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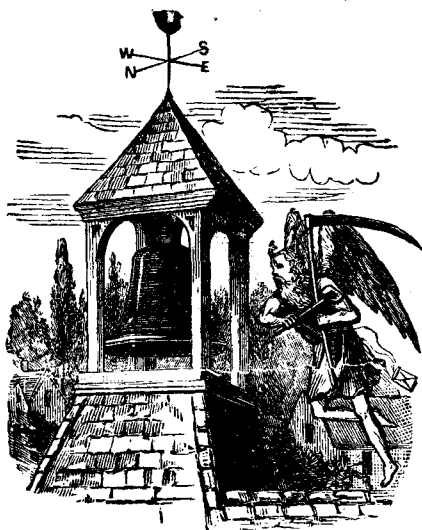
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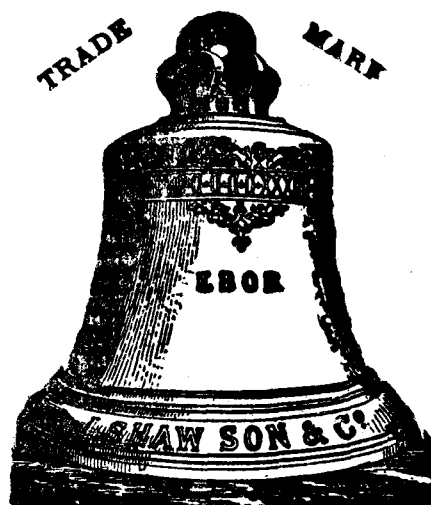
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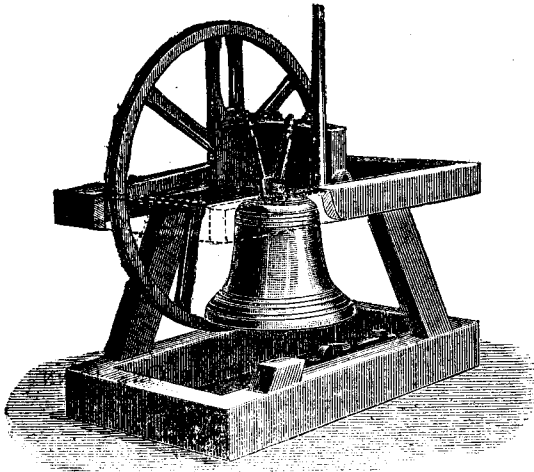
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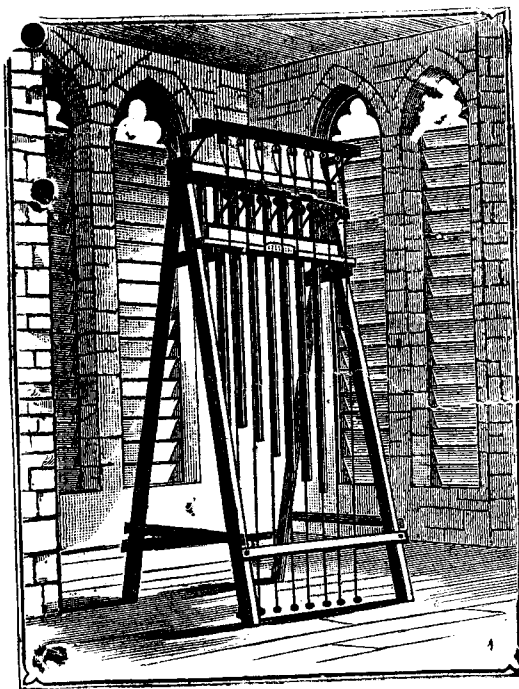
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## THE NORTH LINCOLNSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

The Annual Meeting of this Association was held at Lincoln, on Saturday, April 25th, when members attended from Market Rasen, Gainsborough, Grimsby, Hull, Retford, Caythorpe, Stow, Metheringham, Scothorn, Washingborough, etc. Friends from Sheffield, Burton-on-Trent, Nottingham, Beeston, Dewsbury, and Sandiacre were also present. Soon after the arrival of the excursion trains (it being Lincoln Fair) the bells of the different churches were set in motion, and the ringing continued until nearly five, the hour appointed for the tea. By that time all had assembled at the Oddfellows' Hall, where a first-class repast was provided, and no less than 130 partook of the tea, a second sitting being necessary. This shows the remarkable success of the Association whose membership is yearly increasing. Immediately after the tea the business meeting was held, F. S. Hood, Esq., of Nettleham Hall, taking the chair, in the absence of the President, the Very Rev. the Dean of Lincoln. He said he was sure that they all very much regretted the Dean could not be present, and he was equally sure they would all join with him in expressing sympathy with the very rev. gentleman in what must, to one of such extremely sensitive mind and life, be a severe trial. He had great pleasure in calling upon Canon Warner (Vicar of Gainsborough) to say a few words to them.

Canon Warner opened his address by referring to the absence of the Bishop of Lincoln. They all remembered from last year how heartily in sympathy his Lordship was with them, and what an interesting speech he made to that North Lincolnshire Association. The Bishop had instructed him (Canon Warner) to tell them that he had still the same sympathy and goodwill towards the Association, but that being the day he had chosen for having the students from the Missionary College at Burgh with him, he was prevented from coming amongst them. That day was for him, and for them also in Lincolnshire, a special one; because, as they knew, it was St. Mark's day, and the seventh anniversary of the consecration of Dr. King as Bishop of Lincoln. It was also the anniversary of the birth of a man who had more to do with the present revival and interest in everything which had to do with the Church of England than anybody else—John Keble, the author of "The Christian Year," and so many other beautiful writings which Church of England people were thankful for. It had something to do with bells, because the reason why they cared for bells and for organs, and church music generally, and for decorated churches, and why they especially welcomed the great fact that ringers were no longer dissociated from the worship of the parish church to which they belonged, but were recognised as a band of church workers just as much as the organist or the choir, or even the clergyman himself—all was traceable to that great church revival of which John Keble was the author. Keble was, as they knew, a country clergyman, being Vicar of Hursley, and in some of his poems they found reference to the sound of the church bells coming over the woods round about Hursley, which were very dear to him. Of course year after year they had people telling them about the music of the bells, so that they must be familiar with the subject; and he (Canon Warner) did not therefore propose to say anything about it except this: that the reason he took an interest, and always should take an interest in that North Lincolnshire Association, was because he welcomed ringers of his own parish church at Gainsborough as forming a most useful body of men. He thought it was for them to know that the clergy felt that the ringers helped them very much. They did not look upon them merely as people who just rung the bells and did not care any more about it, but they knew that they afterwards, according to the rules which existed in all well-conducted belfries, took part in the worship of God, to which they summoned other people in such a striking way. They looked upon ringing, he trusted, not only as a very healthy recreation and amusement—for it was an amusement—but a thing which taught them discipline, order, obedience, quickness of eye, and readiness in following the word of command; in fact he thought a good ringer was bound to be a very excellent member of society altogether. Other countries had beautiful bells, and Russia, he supposed, boasted of having the largest bell in

the world; yet he did not believe any people except English people understood the mysteries of change-ringing. He did not understand it himself, and he was not able to tell them exactly how many changes they could get out of eight or ten bells, but he believed there was one gentleman present who had rung in a peal of 16,000 changes. That gentleman deserved to be congratulated on having reached that very large number, in whatever way it might be counted, of change-ringing with bells. The ringers often came over to Gainsborough, and made the people familiar with the sound of the bells and the changes they could ring upon them, and he hoped that they would come over again, and in such large numbers as they had assembled that day.

The Rev. Precentor Venables expressed the great pleasure he felt in meeting the members of the Association again, and the deep interest he took in the Association. He also referred to the enforced absence of the Dean of Lincoln through his recent accident, and said he was sure if the Dean had known that he (the Precentor) was going to be present at their meeting he would have sent a message indicating his warm interest and best wishes for them. The Precentor spoke of the time when those who rang others to church themselves went out by a back door, and did not darken the portals of the church at all. Now, he said the ringers were regarded as real church workers.

The Chairman read letters from the Bishop and Dean of Lincoln, and announced that others had been received from several honorary members regretting their inability to attend.

The Hon. Secretary then read the minutes of the last annual meeting, which were confirmed, and also his report and balance-sheet for the past year. The former showed a large increase of membership, and that five peals had been rung, against only one rung during the previous year, and also that the committee had in hand a certificate of membership which was about completed.

The officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows:—President, the Very Rev. the Dean of Lincoln; vice-Presidents, Rev. Canon J. P. Young, vicar of Grimsby, Rev. Canon Andrews, Claxby Vicarage, F. S. Hood, Esq., Nettleham Hall, and F. F. Linley, Esq., Gainsborough; hon. treasurer, Mr. H. Gadd, Market Rasen; hon. secretary, Mr. J. W. Watson, Lincoln; auditors, Messrs. F. F. Linley and G. Chester. Mr. Norman E. Snow, Sleaford, who represented the association at the meeting of the Central Council on March 31st, made his report, giving his reasons for his voting on the two important subjects then discussed by the council. J. H. Davis, Esq. (H.M. Inspector of Schools), and F. H. Harrison, Esq. (Harrison and Co., engineers), Lincoln, were unanimously elected honorary members; twenty-seven ringing members were also elected, amongst whom as efficient members were Miss Milner-Barry, daughter of the Rev. E. Milner-Barry, Scotham Vicarage, who a few years ago assisted so energetically in raising funds towards the restoration and augmentation of the peal of her parish church, and who since has done much organizing work in the belfry; also Mr. John Austin, late of the justly-celebrated company of St. Paul's, Burton-on-Trent; his proposer explaining that he had taken part in no less than 74 peals, amongst which was the only peal of London Surprise rung in London; Holt's Original, on handbells which he conducted, and other intricate performances; he congratulated the St. Peter-at-Arches Society, on their having enrolled him as one of their number, and welcomed him as a member of the association.

Lincoln was again selected as the head-quarters of the association for the ensuing three years. It was decided to hold the July quarterly meeting at Caistor. Mr. Linley explained to the members the various details of the new certificate of membership, from where and why they were chosen. The design, which is exceedingly neat, includes pictures of St. James' Church, Grimsby; St. Denys, Sleaford; St. James, Louth; St. Mary's, Stow; St. Thomas, Market Rasen; All Saints, Gainsborough; together with a view of Lincoln Cathedral. The whole are surrounded by a pretty bordering with bells at the corners, and bell ropes. The bordering is copied from a casting on a Lincolnshire bell; the bells were specially photographed by Mr. J. W. Taylor, jun., Loughborough, for the Association, and the ropes are copied from a photograph of one of the ropes of St. Peter-at-Arches, Lincoln. The motto at the bottom of the certificate is "Ring out the false, ring in the true." A vote of sympathy with the

President (the Dean of Lincoln), in his unfortunate accident, was passed; as also were votes of thanks to the Dean, the Incumbents and Churchwardens, for the use of the bells, the honorary members for their interest and support, the Lincoln ringers for the day's arrangements, and to the Chairman for presiding. At the conclusion of the meeting the ringers again visited the towers and spent the remainder of the evening in touches in the standard methods, bringing to a close the most successful of the Association's gatherings ever held.

#### RE-OPENING OF HERTINGFORDBURY CHURCH, HERTS.

The re-opening of this church, after the extensive restorations which have been carried out, took place on Friday morning, May 1st, the service being conducted by the Lord Bishop of the diocese.

