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CANON G. F. COLERIDGE

*There is
One great society alone on earth,
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—WORDSWORTH.

RINGERS throughout the world will give thanks for the life of George Frederick Coleridge, priest. His vigorous personality and clear mental faculties remained unabated throughout his long life of 92 years. Those who knew him as a young man in his undergraduate days at Oxford, where he was secretary and Master of the University Society, have passed over, but there are hundreds of ringers with us who knew him in the vigour of his years, and thousands who came under his influence when for nine years, from 1921 to 1930, he was the president of the Central Council.

Canon Coleridge was indeed a giant among men. His perfect physique was accompanied by an ever-alert intellect. He loved men, and of those men he loved ringers in particular. No one knew better than he the weaknesses and foibles of the ringing fraternity, and he scolded and chided them for their failures. But above all he was their champion. The rightful place of Church bells in the service of the Church was very dear to his heart. Bells, however, required to be rung properly; there must be nothing slipshod; good striking could only be achieved by constant practice, and the greatest contribution towards this was to be found in the peal.

The Canon enjoyed a peal; the silent camaraderie while ringing save only the voice of the conductor; the good fellowship afterwards and the joys of a ringing tour. The stories of the Canon and his humour and good fun are legion. How he enjoyed a joke! One of the happiest is told after he had rung a peal on a hot summer's day in his native county of Devonshire. After descending the belfry he received the congratulations of those who were listening. 'I bet you have a wet shirt,' commented one of the party. 'Indeed, I have not,' declared the Canon truthfully. And afterwards, as he told the story, he added, 'I didn't tell them that I took my shirt off!'

In his own diocese of Oxford he was Master of the Diocesan Guild from 1934 to 1946, and was a popular figure, attending meetings, encouraging and exhorting young bands and preaching the need of unity in tower, branch and Guild. For the service of the dedication of bells he was frequently asked to give the address or assist in the ceremony. He, however, made it a steadfast rule that he would not officiate at any such service unless the bells had been paid for. It was one of the many signs of his upright integrity that there should be no debt on anything given to the service of God.

Canon Coleridge was a member of 21 ringing Associations, Guilds or societies. Among them was the Ancient Society of College Youths, which he joined in 1879 and was the oldest living member with 70 years' membership to his credit. Mr. James George, who celebrated his 96th birthday last month, is older in years but not in membership. At the annual dinner he was an ever-welcome speaker, with his vast store of ringing anecdotes ready to entertain the company, and if necessary to point a moral.

It was at Crowthorne, the village he served so faithfully as parish priest for more than 50 years, that his funeral took place last Friday. From those present and the hundreds of friends who would have liked to attend the simple service came a prayer of thankfulness for his life and presence among us for such a long span of years. He has left with ringers the inspiration of his presence, and the art of change ringing will ever regard George Frederick Coleridge as one of the pillars upon which the Temple has been built.

TWELVE BELL PEAL

BIRMINGHAM.

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.

On Tues., Nov. 15, 1949, in 3 Hours and 41 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5005 CHANGES;

GEORGE E. FEARN ... Treble	H. JAMES TURNER ... 7
JOHN SCOTT ... 2	JOHN PINFOLD ... 8
FRANK E. PERVIN ... 3	*ARTHUR V. PEARSON ... 9
G. WILLIAM CRITCHLEY ... 4	SIDNEY O'C. HOLLOWAY ... 10
A. PADDON SMITH ... 5	FRANK E. HAYNES ... 11
TERRY R. HAMPTON ... 6	PAUL K. WILLIAMSON ... Tenor

Composed by JAMES E. GROVES. Conducted by F. E. HAYNES.

* Fiftieth peal this year. The conductor's 100th peal of Stedman Cinques. Tenor 37 cwt.

TEN BELL PEALS

PLYMOUTH, DEVON.

THE GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.

On Tues., Nov. 15, 1949, in 3 Hours and 44 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

A PEAL OF PLAIN BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;

G. HARRY MYERS... Treble	†FREDERICK SANGWIN ... 6
MRS. A. S. ROBERTS ... 2	†J. HARRY TIPPETT ... 7
A. WILLIAM MYERS ... 3	H. FREDERICK MYERS... 8
REV. A. S. ROBERTS ... 4	SIDNEY O'SHAUGHNESSY 9
*ROBERT A. SOUTHWOOD 5	THOMAS G. MYERS ... Tenor

Composed by H. J. TUCKER. Conducted by THOMAS G. MYERS.

* First ten-bell peal. † First peal of Royal. To commemorate the bi-centenary of the present bells, which were cast by Thomas Bilbie, 1749. Tenor 35 cwt in C sharp.

SAFFRON WALDEN, ESSEX.

THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.

On Sat., Nov. 19, 1949, in 3 Hours and 21 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF ST. CLEMENT'S BOB CATERS, 5004 CHANGES;

*C. G. WOODHEAD (Pem.) Treble	G. DODDS (Emmanuel)... 6
G. ANDERSON-SMITH(Nm) 2	R. F. B. SPEED (Caius) 7
*J. B. ROWSELL (Jesus)... 3	*A. S. WATT (Pembroke) 8
*A. B. STOCKDALE (Girt.) 4	†B. D. THRELFALL (Trin.) 9
†A. R. GUY (Jesus) ... 5	†J. A. NEWELL (Trinity) Tenor

Composed and Conducted by R. F. B. SPEED.

* First peal of Caters. † First peal on ten tower bells. ‡ First peal on ten bells. Believed to be the first peal of Caters in method. First peal of Caters as conductor. First peal in the method for the Guild, on the bells and by all the band. Tenor 25 cwt.

EIGHT BELL PEALS

LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Nov. 5, 1949, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,

AT THE BELL FOUNDRY CAMPANILE,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Washbrook's.	Tenor 6½ cwt.
THOMAS C. BELTON ... Treble	ALAN H. HOUGH ... 5
ERNEST MORRIS ... 2	HARRY DUNCOMBE ... 6
WALTER P. WHITEHEAD... 3	GEORGE P. GARNER ... 7
CHARLES R. BELTON ... 4	JOSEPH HILL ... Tenor

Conducted by WALTER P. WHITEHEAD.

Rung on the 50th birthday of the Church of England Men's Society.

LYMM, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Nov. 12, 1949, in 3 Hours and 32 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF PLAIN BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Pritchard's Four-part.	Tenor 30 cwt.
CECIL RADDON ... Treble	HARRY W. HOWARD ... 5
HARRY PARKER ... 2	*WILLIAM ALLMAN ... 6
ERIC HORNBY ... 3	DAVID SMITH ... 7
ALBERT H. BOOTH ... 4	A. GORDON LAWRENCE... Tenor

Conducted by DAVID SMITH.

* First peal in the method 'inside.' First peal of Major as conductor.

MOUNTSOREL, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Nov. 12, 1949, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF NEW CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

HECTOR A. KNIGHTS ... Treble	*WILLIAM THORNLEY ... 5
ALFRED MOULD ... 2	*W. HARRY DUNCOMBE ... 6
DENIS R. CARLISLE ... 3	J. W. FRANK TROTMAN 7
JACK BAILEY ... 4	WALTER P. WHITEHEAD Tenor

Composed and Conducted by J. W. FRANK TROTMAN.

* First peal of New Cambridge. First of New Cambridge on the bells. Tenor 8 cwt. 27 lb. in G sharp.

SYSTON, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Nov. 12, 1949, in 3 Hours and 11 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 15 cwt. 26 lb. in E.

*ERNEST F. PAYNE ... Treble	†WILLIAM THORNLEY ... 5
WALTER P. WHITEHEAD 2	†DENIS R. CARLISLE ... 6
JACK BAILEY ... 3	JOHN J. MORRIS ... 7
J. W. FRANK TROTMAN... 4	ALFRED MOULD ... Tenor

Composed and Conducted by WALTER P. WHITEHEAD.

* First peal of Treble Bob Major. † First peal of Surprise Major. ‡ 50th peal.

WATH-ON-DEARNE, YORKSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Mon., Nov. 14, 1949, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF DARLINGTON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5152 CHANGES;

JAMES THORLEY ... Treble	F. BERNARD DITCHER ... 5
MILTON C. FOWLER ... 2	W. ERIC CRITCHLEY ... 6
J. EDWARD CAWSEY ... 3	ARTHUR FIRTH ... 7
*ALAN ROGERS ... 4	JOHN E. TURLEY ... Tenor

Composed by A. J. PITMAN. Conducted by J. EDWARD CAWSEY.

* First peal on eight tower bells. The first peal rung in this method. Tenor 13 cwt.

LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wed., Nov. 16, 1949, in 2 Hours and 39 Minutes,

AT THE BELL FOUNDRY CAMPANILE,

A PEAL OF ALDENHAM SURPRISE MAJOR, 5152 CHANGES;

Tenor 6½ cwt.

BRIAN AUSTIN ... Treble	SIDNEY O. CHENEY ... 5
JOHN R. SMITH ... 2	HERRICK B. BOWLEY ... 6
DOROTHY M. UDALE ... 3	ALAN JACQUES ... 7
ERNEST W. RAWSON ... 4	HAROLD J. POOLE ... Tenor

Arranged by SHIRLEY BURTON. Conducted by HAROLD J. POOLE.

First peal in the method by all the band.

LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Fri., Nov. 18, 1949, in 2 Hours and 30 Minutes,

AT THE BELL FOUNDRY CAMPANILE,

A PEAL OF YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

DOROTHY M. UDALE ... Treble	*BRIAN AUSTIN ... 5
COLIN HARRISON ... 2	*G. RONALD EDWARDS ... 6
*PAUL L. TAYLOR ... 3	HERRICK B. BOWLEY ... 7
*TERENCE A. THORNER... 4	HAROLD J. POOLE ... Tenor

Composed by E. W. TIPLEY. Conducted by HAROLD J. POOLE.

* First peal in the method. Tenor 6½ cwt.



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BICKER, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Fri., Nov. 18, 1949, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Swithin,

A PEAL OF PLAIN BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 8½ cwt.

