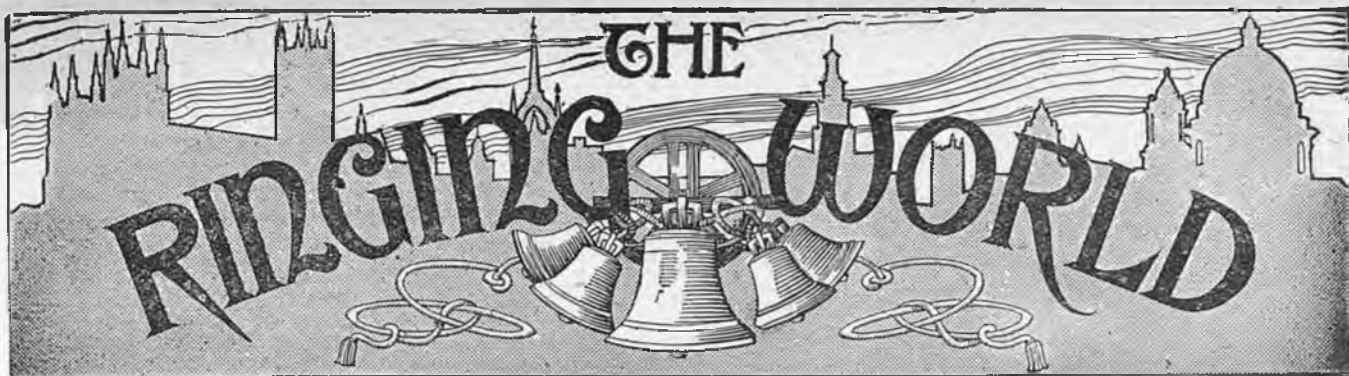




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MESSRS. GILLET and JOHNSTON, CROYDON. 4th March, 1912.
Gentlemen,

The re-casting of the peal of ten bells with the addition of two new ones in the tower of St Peter's Collegiate Church, Wolverhampton, recently carried out by you has proved most successful, and given general satisfaction.

I am authorised 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.

LEND A HELPING HAND.

In ringing, as in other matters, excellent results often spring from small beginnings, and in quarters sometimes least expected. Genuine endeavour is seldom really entirely wasted, although at the moment nothing but discouragement appears on the surface. As an instance of this we may mention what happened at the little Kentish village of Hawkhurst, where, a few years ago, an effort was made to implant change ringing. The instruction was undertaken by the district secretary of the county association, and a promising start was made, yet there supervened that loss of enthusiasm, which is so frequently met with by those who strive to extend the art. The local men, apparently, were not sufficiently interested even to finish the course, and the attempt to set up a change ringing band ended, so it seemed at the time, in dismal failure. But the good seed had been planted, and, despite intervening years of neglect, remained alive. True, for a time, the life lay dormant, but fresh encouragement has brought it to fruition and Hawkhurst has now one of the promising young bands of the county, who have scored their first peal and have become a most valuable adjunct to their association.

We only quote this case as an example of the vitality which may spring in after years from efforts which, at the time, appear to be fruitless. We have often dwelt upon the good which may be done by the interchange of visits between members of towers, but it is a matter which cannot be too strongly emphasised. Many hands of ringers remain outside the organised ranks of the county and diocesan associations, when their neighbours by means of a friendly call might draw them in. These informal visits betoken enthusiasm on the part of the visitors, and nothing begets interest among those outside more than a demonstration of the fact that those with whom they come in contact have a cause over which they can grow enthusiastic.

Now, in the summer months, when the weather lends itself to country excursions and discounts peal ringing, is the time when many might be doing good work in carrying the Art to towers where it is little known, or seeking to encourage those who are struggling against odds to keep the seed, already planted, from perishing entirely. Those who do so will find intense enjoyment in this species of missionary work, for not only will they have the satisfaction of doing something for their fellow ringers and for their association, which, after all, has the right to expect some effort from its members, but will be doing a service to the Church, because anything that will tend to raise the status of the ringer will tend also to make him a more valuable and more valued member.

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TEN BELL PEAL.

KINGSTON-ON-THAMES, SURREY.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND
LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, July 25, 1914, in Three Hours and Twenty-nine Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5043 CHANCES;

Tenor 33 cwt.

ALFRED W. GRIMES Treble	ERNEST PYE 6
CHARLES T. COLES 2	JOHN H. B. HESSE 7
JOHN HOWES 3	REUBEN SANDERS 8
ISAAC G. SHADE 4	WILLIAM PYE 9
BERTRAM PREWETT 5	JAMES N. FROSSELL 10

Composed by GEORGE T. DALTRY, and
Conducted by BERTRAM PREWETT.

EIGHT BELL PEALS.

LAVENHAM, SUFFOLK.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

On Saturday, July 18, 1914, in Three Hours and Thirty-one Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANCES;

Tenor 23 cwt., in D flat.

STEDMAN H. SYMONDS ... Treble	ARTHUR SYMONDS 5
HUGH GLADWELL 2	*HARRY POULSON 6
HARRY CRICK 3	THOMAS PRYKE 7
*THOMAS HOLLOCKS 4	WILLIAM R. J. POULSON Tenor

Composed by J. FLEMING, and
Conducted by S. H. SYMONDS.

* First peal in the method.

OSWALDTWISTLE, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(BLACKBURN BRANCH.)

On Monday, July 20, 1914, in Two Hours and Forty-four Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF IMMANUEL,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 11½ cwt.

JOSEPH RAWCLIFFE ... Treble	THOMAS HOWARTH 5
JAMES SHAW 2	ARTHUR TOMLINSON 6
ALFRED T. HOULDSWORTH ... 3	JAMES HOULDSWORTH 7
WILLIAM RILEY 4	WILLIAM WHEWELL ... Tenor

Conducted by J. HOULDSWORTH.

First peal in the method on the bells and by all the band except A. Tomlinson, of Blackburn.

BISHOPWEARMOUTH, SUNDERLAND.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, July 21, 1914, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

SIR ARTHUR HEYWOOD'S VARIATION OF THURSTANS'.

Tenor 11½ cwt.

MICHAEL F. HARRISON ... Treble	THOMAS RICHARDSON 5
*WILLIAM H. PICKARD 2	JOSEPH W. PARKER 6
JOHN PICKERING 3	ROBERT L. PATTERSON 7
THOMAS W. DITCHBURN 4	† HAROLD B. DITCHBURN ... Tenor

Conducted by JOSEPH W. PARKER.

* First peal of Stedman. † First peal.

ILKESTON, DERBYSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, July 21, 1914, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;

Tenor 17 cwt. 0 qrs. 9 lbs.

*ERNEST FLETCHER ... Treble	HENRY HARRISON 5
ISAAC HUFTON 2	WILLIAM THORNTON 6
JOSEPH HALL 3	HENRY BEARDSLEY 7
CECIL J. BAKER 4	EDWARD C. GOBEY ... Tenor

Composed and Conducted by E. C. GOBEY.

* First peal of Major and first attempt.

TWERTON-ON-AVON, BATH.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, July 21, 1914, in Two Hours and Fifty-six Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL.

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES;

Tenor 13½ cwt.

ALBERT E. ALEXANDER ... Treble	RICHARD J. COUSINS ... 5
ARTHUR K. HARRISON ... 2	SAMUEL J. HECTOR ... 6
THOMAS HOGSFLESH ... 3	THOMAS F. KING ... 7
EDMUND KING ... 4	GILBERT H. HARDING ... Tenor

Composed by GEORGE LEWIS, and
Conducted by GILBERT H. HARDING.

Arranged and rung as a farewell to A. K. Harrison who was leaving the district.

LONDON.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wednesday, July 22, 1914, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN, WATERLOO ROAD,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 19 cwt.

JOHN H. B. HESSE ... Treble	EDWIN F. PIKE ... 5
FRANK I. HAIRS ... 2	ALFRED W. GRIMES ... 6
WILLIAM PYE ... 3	WALTER FARLEY ... 7
EDWARD H. GRIMES ... 4	REUBEN SANDERS ... Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

W. Farley, for whom this peal was arranged, hails from Wells, Somerset.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wednesday, July 22, 1914, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICOLAS,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES;

Tenor 23 cwt., in E flat.

EDWARD RADDON ... Treble	MAURICE SMITHER ... 5
WILLOUGHBY E. MAULDEN ... 2	CLARENCE H. DOBBIE ... 6
SEPTIMUS RADFORD ... 3	FRANK BLONDELL ... 7
THOMAS W. RADFORD ... 4	ALFRED H. PULLING ... Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF, and
Conducted by ALFRED H. PULLING.

ACTON, MIDDLESEX.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wednesday, July 22, 1914, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 14 cwt.

WILLIAM E. GARRARD ... Treble	ARTHUR HARDING ... 5
WILLIAM A. GARRARD ... 2	ROBERT E. HOLLOWAY ... 6
GEORGE E. HARBOUR ... 3	JAMES R. MACKMAN ... 7
WILLIAM LAWRENCE ... 4	JOSEPH W. FRUIN ... Tenor

Conducted by J. R. MACKMAN.

* First peal of Stedman. Rung to commemorate Mr. H. Mitchell's 50 years of office as Parish Clerk of Acton.

SAXLINGHAM NETHERGATE, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

On Thursday, July 23, 1914, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

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

Tenor 8 cwt. 1 qr. 20 lbs.

JAMES F. DUFFIELD ... Treble	GEORGE H. CROSS ... 5
CECIL R. CHAMBERLIN ... 2	BERTIE J. HOWCHIN ... 6
FREDK. J. HOWCHIN ... 3	FRANK R. COPEMAN ... 7
GEORGE HOWCHIN ... 4	WILLIAM STEELE ... Tenor

Composed by H. DAINS, and
Conducted by WILLIAM STEELE.

