

Report of meeting held at St Leonards
Shoreham on 6th May 1944

An enjoyable though poorly
attended meeting resulted in some
quite good ringing both on tower
and handbells.

At the meeting held in the
Jane Shore public house the chair
was taken by the master Mr Gibbs
supported by the secretary, Trustees
and Mr J Swan Senior Steward.

No formal agenda had been
prepared, the chief item of business
being the handing over of the
William Kestler's great books by Dr
W H Fussell. It was Mr Kestler's
wish the Society should have the
custody of his records for future
reference and safe custody. In
thanking Mr Fussell the master
stressed how fortunate we were
in getting these books and how
much they would be appreciated
by generations to come. Mr Kestler
expressed regret the compositions

were not included, as in his view they would form the most valuable item in the collection.

It was heard with regret that Mr. Purcell was in such a sad state of health, and the Secretary was instructed to write and convey the Society's sympathy together with our grateful thanks for his past record.

Two new members were elected, Mr. A. Boulton of Shepford and Mr. G. H. Smith of Chatterham.

Tea was provided by the Landlady of the Inn (Mrs. Dickinson) and a hearty vote of thanks was accorded to her for the way she had arranged matters.

Mr. G. H. Smith thanked the Sec for his part in the arrangements. Mr. Astor voiced the sentiments of the meeting in thanking the Sec for use of the bells and the Sec was asked to write to the proper authorities.

G. H. Smith
21.12.19