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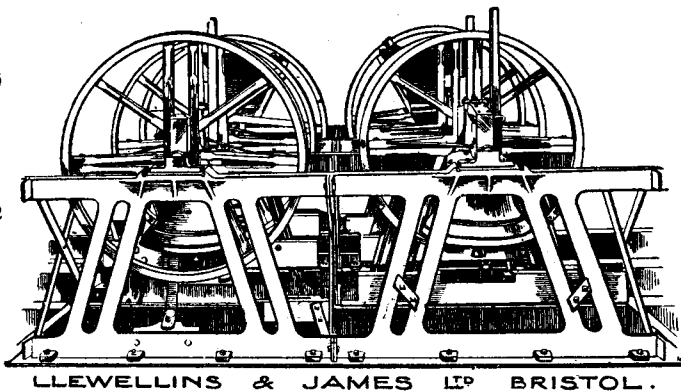
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## THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION ANNUAL MEETING.

### PRESENTATION TO CANON PAPILLON.

There was a large muster of members of the Essex Association at Chelmsford on Whit-Monday on the occasion of the thirtieth annual meeting. Such a large attendance was doubtless due to the announcement that the Bishop of St. Albans had kindly promised to address the members, and that there was to be a presentation to the Rev. Canon Papillon upon his resignation as Master.

The proceedings of the day commenced with the annual service at St. Mary's church. The address was given by the bishop from the text—"And there are differences of administrations but the same Lord"—1 Cor. xii. 5.

When it became known that Canon Papillon would be leaving the county during the summer and that he would not offer himself for re-election as Master at the annual meeting, a committee, consisting of district masters and district secretaries, the auditors, and the hon. secretary and treasurer, was formed, in order that the Canon should not leave the county in which he had so long worked without some small token of appreciation from the members of the Association.

The following extract is from the circular issued by the Committee bringing the proposal under the notice of the members:—

"Canon Papillon undertook the arduous duties of Hon. Secretary and Treasurer to the Association on Whit-Monday, 1886. These duties he discharged at first single-handed with marked efficiency. In 1901, upon the division of the county into districts, he became Master of the Association. The strength of the Association when the Canon commenced his duties was 269 ringing members, while the number of peals rung during the year was seven. The forthcoming Annual Report shows nearly 600 ringing members. Peals rang—48. The influence of Canon Papillon, who has ever been ready with his pen to advocate belfry reform and proper recognition of ringers, has to a large extent assisted in a vast amount of improvement in belfries throughout the county, while the gradual advancement made in the science has in a large measure been due to his tact and encouragement, that he has ever given both to the younger and more advanced sections of the Exercise."

The committee met early in May, and as so often happens they had the good fortune to become possessed of certain information as to what would be a useful article in the Canon's household, and so it was accordingly resolved that the testimonial should consist of a reading table with revolving top, and an illuminated address. The latter was left in the hands of the honorary secretary and Messrs. G. F. Margetson and B. Keeble. The address, a work of art in itself, was as follows:—

"TO CANON PAPILLON.

"REV. SIR,—We desire to ask your acceptance of this

address, with a reading table, as a small recognition of the valuable services you, as Honorary Secretary and Treasurer, 1886-1901, and Master 1901-1909, have so loyally and efficiently rendered.

"The extension of the Association, its success in bringing about belfry reform, and the proper recognition of Ringers as churchworkers, combined with the gradual advancement made in the science of change-ringing throughout the county, are accomplishments achieved through your influence, and under your skill and guidance. We therefore tender you our hearty thanks, with the assurance that your uniform kindness and unwearied labours among us will never be forgotten.

"We trust by your retirement from active service in our midst you may, by God's blessing, be spared to enjoy a well-earned rest, and that the small token of our high appreciation of your work among us may at all times remind you of your many friends among the members of the Association.

"On behalf of the Association: A. Edwards, S. Hayes, F. Pitstow, F. Rudkin, hon. district masters; E. W. Beckwith, H. F. Cooper, G. F. Margetson, J. F. Penning, honorary district secretaries; C. H. Howard, B. Keeble, auditors; H. T. W. Eyre, hon. secretary and treasurer."

The meeting was held in the vestry hall immediately after the service. The Lord Bishop of St. Albans presided, supported by the Bishop of Barking, Canon Lake, and Canon Papillon.

The Bishop of St. Albans said it gave him great pleasure to be present, and to have the opportunity of presenting a memorial and address to Canon Papillon. It was especially a pleasure to him, because Canon Papillon was ordained at the same time as himself by Bishop Samuel Wilberforce. Canon Papillon was at that time a Fellow of Merton College, and he (the bishop) was a Fellow of New College. Canon Papillon, however, became a Fellow of New College, and it was in September, 1869, that they were both ordained priests. It was a long time, forty years, to look back, and little did he (the bishop) then think that the time would arrive when he, as bishop of the diocese, would be asked to present Canon Papillon with a testimonial and address in appreciation of the services that he had rendered among the ringers of the county in which he resided. He desired to personally thank Canon Papillon for the great interest he had taken in ringing, and securing for ringers that recognition as churchworkers to which they were entitled, and so placing them upon a proper footing. Some of those present could look back and remember belfries that were not in that state which they should be, and which he thanked God many of them had now become. He believed that it was through such Associations that the whole tone of the belfry had been raised, and a great improvement made in the work of bellringing. While Vicar of Portsea it became very necessary to rebuild St. Mary's tower, and to turn an old ring of six into a ring of eight. The old bells were sent to Mears and Stainbank, and he remembered that the same firm had returned three rings of six, which they sent out between the years 1740 and 1750, two of which were

made into rings of eight, and one into a ring of ten. The result of the improvement at St. Mary's was that a Guild was formed, and the ringers recognised as churchworkers. He desired to tender to Canon Papillon the hearty thanks of the Association for the great work he had done. Canon Papillon was going to take his residence at St. Albans, where he would not be an idle man. He (the bishop) trusted that Canon Papillon's acceptance of the reading table would ever remind him not only of the many friends he had among the members of the Association, but also of the good work that he had done for the Association.

(To be continued.)

#### THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 8th, the half-yearly meeting was duly held at Leyland, when a fairly good attendance of members put in an appearance, chiefly from places not far distant. The farthest places included Manchester, Pendleton, Bolton, Padiham, Helmsore, etc. Ringing was indulged in, which included Stedman, Kent Treble Bob, and Bob Major. Tea was had now at a local restaurant, and although the commencement was rather slow, the finish up was quicker to the good things provided. Arrangements had been made to have the meeting in the old Grammar School, but as the weather was fine and warm, it was decided to have it in the open under some trees in the churchyard. The Rev. H. J. Elsee presided, supported by the two Secretaries (Messrs. Wrecks and Banks), the Treasurer (Mr. Jackson), and several members of the committee. Mr. Banks had an item of business concerning the affiliation of new resident members of the County and Diocesan Associations. A short discussion took place on the matter, but no decision was arrived at, as it was felt that the Central Council should move on the subject, and make a recommendation to the different Associations. Another matter brought forward was the teaching of beginners; one or two bands were mentioned as being desirous of learning, and as this is a very important matter, it was felt those requiring such tuition ought to make application either to the local Branch Secretary or the General Secretary, who will endeavour to make suitable arrangements.