* First peal in the method with a bob bell.

LONDON.

THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

(LATE THE ST. JAMES' SOCIETY.)

On Thursday, July 23, 1914, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL, HAMMERSMITH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

HOLT'S ORIGINAL. Tenor 15 cwt.

EDWARD CASSELL ... Treble	JOHN P. KENT ... 5
CHALLIS F. WINNEY ... 2	ALFRED W. GRIMES ... 6
EDGAR G. LUSH ... 3	WALTER FARLEY ... 7
FRANK SKEVINGTON ... 4	WILLIAM A. BROOKS ... Tenor

Conducted by C. F. WINNEY.

Arranged for Messrs. W. Farley and E. Lush, of Wells, Somerset.

ISLEWORTH, MIDDLESEX.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Friday, July 24, 1914, in Three Hours and Two Minutes

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANCES;

Tenor 16 cwt. 0 qr. 24 lbs.

GEORGE SPENCER ... Treble	THOMAS BEADLE ... 5
THOMAS J. BARKER ... 2	CHARLES J. TRICKER ... 6
ERNEST E. GRIMES ... 3	WILLIAM J. NEW ... 7
BERTRAM PREWETT ... 4	WILLIAM SHEPHERD ... Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS, and
Conducted by BERTRAM PREWETT.

* First peal of Major.

OLDSWINFORD, WORCESTERSHIRE.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, July 25, 1914, in Two Hours and Forty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

J. J. PARKER'S TWELVE PART. Tenor 12½ cwt.

*CHAS. WM. COOPER ... Treble	J. NEWNAM ... 5
THOS. HEATHCOCK ... 2	A. E. WHATMORE ... 6
GEO. POPNELL ... 3	JOS. SMITH ... 7
RALPH MOOR ... 4	A. W. DODD ... Tenor

Conducted by A. E. WHATMORE.

* First peal in the method. Rung as a birthday compliment to C. W. Cooper.

LEISTON, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 25, 1914, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

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

Tenor 20½ cwt., in E.

GEORGE WILSON ... Treble	EDGAR H. BAILEY ... 5
ROBERT H. HAYWARD ... 2	JAMES M. BAILEY ... 6
ERNEST S. BAILEY ... 3	CHARLES F. BAILEY ... 7
ALLEN F. BAILEY ... 4	JAMES G. RUMSEY ... Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS, and
Conducted by CHARLES F. BAILEY.

WHITBY, YORKSHIRE.

THE CLEVELAND & NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 25, 1914, in Three Hours and Twenty-one Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

HOLT'S TEN-PART. Tenor 18½ cwt.

WILLIAM A. BRECKON ... Treble	GEORGE F. ALEXANDER ... 5
WILLIAM HARLAND ... 2	GEORGE P. HILL ... 6
JOHN T. WATERS ... 3	THOMAS METCALFE ... 7
*DR. M. C. POTTER ... 4	MATTHEW STAPLEY ... Tenor

Conducted by W. A. BRECKON.

* First peal of Grandsire Triples. Dr. Potter, who hails from Newcastle-on-Tyne, was elected a member of the Association previous to starting. Rung with the bells muffled, as a last tribute of respect to the late Mr. C. Marwood, J.P., a former churchwarden of the Church, who was interred on the above date.

TITCHMARSH, NORTHANTS.
THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, July 25, 1914, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 17 cwt. 3 qr. 22 lbs.

*HARRY ETTIE Treble	*GEORGE BASSFORD 5
GEORGE JEFFS 2	REGINALD C. LOVEDAY ... 6
*GEORGE M. ETTIE 3	*JOHN R. MAIN 7
LEONARD WYMAN 4	*ARTHUR SMEATHERS ... Tenor

Composed by B. ANNABLE, and
Conducted by A. SMEATHERS.

* First peal in the method and members of the Finedon band. The thanks of the ringers are due to Mr. G. Jeffs for having everything in readiness.

UCKFIELD, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 25, 1914, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY CROSS,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 11 cwt. 3 qr. 24 lbs., in F.

FRANK BENNETT Treble	GEORGE ADES 5
JOHN H. PAICE 2	ALFRED J. TURNER 6
HENRY STALHAM 3	ROBERT J. DAWES 7
EDMUND H. LINDUP 4	JAMES A. HART Tenor

Conducted by FRANK BENNETT.

RAUNDS, NORTHANTS.
THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, July 25, 1914, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 22 cwt.

*HENRY STUBBS Treble	*HORACE COPPERWHEAT ... 5
*FRED STUBBS 2	WALTER PERKINS 6
*FRANK KIRK 3	*WALTER GILBERT 7
WILLIAM J. GILBERT ... 4	CHARLES W. CLARKE ... Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF, and
Conducted by CHARLES W. CLARKE.

* First peal in the method. First peal in the method on the bells. Rung with the bells half muffled as a last tribute of respect to the late wife of Mr. Hy. Sharman, of the local company, who died on July 18th.

GRIMSBY, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, July 25, 1914, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 18½ cwt.

GEORGE SNELL Treble	JOHN E. KENNINGTON 5
COOK WELLS 2	JOHN W. SEAMER 6
HERBERT MINGAY 3	WILLIAM H. HEYHOE 7
JOHN H. BELLAMY 4	WALTER AYRE Tenor

Conducted by J. W. SEAMER.

Rung after meeting short for Treble Bob, G. Snell kindly taking the vacant rope for the Patronal Festival. Messrs. Wells and Bellamy hail from Lincoln, W. Ayre from Barton-on-Humber.

NETHERSEALE, DERBYSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION
AND THE ST. PAUL'S SOCIETY, BURTON-ON-TRENT.
On Saturday, July 25, 1914, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

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

Tenor 11½ cwt.

EDWARD I. STONE Treble	W. W. WORTHINGTON 5
JOHN H. BENSTEAD 2	WILLIAM C. WAKLEY 6
CHARLES SANDERS 3	JOSEPH GRIFFIN 7
ALBERT P. WAKLEY 4	ALGERNON P. G. STONE ... Tenor

Composed by W. WILLSON, and
Conducted by A. P. WAKLEY.

FINEDON, NORTHANTS.
THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, July 25, 1914, in Three Hours and Three-and-a-half-Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HEYWOOD'S VARIATION.

Tenor 21 cwt.

MATTHIAS HOBBS Treble	J. EDWARD CHAPMAN 5
ROBERT F. TURNER 2	CHARLES W. BIRD 6
JOHN J. MAWBY 3	DAVID J. NICHOLS 7
WILLIAM R. HENSHER ... 4	FREDK. W. SAWFOOT ... Tenor

Conducted by DAVID J. NICHOLS.

PRIVETT, HANTS.
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, July 25, 1914, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 12½ cwt.

*HUBERT CHAFFY Treble	CORPL. G. GILBERT, R.E. ... 5
*WILLIAM ELKINS 2	*ALFRED R. ELKINS 6
WILLIAM H. FUSSELL ... 3	CHARLES EDWARDS 7
WILLIAM SHEPHERD 4	ERNEST NEWELL Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES EDWARDS.

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

WILLENHALL, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD
AND THE DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.

On Saturday, July 25, 1914, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 12½ cwt.

JAMES TYLER Treble	BERT HORTON 5
EDWARD HORTIN 2	EDGAR MARLOW 6
WILLIAM E. WATHER ... 3	CHRISTOPHER WALLATER ... 7
THOMAS HILL 4	ARTHUR E. REED Tenor

Conducted by C. WALLATER.

The ringers of the treble, 4th, 5th and 6th hail from Wood Green, Wednesbury; the remainder are members of the local band.

ST. BRIAVEL'S, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.
GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 25, 1914, in Three Hours,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

GROVE'S VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor about 14 cwt.

P.C. WALTER W. COATES ... Treble	JOHN W. JONES 5
OLIVER THOMAS 2	JOHN W. DAVIS 6
WILLIAM G. FISHER 3	EX SERGT. J. WILLIAMS ... 7
JOHN AUSTIN 4	THOMAS FRANCIS Tenor

Conducted by JOHN AUSTIN.

First peal by the treble and tenor men, who belong to the local band.

WOLVERHAMPTON.
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.
On Saturday, July 25, 1914, in Two Hours and Forty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LUKE, BLAKENHALL,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

HERBERT KNIGHT Treble	JOHN C. ADAMS 5
GEORGE HUGHES 2	THOMAS J. ELTON 6
FRANK W. PERRENS 3	WILLIAM FISHER 7
JAMES E. GROVES 4	BENJAMIN FULLWOOD ... Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM FISHER.

Rung to celebrate the silver wedding of Mr. and Mrs. D. Jones, of Blakenhall. Mr. Jones being the genial captain of St. Luke's band. The above company represents eight different towers and with Messrs. W. R. Small, J. Bradney, A. Jones and A. Everson were kindly entertained after the peal by Mr. and Mrs. Jones, who were congratulated upon the interesting and happy event.

GRIMSBY.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD AND
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, June 26, 1914, in Two Hours and Forty-nine Minutes,
At the Church of St. Andrew,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

SIR A. P. HEYWOOD'S VARIATION OF THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.
Tenor 15½ cwt.

ARTHUR HAGUE	... Treble	RUPERT RICHARDSON ...	5
GEORGE F. WILLIAMS ...	2	COLIN RYDER	6
JOHN W. SEAMER	3	*WALTER AYRE	7
CLEMENT GLENN	4	JOHN H. BROTHWELL ...	Tenor

Conducted by CLEMENT GLENN.

* First peal in the method. First peal in the method on the bells.

SIX BELL PEALS.

LOWICK, NORTHANTS.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 18, 1914, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,
At the Church of St. Peter,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, Woodbine, Kent and Oxford
Treble Bob, Double Court, Double Oxford and Plain Bob.

Tenor 14 cwt.