ALBERT H. BENNETT ... Treble	†W. GERALD SHORT ... 5
*WILLIAM B. DAWSON ... 2	†JOHN P. MORRIS ... 6
NORMAN B. FOVARGUE ... 3	CYRIL WANDER ... 7
†ROBERT HOWARD ... 4	*GEORGE R. DAWSON ... Tenor

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD. Conducted by CYRIL WANDER.

* First peal in the method. † First peal on eight bells. ‡ First peal of Major 'inside.' First peal in the method as conductor. First peal on the bells since being augmented from 6 to 8.

CUCKFIELD, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Nov. 19, 1949, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes,

At the Church of the Holy Trinity,

A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 15 cwt.

HORACE E. LILLEY ... Treble	ALBERT F. LAKER ... 5
LEONARD STILWELL ... 2	KENNETH SNELLING ... 6
GEORGE W. CECIL ... 3	OLIVER SIPPETTS ... 7
EDGAR R. RAPLEY ... 4	RAYMOND OVERY ... Tenor

Composed by C. J. SEDGLEY. Conducted by OLIVER SIPPETTS

EYNSFORD, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Nov. 19, 1949, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Martin,

A PEAL OF LITTLE BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 9½ cwt.

WILLIAM R. MANSER ... Treble	JOHN L. MORRIS ... 5
GEORFREY W. ASHDOWN ... 2	PETER C. WRIGHT ... 6
EDNA M. SILLS ... 3	FRANK C. W. KNIGHT ... 7
MAXWELL F. OAKSHETT ... 4	REGINALD L. SILLS ... Tenor

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW. Conducted by REGINALD L. SILLS.

First peal in the method by all except the ringer of the 7th.

HANDSWORTH, SHEFFIELD.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Nov. 19, 1949, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary,

A PEAL OF PLAIN BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

MRS. L. HAYWOOD ... Treble	JOHN H. BROTHWELL ... 5
ROY GARTH ... 2	MRS. J. E. TURLEY ... 6
JACK G. BROTHWELL ... 3	LESLIE HAYWOOD ... 7
*E. BRYAN PURSLOW ... 4	JOHN E. TURLEY ... Tenor

Composed by J. E. BURTON. Conducted by JOHN E. TURLEY.

* First peal in the method. To celebrate the wedding of Mr. J. J. L. Gilbert and Miss Joyce Taylor. Tenor 12 cwt.

HEYDOUR, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Nov. 19, 1949, in 3 Hours,

At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels.

A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 12 cwt. 3 qr. 2 lb. in F.

*MAURICE BENNETT ... Treble	JOHN WALDEN ... 5
CHARLES MCGUINNESS ... 2	JOHN FREEMAN ... 6
STANLEY E. BENNETT ... 3	*CYRIL WANDER ... 7
*HAROLD BARSLEY ... 4	JACK L. MILLHOUSE ... Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF. Conducted by JACK L. MILLHOUSE.

* First peal of London Surprise Major.

HIGHER WALTON, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Nov. 19, 1949, in 3 Hours and 7 Minutes,

At the Church of All Saints,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 16½ cwt. in F.

E. ROGER MARTIN ... Treble	JOHN JACKSON ... 5
THOMAS BARKER ... 2	CYRIL CROSTHWAITE ... 6
G. ALEC DIMMOCK ... 3	JOHN CHARNOCK ... 7
WILLIAM A. THEOBALD ... 4	ARTHUR HATCH ... Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHTS. Conducted by E. ROGER MARTIN.

KNEBWORTH, HERTFORDSHIRE.

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Nov. 19, 1949, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin,

A PEAL OF PLAIN BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

HORACE E. WERRETT ... Treble	JACK S. DEAR ... 5
*LEONARD B. SCOOT ... 2	WALTER D. POOLEY ... 6
EDWIN G. BUCK ... 3	ROY W. WEBB ... 7
ERIC EDMONDSON ... 4	R. THOMAS NEWMAN ... Tenor

Composed by J. A. TROLLOPE. Conducted by R. V. WEBB.

* First peal 'inside.' Tenor 12½ cwt.

OAKHAM, RUTLAND.

THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Nov. 19, 1949, in 3 Hours and 15 Minutes,

At the Church of All Saints,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Middleton's. Tenor 24 cwt. in E flat.

*HARRY WOODING ... Treble	WILLIAM J. WHITMORE ... 5
MRS. G. E. WATSON ... 2	BERNARD J. SADDINGTON ... 6
*GEORGE CARE ... 3	GEORFREY E. WATSON ... 7
JOHN KING ... 4	*RONALD C. NOON ... Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE CARE.

* First peal of Cambridge Major.

OXHEY, HERTFORDSHIRE.

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Nov. 19, 1949, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Matthew,

A PEAL OF SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR, 5152 CHANGES;

Comprising 1,280 each of London, Cambridge and Superlative, and 1,312 of Bristol, with 113 changes of method. Tenor 8½ cwt.

JOHN E. ROOTES ... Treble	FREDERICK W. BRINKLOW ... 5
LEONARD H. BOWLER ... 2	ALICK CUTLER ... 6
CHRISTOPHER W. WOOLLEY ... 3	THOMAS H. FRANCIS ... 7
MAURICE HODGSON ... 4	HAROLD G. CASHMORE ... Tenor

Composed by A. J. PITMAN. Conducted by HAROLD G. CASHMORE.

PULFORD, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Nov. 19, 1949, in 3 Hours and 8 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin,

A PEAL OF ST. CLEMENT'S BOB TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 9½ cwt.

GEORGE F. SPERRING ... Treble	*FREDK. H. BIRKS ... 5
JOHN W. GRIFFITHS ... 2	*R. GORDON CORBY ... 6
*HENRY O. BAKER ... 3	PERCY SWINDLEY ... 7
*BRIAN HARRIS ... 4	*JOHN PAYNE ... Tenor

Composed by A. J. PITMAN. Conducted by JOHN W. GRIFFITHS.

* First peal in the method. † First peal in the method 'inside.'

QUEENSBURY, BRADFORD.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Nov. 19, 1949, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,

At the Church of the Holy Trinity,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 14½ cwt.

PAUL BIRKETT ... Treble	HARRY WILD ... 5
HARRY DAVISON ... 2	FRED HODGSON ... 6
EDWARD JENKINS ... 3	VERNON BOTTOMLEY ... 7
RONALD SQUIRES ... 4	SAM LONGBOTTOM ... Tenor

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW. Conducted by VERNON BOTTOMLEY.

First peal of Surprise as conductor. A compliment to William Ambler, leader of the local company, on his recovery from a major operation, and a wedding anniversary peal for Mr. and Mrs. H. Wild.

FIVE AND SIX BELL PEALS

SPALDWICK, HUNTINGDONSHIRE.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thurs., Nov. 10, 1949, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,

At the Church of St. James,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Norwich and Cambridge Surprise, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, Double Court, Double Oxford and St. Clement's,

Tenor 13½ cwt.

PERCY SMITH ... Treble	WILLIAM SEEKINGS ... 4
ERIC SMITH ... 2	FRANK WARRINGTON ... 5
JAMES K. MOUNFIELD ... 3	STANLEY GILBERT ... Tenor

Conducted by FRANK WARRINGTON.

BLANKNEY, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Fri., Nov. 11, 1949, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Oswald,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven extents in ten methods: (1) London Surprise, (2) Cambridge Surprise, (3) Double and Single Court, (4) Double Oxford and St. Clement's, (5) Oxford Treble Bob, (6) Oxford Bob and Plain Bob, (7) Kent Treble Bob. Tenor 10 cwt.

*MARGARET A. SWANN ... Treble	JACK L. MILLHOUSE ... 4
†GEOFFREY R. PARKER ... 2	*ROBERT W. PARKER ... 5
*OWEN A. NEEDHAM ... 3	JOHN E. COOK ... Tenor

Conducted by JOHN E. COOK.

* First peal in ten methods. † First peal. First peal in ten methods as conductor.

**CRANFORD, MIDDLESEX.
THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Sat., Nov. 12, 1949, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. DUNSTAN,*

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

*SCOUT ALAN J. SMITH (age 13) (1st Bookham)	Treble
A.S.M. P. N. BOND (2nd Westminster)	2
†S.M.(S) STANLEY W. BROWN (3rd Hove)	3
P.L.(S) JOHN HILL (2nd Ewell)	4
S.M.(S) P. E. T. ALLEN (16th Wimbeldon)	5
ROVER F. W. GARNER (2nd Horsham)	Tenor

Conducted by P. E. T. ALLEN.
* First peal. † First peal 'inside' bell. First peal of Grandsire Doubles for all except the conductor. Rung by members of the Boy Scouts Association for Prince Charles' birthday. Tenor 7 cwt.

FRYERNING, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

*On Sat., Nov. 12, 1949, in 2 Hours and 36 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,*

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being two extents each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob and three of Plain Bob. Tenor 10 cwt.

A. G. BARTHOLOMEW ... Treble	WILLIAM J. BARRETT ... 4
JACK SITCH 2	DENNIS A. S. SYMONDS ... 5
ERNEST J. RUNTER ... 3	PETER J. EVES ... Tenor

Conducted by PETER J. EVES.

NORTH BRADLEY, WILTSHIRE.

THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

*On Sat., Nov. 12, 1949, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,*

A PEAL OF STEDMAN DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 42 six-scores, ten callings. Tenor 13 cwt. in F.

LAURENCE E. HITCHINGS Treble	PERCIVAL W. J. HARDING 4
FRANK A. PENN 2	DONALD E. LEE 5
FREDK. S. SLATFORD ... 3	ROY HARDING Tenor

Conducted by PERCIVAL W. J. HARDING.

To mark the completion of 20 years as Vicar of North Bradley by Canon S. D. M. Davys.

DAVENHAM, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

*On Mon., Nov. 14, 1949, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. WILFRID,*

A PEAL OF DOUBLE OXFORD BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven extents. Tenor 15 cwt.

HARRY W. HOWARD ... Treble	ERIC HORNBY 4
A. GORDON LAWRENCE 2	DAVID SMITH 5
DOROTHY C. OSBORN ... 3	HARRY PARKER Tenor

Conducted by DAVID SMITH.

First peal in the method for the Northwich Branch, on the bells and by all the band. In honour of Prince Charles' first birthday.