Six new members were made from Kirby-in-Furness. Votes of thanks to the Vicars and wardens of St. Andrew's and St. James's churches, and the respective two companies of ringers, ended the meeting. Ringing was now indulged in again, one party going to St. James's in a horse and trap, kindly proffered by Mr. Miller, thus ending one of the meetings which was much enjoyed by all who attended, and which shews that members take an interest in each other when matters can be discussed in such a friendly spirit.

#### EAST DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

The quarterly meeting of the above was held at Ashover on Saturday, May 22nd. The beautiful ring of eight bells were well used by various bands throughout the afternoon and evening, the "go" and tone were greatly admired by all. The Rector (Rev. J. B. Nodder), entertained the members to tea in the schoolroom at 5 p.m., to which about sixty sat down and did ample justice to the appetising viands provided. The Rector was duly thanked for his hospitality, and replied, stating it gave him great pleasure to notice the great improvement in the behaviour of ringers these last few years, and attributed

some, if not all, to the influence of ringers' associations. The rev. gentleman spoke very highly of his own band of ringers, who he said were now very energetic.

It was decided that the Secretary send a letter of condolence from the Association to Mrs. Christian, of South Wingfield, on the death of her husband, the Rev. F. W. Christian, who had been Vicar for forty-seven years, and always took a keen interest in the Association.

Members were present from the following towers, viz.: Ashover, Blackwell, Clay Cross, Morton, Swanwick, Pentrich, Teversall, Tibshelf, South Wingfield, and North Wingfield. The weather being perfection itself, made this meeting a most enjoyable one to all present.

#### THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

A quarterly meeting of the Leatherhead District was held at Capel on Saturday, May 22nd. Owing to the serious illness of the Rector of Newdigate, the bells there were not available, and a slight misunderstanding led to a similar disappointment at Ockley. However, a good muster at Capel resulted in some touches of Stedman Doubles, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, Cambridge Surprise, and Violet Treble Bob. The Vicar of Capel (Rev. A. J. Howell), gave the ringers a hearty welcome, and an excellent address at the service. At the meeting, at which the Vicar presided, it was decided to hold the next quarterly meeting at Leatherhead on August 21st. Monthly meetings were arranged for Leatherhead, Dorking, and Ashted on June 8th, July 12th, and August 12th respectively, and Mr. A. Tullett agreed to get together a band for a quarterly peal.

#### THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

The annual meeting was held on Tuesday, May 25th, at Milton Abbey. Service was held at 12 (noon) at the Abbey church, when three bells were dedicated by the Very Rev. the Dean of Salisbury, who also preached an eloquent sermon on Psalm xxvi. 8. Lunch was generously provided in a marquee by Sir Everard Hambro, K.C.V.O. Lord Nelson, President of the Guild, was in the chair. 170 ringers were present, and a large number of others were invited. A very successful and enjoyable meeting was held.

#### THE SALOP ARCHIDIACONAL GUILD.

A quarterly meeting was held at Coalbrookdale on Saturday, May 22nd, when about forty members were present. At the business meeting Mr. J. Bradney, of Shifnal, was elected as representative of the Guild on the Central Council. Touches of Stedman and Grandsire were rung during the day, and the visit to this lovely valley church was much enjoyed, and the hospitality of the local band much appreciated.

#### THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On the occasion of the annual festival of the above guild, on June 21st, arrangements have been made for the cathedral bells to be used from 9 a.m., if necessary, and the college bells after 6 p.m.

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## THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

A regular ringing meeting of the Eastern Counties branch was held at Deeping St. Nicholas, a parish situate in the fens of Lincolnshire, and in a direct line with the ancient abbey of Crowland, on Whit-Monday, and was well attended by ringers from various branches. At 9.30 a dedication service of the new reredos, clock, and treble bell took place, the Rev. Canon Bullock officiating, assisted by the Rev. W. M. Benson, Vicar, and the Rev. H. Law James, Vicar of Surfleet, and Ringing Master of the Guild. The service was fully choral, and was well rendered by the village choir. After the service various bands rang in good style all the standard methods. The bells, six in number, are by the celebrated firm of Taylor and Co., of Loughborough, and certainly do them great credit, for the "go" was pronounced by all to be excellent, and the tone sweet.

An adjournment was then made to The Harow hotel, where host J. B. Crick had in readiness an excellent dinner. This was presided over by the President, the Rev. F. F. Wayet, Vicar of Pinchbeck, the Revs. C. J. Sturton, W. M. Benson, and C. J. Ward and the Hon. Secretary (Mr. W. G. Cross), being his supporters.

Full justice having been done to the good things provided, the President gave the usual loyal toast of "Church and King," and called upon the Hon. Secretary for the minutes of the last meeting, which were read and confirmed.

Several honorary and ringing members were made, including Miss C. E. Banks, a daughter of Mr. R. Banks, J.P., of Gedney Dyke.

The Secretary read a letter from the Hon. Sec. of the Northern Branch, asking for a contribution from the branch towards the restoration of the ringers' chapel in Lincoln Cathedral. It was unanimously resolved to forward the sum of £1 1s. towards this fund.

At the conclusion of the business the Vicar of Deeping St. Nicholas kindly announced that a band of church ladies would provide an excellent tea for all the ringers, which was greatly appreciated and thoroughly enjoyed.

A vote of thanks to the Vicar for the use of the bells, and to the ladies for their great assistance ended a red-letter day long to be remembered by all.

## 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."

THANKS.

SIR,—H. Judge desires to express his sincere thanks to all those who so kindly contributed towards the purse of £11 which was presented to him by the Rev. F. E. Robinson (Master of the Oxford Diocesan Guild of Bell Ringers) on the occasion of the meeting of the Witney and Woodstock Branch at Bampton on Saturday, May 29, 1909.

H. G. JUDGE.

## Obituary.

## ISAAC SAMUEL ALEXANDER.

It is with deep regret that we have to record the death of the above-named ringer, who was stricken with a painful disease during March of the present year, and after lingering a short time departed this life on Wednesday, May 26th. The deceased until recent years had been the respected hon. secretary of the

St. Mary-le-Tower Society, Ipswich, and was one of the number who saw the formation of the above Society on Tuesday, August 8th, 1876, when he was unanimously elected as their Secretary. During his term of office some very creditable performances were chronicled. His first peal was the late John Cox's 5021 Grandsire Caters, rung at the church of St. Mary-le-Tower, on Tuesday, October 22nd, 1878. As a last tribute of respect to their late Secretary the members of the above Society rang various touches of Stedman Cinques, with the bells half-muffled, after the funeral on Saturday, May 29th. Deceased was 61 years of age. The company then adjourned to St. Margaret's and succeeded in ringing a peal of Superlative Surprise Major, an account of which will appear next week. The following is a list of peals rung by deceased:—Grandsire Triples, 9; Grandsire Caters, 3; Grandsire Cinques, 3; Kent Treble Bob Major, 13; Kent Treble Bob Royal, 6; Kent Treble Bob Maximus, 23; Oxford Treble Bob Major, 10; Oxford Treble Bob Royal, 2; Oxford Treble Bob Maximus, 2; Stedman Triples, 8; Stedman Caters, 6; Stedman Cinques, 5; Double Norwich Major, 15; Double Norwich Royal, 5; Double Norwich Maximus, 2; Plain Bob Major, 2; Plain Bob Royal, 2; Superlative Surprise Major (ringing the treble), 2; upon hand-bells, 2. Total, 120.

