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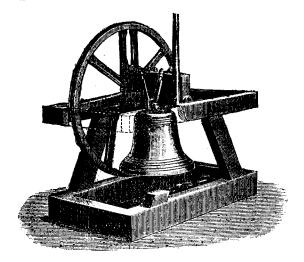
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## CAPTAIN ARTHUR PENISTON MOORE.

Vide Portrait.

CAPTAIN ARTHUR PENISTON MOORE, whose portrait we present with this number, was born on August 1st, 1827, at South Cerney, near Cirencester, of which parish his father, the Rev. Arthur Moore, was at that time curate. His first practical acquaintance with bells and ringing appears to have commenced at a phenomenally early age; for he tells us that when he was no more than five years old he used to go into the belfry and help the old sexton to "toll in" for service on the tenor of the ring of five which the tower contained. In 1834 his father moved to Stratton, a parish somewhat nearer to Circucester, and well within sound of the twelve bells, which were often eagerly listened to by the youthful enthusiast. While here, being not more than ten years old, he made his first acquaintance with a real change-ringer, in the person of Mr. Packer, a burly blacksmith, who used to ring the tenth at Cirencester. This worthy told him at that time much about the bells, and the friendship was renewed nearly twenty years afterwards. In 1839, the Rev. Arthur Moore was presented to the living of Walpole St. Peter, in the Marshland district of Norfolk: but before leaving Stratton the future amateur had the pleasure of hearing Cirencester twelve rung for the Queen's coronation.

Arrived at Walpole, it was not long before the musical ring of six exercised their inevitable and potent charm upon the ears and mind of PENISTON MOORE, and, finding among the workmen at the rectory one or two of the ringers, he soon found his way to the belfry, and commenced forthwith, at the age of twelve, his education as a change-ringer. It was not much that the local band could do at that time in the way of changeringing. A plain course of Bob Minor rung by memory, and not by rope-sight, was the extent of their accomplishments. They had the rule, but lacked either the ability or the will to practise it. About 1845, when the young ringer was in his eighteenth year, a distinguished wedding occurred, in two senses: for Captain Sir Edward Parry, the great Arctic explorer, married the daughter of the Vicar of Walpole St. Andrew; and on the same occasion, the subject of this memoir was also wedded to the tenor bell. Let the story be told in his own words. ".The churches (of the two Walpoles) are about half a mile apart. My father was at the wedding, and, after the breakfast came rushing home to see if we could get our bells going. I was soon half over the parish (rather a large one, twelve miles in length), and about 4 o'clock had the ringers at the tower. But who was to ring the tenor? The usual tenorringer had bolted off the week before to America, leaving his wife and a large young family behind him. None of the others knew the course of the tenor, nor did they care to tackle it: so I said 'I will try, if you like.' I looked at the course, and soon learnt it, and rang the bell all that evening-my first attempt on a tenor bell."

The young tenor-ringer from his earliest youth had been much addicted to the practice of archery; and at this time and for some years afterwards was one of the first shots with the bow and arrow in the country; and his frequent journeys to different parts of the kingdom to take part in the great archery meetings and contests, were made use of also as occasions for visiting many of the principal ringing towers in the larger towns and cities; some of these visits being fruitful in amusing experiences.

It was in 1849, while on his way to practise with a friend at the targets, that the sound of Tilney bells being pulled off by the crack band of the district was suddenly heard. Discarding bow and arrows, away went the archer, over hedge and ditch, to Tilney as hard as he could go; and, with a little assistance, succeeded in ringing his first 360 of Bob Minor. In this same

year Peniston Moore joined the 44th Regiment at Malta. Here also he found a ring of six, by Mears, in the tower of the church built by the late Queen Adelaide: but there were no ringers, The young officer, however, always went there on Sundays, when he could, and helped to chime, but could never succeed in getting a band together from among the soldiers to ring the bells. After being quartered two years at Malta, Mr. Moore was nvalided home, and, shortly after, left the Service. He now turned his attention to farming, and in 1852 returned to Cirencester, to study at the Agricultural College. Here he was always to be found in the tower, when ringing was going on, and gained his first experience on eight bells; also helping to ring the muffled peal for the Duke of Wellington. In 1853, he went to study practical farming in Bucks. The church of the parish in which he resided was furnished with a little ring of four. Here he soon taught some boys to ring the twenty-four changes, and proceeded with them to astonish the natives. "At Shenley," he says, "about a mile away, was a fine peal of five, tenor just over 19 cwt., always called 27. I took my boys over to try The 'locals' assembled to hear us, and laugh at us. We raised the five in peal very well, and then struck off into the 4-bell peal with tenor behind, and got through all right. When we had done, the 'locals' had departed, and never went up again, as long as I was there, and I heard afterwards never did as long as my friends knew the place, and they got heartily laughed at by the people for being beaten by a set of boys."

Soon after this, while living at Southwold in Suffolk, Peniston Moore made the acquaintance of Mr. Gervas Holmes, and soon inducted him into the mysteries of handling a bell. The two became firm friends, and formed an amateur band of ringers, with the assistance of one or two remaining from the old Southwold Company. It was by Mr. Holmes that Mr. Moore was first introduced to Redenhall bells, with which his ringing career has since been so much bound up. Here in 1854 they both rang their first 1000 of Bob Major. In 1855 Mr. Moore resumed his acquaintance with military service, by joining the Sherwood Foresters (Militia), and in due time got his company. Subsequently, Captain Moore resided for a few years near Bungay, and it was at St. Mary's, Bungay, that he rang his first peal of Major on May 24th, 1859, being 5120 of Oxford Treble Bob. He afterwards moved to Weybread House, Harleston, and became at once intimately associated with the Redenhall Company. This Company was and has always been, recruited from the neighbouring parishes, and in the ten years between 1870 and 1880 a very fine company practised there, including, besides Captain Moore, Mr. Gervas Holmes, the late Rev. N. Bolingbroke, the Rev. C. F. Blyth, Mr. Ben. Smith, the Rev. H. Earle Bulwer, and others, by whom some notable feats were performed; as, for instance, the breaking of the discreditable spell of neglect which had overtaken Double Norwich Court, in which method they rang on November 17th, 1876, the first peal that had been rung for twenty-five years, following this up twelve months afterwards on November 6th, 1877, by a peal of Superlative Surprise, a method which at that time no other band had been found to attack, save Mr. Proctor's company at Benington. From this time the great majority of the peals in which CAPTAIN Moore has taken part were accomplished at Redenhall, where for many years he has acted voluntarily as steeple-keeper and custodian of the bells; a veritable labour of love with him, for his affection for the objects of his care is very deep. In the tower the gallant Captain is always to be found at the heavy end, his prowess as a tenor-man being well known; indeed, in skill at handling a really heavy bell, whether covering, or turned in, he has few equals. Although the Captain's total of peals rung does not come up to the gigantic dimensions to which during the last few years we have become accustomed, still his



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CAPTAIN ARTHUR PENISTONE MOORE.

score of over sixty would even ten years ago have been considered more than respectable. In concluding this notice of his ringing career, we desire to give expression to the respect and esteem with which our old friend is universally regarded, and cordially wish him many years more of health and strength for the pursuit of his favourite art.

CAPTAIN MOORE is a distinguished member of the Norwich Diocesan Association, being one of its representatives on the Central Council. He is also a member of the Society of Royal Cumberland Youths.