BRADSTONE, DEVON.

THE GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.

*On Sat., Nov. 19, 1949, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NONNA,*

A PEAL OF PLAIN BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven different 720's. Tenor 7 cwt.

*ROY BOULD Treble	†ROBERT A. SOUTHWOOD 4
CHARLES E. TAYLOR ... 2	CHARLES SANGWIN ... 5
ALAN J. HICKS 3	FREDERICK SANGWIN ... Tenor

Conducted by FREDERICK SANGWIN.

* First peal. † First peal of Minor. First peal of Minor as conductor. Believed to be the first of Minor on the bells.

LITTLE MILTON, OXFORDSHIRE.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Nov. 19, 1949, in 3 Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being an extent each of Cambridge Surprise, Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob, Single Oxford, St. Clement's, Reverse Canterbury Pleasure and Plain Bob. Tenor 12 cwt. 2 qr. 8 lb.

HARRY W. BADGER ... Treble	CHARLES COLES 4
NORA NICHOLS 2	*HARRY P. FLOYD 5
DOUGLAS O. WILKS ... 3	ALAN R. PINK Tenor

Conducted by ALAN R. PINK.

* 50th peal. First peal on the bells.

WESTBURY, SHROPSHIRE.

THE SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

*On Sat., Nov. 19, 1949, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,*

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

MISS B. A. CARTER ... Treble	*CHARLES E. OVERTON 4
CLIFFORD A. BARRON ... 2	EDWARD W. COLLEY ... 5
*RICHARD F. DAVIES ... 3	JOHN COLLEY Tenor

Conducted by CLIFFORD A. BARRON.

* First peal. Tenor 9½ cwt.

BOBBING, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

*On Sat., Nov. 19, 1949, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BARTHOLOMEW,*

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

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

STANLEY V. RAYFIELD ... Treble	WILLIAM A. WOOD ... 4
BERT W. MAY 2	ERIC NAYLOR 5
FRANCIS J. CHEAL ... 3	GEORGE A. NAYLOR ... Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE A. NAYLOR.

First peal in seven methods by all except the 4th ringer. A birthday compliment to Stanley V. Rayfield. To commemorate 40 years as Vicar of Bobbing by the Rev. R. Wall.

COMPTON BISHOP, SOMERSET.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

*On Sat., Nov. 19, 1949, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,*

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 40 six-scores, ten different callings, and 240 Morris's arrangement. Tenor 14 cwt. (approx.).

GEORGE PRESCOTT ... Treble	WALTER STAR 4
*NOEL ANDERSON 2	E. EDWARD FISHER ... 5
MARJORIE LEGG 3	E. C. WICKHAM Tenor

* First peal. Conducted by GEORGE PRESCOTT.

CUDHAM, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

*On Sat., Nov. 19, 1949, in 2 Hours and 32 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,*

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Double Bob, Thelwall Bob, Double Oxford Bob, St. Clement's Bob, Childwall Bob, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob.

*MOLLIE R. COSGROVE Treble	DORIS E. COLGATE ... 4
GEORGE W. COOK 2	EDWIN H. LEWIS ... 5
ROBERT COLLINS 3	JOHN O. WELLER Tenor

Conducted by EDWIN H. LEWIS.

* First peal. Tenor 9½ cwt.

LONGCOT, BERKSHIRE.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

*On Sat., Nov. 19, 1949, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,*

A PEAL OF PLAIN BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven different extents. Tenor 12 cwt. (approx.).

ERNEST CADLE Treble	BRIAN BLADON 4
ENID LLOYD ROBERTS ... 2	†M. JACK PRYOR 5
*ANTHONY A. PEAKE ... 3	PETER ANGER Tenor

Conducted by PETER ANGER.

* First peal in the method. † First peal away from treble. First peal of Minor as conductor. First peal of Minor on the bells.

WADHURST, SUSSEX.

THE EAST GRINSTEAD AND DISTRICT GUILD.

*On Sat., Nov. 19, 1949, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,*

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being one 720 of Single Oxford, one 720 of Oxford Treble Bob, two 720's of Kent Treble Bob and three 720's of Plain Bob. Tenor 13 cwt. in G.

ALBERT RELFE Treble	LESLIE W. JARVIS ... 4
ERNEST J. OLIVER 2	LEONARD W. GILES ... 5
CHARLES A. BASSETT ... 3	A. PATRICK CANNON ... Tenor

Conducted by A. PATRICK CANNON.

For the 15th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Bassett.

WHITWELL, ISLE OF WIGHT.

THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.

*On Sat., Nov. 19, 1949, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. MARY-THE-VIRGIN AND RADEGUND,*

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

WILLIAM UPTON Treble	FRANK S. TAYLOR ... 4
BRYAN C. STIRLAND ... 2	JOHN H. HUNT 5
PATRICK PAGE 3	FREDK. W. BURNETT ... Tenor

Conducted by JOHN H. HUNT.

First peal of Minor in the method by all. Tenor 7 cwt.

WINSTER, DERBYSHIRE.

THE DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

*On Sat., Nov. 19, 1949, in 2 Hours and 28 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-BAPTIST,*

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 42 six-scores, ten different callings. Tenor 9½ cwt.

*HARRY HUNTINGTON ... Treble	*EDWIN HOPKINSON ... 3
GEORGE PAULSON 2	*DENNIS SCOTT 4
HERBERT E. TAYLOR ... Tenor	

Conducted by HERBERT E. TAYLOR.

* First peal of Doubles. First peal on the bells. To mark the birth of a daughter to the Rev. and Mrs. A. N. Ware.

HANDBELL PEALS

HINCKLEY, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Fri., Sept. 30, 1949, in 2 Hours and 8 Minutes,

At HOLYWELL STORES, LONDON ROAD,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Parker's Twelve-part.

ALFRED JORDAN	...	1-2	EDGAR VALLANCE	...	5-6
ALFRED BALLARD	...	3-4	HECTOR KNIGHTS	...	7-8

Conducted by HECTOR KNIGHTS.

First peal 'in hand' as conductor.

BOURNEMOUTH.

THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Fri., Nov. 11, 1949, in 2 Hours and 4 Minutes,

At 26, WELLINGTON ROAD,

A PEAL OF PLAIN BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Containing 126 calls, including 66 Before and 12 Singles.

Tenor size 14 in D.

WILLIAM G. YOUNG	...	1-2	DANIEL T. MATKIN	...	5-6
MRS. F. J. MARSHALLSAY	...	3-4	KATHLEEN E. FLETCHER	...	7-8

Composed by NOLAN GOLDEN. Conducted by DANIEL T. MATKIN.

BOURNEMOUTH.

THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sun., Nov. 13, 1949, in 1 Hour and 34 Minutes,

At 26, WELLINGTON ROAD,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven different extents, comprising four of Double Bob and three of Plain Bob.

Tenor size 14 in D.

WILLIAM G. YOUNG	...	1-2	DANIEL T. MATKIN	...	3-4
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MRS. F. J. MARSHALLSAY 5-6

Conducted by DANIEL T. MATKIN.

First peal of Minor in two methods 'in hand' by all.

LEICESTER.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD.

On Sun., Nov. 13, 1949, in 2 Hours and 20 Minutes,

IN ST. MARGARET'S SCHOOLS,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor size 17 in A.

ERNEST MORRIS	...	1-2	WALTER P. WHITEHEAD	...	5-6
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ALAN CATTELL	...	3-4	JOHN BRAMLEY	...	7-8
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Composed by JOHN REEVES. Conducted by W. P. WHITEHEAD.

BOURNEMOUTH.

THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Mon., Nov. 14, 1949, in 1 Hour and 59 Minutes,

At 26, WELLINGTON ROAD,

A PEAL OF PLAIN BOB MINOR, 5184 CHANGES;

Containing 158 calls, all Singles.

Tenor size 17 in A.

WILLIAM G. YOUNG	...	1-2	DANIEL T. MATKIN	...	5-6
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MRS. F. J. MARSHALLSAY	3-4	*ROY C. HURST	...	7-8
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Composed by NOLAN GOLDEN. Conducted by DANIEL T. MATKIN.

** 50th peal this year.*

BUSHEY HEATH, HERTFORDSHIRE.

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Mon., Nov. 14, 1949, in 2 Hours and 15 Minutes,

At 39, TITIAN AVENUE,

A PEAL OF SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Comprising 2,560 London, 1,216 Bristol, and 640 each of Cambridge and Superlative, with 119 changes of method.

MARGARET D. WOOLLEY	...	1-2	HAROLD G. CASHMORE	...	5-6
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CHRISTOPHER W. WOOLLEY	3-4	FREDK. W. BRINKLOW	...	7-8
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Composed and Conducted by HAROLD G. CASHMORE.

CAMBRIDGE.

THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.

On Tues., Nov. 15, 1949, in 2 Hours and 12 Minutes,

IN TRINITY COLLEGE,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor size 13 in E.

A. B. STOCKDALE (Girton)	1-2	*+G. DODDS (Emmanuel)	5-6
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B. D. THRELFALL (Trin.)	3-4	*R. E. B. SPEED (Caius)	7-8
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Composed by W. HUDSON.

Conducted by G. DODDS.

** 25th peal together. † 100th peal. First peal in method as conductor. First peal in the method 'in hand' by all.*

CLEATHAM, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tues., Nov. 15, 1949, in 2 Hours and 25 Minutes,

At CLEATHAM HOUSE FARM,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE OXFORD BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Tenor size 15 in C.

MRS. J. BRAY	...	1-2	JACK BRAY	...	5-6
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GEORGE E. FEIRN	...	3-4	PHILIP BARNES	...	7-8
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Composed by N. J. PITSTOW. Conducted by GEORGE E. FEIRN.

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Mr. G. H. Myers has
circled St. Andrew's, Ply-
mouth, by ringing the
treble to a peal of Bob Royal. Last year Mr.
Myers was very unwell, but now at 78 he has
returned to peal ringing, and with a remark
that he preferred a big bell; no doubt his
mind went back some 40 years to when he
rang Exeter 11th (then the 9th) to a peal, but
he may well be proud that his mantle has
fallen on his son Tom, who rang the tenor and
called this latest peal, whilst William and
Fred were also in the band. Truly a grand
ringing family.