## T. ANDREWS.

We regret to announce the death of the above ringer, the senior member of the Warnham branch of the Sussex County Association, which took place at his residence on May 18th. He was an enthusiastic ringer, and had taken part in upwards of 150 peals, including the long lengths of 6720 and 13,440 Canterbury Major, 6720 Plain Bob Major, and 10,176 Kent Treble Bob Major, rung by the Warnham Branch. He was buried at Warnham on Saturday, May 22nd, being followed by the members of the local branch. After the funeral a 504 of Grandsire Triples was rung with the bells deeply muffled by A. Charman, W. Charman, E. Stanford, P. Charman, W. Pettifer, J. Cook, G. Woodman, J. Charman. On Sunday, for morning service, with the bells half-muffled, a quarter-peal of Grandsire by W. Pettifer, G. Woodman, W. Charman, P. Charman, C. Blackman, W. Short, J. Cook conductor, J. Charman.

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Ancient Society of College Youths	W. T. Cockerill .....	W. D. Smith	Middlesex County Association.....	A. T. King .....	H. C. Chandler
	F. Dench .....			W. Pickworth.....	
Royal Cumberland Youths .....	J. W. Rowbotham .....		Midland Counties Association.....	J. R. Sharman .....	
	F. Bennett .....			Sir A. Heywood, Bart....	
	H. Dains .....			J. Griffin .....	
	R. A. Daniell .....			J. W. Taylor .....	
	J. Parker .....			W. E. White .....	
Bath and Wells Diocesan Assn....	E. E. Burgess.....	A. E. Coles	Northants (Central) Association...	W. Wilford.....	
	Rev. C. C. Parker .....	D. G. Taylor	North Notts. Association .....		H. Haigh
Bedfordshire Association .....		Rev. W. W. C. Baker	North Wales Association .....		Rev. T. Lewis Jones
Birmingham Diocesan Guild .....	W. H. Godden .....	E. H. Lewis	Norwich Diocesan Association ...	G. P. Burton .....	C. E. Borrett
Cambridge University Guild .....				W. L. Catchpole .....	J. Motts
Chester Diocesan Guild.....	J. Norbury .....		Oxford Diocesan Guild .....	Rev. G. L. Coleridge ...	
	F. T. Spence .....			F. W. Hopgood .....	
Cleveland and N. Yorks. Assn .....		G. J. Clarkson		Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn ...	
		Rev. W. P. Wright		Rev. F. E. Robinson.....	
Devon Guild.....	Rev. M. Kelly.....		Salisbury Diocesan Guild .....	A. F. M. Stewart .....	Capt. J. E. Acland
	A. W. Searle .....				Rev. H. E. T. Bassett
Durham and Newcastle Dio. Assn	W. Story .....	C. L. Routledge	Salop Archidiaconal Society .....	J. Bradney .....	
		R. S. Story	Staffs. Archidiaconal Society .....	S. Reeves.....	R. Cartwright
Ely Diocesan Association.....	Rev. J. M. Clarkson .....		Surrey Association .....	A. B. Carpenter, M.D. ...	
Essex County Association.....	N. J. Pitstow .....	C. H. Howard		C. Dean .....	
		W. J. Nevard	Sussex County Association .....	R. J. Dawe .....	
		Rev. Canon Papillon		G. Howse .....	
Gloucester and Bristol Dio. Assn.	J. Austin .....			F. B. Tompkins.....	
	W. A. Cave .....			G. Watson .....	
	Rev. H. A. Cockey .....		Truro Diocesan Guild .....		J. C. Daubuz
Hereford Diocesan Guild .....	J. Clark .....	R. Marston	Warwickshire Guild .....	Rev. C. E. Matthews ...	A. L. Coleman
Hertford County Association .....	B. Prewett .....		Winchester Diocesan Guild.....	H. White.....	J. W. Whiting
Irish Association.....		R. R. Cherry, k.c.		C. Willshire .....	
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London County Association.....	G. R. Fardon .....			G. Williams .....	
	T. H. Taffender .....				

	PRESENT.	ABSENT.	TOTAL.
Representative Members	66	30	96
Honorary	9	2	11
Total	75	32	107

## ANALYSIS.

Associations fully represented	17
" partially represented	13
" not represented	10
	40



## Notices.

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**The Ancient Society of College Youths.** Established 1637. Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on June 10th and 24th; at St. John's, South Hackney, on the 14th and 28th; at St. John's, Hackney, on the 15th; at St. Paul's Cathedral on the 15th; at St. Dunstan-in-the-East on the 17th; and at St. Mary-le-Bow, Cheapside, on the 29th. All at 8 p.m. A district meeting will be held at Isleworth on Saturday the 26th. Ringing to commence at 4 o'clock. Will members who accept the Vicar's kind invitation to tea at the Mission Room, Hartland Road, please let me know by the 24th at the latest.

WILLIAM T. COCKERILL, *Hon. Sec.*  
32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.

**The Salisbury Diocesan Guild.**—Devizes Branch.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Southbroom to-day, Saturday, June 5th. The bells of St. James, Southbroom (6), St. John's, Devizes (8), and St. Mary, Devizes (6), available both afternoon and evening. Tea at 5 p.m.  
GILBERT H. HARDING, *Hon. Br. Sec.*

**Sheffield District and Old East Derbyshire Amalgamated Society.**—The next meeting will take place at Bolsterstone to-day, Saturday, June 5th. Bells available from 4 p.m.  
SIDNEY F. PALMER, *Hon. Sec.*

**Stoke Archidiaconal Association.**—The monthly meeting will be held at Stone to-day, Saturday, June 5th. Excursion tickets are available on the N.S.R. The quarterly committee meeting will be held on the same day at 5 p.m.

REV. W. E. KEYWORTH, } *Hon. Secs.*  
J. JOHNSON, }

**The Oxford Diocesan Guild.**—North Bucks Branch.—The annual meeting will be held at Shenley, Bucks., to-day, Saturday, June 5th. Service at 3 p.m. F. W. BOOTH, *Hon. Sec.*

**The Kent County Association.**—Rochester District.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Wouldham on Saturday, June 12th. Bells ready at 3.30.  
A. B. ROBSON, *Hon. Dis. Sec.*

**The St. Thomas's Guild, Dudley.**—The next quarterly meeting will be held at All Saints church, West Bromwich, on Saturday, June 12th. Bells available at 4. Service in church at 5 p.m.  
W. MICKLEWRIGHT, *Hon. Sec.*

**The Lancashire Association.**—Liverpool Branch.—A meeting will be held at Walton on Saturday, June 12th. Bells ready at 5.  
WALTER HUGHES, *Branch Sec.*

**The Lancashire Association.**—Rossendale Branch.—The next meeting will be held at St. Thomas's, Helmsford, on Saturday, June 12th. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting at 6.30.  
THOS. ROLLERSON, *Branch Sec.*

**The Hertfordshire Association.**—Northern District.—A meeting will be held at Northaw (six bells) commencing at 6 p.m. on Saturday, June 12th.  
H. S. REEVES, *Hon. Sec.*  
4, Salisbury Square, Hatfield.