The church, which is dedicated to St. Mary, and occupies an elevated position overlooking the valley of the river Mimram, and about 1½ miles from the county town of Hertford, has been thoroughly restored by the Right Hon. Earl Cowper, K.G. In process of renovation great care has been taken to preserve every feature in the old church which was of the smallest interest. The windows are untouched except where the stones were so decayed that they had to be replaced by new ones. The old decayed roof of the church and chancel has given place to a red-tiled one, the interior being of oak. The stone arches between the nave and the north aisle are new, and the arch into the chancel is also new. The chancel-floor is of marble, and the altar-rails of alabaster. The Cowper mausoleum, which is on the north side of the chancel, is entirely new and very handsome, with gabled roof and marble floor. A new organ-chamber and vestry have been erected on the south side of the chancel. The tower has also been thoroughly restored, and it was thought advisable to rebuild a portion of the upper part of it. The embattlements are entirely new, also the steeple, which is of octagon shape, and is believed to be similar to that which existed here many years ago. It is sheathed with copper instead of lead. The church is supposed to have been built in the early part of the fourteenth century. The exterior presents a new appearance, and this is owing to the fact that the cement and plaster have been removed and the rough flints shewn. The entire work of restoration, with the exception of the mausoleum—which was designed by Mr. Wade, of London—has been done by Mr. Godfrey, clerk of Earl Cowper's works, under the personal superintendence of his lordship and Lady Cowper. The cost of the work has been considerable, and Lord Cowper has spared no expense in carrying out a thorough restoration.

The interior was not quite completed for the re-opening, as the pulpit, choir stalls, and lectern, were not ready, and the old seats were used in the church, but these are to be replaced by oak pews to match the ceiling and doors.

The re-opening service commenced with the processional hymn—"Ten thousand times ten thousand," which was well rendered by the parochial choir, who were surpliced for the first time, and about thirty surpliced clergy preceded the Bishop. The epistle was read by the Rev. Canon Proctor, and the Gospel by the Rev. Canon Wigram. The Bishop preached the sermon, taking for his text Psalm xc. 17: "And let the beauty of the LORD our God be upon us: and establish Thou the work of our hands upon us; yea, the work of our hands establish Thou it." The offertory was in aid of the Bishop of St. Albans' Fund. A second service was held in the evening, when the sermon was preached by the Ven. Archdeacon Lawrance, of St. Albans.

The five bells have been rehung in a new oak frame, with new stocks, wheels, etc., and fitted with the Ellacombe chiming hammers. The 2nd bell, which has been cracked for many years, has been recast.

The bells were rung for the morning service by members of the local society, and for the evening service six 6-scores of Grandsire Doubles (each called differently) were rung in 24 mins., by H. Baker (Hertford), 1; S. Knights (Hertford), 2; G. Smith (Middlesex Association), 3; J. Cull, 4; Jasper G. Crawley (conductor), 5. This was followed by a 6-score of Stedman, and three more of Grandsire. Tenor 11 cwt. Messrs. J. Cull and J. G. Crawley belong to the local company. After the service the ringers and choir partook of supper with the Rector.

#### THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—ST. LAWRENCE ISLE OF THANET.

A new peal of eight bells was dedicated at this church on Friday, May 1st. At 4 o'clock, the choir and clergy of St. Lawrence, the Rev. E. W. Carpenter (Hon. Secretary of the above Association), and the Dean of Canterbury, proceeded from the vestry to the ringing-chamber, which is approached by a series of outside ladders over the roof of the north aisle of the church. The office of dedication was said by the Dean, assisted by the Vicar (Rev. M. Fowler), the ringing-chamber being crowded to its utmost capacity, not a few being unable to find room. After the short service several touches of Grandsire Triples were rung by mixed bands (ringers being present from Canterbury, Margate, Boughton, Faversham, Birchington, etc.), and rounds by the local men. Ringing was kept up until even-song at 7 o'clock, when an excellent sermon was preached by the Dean of Canterbury to a large congregation, the office being sung by the Vicar, and the lessons read by the Revs. E. W. Carpenter and J. Campbell.

There was formerly a ring of six bells at St. Lawrence, but one bell has been hopelessly cracked for a long time, and another was also lately discovered to be in the same condition. These two, the 3rd and 4th, have been recast, and two trebles added by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank. The splice is an excellent one, and the hanging of the new peal of eight has been done in excellent style. On Saturday, it was intended to start for a peal of Kent Treble Bob Major, but Mr. Lindoff, who was to conduct, was unable to arrive in time, and Stedman Triples was substituted, and the peal (a record of which appears in its proper place) was successfully brought round at the first attempt.

After the peal the ringers sat down to a substantial supper kindly provided by the Vicar and Churchwardens of St. Lawrence. The chair was taken by the Vicar, and the vice-chair was taken by Mr. Churchwarden Perkins; the assistant-clergy and Churchwardens, the local ringers, and a few friends being also present. After supper, the toast of "The Queen and Royal Family" having been duly honoured, the Chairman (who first paid his subscription as an honorary member) proposed "The Health of the Peal-ringers and Success to the Kent County Association," which was responded to by the Rev. E. W. Carpenter. Other toasts followed, and a most enjoyable evening was spent.

A large number of the inhabitants of St. Lawrence gathered round the church during the peal to listen to the ringing, and were highly delighted with the unwonted music. It is hoped, now that the Isle of Thanet possesses a handy ring of eight, that the art of change-ringing may take root in that part of the county.

Some of the band took part in a peal of Grandsire Caters at the Waterloo Tower, Quex Park, in the early hours of the following Sunday morning, and in the afternoon paid a visit to Margate, where with the Rev. E. W. Carpenter they rang a 500 of Stedman Triples at St. John's church. Rev. E. W. Carpenter, 1; W. Pope, 2; A. Moorcraft, 3; G. Lindoff (conductor), 4; W. E. Pope, 5; A. Palmer, 6; S. Snelling, 7; W. W. Boulden, 8; and a short touch of Treble Bob Major.

#### ST. WERBURGH'S, BRISTOL.

On Wednesday, April 15th, the ringers of the above Church met together to ring, on the occasion of the wedding of the Rev. Reginald Thomas Talbot, M.A., Hon. Canon of Durham Cathedral, and lecturer in Church History and Doctrine in the dioceses of Durham, Newcastle, and Ripon, youngest son of the late Admiral John T. Talbot, of Merton Lodge, Clifton, to Elenor Maude, youngest daughter of the late Charles Waring, Esq., formerly of the Darran, Neath, South Wales. The above ceremony was performed by the Rev. T. W. Harvey, M.A., Vicar of St. Agnes, Bristol, assisted by the Rev. T. H. Denning, Rector of the parish. Several 6-scores of Grandsire Doubles were rang in a most creditable manner during the afternoon, the following members taking part in the ringing:—C. Gordon (leader), M. L. Baynham, W. H. Paridice, R. Chammings, W. Stephens, W. Rookes, G. Willmut, H. Brownjohn, C. Paridice, steeplekeeper, and J. Davies, of the Ancient Society of St. James, Bristol.

## SOCIETY OF COPLEY SCHOLARS.

This society held its last "Social" for the season at the Unity Rooms, Sunbridge Road, Bradford, on Thursday, April 30th, when there was as usual a large attendance, over 100 persons being present during the evening. Mr. B. T. Copley, Captain of the society, presided. Songs "both grave and gay" were given by Messrs. Aykroyd, A. Bradley, A. Bakes, and Mason; and recitals by Miss Titterington, Messrs. Wilson and Ashworth. The Whitley Mills prize handbell ringers brought one of their large peals of bells and performed excellent selections in their usual talented fashion; a course of Major was also rung by four of the members. Between the vocal and instrumental performances, dancing was indulged in under the direction of Messrs. Mawson and Titterington, accompanied on the piano by Messrs. Bakes, Angus, and Wilson. Towards the close of the pleasant evening's proceedings, a cordial vote of thanks to singers, reciters, handbell ringers, and pianists, was on the motion of the chairman, seconded by Mr. G. A. O. Nettleton, carried with acclamation. A similar compliment was paid to the chairman, and towards the small hours of the morning, singing of the National Anthem brought to a close another of this society's popular gatherings.

## AN ANCIENT PROTEST.

The following is taken from the *Northampton Mercury* of August 17th, 1793:—

"TO THE PRINTERS.—We cannot refrain from communicating to the public, with contempt, the erroneous paragraph which made its way into the *Buckinghamshire Herald* on the 10th of August instant, under the signature of "A Constant Reader," dated Newport-Pagnell, August 2nd, 1793, wherein it sets forth that a Mr. Botham, banker, in this town, on receiving the news of the surrender of Valenciennes to the British arms, ordered the bells to be rung, and gave a very handsome present for that purpose. We, whose names are hereunto subscribed, the ringers in and of the said parish, do declare to a man, we know no such person as Mr. Botham, and upon the strictest enquiry cannot learn who he is. And we also declare, and wish it to be made publicly known through the channel of your paper, that on every occasion that does honour to our King and Country, we come forward as Britons, without any solicitation whatever, and the gentlemen in our own parish, without the assistance of any other person or persons, cheerfully second our endeavours, and give us every gratification we wish for. Witness our hands this 8th of August, 1793.

"Edward Simcox, Wm. Pearce, Charles Brandon, Thomas Harvey, Samuel Smith, George Nickleton, Joseph Joyce (the ✕ of), William Joyce, B. Trulove."

## Obituary.

## CAPTAIN ARTHUR PENISTON MOORE.

It is with the deepest regret that we have to record the death, on the last day of April, of this well-known and distinguished ringer, in the 64th year of his age. For the last two months he had been suffering from a severe attack of bronchitis, the result of a chill contracted in the latter days of February. A partial convalescence a week or two ago gave his friends hope that he might, with care and a change of weather, eventually rally, but this hope was frustrated by a serious relapse, when pneumonia developed to a dangerous extent with great rapidity. With such an attack he had not sufficient strength to cope.

For the leading incidents of his career we refer our readers to the biographical sketch which accompanied the issue of Captain Moore's portrait at the beginning of the present year. In the revival of change-ringing in the Eastern Counties he, for many years, took a leading part, and was always ready to lend a helping hand in the instruction and training of young companies. He possessed great muscular strength and endurance, and as a heavy bell ringer had few equals. His last peal was rung on February 24th last, at Redenhall, upon the grand peal of bells which have been for many years the objects of his affectionate care, and with his name will always be associated. The genial hospitality which he was always ready to extend to visitors who desired to ring at Redenhall, will long be remembered by many who from time to time he entertained, and far outside the limits of Norfolk and Suffolk there will be very many to mourn his loss. He was one

of the representatives of the Norwich Association on the Central Council, but his illness, which has so sadly terminated, prevented his attendance at the recent meeting. In the ranks of the Norwich Association his loss will be severely felt and keenly regretted, for there was hardly a ringer of any standing in the diocese whom he did not reckon as among his friends. The gentleness of his disposition, his unselfishness, and genuine simplicity of character endeared him to a host of friends who will long cherish his memory with affection and reverence.

The funeral took place at Redenhall on Tuesday last, and was attended by several ringers from neighbouring places, as well as by all who were more habitually his companions in ringing, six of the Redenhall society carrying him to the grave. At the close of the solemn service some touches were rung on the muffled bells by the ringers present.

## JOSEPH PRESCOTT.

After a short and painful illness, a ringer well known by name to the readers of this paper, Joseph Prescott, of Hindley, Lancashire, has departed from among us, and was buried at the local cemetery on April 25th. Deceased was an ardent lover of change-ringing, and was appointed a ringer at St. Peter's Church, Hindley, on the erection of a peal of bells at that church in 1867, and for the last fourteen years held the position of foreman of the company. Of the band of eight ringers appointed at the same time as himself only three now survive. Deceased had rung and conducted nearly 100 peals, and had made all arrangements to attempt a peal of Bob Major on the day on which he was buried, his death coming as a painful surprise to the ringers who had arranged to be in the peal. He was held in the highest esteem amongst ringers in the north, and was well known and highly respected. On the day of the funeral the church was crowded by a sympathetic congregation. The funeral service was fully choral, and the coffin was literally covered with wreaths sent by a number of sorrowing friends and ringers. The coffin was carried to the grave by four of his old ringing comrades, over 100 friends and ringers following. Ringers attended from Aughton, Bedford, Leigh, Ormskirk, Wigan, West-houghton, and Upholland. Deceased was a hearty supporter of the Liverpool Diocesan Guild, and by that guild his loss will be deeply felt. At the annual meeting of the guild a vote of condolence to Mrs Prescott was proposed and carried. Deceased was only 45 years of age, and leaves a widow and a large family to mourn his loss. After the funeral muffled touches were rung on the bells by the various mixed companies present, and several muffled touches were rung at Wigan and Hindley when his death became known. And on Monday, April 20th, at the Parish Church, Ormskirk, by a mixed company belonging to the Liverpool Diocesan Guild, a date touch of Grandsire Triples, 1891 changes, in 1 hr. and 10 mins. J. Prescott, 1; J. Sholicar (conductor), 2; J. Pilkington, 3; F. A. White, 4; W. Bentham, 5; J. Watts, 6; G. Prescott, 7; T. Martland, 8. This was rung with the bells half muffled, as a tribute of respect to the memory of the deceased.

