis there is no space to refer; and I remain yours, etc.,

BASIL STALLYBRASS.

CHANGE RINGING TERRITORIALS.

Practical ringers attending the Brigade Camp, which is to be held at Marlow-on-Thames, Bucks, from August 1st to 15th, and who are anxious to have a "pull" or attempt a peal in the neighbourhood, are invited to send their names to the following committee members of the Oxford Guild.

As the camp is to be one for work, it has been notified that no man will be at liberty to leave the camp much before 5 p.m., except on Saturday, 8th August.

A flower show will take place on Bank Holiday. There is to be a military regatta, with ample prize list, subscribed for by the townspeople. Some 3,500 men will be assembled during the fortnight, the respective battalion bands playing in the town as follows: Wednesday, August 4th, 4th Oxfordshire; Friday, August 7th, 4th Royal Berks; Monday, August 10th, 5th Gloucester; Saturday, August 15th, Buckinghamshire. The camping ground at Bovingdon Green is about a mile out of the town, and a mile and a half from the river and G.W. Railway Station.—John Evans, Grange Farm, Hughenden; W. H. Fussell, Farnburn Avenue, Slough; J. C. Truss, The Two Brewers, St. Peter's Street, Marlow.

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Stimulated by the achievements of the veterans, youth has now shown what it can do on tower bells. As we recorded the other day, a peal of Oxford Treble Bob Major was rung at Saxlingham by a band whose average age was 13½ years. The idea of this peal had often been thought of, but it was the accomplishment of the band at the other end of their ringing careers that brought the boys up to scratch. Despite their youth, however, the band were not by any means novices at peal ringing, for their aggregate on leaving the tower at Saxlingham was 262 peals. The ringers, with their peals and ages, were:—

	Age.	Peals.
Treble. George H. Cross (Norwich)	20	83
2 James F. Duffield (Tasburgh)	14	7

	Age.	Peals.
3 Edward P. Duffield (Tasburgh)	15	10
4 Alfred Funnell (Saxlingham)	21	46
5 Cecil R. Chamberlin (Wroxham)	21	16
6 William C. Duffield (Tasburgh)	18	9
7 Bertie F. Turner (Tibenham)	19	48
Tenor. Frank R. Copeman (Saxlingham)	20	43

The methods which they have rung include Minor in seven Surprise Methods, Bob Major, St. Clement's Bob Major, Grandsire Triples, Oxford Treble Bob Major and Royal, Kent Treble Bob Major, Royal and Maximus, Stedman Triples, Double Norwich, Superlative, Norfolk, Cambridge and London Surprise Major.

WORCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

A quarterly meeting of the Southern branch of this Association was held on Saturday last at Inkberrow, when there was a good attendance of about 50 members from Evesham, Hampton, Bengeworth, Bretforton, Fladbury, Pershore, Feckenham and Redditch. There were also present Messrs. W. Page (of Worcester, Ringing Master of the Western branch), J. T. Dyke (Cheltenham) and J. H. Shepherd (Swindon). At the service the Rev. Canon Burton gave an excellent address, taking for his text the words: "Serve the Lord with gladness."—Tea was kindly provided by Canon and Mrs. Burton, and at the business meeting which followed the Canon presided.—Lieut. B. M. Eyres Monsell, R.N., M.P. for South Worcestershire, was unanimously elected an Honorary member, and nine performing members were also elected.—It was decided to attempt the quarterly peal at Inkberrow, with Mr. H. Middleton as conductor, that a united practice meeting be arranged at Badsey, and the next quarterly meeting at Elmley Castle.—Upon the proposition of Mr. J. H. Shepherd, a hearty vote of thanks was accorded to the Rev. Canon Burton for the use of the bells, for his excellent address, for presiding at the meeting, and for providing tea; also to the ladies who attended to the wants of visitors, to the choir and organist, who were present at the service, and to Mr. Wotton for seeing to the bells.—The Rev. Canon Burton having briefly replied, the meeting terminated.—Handbells were then brought into use on the village green, Grandsire Triples and Caters, and tunes being rung on them, much to the pleasure of the parishioners. The tower was afterwards re-visited, and various standard methods rung. Some of the party were taken by Canon Burton to inspect his roses.

A RINGER'S GIFT.

STAINED GLASS WINDOW PRESENTED TO EASTON NESTON CHURCH.

Mr. J. Clarke, of Towcester, who, some time ago, presented a bell to Easton Neston Church in connection with the completion of the octave in that tower, has given further evidence of his interest in the church and in ringing by presenting a stained glass window which has been placed in the belfry. The gift was a thankoffering for his 62 years as a bell ringer, and was dedicated by the Vicar (the Rev. R. C. Collins), after morning service on a recent Sunday.