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THE UNEMPLOYED IN EAST LONDON.—At a time when much thought is being given to this matter, a practical suggestion may be of service. Last year more than £300,000 worth offoreign matches were purchased by inconsiderate consumers in this country, to the great injury of our own working people, so true is it that "evil is wrought by want of thought, as well as want of heart." If all consumers would purchase Bryant and May's matches, that firm would be enabled to pay £1000 a week more in wages.

## TWO DATE TOUCHES OF STEDMAN CATERS.

By A. PERCIVAL HEYWOOD.

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The above touches go off from the last change of a quick six instead of from the usual fourth change, the latter treatment being incapable of furnishing a true date touch for 1891. Both touches come round at the first change of the last six.

The 6th is fixed throughout in 2nds place, thus producing 6-8s and 9-6s in each course. The 5th is always at home or in 1st's place, in the former of which positions it is behind the 9th, and in the latter produces in the middle of the course the fine termination 9750.

## GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 29th, four members of the St. George's Guild, augmented by Mr. S. Phillips from Bristol, journeyed to Bitton Church to meet the Master of the Association, the Rev. H. A. Cockey, who procured the keys and got the bells in readiness, which, soon after raising, were soon set going to the tune of Kent Treble Bob, a 720 being brought round in 28 mms. H. Howell, I; S. Phillips, 2; A. E. Thomas, 3; H. Thomas (conductor), 4; W. Lansdowne, 5; Rev. H. A. Cockey, 6. Also a 720 of College Single. H. Howell, I: A. E. Thomas, 2; W. Lansdowne, 3; Rev. H. A. Cockey, 4; H. Thomas, 5; S. Phillips (conductor), 6. Also some short touches of Bob Minor. The bells were then lowered, and responding to the kind invitation of the Master of the Association, paid a visit to his residence, and after inspecting and ringing his beautiful peal of handbells, were further entertained to supper, after which the company set out for home. On Monday, December 15th, the Mr. Cockey visited St. George's, and after several attempts at strange methods, a 720 of Oxford Treble Bob was in a fair way of ending satisfactorily, when an unlucky slip of the treble brought it to an untimely end.

## HYDE HANDBELL DRAW .- WINNING NUMBERS.

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Prizes at the "Crown Inn," Market Street.

## ANALYSIS OF PEALS RUNG DURING THE PRESENT YEAR AND PUBLISHED IN THIS PAPER.

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N.B.—Every care is taken in compiling the above Analysis, but should any error be detected, the compiler would be glad of a line direct instead of through the columns of "The Bell News." This course would, if adopted, save the valuable space of our paper and time expended in replying through the same medium.

<sup>8,</sup> Hanover Crescent, Brighton.

## Miscellaneous Touches.

(Continued from page 495.)

## ST. MICHAEL'S JUNIORS, GLOUCESTER.

GLOUCESTER.—On Thursday, December 18th, at the parish church of St. Michael the Archangel, for practice, 560 Double Norwich Court. D. J. Aston, 1; W. H. Brunsdon, 2; E. B. James, 3; S. E. Romans, 4; J. Austin, 5: F. E. Hart, 6; W. J. Sevier, 7; H. L. James (conductor), 8. Tenor 20 cwt. 48 lbs.

## THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

SOUTHGATE (Middlesex).—On Saturday, December 13th, a peal of Grandsire Triples (Holt's ten-part) was attempted, but unfortunately came to grief after ringing a little over 500 changes, through a change-course. C. Tucker, 1; W. Short (conductor), 2; J. Paplett, 3; F. J. Saunders, 4; F. Carroway, 5; E. Edridge, 6; C. Martin, 7; H. Chapman, 8. Time not allowing for another start a course each of Stedman Triples and Kent Treble Bob Major were rung, and some touches of Grandsire Triples and Bob Major, in which J. Barber and F. W. Saunders took part.

## THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

Ersom (Surrey).—On Sunday evening, December 21st, for Divine Service at the parish church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 40 mins. G. Pederick, I; S. Brooker, 2; A. E. Bassett, 3; J. Hawkins, 4; J. Easton, 5; W. Sanders, 6; T. Miles (conductor), 7; W. Wood, 8.

### THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

CREWE (Cheshire).—On Sunday evening, December 21st, for Divine Service at Christ Church, 720 Grandsire Minor (thirty-four bobs and two singles) in 28 mins. J. Wright, 1; A. Wilson, 2; R. Langford, 3; A. Jarvis, 4; R. T. Holding (conductor), 5; G. Harding, 6; H. Green and J. Evanson, tenor. The above was rung on the middle six with the tenor covering, and is the first 720 ever rung on the bells by a band of local ringers. First 720 by the ringers of the 1st, 6th, and tenor men; also by the third ringer with a bob bell.

## DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

STAINDROP (Durham).—On Saturday, December 27th, for practice at the parish church, 720 Bob Minor (twenty bobs and ten singles). W. McLean, 1; \*R. Leonard, 2; W. Johnson, 3; T. Leonard, 4; D. Shipp (conductor), 5; F. Charlton, 6. Also another 720 (eighteen bobs and two singles). W. McLean, 1; T. W. Shipp, 2; W. Johnson, 3; F. Charlton, 4; \*C. Walker, 5; D. Shipp (conductor), 6. And another 720 (four bobs and twenty-six singles). W. McLean, 1; J. W. Shipp, 2; W. Johnson, 3; T. Leonard, 4; D. Shipp (conductor), 5; F. Charlton, 6. J. W. Shipp and F. Charlton hail from Auckland. \*First 720 of Minor.

## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

MAIDENHEAD (Berks).—On Sunday, December 28th, for evening service at All Saints' church, a quarter-peal of Oxford Bob Triples, in 43 mins. R. Smith, 1; F. Dentry, 2; H. Rogers, 3; F. Bīssley, 4; E. Rogers, 5; J. W. Wilkins, 6; A. Hoskins, 7; J. Woolford, 8. The above is the first quarter-peal by all the above, and was cumposed by Edward F. Strange, of London, and conducted by J. W. Wilkins.

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High Wycombe (Berks).—On Tuesday, December 9th, at the parish church, a 504 Grandsire Triples. J. J. Smith, 1; W. Whiffin, 2; E. W. Yates, 3; J. C. Truss, sen., 4; W. Theobald, 5; J. C. Truss, jun., 6; A. W. Tubb, 7; R. Wheeler, 8. And a 6-score of Grandsire Doubles. E. Gadsden, 1; E. Britnell, 2; A. W. Tubb, 3; W. Theobald, 4; E. W. Yates (conductor), 5; W. Ward, 6. And 120 Stedman Doubles. J. C. Truss, sen., 1; J. C. Truss, jun., 2; W. Whiffin, 3; E. W. Yates, 4; A. W. Tubb, 5; A. Biggs, 6. Also a 360 of Grandsire Minor, with 7-8 covering. A. Heady, 1; E. W. Yates, 2; W. Whiffin, 3; J. C. Truss, 4; W. Theobald, 5; A. W. Tubb (conductor), 6. The above touches were rung with the assistance of several of the Marlow ringers on the occasion of the dedication of the 6th bell.