## JOHN BUTTON.

For many years Mr. Button had been connected with the Waltham Abbey society, and was well known to many ringers who were in the habit of visiting the ancient Essex town. His death occurred on Monday, April 27th last, at the age of 53. The remains were interred at the Waltham Abbey Cemetery on Friday, the 1st instant. The funeral, although not numerously attended, was however a representative one, as those attending to pay their last respects comprised his fellow-tradesmen, members of the fire brigade, cricketers, and ringers. A large number of wreaths were sent by sympathising friends, including a very handsome one of porcelain, under a glass shade, from his ringing colleagues, and which bore the following inscription: "In Memoriam. John Button. Died 27th April, 1891, aged 53 years. A token of respect from the Waltham Abbey ringers." On Saturday evening a muffled peal was rung on the Abbey bells by the local band, followed by touches of Stedman and Grandsire Triples, in which a few London friends joined.

## HENRY NUNN.

On Thursday, April 30th, Henry Nunn, jun., of Walthamstow, after a very short illness, was called away, leaving a widow and eight children to deplore their loss. The deceased belonged to a family several of whom have at various times been connected with the belfry of Walthamstow and the neighbouring one of Woodford, when change-ringing may be said to have been unknown in both. It was not till somewhat late in the day, therefore, that he approached half-pull work, but nevertheless he became a very fair ringer in the plain methods. The loss his family have sustained renders the case one worthy of the most profound sympathy, and calls also for the exercise of benevolence

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## NOTES BY THE WAY.

Friend after friend departs;  
Who hath not lost a friend?

Only recently I referred with regret to the serious illness of friend Washbrook; and am heartily glad to see him on the war-path once more, as evidenced by his peal records of last Saturday. But when referring to him at the time, I little thought that I myself would be so soon placed *hors de combat*. Happily, however, I am rapidly recovering from the effects of my accident, and thus, like the talented instructor of the Oxford Guild, once more in the arena. At the same time, I cannot refrain from acknowledging the many kind enquiries after my welfare, and the fraternal good wishes that have been expressed for my speedy recovery. It is comforting, when one is laid helpless, to know that though thus temporarily and compulsorily absent from the scene of operations, he is not forgotten by his brethren. With this brief acknowledgment I leave it.

I have just heard of the death of our amiable friend Captain Moore. To say that I deeply regret it would be no adequate expression of my feelings. I seem as if I had suffered another to my recent bereavement. The saying that "those who knew him best loved him most" is peculiarly applicable in this case. Captain Moore's geniality, coupled with his zeal for the good of the Exercise, made him a favourite wherever he went. Thus in his death we have lost one whose absence from our ranks will be felt by more than those who had the good fortune of an intimate acquaintance with him.

But while I lament the loss of our friend, it is at least comforting to know that I am able to retain that semblance of his features which has been furnished us through the "gallery." Thus it will be as times roll on and one by one our friends are taken away from us, that these portraits will become more valuable, and we shall esteem all the more this auxiliary (if I may call it such) to our paper.

A brother-string writes asking if my opinions anent steeple-keepers have not undergone some modification, owing to the Chepstow fiasco. Not at all. This unfortunate *contretemps* does not affect my position one bit. To tell the truth, I am rather tempted to believe that in this matter, there is just about "six to one and half a dozen to the other:" and that a wholesale application of "bear and forbear" would have prevented the whole affair. It would also, in my humble opinion, have been better for all concerned, if they had not "rushed into print" about it at all, but have in a fraternal sort of a way settled their differences, with mutual benefit.

Then again, why does "Liberty" not deal directly with the offending band at Christ Church, Blacklands, instead of obtruding such a purely personal affair before the whole Exercise? If his aim was simply to champion the cause of a friend, so that he might have the "customary privilege" of the "honour of a rope," one might naturally imagine that he would have made overtures to those who were alone intimately concerned. Readers of "THE BELL NEWS" keep raising complaints about the waste of room caused by the reporting of short touches; but surely it is more pleasant to see those paragraphs which denote (at least) some sort of attempts in the way of progress, however elementary, than to read complaints and wrathful fulminations about personal matters in which probably not one half-a-dozen persons are involved. Let me advise "Liberty"—as well as others I could name—to remember the old admonition

which cautions us, should we have dirty linen to wash, not to perform that operation in public. "People will talk."

Before I draw to a close this week, I cannot resist a word about friend Horrex. We have got so accustomed to the excellence of the portraits, that reference to it becomes positively superfluous, so I will say nothing on that score. I would rather compliment the College Youths' able and popular "heavy-end man" on his record, which has now—I believe for the first time—appeared in print; and express the hope that the blessing of health and strength will long be continued to him.

FREE LANCE.

## LLANCARVAN, SOUTH WALES.

On Tuesday morning, the 21st ult., Llanearvan Church was the scene of the ceremony of the consecration of a ring of bells by the Bishop of Llandaff. It seems that during the last half-century the sound of the church bells had not broken on the stillness of the historic Llanearvan Valley—a spot consecrated to pious uses since at least the earliest ages of the history of Christianity in Wales. Twenty years ago, when the Rev. A. T. Hughes, the present vicar, was appointed to this living, the church itself had fallen into a wretched condition of dilapidation. He then spent £800 in restoring the venerable shrine of Cattwg the Wise to a condition somewhat worthy of its noble purpose and venerable associations.

As might be expected, Llanearvan Church is a remarkably interesting building. In the work of restoration the present enlightened vicar has dealt with its archaeological remains with loving care, so that the interior of the sacred building retains all its primitive appearance. When the vicar succeeded in obtaining funds to restore the nave and chancel he was unable to restore the belfry and re-cast the bells. Lately, however, he has been successful in both. The square tower, with antique windows of Bath stone, is an effective addition to the church's pleasant appearance. The original bells, four in number, bore the names—Sir Thos. Lewis Van, Caerphilly, and the date 1646; Thos. Bassett, Llanveithyn, 1664; C. J. J. H. and T. S. 1646; and Gibbon, 1664. Two of the present bells were presented by Mr. G. T. Clark, Talygarn. One of these is a re-cast of the bell presented by Sir Thomas Lewis Van, in memory of Mrs. Ann Priece Clark, his wife, who was a descendant of Sir Thomas mentioned above. The other is a re-cast of the Gibbon bell, now presented by his descendant, the present Mr. J. S. Gibbon, Newton, Cowbridge. The cost incurred by the Rev. A. T. Hughes amounts to £800, £200 of which is given by the Ecclesiastical Commissioners. A balance of £35 remains to be collected.

Among those present at the consecrating service were the Bishop of Llandaff, Canon Evans, Rhymney; the Revs. A. T. Hughes, D. Bowen, Cowbridge; E. Jenkins, Llanmihangel; T. Rees, M.A., Cowbridge Schools; J. Jones, Bassaleg; and S. Jones, Flimstone; and Mr. O. H. Jones, Fonmon Castle, and Mr. Jenkin Matthews, Rhymney.

The Lord Bishop, during the consecration portion of the service, stood in the entrance into the belfry, with the Vicar of Llanearvan and Canon Evans. His lordship afterwards preached a sermon founded on Num. x. 10.

All the work has been done by Llewellyns and James, of Bristol, and it has most efficiently been carried out.

## RINGERS' OUTING.

On Saturday, May 2nd, eight members of the Lichfield Cathedral Society paid a long-contemplated visit to Shenstone, a picturesque village 3 miles from Lichfield on the Birmingham road, for the purpose of ringing a peal of Grandsire Triples, which they accomplished at the third attempt, after 3 hours' good ringing. The bells, although light (the tenor, 13½ cwt.) go very indifferently, especially the back three, and great praise is due to the ringers of those bells for so pluckily sticking to their task till the welcome "that's all." In addition to the bad-going the ropes are the worst the writer has ever handled, being as hard as board, and only fit for drawing canal boats. The ringers beg to thank the Vicar for kindly granting permission; and his brother-ringers especially wish to thank the Rev. D. Jones, for his kindness in providing the conveyance, &c.

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## Review.

BY SCRUTATOR.

**ROPE-SIGHT: AN INTRODUCTION TO THE ART OF CHANGE-RINGING.**—By Jasper W. Snowdon. (Fourth Edition, 1891).—If evidence were needed of the popularity of this best of our elementary and explanatory works, such is furnished by the fact of the fourth edition which has just been issued; in the publishing of which Mr. William Snowdon says "It would be no exaggeration to say that there has been a clamorous demand for another edition of my deceased brother's book." Familiar enough the book has been to me since its first production in 1879, as (I doubt not) it will have been also to a large number of brother-ringers, particularly those whose situation in life has necessitated their having to deal with young recruits in the art and work of ringing. It will therefore appear, perhaps, at first sight, somewhat anomalous for me at this juncture, to commence such a thing as the reviewing of a work which has been in our hands for such a length of time, and besides made so great a name for itself amongst us. But it is not my intention here to discuss the general contents of this valuable book; I would simply draw a comparison between the fourth edition and those which preceded it, and this also more by way of explanation than anything else. In revising this book for its fourth appearance, Mr. William Snowdon's efforts appear to have been confined in the main to emendations in the text, and general "touching up" of the phraseology. One peal of Bob Major is omitted, having been proved false, while the list of 720s of Bob Minor is augmented by a composition of Mr. John F. Penning, which, as Mr. Snowdon observes, is "remarkable for the simplicity of the arrangement of its calls." The principal difference between the fourth and previous editions is a new chapter (13) on "The attainment of accurate striking." It is a most happy sign of the times amongst us, that good striking is becoming more and more regarded as an absolute essential of all ringing. Advocates of prize-ringing matches are wont to base their principal arguments in favour of these competitions on the ground of their conduciveness to good striking; and I believe many ringers have supported this perverse use of our Church's bells simply through the belief that it was the only practical means of inducing men to attain proficiency in the performance of good ringing. On the other hand, those who estimate more correctly the true position which ringers should hold in relation to the services and work of the Church, and who thus deprecate this (to them, at least) abuse of her bells by these wagering events known as prize-rings, have had abundant cause for lamenting the careless, irregular style of ringing which has been characteristic of many bands, whose principles in this direction have been sound, but whose practical exhibition of their work has been lamentably deficient so far as good striking is concerned. Chapter XIII. of *Rope-Sight* therefore is a commendable and valuable addition to the work, and comes in most opportunely at a time when the tide is turning and ringers becoming more conscious of the absolute necessity of proficiency in the practical exposition of their art. *Rope-Sight* has now for a dozen years or so been a powerful assistant in the training of young ringers through their initiatory stages. The fourth edition is well calculated to become even more so; it should therefore be found on every ringers' book shelves, and be placed in the hands of every young recruit as soon as he commences his training.