After the dedication, Mr. Clarke briefly thanked the Vicar for allowing him to have the window put in, as it was only by his kind consent that he had been able to have the work carried out. It always gave him great pleasure to do all he could to beautify the church, and he trusted that he might be spared to see the benefits which it would give to the ringers in the way of lighting the belfry.

Mr. F. Wilford, hon. secretary of the Central Northants Association, also added his thanks to the Vicar on behalf of the ringers. He said that it always gave him great pleasure to come and ring on the beautiful peal of bells they had there, and he was quite sure that the window would be a great help in enabling them to see to ring.

Before and after service, touches of Bob Major and Grandsire Triples were rung, the following ringers taking part:—J. Clarke, F. Wilford, J. W. Sharp, F. Hopper, G. W. Beesley, J. W. Unwin, C. H. Clarke, C. S. Faulkner. The conducting was done by Messrs. F. Wilford, F. Hopper, and J. W. Sharp.

RINGERS' OUTINGS.

PLEASANT DAYS IN PLEASANT PLACES.

Annual outings are now in full swing, and numerous reports have reached us of pleasant days spent in pleasant places. Appended are some of the records, others are unavoidably held over.

FINCHLEY.

The ringers of St. Mary's Society, Finchley, Middlesex, made a round of several towers for their annual outing. Travelling by brake they first reached Hadley, where 720 Oxford Bob Minor and touches of Collego Single, Plain Bob Minor, Kent Treble Bob and Grandsire Doubles were brought round. Next, the church of North Mimms was reached, and here a good three hours' ringing was enjoyed in various methods. A pleasant cross-country drive then brought the party to St. Albans, where two hours' ringing was indulged in at St. Stephen's. After this the ringers sat down to tea, and then visited St. Michael's, where a 720 of Kent Treble Bob Minor was rung by: F. Tubb 1, G. M. Kilby (conductor) 2, E. H. Tubb 3, W. Webb 4, B. Tubb 5, F. Barker 6. Other touches were rung and brought to a close a happy day's outing. The members wish, through the columns of "The Ringing World" to thank the various Vicars for their kindness in granting the use of the bells, and also the steeple keepers for having the bells ready.

MOTOR TOUR IN DEVON AND SOMERSET.

There is nothing like a motor tour for seeing the country, and this means of spending a delightful day was the method adopted by the Bradpole (Dorset) ringers on the occasion of their annual outing. The party numbered 16, and included the Vicar and churchwardens, and made first for Axminster, 14 miles distant over a "switchback" road and through lovely coastal and inland scenery. Axminster boasts of a fine church with central tower containing a peal of eight bells, with tenor 25½ cwt. Here, two touches were rung, and then the journey was continued to Honiton, which possesses two churches with peals of bells. The new church has an unringable eight, the old church a peal of six (15 cwt.) in nearly as bad a condition, but the visitors managed to ring a couple of touches upon them. Collumpton, with its church, which can be compared to a miniature cathedral, was the next objective, and en route the party gained some magnificent views in passing over Hembury Hill. The grand old tower at Collumpton holds an octave of bells, with a 25 cwt. tenor, but they do not "go" any too well. However, two touches were brought round before the visitors took their departure to Wellington, where they were entertained to dinner at the Squirrel Hotel by Mr. Churchwarden Broadley, who was, needless to say, heartily thanked for his hospitality. One touch on the good going eight bells (21 cwt.) of Wellington had to suffice before the journey was continued to Taunton, where both St. James' and St. Mary's Churches were visited, and the bells utilised. Tea was partaken of here, and then the party sped away to Ilminster, where they enjoyed further ringing on the eight bells, which hang in the central tower of the handsome church. A 22 miles run over hilly road then brought the party back to Bradpole, after one of the most enjoyable ringing excursions it is possible to imagine.

ST. MARGARET'S SOCIETY, LEISTON.

The members of the St. Margaret's Society, Leiston, held their annual outing on Saturday week, when they had a delightful motor tour. Two cars were requisitioned, and the first place of call was Otley, which tower contains six bells, upon which various Minor methods were rung. A move was then made to Henley, where the Rev. W. C. Pearson gave the party a hearty welcome, and took part in some of the ringing, which consisted of Bob Major, Double Norwich and Stedman Triples, and the first touches of Bristol and Guildford Surprise on the bells. Trucks were next made for Coddensham, where the bells were set going to Kent, Stedman and London. Time did not permit of a long stay here, and the party were soon on the road to Stonham Aspal, where the tower contains a peal of ten. Here several of the party rang their first touch on this number of bells, Kent Treble Ten and Stedman Caters being rung. The next stop was Debenham, where the host of the Cherry Tree had a splendid dinner awaiting them. Afterwards some of the junior members indulged in a game of quoits, the seniors looking on with interest. Upon a visit being made to the church, the party were met by Mr. W. Grimes, who took part in the ringing, which consisted by Bob Major, Stedman and London. At Earl Soham Mr. W. G. Crickmer was awaiting the visitors, and Bob Minor and Cambridge were rung at this tower, and then the party proceeded to Framlingham, where Mr. H. E. Smith had everything in readiness, and Mr. W. G. Crickmer again joined the party, cycling over from Earl Soham, and taking part in the ringing, which included Bob Major, Superlative, Bristol and London. Afterwards trucks were made for home, Leiston being reached soon after ten o'clock. The members of the St. Margaret's Society wish to thank the various incumbents for the use of the bells and all who made the outing such a success.