## EAST LINCOLNSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

WILLOUGHBY.—On Friday, December 26th, several members of the above society visited St. Helen's church, which contains a very fine ring of six bells, tenor 11 cwt., and in good going order. A 720 Bob Minor was rung (eighteen bobs and two singles). H. Daulton, 1; T. Seagraves, 2; W. Vickers, 3; F. Haw, 4; J. Seagraves, 5; E. Mason, 6. Also another 720 (thirty-six singles). F. Haw, 1; T. Seagraves, 2; W. Vickers, 3; E. Mason, 4; H. Daulton, 5; J. Seymour, 6. It is several years since a 720 was rung on these bells. The society has opened another branch, and a new company has been formed with the assistance of the curate, the Rev.—. Gibson, at the head of the

company. Messrs. Mason hails from Boston; Daulton, Viekers, and Seymour from West Keal; Seagraves, Haw, and Towle from Spilsby.

## THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

Bedford.—On Sunday, December 7th, at St. Paul's Church, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples in 48 mins., from (Troyte's work). C. Johnson (first quarter peal), 1; F. Sharp, 2; S. Constant, 3; C. W. Clarke (conductor), 4; I. Hills, 5; F. Keech, 6; F. Smith, 7; H. Sharp, 8. Also on Sunday, December 14th, a 475 of Grandsire Triples, all the 5-7-6's. C. Johnson, 1; F. Smith, 2; S. Constant, 3; S. J. Cullip, 4; I. Hills, 5; F. Keech, 6; W. G. Biggs, 7; C. W. Clarke (composer and conductor), 8. And a touch of 97 in the same method. Also 288 Kent Treble Bob Major. F. Smith, 1; F. Keech, 2; F. Sharp, 3; W. G. Biggs, 4; C. W. Clarke (conductor, 5; H. Sharp, 6; I. Hills, 7; J. N. Frossell, 8. And 224 Bob Major. J. Spencer, 1: F. Sharp, 2; F. Keech, 3; S. Constant, 4; J. N. Frossell (conductor), 5; H. Sharp, 6; W. Baldwin, 7; F. Smith, 8. And on Thursday, December 11th, at St. Mary's church, for practice, a 720 College Single (eighteen bobs and two singles), C. Johnson, 1; I. Hills, 2; C. W. Clarke (conductor), 3; E. Coleman, 4; S. J. Cullip, 5; S. Constant (first 720 in the method), 6,

Bunwell (Norfolk).—On Saturday, December 13th, for practice at St. Michael's church, 720 Grandsire Minor. J. Fox, 1; G. Smith, sen., 2; J. Hilling, 3; J. Hinchley, 4; G. Smith, jun., 5; R. Hutton (conductor), 6. And on Sunday afternoon, December 14th, for Divine Service, 360 Bob Minor. J. Fox, 1; G. Smith, sen., 2; J. Hilling, 3; J. Woods, 4; R. Atkins, 5; J. Hinchley (conductor), 6. Also after service 720 Bob Minor. J. Fox, 1; G. Smith, sen., 2; J. Woods, 3; R. Hutton (conductor), 4; R. Atkins, 5: J. Hinchley, 6. And 360 Double Court. R. Atkins, 1; G. Smith, sen., 2; J. Hilling, 3; J. Hinchley, 4; J. Woods, 5; R. Hutton (conductor), 6. And on handbells retained in hand 320 Bob Major. J. Fox, 1; G. Smith, sen., 2; J. Hinchley, 3; J. Hilling, 4; J. Woods, 5; R. Atkins, 6; R. Hutton (conductor), 7-8.

LANCASTER.—On Tuesday, December 16th, at the parish church, the local company rang the first half of Holt's ten-part peal of Grandsire Triples for practice, in 1 hr. 38 mins. R. S. Hurst (conductor), 1; W. Clayton, 2; G. Winn, 3; T. J. Parker, 4; H. Wilcock, 5; W. H. Hirst, 6: W. Jackson, 7; R. Suart, 8.

PENGE (Surrey).—On Thursday, December 11th, at the parish church, for practice, a 720 of Grandsire Minor. G. Pink, 1; E. Dunn, 2; E. Edwards, 3; T. Chandler, 4; G. Dickens, 5; H. G. Fruin, (conductor), 6. This is the first 720 by the 1st and 3rd men, and was the fifty-sixth birthday of Mr. E. Edwards, the ringer of the 3rd, his brother-strings wishing him many happy returns of the day.

STEYNING (Sussex).—On Tuesday, December 9th, at the parish, church, for practice, a 504 Stedman Triples. J. Smart, I; J. Woolgar. 2; T. Searle, 3; Rev. F. A. H. du Boulay, 4; J. Matthews, 5; G. Gatland, 6; G. Smart (conductor), 7; Rev. A. Pridgeon, 8. Also on Thursday, December 11th, for practice, a 504 of Stedman Triples. T. Searle, I; J. Woolgar, 2; J. Matthews, 3; Rev. J. H. Hindson(Wraysbury, 4; C. Smart, 5; W. N. Holt, 6; G. Smart (conductor), 7; Rev. A. Pridgeon, 8. And on Sunday, December 14th, for the evening service, a 504 Grandsire Triples. J. Smart, I; T. Searle, 2; C. Smart, 3; E. Brackley, 4; W. N. Holt, 5; G. Gatland, 6; C. Tyler (conductor), 7; J. Woolgar, 8.

STAINLAND (Yorks).—On Sunday, December 14th, for Divine Service, and in honor of the 21st birthday of E. Nutton (one of the local band), a 720 of Oxford Treble Bob Minor, in 27 mins His ringing brethren wish him many happy returns. W. J. Jones, 1; W. Clegg, 2; J. Mellor, 3; J. Jones (conductor), 4; J. E. Taylor, 5; P. Shaw, 6. Tenor 12\frac{3}{4} cwt.

WEST GRINSTEAD (Sussex).—On Friday, December 19th, at the parish church, 720 Bob Minor. Also four 6-scores of Grandsire Doubles. S. Woolgar, 1; W. Pearce, 2; R. Summersell, 3; W. Denman, 4; H. Burstow, 5; S. Snelling, 6.

Wimbledon (Surrey).—On Tnesday, November 25th, for practice at St. Mary's church, 720 Superlative Surprise Minor, in 26 mins. G. Welling, 1; J. Fayers, 2; C. Byde, 3; J. Parker, 4; A. Garratt, 5; S. Frost (conductor), 6. On Sunday, December 7th, for Divine Service. 720 Oxford Treble Bob. G. Byde, 1; R. Moss, 2; the rest as above

Salisbury (Wilts).—On Wednesday, December 17th, 720 Bob Minor. C. Watts (first 720), 1; R. Gollop, 2; G. Doel (first 720), 3; S. Macey, 4; C. A. Clements, 5; W. W. Gifford (conductor), 6. On Friday, November 26th, on handbells, 2030 Grandsire Triples. R. Gollop, 1-2; W. S. Wise (conductor), 3-4; W. W. Gifford, 5-6: S. Lawrence, 7-8. And on Wednesday, December 3rd, a quarter-peal by the same band.

## Motices.

The charge for the insertion of notices in this page is One Penny per line (six words may be reckened to a line). Repetitions at half that rate. Notices should come to hand not later than Wednesday morning.

The Bedfordshire Association .- The next quarterly meeting will be held at Sharnbrook, on Saturday, January 3rd, 1891.