Steeplejacks have completed taking down
12ft. from the top of the spire of St. Mary-le-
Tower, Ipswich, and ringing has been resumed.

Thanking Mr. Oldfield for his information
regarding Oxford and Kent Minor, Mr. E. C.
Gobey writes: 'Yes, it takes a bit of calling
—about as much as Holt's Original.'

Four Silverton, Devon, ringers, with seven
Somerset friends, defied the wind, rain and
hail for a ringing outing on November 12th.
Ringing took place at Poughill, Washford,
Pyne, Shelbridge, East and West Worlington.

By conducting a peal of Stedman Triples
'in hand,' Alan Cattell has set up a record,
being the youngest in the Leicester diocese to
call a peal in the method from an 'inside'
pair.

It was 'Wild Bells' when the Beverley and
District Society met at Burstwick on November
12th in the teeth of a gale, and the Vicar
(the Rev. R. W. George) concluded his sermon
by quoting a few verses from Tennyson's poem.
A tree blown across the road necessitated
public transport making a detour with con-
siderable delay. The party of 20 members and
friends eventually got back to Hull, and,
though wet, managed to get transport back
to their homes.

BELFRY GOSSIP

Mr. H. R. Pink, who
after the war revived the
band at Fordington St.
George, Dorchester, and started the fund for
rehanging the bells, has moved to Swanage.
Before leaving Dorchester he was presented
with a 'Delight' ringers' record book, pre-
pared by Mr. Will Viggers, in the frontispiece
of which was an illuminated address recording
his work for the bells of Fordington. His
successor as captain is Mr. K. W. Hewitt. The
presentation concluded with a service quarter,
in which four ringers taught by Mr. Pink
participated.

Mr. A. H. Pulling, of Guildford, has rung
handbells at the funerals of the three deceased
Masters of the Oxford Diocesan Guild—the
Rev. F. E. Robinson, the Rev. C. W. O.
Jenkyn and the Rev. G. F. Coleridge.

Darley Dale ringers, who rang a peal at
Winster, took with them four of their ropes
as on a previous visit the ropes were found to
be full of knots. Splices were made as a pre-
sent to the Winster belfry. The ropes in this
tower hang anti-clockwise and there are two
full notes between the fourth and fifth bell.

Mr. C. E. Jeffries, of Bedford, directs the
attention of the Cheshire band who rang a
peal of Glasgow Surprise Major at Frodsham
on November 11th to 'The Ringing World,'
page 402, August 26th, 1949, recording a similar
performance at Willesden on August 11th.

Probably the oldest bellringer in Suffolk, Mr.
James Dye, of Grundisburgh, celebrated 65
years of married life on November 25th. Mr.
Dye, who is 89, joined the Norwich Diocesan
Association in 1879. Mr. and Mrs. Dye were
married at Falkenham. Mr. Dye retired from
ringing last year. He is also the oldest Cum-
berland alive, which Society he joined on Nov.
28th, 1879. He called Holt's Original at Hel-
mingham in the 1880's, being the first perform-
ance of the peal in Suffolk.

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THE PASSING OF THE REV. CANON G. F. COLERIDGE

A Leader of the Exercise

WE regret to record the death on Nov. 22nd of Canon George Frederick Coleridge, M.A., at Crowthorne, Berks, aged 92 years. Canon Coleridge had great hopes of attending the dinner of the Ancient Society of College Youths on November 5th, and he had expressed his willingness to propose the toast of the Society. Early that morning he had a bad fall, and this necessitated his taking to his bed.

The news was received with deep regret and the secretary was instructed to express the condolences of the Society and their wishes for his speedy recovery. It was not to be. Change ringing has lost an outstanding personality who was known and beloved in all parts of the country.

Canon Coleridge was born at Cadbury Vicarage, Devon, on November 10th, 1857. His father held this living for more than 50 years and other relatives before him. On one occasion at the College Youths' dinner the Canon read extracts from a diary about 1827 which stated: 'The Rev. Dr. Coleridge read himself in to-day and provided plenty of beer for the ringers.'

He was educated at Ayshford Grammar School and learnt to handle a rope at Cadbury. He started ringing at the age of 17. Canon Coleridge decided to follow in the family tradition and went to Keble College, Oxford, and he took his B.A. degree in 1884.

While in residence as an undergraduate he came under the influence of several noted ringers and he held the office of secretary and later Master of the Oxford University Society. His first peal, Holt's ten-part of Grandsire Triples, rung at Kirtlington on June 14th, 1879, was the first peal in which the working bells were rung by university men. It was conducted by Rev. C. D. P. Davies and among the other ringers were men who were afterwards to be famous in the Exercise, viz., the Rev. F. E. Robinson, H. A. Cockey, W. S. Willett, R. E. Fiske and G. H. Phillott. The same years saw him admitted to the Ancient Society of College Youths, and this started a very long connection. There is no question that Canon Coleridge added lustre to the College Youths and his name was frequently recorded in the Society's peal book. Probably his first week's ringing tour was in Devon in August, 1883. At Sowton he rang a peal of Stedman Triples, conducted by the Rev. F. E. Robinson, and also in the same method at St. Sidwell's, Exeter.

In 1884 Canon Coleridge was ordained a deacon at Oxford and was appointed a curate at Caversham, Reading. In August that year he rang a peal of Stedman Caters at St. Laurence's, Reading, in which J. W. Washbrook and F. E. Dawe participated. This was conducted by the Rev. F. E. Robinson.

Soon after his arrival at Caversham he was appointed secretary of the Reading Branch of the Oxford Diocesan Guild, a post he held for 10 years until his preferment to Crowthorne.

WITH THE CENTRAL COUNCIL.

When the late Sir Arthur P. Heywood, Bart., in 1891, brought about the inaugural meeting of the Central Council of Church Bell Ringers, held at the Inns of Court, London, the Rev. Coleridge was one of the 74 delegates from 33 ringing societies who attended. He had remained a member of the Council without a break. In 1921 he was elected president of the Council and he held this office with distinction for nine years, when he was succeeded by Mr. E. H. Lewis.

In his own diocese of Oxford he did a great task in furthering the work of the Diocesan Guild. From 1923-1947 he was chairman of the Sonning Deanery Branch, and upon the death of the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn, of Caversham, he was elected Master of the Guild, a



CANON G. F. COLERIDGE,
Former President of the Central Council.

post he held from 1934 to 1946, when owing to trouble with his legs and advancing years he felt that it was in the Guild's interests he should make way for a younger man.

In 1904 he was appointed Vicar of Crowthorne, a village he served with great faithfulness for 53 years. From 1912-1928 he was Rural Dean of Sonning, and in 1917 he was appointed an Honorary Canon of Christ Church Cathedral, Oxford.

HIS PEAL RECORD.

Canon Coleridge learnt to handle a rope in his native village of Cadbury, Devon, in 1874. At Oxford as a member of the University Society he made good progress, being in company with other well-known clerical ringers, including the Revs. H. A. Cockey, W. S. Willett, J. F. Hastings and C. D. P. Davies. His first peal was rung at Kirtlington, Oxfordshire, on June 9th, 1879.

In all the Canon rang 273 peals, the last being on August 9th, 1932, a peal of London Surprise at Bridgwater. His career as a peal ringer was terminated by an injury to his knee when mounting a bicycle on a dark mid-winter morning.

He rang many peals with the late Rev. F. E. Robinson, among them being the first peal by eight clergymen on October 2nd, 1884, Stedman Triples at Drayton, Berks. In the same tower he participated in an uncompleted peal of Stedman Triples and was also in the band when the Rev. F. E. Robinson rang his 1,000th peal, being the first ringer to achieve such a distinction. Canon Coleridge rang the treble to a peal of Stedman Caters at Warwick on October 11th, 1910, which was the first peal on ten bells by 'ten priests of the Church' and was conducted by the Rev. C. D. P. Davies. He was also in the first clerical Surprise peal, Superlative Surprise Major at Prestbury, Glos., on April 22nd, 1912.

Another interesting 'first' in which the Canon participated was the first peal on Exeter Cathedral bells—Grandsire Caters on October 6th, 1902, in 3 hours and 52 minutes, which

was conducted by Mr. George Williams. The Canon was on the tenor with Mr. Ferris Shepherd strapping. He was also in the first peal on the bells at Plymouth—5,006 Stedman Caters.

Another of his heavy bell performances was at Wells Cathedral on October 4th, 1894, a peal of Grandsire Caters in 3 hours 44 minutes for the Oxford Diocesan Guild. This at the time was the heaviest peal ever rung single-handed by ten men.

He was a member of the band that rang the first Freemasons' peal, one of Grandsire Caters at St. Clement Danes' on December 4th, 1919. This peal was for the Ancient Society of College Youths. Canon Coleridge was a Past Master of the Heather Lodge No. 3131 and Past Prov. Grand Chaplain for the Province of Berkshire.

The Canon had a number of long length peals to his credit. These included 8,800 Superlative Surprise at Loughborough, 6,720 Double Norwich Court Bob Major at Caversham, 7,392 Double Norwich at Chiddingfold, 12,096 Double Norwich at Boyne Hill, 13,054 Stedman Caters at Cheltenham and 15,041 Stedman Caters at Appleton.

The last-named peal was rung on December 31st, 1888, in 9 hours and 16 minutes. This held the record for 20 years, when it was supplanted by a peal of 18,027 at Loughborough in 1909. Finally came the 21,363 at Appleton on April 22nd, 1922. In his notes the Canon wrote: 'I was too old to take part in this, youth prevailed, but I listened to it for several hours.'

His freak peal was one of Stedman Triples at St. Giles-in-the-Fields on February 7th, 1925, when all the members of the band were 6ft. or over. The Canon was the tallest, his height being returned as 6ft. 4½in. This peal was called by Mr. A. H. Pulling, and among the participants were Messrs. Cyril F. Johnston, Frederick W. Rogers and George W. Fletcher.

AT LUNDY ISLAND.