**MINEHEAD (Somerset).**—On Wednesday, April 15th, the Dunster Guild visited the church of St. Michael to attempt Shipway's ten-part peal of Grandsire Triples, but after ringing 4536 changes in 2 hrs. 50 mins. it came to grief owing to the breaking of the sixth rope. G. Atkins, 1; T. Elliott, 2; R. Hole, 3; J. Tudball, 4; W. W. Thorne, 5; W. W. Thrush, 6; J. Grabham (conductor), 7; J. Payne, 8.

**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 of foreign 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.

## Correspondence.

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

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

## THE RIGHT OF ACCESS TO BELFRIES.

SIR,—From occasional reports of "unpleasantness" in connection with access to belfries, it would seem that the clergy themselves are hardly aware how absolute is their own legal control over bells and belfry; and how illegal an act it is for steeplekeeper, churchwarden, or any other official, either to admit or to exclude ringers without, or contrary to, the orders of the incumbent. "He alone (I quote from a recognised authority on Church law) has any legal right to the keys of the churchyard, belfry, nave, vestry, and chancel; and no one can legally use them for entrance thereto, except by his permission." . . . "The belfry is not less under his control than other parts of the church. Access cannot be had to it, nor can the bells be rung without his consent; and if the bells are rung after he has forbidden the ringers to ring them, very serious consequences may result to the ringers." It follows that no one else can refuse access to the belfry: and a steeplekeeper who took upon himself to do so, after the incumbent had given leave of entry, would be lightly (but deservedly) punished by dismissal from his office. If the clergy would retain in their own hands the power which the law gives them, instead of leaving it to injudicious subordinates, the difficulties which sometimes arise would disappear. Ringers, on the other hand, who wish to visit strange belfries, should always endeavour to obtain a direct yes or no from the clergyman himself, and not trust to the good feeling or discretion of a subordinate who may be jealous alike of strangers and of change-ringers.

Writtle Vicarage, Chelmsford.

T. L. PAPILLON.

## INFORMATION WANTED.

SIR,—When I saw the announcements of the coming meetings of the College Youths with special reference to our Central Council's decision on the seven-bell peal question, I, as a member of that Society of some years' standing, felt a bit curious as to the result. Now, no one will dispute the right of any individual Society or Association to consent or refuse to book peals of the description in question, seeing that the Council simply decided upon the principle of the thing, and which decision, to my mind, was the only sensible one that it could come to, under the circumstances. Technically, a true and complete 5040 of Triples is as much a peal as the same number of Major—cover or no cover. As to the advisability (or even sensibility) of ringing that without the covering tenor, is quite another matter, and one upon which the Council was not asked to pronounce an opinion. But as to the precipitous action taken by the College Youths, there will be different opinions. Thus I think it is only fair that the Secretary of that Society should inform us what was the number of members present at St. Saviour's when the whole body were committed to the decision not to score peals of Triples, Caters, or Cinques, without the covering tenor.

A COLLEGE YOUTH.

## CLERGYMEN IN THE BELFRY.

SIR,—I noticed your editorial remarks in last issue respecting new peals of bells and old ones restored. Since I have taken "THE BELL NEWS" I have been glad to notice and read the many reports of new bells being erected, and the restoration of others, and yet no doubt, many churches do not possess a peal, and others which do, but from various causes, they hang silent and neglected. I know of one church wherein is a ring of six, and until recently, they have been regularly rung for a great number of years; but owing to some slight disagreement between the vicar and ringers, are now silent. In reading through *Church Bells* and "THE BELL NEWS" weekly, I note with satisfaction the number of clergymen who now take an interest in ringing, and I venture to hope their number may go on increasing rapidly; it will then not be such a rare occurrence to see the clergyman in the belfry. A vicar of a parish church, speaking at a meeting (of ringers) recently, regretted his not more frequent visits to the ringing chamber, and promised amendment, and yet I am afraid there are a great many like him who could find excuses for their absence. At those places where we find the clergy taking an interest in our art, it will, I venture to think, be found that ringing flourishes.

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## The Bell News &amp; Ringers' Record.

SATURDAY, MAY 9, 1891.

OUR obituary notices show that the King of terrors has held sway during the past fortnight. And not only with ringers has this been the case. The Archbishop of York, at a good age certainly, but with promise of years to administer with his great wisdom and vigour the northern archiepiscopal see, has been called away, greatly to the regret not only of Churchmen, but of the dissenting communities in the diocese.

We have particularly to mourn the loss of a ringer who occupied a unique position in the Exercise. CAPTAIN MOORE was no ordinary man. We do not mean that he was possessed of transcendental abilities as a ringer, or that he was a profound scholar or metaphysician. He was a very good ringer nevertheless, but unlike many others (who were not so good), he didn't know it. That is to say he did not trumpet forth his powers, or push himself forward and demand to be in this, that, or the other; but he preferred to remain in the background, satisfied with his position, but ready and willing to step forth at the call of duty in any shape or form; especially if it was duty in connection with that art which he loved. What is said of him in the obituary notice this week is not one atom too much; truly he was all kindness and affection, and we, who knew him long, say that anything like anger was foreign to his nature. Let us hope his type of manhood may more frequently be seen amongst us. Now he sleeps not far from those loved bells which were to him as children, and near to the beautiful tower in which he spent so many hours among them. Here, "where the dust of saints is garner'd," let us leave him, in sure and certain hope, resting "till the MASTER comes once more."

## The Metropolis.

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On Saturday, May 2, 1891, in Four Hours and Four Minutes,

AT CHRIST CHURCH,

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6160 CHANGES. Tenor 25 cwt.

ERNEST EDRIDGE .. .. Treble.	HENRY A. HOPKINS .. .. 5.
BENJAMIN FOSKETT .. .. 2.	JOHN BARBER .. .. 6.
CHARLES H. MARTIN .. .. 3.	ARTHUR JACOB .. .. 7.
WILLIAM SHORT .. .. 4.	GEORGE NEWSON .. .. Tenor.

Composed by WILLIAM SHIPWAY and Conducted by GEORGE NEWSON.



**The Provinces.****WINCHESTER.—THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.***On Tuesday, April 21, 1891, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,*

AT THE CATHEDRAL,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

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Tenor 32 cwt.

JOHN STAPLES .. .. .Treble.	REV. A. D. HILL .. .. 5.
JOHN BALLARD .. .. .2.	HENRY WHITE .. .. .6.
FREDERICK WILSON .. .. 3.	JOHN W. WHITING .. .. 7.
JAMES E. WARREN .. .. 4.	FREDERICK HUGHES.. ..Tenor.

Conducted by HENRY WHITE.

Owing to cramp the tenor man was compelled to retire after 2 hrs. 15 mins., and the peal was finished with seven bells only. This is the first peal on the bells by members of the above Guild. Staples hails from Havant; Warren from Swanmore; Rev. A. D. Hill from Downton; Ballard, Wilson, and White from Basingstoke.

**UPTON ST. LEONARDS, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.****GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.***On Wednesday, April 29, 1891, in Three Hours,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LEONARD,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES.**

Tenor 17½ cwt. in E.

ALFRED A. WAITE .. ..Treble.	JOSEPH H. BRAWN .. .. 5.
WILLIAM H. BRUNSDON .. .. 2.	JOE MORRIS .. .. .6.
HENRY MITCHELL .. .. .3.	JAMES E. GROVES .. .. 7.
ERNEST E. BEWICK .. .. 4.	WILLIAM SMITH .. ..Tenor.

Composed by E. B. JAMES and Conducted by JOSEPH H. BRAWN.

This is a ten-part peal with two common singles, and appeared in "THE BELL NEWS" of January 17th, 1891.

**WEST BROMWICH, STAFFORDSHIRE.****SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.***On Thursday, April 30, 1891, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,*

AT CHRIST CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5003 CHANGES.**

Tenor 23 cwt. 3 qrs. 12 lbs.

HENRY HIPKISS .. ..Treble.	THOMAS HORTON .. .. 6.
SAMUEL REEVES .. .. .2.	WILLIAM R. SMALL .. .. 7.
JOHN CARTER .. .. .3.	REUBEN HALL .. .. .8.
JOHN R. FRISBY .. .. .4.	CHARLES PRICE .. .. .9.
JAMES JONES .. .. .5.	JAMES HALL .. ..Tenor.

Composed and Conducted by JOHN CARTER, of Birmingham.

This peal contains the 6th twenty-four times wrong and right, and was rung on the composer's birthday, his brother-strings wishing him many happy returns.

**HIGH WYCOMBE, BUCKS.—OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**

(EAST BERKS AND SOUTH BUCKS BRANCH.)

*On Friday, May 1, 1891, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,*

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HOLT'S TEN-PART.

Tenor 23 cwt.

E. GADSDEN* .. ..Treble.	W. WHIFFIN .. .. .5.
J. W. WASHBROOK .. .. .2.	REV. F. E. ROBINSON .. .. 6.
A. KIRBY .. .. .3.	†A. W. TUBB .. .. .7.
A. HEADLEY* .. .. .4.	B. PAGE .. .. .8.
	*E. BRITNELL .. ..Tenor.

Conducted by A. W. TUBB.

\*First peal. †First peal as conductor. This is believed to be the first peal of Grandsire Triples on the bells.

**SPELDHURST, KENT.—KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.***On Saturday, May 2, 1891, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

Tenor 12½ cwt.

GEORGE A. CARD* .. ..Treble.	†FREDERICK STILL .. .. 5.
JAMES BAKER .. .. .2.	JAMES MAYNARD .. .. 6.
RICHARD PELLING .. .. .3.	WILLIAM LATTER .. .. 7.
THOMAS CARD .. .. .4.	SAMUEL HODGES .. ..Tenor.

Conducted by GEORGE A. CARD.

\*First peal as conductor. †First peal of Triples.

**WALTON-ON-THE-HILL.—THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—LIVERPOOL DIOCESAN BRANCH.***On Friday, May 1, 1891, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**5040 CHANGES IN SEVEN DIFFERENT METHODS UPON SIX BELLS;***Being 720 each of the following:*

Single Court Bob, Yorkshire Court Bob, College Single, Oxford Single Bob, Grandsire, Plain Bob, and Canterbury Pleasure.

Tenor 9 cwt. in Ab.

THOMAS JOHNSON .. ..Treble.	THOMAS R. SOMERVILLE .. 4.
HENRY KELLY .. .. .2.	WILLIAM BRAMLEY .. .. 5.
ROBERT HURST .. .. .3.	CHARLES E. WILSON ..Tenor.

Conducted by CHARLES E. WILSON.

This is the second performance of the kind by the above Association. Rung as a compliment to the churchwardens, Messrs. R. Kelly and J. Parry.

**ALDENHAM, HERTS.—HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.***On Saturday, May 2, 1891, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HOLT'S TEN-PART.

W. HEWITT* .. ..Treble.	*H. J. WRIGHT .. .. .5.
R. WEATHERLEY .. .. .2.	H. BREWER .. .. .6.
G. W. CARTMEL .. .. .3.	E. P. DEBENHAM .. .. 7.
H. G. ROWE .. .. .4.	*A. CHILDS .. ..Tenor.

Conducted by E. P. DEBENHAM.

\*First peal and first attempt. Messrs. Debenham, Cartmel, Brewer, and Weatherley hail from St. Albans; the rest belong to the local company.

**PERRY BARR, STAFFORDSHIRE.****SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.***On Saturday, May 2, 1891, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES.**

Tenor 13½ cwt. in F#.

JAMES JONES .. ..Treble.	*GEORGE SMITH .. .. .5.
WILLIAM H. GODDEN* .. .. 2.	GEORGE WALKER .. .. 6.
JOHN CARTER .. .. .3.	*WILLIAM LONG .. .. 7.
THOMAS HORTON* .. .. 4.	REUBEN HALL .. ..Tenor.

Composed and Conducted by JOHN CARTER.

This peal is in six parts, with the 4th, 5th, and 6th in 6th's place at the course-ends, the 2nd and 3rd never there. \*First peal of Bob Major.