W. W. C. BAKER, Hon. Sec.

Surrey Association.—The next Quarterly Meeting will be held at Kingston-on-Thames (by the kind permission of the Vicar), on Monday, Jan. 19th. Tower open at 2.30 p.m.; tea at 6 p.m. at the Albany Hall. All those members who wish to be present at the tea must please send notice to Mr. J. Wright, Arthurroad, Kingston-hill, before Friday, Jan. 16th. ARTHUR B. CARPENTER, Hon. Sec

Essex Association.—There will be a District Meeting at Barking on Saturday, January 10th. The tower of St. Margaret's (eight bells) will be open all day. A short service will be held in the church, with brief address by the Vicar at 5 p.m. Tea at Working Men's Institute at 5.45. Busines meeting at 6.15 The Secretary will be glad to receive notice from members of their intention to be present, not later than Monday, Jan. 5th.
HENRY T. W. EYRE, Prov. Sec.

Middlesex Association.-There will be a District meeting of this Association at the parish church, Stoke Newington, on Saturday, January 3rd, 1891. The tower will be open for ringing at 4 p.m. F. A. MILNE, Sec. 11, Old Square, Lincolns Inn, W.C.

Waterloo Society.—There will be no meeting at St. John's, Waterloo Road, until the first Wednesday in January, 1891.

W. W. THORNE, Hon. Sec.

Society of Trinity Youths.—The Annual Dinner will take place at the "Prince Albert," Royal Hill, Greenwich, on Saturday, January 10th, at 6.30 p.m. Tickets, 3s. 6d. each, may be obtained of the Dinner Committee as under: obtained of the Dinner Committee as under:— W. G. Davis, 35 London Street, Greenwich W. Tyack, I Nutbrook Street, Peckham; J. Rose, 23 Bolden Street, St. John's, Deptford; J. Crowder, St. Margaret's rectory, Lee F. Palmer, 40 Friendly Street, Deptford; W. Weatherstone, 27 Cranham Road, Rotherhithe; F. W. Thornton, 109 King George Street, Greenwich; W. Bedwell, 9 Harvard Road, Lewisham; or of the Secretary, E. E. RICHARDS. 12 Glenalvon Street, Woolwich.

P.S.—The next monthly meeting of this society will be held at Greenwich, on Tuesday, Jan. 6th. Ringing from 7.30 p.m. Members are earnestly requested to attend.

Birmingham and District Amalgamated Society.—The Second Quarterly Meeting of this Society will be held at Moseley, on Saturday, January 17th. Ringing to commence at 4.0 p.m. Meeting will be held in the School-room at 6.0. All members are earnestly requested to attend.

GEO. WALKER, quested to attend.

1, South Range, Mole Street, Sparkbrook, Birmingham, Hon. Sec.

Lancashire Association (Liverpool Diocesan Branch).—The next meeting will be held at St. Luke's church, Liverpool, on Saturday, January 3rd, 1891. Ringing from 4 to 6; and at the Cathedral and parish church from 7 to 9 p.m. Meeting at 6.0 in the Cocoa Rooms, St. Luke's-place. RICHARD HILL,

21, Chesnut Street, Southport ..

Branch Sec.

Midland Counties' Association. - The Third Quarterly Meeting of the year will be held at Nuneaton, on Saturday, January 17th, 1891. Full particulars next week

JOSEPH GRIFFIN, Hon. Sec.

The Lancashire Association (Manchester Branch).—The next ringing meeting will be held at St. Matthew's church, Stretford, on Saturday, January 10th. Ringing from 4.0 p.m. Meeting at 7 o p.m. Walter Brown Meeting at 7 o p.m. Branch Sec.

The Ely Diocesan Guild .- The meeting will be held at Soham (ten bells), on Monday, January 5th. Dinner at 2 p.m. Those wishing to be present should send their names to Mr. Gilson, Soham.

J. R. VINCENT, Hon. Sec.

Society for the Archdeaconry of Stafford. The next Quarterly Meeting of the Society will be held on Saturday, January 10th, at Darlaston. Members assemble at the parish church at 2.30 p.m. J. R. Keble, Hon. Sec.

## Compositions.

All compositions sent for insertion must be accompanied by a fee of Sixpence. If proof of a touch or peal is desired One Shilling additional must accompany such

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JOHN CARTER, Birmingham. 1891.

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## The Bell News & Ringers' Record.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 3, 1891.

The fact that we report in this number of our journal the achievement of no less than forty-four peals, will be sufficient reason for the postponement to a more convenient season of many other matters for which space cannot be found in the current number. Performances of 5000 changes and upwards we have always regarded as the most important for publication before anything else, and never therefore has the report of a peal been with-held unless it has arrived too late. The matters crowded out this week comprise correspondence, touches, reports, and the notes of our popular contributor "Free Lance." While we assure our friends that we are most anxious to meet their views in every way with regard to the publication of their reports, we hope they will endeavour to practice a little brevity whenever they can. We have hitherto refrained from pointing out instances where our columns may be used with greater advantage, on account of our desire not to give the least offence.

## THE "LONG PEAL ATTEMPT" AT CHELTENHAM.

Those members of the Gloucester and Bristol Association who attempted a long peal of Treble Ten last Saturday at St. who attempted a long peal of Treble Ten last Saturday at St. Mary's, Cheltenham, were, we are sorry to say, not successful. They however rang a true peal of 5120 changes in the same method, and in the evening eight of the company proceeded to Prestbury, a popular village just outside Cheltenham, and there rang a excellent peal of Treble Bob Major. Both these performances will be found recorded in their proper place.

The following day, being Holy Innocents Day, the bells were muffled, and some good Stedman Caters were rung at St. Mary's, Cheltenham. A well struck quarter real of Stedman Triples

Cheltenham. A well-struck quarter-peal of Stedman Triples was also rung at Prestbury with the bells muffled.

## The Metropolis.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS. On Frday, December 26, 1890, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes, AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS, FULHAM,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5079 CHANGES;

Tenor 21 cwt. FREDERICK G. NEWMAN .. Treble. WILLIAM E. POPE .. .. 6. Francis L. Davies. . . 7. William H. George . . 8. HENRY LANGDON ... 2.
WILLIAM E. GARRARD .. 3.
CHALLIS F. WINNY ... 4. HENRY LANGDON WILLIAM T. COCKERILL .. JOHN N. OXBORKOW .. .. 5. SAMUEL HOW .. .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by C. F. WINNY.

Rang as a farewell peal with W. H. George, who is leaving London. W. E. Pope hails from Staplehurst, Kent.