The Canon regarded his peal at St. Helena, Lundy Island, on August 23rd, 1905, as his most venturesome. In his notes he wrote: 'This peal was made possible by (a) Mr. Bowen, Parish Clerk of Ilfracombe, who chipped the rust off the bearings and saturated them with oil. (b) The generosity and hospitality of the Rev. H. G. Heaven, Lord of the Manor, owner of the island, donor of the church and bells. His wonderful array of oysters will never be forgotten. (c) The Rev. Coombes, chaplain to the Missions to Seamen, who kindly conveyed the party, who had been dubbed "madmen," to and from the island in the mission ship, 'The Irene,' on the usual monthly voyage to the many lightships in the Bristol Channel. The ship was known for its "roll," and this, together with a raging sea, made the journey somewhat unpleasant for some, but left more oysters for others.'

'We recovered either from seasickness or oysters by ringing a peal of Stedman Triples at Minehead, the following day.'

The Editor would welcome letters of appreciation of Canon Coleridge's great services to ringing and memories of those who participated in his peals.

THE FUNERAL

The funeral service was held at Crowthorne Church on Friday, which was unable to accommodate the many parishioners, friends and ringers who came to pay their last respects to one so widely loved.

There were approximately 40, robed clergy with the Bishop of Reading, who waited to receive the coffin. The Vicar (the Rev. A. C. Nugee) took the service. Psalm xxiii. was chanted and the hymns included 'The day Thou gavest, Lord, is ended.' The committal sentences at the graveside were said by the Bishop of Reading, and then followed a course

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CANON COLERIDGE FUNERAL—cont.
of Grandsire Triples rung by F. Sharpe 1-2, George Martin 3-4, A. H. Pulling 5-6, W. Hibbert 7-8.

The mourners included Major H. J. Cann (nephew). Among other ringers present were Mr. E. H. Lewis (president of the Central Council), Mrs. G. W. Fletcher (president of the Ladies' Guild and also representing Mr. G. W. Fletcher, secretary of the Central Council, who was indisposed), Capt. A. R. Poyntz (Deputy Master, Oxford Diocesan Guild, also representing the Master, the Rev. C. Elliot Wigg), Mr. W. Hibbert (secretary, Oxford Diocesan Guild), Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Barker, Mr. Walter Judge (Oxford Society), Mr. and Mrs. F. I. Hairs, Mr. E. Barnett, Mrs. E. Barnett (also representing Mr. E. A. Barnett), Rev. C. K. Davis, Rev. R. D. St. G. Edwards (Guild of Clerical Ringers), Mr. J. W. Jones (Newport), Rev. E. C. S. Lomas (Vicar of Bray), Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Lock (Abingdon), Messrs. F. Sharpe, Richard White (Appleton), J. Corbett (Bagshot), A. H. Pulling (Guildford), C. W. Denyer (Farnham), M. E. H. Barrow (Oxford University Society), A. D. Cullum (Caversham), George Martin, T. Fowler, A. W. Pyke (Reading), C. Lewington (Reading), J. Rance (Bingfield), T. M. White (Guildford, also representing the Editor of 'The Ringing World') and Miss Brown.

RETURN THANKS

Dear Sir,—May I, through the columns of 'The Ringing World,' thank, on behalf of his relatives, the ringers for the many messages of sympathy received by letter, telegram, telephone or personally at his funeral?

I would especially like to thank Mr. Hibbert, secretary of the Oxford Guild, for so kindly arranging the handbell ringing at his funeral, and those ringers who took part for giving such a beautiful and well-struck touch.—Yours truly,
H. J. CANN, Major.
Corner Close, Kilve, Bridgwater, Somerset.

OBITUARY

MR. FRANCIS MILES.

The passing of Mr. Francis Miles, of Bredons Norton, near Tewkesbury, Glos., on November 12th, at the age of 42, was received by his many friends with deep regret. He had been a member of the local band for 28 years and a chorister for the same length of time; for the last 11 years he was also sexton.

Mr. Miles was a very capable ringer and rang about 40 peals, many of them in the little tower at Bredons Norton. He was a member of the Worcestershire and Districts Association for more than a quarter of a century and for many years he was a member of the Tewkesbury Branch of the Gloucester and Bristol Association.

The interment took place at Bredons Norton on November 16th, and the service, which was conducted by the Rev. Kirk Duncan, was attended by a large number of friends, many of them ringers. At the graveside 60 changes of Grandsire Doubles were rung on handbells by John Thomas, Mrs. John Thomas and J. D. Johnson.

After the interment a quarter peal of Minor in four methods was rung with the bells half-muffled by O. Attwood 1, J. D. Johnson 2, Mrs. J. Thomas 3, J. Thomas (cond.) 4, J. Attwood 5, E. T. Newbury 6; and in the evening muffled ringing also took place at Kemer-ton, a neighbouring village, where Mr. Miles often helped the local band.

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

The annual meeting of the Western Branch took place at Fakenham on November 19th, some 24 members being present. Four new members were elected. This is the seventh meeting held during the current year in this part of the diocese.

The next meeting has been fixed for February 25th at King's Lynn.

Dedication

ST. PAUL'S, WOKINGHAM.

The bells (8) of St. Paul's, Wokingham, have recently, been repaired and overhauled by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank. Founded by Warner and Sons, they were in the Exhibition of 1864, and then hung in that year, and have, as far as available records show, been overhauled only twice previously.

On November 12th, some 60 members of the Sonning Deanery Branch joined in a service of thanksgiving for their restoration, after a period of silence lasting some eight months. Ringing took place before the service and continued after tea till nearly 9 p.m.

All deeply regretted the accident which prevented Canon Coleridge from giving the address. Members of the tower have provided the material and labour for bricking up the north and west louvres to 2-3rd height with the aim of improving the sound of the bells in the immediate vicinity of the church.

The repairs cost £257 and St. Paul's is grateful to all who have helped the work by their generous subscriptions. There is no outstanding debt on this account.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION

LEWISHAM DISTRICT.

The annual meeting of the Lewisham District, held at Christ Church, Erith, had only a sparse attendance.

Ringing during the afternoon was followed by a service, conducted by the Vicar, the Rev. K. G. Homer, recently inducted to the benefice, who extended a warm welcome. Mr. E. Barnett (Crayford) read the lesson, and Mr. G. Phillips (Erith) led the singing at the organ.

After tea the business meeting was held in the Church Hall, the Vicar presiding. Two ringers were elected into the Association and the election of three peal ringers was ratified. A report of the past year's work was favourably received.

Mr. A. G. Hill was re-elected district secretary, and Messrs. A. S. Richards and G. V. Murphy were reappointed district representatives. Following custom, a new Ringing Master was elected, Mr. J. Daffers, of Lewisham, succeeding Mr. F. A. Coley (Crayford), who received cordial thanks for his services.

Woolwich was chosen as place of next meeting, to be held on Saturday, January 28th, and it was resolved to hold a social evening on a date to be arranged.

The good wishes of the meeting were extended to Mr. H. Hoverd, of Dartford, whose illness unfortunately continues.

Mr. I. Emery informed the meeting that reconstruction work had commenced at SS. Peter and Paul's, Bromley, the foundation stone of the new church having been laid by H.R.H. Princess Elizabeth, an honour of which Bromley was very proud.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSN.

BRISTOL CITY BRANCH.

The November meeting of the branch was held on November 5th at St. Stephen's, when a large number were present. Full use was made of the ten bells and the more inexperienced ringers had every opportunity of ringing the higher methods.

The service—the first held at St. Stephen's since before the war—was conducted by the Rev. Phelps in the absence of the Rector, who spoke of the team work which is necessary with a good band of ringers. This team work is now playing a vital part in the branch, and the long awaited rise in the standard of ringing in Bristol is now becoming evident.

The bells resounded to some very good ringing all through the afternoon and evening, methods ranging from rounds, etc., to Double Norwich, Cambridge Major and a very well-struck course of Cambridge Royal.

Chester Diocesan Guild

WIRRAL BRANCH AT EASTHAM.

A shocking day and the fact that at late notice the meeting had been brought forward a week did not deter members from turning out in strength to attend the meeting at St. Mary's, Eastham, on November 12th. A company of 74 members and friends attended and it is interesting to note that average attendance at 12 meetings so far held this year is 62, easily a record for the branch.

The service was conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. J. Wright Davies), who gave the address. A novel feature was the substitution for the usual lesson of the reading of an article on faith with historical references ranging from early Christian times to present day.

Immediately following the company was entertained to a really sumptuous tea. The business meeting which followed proved to be rather more prolonged and verbose than is customary; nevertheless, it was good to see members taking an interest in branch affairs.

The hon. secretary (Mr. A. J. Martin) announced that over 200 tickets had been sold for the third annual social to be held at West Kirby on November 26th.

Reference was made to the valuable spade-work performed at Eastham by Mr. T. W. Wood. Responding in reminiscent vein, he mentioned that since the lifting of the ban learners at this tower had broken 65 stays (bellhanger who recommended 2 x 2 pitch-pine stays, please note!).

The meeting closed with an omnibus vote of thanks to all responsible for arrangements, and particularly to the ringers who had provided such a wonderful meal. Mr. G. Pickthall responded, pointing out that Eastham ringers were only too pleased to be able to return the hospitality extended to them by other ringers.

MR. A. D. COOK'S 100 PEALS

The following comprises Mr. Arthur D. Cook's 100 tower-bell peals:—
Grandsire Doubles: 1.

Minor: Plain Bob 2, Kent and Plain Bob 1, Kent Treble Bob 1, Oxford Treble Bob 1, Cambridge Surprise 3.

Grandsire Triples: 6.

Major: Plain Bob 5, Kent Treble Bob 1, Double Norwich Court Bob 5, Belgrave Surprise 3, Bristol Surprise 1, Cambridge Surprise 7, Hinton Surprise 1, Lincolnshire Surprise 2, London Surprise 3, New Cambridge Surprise 2, Norfolk Surprise 1, Painswick Surprise 1, Rutland Surprise 2, Superlative Surprise 4, Whitminster Surprise 1, Yorkshire Surprise 13.

Caters: Grandsire 1, Stedman 6.

Royal: Belgrave Surprise 1, Cambridge Surprise 3, Lincolnshire Surprise 1, Yorkshire Surprise 1.

