

Amended tender.

re High Bickington Bells.

June 28. 1910

To Rev. C. V. Wansbrough  
Rev. Sir,

We will undertake to lower down the six bells and put them in some convenient place take out the old fittings, frame, floor and beams from the tower and provide and fix in the tower five English oak beams three 10"x9" and two 10"x8", provide, make and fix on the beams an English oak framing bed to take the iron frame and provide and cut in between the sills of frame and resting on the beams and nailed to them a good 2" red deal floor, and provide, make and fix in the tower a cast iron frame for 8 bells, the frame to be of sufficient strength and substance to resist the action of the bells when ringing, the frame to be bolted down to the oak bed and beams and to be painted 3 coats, two before fixing and one after. We will also undertake to hoist and hang 8 bells in their places in the new frame with all new fittings complete viz:- Wheels, stocks, stays and sliders, pulleys, steel gudgeons and gun-metal bearings, the steel gudgeons fitted into iron bed plates clip bolted to the stocks and the bearings fitted into iron pedestal carriages bolted down to frame and fitted with iron hinged covers and thumb screws, all new ironwork to hang bells with, quarter turn the present 2<sup>nd</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> bells and put new clappers to them put the present 1<sup>st</sup> clapper in proper order and properly hang it in the bell, repair and refix the shutles that



ropes now work in, provide and fix 2 more shutles for the 2 new bells and 2 best made bell ropes, use the present 6 bell ropes again and properly guide all 8 ropes from the wheels to the guides below, provide and fix in the iron stays under, proper guides for the 2 new bells, paint all the ironwork, stocks and felloeing part of wheels, 3 coats of paint, pay carriage of our materials and all travelling expenses for our men and complete the work in a workmanlike and satisfactory manner and to your entire satisfaction for the sum of One Hundred and Sixty Four Pounds Seventeen Shillings. (£164.17.0).

You to have done any masonry that may be required in levelling setoffs of walls and also see to the Clock, weights, and hammers, all the old wood to be your property and the old iron work & bearings out.

We will also undertake to supply two new bells a 12<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>, the two bells to weigh together about 12½ cwt. and two clappers and staples for them, the two bells to be in unison with the present 6 after the 4<sup>th</sup> has been recast, pay carriage of them from London to Buckingham for the sum of Ninety Pounds, Sixteen Shillings (£90.16.0). If the 2 bells when cast weighed over 12½ cwt. <sup>the extra metal</sup> it<sub>n</sub> would be charged for at the rate of £6.15.4 per cwt. if under that weight it would be deducted at the same rate.

To add a 12<sup>th</sup> + 8<sup>th</sup> to your present 6 Bells, the present 4<sup>th</sup> would have to be recast and made a



penitance lower and have added to her, including  
wastage in recasting about 40 lbs. of new metal to  
make her heavier. We will undertake to lower  
the 4<sup>th</sup> bell from the tower, send her to the Foundry  
London to be recast add to her to include  
wastage about 40 lbs. of new metal, pay  
carriage of her from High Bickington to London  
and back again for the sum of Seventeen  
Pounds. (£17-0-0)

If it was found that she wanted more than  
40 lbs. including wastage, added to her it would be  
charged for at the rate of £6-15-4 per cwt. and  
if she did not require so much it would be  
deducted at the same rate

July 15. 1910

To Rev. C. V. Wansbrough  
Rev. Sir.

The price of bellmetal having gone down  
we can now supply you with two new bells for  
£2-18-4 less than stated in our estimate of  
June 28<sup>th</sup>. We should be pleased to give you an  
estimate for making a frame for 8 bells and  
hanging your present six if you could not  
complete the whole work at once

Harry Stokes & Son.

H. S. jr.



# Chawleigh Church Bells.

June 28. 1910

To Rev. F. Hudson.

Rev. Sir.