THE WATERLOO SOCIETY.	KIDDERMINSTER.
On Saturday, December 27, 1890, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes,	THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN, WATERLOO ROAD,	(THE ST MARY'S SOCIETY.)
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;	On Wednesday, December 17, 1890, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minntes,
Holt's Original. Tenor 20 cwt.	AT THE CHURCH OF SS. MARY AND ALL SAINTS,
WILLIAM COPPAGE Treble   Walter Partington 5. ALBERT E. CHURCH 2. WILLIAM BARON, JUN 6.	A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; HALEY'S VARIATION. Tenor 30 cwt.
STEPHEN G. DAVIES 3. GEORGE W. WILD 7. EDWARD BAYFORD	George Salter Treble.   John Bennett 5.
Conducted by George W. Wild.	WILLIAM H. SMITH 2. JOHN CRANE 6.
The above was rung on St. John's Day.	RICHARD E GROVE 3. HARRY WILLIAMS 7. THOMAS J. SALTER 4. THOMAS WALTERS Tenor.
The above was rang on our joint a Days	Conducted by Richard E. Grove.
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The Provinces.	BARWELL, LEICESTERSHIRE.
ANGMERING.—THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.	THE MIDLAND COUNTIES' ASSOCIATION.
(THE ANGMERING BRANCH.)	(THE NUNEATON BRANCH.)
On Monday, December 8, 1890, in Two Hours and Forty-One Minutes,	On Thursday, December 18, 1890, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes,
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,	At the Church of St. Mary,
5040 CHANGES IN SEVEN DIFFERENT TREBLE BOB METHODS UPON SIX BELLS;	5040 CHANGES IN THREE DIFFERENT METHODS UPON SIX BELLS;
Being 720 each of the following:	Being two 720s of Oxford Treble Bob, Two 720s of Kent Treble Bob, and Three 720s of Plain Bob.
London Scholars' Pleasure, Cambridge Surprise, College	Tenor 16 cwt.
Exercise, Superlative Surprise, Duke of York, Kent, and Violet Treble Bob. Tenor 12 cwt.	WM. HICKLEY Treble.   *WM. A. NEEDHAM 4.
FREDERICK FINCH Treble.   THOMAS LINFIELD 4.	JNO. SWINFIELD 2. HARRY ARGYLE 5.
CHRISTOPHER CLEAR 2. JAMES HILLS 5.	Thos. W. Chapman 3.   A. R. Aldham
THOMAS PARSONS 3.   CHARLES HILLSTenor.	*First 5040.
Conducted by Charles Hills.	
KIDLINGTON, OXON.—THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.	WOODBRIDGE, SUFFOLK.
On Thursday, December 11, 1890, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,	THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
At the Parish Church,	On Saturday, December 20, 1890, in Three Hours and Forty-seven Minutes,
FORTY-TWO 6-SCORES OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES;	AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,
Called in ten different ways. Tenor 26 cwt.	A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES; IN THE OXFORD VARIATION. Tenor 28 cwt.
THOMAS TOLLEY	JAMES MOTTS
Conducted by H. Judge.	ISAAC S. ALEXANDER 3. WILLIAM WARD 7. EDWARD T. SHEARING 4. FREDERICK TILLETT Tenor.
First 5040 by all except W. Bennett.	Conducted by James Motts.
ANGMERING.—THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.	The above is the last part of T. Day's peal of 16,608. Messrs. Arnott and Ward belong to Woodbridge; the rest to the St. Mary-le-Tower Society, Ipswich.
(THE ANGMERING BRANCH.) On Thursday, December 11, 1890, in Two Hours and Forty-Two Minutes,	HORLEY.—THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
At the Parish Church.	(THE HORLEY BRANCH.)
5040 CHANGES IN SEVEN DIFFERENT TREBLE BOB METHODS UPON SIX BELLS;	On Sunday, December 21, 1890, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes,  AT THE PARISH CHURCH,
Being 720 each of the following;	A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Cambridge Surprise, College Exercise, Superlative Surprise,	SHIPWAY'S TEN-PART. Tenor 14 cwt.
College Pleasure, Duke of York, Oxford Treble Bob, and Woodbine Treble Bob. Tenor 12 cwt.	A. Songhurst
FREDERICK FINCH	E. DEWEY 3.   †T. SPARKS 7.   TAYLOR 4.   *J. HITCHCOCK
THOMAS PARSONS 3. CHARLES HILLS Tenor.	Conducted by Thomas Sparks.
Conducted by Charles Hills.	*First peal. †First peal as conductor.
ANGMERING.—THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION. (I'HE ANGMERING BRANCH).	ANGMERING.—THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION. (THE ANGMERING BRANCH.)
On Monday, December 15, 1890, in Two Hours and Forty-six Minutes,  At the Parish Church,	On Monday, December 22, 1890, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,
5040 CHANGES IN SEVEN DIFFERENT TREBLE BOB METHODS UPON SIX BELLS;	AT THE PARISH CHURCH, 5040 CHANGES IN SEVEN DIFFERENT TREBLE BOB METHODS ON SIX BELLS;
Being a 720 each of the following:—	Being a 720 each of the following:
College Pleasure, Cambridge Surprise, London Scholars' Pleasure, Superlative Surprise, College Exercise, Violet Treble Bob, and Duke of York.  Tenor 12 cwt.	City Delight, Woodbine Treble Bob, College Exercise, Violet Treble Bob, Duke of York, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob. Tenor 12 cwt.
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STALEYBRIDGE.—UNITED COUNTIES' ASSOCIATION.	NORTHAMPTON
On Monday, December 22, 1890, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,	O: Friday, December 26, 1890, in Three Hours and Three Minutes.
AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,	AT THE CHURCH OF ST. EDMUND,
A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;	A PEAL OF BOB TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES.
IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 14 cwt.	Tenor 18 cwt. in F.
RALPH TAYLOR	JOSEPH WHITE
Composed and Conducted by J. S. WILDE.	Conducted by Alfred H. Martin.
Messrs. Taylor, Cooper, and Dickin hail from Mossley, Radcliffe and Wood from Saddleworth, Sidebotham from Mottram, Bradley and Wilde from Hyde. The above peal, which is now rung for the first time, is in one part, and contains the 5th and 6th their extent wrong and right.	* First peal. † First peal as conductor. Messrs. Dunkley and Swan hail from Lowick; Chapman and Hall from Rushden; J. B. and A. H. Martin and Pettet from Higham Ferrers; J. White from Northampton. The band through the medium of this paper wish to return thanks to the vicar and churchwardens for the use of the bells.
TUNBRIDGE WELLSKENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.	HURSLEY, HAMPSHIRE.
On Wednesday, December 24, 1890, in Two Hours and Fifty-two Minutes,	THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
At the Church of St. Peter,	On Friday, December 26, 1890, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;	At the Parish Church of All Saints,
HOLT'S ORIGINAL. Tenor 14 cwt.	5040 CHANGES IN FIVE METHODS ON SIX BELLS;
PERCIVAL J. BROOKER* Treble. GEORGE TURLEY 5. THOMAS CARD 2. WILLIAM LATTER 6. JAMES BAKER 3. †GEORGE A CARD 7.	Being Two 720s each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, and One each of College Single, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob.  Tenor about 12 cwt. in G.
JAMES MAYNARD 4. STEPHEN PERKINS Tenor,	ARTHUR B. BENNETT, Esq. Treble.   Charles Tribe 4.
Conducted by Thomas Card. *First peal. †First peal of Triples with a bob bell.	THOMAS E. ELLIST 2. WILLIAM SELBY 5. Dr. WILLIAM H. GEORGE* 3. GEORGE WILLIAMSTenor.
SWANMORE, HAMPSHIRE.	Conducted by George Williams.
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.	*First 5040. †First 5040 on a bob bell; and the first 5040 on the bells.
On December 25, 1890, in Two Hours and Twenty-Five Minutes,	BASINGSTOKE, HANTS.
At the Church of St. Barnabas,	THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
5040 CHANGES IN FOUR METHODS ON SIX BELLS;	On Friday, December 26, 1890, in Two Hours and Thirty-eight Minutes,
Being Two 720s each of Canterbury Pleasure, Oxford Single	AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,
Bob, and Bob Minor, and 720 Grandsire Minor.	A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Tenor 7 cwt. in Bb.  ALBERT MILLARD* Treble.   WILLIAM LINTER 4.	Holt's Original. Tenor 16 cwt.
ROBERT MILLARD*	Thomas Page*
*First peal. The conductor hails from Brighton, the rest are local men.	Conducted by HENRY WHITE. *First peal. W. Bulpitt hails from Dorking.
STROUD, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.  GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION (THE ST. MICHAEL'S JUNIORS, GLOUCESTER).	ANGMERING.—THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION. (THE ANGMERING BRANCH.)
On Friday, December 26, 1890, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes,	On Friday, December 26, 1890, in Two Hours and Forty-four Minutes,
At the Parish Church of St. Lawrence	AT THE PARISH CHURCH,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES. Tenor 24 cwt. in Eb.	5040 CHANGES IN SEVEN DIFFERENT METHODS UPON SIX BELLS;
ERNEST E. BEWICK*Treble.   JOHN AUSTIN 5. EDWARD B. JAMES 2.   SYDNEY E. ROMANS 6. ERNEST BISHOP 3.   HENRY L. JAMES 7.	Being a 720 each of the following:  Cambridge Surprise, Duke of York, College Exercise, Woodbine, Violet, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob. Tenor 12 cwt.
FRANCIS E. HART 4. WILLIAM H. BRUNSDON. Tenor.  Composed by B. Annable and Conducted by H. L. James.	Frederick Finch
*First peal in the method. This is the first peal in the method on the bells.	Christopher Clear 3.   Charles Hills
GLOUCESTER.—GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION (THE ST. MICHAEL'S JUNIORS).	MALVERN, WORCESTERSHIRE.
On Thursday, December 25, 1890, in Three Hours and Thirty-two Minutes,	THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.
At the Church of St. Michael the Archangel,	On Friday, December 26, 1890, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,  AT THE ABBEY CHURCH,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5152 CHANGES. Tenor 20 cwt. 48 lbs. in E.	A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
WILLIAM J. SEVIER*	Holt's Ten-Part. Tenor 21 cwt.  Robert Horton*
H. L. JAMES.  This is the first peal in the method by the Association in the city and county, and was rung at the first attempt. First peal of Major on the bells. *First peal in the method.	Conducted by S. COTTON.  Messrs. Horton, Davis, Page, and Malin, hail from Worcester: S. Cotton from Leicester; the rest are members of the local company. *First peal of Grandsire Triples.
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### FAREHAM, HANTS.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Friday, December 26, 1890, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