*GEORGE BASFORD	... Treble	REGINALD C. LOVEDAY ...	4
JAMES HUDSON	2	HARRY MEADOWS	5
LEONARD WYMAN	3	ARTHUR SMEATHERS ...	Tenor

Conducted by A. SMEATHERS.

* First peal in seven methods. Quickest peal on the bells.

CASTOR, NORTHANTS.

THE PETERBOROUGH AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 18, 1914, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,

At the Church of St. Kyneburgha,

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being seven 720's, called differently. Tenor 13 cwt.

BERNARD H. FITZJOHN ...	... Treble	THOMAS R. VAUGHAN ...	4
JOHN J. JUTSON	2	OSWALD RICHARDSON ...	5
WILLIAM WALDRON	3	GEORGE JUTSON	Tenor

Conducted by G. JUTSON.

First peal by ringer of treble, for whom it was arranged as a birthday compliment.

CHALFONT ST. PETER, BUCKS.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

(EAST BERKS AND SOUTH BUCKS BRANCH.)

On Thursday, July 23, 1914, in Two Hours and Forty-five Minutes,

At the Church of St. Peter,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being 720 each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Canterbury Pleasure,
and two each of Plain Bob and Oxford Bob. Tenor 11½ cwt.

ALFRED SWAN	... Treble	WILLIAM HORN	4
*HERBERT COX	2	WILLIAM HENLEY	5
JOSEPH J. PARKER	3	JAMES BLACKMORE ...	Tenor

Conducted by J. J. PARKER.

* First peal of Minor.

RENDHAM, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 25, 1914, in Two Hours and Forty-two Minutes,

At the Church of St. Michael,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being 720 each of College Single, Oxford Bob, Kent and Oxford
Treble Bob and Canterbury Pleasure, and two 720's of Bob Minor
called differently. Tenor 10 cwt.

FREDK. W. WATLING ...	... Treble	*ALBERT J. L. NAUNTON ...	4
*JOHN SPENCER	2	NORMAN R. BAILEY ...	5
*WILLIAM H. P. MELLIN ...	3	*FRANCIS W. NAUNTON ...	Tenor

Conducted by FRANCIS W. NAUNTON.

* First peal in six methods. First peal in six methods on the bells.
Rung for the Festival of St. James.

HANDBELL PEALS.

LONDON.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, July 21, 1914, in Two Hours and Seventeen Minutes,
At 58, MANOR STREET, CLAPHAM, S.W.,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;

MISS ELSIE L. BENNETT ...	1-2	ARTHUR F. SHEPHERD ...	5-6
WILLIAM SHEPHERD	3-4	FRANK I. HAIRS	7-8

Composed by CORNELIUS CHARGE, and

Conducted by WILLIAM SHEPHERD.

Umpire: JOHN I. HAIRS.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Miss Amy Hairs.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, July 25, 1914, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,
In the Belfry of St. Nicolas' Church,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5043 CHANCES;

Bells, size 18 in G.

ALFRED H. PULLING	1-2	MAURICE SMITHER	5-6
MISS ELSIE L. BENNETT ...	3-4	FRANK I. HAIRS	7-8
SEPTIMUS RADFORD	9-10		

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF, and

Conducted by ALFRED H. PULLING.

This is the first time a lady has rung a pair of non-observation bells
in Stedman Caters. The peal was to have been umpired by Mr. W. E.
Maulden, but, on reaching the tower, he found he had been locked
out by the verger.

HOLBECK, LEEDS.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 25, 1914, in Two Hours and Nineteen Minutes,

In the Belfry of St. Matthew's Church,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

PARKER'S SIX-PART.

JAMES R. KEMP	1-2	*FRANK SMALLWOOD	5-6
PERCY J. JOHNSON	3-4	*GEORGE ROBINSON	7-8

Conducted by PERCY J. JOHNSON.

Attested by GEORGE A. JOWETT.

* First peal on handbells. Rung in honour of St. James' Day and
also of the birth of a son and heir to Mr. P. L. Cooper, an esteemed
member of the local band.

LONDON.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Sunday, July 26, 1914, in Two Hours and Fifty-two Minutes,

At 13, HARLESDOWN ROAD, FULHAM,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

ALFRED W. GRIMES	1-2	CHALLIS F. WINNEY	5-6
WALTER S. WISE	3-4	*WALTER FARLEY	7-8

Conducted by C. F. WINNEY.

Umpire: GEORGE R. FARDON.

Witness: Miss WINNEY.

* First handbell peal.

SHEFFIELD.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION

On Monday, July 27, 1914, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,

At 31, BURGESS STREET,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5266 CHANCES;

E. MAURICE ATKINS	1-2	†ARTHUR HAGUE	5-6
CLEMENT GLENN	3-4	*SIDNEY F. PALMER	7-8
*R. WILFRED COLLIER	9-10		

Composed by C. H. HATTERSLEY, and

Conducted by CLEMENT GLENN.

Umpire: C. H. HATTERSLEY.

* First handbell peal in the method. † First handbell peal of Caters
in the method. First handbell peal of Stedman Caters by the
Association

LONDON.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Monday, July 27, 1914, in Two Hours and Thirty-two Minutes,
AT THE GEORGE IV, BRUNSWICK STREET, HAGGERSTON, N.E.,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

THORSTANS' FOUR-PART.

CHALLIS F. WINNEY ... 1-2	FREDERICK J. HARDY ... 5-6
HERBERT LANGDON ... 3-4	ALFRED W. GRIMES ... 7-8

Conducted by CHALLIS F. WINNEY.

Umpire: J. BARRY.

Rang after meeting short for Caters.

TWO ASSOCIATIONS MEET AT WORSLEY.

A joint meeting of the Manchester Branch of the Lancashire Association and the Ashton-under-Lyne Society, was held at Worsley on Saturday last, when a goodly number of members and friends put in an appearance. Mr. Joseph Ridyard conducted the party through the beautiful grounds of the residence of the Earl of Elnmore, a privilege which was much appreciated. Returning to the church tower, the business meeting of the Manchester Branch was presided over by Mr. Jas. Barrett, who gave a hearty welcome to the visitors, and took the opportunity of congratulating the Ashton-under-Lyne company on their record performance, he having heard much of the excellent ringing on the day of the achievement.—Barlow Moor (Didsbury) was chosen as the next meeting-place. No meeting will take place at Miles Platting on August 1st.

The Ashton-under-Lyne Society's meeting was presided over by Mr. J. Broadbent, who thanked the vice-president (Mr. Barrett) for his congratulations upon the long peal.—Pendleton was chosen for the next quarterly meeting, and a hearty vote of thanks was accorded the Rector and local men, especially Mr. Ridyard, for the arrangements for the day.

ANCIENT DEVON BELLS RESTORED.

Messrs. Stokes and Son, of Woodbury, have just completed the restoration of the bells at Clayhidon, Devon, a new treble having been added to the old peal of five, and the ring rehung in a new frame. The work, which has cost about £200, has been admirably carried out, and at the dedication, which was performed by the Bishop of Exeter, the bell hangers were congratulated upon the way in which they have completed the task entrusted to them. The old frame was placed in the tower 104 years ago, but the bells date back to a much earlier period. The first bell was put in Clayhidon tower in 1599, the second in 1617, the third in 1615, and the fourth in 1629. These four bells were recast and made into five by Bibbie, of Cul-lompton, in 1810. That was during the incumbency of the grandfather of the present Rector (the Rev. Walrond Clarke). The sixth bell now added bears both the name of a grandson of the Rector of 1810, and the name of a grandson (Mr. Richard Hine), of the churchwarden of 1810. The Rev. W. Clarke has been Rector of Clayhidon 44 years, and the incumbency of the parish has been in his family since 1760. Not for two years prior to the dedication had the parishioners heard their bells, and the people assembled in large numbers for the ceremony. The ringers were Messrs. J. Redwood (captain), W. Leigh, W. Goldsmith, J. W., and F. Gill, and Mr. H. Stokes, junr.

BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.

A quarterly meeting of the Bridgwater Deanery Branch of the Bath and Wells Diocesan Association was held at Middlezoy on Saturday last, the following places being represented: Bridgwater, Huntspill, Chedzoy, Enmore, Wembdon and Middlezoy. A full choral service was held in the church, conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. E. Havergal), and afterwards tea was provided for the members at the Vicarage, and was followed by the business meeting. Eleven members were enrolled, including the Rev. E. Havergal, who became an honorary member.—Spaxton was decided upon as the next place of meeting.—Votes of thanks were accorded to the Vicar for his interesting and instructive address, and for the use of the bells, and to the organist and choir who kindly gave their help at the service.—The Vicar, in responding, expressed the great pleasure it gave him to meet the members.—The visitors then returned to the tower, where several touches were brought round during the evening.

A PRACTICE MEETING.

A most pleasant time was spent on Saturday last, when 14 members of the Sonning Branch of the Oxford Guild met at Arborfield for the monthly combined practice. The towers represented were: Wokingham (All Saints'), Sandhurst, Binfield, Hurst, Easthamstead, and the local band. The following methods were practised: Plain Bob, Kent, Woodbine and Cambridge, Stedman and Grandsire Doubles.

RUGBY'S NEW BELL.