IN THE DUKERIES.

There are few more delightful occasions than the annual outing of bell ringers in some country villages in really spring-like weather, and more especially when a hospitable welcome awaits them. Both these conditions were amply fulfilled, when 16 ringers and friends from Worksop, Gainsborough, Anston, Springthorpe and Misterton visited East Markham, Tuxford and Cuckney. There was unbroken sunshine throughout the day, and the trees of the forest in the Dukeries were in their richest foliage, which made the journey, whether by carriage or cycle, a thing of joy. At East Markham, Mr. Freeman was in readiness to welcome the party and introduce them to new friends. The tower contains a melodious ring of six by Taylor, and these were set going to Grandsire, Collego Single, Stedman and Treble Bob, some good touches being rung. Dinner was served at the Queen's Hotel in splendid style, a party of 25 sitting down, the company having been augmented by the Cycling Section of the Gainsborough band. After dinner a mixed band made tracks for Tuxford, and at St. Nicholas' Church a 720 of Bob Minor was rung, conducted by W. Freeman. Cuckney was the next objective, the route being through Bothamsall and Budby, and providing a pleasant drive through the heart of Sherwood Forest, although some of the cycling section, in which a young lady was included, got lost at the Cross Road ends in the Dukeries, and arrived some half-an-hour after the rest. Tea was consequently delayed, but the bells were utilised during the period of waiting in order to let the truants know in what part of the globe Cuckney stood. After tea, two 720's of Kent and Oxford Treble Bob were rung by mixed companies, conducted respectively by H. Haigh and F. S. W. Butler, these being the first in the methods on the bells. The following took part: H. Haigh, W. Johnson, J. T. Barham, A. Johnson, T. Wilson, C. F. Fowler, F. S. W. Butler, J. C. Tinker, C. H. Baker, T. Bartholomew, P. Ballance, J. T. Ladd. Several other touches of Plain Bob, Treble Bob, Stedman and Grandsire Doubles were rung, in which Mr. Freeman, of East Markham and Mr. T. R. Flint, of Worksop, took part. The party owe a debt of gratitude to Mr. Freeman, to Mr. W. Brett, of Tuxford, and Mr. Wm. Smith, of Cuckney, for making such excellent arrangements for the use of bells, and dinner and tea, and also to the incumbents of each parish; to the landlady at the Queen, East Markham; and Host and Hostess Bottom, of Cuckney, for the bountiful repasts they placed on the tables. A pleasant drive home in the cool of the evening, after a gloriously fine day, formed an agreeable ending to a successful outing.

VISIT TO HERTS.

The ringers of St. Mary Magdalene, Holloway, and a few friends, made a brake journey into Hertfordshire for their annual outing. Arriving at Bushey an excellent lunch was partaken of at the Red Lion Hotel. During the afternoon visits were paid to Oxhey and Bushey towers, and touches in the following methods were rung: Grandsire, Stedman, Bob Major, Kent Treble Bob, Double Norwich and Superlative. After tea at the Red Lion Hotel, a visit was made to Aldenham Church. The return journey started at 8.30 p.m., Highbury being reached at 11.30 p.m., all having enjoyed an excellent day's outing. Through the medium of "The Ringing World," the ringers desire to thank those who so kindly offered their towers, and for the welcome extended.

LATE NOTICES.

SURREY ASSOCIATION (Southern District).—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Charlwood, on Saturday, July 25th. Bells available at 3 p.m. Short service at 5 p.m., with address by the Rector of Charlwood. Tea at the Half Moon Inn at 5.30 p.m.—Henry F. Ewins, Hon. District Secretary, Duncton, Eversfield Road, Reigate.