**CHISLEHURST, KENT.****THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.***On Saturday, May 2, 1891, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

THURSTANS' COMPOSITION REVERSED. Tenor 17½ cwt.

JAMES W. WASHBROOK ..Treble.	HERBERT P. HARMAN .. 5.
THOMAS DURLING* .. .. 2.	HENRY G. FRUIN .. .. 6.
GEORGE CONYARD .. .. .3.	FREDERICK J. FRENCH .. 7.
ISAAC EMERY* .. .. .4.	*GEORGE DURLING .. ..Tenor.

Conducted by JAMES WILLIAM WASHBROOK.

This is the first peal of Stedman on the bells. Also the first peal that has been rung here for over ten years. Messrs. Harman and G. Durling hail from Bromley; T. Durling belongs to the local band. Messrs. Conyard, Emery, French, Fruin, and Washbrook hail from Crayford, St. Mary Cray, Bexley, London, and Oxford respectively. \*First peal of Stedman.

**BROMLEY, KENT.****THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.***On Saturday, May 2, 1891, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HOLT'S TEN-PART.

Tenor 19½ cwt.

FREDK. S. SANDERS ..Treble.	GEORGE DURLING .. .. 5.
PERCY FRANK HARMAN* .. 2.	HERBERT P. HARMAN .. 6.
EDWARD DUNN .. .. .3.	JAMES W. WASHBROOK .. 7.
THOMAS DURLING .. .. 4.	HENRY G. FRUIN .. ..Tenor.

Conducted by JAMES WILLIAM WASHBROOK.

\*First peal with a bob bell. Mr. Washbrook hails from Oxford.

# WARNHAM, SUSSEX.—SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION. (THE WARNHAM BRANCH.)

On Saturday, May 2, 1891, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,  
A PEAL OF OXFORD BOB TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
J. J. PARKER'S SIX-PART.

THOMAS BRANCH .. .. Treble.	WALTER CHARMAN .. .. 5.
JOHN AKEHURST .. .. 2.	WILLIAM SHORT .. .. 6.
THOMAS HOGSFLESH .. .. 3.	HENRY H. CHANDLER .. .. 7.
THOMAS ANDREWS .. .. 4.	JAMES GARMAN .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by HENRY H. CHANDLER.

This is the first peal of Triples by J. Akehurst

# SHENSTONE, STAFFORDSHIRE.

## SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Saturday, May 2, 1891, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
TAYLOR'S SIX-PART. Tenor 13½ cwt. in G.

FREDERICK J. COPE .. .. Treble.	HENRY E. MEACHAM .. .. 5.
FRANCIS SEDGWICK .. .. 2.	JOSEPH KEY .. .. 6.
REV. DONALD JONES .. .. 3.	WILLIAM J. FEARNEYHOUGH .. 7.
WILLIAM J. FORD .. .. 4.	JAMES H. GALLIMORE .. Tenor.

Conducted by FREDERICK JAMES COPE.

\*First peal in the method; also the Rev. D. Jones' first peal with the Association.

# ST. LAWRENCE-ON-SEA, ISLE OF THANET, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 2, 1891, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
THURSTANS' COMPOSITION. Tenor 18 cwt.

ALCHIN MOORCRAFT .. .. Treble.	*REV. E. W. CARPENTER .. .. 5.
WILLIAM E. POPE .. .. 2.	ALFRED PALMER .. .. 6.
EDWARD PRICE .. .. 3.	†EDGAR POPE .. .. 7.
REV. T. J. O. HELMORE .. .. 4.	WILLIAM BOULDEN .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by EDGAR POPE.

\*First peal in the method. †First peal as Conductor in the method. And first in the method by a band resident in the county.

# BIRCHINGTON, ISLE OF THANET, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, May 3, 1891, in Three Hours and Thirty-Six Minutes,

AT THE WATERLOO TOWER, QUEX PARK,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5021 CHANGES.  
Tenor 15 cwt.

ALFRED PALMER .. .. Treble.	WILLIAM E. POPE .. .. 6.
ALCHIN MOORCRAFT .. .. 2.	EDGAR POPE .. .. 7.
EDWARD PRICE .. .. 3.	THOMAS B. REED, JUN. .. 8.
LEON WILLSHIRE .. .. 4.	THOMAS B. REED, SEN. .. 9.
GABRIEL LINDOFF .. .. 5.	WILLIAM BOULDEN .. .. Tenor.

Composed by the late JOHN COX and Conducted by ALFRED PALMER.

The ringers wish to thank H. H. Powell Cotton, Esq., for the use of the bells on this occasion. This is the first peal of Caters by Messrs. Price, Willshire and Boulden.

# FAKENHAM, NORFOLK.

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

On Monday, May 4, 1891, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;  
IN THE OXFORD VARIATION. Tenor 22 cwt.

JOHN SMITH .. .. Treble.	FREDK. H. KNIGHTS, JUN. .. 5.
GEORGE MOY .. .. 2.	FREDK. J. HOWCHIN .. .. 6.
GEORGE HOWCHIN .. .. 3.	JAMES SKINNER .. .. 7.
ARTHUR J. NEALE .. .. 4.	FREDK. KNIGHTS, SEN. .. Tenor.

Composed by the REV. H. EARLE BULWER and Conducted by FREDERICK KNIGHTS.

This peal was rung with the bells half-muffled, as a last tribute of respect to Captain A. P. Moore, of Weybread, late member of the above Association. This is the first peal on the bells. Messrs. Moy and Neale hail from Ayisham; the rest from Norwich.

# ERITH, KENT.—THE SOCIETY OF TRINITY YOUTHS.

On Monday, May 4th, 1891, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES.

IN THE KENT VARIATION.

Tenor 18 cwt.

WILLIAM BEDWELL .. .. Treble.	FREDERICK J. FRENCH .. .. 5.
FREDERICK RUMENS* .. .. 2.	THOMAS TAYLOR .. .. 6.
WILLIAM J. REEVE* .. .. 3.	EDWIN BARNETT .. .. 7.
HERBERT P. HARMAN* .. .. 4.	JAMES W. WASHBROOK .. Tenor.

Composed and Conducted by JAMES WILLIAM WASHBROOK.

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

# GREAT YARMOUTH.

## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, May 5, 1891, in Three Hours and Twenty-Eight Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5219 CHANGES.

Tenor 30 cwt. in D.

GEORGE FLEMING .. .. Treble.	THOMAS TOOLEY .. .. 6.
ROBERT CHRISTIAN .. .. 2.	WILLIAM SECRETT .. .. 7.
JAMES F. BRAY .. .. 3.	WILLIAM FLETCHER .. .. 8.
WILLIAM T. BLYTH .. .. 4.	DENISON HAYWARD .. .. 9.
MATTHEW LONG .. .. 5.	ARTHUR WEBBER .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by MATTHEW LONG.

The above peal was rung with the bells half-muffled as a token of respect to the late Captain A. P. Moore, of Weybread House, Harleston.

# BIRMINGHAM.—THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD.

On Tuesday, May 5th, 1891, in Three hours and Twenty-One Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5003 CHANGES.

H. BASTABLE .. .. Treble.	G. BALDWIN .. .. 6.
W. H. GODDEN .. .. 2.	W. LONG .. .. 7.
T. REYNOLDS .. .. 3.	C. STANBRIDGE .. .. 8.
A. ROBERTS .. .. 4.	W. KENT .. .. 9.
J. PLANT .. .. 5.	H. JOHNSON .. .. Tenor.

Composed and Conducted by W. KENT.

This peal contains the 6th twenty-four courses behind the 9th and 8th.

# Date Touches.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

AYLESFORD (Kent).—On Thursday, April 23rd, for practice at St. Peter's church, a date touch of 1891 Grandsire Triples, in 1 hr. 8 mins. H. Grice, 1; G. Wakefield, 2; J. Humphrey, 3; H. E. Simpson (conductor), 4; W. Wilson, 5; E. Perrin, 6; T. M. Durban, 7; W. French, 8. This touch is the composition of H. W. Wilde, of Sandiacre, and appeared in "THE BELL NEWS" of March 14, 1891.

## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

READING (Berks).—On Sunday evening, April 26th, at St. Giles' church, a date touch of 1891 Grandsire Triples, in 1 hr. 10 mins. H. Dibley, 1; R. T. Hibbert, 2; J. F. Tarrant, 3; F. Sweetzer, 4; J. Potter, 5; J. E. Willshire, 6; A. E. Reeves (composer and conductor), 7; H. Smart, 8. Tenor 15 cwt.

CRAWLEY (Sussex).—On Thursday, April 16th, at the parish church after an unsuccessful attempt for a peal of Oxford Bob Triples, a date touch of Grandsire Triples in 1 hr. 7 mins. F. Rice, 1; G. Pace (longest length with a bob bell), 2; J. Parker (conductor), 3; F. Wickens, 4; E. Dewey, 5; R. Jordan, 6; W. Collison, 7; J. Taylor, 8. Composed by John Aspinwall, of Liverpool, and rung as a birthday compliment to E. Dewey.

LAVENHAM (Suffolk).—On Monday, April 20th, at the church of SS. Peter and Paul, a date touch of Grandsire Triples, 1891 changes, in 1 hr. 15 mins. C. Fisk, 1; H. Parker, 2; C. Jarvis, 3; A. Symonds, 4; W. Bumpstead (Eye), 5; W. Snell, 6; T. King (composer and conductor), 7; W. Moore, 8.

## Miscellaneous.

## THE SOCIETY OF TRINITY YOUTHS.

BERMONDSEY (Surrey).—On Saturday, April 18th, at St. James's church, the first half of Holt's ten-part peal of Grandsire Triples (reversed), 2520 changes, in 1 hr. 28 mins. H. Langdon, jun., 1; J. J. Lamb, 2; T. Durling, 3; T. Taylor, 4; W. Weatherstone, 5; F. W. Thornton (conductor), 6; C. S. Burden, 7; F. Bate, 8.

LEWISHAM (Kent).—On Saturday, April 25th, at St. Mary's church, 1260 Grandsire Triples in 44 mins. A. C. Bedwell, 1; H. Warnett, 2; W. G. Grove, 3; J. Rose, 4; F. Rumens, 5; J. E. Davis, 6; W. Bedwell (conductor), 7; H. Barrett, 8. Rung on the occasion of the consecration of the Bishop of Rochester at Westminster Abbey.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

AYLESFORD (Kent).—On Sunday morning, April 26th, at St. Peter's church, for Divine Service, 700 Grandsire Triples, taken from Holt's Original. H. Grice, 1; G. Wakefield, 2; J. Humphrey, 3; W. Wilson, 4; H. E. Simpson, 5; E. Penn, 6; T. M. Durban (conductor), 7; W. Harriss, 8. For evening service, 840 Grandsire Triples. H. Grice, 1; W. French, 2; G. Wakefield, 3; W. Wilson, 4; H. E. Simpson, 5; E. Penn, 6; T. M. Durban (conductor), 7; W. Harris, 8.

ROCHESTER (Kent).—On Sunday evening, April 26th, for Divine Service at St. Margaret's church, 720 Canterbury Pleasure. O. Sullivan, 1; E. Rayner, 2; G. Chantler, 3; J. Tulett, 4; J. P. Ridd, 5; W. Baker (conductor), 6. First 720 in the method by all the above.

LEEDS (Kent).—On Friday, April 10th, at the parish church, 720 Bob Minor in 30 mins. T. Earll (conductor), 1; W. Hadlow, 2; H. Hollands, 3; F. Hollands, 4; W. Cheeseman, 5; T. Russell, 6. And on Friday, April 17th, 720 Bob Minor with 7-8 covering. T. Earll (conductor), 1; W. Hadlow, 2; J. Fermor, 3; H. Hollands, 4; W. Cheeseman, 5; F. Hollands, 6; T. Russell, 7; W. King, 8. Also on Friday, April 24th, 336 Bob Major. T. Earll, 1; A. Knight, 2; J. Fermor, 3; W. Hadlow, 4; H. Hollands (conductor), 5; F. Hollands, 6; W. Cheeseman, 7; T. Russell, 8. And 360 Bob Minor with 7-8 covering. A. Knight, 1; W. Hadlow, 2; J. Fermor, 3; F. Hollands (conductor), 4; W. Cheeseman, 5; T. Russell, 6; E. Randall, 7; A. Randall, 8. Tenor 20 cwt. in F. Messrs. Fermor, Hadlow, A. Randall, and E. Randall hail from Harrietham.