A magnificent service bell, weighing 64 cwt. 2 qrs. 20 lbs., has been presented to Rugby School in memory of the Rev. Charles and Mrs. Elsee by members of their family, and was dedicated on Tuesday afternoon of last week. The bell, which is in B flat and is 5ft. 9½in. in diameter, is believed to be the largest school bell in the country. It is the product of the Loughborough Foundry, and bears the inscription: "In remembrance of Charles and Mary Anne Elsee, their children gave me to Rugby School." The lettering is a facsimile of some old mediæval lettering found on some bells at South Somercote in Lincolnshire, and dated 1427. The Rugby School coat of arms and the school motto, "Orando Laborando," are also engraved on the bell, together with the date and the name of the founders. For the dedication ceremony the whole of the members of the late Mr. Elsee's family were present, including the Rev. H. J. Elsee, of Bolton, President of the Lancashire Association; the headmaster and members of the teaching staff of the school; Messrs. J. W. and E. D. Taylor (the founders), Mr. James George (Ringing Master of the Warwickshire Guild), Mr. H. O. White (Ringing Master of the St. Andrew's Society, Rugby), etc.—The Rev. H. J. Elsee requested the headmaster to receive the gift, and Dr. David, in gratefully accepting it, said it came from sons and daughters in loving memory of their father and mother; it came from a family long devoted to that school, in token of the love they bore to it. Therefore, it came to them twice hallowed, so far as men could hallow it. He hoped that they and all who followed after them would never listen to the voice of that bell without a thought of him to whom they now dedicated it.

The dedicatory prayers were offered by the headmaster, and the hymn, "Come a time of stillness as at eve," was sung unaccompanied, led by the school choir.

Afterwards the bell was tolled, and those present expressed themselves as highly pleased with its musical tone. In the evening at the Parish Church, 514 Stedman Triples was rung as a 'welcome' to the new bell by: W. Maling 1, H. O. White 2, C. E. Joyner 3, C. W. Wheeler 4, J. A. Fenton 5, Rev. H. J. Elsee 6, J. George (composer and conductor) 7, E. W. Jesson 8. A touch of Treble Bob was also rung.

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD, BIRMINGHAM.

A very enjoyable meeting was held at Great Barr on Saturday week. The parish of Great Barr is outside the Birmingham Diocese, but the Vicar (the Rev. Arnold Partridge), who is himself a ringer, had expressed a wish to have a visit from the Birmingham men. Accordingly the opportunity was seized of holding a quarterly meeting there, and a more delightful spot in which to spend a summer afternoon is not to be found in the vicinity of the city.

The pretty little church nestles in a hollow on the side, and about a mile from the top of the eminence known as Barr Beacon, which, with the peculiar clump of trees on its highest point, is a conspicuous landmark for many miles around.

The bells are most melodious—tenor about 10 cwt., by Arnold, of Leicester—and are undoubtedly one of the finest little rings or six in the Midlands. They have recently been overhauled by Messrs. James Barwell, and great credit is due to them for the manner in which they have carried out the work. Messrs. Barwell have regulated the sound in the belfry, and have also rearranged the latter so that those who remember it as it was until recently can hardly believe it is the same place. The only thing lacking—if anything can be said to lack in a place which the Vicar intends to make as complete and comfortable as possible—is the full octave, but we have reason to think this will be remedied in the not too distant future.

An excellent tea was partaken of at the Beacon Inn, at which the Vicar was present, and he also kindly presided at the business meeting following, and was elected an honorary member.

Sympathetic reference was made to the late Mr. Samuel Reeves, who was a vice-president, and formerly President of the Guild, and one of the oldest members.

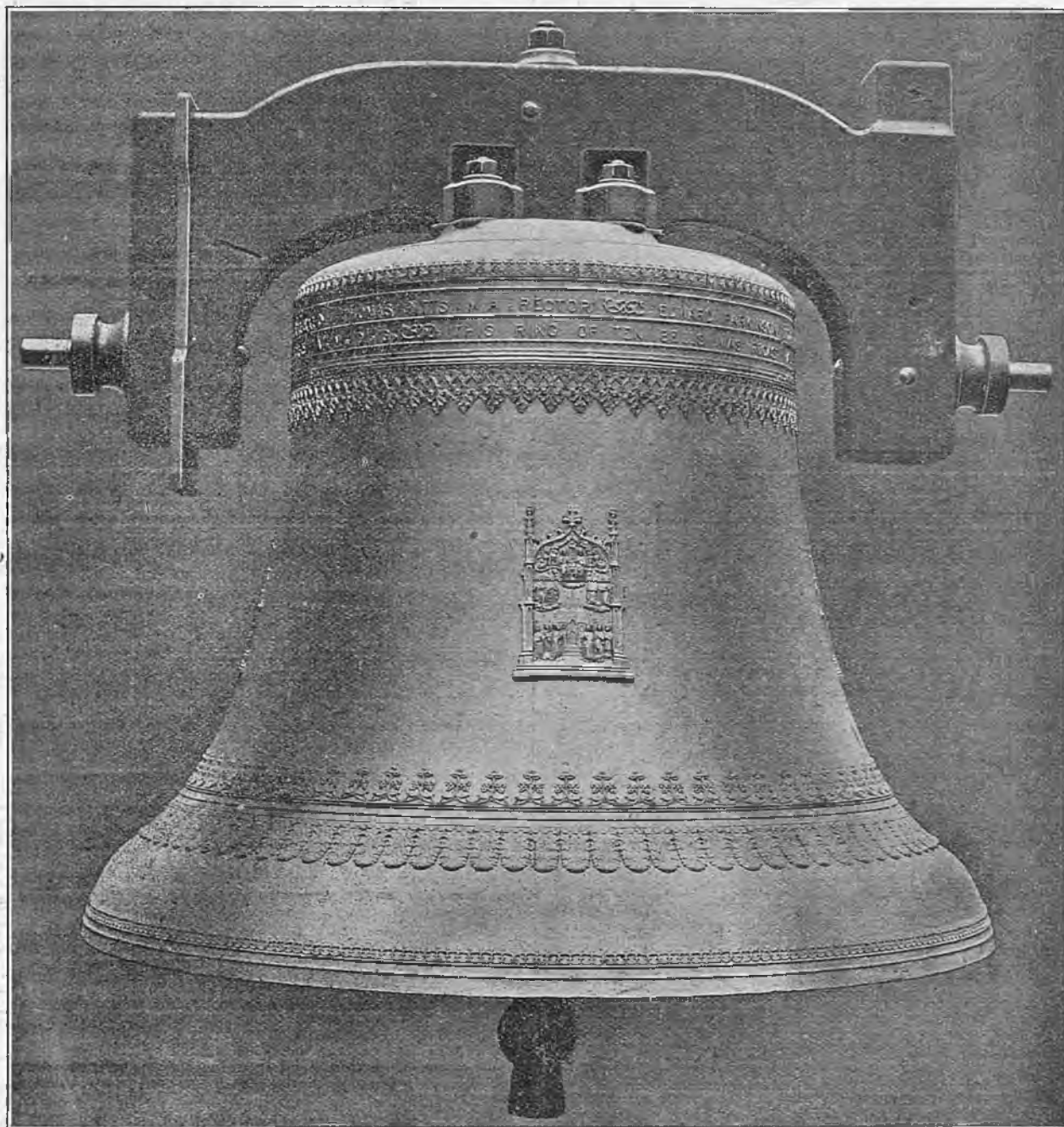
A hearty vote of thanks was passed to the Rev. Arnold Partridge for the use of his bells, which were kept fully occupied during the afternoon and evening, the Vicar himself taking part in several touches.

The bells were lowered about 8.30, when most of the members adjourned to the Beacon for one of those social hours so dear to the hearts of ringers.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

A meeting of the North Western Division of the Essex Association was held at Stansted on Saturday week. The Vicar (the Rev. A. M. Winter) conducted a short service in the Parish Church, after which the tea and business meeting were held at the Parish Room, 13 sitting down.—The Vicar presided, supported by the secretary (Mr. W. Watts). Mr. J. Law, of Wenden, was elected a ringing member.—It was resolved to hold the next meeting at Bishop's Stortford.—A vote of thanks was accorded to the Vicar for the use of the bells, and for holding the service, and the Vicar, in reply, welcomed the Association to Stansted. The following towers were represented: Stansted, Bishop's Stortford, Rickling, Elsenham and Wallhamstead. Touches of Treble Bob, Stedman and Grandsire Triples were rung during the evening.

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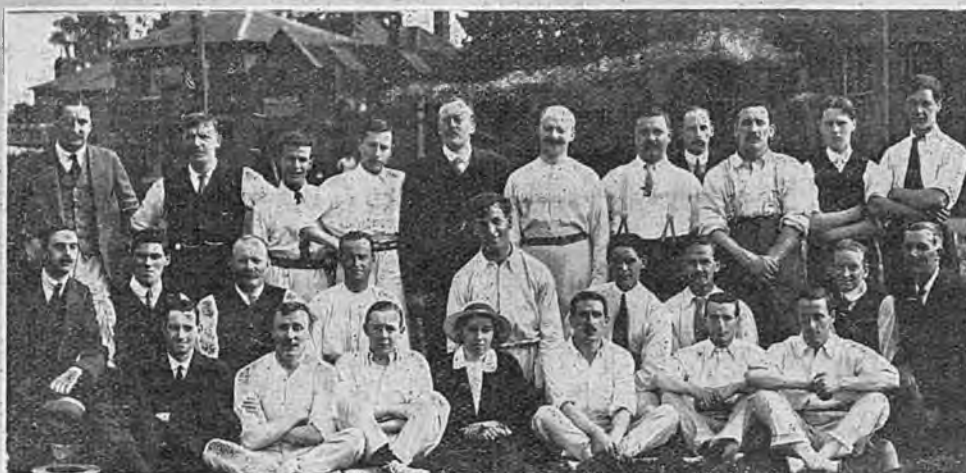
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COLLEGE YOUTHS AND CUMBERLANDS AT CRICKET.