FUND FOR REHANGING the Peal of Eight at All Saints' Church, Boyn Hill, Maidenhead.—A Sale of Work in aid of the above fund will be held at Boyn Hill Flower Show, on August 13th, organized by local members of the Ladies' Guild. All contributions (except confectionery) will be gratefully received, which should be priced, and sent to Miss K. Smith, Norden, Maidenhead, Berks.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Henfield Branch.—A meeting will be held at Henfield, by the invitation of the Vicar (the Rev. Reginald J. Lea, R.D.), on Monday, August 3rd. The tower will be open from 2.30. Tea will be provided for those who let me know by the 30th inst. at 4.30. There will be a short service, with address by the Rev. Cresswell-Gee at 6 o'clock.—L. Payne, Honorary Secretary, Nep Town, Henfield.

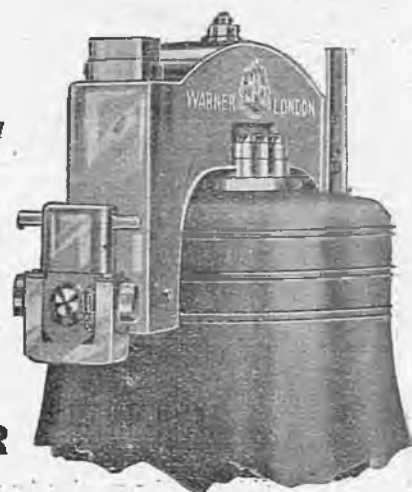
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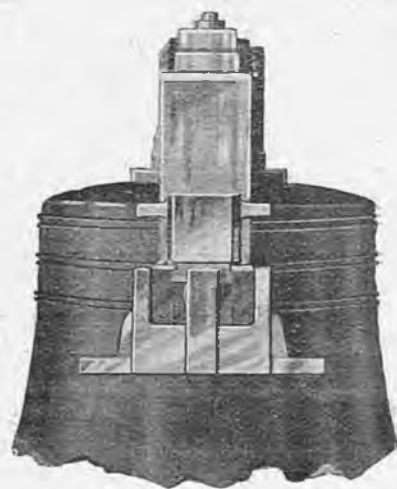
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At an early date, we will demonstrate on this page, as to how the above invention of a Self-Aligning, Self-Lubricating, Oil Bath and Oil Ring design of Bearing was evolved, and we will also point out in following issues of this Paper, the reasons and advantages of the auxiliary attachments which render the new "Warner" Bearing perfect on account of the duplex system of lubrication, combining as it does the elimination of the necessity for "greasing" the bells, and also the ensuring of cleanliness.



THE CLEVELAND ASSOCIATION.

A CONDUCTOR REPLIES TO CRITICISMS.

"In the interests of fair play," Mr. John G. Hall, of Middlesbrough, replies to Dr. Pauli's letter, which appeared in our issue of the 3rd inst., with reference to the peal of Grandsire Triples at Northallerton on December 2nd, 1911, and which Dr. Pauli summarised thus:—

Grandsire: Caller, Mr. Hall; conductor, Mr. Metcalfe. Here, again, was a similar performance, a scramble and replacing of the bells at the half-way and other places. Myself and another from Middleham objected to this peal.

Mr. Hall says this is untrue. Only one person from Middleham rang in the peal, and that was Dr. Pauli, and no one from Middleham heard the peal. If Dr. Pauli was not satisfied with this, his first peal of Grandsire Triples, why, asks Mr. Hall, did he give peal cards of the peal to the ringers. "The conducting of this peal," adds Mr. Hall, "was handled by myself only on practical lines, not from manuscript, a practice that does not now exist in the Cleveland Association, and, if the truth were out, is the cause of all this trouble. What Mr. Metcalfe did was, to use the doctor's own phrase, 'put him through' the peal 'before he had learnt the art of striking and leading,' and it was a feather in Mr. Metcalfe's cap for practically ringing two bells. The doctor says that bad striking is characteristic of the Cleveland Association, but that the Yorkshire and the Durham and Newcastle Associations are able to strike correctly. If that is so, then they have reached perfection, and have nothing more to learn. I have lived in the Newcastle district for a number of years, and have found what any sensible man would expect to find, good striking from practical men, indifferent striking at quarterly meetings, etc. If the doctor gives the Northern Division of the Yorkshire Association the credit of correct striking, then the Cleveland stands on a pedestal of unequalled perfection."

DEATH OF MR. F. T. HOAD, SENR., REIGATE.

It is with deep regret we have to announce the death of Mr. F. T. Hoad, senr., of Reigate, after a long illness, at the age of 65 years. Deceased has been connected with the Parish Church Ringing Society for about 50 years, having joined the present society at its formation. The interment took place at the Parish Church, and was attended by a large number of relatives and friends. The cortege was met at the entrance by the choir and clergy, and the service, which was choral, was very impressive. It was conducted by the Rev. F. A. Davies (Vicar), assisted by the Rev. E. A. Easten (curate). There were a number of beautiful wreaths, among them one from his brother ringers of the Parish Church, inscribed: "A token of respect and with deepest sympathy." The bells were rung, muffled, before and after service.