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

J. HARPER J. W. WHITING* H. STUBBINGTON C. SIMMONS	Treble 2 3 4.	A. E. Nye 5.  REV. R. C. M. HARVEY 6.  F. Hill
Con	ducted by J.	W. Whiting.

Arrangements had been made to try for a peal by the above band at St. Mary's, Portsea, but after raising the bells they were stopped, owing to illness in the neighbourhood. This is the first 5040 by all except Messrs. Whiting and Hilk, and they all belong to Portsea with the exception of the two above named. \*First peal as conductor.

WRITTLE, ESSEX.—THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, December 26, 1890, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 181 cwt.

WILLIAM E. EMERY Treble.	WILLIAM J. PIPER 5.
JOHN DAINS 2. ARTHUR EDWARDS 3.	REV. THOMAS L. PAPILLON 6.
ARTHUR EDWARDS 3.	Hirzel F. De Lisle 7.
ROBERT WOOD 4.	WILLIAM LINCOLN Tenor.
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Composed by A. Percival Heywood and Conducted by WILLIAM LINCOLN.

Messrs. Dains, Edwards, and Piper belong to Widford, Mr. De Lisle to the Oxford University Society, the rest to the local company.

## LEATHERHEAD, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, December 27, 1890, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes, AT THE CHURCH OF SS. MARY AND NICHOLAS,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Holt'	s Ten-	PART.	Tenor 20 cwt.		,
	••	2. · 3.		••	6. 7.

Conducted by W. MARKS. \* First peal.

## DUNSTER, SOMERSETSHIRE.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, December 27, 1890, in Three Hours and One Minute, AT THE PARISH CHURCH OF ST. GEORGE,

#### A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; HOLT'S TEN-PART. Tenor 21 cwt.

JOHN PITTS* WILLIAM W. THORNE	Treble.	Frederick J. Pitts *Henry Moore	·· 5·
ALBERT CHILCOT	3.	James Grabham John Payne	7.

Conducted by WILLIAM W. THORNE.

\*First peal. W. W. Thorne and F. J. Pitts hail from London; J. Pitts from Tring, Herts.; H. Moore from Minehead; the rest belong to the local company.

APPLETON, BERKS.-THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. On Saturday, December 27, 1890, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes, AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 144 Cwt.				
FRANK BARRETT*		Treble.	HARRY WALTERS GEORGE HOLIFIELD	5
			HENRY TUBB	
WILLIAM BENNETT	••	4.	RICHARD BENNETT	Tenor.

Conducted by G. Holifield.

\*First peal, aged 15.

## CHELTENHAM, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Saturday, December 27, 1890, in Three Hours and Twenty-four Minutes, AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5120 CHANGES;

#### Tenor 22 cwt. 2 qrs. 16 lbs. IN THE KENT VARIATION. W. T. PATES .. .. Treble. T. REYNOLDS .. .. G. H. PHILLOTT .. .. 2. T. BLACKBOURNE .. .. 3. H. Roberts.. .. .. F. E. WARD REV. G. F. Coleridge .. Tenor. .. .. .. 5.

Composed and Conducted by W. T. PATES.

Messrs. W. T. Pates, G. H. Phillott, H. Roberts, F. E. Ward, and F. Musty belong to Cheltenham; Blackbourne and Greenleaf to Salisbury; Rev. G. F. Coleridge to Caversham; Rev. H. A. Cockey (Master of the Association) to Oldland; T. Reyuolds to Birmingham.

### PRESTBURY, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, December 27, 1890, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

#### A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES; IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 144 cwt.

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W. T. PATES		Treble.	T. REYNOLDS 5.
W. GREENLEAF	• •	2.	H. Roberts 6.
F. Musty		3.	REV. H. A. COCKEY 7.
T. Blackbourne		4.	G. H. PHILLOTT Tenor.

Conducted by W. T. PATES.

This peal is the first in the method rung on the bells.

## BASINGSTOKE. HANTS.

### THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, December 27, 1890, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 16 cwt.

THOMAS PAGE*	 Treble.	WILLIAM BULPIT*	• •	•• 5.
THOMAS CURTIS*	 2.	HENRY WHITE	• •	<b></b> 6.
Frederic Wilson*				
F. W. J. Rees	 . 4.	WILLIAM GROVE	• •	Tenor.

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW and Conducted by FRANK BENNETT.

This is the first peal of Major on the bells, and was tung as a token of respect to the late Archbishop of York. \*First peal of Major on tower bells. Messrs. Ress, Bennett and Grove hail from Guildford.

## KIDDERMINSTER.

## THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. (THE ST. MARY'S SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, December 27, 1890, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes, AT THE CHURCH OF SS. MARY AND ALL SAINTS,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

A Variation of Thurst	Tans'. Tenor 30 cwt.		
JOHN BENNETT Treble.	WILLIAM WAKEMAN		5.
THOMAS C. GROVE* 2.	THOMAS BENNETT	• •	6.
WILLIAM H. SMITH 3. RICHARD E. GROVE 4.	John Crane		7.
RICHARD E. GROVE 4.	THOMAS WALTERS	T	enor.