We have as you already know examined the peal of six bells & their fittings & frame in Chawleigh Church Tower & we found it in a very bad condition, the frame is a very old one & is worn out, it has been cut about a good deal to let the bells pass around when ringing, & when all the bells are ringing together the frame rocks about very much, this makes it very hard work to ring the bells. The fittings on the bells are also gone bad & some of them are badly worm eaten. The ironwork is rusted & the pulleys are worn out, the floor under the bells is gone badly in some places, & the main beams under the floor & frame which carries the whole thing are worm eaten & decayed, nothing can be done only to clear the whole thing out & put it all in new, the old frame had fairly stout timbers when it was put there but it had to be cut to let the bells pass. What we would propose to do would not be to put in an oak frame again because it would have to be cut about again, but put in four new oak beams & an oak flanking beam resting on the beams & a cast iron frame (the iron frame would not take up so much room



as an oak one & it would be more rigid) cut in between the oak bed  
slid on the beams a good red deal  
floor, there are now four bells  
swinging all one way of the  
tower, the 3<sup>rd</sup> which is up over  
the 4<sup>th</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> & tenor, we propose to  
put the 3<sup>rd</sup> the other way of the  
tower up over the 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup>, & to be  
carried on two steel girders let  
into the east & west walls, there  
would then be 3 bells swinging  
N to S & 3 swinging E to W. The 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup>  
& 3<sup>rd</sup> want quarter turning, the  
clappers have beaten large dents into  
them having been striking at one  
place for a great number of years,  
the 1<sup>st</sup> since 1754, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> 1730, the  
fourth is cracked, & must be recast,  
the 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> were recast in 1874. The  
only things amongst it that are  
fit to be used are the bell ropes,  
they are very good ones. The clock  
which is up under the bells would  
have to be protected & the weights  
& striking hammers would have  
to be taken down & refixed after  
the bells were rehung this is  
clock makers work.

#### Estimates.

We will undertake to lower the  
4<sup>th</sup> bell from the tower & send her  
to the foundry. London, to be  
recast add what metal is  
required (3 lbs. per cwt) to allow for



wastage in recasting, provide a new clapper & staple for her, pay carriage of her to London & back again for the sum of Twenty Seven Pounds, Seven Shillings (£27 7-0). If it is found in recasting that she wanted any more new metal added to her it would be charged for at the rate of £6-15-4 per cwt.

We will also undertake to lower down the other five bells from the tower & put them in some convenient place take out the old fittings, frame, floor & beams from the tower & provide & fix in the tower four English oak beams two 13x9 & two 13x8. provide & fix on the beams an English oak framing bed for the five under bells, size of scantling for framing bed to be 8 $\frac{1}{2}$  x 4, 8 $\frac{1}{2}$  x 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ , & 8 $\frac{1}{2}$  x 5, provide & cut in between framing bed & lie on the beams, & nailed to them, a good 2 red deal floor provide, make & fix on the framing bed a cast iron frame for 5 bells, the 1<sup>st</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> 10<sup>th</sup>, the frame to be of sufficient strength, & substance, to resist the action of the bells, when ringing, the frame to be bolted down through the framing bed into the beams, provide 2 steel girders 8x5. 27 lbs. to the foot, to carry the iron frame for the 3<sup>rd</sup> bell, these girders to be let into the walls, & cemented in, provide iron framing



For the 3<sup>rd</sup> bell fixed on the 2 girders bolted down to them, the 3<sup>rd</sup> bell will be hung over the 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> instead of over the H<sup>ch</sup> as now, all the iron framing & the steel girders to be painted 3 coats, 2 before fixing & one after. We will also undertake to hoist the Bells into the frame & hang them with all new fittings complete viz; Wheels, stocks, stays & slides, ground pulleys, steel gudgeons, & gunmetal bearings, the steel gudgeons fitted into iron bed plates, clip bolted to the stocks, & the bearings fitted into iron pedestal carriages bolted down to the frame, fitted with iron hinged cover & thumb screws, all new ironwork to hang the bells with, quarter turn the 1<sup>st</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> & put new quarter staples in them, provide new clappers for 1<sup>st</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> & properly hang all six clappers in the bells, provide six new shutes in the clock chamber for ropes to work in, use the same set of ropes again & properly guide them away from the wheel to ringing chamber, with all necessary thimbles & patrices, take out the iron rings now in the iron rope guides in bottom of tower & put in turned hard wood blocks for ropes to work in, paint all the ironwork stocks & following part of wheels,



3 coats, pay carriage of all our material  
+ all travelling expenses for our men  
+ complete the work in a workmanlike  
+ satisfactory manner, + to the  
satisfaction of any one you may  
like to appoint to inspect the  
work, or try the go of the bells  
for the sum of One Hundred and  
Fifty Five Pounds (£155).

All the old wood to be your property  
+ all the old ironwork + bearings to be  
ours. You to see to the clock, weights,  
hammers, + have done any masons  
work that may be wanted in  
leveling up the setoffs or taking  
out holes.

We remain, Rev. Sir,

Your obedient servants,  
Harry Stokes + Son.