Mr. Hoad was a member of the Surrey Association and the Ancient Society of College Youths. He was a keen ringer and conductor, and had rung about 40 peals. He also conducted the first peals rung by the present Parish Church Society in the following methods: Grandsire, Oxford Bob (first on the bells) and Stedman Triples, Bob Major, Kent Treble Bob Major, and Double Norwich Court Bob Major. When the bells were increased to ten, he also conducted the first peals on the bells of Grandsire and Stedman Caters, Bob Royal and Kent Treble Bob Royal. He will be greatly missed by the local band, and deep sympathy is felt for his widow and family in their loss.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE ASSOCIATION.

The Northern district held a meeting for practice at Bamburgh on Saturday week, but it was only poorly attended owing to several counter-attractions. The visitors were favoured with glorious weather, and thoroughly enjoyed the outing. Some excellent work was done in instructing the local band, and several touches in Plain Bob Minor were scored. The Vicar (the Rev. E. Williams) took part in the ringing, and also conducted the visitors over this most beautiful parish church. The original church was erected in 635, and within its precincts are buried those two famous Northumberland heroines, Grace Darling and Dorothy Forster. Both the belfry and ringing chamber are kept delightfully clean and tidy owing to the personal interest the Vicar takes in the ringing, and the ceiling of the ringing chamber, with its massive beams of old black oak, is well worth seeing.

SHEFFIELD RINGER'S DEATH.

A gap has been caused in the ranks of the Sheffield ringers by the death of Mr. Joseph Atkin, for 11 years a member of the Sheffield Cathedral Society, who has passed away at the age of 59 years. The deceased was a member of the Yorkshire Association, for whom he had rung some 65 peals on from six to twelve bells, the methods including Double Norwich, Superlative, Grandsire, Stedman and Treble Bob.

The mortal remains of the deceased were laid to rest in Norton Cemetery on Tuesday of last week, the service being conducted by the Ven. Archdeacon of Sheffield, who gave a short address, after which two verses of the hymn, "Rock of Ages," were sung, and a course of Grandsire Triples was rung over the grave by Messrs. T. G. Sarril, C. Glenn, S. Thomas and J. Evinson. A large number of the deceased's Sheffield friends attended the funeral.

HALIFAX AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.

The annual meeting and six-bell contest of the Halifax and District Association was held at Tong the other day, when the bells and school were kindly placed at the disposal of the members by the Vicar (the Rev. C. Farrow). Seven companies entered for the contest, each set ringing 600 changes in any method, preceded by three leads for practice. The judges were Mr. Broadley, of Bradford; Mr. C. Salloway and Mr. Oddy, of Tong. The draw for order of ringing took place at 3.0 p.m., the competition being completed about 8.0 p.m. During the afternoon a splendid tea was served to the visitors, who numbered about 120.

The general meeting was held in the school, the President, Mr. Cotterell, in the chair, supported by the Vicar, and the society's officers. —The balance sheet, read by the treasurer, Mr. J. S. Ambler, showed a balance on the year's working of £2 6s. 3d., and was unanimously adopted. —Three new members were elected. —No invitation being forthcoming for the next contest, it was decided to leave the arrangements in the hands of the secretary.

The retiring officers were re-elected as follows: President, Mr. Cotterell; treasurer, Mr. Ambler; secretary, Mr. Salmans. —A vote of thanks to the local company and the ladies was carried unanimously, and suitably responded to by Mr. Bolland.

The President moved a vote of thanks to the Vicar for the use of the bells and schools, and the judges' decision was then announced as follows by Mr. Broadley, viz.:—Birstall, 255 faults; Earlsheaton, 100; Lightcliffe, 300; Bailey, 154; Calverley, 155; Bradford, 476; Halifax, 270. Earlsheaton were, therefore, declared the winners.

The Rev. C. Farrow, in responding to the vote of thanks, and in presenting the cup to the winning team, expressed his pleasure at being present that night. He had been listening to the ringing, he said, and thought how good it had been. He had great pleasure in presenting the cup to the winning team. —Mr. Goodall received the cup, and thanked the Vicar for presenting it. —A vote of thanks to the judges and the chairman brought a very successful meeting to a close.

KENT ASSOCIATION MEETING.