**The Sussex County Association.**—Central Division.—Next meeting at Burstow,

on Saturday, June 19th. Tower open at 3 o'clock. Service at 5. Tea by invitation of the Rector of Burstow 5.30. Those intending to be present must let me know by Tuesday, June 15th. ROBERT J. DAWE, *Div. Hon. Sec.*  
15, Priory Street, Southover, Lewes.

**The Essex Association.**—North-Eastern District.—The next meeting will be held at Great Totham, on Saturday, June 19th. Tea will be provided by the Vicar. Those coming please give notice. ERNEST W. BECKWITH, *Coggeshall.*

**The Lancashire Association.**—Preston Branch.—The next meeting will be held at St. Bartholomew's Church, Chipping, on Saturday, June 19th. Bells at 3 o'clock. Meeting at 5.30.  
R. SANDERSON, *Branch Sec.*

**The Bath and Wells Diocesan Association.**—The annual meeting will be held at Bath on Saturday, June 19th. Full particulars later.  
E. E. BURGESS, *Taunton.*

All communications respecting the bells of St. Peter's, Irthlingborough, should be sent to High Street, Irthlingboro. A. T. TYLER.

## THE LATE MR. FREDERICK MEE.

On behalf of the widow and children of the above, we beg to gratefully acknowledge the following sums.

	£	s.	d.
Mr. J. Motts (Ipswich) .. ..	0	10	0
The Norwich Ringers, per Mr. C. E. Borrett .. ..	1	12	6
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Mr. J. Scowen (Hadhley) .. ..	0	3	6

All further subscriptions will be gratefully received by Mr. E. Rivers and Mr. F. Rolfe, Sproughton, near Ipswich.

## BURLESCOMBE, DEVON.

A new treble has been added to the existing five, which is a great improvement, especially for change-ringing. The Holcombe Regis band visited the belfry on Sunday, May 9th, and rung several touches of Grandsire Doubles, the Vicar (Rev. E. Bramwell) taking part in the first 6-score, being the first change-ringing ever done on the bells.

## PEALS OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR.

By J. A. TROLLOPE.

6592.

23456	1	4	5	6
42635	-			
64523	-			
45623	-	-	-	-
54326	-	-	-	-
43526	-	-	-	-
25346	-	-	-	-
53246	-	-	-	-
32546	-	-	-	-
46236	-	-	-	-
54632	-	-	-	-
46532	-	-	-	-
35642	-	-	-	-
56342	-	-	-	-
63542	-	-	-	-
34562	-	-	-	-
65432	-	-	-	-
53462	-	-	-	-
64352	-	-	-	-
43652	-	-	-	-
36452	-	-	-	-
56234	-	-	-	-
62534	-	-	-	-
25634	-	-	-	-
52436	-	-	-	-
24536	-	-	-	-
35426	-	-	-	-
53624	-	-	-	-
36524	-	-	-	-
65324	-	-	-	-
56423	-	-	-	-

Repeated.

This peal contains the sixty course-ends, and is the first composed with that quality in any of the plain Major methods, and also the longest in-course two-part composition.

5024.

23456	4	5	6
*42635	-		
*26435	-		
*64235	-		
52643	-		
25346	-	-*	
53246	-	-*	
32546	-	-*	
62345	-		
65324	-	-	
53624	-	-	
36524	-	-	
45362	-		
34256	-		
23645	-		

Twice repeated, omitting bobs marked with an asterisk. If every part is called as the first the peal will run to 5472 changes, and will have the 4th, 5th and 6th each the extent each way. The 5024 is the nearest yet composed to a peal with one bob only in each course.

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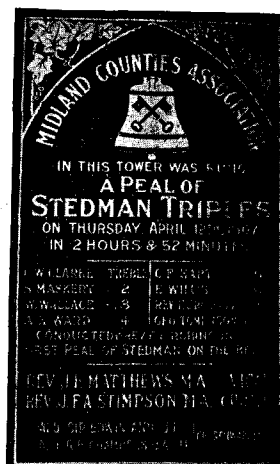
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## The Metropolis.

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AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL, HAMMERSMITH,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 15 cwt.

CHARLES F. W. HUNT .. Treble.	WILLIAM J. DEAN .. 5.
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CHARLES T. COLES .. 4.	GEORGE W. COOMBS .. Tenor.

Conducted by WILLIAM SHEPHERD.

\*First peal of Stedman.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION AND THE LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.

On Monday, May 31, 1909, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MATTHEW, BETHNAL GREEN,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES; IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 14½ cwt.

WALTER IDLE .. .. Treble.	PERCY J. JOHNSON .. 5.
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**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

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

JOHN NEAL .. .. . Treble.	†ALBERT S. ALLEN .. .. 4.
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Conducted by JOHN W. LAKE.

\*First peal. †First peal in seven methods. Rung in honour of Empire Day.

**PUDSEY, YORKS.—THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

*On Tuesday, May 25, 1909, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,*

**AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,**

**A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;**  
 IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 16 cwt.

WILLIAM BIRKS .. .. . Treble.	†JAMES W. BAXENDALE .. 5.
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SAMUEL WARD .. .. . 4.	PRATT CORDINGLEY .. .. Tenor.

Composed by F. ROBINSON, and Conducted by J. W. BAXENDALE.

\*First peal. †First peal as conductor.

**DORCHESTER, OXON.—THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Tuesday, May 25, 1909, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,*

**AT THE ABBEY CHURCH,**

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

FREDK. STEDMAN WHITE .. Treble.	ARTHUR LAMBOURNE .. 5.
HARRY HOLIFIELD .. .. . 2.	GEORGE HOLIFIELD, SEN. 6.
ALBERT E. LOCK .. .. . 3.	EDMUND BANNISTER .. 7.
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Conducted by GEORGE HOLIFIELD, SEN.

**EXON, SOMERSETSHIRE.**

**THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

*On Tuesday, May 25, 1909, in Two Hours and Forty-four Minutes,*

**AT THE PARISH CHURCH,**

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

Tenor 8½ cwt.

J. E. MANNING .. .. . Treble.	A. STEVENS .. .. . 4.
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Conducted by W. HOYLE.

Rung on the occasion of the marriage of the Rev. W. M. K. Warren to Miss A. M. Rowland, daughter of the Vicar of Puriton.