Stedman Cinques: 14.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

CASTELLATED NUTS

Dear Sir,—Messrs. John Taylor and Co. were not responsible for the work quoted in my letter published on November 11th. Any implication to this effect was not intended.—
Yours faithfully,
R. OVERY.
Haywards Heath

NO COTTER PIN

Dear Sir,—With regard to the Leeds tenor clapper, recently at Ilkeston, while ringing the bells up in peal for practice, the 4th clapper came out. This was soon put right as it was only the clapper pin that had come out. It was fitted with a castle nut, but no cotter pin. It seems strange that this nut should come off after being in for 39 years, as the clapper had never been interfered with, only a drop of oil now and again after practice night. We took the clapper out and fixed a cotter pin. I am pleased to say there was no other damage done.
E. C. GOBEY.
Ilkeston.

ODDFELLOWS' PEAL

Dear Sir,—I am very much afraid I put thoughts into your head, which, though very happy ones, were certainly not intended when I wrote about the set of handbells not being used at the Parish Church, Montgomery.
I am also sure that no such compliment (though very well merited) was thought of by my dear friend Brother Tomley. The information I gave was just some of his many interests; he is very interested in most things, especially in the handbells (which he used to ring) not being used.

I do not know the amount of interest taken in ringing in Montgomery, but would like to get to know through 'The Ringing World' that it was very much alive.

Pursuing the subject of an 'Oddfellows' peal, there are some fine ringers and conductors in our West Central Counties Conference area, which embraces the Chester, Shropshire and Staffordshire Guilds, and I should be delighted to hear from some of them.—Thanking you, yours sincerely,
W. FRANK STENSON.

Crewe.

VILLAGE RINGERS

Dear Sir,—I have read with great interest the efforts of ringers in small villages who are struggling along. There are several such places in my district. These ringers are keen and the majority are grand church workers. They have to be content with ringing Grand-sire Doubles, but don't you think that if this is learnt and struck properly it is a good start?

I visit five of these towers in turn to lend a hand and the enthusiasm is unbounded; there is always a happy welcome for everybody.—Sincerely yours,
JAMES H. MUSSON.

Silk Willoughby, Lincs.

36 YEARS TOO LATE

Dear Sir,—The claim that the peal at Ruskington, Lincs, was the first on the bells is 36 years too late. I rang in the first peal on the bells on September 18th, 1913, conducted by Rupert Richardson, and published in the ringing papers and the Lincoln Diocesan Guild report.—Yours faithfully,
C. GLENN.
Cotgrave, Notts.

RECRUITMENT OF RINGERS

A REPLY TO MR. BOTTRILL.

Dear Sir,—In reply to Mr. W. Bottrill, may I say that ringers should be recruited from persons who are already members of a church, because bellringing is part of the Church's work. If people who have no interest in the Church are recruited merely because they are interested in campanology alone, then the whole purpose of their ringing becomes a farce.

If, as Mr. Bottrill suggests, people subscribe to the cost of bells for no other purpose than that of giving the ringers something to amuse themselves with, then they are very different from those with whom I have come into contact.

People give because it is part of the life of the Church, and if you took away the Church, the response would be very much different. I have organised many efforts for bells and I know that the majority of people give or support these efforts because they are, first of all, for the Church.

Mr. Bottrill should not generalise by saying that 18,000 ringers only ring to preserve their halo of religion, because I feel sure that in not one case has he individualised to prove this. After condemning this mass of ringers he goes on to blow his own trumpet by admitting he is indeed a pretty good chap since he walks two miles each Sunday to ring rounds on six. I wonder how long this has been going on, because surely if he is such a good fellow they should be able to ring some sort of method by now, unless, of course, he is one of the 18,000 who he says 'have no zeal for the art.'

I hope Mr. Bottrill will soon be able to write to our journal and tell us that his ring of six has been augmented to a ring of eight through the generosity of his fellow church-people who have appreciated his kindness in teaching their ringers to ring for the glory of God.—Yours faithfully,
'TRAVELLER.'

HANDBELL MUSIC

Dear Sir,—Most handbells are rung by ear, but the surest way is for the instructor to have a card with numbers and indicate the order in which the bells should be played (he must watch his knuckles too). To see whether a tune can be played, look at the printed music in the treble stave to see if all the notes lie between the highest and lowest notes if you have eight bells. If the melody needs extra half tones (flats, sharps or naturals), it cannot be rung properly.

Tunes which can be rung on eight bells are: 'First Nowell,' 'Hyfrydol,' 'Innocents,' chorus of 'Bells of St. Mary' (with an octave 'twist' on two notes), 'Drink to me only.' Useful additions are No. 9 (for 'Land of my Fathers' and 'While Shepherds Watched'), one between 2 and 3 for 'Good King Wenceslas,' one between 4 and 5 for many well-known melodies in the scale of G major. Two extra trebles for 'Way down upon the Swanee River,' etc.

The writer would be pleased to give the enquirer some assistance if he wishes.—Yours faithfully,
DAVID H. BETTS.

Prescilly View, Haven Road, Haverfordwest.

A 'bazaar of the bells,' held at Birstall, Leics., on November 19th, raised over £100 for the new ring of six and restoration of the tower of Wanlip bells. Wanlip has at present only three bells, but through the efforts of the congregation most of the money has been raised for the new ring.

Wordsworth Surprise Major

Dear Sir,—In reply to Alan R. Pink's letter, page 572, re Wordsworth Surprise, the five false course-ends as published in 'The Ringing World,' November 11th, are correct. A Bob before in each course cuts out the falseness and gives clean proof six lead courses. The composition is the in-course half of a six-part peal of Double Oxford Bob Major, composed by the late J. A. Trollope, 1894, and included in the C.C. Collection, Section II., Double Oxford Major, peal No. 22.—Yours sincerely,
G. MARRINER.

Leatherhead.

Dear Sir,—If Mr. Pink cares to spend five minutes with pencil and paper he will discover that the false course-ends for Wordsworth are as shown in 'The Ringing World.' What, however, he will find much more interesting is that, despite the apparent serious falseness of the method, if you take your plain course as one of six leads with bobs at M B W you will get a true course in the same way as you do in Rutland and (presumably) in Kendal.

As for the composition of the peal, it is given in the Central Council collection of peals (No. 22 of Double Oxford) as being by Mr. Trollope, and so can hardly claim to have been composed by Mr. Cashmore except in so far as he discovered that it was true to Kendal (by no means obvious).

As a matter of interest it is merely a peal by John Reeves applied to a course in which M B W is called. The same Q-sets at H are bobbed and the corresponding Q-sets at M and W are plained instead of bobbed.—Yours faithfully,
RICHARD F. B. SPED.

Eastbourne, Sussex.

ST. MARGARET'S PEAL

Dear Sir,—I noticed rather an unusual coincidence in 'The Ringing World,' dated Nov. 4th. Your correspondent, Mr. D. A. Bayles, queries whether he could possibly have heard the bells of St. Margaret's, Westminster, faintly in the background whilst 'Big Ben' was sounding prior to the nine o'clock news on October 15th. I myself was not tuned in to the news and I doubt whether reception here would be good enough to pick up anything which might perhaps be sounding in the background. I notice, however, that a peal was rung at St. Margaret's on October 15th, so, assuming that it was not a recording of 'Big Ben' and that the peal of Stedman Caters which was rung at St. Margaret's on that day took place in the evening, was it not possible that your correspondent heard a very short extract from this peal?—Yours sincerely,
JAMES A. SMITH (Tpr.).

B.A.O.R.11.

SHEFFIELD WEDDING

The wedding took place on November 19th of Mr. J. J. L. Gilbert, of Handsworth, and Miss Joyce Taylor. The ceremony was performed at Handsworth Parish Church, where Mr. Gilbert has been a ringer for many years, and since coming out of the Forces, having served throughout the war, he has been Ringing Master.

A Sunday service band rang a peal of Plain Bob Major for the occasion, and the happy pair eventually departed for their honeymoon in London and Bournemouth. Their new home is 56, Glencoe Road, Sheffield 2.

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BRISTOL—At St. Stephen's on Nov. 13th, 1,280 Bob Major: S. Riches 1, F. Hansford 2, Miss M. Hilliar 3, C. Mogford 4, A. Hilliar 5, N. Coombs 6, R. Seager 7, E. F. Hancock (cond.) 8. First of Bob Major 2 and 5.

CAMBRIDGE—At the Church of Our Lady and the English Martyrs on Nov. 14th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: J. A. Newell 1, Anne B. Stockdale 2, G. Anderson-Smith 3, A. R. Guy 4, P. T. Robbins 5, G. Dodds 6, A. S. Watt (first as cond.) 7, B. D. Threlfall 8. First in method 2 and 3.

CHISLEHURST, KENT—At St. Nicholas' on Nov. 13th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: B. Best (first away from tenor) 1, R. Dent 2, R. Dunn 3, J. Morris (cond.) 4, F. Knight 5, F. Mounce 6.

ELTHAM, KENT — On Nov. 13th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: R. A. Laming 1, Miss M. Ashdown 2, E. B. Crowder 3, J. Hurrell 4, F. W. Richardson 5, A. Anstey 6, G. W. Ashdown (first as cond.) 7, F. J. Hurrell 8. First quarter 1 and 2.

EYTHORNE, KENT—On Nov. 17th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: M. Tyler 1, E. J. Walker 2, C. Turner (cond.) 3, E. T. Ellender 4, Willis Brooks 5. In memoriam the Earl of Guilford, patron of the living.

FARNHAM ROYAL, BUCKS. — On Nov. 12th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: D. Padfield (first quarter Triples) 1, A. Birch 2, Miss R. Lund 3, W. Henley 4, B. J. Matthews 5, W. F. Butler (cond.) 6, W. Birmingham 7, J. Alley 8. In honour of the wedding of Miss I. Ewins and Mr. E. Armstrong.

GOODWORTH CLATFORD, HANTS—On Nov. 13th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: J. A. Lundy 1, Mary Tanner 2, J. R. Tolman 3, O. C. Smart 4, N. V. Andrews (cond.) 5, W. Mulford 6. First of Grandsire Doubles by all the hand.