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Topsham Church Bells  
Estimate No 1. (Oak)

July 2<sup>nd</sup> 1910

To

Messrs. H. Harbottle & Son.

Sirs.

We will undertake to lower down the six bells to some convenient place, take out the old fittings, frame, floor & beams from the tower, provide & fix in the tower four English oak beams, two 12x9. & two 12x10, provide & fix in the tower <sup>an</sup> English oak frame for the six bells, the sizes of scantling for frame to be the same as marked on plan sent, the frame to be bolted together with about 36 long  $\frac{3}{4}$  bolts, the bolts where convenient to go down through into main beams, all the joints of frame to be secured with stout strap plates, provide & cut in between sills of frame, & lie on the beams & nail to them a good 2" red deal floor. We will also undertake to hoist the bells again into their places in the new frame, & rehang them with all new fittings complete, viz: Wheels, headstocks, stay & sliders, ground pulley, steel gudgeons, & gunmetal bearings, the steel gudgeons fitted into iron bed plates, clip bolted to the stocks, & the bearings fitted into iron carriages screwed down to frame, & fitted with iron hinged covers



9 thumb screws, all new ironwork to hang the bells with, quarter turn the 2<sup>nd</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> tenor bells so that the clappers shall strike opposite to what they do now, put the 6 clappers in proper order & properly hang them in the bells, provide a new set of best made bell ropes & properly guide them away from the wheels to the bottom of tower with all necessary stays & fittings, repair & refix the present chiming apparatus if it is found to be good enough, paint all the ironwork, stocks & wheels, 3 coats, pay all carriage of our materials & complete the work in a satisfactory & workmanlike manner for the sum of One Hundred & Fifteen Pounds, Seventeen Shillings (£115-17). If after the chiming apparatus was taken out, it was found unfit to be refixed we would put in a new one for Four Pounds (£4.) extra to the aforementioned sum.

### Estimate No 2. (Iron)

We will undertake to lower down the six bells to some convenient place take out the old fittings, frame, floor beams from the tower, provide & fix in the tower, four English oak beams, two 12x6, & two 12x10, provide, make & fix on the beams an English oak framing bed to take the iron frame sizes of scantling for framing bed to be 4x7½, 4½x7½, & 5½x4½, & cut in between bed & lie on the beams &



nail to them a good deal floor 2" thick, provide, make, & fix in the tower a cast iron frame, the frame to be of sufficient strength & substance to resist the action of the bells when ringing, weight of frame about 3 tons, the frame to be bolted down to the bed beams, paint the iron frame three coats, two before fixing, & one after. We will also undertake to hoist the bells again into their places in the tower, & hang them, all new fittings complete, viz: Wheels, headstocks, stays & sliders, ground pulleys, steel gudgeons, & gunmetal bearings, the gudgeons fitted into iron bed plates, clip bolted to the stocks, & the bearings fitted into iron pedestal carriages bolted down to frame & fitted with iron hinged covers & thumb screws, all new ironwork to hang the bells with, quarter turn the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> tenor bells so that the clappers shall strike opposite to what they do now, put the clappers in proper order & properly hang them in the bells, provide a new set of best made bell ropes & properly guide them away from the wheels to the bottom of tower, with all necessary stays & fittings, repair & refix the present chiming apparatus if it is found to be good enough, paint all the



ironwork stocks & wheels, 3 coats, pay  
all carriage of our materials & complete  
the work in a satisfactory &  
workmanlike manner for the sum  
of One Hundred & Thirty Four Pounds  
Seventeen Shillings (£134. 17/-)  
If after the chiming apparatus was  
taken out it was found unfit to be  
refixed we would put in a new  
one for Four Pounds (£4) extra to  
the aforesaid sum.

### Estimate No 3.

The six bells are all sound but are out  
of tune. The cost of having an expert  
bell tuner to tune them in the tower  
by chipping them will be Seven  
Pounds (£7). But we would suggest,  
& it would be the best way, to send  
them to the foundry, London, & have  
them tuned by their special machinery.  
The cost of sending them to London &  
back again & tuning them will be  
Seventeen Pounds, Seventeen Shillings  
(£17. 17/-). These sums are extra to  
the ones in Estimates 1 & 2.

The cost of any masonry, or anything  
in connection with the clock is not  
included in any of the above  
estimates.

There would be no alteration made  
to the bells, they would still  
retain their canons, & all the  
inscriptions which are now on  
them would be carefully preserved  
Yours obediently, Harry Stokes & Son.