The Ashford District held a bye-meeting at Stone-in-Oxney on Saturday. The attendance totalled slightly over twenty. Appledore, Brabourne, Hawkhurst, Mersham, Rolvenden, Rye, Tenterden, Willesborough, and the local tower being represented. The bells were kept going during the afternoon and evening, Grandsire and Stedman Doubles, Plain Bob and Kent Treble Bob Minor being rung. The party had the pleasure of viewing the vicarage grounds and garden, and by kind invitation of the Vicar (the Rev. Phillips) and Mrs. Phillips, partook of tea at tables nicely set out on the lawn in the shade of the spreading trees. The Vicar and Mrs. Phillips and their son were present, and the company thoroughly enjoyed the bountiful hospitality extended them. —Mr. G. Paine (Mersham) proposed, and Mr. G. Johnson (Appledore) seconded, a hearty vote of thanks to the Vicar and Mrs. Phillips for their kindness in entertaining the party. This was carried with acclamation, and the Vicar suitably replied. A course of Grandsire Triples, double-handed, was rung on handbells on the lawn.

BREMILL BELLS.

The bells of Bremhill, near Colne (Wilts), have been in the hands of bell hangers, but, as the local ringers were not satisfied with the "go" of them, the Vicar recently invited the Wootton Bassett band to try the bells. They made a Saturday afternoon cycle trip to the village, arriving in time to ring for a special C.E.M.S. service. The bells are a peal of six, with a tenor of 20 cwt., and they hang in an iron and steel frame, but it was found that they did not run at all well. After the service, the ringers were entertained to a bountiful tea, and then an attempt was made for a quarter-peal of Doubles, but the bells had to be brought round at the end of 720 owing to the tenor man finding the task too great, while others showed signs of distress. It is certainly a pity that the bells should be left in this condition, and it is hoped that something will be done to put them into a better condition, so that what has been already spent upon them may not be wasted. The ringers, despite the hard work which they had in the tower, spent a most enjoyable afternoon, which was brought to a close by a pleasant ride home through Colne and Hilmarton. —L.A.W.

HORNCHURCH SOCIETY, ESSEX.

The ringers of St. Andrew's, Hornchurch, spent their annual outing at Orsett, which was reached after a splendid drive, in grand weather, and through lovely scenery. At Orsett they were met by some of the local band, including Mr. A. Keeling (the captain), and piloted to his house to dinner. Afterwards they gave some selections on their fine handbells, and then proceeded to the church and rang various touches on the tower bells, assisted by the local men. After a look round the beautiful old church and signing their names in the visitors' book, the party adjourned to the Whitmore Hotel, where a pleasant time was spent in selections on the handbells, and several cornet solos by Mr. Read, while some good songs were added to the programme. The party started for home soon after 7 o'clock, via Bulphan, and all agreed they had spent a most enjoyable outing.

THE MIDDLESEX ASSOCIATION. REVIVING THE ART AT HARROW.

Glorious weather favoured a meeting of the North and East district on Saturday week at Harrow-on-the-Hill, where the Association met for the first time for sixteen years. During that period practically no change ringing has been done on the bells, which are a mixed peal with a tenor of 24½ cwt., but it is to be hoped that, as a result of this meeting, a change ringing band will soon be formed. Ringing took place for a couple of hours before, and subsequently over 30 ringers attended evening, and listened to an interesting address by the Vicar (the Rev. Preb. F. W. Joyce), who took for his text the words: "Take off thy shoes from off thy feet, for the place whereon thou standest is holy ground." After the service the members adjourned to the Vestry, where the usual business meeting was held.—The Hon. Secretary (Mr. C. T. Coles) stated that the reason the society had met at Harrow was because the ringers there had expressed a desire to learn change ringing, and had asked them to provide an instructor. They were anxious to do the best they could for these young men, and with that object in view he had been corresponding with a very capable man, whom he hoped would help the Harrow company.—The Vicar and twelve Harrow ringers were elected members of the society, whilst three others were also admitted, a total of sixteen in all.—Mr. F. A. Milne proposed a vote of thanks to the Rev. Preb. Joyce for allowing the members to meet at Harrow, and for his excellent sermon, which they had all so much enjoyed. He also stated how glad he was that the local ringers had decided to join the Association.—The Vicar acknowledged the thanks of the members, and said he hoped to meet them again in the near future.

A course of Stedman Caters was rung on handbells, provided by Mr. J. Rayner, of St. Andrew's, Holborn, by Messrs. B. Prewett, W. Pye, E. Pye, A. W. Grimes and J. A. Trollope. Between 40 and 50 members attended during the afternoon and evening, and touches in most of the Standard methods from Grandsire and Plain Bob to London and Bristol Surprise were enjoyed.

Mr. C. Martin, of Hendon, has kindly consented to instruct the newly-formed band at Harrow, the practice night being Monday at 8 p.m., when all ringing friends will be made welcome.

HENBURY BELLS.