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The upper picture is the Group of those "officially" concerned in the Cricket Match. From left to right they are: First row (standing), R. Warner, W. Jakeman, H. Burton, H. Landon, T. Faulkner, J. W. Golding, A. W. Grimes, A. Walton (umpire), S. J. Collins, C. J. Matthews and C. Austin; Second row, A. T. Miller (scorer), R. N. Runham, J. Hunt, D. Ellingham, E. Attwater, H. Wagstaff, F. I. Hairs, J. A. Trollope and J. Parker (umpire); Bottom row (seated), H. Gowlett, J. D. Matthews, H. J. Walton, Miss E. K. Parker (scorer), A. S. Miller, J. C. Adams and A. A. Hughes.

The lower picture is a group of some of the interested spectators at the match.

COLLEGE YOUTHS BEATEN BY CUMBERLANDS.

The cricket match, which has been the chief topic of conversation among London ringers for the past few weeks, was played on Saturday week, on Mitcham Green, as recorded in our last issue. The weather and everything else were perfect. A large number of spectators were present, including many of the most prominent ringers of the Metropolis (among them the veterans, Ted Horrex, Billy Weatherstone and J. S. Rayner), with their wives, sons, daughters, sisters, and (in some case) other people's sisters. The Masters of the two Societies "tossed" for innings, and Mr. T. Faulkner, of the College Youths, was successful. He put his team in to bat first, but, oh, what a fall was there! The Cumberland bowling was unplayable, and in a very short time the whole side was out for the low score of 31. When, however, the Cumberlands took their turn at the wickets, history repeated itself, wicket after wicket falling quickly, and it was not until the last man was in that the winning hit was made. Then the last wicket fell, the Cumberlands, having scored 33, won a most keen and exciting match by the narrow margin of two runs. The top scorer for the College Youths was H. Walton, with 14; and for the Cumberlands R. Warner, with 18. In the bowling department J. D. Matthews took six of the College Youths' wickets for 18 runs, and D. Ellingham four for 8. The best analysis, however, was secured by H. Wagstaff, who captured six Cumberland wickets for seven runs. E. Attwater took two for 19. The thanks of both societies are due to Mr. A. G. Freeman, of the

Cumberlands, who was unfortunately prevented from playing in the match, for kindly presenting the match ball.

Tea was taken at the Queen's Head just by the green, and nearly 70 sat down and did good justice to the ample fare provided. Afterwards there was an interval of half-an-hour or so while the room was being prepared for the concert, which was to follow. This interval was filled by certain members of one of the teams indulging in quoits, and from the form they showed it looked as if they might do better with the iron rings than with the bat, and a challenge may be issued even yet.

The chair at the concert was taken by the Master of the College Youths, and the proceedings were opened with Stedman Cinques in hand by: Miss E. Bennett, and Messrs. L. Attwater, C. F. Winney, F. I. Hairs, W. A. Alps, and J. D. Matthews. Mr. Ellingham came next with a most appropriate recitation, entitled "A Cricket Story," and this was followed by songs and touches on the handbells. It would take too long to describe each individual turn, but the following contributed to this most enjoyable concert: Messrs. A. A. Hughes, R. White, Kitching, J. Oxborrow, A. S. Miller, W. C. Lee, D. Wright, McKenna, Shepherd. All the above were in capital form, and their performances were greatly appreciated and warmly applauded, but probably all would confess that the two stars of the evening were Mrs. H. Langdon and Miss Bance, both of whom sang charmingly. Besides the band that rang the first touch of the evening, the following

took a pair each in Stedman Cinques or Caters: Miss E. K. Parker, Messrs. H. Langdon, A. W. Grimes, W. Shepherd, A. Shepherd, W. Passmore and J. W. Golding.

During the evening, Mr. T. Faulkner, in proposing the health of the Cumberlands, a toast which was drunk with musical honours, congratulated them on their hard won victory, and handed the match ball to Mr. J. D. Matthews, with the remark that as 200 runs had not been scored off it, it would be quite fit for next year's match.—The Master of the Cumberlands suitably responded, and, accepting the ball and the implied challenge, proposed the health of the College Youths, which toast was also accorded musical honours.

The best of things must come to an end, and it was with reluctance that the party broke up about 11 o'clock, many having to travel right through the wilds to the distant lands of Leytonstone, Wimbledon, Haggerston, and other rural spots.

A report of the proceedings would not be complete without a word of praise and thanks to the host, Mr. Charles Bance, who, himself a ringer, seemed to know exactly what was wanted. He arranged for the pitch for the match, and went to the further trouble of providing pads and gloves, and it was undoubtedly largely due to him that the whole fixture turned out to be the success it undoubtedly was.

An interesting point in connection with this game is that it is the first between the two societies for thirty years, the victors on the last occasion also being the Cumberlands.

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WELCOMING THE BELLS.

On Wednesday of last week the parishioners of Clun, Shropshire, welcomed back the church bells in festive manner, and the event is one that will be retained in the memory for very many years by those whose privilege it was to take part in the interesting ceremony.

The old peal of six bells had been unringable for some 25 years, and were of very poor tone. They had hung in the tower since 1663, and the frame and fittings had become quite worn out. It was, therefore, decided to dispatch the old bells to the Whitechapel foundry, and have them recast, increased in weight, and two new trebles added, the quaint inscriptions on the old six being faithfully reproduced on the new peal. The new treble is the gift of the Creswell family, and bears the inscription: "To the Glory of God, and in memory of Clara Creswell, who died July 17th, 1886. Te Deum Laudamus." The cost of the second bell was defrayed by subscriptions, the inscription on it being: "Rev. R. D. Machen, M.A., Vicar. G. Townsend, W. Darroll, wardens." "Woe is unto me if I preach not the Gospel."

The bells were conveyed from the station on two drays, appropriately decorated, and were met at the parish boundary, where a large procession was formed, headed by the cross bearer (the Rev. H. Y. Scott), who was followed by the school children, with their teachers, each child carrying a flag or bunch of flowers. They also bore aloft several banners which they had made, and upon which were displayed suitable inscriptions: "Welcome the bells." "God bless the bells." "Peace be unto Clun, 1663." Next in order came the surpliced choir, accompanied by the Vicar and curates, following these came the members of the Parish Council, members of the C.E.M.S., sidesmen of the parish church, and the churchwardens (Messrs. Geo. Townsend and Wm. Darroll) carrying their staves of office. Next were the drays containing the bells, and on the memorial bell Miss Frances Creswell had placed a wreath of evergreens and roses. The first dray carrying the five smaller bells was escorted by Mr. B. Stalleybrass (the architect), the Rev. V. A. Creswell (representing the Creswell family), Mr. J. G. Buchanan (Master of the Hereford Diocesan Guild), Mr. W. Mead (local representative of the Diocesan Guild), Mr. Hubert Day (the bell hanger), the assistant architect, bell hangers, and tower workmen. Next came the Trinity Hospital Almshouses, with their distinguishing dress of a blue cloak, with silver badge, and tall hat, the rear being brought up by the general public. The procession was a quarter of mile long, and appropriate hymns were sung en route to the church. At the Lych Gate the procession was massed with the bells in the centre. The Vicar pointed out that the interesting ceremony in which they were taking part was of very ancient origin, and one in which none of those present would be likely to participate again. It was primarily the children's day, and he hoped that they would always remember it, and hand on their recollections to future generations. They thanked God for the safe return of the bells, and asked Him that they should be so used as to bring a blessing to the parish. Psalm 150 and the National Anthem were then sung.

Afterwards the whole of the children in the parish were invited to tea and games in the Vicarage grounds.

The weight of the new tenor is 14 cwt. The bells are being rehung and the old oak frame repaired by Messrs. Geo. Day and Son, of Eye, Suffolk, and when the tower restoration is completed, a new clock is to be presented by a local lady. The whole restoration will cost over £1,000, of which some £800 has been raised.

We hope to give some pictures of the interesting proceedings in our next issue.

THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD. THE STATUS OF NON-CHURCHMEN.

The annual gathering of the members of the Warwickshire Guild took place this year at Warwick, when there was rather a smaller attendance than usual. About an hour's ringing was indulged in at St. Mary's before service, and at the latter the Rev. Alan Williams (President) gave an appropriate address based upon the 84th Psalm.

The business meeting was held after tea at the Globe Hotel. The Rev. Alan Williams presided, and was supported by the Ringing Master (Mr. Jas. George), the hon. secretary (the Rev. C. Carew Cox), the hon. treasurer (Mr. W. G. Dickens), and about forty members representing Allesley, Bedworth, Birmingham, Chilvers Coton, Dunchurch, Emscote, Grendon, Nuneaton, Rugby, Solihull, Southam, Stratford-on-Avon, Stoke-in-Coventry and Warwick.—Apologies were received from the Archdeacon of Coventry, Misses Sampson and Williams, Messrs. Argyle, F. S. W. Butler, T. Bloore, Kilborn, F. Wilford, J. Warren, and the Rev. E. V. Cox.

The report showed a net increase of fifty-four members on the previous total of 214. Reference was made to the loss the Guild had sustained through the death of the Rev. Canon Blyth and Mr. John Pinfold. The number of peals credited to the Guild from August 1st, 1913, up to date was 26, and among these were the first peals by the Guild of Stedman Cinques, Cambridge Surprise Major and Little Bob Major. Ten quarter-peals had been rung by the Stoke and Rugby Societies. The meetings held during the year were on the whole very successful, new members having been elected from all but one of the places visited. Restorations of the rings of six bells at Kineton and Claverdon respectively were noted. At the reopening of the latter ring the address was given by the hon. secretary. The report also expressed the regret of the members that the Rev. Alan Williams was about to leave Warwick, and would, in consequence, be retiring from the presidency. The wish would go with him that a change of scene and lighter responsibilities might bring him permanent benefit in health.

The hon. treasurer's statement of accounts showed a balance in hand of £16 3s. 7d. This was £1 0s. 11d. less than last year, but the difference was explained by the extra expense incurred in printing.