To

July 4<sup>th</sup> 1910

Rev. G. R. Goff

Rev. Sir

In reply to your letter of 4<sup>th</sup> about putting the 2<sup>nd</sup> lot of rollers in the chamber above we beg to say this could not be done to be a satisfactory job it would be a great bother with the ropes. The only thing you can have done to bring the sound down so that you can hear them at bottom is to put a small trap door, say cut out a couple or three of the floor boards and put 2 ledges to it and hang it and do the same with the floor under as it is a double floor and attach the under door with a small chain to the top one and put a rope to the top one with a pulley attached to the boarding our man put up in the belfry, fix the rope to the trap door and pass it up over the pulley and make an hole in the floor and let the rope down by the side of chiming manual at bottom you can then lift both of these doors before you commence to chime and let them down again when the chiming is done this is the only thing we can suggest to you to get over the difficulty of hearing the bells at bottom when they are chiming and we think this will do what you require we have no second key for the lock if we had the lock & key again we could put one to it

yours Obediently  
H. Stokes & Son



## Syme Rejo Church Bells

To the Vicar & Church-wardens of

Syme Rejo

July 8th 1910

Rev: Sir & Gentlemen

We have at your request examined the peal of six bells & their fittings frame floor, & beams in your Church tower & we beg to inform you that we found some of it in a very dilapidated & dangerous condition. The fittings of some of the bells are got so bad that it is dangerous to ring them. Especially the 3rd 4th & 6th, & we would strongly recommend you not to have the bells again rung in peal until they have been reclothed, the only bell that is fit to be rung is the 5th, you could chime the whole peal for your services, but not on any account ring them in peal. The beams which rest on the carrels & carry the whole thing are got bad, the east end of the middle beam which is under the 4th frame is rotten off & there is a prop under it to keep it up, one of the other beams, the one on the east side, is badly decayed & the others are badly worm-eaten. The floor which is on the four beams is in a bad condition, the frame is very bad & rocks about a good deal, when the bells are rung up singly & it must rock about a great deal when the 6 bells are rung together, the frame has been cut about a great deal from time to time & some of the brace pieces have been cut in so much that there is only about  $\frac{1}{2}$  left in them. The only thing that can be done is to clear it all out, beams, floor, frame & fittings



& put it all in new. The bells are alright but the tenor is worn badly at the sound bow & must be quartz tuned, all clappers are worn badly & must be put in new. We would strongly recommend an oak frame for the great 17 bells, not an iron frame or steel girders as it would continually be a pain in the back, it would rust quickly being so near the sea, the ironwork now on the bells is rusted badly & the threads on some of it is rusted off, an oak frame shows how the old one & fitted well together. Can be put in very well, which you will see by plan sent. The bells can be lowered to the ringing chamber, but all the old materials & the new would have to go out & in the south window of bell chamber, as it cannot go up & down inside of tower. You would have to protect the clock while work was going on & the weights, pulleys, ropes, wires & struts taken off as everything above the clock will have to come out. You will want a clock-man to see to this, as it is clock-maker's work.

### Estimate

We will undertake to lower the 6 bells to the ringing chamber, take out the old fittings frame, floor & beams from the tower, provide & fix in the tower resting on the carters four English oak beams 12 x 10 ea: (not put a beam under these 4 as it is not required) provide, make & fix in the tower 4 English oak frames for the six bells, the frame to be



bolted together with 44 long  $\frac{3}{4}$  bolts & the bolts where convenient to go down through into the main beams, all the joints of frame to be secured with stout strap plates, the frame to be made & size of scantling to be the same as worked on plan, cut in between the sills of frame & resting on the beams, a good red deal floor 2" thick & well nailed to the beams, we will also undertake to hoist the six bells into their places in the new frame & hang with all new fittings complete rig - wheels headstocks, slays & slides ground pulleys, steel judgions & gunmetal bearings, the steel judgions fitted into iron bed plates & clip bolted to the stocks & the bearings fitted into iron Carriages screwed down to frame & fitted with iron hinged covers & thumb screws, all new ironwork to hang bells with quarter turn the tenor bell, & any other that may require quarter turning, provide 6 new clappers & properly hang them in the bells, provide a new set of bed made bell ropes (the ones you now have there are not fit to run bells with) & properly guide them away from wheels to ringing chamber with all necessary shutes, thimbles & pulleys, paint all ironwork, stocks & wheels 4 coats of paint, pay carriage of our materials & all travelling expenses for our men & complete the work in a satisfactory & workmanlike manner & to the satisfaction of any one you may like to appoint to inspect the work or try the fit of the bells, any one



that knows anything about Church-bell  
work for the sum of One Hundred  
& Thirty Seven Pounds, Eighteen  
Shillings (£137.18.0)

All the old iron work, Hangers &  
ropes to fit our property & the old  
timber work, You to see to the  
Clock, wire, weights & Stripes,  
& have done any masonry that  
may be required & chip the Stone  
Corbels to make them flat & level  
if they require it.

