

Hanging the Bells



The Church Bells - The work of removal for recasting the tenor bell of St. Leonard's (the parish) church was begun recently. Mr. H. Treppeck, of Butleigh, has been at work erecting a scaffold outside the south-east corner of the tower. It had been found that the bell was too large to lower inside, so this scaffolding was necessary, as the bell had to be taken through the east window of the tower. On Wednesday of last week, in the sight of many of the villagers, the bell was taken through and out of the window, lowered on to a trolley, and drawn on its way to the bellfounders (Taylors of Loughborough). Report has it that it will be back home and ready to be rung within a month. The surplus from the "Revel" of last June is the source of the fund for defraying the expense.

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The New Tenor Bell - On Saturday last, the new tenor bell, the cost of which, as has been previously mentioned, was met with the proceeds of the Butleigh Revel, was placed in the church tower, and probably, after a trial on Saturday next, the new bell, in conjunction with the other five, will be formally rung in an opening peal on Sunday morning next. The new tenor, which weighs 19 cwt., is slightly larger than the old bell, which only weighed 17 cwt. In order to inaugurate the event, the vicar (the Rev. G. W. Berkeley) is giving a supper to the bell-ringers on Saturday evening next.



In the previous report of the Revel I had the photographs of the raising and lowering of the Bell in the reverse order