**FRAMSDEN, SUFFOLK.**

**THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

*On Tuesday, May 25, 1909, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,*

**AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,**

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**  
 THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 16 cwt.

GEORGE PERRY .. .. . Treble.	ALFRED S. WIGHTMAN .. 5.
ROBERT H. HAYWARD .. 2.	JOHN J. CREASY .. .. 6.
WILLIAM WIGHTMAN .. 3.	GEORGE WIGHTMAN .. .. 7.
GEORGE THURLOW .. .. 4.	WILLIAM SAWYER .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by GEORGE WIGHTMAN.

**TWERTON-ON-AVON, SOMERSETSHIRE.**

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

*On Tuesday, May 25, 1909, in Two Hours and Forty-five Minutes,*

**AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,**

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES.**

Tenor 13½ cwt.

HENRY W. BROWN .. .. Treble.	ALBERT E. SEERS .. .. 5.
FREDK. A. SKUSE .. .. 2.	CHARLES W. BELL .. .. 6.
CHARLES DENSLEY .. .. 3.	THOMAS F. KING .. .. 7.
CHARLES GOODENOUGH .. 4.	WILLIAM J. PRESCOTT .. Tenor.

Composed by J. HUNT, and Conducted by WILLIAM J. PRESCOTT.

Rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor, his brother-ringers wishing him many happy returns. Quickest peal of Major on the bells.

**BEAUMARIS, ANGLESEY.**

**THE NORTH WALES ASSOCIATION.**

*On Wednesday, May 26, 1909, in Two Hours and Forty-three Minutes,*

**AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,**

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES.**

Tenor 12 cwt.

WILLIAM CRANE, SEN. .. Treble.	JAMES H. MIDWINTER .. 5.
ALFRED W. BRIGHTON .. 2.	MORRIS J. MORRIS .. .. 6.
WILLIAM CRANE, JUN. .. 3.	WILLIAM T. PEGLER .. 7.
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Composed by M. J. MORRIS, and Conducted by A. W. BRIGHTON.

This composition is now rung for the first time. First peal of Major on the bells and first in the county of Anglesey.

**HARLOW, ESSEX.—THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**

*On Wednesday, May 26, 1909, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes,*

**AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,**

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**  
 THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 21 cwt.

WALTER HOBBS .. .. . Treble.	HENRY F. COOPER .. .. 5.
FREDERICK PALMER .. .. 2.	WALTER TABLING .. .. 6.
HENRY JAMES TUCKER .. 3.	WILLIAM WATTS .. .. 7.
WILLIAM J. NEVARD .. .. 4.	*SIDNEY LINDSELL .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by WILLIAM WATTS.

\*First peal in the method.

**STANSTED, ESSEX.—THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**

*On Thursday, May 27, 1909, in Three Hours,*

**AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN,**

**A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR,**  
 5056 CHANGES. Tenor 13 cwt.

ARTHUR JORDAN .. .. . Treble.	JOHN LUCKEY .. .. . 5.
WILLIAM J. NEVARD .. .. 2.	THOMAS J. WATTS .. .. 6.
GEORGE JORDAN .. .. . 3.	THOMAS JORDAN .. .. 7.
WALTER PRIOR .. .. . 4.	WILLIAM WATTS .. .. Tenor.

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF, and Conducted by WM. WATTS.

**ORMESBY, YORKS.**

**CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION**

*On Friday, May 28, 1909, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,*

**AT THE PARISH CHURCH,**

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

J. SAMPLE .. .. . Treble.	T. METCALFE .. .. . 5.
J. G. HALL .. .. . 2.	*F. JACKSON .. .. . 6.
J. W. NEWTON .. .. . 3.	A. SIMPSON .. .. . 7.
R. ALPOCK .. .. . 4.	*G. JACKSON .. .. . Tenor.

Composed by the Rev. C. D. P. DAVIES, and Conducted by A. SIMPSON.

\*First peal,

## GUILDFORD, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.  
(GUILDFORD DISTRICT.)

On Friday, May 28, 1909, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 25 cwt.

HARRY BURDOCK* .. .. Treble.	MAURICE SMITHER .. .. 5.
CHARLES WILLSHIRE, SEN. 2.	JAMES HUNT .. .. 6.
WILLIAM RUNHAM .. .. 3.	FRANK BLONDELL .. .. 7.
HENRY L. GARFATH .. .. 4.	ALFRED H. PULLING .. Tenor.

Conducted by A. H. PULLING.

Rung on the 140th anniversary of the first peal on the bells, also as a birthday compliment to J. Hunt. \*First peal of Stedman.

## BOLSOVER, DERBYSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.  
(SHEFFIELD DISTRICT SOCIETY.)

On Friday, May 28, 1909, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR,  
5056 CHANGES. Tenor 14½ cwt.

WALTER ROBINSON .. .. Treble.	GEORGE W. MOSS .. .. 5.
JOHN FLINT .. .. 2.	WILLIAM LAMBERT .. .. 6.
FRED R. KETTLEBORO .. 3.	WILLIAM KEEBLE .. .. 7.
BENJAMIN A. KNIGHTS .. 4.	GEORGE W. BEMROSE .. Tenor.

Composed by G. LINDOFF, and Conducted by WM. KEEBLE.

First peal in the method on the bells, and by all the band excepting the ringers of the 2nd, 4th, and 7th.

## KELSALE, NORFOLK.

## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 29, 1909, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR,  
5056 CHANGES. Tenor 16½ cwt.

JAMES M. BAILEY .. .. Treble.	FREDK. J. SMITH .. .. 5.
NORMAN R. BAILEY .. .. 2.	EDGAR H. BAILEY .. .. 6.
GEORGE BERRY* .. .. 3.	CHARLES SAMSON .. .. 7.
ERNEST S. BAILEY .. .. 4.	CHARLES F. BAILEY .. Tenor.

Composed by C. MIDDLETON, and Conducted by CHAS. F. BAILEY.

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

## QUIDENHAM, NORFOLK.

## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 29, 1909, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES.  
Tenor 16 cwt.

FREDERICK BORRETT .. .. Treble.	JOHN SNELLING .. .. 5.
ARTHUR E. FULLER .. .. 2.	GEORGE SNELLING .. .. 6.
ALFRED NEWSON* .. .. 3.	FREDERICK ROOPE .. .. 7.
WILLIAM ROOPE .. .. 4.	WILLIAM STEELE .. Tenor.

Composed by F. E. W. MEADOWS, and Conducted by F. BORRETT.

\*First peal.

## ISHAM, NORTHANTS.

## THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 29, 1909, in Three Hours One and ½ Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Double Oxford, Double Court, and Canterbury Pleasure; and two 720s each of Oxford Bob and Plain Bob.

Tenor 9½ cwt.

JOSEPH FARBY* .. .. Treble.	BERNARD J. SAUDINGTON 4.
GEORGE A. BLAXLEY† .. 2.	†THOMAS BUTLER .. .. 5.
WILLIAM C. LEWIS .. .. 3.	E. MAURICE ATKINS .. Tenor.

Conducted by E. M. ATKINS.