SWANSCOMBE (Kent).—On Monday, April 27th, for practice at the parish church, 720 Cambridge Surprise. L. Digweed, 1; F. Hayes, 2; F. Ring, 3; M. Digby, 4; W. Martin, 5; W. Harper (conductor), 6. First 720 in the method by all. It is also the first 720 in a Surprise method by the above Association.

## THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

CROYDON (Surrey).—On Tuesday, April 28th, at the church of St. John the Baptist, a quarter-peal of Bob Major, 1264 changes. A. E. Collins, 1; A. Arnold, 2; H. Brooker, 3; A. B. Carpenter (composer and conductor), 4; G. Burt, 5; W. States, 6; T. Verrall, 7; W. Hill, 8. Tenor 32 cwt. This is the longest length of Major on the bells.

## THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

BATTERSEA (Surrey).—On Sunday morning, April 26th, for Divine Service at the parish church, the last 742 of Holt's Original in 30 mins. H. N. Davis, 1; W. Baron, sen., 2; H. A. Hopkins (conductor), 3; S. Baker, 4; W. Baron, jun., 5; F. Pitts, 6; A. Swetman, 7; T. Comley, 8.

## THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—LIVERPOOL DIOCESAN BRANCH.

WALTON-ON-THE-HILL (Lancashire).—On Sunday morning, April 19th, for Divine Service at St. Mary's parish church, 720 Canterbury Pleasure Minor in 27 mins. And in the evening 720 Oxford Single Bob Minor (twenty-eight bobs and fourteen singles) in 24 mins. Composed by C. E. Wilson. T. Johnson, 1; H. Kelly, 2; R. Hurst, 3; T. R. Somerville, 4; W. Bromley, 5; C. E. Wilson (conductor), 6. Tenor 9 cwt.

## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

CLEWER.—On Tuesday, April 21st, at St. Andrew's church, 720 Grandsire Doubles called different. H. Webb, 1; G. Stanbrook, 2; S. Quinton, T. Gosling, 4; R. Flaxman (conductor), 5. And another 720 of Grandsire Doubles. W. Ware, 1; S. Quinton, 2; G. Stanbrook, 3; A. Andrews (conductor), 4; R. Flaxman, 5.

OLD WINDSOR (Berks).—On Monday, April 26th, at the parish church, 720 Grandsire Doubles with 4-6-8 covering. J. Bartholomew, 1; T. Shanks, 2; W. Ware, 3; H. Webb (conductor), 4; T. Gosling, 5; H. Mead, 6; F. Tindall, 7; G. Williams, 8. Also four courses of

Triples. H. Mead, 1; W. Ware, 2; J. Bartholomew, 3; T. Shanks, 4; T. Gosling, 5; R. Flaxman (conductor), 6; G. Williams, 7; H. Webb, 8. This was rung with the bells half-muffled as a token of respect to the late Rev. S. F. Marshall, late rector of Farnham Royal.

## THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

FOXEARH (Essex).—On Saturday, April 25th, at the parish church, 720 Oxford Treble Bob Minor. R. Mingay, 1; S. Evans, 2; G. Green, 3; F. Hawkins, 4; N. Hawkins, 5; W. Gridley (conductor), 6. And on Sunday afternoon, April 26th, for Divine Service, 720 Oxford Treble Bob Minor. W. Gridley, 1; R. Theobald, 2; G. Green, 3; S. Evans, 4; R. Brett, 5; A. Clarke (conductor), 6. Also in the evening 560 Bob Major. A. Clarke, 1; R. Brett, 2; S. Evans, 3; G. Green, 4; R. Theobald, 5; R. Inch, 6; G. Smith, 7; O. Garwood (conductor), 8. And a course of Kent Treble Bob Major. O. Garwood, 1; G. Green, 2; S. Evans, 3; A. Clarke, 4; R. Theobald, 5; R. Inch, 6; G. Smith, 7; R. Brett, 8. The Messrs. Hawkins hail from Belchamp; Garwood from Glemsford; Clarke, Brett, Theobald, and Smith from Stanstead, Suffolk; the rest are local men.

## WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

ARELEY KINGS (Worcestershire).—On Monday, April 20th, at the parish church, 720 Canterbury Pleasure. T. Griffiths, 1; W. Martin, 2; T. Elcox, 3; W. Wakeman, 4; J. Bennett, 5; C. Beaman (conductor), 6. And 360 Grandsire Minor. T. Fowles, 1; W. Wakeman, 2; T. Elcox, 3; J. Reynolds, 4; T. Griffiths, 5; J. Bennett (conductor), 6. Messrs. Bennett and Wakeman hail from Kidderminster.

## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

LEISTON (Suffolk).—On Sunday, April 19th, at the parish church, for Divine Service in the morning, 608 Bob Major. J. Flegg, 1; W. Taylor, 2; H. J. Button, 3; G. Wilson, 4; C. Lincoln, 5; J. Button, 6; F. Argent, 7; A. J. Lincoln (conductor), 8. And on Saturday, April 25th, an attempt was made for a peal of Oxford Treble Bob Major, but it came to grief after ringing 1200 changes in 45 mins. F. Argent, 1; W. Taylor, 2; W. Drew, 3; R. Wells (conductor), 4; F. Page, 5; H. J. Button, 6; J. Button, 7; A. J. Lincoln, 8. Also 504 Grandsire Triples. F. Argent, 1; W. Taylor, 2; W. Drew, 3; R. Wells, 4; F. Page, 5; J. Button, 6; A. J. Lincoln (conductor), 7; J. Flegg, 8. Messrs. Drew and Page hail from Kelsale; Wells from Benhall; the rest belong to Leiston.

## THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

GUILDFORD (Surrey).—At St. Nicolas' church, on Thursday, April 16th, for practice, 504 Stedman Triples. F. Bennett (conductor), 1; W. Grove, 2; F. W. J. Rees, 3; J. J. Jones, 4; T. H. Colburn, 5; M. Brown, 6; G. H. Croucher, 7; C. W. Miller, 8. Tenor 23 cwt.

## THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

CREWE.—On Sunday morning, April 19th, for Divine Service at Christ Church, 518 Grandsire Triples. J. Wright, 1; J. Broome, jun., 2; A. Wilson, 3; R. Langford, 4; A. Jarvis, 5; R. T. Holding (conductor), 6; G. Harding, 7; J. Emery, 8. For evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 50 mins., the ringers standing as above. This quarter-peal is the longest length yet rung on the bells by a local band; also the longest touch in the method by all except the conductor, and was rung at the first attempt. It is also the first quarter-peal the conductor has ever attempted to call. Tenor 21 cwt.

## THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

BURWARTON.—At the parish church on Friday, March 20th, 720 Grandsire Doubles (six different 6-scores). J. Bowen, 1; J. Underwood, 2; J. Preece, 3; W. Bowen, 4; W. H. Fussell, 5; J. Welling, 6. Also during the same week several 6-scores conducted by J. T. Sanderson on the 5th, with A. Price, 1; and J. Faulkner, 6. Tenor 14 cwt.

CHETTON.—At the parish church on Wednesday, March 8th, two 6-scores of Grandsire Doubles. H. Jones, 1; W. H. Fussell, 2; T. A. A. Jones, 3; A. Jones, 4; T. Jones, 5; J. Evans, 6. Tenor 13½ cwt. Owing to the absence of A. W. Caddell, Esq., and the illness of their third man, J. Jones, very little practice is now made. Mr. Evans is seventy-five years of age, and has been a ringer in the parish most of his life.

BRIDGNORTH.—Handbell Ringing.—Recently at St. Leonard's a 720 Grandsire Minor in 26 mins. E. Hall, 1; Rev. J. Davies, 2; J. Overton, 3; W. H. Warren, 4; F. Cooksey, 5; W. H. Fussell, 6. Also the first 504 of Holt's ten-part peal of Grandsire Triples. E. Hall, 1; Rev. J. Davies, 2; W. H. Fussell (conductor), 3-4; W. H. Warren, 5; F. Cooksey, 6; J. Overton, 7-8. The following newly-elected members of the

parish ringers qualified as change-ringers by ringing in a 6-score of Doubles; E. Hall, W. Maund, C. Granger, H. Rogers, and W. Fryer. Also the following members of the Amateur Society: Rev. J. Davies, F. Cooksey, H. Chandler, C. Gough, A. Goodson, and W. George.

**COALBROOKDALE.**—On Friday, April 17th, at the parish church, three courses of Bob Triples. S. Hughes, 1; W. Price, 2; A. L. Wale, 3; W. Fussell, 4; J. Day, 5; W. Morgan, 6; D. Bradburn (conductor), 7; R. Jones, 8.

**MADELEY.**—On Wednesday, April 15th, the Coalbrookdale men visited this church and rang several 6-scores of Grandsire and Bob Doubles. The sexton, Mr. Taylor, kindly made matters all right for them to ring. On the way home a call was made at the "Frog and Linnet."

**BOCKING (Essex).**—On Sunday afternoon, April 26th, for Divine Service at St. Mary's church, 720 Bob Minor. S. Sargent, 1; F. Radley, 2; W. Moore, 3; C. Bearman, 4; H. E. Hammond (conductor), 5; F. White (Croydon), 6.

**BRAINTREE (Essex).**—On Sunday morning, April 26th, for Divine Service at St. Michael's church, 720 Bob Minor. T. Watson, 1; F. Calthorpe, 2; H. E. Hammond (conductor), 3; C. Howard, 4; F. Rudkin, 5; F. White (Croydon), 6. Also for evening service 720 Woodbine Treble Bob. T. Watson, 1; F. Calthorpe, 2; F. Davey (Halstead, first 720 in the method), 3; H. E. Hammond (conductor), 4; F. Rudkin, 5; C. Howard, 6.

**FENNY STRATFORD (Bucks).**—On Saturday, April 18th, at the parish church, a mixed company from Aspley Guise and Woburn, Beds, rang 720 Plain Bob Minor in 22 mins. Tenor 9 cwt. R. Wells, 1; Chas. Herbert, 2; E. Norman, 3; W. Mynard, 4; W. Smith, 5; W. Chibnall (conductor), 6. Also another 720. R. Wells, 1; Cyril Herbert, 2; W. Mynard, 3; E. Norman, 4; W. Chibnall, 5; M. Lane (conductor), 6. And 360. E. Norman, 1; Chas. Herbert, 2; W. Mynard, 3; Cyril Herbert, 4; M. Lane, 5; W. Chibnall (conductor), 6.

**GLEMSFORD (Suffolk).**—On Saturday, April 11th, 720 New London Pleasure. C. Adams, 1; C. Honeybell, 2; D. Gridley (first 720 in the method), 3; F. Wells, 4; Z. Slater, 5; S. Slater (conductor), 6. On Saturday, April 25th, 720 Bob Minor. R. Brett (conductor), 1; F. Wells, 2; D. Gridley, 3; C. Rawlinson, 4; R. Theobald, 5; C. Howe, 6. Also 720 Kent Treble Bob (fifteen bobs). A. J. Clarke, 1; C. Honeybell, 2; D. Gridley, 3; G. Smith, 4; R. Gowers, 5; S. Slater (conductor), 6. Messrs. Brett, Theobald, Clarke, Smith and Gowers hail from Stanstead; Gridley from Clare; Howe and Rawlinson from Poslingford; the rest are local men.