At a festival held at Henbury, Gloucestershire, by the combined choirs of the Stapleton Rural Deanery, occasion was taken to re-dedicate the church bells which had been silent for nearly two years. The work of restoration was entrusted to Messrs. John Warner and Sons, who cleared out the old frame work and beams which have been superseded by a steel frame. The bells have been fitted with the Warner self-aligning, self-lubricating, oil bath and oil ring bearings. The fifth bell has been recast, and the whole peal retuned upon the latest principle. Six of the bells date from the year 1717, and were cast by Evans and Evans, of Chepstow. The tenor bell, an exceptionally beautiful one, weighing about 21 cwt., was presented in that year by Lord Suffolk and his wife, Arabella, heiress of "the great House," Henbury. The treble and 2nd were added to make the peal of eight in 1897, to commemorate the Jubilee of Queen Victoria. A new chiming apparatus has also been installed.

The ceremony of re-dedicating the bells was performed by the Rural Dean (the Rev. G. R. Wood) Vicar of Almondsbury, accompanied by the Vicar (the Rev. C. P. Way), and the churchwardens, Messrs. Henry Feilden and W. Bennett. At the conclusion of the dedicatory prayers, the bells were rung by the local ringers: J. Gould 1, H. Harvey 2, J. Tyler 3, W. White 4, J. Martin 5, F. Pepworth 6, J. Busby 7, C. Jeffries 8. The preacher was the Rev. H. L. C. V. de Candole (Vicar of Clifton), and he based his sermon upon the words: "I sent before thee Moses and Aaron and Miriam" (Micah vi, 4).

After the service, 168 of Grandsire Triples was rung by the local ringers, and this was followed by a course of Bob Major and a few short touches of Grandsire. Among the ringers present were Messrs. W. A. Cave, J. Wilkins, and H. Howell (Bristol), C. H. Edwards (Westbury-on-Trym), W. Gillingham and Miss Jukes (Portishead). Mr. Robert Warner made a special journey from London to inspect the work and to attend the opening ceremony, and he was congratulated on the excellent work done and the "go" of the bells, which leaves nothing to be desired.

Owing to illness near the church, the Surrey Association meeting arranged to be held at East Molesey on Saturday had to be abandoned.

16,035 STEDMAN CINQUES. THE 60 AND 120 TITMUS COURSE-ENDS. BY CHARLES HENRY MATTERSLEY.

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* Produced with calls at 4, 6S, 11, 16, 18S, 20, 22, 24, 28, 30. The 60th course-end, 215364, may be brought round with calls at 2, 13S, 15S, 19S, in 8,115 changes. Both homing courses have the least number of calls. Either half will repeat with same calling, but it would very considerably detract from the merits of the conductor. The second half may also be called first. It is a complex production, and has the greatest possible variety of calls with the treble a 2nd's place bell.

NOTICES.

The EDITORIAL OFFICE of "THE RINGING WORLD," to which all communications should be sent, is 9, COMMERCIAL ROAD, WOKING.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637).—Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on the 30th; St. Paul's Cathedral, on the 21st; St. John's, Hackney, on the 21st; also at St. Mary's, Walthamstow, on Saturdays. St. Magnus 7.30, the others 8 p.m.—W. T. Cockerill, Hon. Secretary, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Yatton on Saturday, July 18th. Bells available 4 o'clock. Tea and business meeting to follow at 5.30.—George Yeo, Hon. Local Secretary.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Liverpool Branch.—A meeting will be held at Halewood on Saturday, July 18th. Bells ready at 4.—Walter Hughes.

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM (Established 1755).—Next quarterly meeting will be held at Great Barr on Saturday, July 18th. Bells available in the afternoon and evening. Tea will be provided at 8d. per head. Motor 'buses run from City via Perry Barr.—A. Paddon Smith, Honorary Secretary, 11, Albert Road, Handsworth, Birmingham.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Lewisham District.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Erith, on Saturday, July 18. Tower open at 3 p.m. Service at 5.30 p.m., with address by Rev. G. A. S. Adams (Vicar). Business meeting to follow. Half rail fares up to 2s. paid at this meeting. Reports for 1914 ready. Those who require them should let me know.—T. Groombridge, Hon. District Secretary, 34, Adelaide Road, Chislehurst.

CRICKET MATCH between the Ancient Society of College Youths and the Royal Cumberland Youths, at Mitcham Green, on Saturday, July 18th, at 3.30 p.m. Meat tea, 1s. 3d. per head, at the Queen's Head, Mitcham Green, 7 p.m. All wishing to partake, kindly advise before July 11th, to Albert A. Hughes, 34, Whitechapel Road, London, E. Social evening afterwards. All welcome.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Preston Branch.—The annual meeting will be held at Hoghton on July 18th. Bells available from 3. Meeting at 5.30. The committee meet the same day at 4 p.m. Members please note change of address.—E. R. Martin, 14, The Green, Walton-le-dale.

THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION (late St. James' Society, Established 1824).—Southern District.—The next meeting will be held on Saturday, July 18th, at St. Mary's, Mortlake. Business meeting at 5.30 p.m. Ringing to follow. All members and friends invited.—F. A. Smith, Honorary Secretary, 86, Gaskarth Road, Balham Hill, S.W.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—North-Western Division.—A district meeting will be held at Stansted, on Saturday, July 18th. Bells available at 3 o'clock. Service at 4.45 p.m. Tea and business meeting at the Parish Room at 5.30 p.m.—Wm. Watts, District Secretary, Mont House Cottage, Stansted, Essex.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—The annual festival will take place at Slough, on Saturday, July 18th. Special service in the Parish Church at 11.30. Preacher, the Lord Bishop of Buckingham. A collection will be made towards the new peal of bells for Wargrave Parish Church. Dinner at 12.30 in St. Mary's Church Institute, to be followed by the annual business meeting.—Albert E. Reeves, Guild Secretary, 5, Fatherson Road, Reading.

SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.—Quarterly meeting on July 25th at Snow Hill. Tea at King of Denmark, 7d. per head, to those notifying me by July 22nd. Special business.—H. J. Bradley, Hon. Secretary, Shoreditch Church.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION (Manchester Branch) and the Ashton-under-Lyne Society.—A joint meeting of the above will be held at Worsley on Saturday, July 25th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Meeting at 7. The Earl of Elsmere has kindly given permission for visitors to inspect the grounds, and ringers intending going through them are requested to meet at the tower at 4 o'clock prompt.—W. Wolstencroft and C. Bower, Secretaries.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Canterbury District.—A meeting will be held at Wickhambreaux on Saturday, July 25th. Tower opened at 3 p.m. Divine service at 5 p.m. Tea, kindly provided by the Rev. G. Hyde Smith, in the Village Club Room at 5.30 p.m. Littlebourne tower will be opened after tea. Will all who intend being present kindly let me know by Tuesday, July 21st.—E. Trendell, Honorary District Secretary, Boughton, Faversham.

NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION.—The next meeting will be held at Norton Cuckney on Saturday, July 25th. Tea will be provided at 1s. per head at the Greendale Oak, at 5 p.m., for those who inform Mr. Wm. Smith, Norton Cuckney, Mansfield, not later than Tuesday, July 21st. A hearty welcome to members of kindred associations.—H. Haigh, Honorary Secretary.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.—South and West District.—The next meeting will be held at Heston on Saturday, July 25th. Bells available from 4 o'clock. Tea provided (free) at 6. Members and friends cordially invited.—H. C. Chandler, Hon. Sec., Church Road, Heston, Hounslow.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE ASSOCIATION.—The summer meeting will be held at Allendale on Saturday, July 25th. The bells of St. Cuthbert will be available in the afternoon and evening. Tea at the Allendale Inn at 5 o'clock. Those who intend being present please notify me not later than July 21st.—R. Stephenson, Hon. Secretary, 2, Cleveland Terrace, West Hartlepool.

LEEDS AND DISTRICT AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.—The monthly meeting will be held at Drighlington on Saturday, July 25th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Business meeting 7 p.m.—F. W. Jones, Secretary, Elm Green, Conisbro', Rotherham.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Rochdale Branch.—The next monthly meeting will be held at Leesfield on Saturday, July 25th. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Business meeting 6.30.—Joseph Ogden, Secretary.

BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.—Bridgwater Deanery Branch.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Middlesoy on Saturday, July 25th. Service 4 p.m., tea and meeting following (tea 6d. each). Bells available from 2 p.m.—W. G. Sellick, Branch Secretary.

NOTICES—continued.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—The next meeting of the Eastern Division of the Yorkshire Association will be held at Hatfield, near Doncaster, on Monday, August 3rd, 1914. Eight bells (all day), tea 1s. each.—T. Smith, Hon. District Secretary.

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—The annual festival will take place at Liscard on Monday, August 3rd. Proceedings commence with service in St. Mary's Church at 11 o'clock. Other particulars by circular.—Rev. A. T. Beeston, Hon. Sec., New Mills.

GRAND PRIZE RINGING CONTEST on six bells at St. John the Baptist Church, Penistone, near Sheffield, on Monday, August 3rd, 1914, when prizes to value of about £20 will be given.—For further particulars apply to Frank Tinker, Penistone, near Sheffield.

THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.—Ringing for Divine service at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields the first Sunday in the month, and at St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, the third Sunday, both at 10 o'clock. Meetings for practice at Shoreditch the second Thursday and at St. Sepulchre's, Snow Hill, the fourth Wednesday in every month, at 7.30.—H. J. Bradley, Parish Church, Shoreditch.

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