In order to give the committee time to arrange matters, the Rev. Alan Williams kindly consented to allow himself to be re-elected president until the next general meeting. The remaining officers were all unanimously re-elected, including Mr. James George, as Ringing Master, and the Rev. C. Carew Cox as hon. secretary, while the names of Mr. John King, of Southam; Mr. W. Pinfold, of Dunchurch; and Mr. H. Reader, of Chilvers Coton, were added to the committee. Messrs. H. Argyle and A. Roberts were re-elected as the Guild's representatives on the Central Council.—Notice was given of monthly meetings to be held at Kineton in August, and at Brinklow in September, each on the third Saturday in the month. The next quarterly meeting was arranged to be held at Nuneaton on October 17th.

The President then moved a resolution affecting the status in the Guild of members who were not also members of the Church of England.—This was seconded by Mr. Dickens, but was strongly opposed, and was lost by a large majority.

It was resolved that the annual meeting should in future be held at Warwick on Easter Monday.—A hearty vote of thanks was accorded the Rev. Alan Williams for the use of the bells at St. Mary's, for his address at the service, and for his conduct of the meeting; also to the organist for his services, and to the Rev. F. H. Lawson for his permission to ring at St. Nicholas.

St. Mary's bells were again utilised after the meeting, and Grandsire and Stedman Triples and Caters, Plain Bob Royal and Double Norwich Major were among the methods enjoyed.

ROMNEY MARSH GUILD.

The Romney Marsh and District Guild went to Benenden for their July meeting, and an excellent gathering it proved to be, the only drawback being that the bells were rather out of order, and need re-hanging badly. However, Grandsire Triples, Bob Major and Stedman Doubles were tapped off, some of the striking being very good.—At the business meeting the annual outing was discussed, Brighton, Bexhill and Hastings being submitted, the members voting in favour of the two last-named towns.—It was decided to attempt a peal of Grandsire Triples at Rolvenden, on Saturday, 8th August.—Seven new members were elected, and a hearty vote of thanks passed to the church authorities and local ringers for the use of the bells. Twenty-one ringers attended, and other towers besides Benenden that sent delegates were Hawkhurst, Rolvenden, Rye, Stone-in-Orney and Tenterden.

A new band of ringers has been established at Benenden, but so far have not started method ringing. Some are anxious to make a commencement. Others view it as an unwise policy. We trust these will be converted, and that the party will take up change ringing during the coming winter and join the Kent County Association.

HERFORD GUILD.—At the Parish Church, on June 12th, 720 Bob Minor in 25 mins.: H. Warman 1, S. Lewis 2, G. Jones 3, W. Peston 4, R. J. Caswell 5, G. Soley (conductor) 6.

St. Leonard's Church, Shoreditch.

Since the ring of 12 Bells (Tenor 28½ cwt., in the key of C) were dedicated on Monday, November 3rd, 1913, the following Peals have been rung:—

THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

On Saturday, November 29th, 1913, in Three Hours and Thirty-seven Minutes.

PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5007 CHANGES

(First peal on the bells after restoration.)

THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS AND
THE SPITALFIELDS BELL FOUNDRY GUILD.

On Saturday, December 13th, 1913, in Three Hours and Forty-two Minutes.

PEAL OF GRANDSIRE GATERS, 5058 CHANGES

Rung to celebrate the 150th anniversary of the establishment of the firm of John Warner & Sons.

THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

On Saturday, January 10th, 1914, in Three Hours and Forty-one Minutes.

PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5019 CHANGES

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, January 31st, 1914, in Three Hours and Forty-three Minutes.

PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5005 CHANGES

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, February 28th, 1914, in Three Hours and Forty-two Minutes.

PEAL OF BOB MAXIMUS, 5016 CHANGES

(First peal of Bob Maximus by the Kent County Association.)

THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

On Saturday, March 28th, 1914, in Three Hours and Thirty-seven Minutes.

PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5080 CHANGES

In commemoration of the 130th anniversary of the record length of Royal rung on these bells, March 27th, 1784. (First peal of Royal since the restoration of the bells.)

THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

On Monday, June 1st, 1914, in Three Hours and Thirty-seven Minutes.

PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5005 CHANGES

THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS AND
THE SPITALFIELDS BELL FOUNDRY GUILD.

On Saturday, July 11th, 1914, in Three Hours and Twenty-seven Minutes.

PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES

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RINGERS' OUTINGS.

CHATHAM RINGERS IN SUSSEX.

Accompanied by their friends, the Chatham bell ringers had a motor tour for their annual outing. The company numbered 32, and made first for Tunbridge Wells, where they arrived at 9.30. Unfortunately, however, the bells at St. Peter's Church were unfit for ringing, and after a brief halt the party proceeded to Uckfield by way of Eridge and Crowborough, passing over the highest point in Sussex. The country was much admired. At Uckfield the party were met by the Vicar and one of the churchwardens, and touches of Grandsire and Stedman were rung on the bells of the Parish Church. The visitors were then photographed, after which lunch was partaken of, and the journey was continued to Waldron. The district was quite new to the tourists, and the scenery was much admired. At Waldron Church the party were met by several of the local ringers, including the Rector's two daughters, who are enthusiastic bell ringers. This fine peal of bells were much appreciated, and touches in Grandsire, Plain Bob, Kent Treble Bob and Stedman were rung, the ladies having the satisfaction of ringing their first touch of Stedman during the afternoon, and being complimented on the masterly way they handled the ropes. After the ringing the party were invited to the Rectory lawn, where tea had been kindly provided by the Rector. Waldron was then regretfully left behind, and the journey continued to Mayfield, where further ringing was indulged in. Time, however, did not allow a long stay to be made here, and the journey was further continued to Rotherfield, where touches on these fine bells concluded the ringing for the day. A start was made for home about 8.30 p.m., and Chatham was safely reached about 10.45 p.m., after a most enjoyable day. The party included the Rector of Chatham (the Rev. G. Burr, D.D.) and Mrs. Burr, Mr. Shellock (secretary), Mr. Belsey (captain), Sergeant Holden, R.M.L.I., and Mr. P. Burgess (formerly a Waldron ringer), at whose suggestion the day had been arranged. Through the "Ringing World," the Chatham bell ringers extend their thanks to the different clergy for their kindness in placing the bells at their disposal.

A NORTH-COUNTRY EXCURSION.

The ringers and choir of Bishopwearmouth Parish Church, Sunderland, enjoyed a motor trip for their annual outing. Reaching Northallerton by train, the party partook of breakfast at the Railway Hotel, and a North-Eastern Railway motor char-a-banc was then in waiting to convey the party to Hornby, Bedale, Snape Castle, Masham, Jervaulx Abbey, Middleham and Leyburn. At the quaint little church of Hornby there are four bells, and the Vicar expressed a strong desire to have them rung, as they had not been heard for several years. The ringers were determined not to be beaten, and after an inspection of the bells and fittings, and a good deal of adjusting of ropes and clearing away obstructions, the bells were raised and a few Bob Singles were rung, much to the delight of the villagers, the only objectors were the birds who had taken up their residence in the belfry, and who raised their voices in protest. The party then resumed their journey, and no more ringing was indulged in until Middleham was reached. Here the ringers were met by Dr. Pauli, and several of the local band, and much enjoyed a ring on the fine peal of eight by Messrs. J. Taylor and Co. Touches of Plain Bob, Grandsire and Stedman Triples were successfully brought round, the local ringers, including one lady, taking part. This ring of bells is as near perfection as possible, and demonstrates the great advantage of tuning on the Canon Simpson principle. The bells were brought down in peal, and the party resumed their journey to Leyburn, where a good dinner was awaiting them at the Golden Lion, and at the conclusion of the repast a hearty vote of thanks to the Rector and the Churchwardens of Bishopwearmouth for providing the outing, was accorded, on the motion of Mr. Bevan, the organist, seconded by Mr. Robert C. Hudson, the leader of the ringers. The Rector of Bishopwearmouth (Rev. Canon H. Gouldsmith, M.A.) presided over the gathering. The ringers thank Dr. Pauli and the other ringers at Middleham for receiving them so kindly and arranging for them to have a ring. Sunderland was reached just before 11 p.m., after a most successful outing.

RYE RINGERS' EXCURSION.

A very pleasant day's excursion was enjoyed by the Rye ringers on the occasion of their annual outing. The journey was made by brake, and they first visited Appledore, where they received a hearty welcome from the Rev. A. O. Scutt, and rang several touches on the bells. At Woodchurch, the next stopping place, they were cordially received by the Rector (the Rev. S. H. Rendall), and rang on the bells of the parish church for about three-quarters of an hour. Continuing the journey, the party reached Ashford in time for dinner, and afterwards rang at the parish church, where the bells had been placed at their disposal by Canon Tindall. Willesborough was then visited, and touches rung on the bells of the parish church. Afterwards the party walked back to Ashford for tea, and enjoyed various amusements until it was time to turn their faces homeward, the ancient borough being reached again about midnight.

DISS RINGERS' HAPPY DAY.

The eighth annual outing of the Diss company was favoured with fine weather, and in the course of the day's travels by a well-horsed brake, the company, numbering 13, visited in turn the following towers: Fulham Market, Fulham St. Mary, Starston, Weybread, Fressingfield, Stradbroke, Worlingworth and Eye. The methods rung during the day were: Stedman, Double Norwich, Oxford Treble Bob and Superlative, Mr. John Souter being the conductor. The bells at Weybread have recently been overhauled by Messrs. Day and Sons, of Eye, and these, upon being tested, were found very satisfactory.

At Fressingfield an excellent dinner was provided at the Fox and Goose, and, by the kindness of the Rector, the company were entertained to refreshments at Weybread. At Eye the party were met by local ringers, and some touches on the handbells were brought round. The outing was a most interesting and enjoyable one, and home was reached at 10.30 p.m. The company would like to thank the incumbents of the various churches for the use of the bells, and also the sextons for having everything in readiness.