\*First peal. †First peal in five methods with a bob bell.

## BUNBURY, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.  
(CREWE BRANCH.)

On Saturday, May 29, 1909, in Two Hours and Fifty-two Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
HOLLIS'S IRREGULAR FIVE-PART. Tenor 15 cwt.

HARRY F. HOLDING* .. Treble.	RICHARD LANGFORD .. .. 5.
WILLIAM T. HOLDING .. 2.	C. J. BOWEN-COOKER .. 6.
RICHARD T. HOLDING, JUN. 3.	RICHARD T. HOLDING, SEN. 7.
JAMES HENRY RIDING .. 4.	*SAMPSON MOSSFORD .. Tenor.

Conducted by RICHARD T. HOLDING, SEN.

\*First peal. C. J. B. Cooke, esq., M.I.C.E., is the chief mechanical engineer to the London and North Western Railway, and this is believed to be the first peal rung by a chief mechanical engineer of a British railway.

## MITCHAM, SURREY.—THE EURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 29, 1909, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
HEYWOOD'S TRANSPOSITION OF THURSTANS'S.

ROBERT B. BLANCHARD .. Treble.	CHARLES DEAN .. .. 5.
JAMES D. DREWETT .. .. 2.	WILLIAM H. JOINER .. 6.
EDWARD R. J. DUNK .. 3.	WILLIAM S. SMITH .. 7.
CADWALADE WILLIAMS .. 4.	CALEB DANIEL .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by WILLIAM S. SMITH.

## NORTH WINGFIELD, DERBYSHIRE.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 29, 1909, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR,  
5152 CHANGES. Tenor 16½ cwt.

THOMAS W. GORE .. .. Treble.	WILLIAM LAMBERT .. .. 5.
ARTHUR KNIGHTS .. .. 2.	JOHN FLINT .. .. 6.
WALTER ROBINSON .. .. 3.	*GEORGE A. THOMPSON .. 7.
FREDERICK J. TIT† .. 4.	BENJAMIN A. KNIGHTS .. Tenor.

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS, and Conducted by B. A. KNIGHTS.

†First peal on eight bells. \*First peal in the method.

## RUSPER, SUSSEX.

## THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, May 30, 1909, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
HOLT'S ORIGINAL. Tenor 13 cwt.

FRANCIS T. HOAD, JUN. .. Treble.	ROBERT BRETT .. .. 5.
OLIVER SIPPETTS .. .. 2.	WESLEY PETTIFER .. .. 6.
FREDK. W. RICE .. .. 3.	ARTHUR H. LINTOTT .. 7.
GEORGE W. STOKES .. .. 4.	WILLIAM MILES .. Tenor.

Conducted by ROBERT BRETT.

This is the conductor's 50th peal. Messrs. Lintott and Miles were elected members of the Association before starting.

## HILPERTON, WILTS.

## THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, May 31, 1909, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES.  
Being forty-two 6-scores. Tenor 7½ cwt.

SAMUEL J. HECTOR* .. Treble.	*JESSE FRANCIS .. .. 4.
GILBERT H. HARDING .. 2.	SYDNEY HILLIER .. .. 5.
CHARLES RAISON* .. .. 3.	*WILLIAM BURROUGHS .. Tenor.

Conducted by SYDNEY HILLIER.

\*First peal. First peal on the bells, which have just been rehung by Messrs. Warner, the "go" being excellent.

## GROBY, LEICESTERSHIRE.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, May 31, 1909, in Two Hours and Forty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PHILIP AND JAMES,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 of College Single, and three each of Oxford Bob and Plain Bob, each called differently. Tenor 9½ cwt.

VICTOR GEARY* .. .. Treble.	WILLIAM SMITH .. .. 4.
EDWARD GEARY .. .. 2.	T. HENRY HARDY .. .. 5.
GEORGE H. GEARY .. .. 3.	ERNEST MORRIS .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by ERNEST MORRIS.

First peal on the bells. \*First peal. First peal in three methods by all.

## WOODBURN, BUCKS.—THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, May 31, 1909, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 18½ cwt.

JESSE ELDRIDGE .. .. Treble.	JOSEPH S. HAWKINS .. .. 5.
THOMAS PRICE .. .. 2.	GEORGE MARTIN .. .. 6.
PERCY W. WITHAM .. .. 3.	AMBROSE W. OSBORNE .. .. 7.
CHARLES SMITH* .. .. 4.	FRANK MALIN .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by AMBROSE W. OSBORNE.

\*First peal. First peal of Stedman as conductor.

## LEISTON, SUFFOLK.

## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, May 31, 1909, in Six Hours and Thirty-two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 11,040 CHANGES. Tenor 20½ cwt.

JAMES M. BAILEY .. .. Treble.	ERNEST S. BAILEY .. .. 5.
NORMAN R. BAILEY .. .. 2.	EDGAR H. BAILEY .. .. 6.
GEORGE BERRY .. .. 3.	CHARLES SAMSON .. .. 7.
FREDK. J. SMITH .. .. 4.	CHARLES F. BAILEY .. .. Tenor.

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Longest length in any method on the bells, and by all the band, who are all entirely local members.

## NEWTON ABBOTT, DEVON.—THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.

(CHARLES SOCIETY, PLYMOUTH.)

On Monday, May 31, 1909, in Two Hours and Forty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CLOCK TOWER,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

REV. C. D. P. DAVIES'S No. 3. Tenor 9 cwt

HAROLD BENNETT .. .. Treble.	WILLIAM G. HISCOTT .. .. 5.
GEORGE F. WILLIAMS .. .. 2.	WILLIAM RUNDLE .. .. 6.
REGINALD DOBSON .. .. 3.	ERNEST W. MARSH .. .. 7.
WALTER H. MARSH .. .. 4.	FRANK HOCKADAY .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by GEORGE F. WILLIAMS.

First peal in the method on the bells. Rang on the occasion of the annual meeting of the Guild.

## FARNHAM ROYAL, BUCKS.

## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, May 31, 1909, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

PITSTOW'S VARIATION.

FRANK W. BUCKLAND* .. Treble.	GEORGE H. GUTTERIDGE .. 5.
WALTER BAILEY .. .. 2.	ROBERT H. YOUNG .. .. 6.
JAMES W. WILKINS .. .. 3.	REV. F. E. ROBINSON .. .. 7.
RICHARD BUCKLAND .. .. 4.	REUBEN FLAXMAN .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by the REV. F. E. ROBINSON.

\*First peal of Stedman with a bob bell.

## HELMINGHAM, SUFFOLK.

## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, May 31, 1909, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES. Tenor 19½ cwt.

WILLIAM WIGHTMAN .. Treble.	*PETER LAFLIN .. .. 5.
STEPHEN WIGHTMAN, JUN.† 2.	*JOHN J. CEEASY .. .. 6.
GEORGE WHITING .. .. 3.	GEORGE WIGHTMAN .. .. 7.
ERNEST E. LANHAM .. .. 4.	ALFRED S. WIGHTMAN .. Tenor.

Composed by C. MIDDLETON, and Conducted by G. WIGHTMAN.