We are  
Yours obediently  
Harry Stokes & Son

Copy sent Jan. 20<sup>th</sup> 1911



Venmore Race-course gates

July 8. 1910

To Mr. Jenkins.

Dear Sir,

The cost of putting up deal gates and oak posts in the meadows will be Five Pounds per pair. The gates will be 10.0 long, 3.9 high, and posts will be oak 8x8, the timbers of gates will be tail 7x3, head 3x3, top rail 4x2, bars 4x1 & braces 3x1 similar to sketch, they will have a coat of carbolineum & the posts will be fixed in concrete where necessary, also the wire and wood fencing will be made good on either side

Harry Stokes Esq

H.S.



Re Shute Church Bells

July 9th 1910

To the Rev. S. M. Housse

Rev. Sir,

On examining the bells, frame and fittings in Shute Church Tower, we found that the frame when the bells are rung singly rocks about a great deal & when the four bells are ringing together it must rock considerably. This rocking of the frame makes the bells go badly & nothing can be done to steady it.

The frame is very old & slight & nothing can be done to it, as it has been cut about in several places, what is required is a new oak frame, a Stowes one & bolted together with long bolts. The beams which carry the frame are worn & must be renewed. The fittings of the bells have had something done to them in recent years, but the gudgeons & flanges are worn. & this also makes the bells ring unsteady, when this repairing was done there were plates screwed down over the bearings to keep the bells from jumping out. Instead of these plates there should have been covers so that they could have been taken off for oiling the gudgeons. The ropes have cut grooves in the floor, they should have metal rings on the floor to work in, the ground pulleys are also worn badly. We could not use any of the fittings which are now on the bells, & the only thing we can recommend you to have done is to lower the bells, take out the old fittings, frame, floor & beams & put it all in new.



## Estimate

we will undertake to lower down the five bells to the Chamber below, take out the old fittings, frame, floor & beams, & provide & fix in the tower four English oak beams two  $10 \times 9$  & two  $10 \times 8$  provide & tie on the beams & cut in between the sills of frame a good 2' deep deal floor, provide make & fix in the tower an English oak frame for the five bells, the sizes of scantling for frame to be same as marked on plan sent the frame to be bolted together with about 26 long  $\frac{3}{4}$ " bolts, the bolts where convenient to go down through frame into the main beams, all the joints of frame to be secured with stout strap plates. We will also undertake to hoist the bells again into their places in the tower & hang them with all new fittings complete rig: wheels head-stocks, stays & sliders, pulleys steel gudgeons & gunmetal bearings, the steel gudgeons fitted into iron bed plates clip bolted to the stocks, the bearings fitted into iron carriages screwed down to frame & fitted with iron hinged covers & thumb screws, all new ironwork to hang the bells with, put the clappers in proper order & properly hang them in the bells, use the same set of bell ropes again, & properly guide them away from wheels to bottom of tower, put two metal rings on floor in Chamber under the bells for ropes to work in, paint all the iron-work stocks & wheels & cast, pay carriage of all our materials



& all travelling expences for our men &  
Complete the work in a workmanlike &  
Satisfactory manner & to the Satisfaction  
of anyone you may like to appoint to  
inspect the work or try the go of the bells  
anyone that knows anything about  
Church Bell work). for the sum of  
Seventy Five Pounds, Sixteen Shillings  
£75. 16. 0)

all the old iron & beams to be ours & the  
old wood to be yours, you to have done  
all masons work that may be  
required in putting in new beams etc:  
or to the walls

We remain Rev. Sir  
Your obedient servants  
Harry Stokes & Son

Leatts. headstones

Woodbury July 12. 1910

Madam

We will paint the 2 headstones & letter them  
for £1-10-0

sent to Miss Lottie Morrish



## Buckfastleigh Bells

July 23. 1910

To J. S. Trelawney Esq.