Conducted by RICHARD E. GROVE. \*First peal of Stedman.

## ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE. LANCASHIRE.

On Sunday, December 28, 1890, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes, AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

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

S. TAYLOR		 Treble.	*J. CRABTREE			5.
J. Leigh*		 2.	*J. CRABTREE *J. HARRISON			<b></b> 6.
W. JAKEMAN		 3.	G. Longden	• •	• •	•• 7.
C. WILLOCKS	• •	 •• 4.	A. Adams	• •		Tenor.

Conducted by WILLIAM JAKEMAN. \* First peal in the method.

BRADFIELD, SHEFFIELD, YORKSHIRE.

MAIDENHEAD, BERKS.—THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

MAIDENHEAD, BERRS.—THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.	DRADITEDD, SHEFFIELD, TORKSHIKE.
On Saturday, December 27, 1890, in Two Hours and Forty-Seven Minutes,	THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,	On Monday, December 29 1890, in Two Hours and Fifty-Nine Minutes,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;	AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,
Reeves's Variation of Holt's Ten-Part. Tenor 171 cwt. in Eb.	5040 CHANGES IN SEVEN DIFFERENT TREBLE
FREDERICK JOHN HARVEY. Treble.   WALTER ERNEST YATES 5.	BOB METHODS UPON SIX BELLS;
HEZEKIAH ROGERS 2. JAMES WILLIAM WILKINS 6.	Being 720 each of the following
Frederick Dentry 3. Albert Edward Hoskins 7.	London Scholars' Pleasure, Tanner's Pleasure, New London
JAMES GEORGE 4. HENRY GILDINGS Tenov.	Pleasure, College Pleasure, Violet, Woodbine, and Oxford.
Conducted by JAMES WILLIAM WILKINS.	Tenor 12 swt.
F. J. Harvey hails from Brighton, George from Rugby; Yates from Great Marlow.	
This peal was arranged for Mr. George, and was also rung to celebrate the birthday	WILLIE WILSON Treble.   CHARLES FOX 4.
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WESTBURY-ON-SEVERN, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.	Conducted by G. M. UTTLEY.
GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.	·
(THE ST. MICHAEL'S JUNIORS.)	HEMPSTEAD, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.
On Saturday, December 27, 1890, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,	GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
	(St. Michael's Juniors.)
At the Parish Church of SS. Mary, Peter, and Paul,	On Monday, December 29, 1890, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes,
SEVEN 720's OF MINOR:	1
One of Oxford Treble Bob, One of Kent, One of Oxford Bob,	At the Parish Church of St. Swithin,
Two of Canterbury, and Two of Plain Bob.	SEVEN DIFFERENT MINOR METHODS UPON 6 BELLS:
Tenor 23 cwt. in Eb.	Being a 720 each of the following:
WILLIAM C. JONES Treble.   SYDNEY E. ROMANS 4.	College Single, Oxford Bob. Oxford and Kent Treble Bob,
HENRY L. JAMES 2. JOHN AUSTIN 5.	Grandsire, Canterbury and Plain Bob.
Edward B. James 3.   William J. Sevier Tenor.	Tenor 12 cwt.
Conducted by W. J. SEVIER.	WILLIAM C. JONES Treble.   EDWARD B. JAMES 4.
This is the first 5040 in five methods by all, and the first 5040 on the bells.	Francis E. Hart 2. John Austin 5.
MONEY ON BOOK W	SYDNEY E. ROMANS 3. HENRY L. JAMES Tenor.
MONEWDEN, SUFFOLK.	Conducted by H. L. JAMES.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.	This is the first 5040 in seven methods by the Association, and by all the band: also the first in the county.
On Sunday, December 28, 1890, in Two Hours and Forty-five Minutes,	asso the first in the county.
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,	
5040 CHANGES IN THREE METHODS UPON SIX	HUGHENDEN.—THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
BELLS;	On Monday, December 29, 1890, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,
Being Two 720's of Bob Minor, Three of Oxford Treble Bob and	At the Parish Church,
of Two Kent Treble Bob. Tenor 6 cwt.	A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
S. W. MARTIN* Treble.   EDGAR COLLINS 4,	A VARIATION OF THURSTANS' ORIGINAL. Tenor 121 cwt.
R. H. HAYWARD 2. WILLIAM G, CRICKMER 5. WILLIAM FLORY	Jas. W. Washbrook
<u> </u>	WALTER E. YATES* 2. RALPH BIGGS 6.
Conducted by Alfred S. Wightman.	Frederick L. Free* 3. John Evans 7.
†First 5040. The above is the first 5040 on the bells.	SIDNEY T. GOODCHILD 4. HARRY STRATFORD Tenor.
HYDE, CHESHIRE.—UNITED COUNTIES' ASSOCIATION.	Conducted by the Rev. F. E. Robinson, Master of the Guild.
On Monday, December 29, 1889, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,	*First poel in the mothed
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GEORGE.	*First peal in the method.
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## LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE. THE MIDLAND COUNTIES' ASSOCIATION. (LOUGHBOROUGH BRANCH.)

On Tuesday, December, 30, 1890, in Three Hours and Thirty-Three Minutes, AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

#### A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5120 CHANGES; IN THE KENT VARIATION Tenor 28 cwt. in D

IN THE MENT VARIATION.	Tenor 20 Cwt. In D.		
W. T. BILLINGHURST Treble.	J. HARDY	6.	
W. A. Tyler 2.			
J. Smith 3.	F. A. Underwood	8.	
R. LANE 4	E. Reader	9.	
S. SMITH 5.	J. W. TAYLOR, JUN.	Tenor	

Composed by W. Booth, and Conducted by John W. TAYLOR, JUN. The first half was rung with the tenors in the Tittum position.

## BOUGHTON-UNDER-BLEAN, KENT.

## THE CANTERBURY CATHEDRAL SOCIETY AND THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, December 30, 1890, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

MOLI S ORIGINAL.	Tenor 127 Cwt.	
WALTER ANDREWS Treble.		
ARTHUR A. ANDREWS 2.	ARCHIBALD ALLEN	· · 6.
JOHN H. SMALL 3.	HENRY G. FAIRBRASS	7.
Rev. Fred. J. O. Helmore 4.	*CHARLES AIANO	Tenor

Conducted by Rev. FRED. J. O. HELMORE.

\* First peal. This is the first peal on the bells.

### BATH, SOMERSETSHIRE.

In Three Hours (no date being reported),

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. SAVIOUR,

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

J. S. FLOWER			Treble.	H. Colston		 5.
I. HINTON			2.	H. W. Brown		 6.
C. Wotton			3.	W. EMERY		 7.
W. EAMES*	••		•• 4.	J. Fussell	٠.	 Tenor.
		Co	onducted b	у Ј. Нінтон.		

\* First peal. Messrs. Hinton, Colston, and Emery hail from Bristol. Rung as a wedding peal for H. Brown, who was married at the above-named church the same morning.