GULVAL, CORNWALL — On Nov. 12th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss Beryl Lawrey 1, J. Triggs 2, V. G. Wood 3, G. Matthews 4, G. W. Taysom (cond.) 5, J. Williams 6. First quarter for all except 3 and 5.

HARDINGSTONE, NORTHANTS—On Nov. 15th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: E. Mumford (first quarter) 1, Miss Rita Parker 2, W. R. Hammons (cond.) 3, G. F. Roome 4, E. G. Bennett 5. For the 80th birthday of Mr. P. H. Stanton, ringer at this church for over 50 years.

HARROW WEALD, MIDDLESEX — On Nov. 13th, 1,280 Double Norwich Court Bob Major: Miss E. K. Fulton 1, P. Beedie 2, Mrs. C. C. Mayne 3, C. C. Mayne 4, H. G. Hart 5, H. D. Butler 6, R. E. W. Wenban (first in method as cond.) 7, J. R. Mayne 8.

HENFIELD, SUSSEX—On Nov. 6th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: E. W. Morey 1, Mrs. C. A. Cruttenden 2, Miss S. M. White (first of Stedman) 3, E. Lish 4, F. E. Cruttenden 5, B. W. White (cond.) 6, E. F. Packham 7, G. A. Packham 8.

HINCKLEY, LEICS—On Nov. 12th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: A. Ballard (cond.) 1, H. Knights 2, A. Jordan 3, T. Sowerman 4, B. Aldridge 5, B. Ridgeway 6, E. Vallance 7, F. Mellor 8.

HITCHIN, HERTS—On Nov. 12th, 1,440 Oxford Treble Bob: A. E. Symonds 1, W. F. Todd (first in method) 2, L. Runnacles 3, G. Cherry 4, E. W. Winters 5, F. W. Croft (cond.) 6. Rung for the birth of a son to Rev. and Mrs. Bonser.

HORNCHURCH, ESSEX—On Nov. 13th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: S. Meadows 1, J. Carrot 2, S. Penfold 3, C. E. Wright (cond.) 4, J. G. MacDougal 5, A. R. Chapman (first in method) 6, T. East 7, F. V. Gant 8.

HURST, BERKS — On Nov. 10th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: L. Hall 1, C. A. Eele 2, J. Harland 3, C. W. Mortimer 4, Mrs. B. C. Castle 5, E. Allum (first 'inside') 6, B. C. Castle (cond.) 7, F. Hicks 8. First quarter 1 and 3. For the 92nd birthday of Canon G. F. Coleridge.

QUARTER PEALS

MACCLESFIELD, CHESHIRE — On Nov. 13th, 1,272 Stedman Caters: Anne Worth 1, A. A. Potts 2, W. Stevenson 3, J. Henshaw 4, G. Farrer 5, J. Worth (cond.) 6, W. Gages 7, H. Farrer 8, H. Wood 9, F. Cadman 10. First quarter for 1 and 10.

MAPLEDURHAM, OXON—On Nov. 10th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: C. Smith 1, R. Hunt 2, Miss M. Hart 3, C. Pocock 4, P. J. Dyke (cond.) 5, L. Fogg 6. First quarter for 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6.

NORTHAMPTON—At St. Peter's on Nov. 15th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Mrs. G. S. Valentine 1, E. Nobles 2, Miss M. B. Valentine 3, W. Austin 4, W. Parker 5, G. S. Valentine 6, T. Tebbutt (cond.) 7, W. Atterbury 8.

NORTH CREEKE, NORFOLK — On Nov. 14th, 1,080 Plain Bob Minor: P. Beals 1, M. Tyrell 2, R. Alcock 3, T. Owen (cond.) 4, F. Beals 5, A. Leet 6. In honour of Prince Charles' birthday.

PINNER, MIDDLESEX — On Nov. 10th, 1,260 Plain Bob Major: W. Pickthall 1, F. G. Robbins 2, E. Thurlow 3, G. Hart 4, G. Kilby 5, R. Wilkinson 6, T. Collins 7, W. N. Genna (cond.) 8.

PONTESBURY, SHROPSHIRE — On Nov. 5th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: G. Lewis 1, Miss B. Carter 2, C. E. Overton 3, E. W. Colley 4, R. F. Davies (cond.) 5, L. Colley (first quarter) 6.

ROTHWELL, YORKS—On Nov. 15th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: W. Ward 1, G. Perkins (first 'inside') 2, G. W. Steel 3, A. Marsh 4, T. W. Strangeway 5, A. Strangeway (first quarter) 6, E. Spencer 7, P. Massam (cond.) 8.

RUARDEAN, GLOS — On Nov. 5th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: W. T. Penn 1, R. Pownall 2, L. H. Jones 3, How. Meek 4, J. J. Webb (cond.) 5, W. Beard 6. In memoriam Mr. L. Harper, former ringer.

SAXILBY, Lincs—On Nov. 11th, 1,320 Bob Minor: D. G. Crosby 1, M. L. Mann 2, J. B. Nicholson 3, J. M. Blaikie 4, J. Nicholson 5, F. Bishop (cond.) 6. In memoriam A. E. Stroud, a member of the local band.

SOUTHWARK, LONDON—At St. George-the-Martyr's on Nov. 6th, 1,312 Yorkshire Surprise Major: A. F. Lancaster 1, Miss P. G. Kitchen 2, H. G. Andrews 3, W. H. Hewett (cond.) 4, T. G. Fox 5, C. E. Willmington 6, J. G. A. Prior 7, T. H. Francis 8. First of Yorkshire by 1, 2, 3 and 5.

STOKE-UNDER-HAM, SOMERSET — On Nov. 10th, 1,440 Bob Minor: W. Warr 1, Mrs. E. S. Powell (cond.) 2, R. Beale 3, R. Welch 4, F. Welch 5, J. Drew 6. First quarter peal on the six bells.

SWINDON, WILTS—At Christ Church on Nov. 13th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss M. Skinner (first of Triples) 1, F. G. Wilton 2, Miss M. E. Richards 3, Miss B. E. Ll. Roberts (cond.) 4, A. Tickner 5, C. J. Gardner 6, W. W. Daniell 7, J. Berry 8.

WEST WICKHAM, KENT—On Nov. 6th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Anne Holmes 1, Wm. A. Hughes 2, Ian Couch (first quarter) 3, L. W. G. Skinner 4, A. S. Richards (cond.) 5, J. Porter 6.

WIMBLEDON, SURREY — On Nov. 10th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: Miss I. Dearing (first in method) 1, J. Tomsitt 2, T. G. Miller 3, E. Cassell 4, J. Chapman 5, R. Charge 6, R. Saunders 7, E. V. Blake (cond.) 8.

WINDSOR, BERKS—At St. John's on Nov. 13th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: E. S. T. Farr (cond.) 1, A. Smith 2, K. Buckingham 3, A. G. Wratten 4, K. Curtis 5, A. J. Glass 6, L. Stilwell 7, C. Vitler 8.

WHISTON, YORKS—On Nov. 13th, 1,332 Plain Bob Minor: S. Wright (14) 1, Elaine Wright (16) 2, Shirley Bampton (15) 3, T. Cutts 4, R. Rhodes 5, N. Chaddock (cond.) 6. First of Bob Minor for 1, 2, 3 and 5.

YORKTOWN, SURREY — On Nov. 14th, 1,320 Plain Bob Minor: H. Everitt 1, R. Bath 2, F. Marchant 3, L. Paice 4, J. A. Parker 5, W. J. Parker (cond.) 6. First quarter by 1, 2 and 3.

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YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Western Division.—The quarterly meeting will be held on Saturday, Dec. 3rd, at St. Chad's, Far Headingley. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Tea 2s. 6d. per head, Mr. H. R. Parkinson, 11, Moor Road, Leeds 6. 6090

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Bushey (8), Dec. 3rd, 3. Tea 5 at Elsum's.—S. Hoare, 56, Acme Road, Watford. 6120

WINCHESTER & PORTSMOUTH GUILD.—Winchester District.—Practice meeting, Ropley (6), Dec. 3rd. Bells 2.30. Tea 5. 6143

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—V.W.H. Branch.—Meeting, Shrivenham, Dec. 3rd. Bells (8) 2.30. Service 4.30. 6135

SUSSEX ASSOCIATION.—Northern Division.—Quarterly meeting, Cowfold, Saturday, Dec. 3rd, 3 p.m. Tea. Names for tea to G. T. Jennings, 5, Malthouse Road, Crawley. 6154

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Northern District.—Meeting at All Saints', Poplar, on Saturday, Dec. 3rd, 3 p.m. Tea 5. Service 6, followed by business meeting and further ringing.—R. H. Begrie, Dis. Sec. 6153

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Hunts District.—Great Staughton, Saturday, Dec. 3rd. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5.—S. Gilbert, Dis. Sec. 6151

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Practice meeting at St. Giles-in-the-Fields, Holborn, on Monday, Dec. 5th, 7.15 p.m.—T. J. Lock. 6197

BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.—Dunster Deanery.—Annual meeting, Dunster, Dec. 10th. Bells 3. Service 4. Tea 5. Business 5.30. Notify early.—G. Stacey, Minehead. 6132

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.—North Dorset Branch.—Annual meeting at Sherborne, Saturday, Dec. 10th. Visitors welcome. Write Rev. Wm. Uphill, Stour Provost Rectory, Gillingham, Dorset. 6111

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.—South Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Silk Willoughby, Dec. 10th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m.—B. H. Dalton, Hon. Sec. 6124

GUILDFORD GUILD.—A Guildford District meeting, together with LADIES' GUILD (Southern District), at Worplesdon, Saturday, Dec. 10th. Arrangements as usual. Service 4.30. Nominations for district officers must be made at this meeting. Names for tea, please, by Dec. 5th to Mr. S. Petter, Fox Corner, Pirbright. 6123

SALISBURY GUILD.—West Dorset Branch.—The annual meeting will be held at Bridport on Saturday, Dec. 10th. Bells 3 p.m. Service at 4. Tea and meeting follow. Other towers open: Bradpole 2.30 to 4, Burton Bradstock, Loders and Chideock till 6.15. Names for tea by Dec. 2nd, please.—C. H. Lathey, Sec. 6125