Sir

At the request of Messrs. Ascott our  
Mr. Stokes, jr visited Buckfastleigh tower on  
Friday, and it was pointed out to him that  
you would like to build a 9' wall on the  
east side to strengthen it, if cutting out 9'  
on the west side would not interfere with the  
hanging of the bells. As far as we can see  
it will make no difference to hanging the  
bells provided the tower is left to the  
measurements given & explained to  
Messrs. Ascott. We hope to start fixing  
the bells about the 29<sup>th</sup> of August.

Yours obediently

Harry Stokes son



Grithelstee bells

August 8<sup>th</sup> 1910

To

Mr R Lake

Blunckwarden

Dummetts Mill

Torrington

Dear Sir

In reply to your letter received this morning respecting the above, we should require you to pay us 50 per cent of the cost of the work, when the work was completed and the remainder 3 months after completion. We could complete the work by Xmas provided we had the order placed in our hands at once, we like to carry out our work as ordered first ordered first done, we could not get on else and we have now several orders in that will last us some little time we could not reduce our price or that we could give you satisfaction, and the price we have given you is only a fair price for a good job. Shall you have the frame made ~~and~~ and fixed for? We hope you will. Trusting that you will place the work in our hands.

We remain Sir

Yours truly

H. Stokes & Son



August 13<sup>th</sup> 1910

To

Rev<sup>d</sup> W. Rose

Parsonage Rectory  
Langport

Rev<sup>d</sup> Sir

The cost of the Bell Ropes will be 11/- per rope  
you to pay the Carriage of them an order from you  
will be esteemed and will receive immediate  
attention

H. S. & Son



Clatworthy Bells.

Aug. 13. 1910.

To Rev. S. J. Corbett.

Rev Sir.

We are very sorry that we had not replied to your last letter before now but we are sorry to say that we cannot do your bells in September. We have been so pushed up lately to complete the peals we had on order before you wrote us about yours and we make it a rule to do our work as ordered, first ordered first done, we should not be able to get on else. We hope you will wait for us and we believe we could do them by about end of October or beginning of November. We have been busier this year than for some time and the orders seem to have come in all at once

H. Stokes & Son.



To J. Ford Esq.  
 Louisa House  
 Branscombe

August 15<sup>th</sup> 1910

Sir

re Branscombe Church Bells

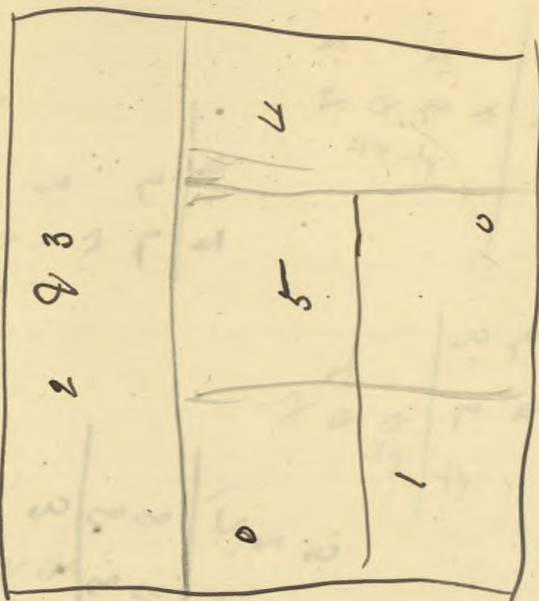
Sir

In reply to your letter of 12<sup>th</sup> respecting the examining of the Bells & Chime, we beg to say our charge would be £1.00 for visiting Branscombe and examining the above. We could not go this week but could go on 22<sup>nd</sup> or 23<sup>rd</sup> if these dates will suit you 22<sup>nd</sup> would suit us best.

We remain Sir

yours Obedtly

H Stokes & Son



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Milton Damerel Bells.

Aug. 19. 1910.

To Rev. P. Lincey.

Rev. Sir.

We thank you for your letter received this morning. The cost of supplying two new bells to increase your peal to five, the two to weigh together about  $10\frac{1}{4}$  cwt. supplying new clappers for them and carriage of them from the Foundry London to Milton Damerel will be about Seventy Five Pounds. If they weighed over  $10\frac{1}{2}$  cwt. the extra will be charged for at £6-10-8 per cwt. if less they will be allowed for at the same rate. The above named price does not include the cost of the frame, fittings, changings of the bells, that we should have to give a separate estimate for. We don't know whether the old bells are in tune or not but if on examination they were found to be out of tune they would probably have to be sent to the Foundry to be tuned with the new bells, but we could not say anything about that until we had seen them.