## Date Couches.

## THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

BEDFORD.—On Tuesday, December 16th, at St. Paul's church. a date touch of Bob Major (1890 changes), in 1 hr. and 14 mins. F. Keech, 1; S. J. Cullip, 2; \*S. Constant, 3; \*E. Coleman, 4; C. W. Clarke (conductor), 5; H. Sharpe, 6; W. Baldwin, 7; I. Hills, 8 \*Longest length on the method. Composed by York Green, of London. London.

## THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

BLACKBURN (Lancashire).—On Saturday, December 13th, at the parish church, a date touch of Grandsire Triples (1890 changes), in 1 hr. 7 mins. Jas. Smith, jun., 1; Jas. Walker, 2; T. Hindle, 3; Jas. Smith, sen., 4; W. E. Wilson, 5; J. Watson, 6; J. Walker (conductor), 7; M. Adams, 8. Tenor about 17 cwt. Composed by J. Sholicar, of Ormskirk. This is the first date touch rang on the bells by a local company.

FLIXTON.—On Saturday, December 20th, at St. Michael's church, a date touch of Grandsire Triples (1890 changes) in 1 hr. 9 mins. R. Hill, 1; J. Redford, 2; H. H. Nutter, 3; Rev. H. J. Elsee, 4: J. Aspinwall (composer and conductor), 5; A. E. Wreaks, 6; J. Eachus, 7; J. Harrison, 8. It was intended to have started for a peal, but 7, J. FIGHTISON, 8. It was intended to have started for a peal, but owing to the late arrival of some of the members through the dense for which prevailed design that the owing to the late arrival or some of the members intough the dense fog which prevailed during the afternoon, the above was rung instead. All the above are officers of the Association, viz.—Rev. H. J. Elsee, President; J. Eachus, Vice-President; J. Redford and A. E. Wreaks, Hon. Secretaries; and Messrs. Aspinwall, Harrison, Hill, and Nutter, Committee. Also a course (M B W) of Treble Bob Major. J. Gratrix, 1; R. Hill, 2: J. Barrett, 3; Rev. H. J. Elsee, 4; J. Aspinwall, 5; J. Harrison, 6; A. E. Wreaks, 7; J. Eachus, 8.

WALTON-ON-THE-HILL (Lancashire).—On Monday, December 22nd, at St. Mary's parish church, a date touch (1890 changes), in r hr. 8 mins in the following methods: 450 Grandsire (composed by J. J. Parker, of Farnham Royal), 720 London Single, 240 Oxford Single, 243 Plain Bob, and 240 Canterbury Pleasure. T. Johnson, r; H. Kelly, 2; R. Hurst, 3; T. R. Somerville, 4; W. Bramley, 5; C. E. Wilson (conductor), 6. The above was rung with the bells muffled, as a tribute of respect to the late Rev. Thomas Hornby, forty-five years vicar of the church, and who died on the 22nd inst. Tenor g cwt.

GREAT BENTLEY (Essex).—On Tuesday, December 16th, at the church of St. Mary, a date touch of 1890 changes, in 1 hr. 6 mins., in the following methods: 30 Grandsire Doubles, 1860 Bob Minor, being two 720s and 420, each called differently. A. J. King, I; H. E. Bowers, 2; F. Balls, 3; A. Fuller, 4: W. Hazell, 5; W. J. Nevard (conductor), 6. This is the longest length rung on the bells since the addition of the new treble, which was opened on the 2nd of August last. Also the first date touch by all except W. J. Nevard. Messrs. Balls, Hazell and Fuller belong to Little Bentley; the rest are members of the local company. All are members of the Essex Association except H. E. Bowers.

Mansfield (Yorks).—On Thursday, December 18th, at St. Peter's church, a date touch of Grandsire Triples, in 1 hr. 16 mins. W. Taylor, 1; F. May, 2; G. Hardstaf, 3; H. Alsop, 4; J. Spray, 5; W. Gosling, jun., 6; W. Gosling, sen. (conductor), 7; C. James, 8. Composed by A. P. Heywood, Esq.

## Miscellaneous.

## WORCESTERSHIRE AND ADJOINING DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

CRADLEY (Worcestershire).—On Tuesday, December 2nd, for practice at the parish church, 720 Beb Minor. A. Walker, 1; J. Marshall, 2; H. Woodall (conductor), 3; C. Beasley, 4; W. Bird, 5; R. Bird, 6. Also 720 Grandsire Minor. A. Walker, 1: H. Woodall, 2; C. Beasley, 3; J. A. Meredith, 4; W. Bird, 5; R. Bird (conductor), 6. The Messrs. Bird hail from Old Hill.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

BORDEN (Kent).-On Saturday, December 13th, at the parish church, after an unsuccessful attempt for a peal of Stedman Triples, a course of Double Norwich. G. A. Ransome, I; C. Willshire, 2; E. Price, 3; C. Waterman, 4; G. Lindoff, 5; Rev. E. W. Carpenter, 6; W. Cooke, 7; W. Haigh, 8. This is the first course in the method by the above Association.

## THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

LAVENHAM (Suffolk).—On Monday, December 15th, at the church of SS. Peter and Paul, 1260 Grandsire Triples in 50 mins. C. Fisk, 1; T. King (composer and conductor), 2; H. Parker, 3; H. Smith, 4; C. Jarvis, 5; W. Snell, 6; A. Symonds, 7; W. Moore, 8. This was rang as a birthday compliment to W. Moore who attained his forty-fifth year on Saturday, December 13th, and H. Parker who attained his 24th birthday on Sunday, December 14th, their brother-ringers wishing them many happy returns.

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STISTED (ESSEX).—On Tuesday, November 25th, at the parish church a 720 Bob Minor. H. Saunders, 1; J. Sadler, 2; A. Chaplin, 3; L. Sadler, 5; E. Radden (conductor), 6. The above was rung with the bells deeply muffled as a token of respect to the late Onley Savill Onley, Esq., who died on the previous Thursday in his 96th year. The deceased restored the tower and was the donor of the musical peal of bells that are in it. And on Sunday, December 7th, a 720 Bob Minor, (Penning's one-part), (sixteen bobs and twenty-six singles). H. Saunders, 1; C. H. Howard (conductor), 2; A. Chaplin, 3; E. Chaplin, 4; F. Saunders, 5; E. Radley, 6. Messrs. Sadler hail from Coggeshall, and C. H. Howard from Braintree, the rest are local men.

(The remainder of miscellaneous touches will be found on page 488.)

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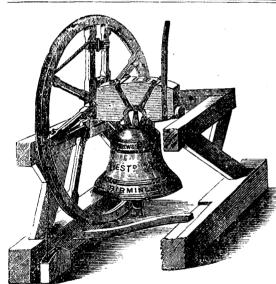
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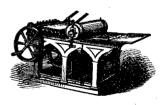
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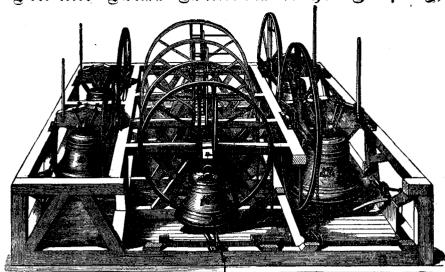
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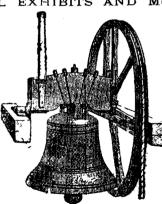
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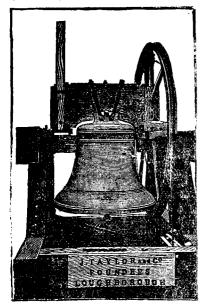
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