A GRANTHAM OUTING.

The St. Wulfram's Society, Grantham, on the occasion of their annual outing, travelled by train to Sleaford, where a brake in readiness soon conveyed them to Heckington. Here they were joined by Messrs. W. Dickenson and J. Holmes (Heckington), the Rev. C. J. Sturton (Orston), Mr. Colin Ryder (Rotherham), Messrs. W. Wood and C. Ward (Hale Magna). The bells of Hale Magna (6), Heckington (8), Ewerby (10), and Sleaford (8), were open to the visitors during the day, and dinner was served at the White Horse Hotel, Heckington. The trick cycling of the Lincolnshire comedian, "L. J. A.," provided much amusement for the company, as did also his "Unknown Surprise" on the tin whistle, while his jesting kept the company in continual merriment. Tea was served at the Finch Hatton Arms, Ewerby, and in the evening a social hour was spent at the Cross Keys, Sleaford. During the day, touches of Single Court, Oxford and Kent Minor, Grandsire Triples and Caters, Stedman Triples and Caters, Plain Bob Major, and Kent Major and Royal were rung, "some," as one member remarked, "in common time, others in 'Rag Time.'" The company wish, through the "Ringing World," to thank all those friends who helped to make the outing so successful.

HEAVITREE RINGERS IN THE "CITY OF BELLS."

On Saturday week, the Heavitree band visited Bristol, and arriving about 11.30 a.m., made for St. Thomas's Church, where, in the ancient tower, hang a fine ring of eight bells (tenor about 30 cwt.). Apparently someone had been experimenting with them, for the "going" was very heavy, just as if the bearings had been appointed with paraffin or some other non-lubricant, so one touch was sufficient here. After welcome refreshment a move was made for St. Nicholas', under Mr. May's guidance, and here the conditions were found to be much better, grand-toned bells (sounding better inside the tower) and kept in good order. Several touches were rung, followed by some Stedman Cater practice, for which the visitors had to thank Mr. May. Christ Church was next visited, but these bells are nothing after St. Nicholas', and seem only to possess the merit of being very old. A peal of 10,133 of Grandsire Caters was rung on them in 1837, but as the Devon men were not out to beat that record, a half-hour's trial of the bells sufficed, and the day's ringing was done.

The afternoon was spent chiefly at the wonderful Clifton Bridge, and the International Exhibition, where the party found plenty of amusement and instruction, in fact sufficient for a full day. Evening found the visitors gathered again at Lawrence Hill Station, weary but contented, after a very enjoyable day in the "city of bells."

IN BEECHY BUCKS.

On Saturday week the ringers of St. Mary's, Willesden, spent a most enjoyable half-day in beechy Bucks. Arriving at Chorleywood, a beautiful walk brought them to Chenies, the first call, which, on this particular Saturday, looked, if possible, more delightful than ever. After being shown by the Vicar over the church, with its fine Russell chapel, its beautiful roof, and the historic manor house adjoining, a 720 of Plain Bob was rung in good style by: A. French 1, F. Barrett 2, F. Grisall 3, B. Foskett 4, G. M. Kilby 5, H. Kilby (conductor) 6; also touches of Kent Treble Bob, and Stedman Doubles. After tea a start was made for Amersham. Here, on a really fine peal of six (tenor 18 cwt.), a 720 of Kent Treble Bob was brought round in 26 mins., by: R. Kilby 1, B. Foskett 2, F. Barrett 3, F. Grisall 4, G. M. Kilby (conductor) 5, H. Kilby 6. Touches of Stedman and Grandsire Doubles, with one of the local ringers standing in, brought another successful ringing outing to a close. — The ringers wish to thank the Rectors of Chenies and Amersham for allowing them the use of the bells.

OSSETT, YORKSHIRE.—On June 14th, for evening service, a date touch of Bob Major (1914 changes), in 65 mins.: *H. Clegg 1, J. H. Bretton 2, *N. Gee 3, *G. Dews 4, *F. Sykes 5, H. Gee 6, G. Bennett (longest length as conductor) 7, J. Bennett 8. * Longest completed length.

BELL FRAMES.*To the Editor.*

Dear Sir,—We have read with interest the carefully compiled and able article contributed by Sir Arthur Heywood, in his book, and although our name is not mentioned, we are pleased to notice that Sir Arthur so entirely agrees with our system of eliminating the main girders, as usually known in bell work, and also with the general principle we adopt in the design of our new pattern all steel independent bell frames.

For the benefit of those who have not yet read this particular article, we will quote the words, which are as follows:—

"It is necessary that the union be not only that of two opposite walls, but also of the remaining ones. It is not easy to devise a metal frame to fulfil these conditions. The more usual plan is to set the bell frame on four or more girders running in one direction; but by far the soundest way of overcoming the difficulty, and one which obviates the necessity of through bolting, is to build in, at each corner of the tower, a diagonal girder, entering the walls, according to the size of the edifice, at from three to six feet on each side of the angle, and all but reaching the outer faces; then upon these to bolt the bell frame, of which, in such case, the lower members must be sufficiently strong to act also as supporting girders, and take the form of a square framework of external dimensions sufficiently less than the internal area of the tower. Thus all strain upon the bell frame is transmitted wholly to the neighbourhood of the angles, which are manifestly the strongest part of the structure, particularly where it is of considerable area, and, in addition, the diagonal bearers act as through bonders without requiring bolts."

We should like to point out that we first adopted this system at Sarratt Church, Hertfordshire, and later, amongst others, at All Saints' Church, Daresbury, Cheshire, where we installed the new ring of eight bells (tenor 16½ cwt. in the key of E). On the day of dedication, Mr. E. H. Lewis was asked how he liked our new system, and he replied, "I am afraid that I cannot express a definite opinion until I have been up in the tower to take measurements, and afterwards to make some calculations."

Before concluding we should like to mention that we propose shortly to issue formulae and data on these subjects of a practical and theoretical value to architects and Church authorities.—We are, yours faithfully,
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NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION.

A quarterly meeting of this Association was held at Norton Cuckney on Saturday last, when there was a good attendance of ringers present from Harthill, Tuxford, West Retford, Odsall, Cuckney, Warsop and Worksop. Three 720's of Kent Treble Bob, Bob Minor, and Canterbury Pleasure, with other shorter touches, were rung by mixed bands during the afternoon and evening. The Vicar (the Rev. J. W. Smith) and his ringers welcomed the visitors in the tower, and the Vicar subsequently presided at the tea, to which 32 sat down at the Greendale Oak, Host and Hostess Bottom having provided a capital spread, for which they were afterwards thanked by the chairman.—At the business meeting which followed, two new vice-presidents were elected: The Rev. R. J. King (Rector of Warsop), and Mr. Joseph Beard (of Manor House, Warsop).—The Cuckney ringers made application for an instructor to coach them in the art of change ringing, and the Association appointed one to give 13 lessons, the ringers to pay half the cost.—The next meeting was arranged for Harthill, and is to be held in October.—Votes of thanks to the Vicar for presiding, and for the use of bells and to Churchwarden Evers for his presence at tea, concluded the meeting. Ringing was resumed after tea, and kept up until 9.0 p.m. and everyone seemed to be satisfied with the day's outing.

ELY ASSOCIATION'S LONGEST PEAL.*To the Editor.*

Dear Sir,—I am very sorry such a mistake has been made by me, as regards the longest peal rung by the members of the Ely Association. At the time of ringing the 6240 Bob Major at Lavenham, I thought the Belchamp peal 7040 of Kent was rung for the Essex Association; and I did not know until some little time back, when I was informed by Mr. T. D. Slater, of Glensford, that the 7040 was rung to the Ely Association. I ought to have corrected the matter at once, as I promised, but it completely slipped my memory until the 6336 was published, and I was again reminded by one of my own band of Mr. Slater's information. I hope Mr. Wilkerson, or any of the 6336 band do not think that I intentionally published the 6240 as the longest for the Ely Association. It was negligence, after I had been informed by Mr. Slater, for which I am truly sorry.—Yours faithfully,
A. SYMONDS.

A new treble has been added and the five old bells rehung at Clifton-on-Towe, Worcestershire, by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank. The dedication took place last Friday.

THE SUSSEX ASSOCIATION.

The meeting of the Western Division at Angmering was very successful, members being present from Arundel, Heene, Goring, Lymington, and the local band. In the afternoon touches of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob Minor, Stedman and Grandsire Doubles were rung, and at tea, which was held at the Red Lion Inn, 21 sat down, the Rector (the Rev. T. N. Pearson) taking the chair. He was supported by Mr. J. N. Tompkins (churchwarden), Mr. F. H. Tompkins (Master of the Association), and the divisional sec. (Mr. H. Evans). At the business meeting which followed the chairman and Mr. J. N. Tompkins were elected honorary members, and five new active members were added to the Arundel branch, two to the West Tarring branch, and one to the Lymington branch.—Mr. Tompkins (Master) proposed a vote of thanks to the chairman for presiding, and for granting the use of the bells.—The Rector, in responding, giving the ringers a hearty welcome.—The tower was again visited afterwards, and further touches rung.

THE LATE MR. SAMUEL REEVES.*A MEMORIAL PEAL TABLET.*

It is proposed to erect a peal tablet recording the half-muffled peal of Stedman Cinques that was rung at Christ Church, West Bromwich, on June 27th last, under the auspices of the Society for the Archdeaconry of Stafford, in memory of the late Mr. S. Reeves. A footnote will be added, stating his official connection with the afore-mentioned society and the St. Martin's Guild, Birmingham. The Vicar of Christ Church has kindly given his permission for the erection of the tablet either in the porch or the church itself, according to the material used. It is thought that many of the late Mr. Reeves' friends and acquaintances would welcome the opportunity of contributing something towards perpetuating his memory. Subscriptions should be forwarded without delay to the Rev. F. V. Cox, 104, Borneo Street, Walsall, who will acknowledge them through the medium of this paper.