H. Stokes Esq.



Puckington Church Bells August 25<sup>th</sup> 1910

To

W. D. Gave Esq

Sir

Although we did not include for the new clappa & staple for the new bell, we will allow for it, and it can be deducted from our contract price, when we have completed the work. If you order the bell, you can please order the clappa & staple to be sent with it.

yours obediently  
Harry Stokes & Son



To

August-26<sup>th</sup> 1910

J. Ford Esq  
Churchwarden  
Branscombe

Sir

The cost of a set of Bell Ropes the same sort that is already there will be 11/6 each. The cost of a set of John Nicolls Ropes will be 13/6 each. The cost of a set of Muffles will be 3/6 each and the 6 rings to go on the floor will be 7/- each

yours obediently

H. J. V. Son



Black Hill House

August 27<sup>th</sup> - 1910

To

W-W Palmer

Dear Sir

The cost of cleaning off and  
stopping in the windows, doors, and staining  
and down pipes and painting and barge boards  
and giving same 2 coats of paint - will be  
£ 2<sup>0</sup> 12<sup>0</sup> 6 -

H. J. & S.



Milton Damrell Church August 31<sup>st</sup> 1910

To

Rev. R. Lincey

Rev. Lincey

There is only bare room enough to put 4 bells on the level, and the other one would have to be put up over into a frame built up and resting on the under frame the 1<sup>st</sup> - 2<sup>nd</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> would go in the under frame and the 4<sup>th</sup> in the top frame, there is plenty of room upwards for the 4<sup>th</sup> bell only it makes it more costly to put bells one above the other. The cost of providing and fixing oak beams and a deal floor and a frame for 5 bells and hanging 5 bells with all new fittings complete would be about £96 = This is as near as we can get at it, <sup>because</sup> before giving a definite estimate we should want to see the bells and tower, the old bells may want quarter turning and rope stays may be wanted in the bottom of tower, if it is a long draft. This we cannot say anything about until we have seen the bells & tower.

The cost of a chiming apparatus for 3 bells all fixed complete would be about £4 = and for 5 about £6.5-0 these sums are for the apparatus to be fixed same time as the other work was done

H. Stokes & Son



Sept 6<sup>th</sup> 1910

To

Rev<sup>d</sup> H Gifford  
Rackenfard

Rev<sup>d</sup> Sir

The cost of 6 chimney cords each 50 feet long would be 10/6 and 6 tubings for same would be 6/6 this includes the postage by Parcel post.  
H. L. & S.

~~10~~ rise feet  
Send price 24 and 26 gauge  
computed in.

Stokes Woodburn

22

3-9  
18-6  
1-5-3

56  
52  
4  
22  
17

5 1/2  
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1-17-2



Brent Knoll Church

To

Sept. 17<sup>th</sup> 1910

Rev. P. W. Branker

Rev. Sir

We have examined the frame, fittings & of the bells in your Church Tower & we have already told you that we cannot put a sixth bell in the Tower in the present old frame, the frame is a very old one, & is worn out it having been in the Tower 292 years & the only way to put in a sixth bell is to take down the bells, take out the old frame, floor & beams, & replace it with new, there is plenty of room for a frame for six bells, some of the fittings on the bells viz: Wheels & ironwork & can be used again by putting it in order.

Estimate No 1.

We will undertake to lower down the five bells take off their fittings, & take out the old frame, floor & beams from the tower, provide & fix in the tower two English oak beams, one on the south side, & one on the north, size 15" x 12" inches the ends of these beams will be put into the walls as there are no setoffs, & they will carry the four beams, which will be put in running from north to south, the sizes of these beams will be two 10 x 14, & two 9 x 14 & they will be bolted at the ends down to 12 x 15 beams, provide, make & fix an



English oak frame for six bells, the frame to be made similar to plan sent, & the sizes of scantlings to be the same as marked on plan, the frame to be bolted together with about  $\$45$  long  $\frac{3}{4}$   $\frac{7}{8}$  & 1" bolts, & where convenient the bolts to go down through frame into the main beams, the bottom joints of frame to be secured with stout strap plates & the top joints with angle plates, also provide & cut in between the sills of frame, & lie on the beams a good 2" red deal floor well nailed to the beams. (45)