SURREY ASSOCIATION.—Southern District.—Meeting, Redhill (8), Saturday, Dec. 10th, 3. Service 5. Tea 5.30. Nominations for district officers for 1950. Names for tea by Wednesday, Dec. 7th, to Mr. Gear, Sandy Way, The Cutting, Redhill. 6126

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Western District.—Meeting at King's Langley (8), Dec. 10th. Bells 3. Names for tea to Mr. A. Cook, Motor Engineer, High Street, King's Langley, by Wednesday, Dec. 7th.—Pamela A. Marlin, Dis. Sec. 6145

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Oxford City and District Branch.—Annual meeting, St. Ebbe's, Oxford (8 bells), Saturday, Dec. 10th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 3 p.m. Tea 4 p.m. Names for tea by Dec. 7th to Miss M. R. Cross, The School House, Radley, Abingdon, Berks. 6137

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Rochester District.—By-meeting at Higham (6) on Saturday, Dec. 10th. Usual arrangements. Names for tea by Tuesday, Dec. 6th, to B. W. May, Keithston, Keycol Hill, near Sittingbourne, Kent. 6142

DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Chesterfield District.—Monthly meeting, Alfreton (8), Dec. 10th, 2.30 p.m. Tea 5. Names by Dec. 8th to Mr. T. W. Hopson, 2, Grange Street, Alfreton, Derbys. 6127

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Western District.—Saturday, Dec. 10th, 2.30. Names for tea by Dec. 8th to Mr. S. Thompson, Poplar Villa, Whaggs Road, Whickham. 6155

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.—Cheltenham Branch.—30th anniversary. Annual meeting, Charlton Kings, Dec. 10th, 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15 (names required by Dec. 5th).—Charles Rouse, Westdene, Bouncers Lane, Prestbury, Glos. 6088

BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.—Taunton Branch.—Annual meeting, Wilton, Dec. 10th, 2.30. Service 4.15. Tea and meeting 5. Numbers for tea early.—A. Reed, George Street, Taunton. 6136

WINCHESTER & PORTSMOUTH GUILD.—Andover District.—Annual district meeting, Dec. 10th. Bells, Andover (8), 2.30 to 4.15. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m., Dairy Cafe, Bridge Street, followed by meeting. Accommodation limited and tea only for those who notify by Dec. 8th.—J. A. Hill, Anna Valley, Andover. 6157

EAST GRINSTEAD GUILD.—Tunbridge Wells (St. Peter's, 8), Dec. 10th. Names for tea to Mr. B. Collison, 169, Queen's Road, Tunbridge Wells. Look up Yorkshire Major.—C. A. Bassett. 6158

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.—Swindon Branch.—Christ Church, Swindon, Dec. 10th. For tea advise W. Daniell, 14, Union Street, Swindon.—W. B. Kynaston. 6161

LADIES' GUILD.—Western District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Wington on Saturday, Dec. 10th. Bells from 3 o'clock. Service 4.30. Tea at 5 p.m. Cards for tea by Dec. 6th, please.—N. G. Williams, Hon. Sec. 20, Macaulay, Bath. 6162

ST. DAVID'S GUILD.—Meeting Llandovery (6), Dec. 10th, 2.30 p.m. Service 4. Tea and meeting to follow.—C. H. Hawkins, 2, Machynis Road, Llanelly, Carm. 6163

ELY ASSOCIATION.—Ely District.—Willingham (6), Saturday, Dec. 10th. Bells 2.30. Tea 5, White Hart. No service.—C. Gimbert, Sutton, Ely. 6164

SUSSEX ASSOCIATION.—Southern Division.—Quarterly meeting, Henfield (8), Saturday, Dec. 10th. Tower open 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15. Names by Dec. 8th to B. W. White, Hon. Div. Sec., 14, Southview, Henfield. 6165

LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Hinckley District.—Stoney Stanton, Dec. 10th. Bells (8) 3. Cups of tea 5. Bring own food.—F. K. Measures, Hon. Sec. 6185

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Central Bucks Branch.—A quarterly meeting at Stone (6), Dec. 10th. Bells 2.45. Service 4. Tea and meeting.—E. F. Gibbard, 30, Horn Street, Winslow, Bucks. 6184

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.—Wotton-under-Edge Branch.—Annual meeting, Dec. 10th, at Wotton-under-Edge. Bells (8) 3. Tea 4.30. Service 6. Notify for tea by Dec. 7th to Miss Drew, Bibstone Farm, Cromhall, Glos. 6180

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Luton District.—Monthly meeting at Aspley Guise on Dec. 10th. Bells (6) at 3. Tea 4.30. Names for tea by Tuesday, Dec. 6th.—Valerie Willard, Dis. Sec., Church Avenue, Leighton Buzzard. 6177

SOUTHWELL GUILD.—North Notts Branch.—Meeting at Blyth (6), Saturday, Dec. 10th. For tea please notify Mrs. Tomlinson, White House Cafe, Blyth, Worksop, by Dec. 9th.—H. Denman. 6174

LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Leicester District.—Aylestone (8), Saturday, Dec. 10th. Bells 3.30. Service 4.30. Tea 5. Names to Mr. F. E. Wilson, 98, Evesham Road, Leicester, by Wednesday, Dec. 7th.—W. Root Dis. Sec. 6175

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Preston Branch.—Meeting at Walton-le-Dale, Saturday, Dec. 10th. Cups of tea provided, bring own food. Frequent buses from Preston, Chorley and Blackburn. 6173

ANDOVER, HANTS.—Dedication of the Oscar Smart memorial plaque, Dec. 10th, 4.15. St. Mary's, Andover. Tea 5 for those who notify by Dec. 8th.—J. Hill, Anna Valley, Andover. 6172

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.—Northampton Branch.—Little Houghton, Dec. 10th. Those requiring tea send names by Dec. 7th to Mr. Eric Nobles, Hon. Sec., 48, Millway, Duston, Northants. 6171

BEVERLEY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.—Meeting on Dec. 10th at North Ferryby. Bells available from 2.30 p.m. Tea for all who notify Mr. J. Laws, 11, Station Road, Brough, East Yorks, before Wednesday, Dec. 7th. 6170

OXFORD GUILD.—Reading Branch.—Combined Reading Branch and Shiplake-Henley-Sonning practice, Shiplake, Dec. 10th, 6 to 9 p.m.—T. N. Lanaghan. 6169

DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Peak District.—Monthly meeting, Matlock (8), Dec. 10th, 3. Bring own food. Cups of tea obtainable.—Miss D. J. Dunn, Darley Dale. 6168

ELY ASSOCIATION.—Wisbech Branch.—Meeting, Elm, Saturday, Dec. 10th. Bells (6) 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea 5. Tea provided.—J. E. Fox, Dis. Sec. 6172

HERTS COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Eastern District.—Meeting at Standon, Saturday, Dec. 10th. Bells 3. Service 4.30. Tea 5. Please notify S. Smith, 21, Station Road, Puckeridge, not later than 7th for tea.—A. S. Carter, Sec. 6178

GUILDFORD GUILD.—Leatherhead District.—Meeting, Banstead, Dec. 10th. Bells 3.30. Service 4.30, followed by tea and nomination of officers. Names for tea to Mr. Pitstow, Saffron, High Street, Banstead, by Wednesday. 6179

SUFFOLK GUILD.—Bury St. Edmunds District.—Meeting at Ixworth, Saturday, Dec. 10th. Bells 3 to 6 p.m. Tea found, bring own food. Meeting after.—W. Stannard, Hon. Sec. 6182

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Biggleswade District.—A meeting will be held at Sandy on Saturday, Dec. 10th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Tea 5.—C. J. Ball, 25, Tempsford Road, Sandv. 6183

ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS AND MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Joint meeting on Saturday, Dec. 10th, St. Ann's, Highgate, 2.30 to 4. St. Stephen's, Hampstead, 4.30 and evening. Service 5. Tea 5.30. Names for tea by previous Tuesday to T. J. Lock, 57, Holloways Lane, North Mimms, Hatfield, Herts. 6186

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Furness and Lake District.—A practice meeting will be held at Kirkby-in-Furness on Saturday, Dec. 10th. Bells (6) available at 2.30 p.m. Names for tea to F. Moorhouse, Suncrest, Kirkby-in-Furness.—N. M. Newby, Branch Sec. 6192

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Lancaster Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Bentham on Dec. 10th. Bells (6) 2.30. Bring own food. Cups of tea provided.—John Woods. 6189

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Manchester Branch.—Business meeting will be held at the Town Hall on Dec. 10th. Bells 3.30 p.m. Note date.—R. Benson, Branch Sec. 6190

BARNESLEY DISTRICT SOCIETY.—Meeting at Royston, Dec. 10th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Those requiring teas must notify Mr. S. Dance, School House, Church Street, Royston, near Barnsley, not later than Dec. 7th.—D. Smith, Hon. Sec., 28, Chapel Street, Shafton, near Barnsley. 6188

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BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Axbridge Deanery.—Practice meeting, Compton Bishop, Saturday, Dec. 10th, from 6.30 p.m. to 9 p.m.—E. J. Avery, Hon. Sec. 6195

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KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Ashford District.—Quarterly meeting, Lydd, Dec. 17th. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Names by Dec. 14th, please, to T. Cullingworth, 95a, High Street, Ashford, Kent. 6181

UNIVERSITIES ASSOCIATION.—Sixth annual dinner, Croydon, Jan. 4th, 1950. Details as circulated. Will members who fail to receive letter, and potential new members, write to secretary before Dec. 8th? — Dr. E. S. J. Hatcher, Kimmeridge, Dilton, near Maidstone. 6144

OXFORD UNIVERSITY SOCIETY. — Annual lunch, Saturday, Jan. 28th. Ringing, Christ Church, Magdalen, All Saints', etc. Non-resident members write to the Master, Exeter College. 6159

ST. ALBANS, HERTS.—At St. Stephen's on Nov. 16th, 1,260 Bob Minor: A. E. Ewer 1, G. W. Seaman 2, R. J. Bedford 3, E. H. Durant (first of Minor) 4, B. C. Johnson (cond.) 5, T. J. Southam 6.

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