E. V. COX, H. KNIGHT

(Hon. Secs., Society for the Archdeaconry of Stafford).

DEATH OF MASTER OF THE CHESTER GUILD.

We much regret to announce the death of Archdeacon Barker, of Chester, one of the founders of the Chester Diocesan Guild and Master, since its formation 27 years ago. On Monday evening, as a tribute of respect and affection, a half-muffled quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples was rung at Stockport.

ENGINEERS VISIT TO BELL FOUNDRY.

The Leicester Association of Engineers found much to interest them the other day at the Loughborough Bell Foundry when, as part of their programme of a visit to the town, they were shown over Messrs. Taylor's famous works. A number of bells were cast for the edification of the visitors, under the supervision of the head of the firm, whose explanatory remarks on bell founding were listened to with keen interest. Earlier in the afternoon the visitors had inspected the Empress Works of Messrs. Herbert Morris, Ltd., the largest makers of lifting tackle in the world.

CLAIM TO AUTHORSHIP WITHDRAWN.

Mr. James Martin, of Liverpool, writes: "Will you kindly withdraw my name from the figures of a peal of Superlative, which was published in 'The Ringing World' on April 23rd last. I am informed by Mr. Charles H. Fowler, of Leicester, that the composition appears as far back as 1888 in the Oxford Guild report as by Mr. Jas. W. Washbrook, whereas I produced the same figures on August 23rd, 1893."

STEDMAN CINQUES.

Mr. W. Lomas, of Sheffield, writes in reference to the peal of Stedman Cinques by Mr. C. H. Hattersley, that the homing course of the 8115, 215364, brought round with calls at 2, 13s, 15s, 19s, was composed by him in October, 1826.

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NOTICES.

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

SHEFFIELD DISTRICT AND OLD EAST DERBYSHIRE AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.—The next meeting of this society will be held at Barlborough, on Saturday, August 1st. Church of St. James, 6 bells, tenor 11cwt., available 3 p.m. to 8 p.m. The Rector has kindly promised to provide tea.—J. E. L. Cockey, Hon. Secretary, 38, Rutland Park, Sheffield.

WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Yorktown District—All-day meeting, August Bank Holiday. Bells available All Saints' and St. Paul's, Wokingham, in the morning, Yorktown and Hawley in the afternoon and evening. Usual meals arranged. Full particulars on application. Hearty welcome to all ringers.—G. B. Edser, 170, Gipsy Road, S.E.

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 £30 will be given.—For further particulars apply to Frank Tinker, Penistone, near Sheffield.

CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—The next meeting will be held at Aysgarth (Wensleydale), on Bank Holiday, Monday, August 3rd, 1914. The bells of the Parish Church (6 tenor, 13cwt.) are available all day. Tea will be provided at the George and Dragon Hotel, members 9d., non-members 1/6. Any ringing friends visiting Aysgarth on above date will receive a hearty welcome.—T. Metcalfe, Honorary Secretary, 26, High Street, North Ormesby, Middlesbrough.

WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—The summer outing of the Guildford District will take place on Ranmore Common, near Dorking, on August Bank Holiday. The bells of S. Barnabas (8) will be available from 2 till 9. Service at 5 p.m. Tea at 5.45 p.m.; 6d., to members, 1/- to visitors, to those informing me before Wednesday, July 29th. The beautiful gardens of Denbies will be open (by kind permission of the Hon. H. Cubitt, Lord Lieutenant of Surrey) from 3 to 4 p.m., during which time the belfry will be closed.—John J. Jones, Hon. Secretary, North Street, Guildford.

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.

PETERBOROUGH AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.—The annual meeting will be held at Peterborough on Monday, August 3rd. Service in the Cathedral at 4 p.m. Preacher, the Rev. E. H. Brown, Vicar of Yaxley. Tea at the Bedford Cafe, Queen Street, at 4.30 p.m., followed by business meeting. Bells available from 11 a.m., Cathedral (5), St. John's (8), St. Mary's (6), Woodston (6). Will those who intend to be present at tea, kindly notify me not later than Saturday, August 1st.—John J. Jutson, Hon. Sec., St. Mary's School House, Peterborough.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (established 1637).—Meetings for practice will be held at St. John's, Hackney, on August 4th and 18th; Southwark Cathedral, on the 11th; St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on the 13th and 27th; St. Paul's Cathedral, on the 18th. Also at St. Mary's, Walthamstow, on Saturdays. St. Magnus 7.30, the others 8 p.m.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Secretary, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Bolton Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Horwich, on Saturday, August 8th. Bells available at 4 p.m. Meeting at 7 p.m.—G. Pincott, Branch Secretary.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Rochdale Branch.—The next monthly meeting will be held at Moor-side, on Saturday, August 8th. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Business meeting 6.30. An election of branch president and committeemen will take place at this meeting.—Joseph Ogden, Secretary.

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.

CHARLES HENRY HATTERSLEY COMMEMORATION DINNER.—A Commemoration Dinner will be held in honour of the 70th birthday of Mr. Charles Henry Hattersley, on Saturday, September 12th, 1914, at The Grand Hotel, Leopold Street, Sheffield, at 6.30 p.m. The Venerable Archdeacon of Sheffield (Rev. H. Gresford Jones) will preside. Tickets for Dinner, 3/6 each to be had from the Secretary. Bells available for ringing during the day until 6 p.m.: the Cathedral (12, by Messrs. Mears & Stainbank, tenor 41 cwt.); St. Marie (8, by Messrs. Mears & Stainbank, tenor 25 cwt.); St. John's, Ranmoor (8, by Messrs. J. Barwell, tenor 15 cwt.); All Saints (by Messrs. John Warner & Sons, tenor 15 cwt.). Early application for tickets is desirable and no tickets will be sold after September 7th.—Frank Willey, Secretary, 110, Petre Street, 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.

PEAL BOOKS.—Price 3s., post free 3/6. Peals written in at 3d. per page. Prices for entering peals in Association official peal books upon application.—J. Beams, West Ewell, Epsom.

HOLIDAY APARTMENTS.

Having frequently had inquiries from ringers for information as to other members of the Exercise who have holiday apartments to let, we offer the use of our columns to those who cater for visitors at seaside and other resorts. Terms for insertion will be sent on application.

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KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

The specially arranged summer meeting of the Canterbury District was held at Wickhamdreux on Saturday, when a company, numbering 20, attended from Boughton, Canterbury, Deal, Lyminge, and the local towers. Unfortunately the pleasure was somewhat marred by the sudden indisposition of the genial and popular captain of the local band (Mr. S. Waller), to whom the members express their sympathy and earnest wish for a speedy recovery.—The Rev. G. Hyde Smith, with his usual kindness and hospitality, provided tea in the Village Club Room after Divine service, and in response to a very hearty vote of thanks, proposed by the Rev. F. J. O. Helmer, said it always gave him great pleasure to entertain the ringers, and he hoped they would all be spared to attend many more such gatherings.—Mr. S. White proposed, and Mr. H. Smith seconded, a vote of thanks to Mr. Pitman, who had specially put off another interesting engagement in order to attend the district meeting, and preside at the organ at the service. He suitably acknowledged the vote, including, as usual, a quotation, and then took 5-6 in a course of Grandsire Triples on the handbells, and gave a short pianoforte solo.—An amusing discussion took place between Mr. Pitman and the Rev. F. J. O. Helmer respecting the chords played at the service, the fun being heartily shared, though it is feared the "point" was not understood by the members.—The last hour was spent at Littlebourne, where many of the local ringers took part in some successful touches of Bob Minor.

TONBRIDGE DISTRICT.

At the Tonbridge District meeting at Hawkhurst some 60 members were present, despite the difficulty of access. The deficiencies of the train service, however, were surmounted by the employment of the very comfortable saloon motor cars of the Tunbridge Wells Autocar Co., a large number enjoying a lovely 20 miles' ride by this means through some of the most beautiful scenery of the "Garden of England." This meeting was really the outcome of seed sown some few years ago, when the local band joined the Association, and the district secretary commenced giving a course of instruction, which, however, he was reluctantly compelled to discontinue owing to lack of interest amongst the Hawkhurst men. His efforts, however, had not been entirely wasted, for a few of the more enthusiastic members continued struggling, and managed to infuse some new blood. With the advent of Mr. G. Billenness, of Rye, last year they speedily made headway, the band was reorganised, the "stony" ringers left, and a peal of Grandsire Triples, the first ever rung on the bells by a local band has been accomplished, a peal board recording the achievement having recently been unveiled in the tower. A meeting of the Association at the church, it was thought, would encourage the local men, and few district gatherings in such a spot have been more successful or enjoyable. The Vicar conducted the Association's special form of service in the church, the singing being led by the organ, at which Mr. Alfred Adams, the blind organist, presided. Tea was partaken of at the Eight Bells Hotel, and Mr. G. Edwards (Chiddington), in the absence of the Vicar, presided over the business meeting which followed. Miss Kate Lambert, of Harmonden, was admitted as a full member, she being the first lady ringer residing in the district to be elected.—After the customary votes of thanks, the members divided their time between ringing and taking short walks in the delightful country surrounding the church.

HULL—Yorkshire Association. — On June 13th, at Holy Trinity Church, 1025 Grandsire Caters, in 41 mins.: M. Hedges 1, C. Jackson (conductor) 2, T. Stockdale 3, A. Naylor 4, F. Morrison 5, J. Highgold 6, J. Hodds 7, G. T. Miller 8, D. W. Brown 9, J. Chamberlain 10. Run for the institution of the Rev. L. G. Buchanan, M.A., as Vicar of Holy Trinity, by the Bishop of Hull.

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