**LAVENHAM (Suffolk).**—On Monday, April 27th, at the church of SS. Peter and Paul, 1008 Grandsire Triples in 40 mins. W. Boby, 1; W. Hollocks, 2; H. Parker, 3; H. Smith, 4; C. Jarvis, 5; W. Snell, 6; T. King (conductor), 7; W. Moore, 8. This is the first attempt by W. Hollocks, who hails from Preston, Suffolk.

**LEICESTER.**—On Saturday, April 25th, at St. Saviour's church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples. — Kirby, 1; A. Millis, 2; J. O. Lancashire, 3; S. Cotton (conductor), 4; G. Walton, 5; W. Challenor, 6; J. Needham, 7; J. Tomlinson, 8.

**LINCOLN.**—On Sunday evening, April 12th, for Divine Service at the church of St. Peter-at-Gowts, 720 Duke of York Treble Bob (nine bobs) in 26 mins. W. Weaver, 1; T. Walker, 2; H. Hoyes, 3; P. Herrick, 4; H. Palmer, 5; W. Knowles (conductor), 6. This is the seventh different method now rung by the above company.

**MANUDEN (Essex).**—On Tuesday, April 14th, for practice at St. Mary's church, ten 6-scores of Grandsire Doubles and three 6-scores of Antelope, each 6-score called differently. G. Prior, 1; J. Harvey, 2; G. Harvey, 3; H. Prior (conductor), 4; F. W. Tharby, 5. Tenor 11 cwt.

**MELBOURNE (Derbyshire).**—On Tuesday, April 21st, at the parish church, the following members of the St. Michael's society rang a 720 of Grandsire Minor in 26 mins. J. Hough (first in the method), 1; J. R. Wood, 2; F. Hollingworth (first with a bob bell), 3; J. W. Warren, 4; T. Hollingworth, 5; G. C. Tunnicliff (conductor), 6.

**NORTON (Staffordshire).**—On Sunday evening, April 26th, for Divine Service at the parish church, 720 Court Bob in 27 mins. G. Wood, 1; W. Tabernor, 2; J. Wood, 3; J. Baddeley, 4; E. Glover, 5; W. Baddeley (conductor), 6.

**OCKLEY (Surrey).**—On Sunday, April 5th, for Divine Service at the parish church, 720 Plain Bob Minor. G. Cox, 1; J. Akehurst, 2; J. Parsons, 3; C. Eagles, 4; A. Mills, 5; D. Jordan (conductor), 6. Also 720 Oxford Single Bob Minor. J. Taylor, 1; J. Parsons, 2; G. Cox, 3; W. Mills, 4; P. Du Stoy, 5; A. Mills (conductor), 6. And 360 in the same method standing as before.

**OLD HILL (Staffordshire).**—On Thursday, April 16th, at Holy

Trinity church, 720 Grandsire Minor in 28 mins. A. H. Bassano, Esq., 1; E. Bird, 2; H. Cartwright, 3; T. H. Smith, 4; H. Mason, 5; A. E. Parsons (conductor), 6. And on Sunday, April 19th, 434 Grandsire Triples. E. Bird, 1; T. H. Smith, 2; A. H. Bassano (conductor), 3; Rev. C. W. Bassano, 4; H. Cartwright, 5; A. E. Parsons, 6; H. Mason, 7; W. Priest, 8. Also 518 Grandsire Triples. E. Bird, 1; T. H. Smith, 2; A. E. Parsons (conductor), 3; H. Cartwright, 4; A. H. Bassano, 5; Rev. C. W. Bassano, 6; H. Mason, 7; W. Priest, 8. The above touches were rung to celebrate the anniversary of the opening of the church, April 19th, 1876.

**ROWLEY REGIS (Staffordshire).**—On Tuesday, April 21st, at the parish church, 720 Grandsire Minor in 27½ mins. D. Woodhouse, 1; B. Lowe, 3; B. Bate, 4; H. Bennett, 5; J. Bate, 6; H. Mason (conductor), 7; B. Oakley, 8. Also on Sunday, April 26th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples in 42 mins. D. Woodhouse, 1; H. Bennett, 2; B. Lowe, 3; S. Mills, 4; R. Bird, 5; J. Bate, 6; H. Mason (conductor), 7; J. Haynes, 8. Messrs. Mason and Bird belong to Old Hill.

**SEAL CHART (Kent).**—On Tuesday, April 28th, at the parish church, 360 Bob Minor in 12 mins. C. Seager, 1; H. R. Wilkinson, 2; R. J. Saxby, 3; G. P. Burr, 4; D. J. Goldsmith, 5; B. Basset (conductor), 6. Longest touch in the method by all the band except B. Basset, late of Heene, Sussex.

**TAUNTON (Somerset).**—On Sunday, April 12th, at James' church, 360 Grandsire Minor. S. Radford, 1; R. Crossman, 2; J. Summerhayes, 3; J. Burge, 4; J. Cridland, 5; J. Maddock (conductor), 6.

#### WHITSUNTIDE HOLIDAY TRAIN ARRANGEMENTS.

**THE MIDLAND RAILWAY.**—On Saturday, May 16th next, Excursion Trains will run from St. Pancras, Kentish Town, Victoria (L. C. & D.) Moorgate-street, Aldersgate-street, and Farringdon-street, for three or six days to the Midland, Yorkshire, Lancashire, and English Lake Districts. The tickets issued for these trains will be available for returning on Monday, May 18th, or on Thursday, May 21st. Fares and particulars of return trains, together with a classified list of towns to which these excursions run may be had at all the offices of the company. Excursion trains to London, at similar fares, will also run from Carlisle, York, Leeds, Bradford, Sheffield, Liverpool, Southport, Manchester, Blackburn, Bolton, Burnley, Oldham, Rochdale, Bury, Lincoln, Nottingham, Derby, Leicester, Birmingham, Walsall, Wolverhampton, and other stations, on Saturday, May 16th, and Monday, May 18th, returning on Wednesday, May 20th, or Saturday, May 23rd. On Whit-Monday, May 18th, an Excursion train will run from London to Kettering for one day only; to Birmingham for one or four days; and from St. Albans, Luton, Bedford, Wellingborough, and Kettering, to Birmingham for one day, by this company's route. Cheap Excursion trains will also run from Birmingham to London on Saturday and Monday, May 16th and 18th. And on Friday, May 22nd, 1891, a Cheap Excursion train will run to Manchester, by the above company's route, through Matlock and the Peak of Derbyshire, for two days, leaving St. Pancras at 12.5 a.m. (five minutes after Thursday midnight) and Kentish Town at 12.10 a.m. Full particulars as to times of starting, fares, etc., may be obtained from any of the company's offices in London or the provinces.

**LONDON, CHATHAM, AND DOVER.**—On Whit-Sunday, and Monday, Excursion Trains for one day only, will leave Holborn Viaduct, Victoria, St. Paul's (City Station, Queen Victoria Street), Brixton, Herne Hill, Elephant and Castle, and Loughboro' Junction, for Whitstable, Herne Bay, Birchington, Margate, Broadstairs, Ramsgate, Sittingbourne, Faversham, Canterbury, Kearsney, Martin Mill, Walmer, Deal, Dover, Queenboro', Sheerness Dockyard, and Sheerness-on-Sea. Full particulars of other trains, and fares, and times of starting and returning, may be obtained from the published handbills and time tables of this Company, at all their offices in London and the provinces.

**LONDON BRIGHTON AND SOUTH COAST.**—This Company announce Special cheap fast return trains, from Saturday, 16th May, to the following Tuesday, from London to Portsmouth and the Isle of Wight and back; from the Isle of Wight and Portsmouth to London and back; from London to Midhurst and back; from Midhurst to London and back; and to Brighton and back; from London Bridge and all Metropolitan Stations. On Whit-Sunday, May 17th, Special cheap fast trains to Portsmouth and the Isle of Wight, also to Havant, Chichester, Bognor, Littlehampton, Arundel and Midhurst, to Brighton and Worthing; Bexhill, St. Leonards and Hastings and back; Lewes and Eastbourne and back; and on Whit-Monday, similar cheap fast trains will also run. Full particulars of other trains, and fares, and times of starting and returning, may be obtained from the published handbills and time tables of this Company, at all their offices in London and the provinces.

## Notices.

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

**Worcestershire and Districts Association.**—Will all ringing and visiting friends please note that the weekly practice at St. Andrew's church, Netherton, will be held for a short time on Tuesday evenings at 7.45 instead of Thursday. JOHN SMITH, *Hon. Sec.*  
37, Simms Lane, Netherton, near Dudley.

**Oxford Diocesan Guild.**—Until the Annual Meeting of this Guild, the acting Secretary and Treasurer is R. H. HART-DAVIS.  
Dunsden Vicarage, Reading.

**St. Martin's Guild, Birmingham.**—The last smoking concert of the present season will be held at the Tamworth Arms, Moor Street, Birmingham, to-day, Saturday, May 9th. Chair to be taken at 8 o'clock. Any ringers and friends will be cordially welcomed.  
W. H. GODDEN, *Hon. Sec.*

**Lancashire Association.**—The next Quarterly Meeting will be held at Bolton parish church to-day, Saturday, May 9th.  
J. REDFORD, } *Hon. Secs.*  
A. E. WREAKS, }

**Midland Counties' Association.**—Nottingham District.—The next monthly meeting of this district will be held at Sandiacre, to-day, Saturday, May 9th. Belfry open at 3 o'clock.  
6, Osmaston Street, ALBERT LAMBERT, *Local Sec.*  
New Lenton, Nottingham.

**Essex Association.**—The annual meeting will be held at Chelmsford on Whit-Monday, May 18th. Divine Service at 11.0, with address by the Rev. F. H. Fisher, late vicar of Fulham. Business meeting at 12.15. Dinner (1s. per head to members) at 1.45. Reduced fares as usual. Notice of intention to be present should be sent to me (or to Rev. H. T. W. Eyre, Great Totham, Witham), not later than May 11th. T. L. PAPILLON, *Hon. Sec.*  
Writtle, Chelmsford.

**Durham and Newcastle Diocesan Association.**—A General Meeting will be held on Whit-Monday at Bishop Auckland. The Committee Meeting will be held at 12.0 p.m., at the "Crown and Anchor." The peal of eight (tenor 11½ cwt.) at St. Andrew's will be at the disposal of the ringers. L. NEWTON, *Hon. Sec.*  
Earls House, Durham.

**St. James' Society, London.**—The business meetings of this society will on and after Monday, May 11th, continue to be held at the "Essex Head," Essex Street, Strand, the re-building of which has just been completed and a room provided for members.  
8, Francis Street, GEO. W. WILD, *Sec.*  
Waterloo Road, S.E.

**Stoke Archidiaconal Association.**—A meeting of the above will be held on Whitsun Monday, May 18th, at the parish church, Cheadle. Members intending to be present, are requested to inform Mr. J. Burton, High Street, Cheadle, not later than Saturday, 16th.  
REV. R. B. TONGE, } *Hon. Secs.*  
W. TWIGG, }

**St. Stephen's Society, Westminster.**—A meeting will be held in the Tower (Rochester Row), on Thursday, May 14th, at 9.0 p.m., with reference to the Annual outing. Members are requested to attend. Practice as usual at 7.45.

**Winchester Diocesan Guild.**—A committee meeting will be held at Kingston Vicarage, Portsea, on Tuesday, May 26th, at 3 o'clock, to consider the arrangements for the Annual Festival. R. C. M. HARVEY.  
The Vicarage, Portsea.