\*First peal in the method. †First peal in the method with a bob bell.

## BOCKING, ESSEX.—THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, May 31, 1909, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S TEN-PART. Tenor 18½ cwt.

FRANK WEBB .. .. Treble.	THOMAS FITZJOHN .. .. 5.
LEWIS WISMAN .. .. 2.	HORACE H. COOPER .. .. 6.
BERNARD W. PETTITT .. 3.	ANDREW SHUFFLEBOTHAM .. 7.
WALTER RADLEY .. .. 4.	WILLIAM GEIMWADE .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by A. SHUFFLEBOTHAM.

## HITCHIN, HERTS.

## THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

On Monday, May 31, 1909, in Three Hours Nineteen and ½ Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES. Tenor 28 cwt.

ALBERT E. BRIGHTMAN .. Treble.	FRANK BENNETT .. .. 5.
J. ARMIGER TROLLOPE .. 2.	WILLIAM BERRY .. .. 6.
HENRY S. REEVES .. .. 3.	JOHN T. KENTISH .. .. 7.
ARTHUR R. JACOB .. .. 4.	THOMAS CARD .. .. Tenor.

Composed by FREDK. J. PITSTOW, and Conducted by F. BENNETT.

## KIBWORTH, LEICESTERSHIRE.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, May 31, 1909, in Two Hours and Forty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. WILFRID,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720s each called differently. Tenor 14½ cwt.

T. HENRY HARDY .. .. Treble.	FRED STANFORTH .. .. 4.
JOHN WATERFIELD* .. .. 2.	ERNEST MORRIS .. .. 5.
JOHN T. TAYLOR* .. .. 3.	†W. NEAL ADKINSON .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by W. NEAL ADKINSON.

\*First peal. †First peal as conductor.

## CHESTERFIELD, DERBYSHIRE.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

(SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.)

On Monday, May 31, 1909, in Three Hours and Twenty-nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. MARY AND ALL SAINTS,

## A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5240 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 24½ cwt.

THOMAS W. GORE .. .. Treble.	GEORGE A. THOMPSON .. .. 6.
FRANK JACOBS .. .. 2.	WILLIAM J. THYNG .. .. 7.
HERBERT DAY .. .. 3.	GEORGE HOLLIS .. .. 8.
BENJAMIN A. KNIGHTS .. 4.	SAMUEL WESLEY .. .. 9.
WILLIAM H. PEABODY .. 5.	ARTHUR KNIGHTS .. .. Tenor.

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*On Monday, May 31, 1909, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,*  
 AT THE PARISH CHURCH.

**A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR,**  
**5056 CHANGES.** Tenor 14½ cwt.

WALTER ROBINSON .. .. Treble.	GEORGE W. MOSS .. .. 5.
JOHN HOLMAN .. .. 2.	WILLIAM LAMBERT .. .. 6.
FRED R. KETTLEBORO .. 3.	WILLIAM KEEBLE .. .. 7.
JOHN FLINT .. .. 4.	GEORGE W. BEMROSE .. Tenor.

Composed by G. LINDOFF, and Conducted by WM. KEEBLE.

**Handbell Peals.**

**SHEFFIELD, YORKS.—THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**  
 (SHEFFIELD DISTRICT AND OLD EAST DERBYSHIRE SOCIETY.)

*On Thursday, May 20, 1909, in Two Hours and Twenty-five Minutes,*  
 AT 33, HOLLY STREET,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5008 CHANGES.**

WILLIAM BURGAR .. .. 1-2	SIDNEY F. PALMER .. 5-6.
CLEMENT GLENN .. .. 3-4.	JOHN THORPE .. .. 7-8.

Composed by GEORGE LEWIS, and Conducted by CLEMENT GLENN.  
 Umpire—J. Atkin.

**SHEFFIELD, YORKS.—THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**  
 (SHEFFIELD DISTRICT AND OLD EAST DERBYSHIRE SOCIETY.)

*On Saturday, May 22, 1909, in Two Hours and Thirty-five Minutes,*  
 IN THE BELFRY OF THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5008 CHANGES**

WILLIAM BURGAR .. .. 1-2.	WALTER ALLWOOD .. 5-6.
CLEMENT GLENN .. .. 3-4.	*GEORGE LEWIS .. .. 7-8.

Composed and Conducted by GEORGE LEWIS.

Umpire—J. Atkin. \*First handbell peal as conductor.

**SHEFFIELD, YORKS.—THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**  
 (SHEFFIELD DISTRICT AND OLD EAST DERBYSHIRE SOCIETY.)

*On Saturday, May 22, 1909, in Two Hours and Forty-nine Minutes,*  
 AT 33, HOLLY STREET,

**A PEAL OF ORANDSIRE CATERS, 5057 CHANGES.**

WALTER ALLWOOD .. .. 1-2.	CLEMENT GLENN .. .. 5-6.
GEORGE LEWIS .. .. 3-4.	SIDNEY F. PALMER .. 7-8.
JOHN THORPE .. .. 9-10.	

Composed by A. KNIGHTS, and Conducted by CLEMENT GLENN.

Umpire—George Holmes.

**BOLSOVER, DERBYSHIRE.**  
**THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**  
 (SHEFFIELD DISTRICT SOCIETY.)

*On Sunday, May 23, 1909, in Two Hours and Five Minutes,*

AT THE RESIDENCE OF F. R. KETTLEBORO,

**A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES:**

Being 720 each of Duke of York. College Pleasure, London Scholars' Pleasure, College Exercise, Killamarsh Treble Bob, Oxford and Kent.

FRED R. KETTLEBORO .. 1-2	WILLIAM KEEBLE .. 3-4.
WILLIAM LAMBERT .. .. 5-6.	

Conducted by W. KEEBLE.

This is believed to be the first peal in seven Treble Bob Minor methods ever rung on handbells retained in band. Umpire—H. Moss.

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**GUILDFORD, SURREY.**  
**THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**  
 (GUILDFORD DISTRICT.)

*On Monday, May 24, 1909, in Two Hours and Fourteen Minutes,*

IN THE BELFRY OF ST. NICHOLAS CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES:**  
**HOLT'S ORIGINAL.**

JAMES HUNT .. .. 1-2.	CHARLES WILLSHIRE, SEN. 5-6.
ALFRED H. PULLING .. 3-4.	FRANK BLONDELL .. 7-8.

Conducted by A. H. PULLING.

Umpire—M. Smither. Rung as a birthday compliment to F. Blondell, it being his first peal on handbells.

**Miscellaneous.**

**THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

SEDBERGH.—On Whit-Monday, for early celebration, 336 Stedman Triples, for morning service 672 London Surprise Major, for evening service 672 Superlative Surprise Major. J. Smith, T. Sisson, E. Pennington, J. E. Senogles, H. Haresnape, W. Pennington, J. Pennington, G. F. Woodhouse conductor.

**THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND THE LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**

WALTHAMSTOW (Essex).—On Saturday, May 15th, at St. Mary's church, on the occasion of a wedding, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, 1260 changes, in 49 mins. J. C. Adams, H. J. Maynard, J. H. Wilkins, F. Rumens, R. Maynard, sen., R. Maynard, jun. conductor, F. C. Maynard, F. W. Fordham.

**THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION, LATE THE ST. JAMES'S SOCIETY.**

LONDON.—On Sunday, May 9, at St. Mary's church, Clapham, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples in 45 mins. W. H. Taffender, T. H. Taffender conductor, T. G. Gardner, S. B. Weatherston, F. J. Hairs, J. W. Chapman, H. W. Hibbert, C. H. Hughes.

BIRMINGHAM.—On Sunday evening, May 16th, at Bishop Ryders church, for Divine Service, 1008 Grandsire Triples, as a birthday compliment to the hon. sec. (W. H. Carrod). S. Coley, A. Scrivens, A. Gardner, G. Taylor, J. Collett, W. H. Carrod, J. T. Perry conductor, W. Ellis.

CHESTERTON (Cambs).—On Sunday, May 30th, at St. Andrew's church, 720 Bob Minor in 28 mins. O. W. M. Shelton, R. Rayner, H. Mansfield, F. Brown, P. Pigg, W. Eusdon conductor.

FRAMLINGHAM.—On Tuesday evening, May 11th, at St. Michael's church, for practice, 1008 Bob Major in 38 mins. W. Ostler, W. Flory, J. Hall, G. Cannard, W. E. Maulden, H. Smith, J. Self, F. Watling conductor. Longest touch by the ringers of the 4th, 5th and 6th.

KNARESBOROUGH.—On Tuesday, April 27th, at the parish church, for practice, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples. J. Benson, F. Smith, W. Morrel, B. Budd, W. Swires conductor, F. Heathcoat, W. Stubbs, M. Styles. J. Benson and W. Stubbs hail from Harrogate.

LONDON.—On Wednesday, May 5th, at St. Mary Matfelon, Whitechapel, E., after meeting too late to attempt a peal, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples was rung in 45 mins. W. Weatherstone, W. Truss, A. Hughes, H. W. Hibbert, A. A. Scambler, G. R. Fardon conductor, A. Harding, T. H. Taffender.

TROWBRIDGE (Wilts).—On Wednesday, May 16th, at the parish church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles in 40 mins. S. J. Hector, G. H. Harding conductor, W. McCaffrey, J. Francis, C. Raison, W. Burroughs. Rung as a birthday compliment to J. Francis.

NETHER STOWEY (Somersetshire).—On Sunday, April 25th, at the parish church, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles in 50 mins. A. Groves, A. H. Jenkins, W. Bennett

conductor, W. Date, W. Gould, H. Towell. First quarter-peal by all except conductor.

ICKLETON (Cambs).—On Saturday, March 13th, a half peal of Grandsire Doubles, 2420 changes, each 6-score called differently, in 1 hr. 40 mins. P. Webb conductor, E. Webb, F. Bowtell, A. Lilley, J. Webb, H. Carder. Longest length. Rung with the bells muffed as a token of respect for J. Welch, for many years a subscriber to the ringers. On Saturday, March 27th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles, 1320 changes. P. Webb, E. Webb, P. Bowtell, A. Lilley, J. Webb, H. Carder. Rung as a welcome to the new Vicar, the Rev. F. J. Lackey, upon his arrival in the village. On Sunday, for morning service, 500 Grandsire; for evening service, 540 Grandsire; after service 480, standing as above. Rung on the occasion of the induction of the new Vicar

by the Archdeacon of Ely, the Rev. Dr. Cunningham.

COLCHESTER.—In connection with St. George's Day, which is annually celebrated at Colchester on April 23rd, various touches were rung during the day on St. Peter's bells, including Bob Major, Kent Treble Bob, &c. Touches of 579, 640, 816, 832, and 1721 were successfully brought round, being conducted by Messrs. A. G. Rivers and W. J. Schofield. Those taking part in addition were Messrs. G. W. Dixon, A. Burch, F. L. Bumpstead, G. Burch, W. Chalk, W. Button, H. T. Pye.

WEST CLANDON (Surrey).—On Sunday evening, May 9th, 720 Chelsea Surprise Minor. G. Monk, H. Blackman, R. Blake, J. Goacher, W. Day, F. Bennett conductor. First Chelsea in the Winchester Guild, and first by all.

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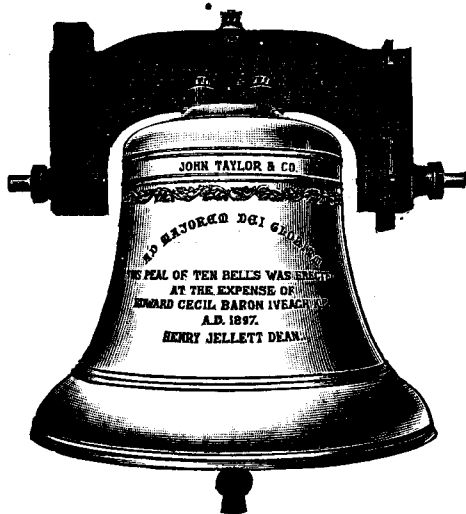
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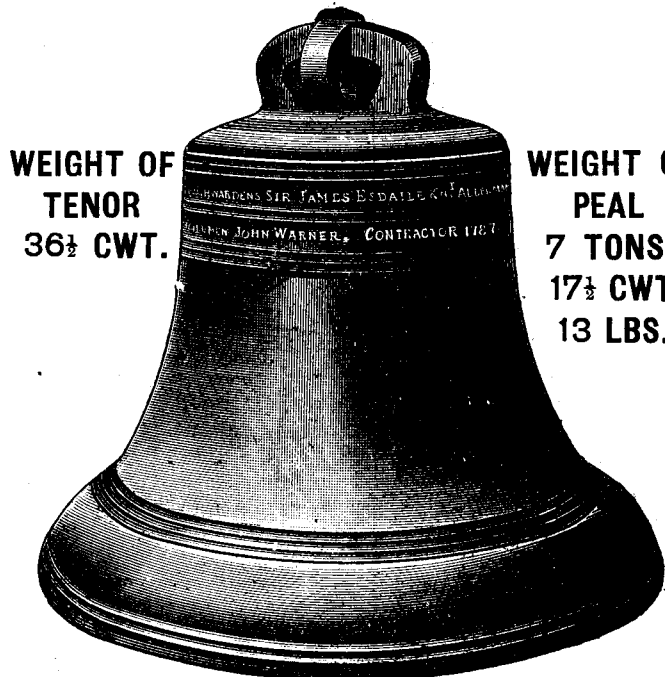
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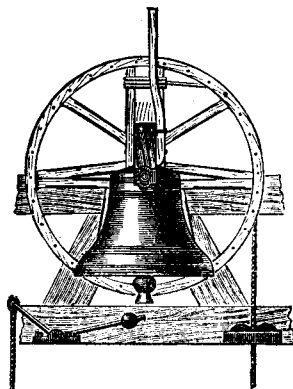
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