**North Notts Ringers' Association.**—Annual meeting of members at Worksop, on Whit Monday, May 18th, 1891. Short service at 2 p.m. Tea at 4 p.m., free to members. Visitors one shilling each. Annual meeting 5 p.m. HENRY T. SLODDEN, *Sec.*

**The Raunds, Wellingborough and District Society.**—The annual meeting will be held on Whit Monday, May 8th, at Earls Barton. Bands from Earls Barton, Wellingborough, Rushden, Kettering, Higham Ferrers, and Raunds will attend. The Sermon at the Service will be preached by the Rev. R. R. Cobbold, vicar of Earls Barton. Each set of ringers to bring their cards of membership, signed by their clergyman, for the present year.  
HUGH BRYAN, *Hon. Sec.*

**NOTE TO THE PEAL RUNG AT FAKENHAM, NORFOLK.**—The ringers were congratulated after descending tower, by the rector and other gentlemen of the town. They take this opportunity of thanking Mr. Waterson, the Master, and his company of ringers, for the kind way in which they entertained them at tea.

## 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 request.

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB ROYAL,  
By N. J. PITSTOW, *Saffron Walden.*

5000.					
2	3	4	5	6	M W H
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5	2	4	3	6	2 2 2
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The 6th her extent at home in nine courses, and the 5th eighteen times at home.

## A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAXIMUS.

By YORK GREEN, *College Youths.*

5040.					
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3	2	6	5	4	2 2 1
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TWO PEALS OF CANTERBURY  
PLEASURE MAJOR.

By E. BARNETT, *Crayford.*

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24563	-	-	-	-	-	52463	-	-	-	-	-
43562	-	-	-	-	-	42365	-	-	-	-	-
53264	-	-	-	-	-	34265	-	-	-	-	-
23465	-	-	-	-	-	24563	-	-	-	-	-
35462	-	-	-	-	-	43562	-	-	-	-	-
52463	-	-	-	-	-	53264	-	-	-	-	-
42365	-	-	-	-	-	23465	-	-	-	-	-
34265	-	-	-	-	-	35462	-	-	-	-	-
45263	-	-	-	-	-	45263	-	-	-	-	-
25364	-	-	-	-	-	25364	-	-	-	-	-
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52346	-	-	-	-	-	42536	-	-	-	-	-
35246	-	-	-	-	-	43256	-	-	-	-	-
23546	-	-	-	-	-	45326	-	-	-	-	-
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In the second part of the first peal given the last twelve courses must be called the same as in the 5056.

The 5056 may also be reduced to 5008 by calling the last twelve courses the same as in the first peal.

Each peal contains the sixth her extent wrong and right.

TWO PEALS OF CANTERBURY  
PLEASURE MAJOR.

By E. BARNETT, *Crayford.*

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52463	-	-	-	-	-	53264	-	-	-	-	-
42365	-	-	-	-	-	25364	-	-	-	-	-
34265	-	-	-	-	-	35462	-	-	-	-	-
23465	-	-	-	-	-	45263	-	-	-	-	-
43562	-	-	-	-	-	24563	-	-	-	-	-
53264	-	-	-	-	-	52463	-	-	-	-	-
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52436	-	-	-	-	-	42536	-	-	-	-	-
34526	-	-	-	-	-	43256	-	-	-	-	-
24356	-	-	-	-	-	45326	-	-	-	-	-
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In the second part of the first peal given the first thirteen courses must be called the same as in the 5056.

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# PRUDENTIAL ASSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

HOLBORN BARS, LONDON.

Extracts from the FORTY-SECOND ANNUAL REPORT. For the Year ending 31st December, 1890.

**ORDINARY BRANCH.**—The number of Policies issued during the year was 55,846, assuring the sum of £5,615,676, and producing a New Annual Premium Income of £340,699.  
The Premiums received during the year were £1,162,649, being an increase of £257,734 over the year 1889. The increase in the Premium receipts for the years 1887-90 was £765,709, giving an average increase for the first four years of the Quinquennium, of £191,427 per annum.  
The Claims of the year amounted to £308,076. The number of Policies in force was 220,545.  
**INDUSTRIAL BRANCH.**—The Premiums received during the year were £3,517,925, being an increase of £181,183. The increase in the Premium receipts for the years 1887-90 was £606,630, giving an average increase for the first four years of the Quinquennium, of £151,657 per annum.  
The Claims of the year amounted to £1,489,204. The number of Deaths was 169,890.  
The Number of Policies in force was 9,099,204: the average duration continues to increase, and now exceeds six and a half years.  
The total Assets of the Company have been raised during the year from £10,946,156, to £12,579,870, being an increase of £1,633,714.  
The Balance Sheet has been again submitted to the independent professional audit of Messrs. DELOITTE, DEVER, GRIFFITHS & Co.

GENERAL BALANCE SHEET OF THE PRUDENTIAL ASSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED, ON THE 31st DECEMBER, 1890.

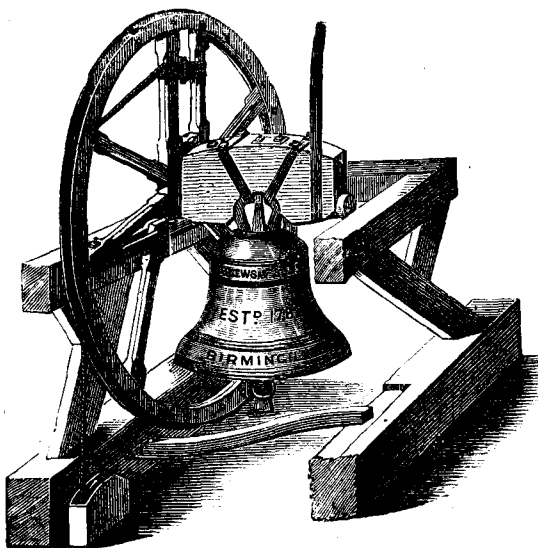
LIABILITIES.				ASSETS.			
	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Shareholders' Capital	200,000	0	0	British Government Securities (Consols)	1,237,327	18	9
Ordinary Branch Funds	4,439,792	4	0	Railway and other Debentures	1,849,221	3	6
Industrial Branch Fund	7,912,205	16	9	Loans on Municipal and other Rates	2,850,515	11	6
Claims under Life Policies admitted	27,871	19	9	Freehold Ground Rents and Scotch Feu Duties	2,041,468	3	3
				Mortgages	1,468,355	2	1
				Metropolitan Board of Works Stock and City of London Bonds	266,468	12	0
				Bank of England Stock	160,337	0	1
				Freehold and Leasehold Property	823,725	0	9
				Indian, Colonial, and Foreign Government Securities	675,558	11	6
				Reversions	132,036	16	0
				Railway and other Shares	165,582	10	2
				Loans on the Company's Policies	100,319	8	3
				Furniture and Fittings	15,500	0	0
				Loans upon Personal Security	705	0	0
				Outstanding Premiums	330,572	8	5
				Cash in hands of Superintendents and Agents' Balances	59,157	8	1
				Outstanding Interest and Rents	100,760	6	0
				Cash—On deposit, on current accounts, and in hand	302,258	14	2
	£12,579,870	0	6		£12,579,870	0	6

THOS. C. DEWEY,  
WILLIAM HUGHES,  
W. J. LANCASTER, } Managers.  
Secretary.

EDGAR HORNE, Chairman.  
HENRY HARBEN,  
PATRICK FRASER, } Directors.

We have examined the Cash transactions, Receipts, and Payments, affecting the accounts of the Assets and Investments for the year ended December 31st, 1890, and we find the same in good order and properly vouched. We have also examined the Deeds and Securities, Certificates, etc., representing the Assets and Investments set out in the above account, and we certify that they were in possession and safe custody as on December 31st, 1890.  
18th February, 1891.

DELOITTE, DEVER, GRIFFITHS & Co.



## WILLIAM BLEWS & SONS, BELL FOUNDERS, BIRMINGHAM.

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WITH FITTINGS & FRAMES. BELLS ADDED  
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Glyst S. George's Rectory,  
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Middlesmoor  
Bishop Ryder's Church,  
Birmingham  
Llangefni, N. W.

Woodbury  
Trowbridge  
Llanfrehfa  
St. Anne's, Blackburn  
Accrington, etc., etc.

CLOCK BELLS. BELLS RETUNED. Estimates on application.

## "PAINLESS AND PERFECT DENTISTRY."

A new Pamphlet, by Dr. GEO. H. JONES, F.R.S.L., F.R.M.S., etc., Surgeon-Dentist, 57, Great Russell Street, facing British Museum entrance, London, containing a list of Diplomas, Gold and Silver Medals, and other Awards, obtained at the great International Exhibitions, forwarded gratis and post free.

Her Majesty's Surgeon-Dentist says:—

MY DEAR DOCTOR,—Allow me to express my thanks for the skill and attention displayed in the construction of my Artificial Teeth, which render my mastication and articulation excellent. I am glad to hear that you have obtained Her Majesty's Royal Letters Patent to protect what I consider the perfection of Painless Dentistry. In recognition of your valuable services you are at liberty to use my name.

S. G. HUTCHINS. By appointment Surgeon-Dentist to Her Majesty the Queen.

To GEO. H. JONES, ESQ., D.D.S.

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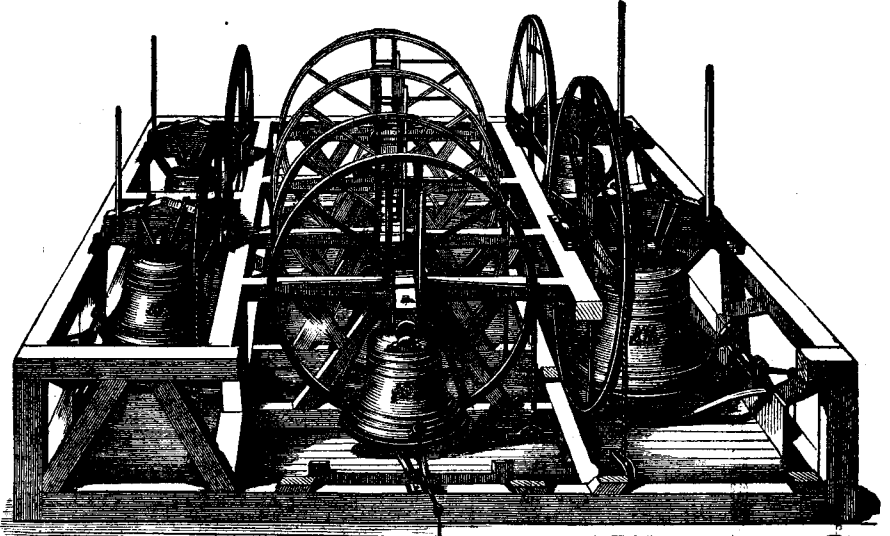
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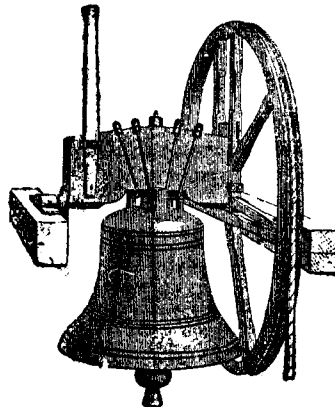
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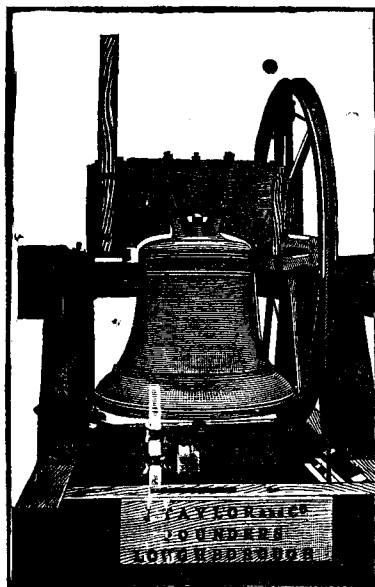
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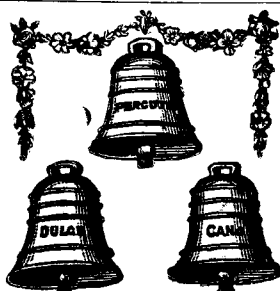
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