We will also undertake to hoist & hang in the frame the five old bells, & one new one, the new one to have all new fittings complete, viz. Wheels, stocks, stays & slider pulleys, gudgeons & bearings, ironwork, rope in hanging the five old bells, we should use one of the old stocks, & put four new ones, use the five old wheels, & put them in good order, use the same gudgeon plates & bearings, carriages & put new gudgeons, & gunmetal bearings to those that require them, use the same ironwork as far as possible, & make good what is required, put all new ground pulleys & stays, & use what sliders can be made good the others, provide a new set of ropes, paint the wheels, stocks & ironwork three coats, alter the clock case in ringing chamber, & make it smaller



to get more room for the first & second men to stand to ring, pay carriage of all our materials from here to Brent Knoll, & all travelling expenses for our men, & complete the work in a workmanlike & satisfactory manner, & to your entire satisfaction for the sum of ~~Two Hundred~~ One Hundred and Seventy Four Pounds. Eight Shillings (£174..8..0)

### Estimate No. 2.

We will undertake to provide a new sixth bell (a treble) to be in proper tune with the other five bells and a clapper and staple for it, the bell to weigh about  $7\frac{1}{4}$  cwt. pay carriage of it from the Foundry to Brent Knoll Church for the sum of Fifty One Pounds. Nineteen Shillings (£51..19..0).

If the bell weighed over  $7\frac{1}{4}$  cwt. the extra would be charged for at the rate of £6..15..4 per cwt. if less it would be deducted at the same rate. Any inscription put on the bell would be 4<sup>s</sup> per letter extra.

Iron

### Estimate No. 3

We will undertake to lower down the five bells, take off their fittings and take out the old frame, floor and beams from the tower and provide and fix in the tower two steel joists size 15" x 6" ea. weight 66 lbs. per foot one on the north side and one on the south side, the ends of these will be put into the walls as there are no settops, also four steel joists size 14" x 6" ea. weight 57 lbs. per foot running from north to



south and resting on the 15x6 joists and bolted to them. provide, make and fix on the four joists an oak framing bed to take the iron frame the size of scantlings for the oak bed to be 5x9 and 6x9. provide and fix in between the steel joists a good 2" red deal floor. provide make and fix on the bed a cast iron frame for six bells, the frame to be of sufficient strength and substance to resist the action of the bells when ringing and to be bolted down to the oak bed and steel joists and painted three coats two before fixing and one after. We will also undertake to hang the six bells in their places in the new frame with fittings, alteration of clock case &c as stated in No. 1 estimate, except the bearings which would all have to be new as they would be pedestal ones bolted on top of frame, and complete the work in a workmanlike and satisfactory manner and to your entire satisfaction for the sum of One Hundred and Eighty Five Pounds, Thirteen Shillings. (£185-13-0.)

You to have the clock weights and hammers taken off and re-fixed and have done any masonry that may be required in putting the beams or joists <sup>and taking out or replacing window</sup> into the walls, All the old beams, floor and frame to be your property

We should have to send a couple men a special journey to unhang the bells and take off the wheels, stocks, ironwork, gudgeons and bearings, and send it here to be re-fitted in our workshops, we have allowed for this in our estimates.

H.P.V.



W<sup>r</sup> H Lock

Sept<sup>r</sup> 26<sup>th</sup> 1910

Marlborough House

Cheriton Fitzpaine

Dear Sir

We can scarcely tell you what it would cost to send a man out to screw up the frame & bells and repair one of the wheels it may take a man a couple days and it may take him longer but if you could send and fetch him from Crediton Station and take him back again free of charge it may then cost about 25/- and it may cost a little more it is a thing we cannot give a definite price for

yours & obediently

H Stokes & Son



To

Oct 1<sup>st</sup> 1910

Rev J. M. Eustace  
Challacombe

Rev Sir

We can supply you with bell ropes, and the price will 11/- per rope you to pay the carriage. We have supplied ropes for the Challacombe Bells before. an order will be esteemed, and would receive immediate attention

H Stokes & Son

To

Oct 1<sup>st</sup> 1910

Mr W Brooks  
Churchwarden  
Arlington

Dear Sir

The cost of 6 bell ropes will be 11/- each 60 feet long and 1/- per rope for every 10 feet over that length you to pay carriage of them you could have them in 4 or 5 days after we had received the order.

H Stokes & Son



re Abbotsham Church Bells.

Oct. 19. 1910

To the Rev. P. W. Sealy,  
Rev. Sir.

We have as you already know inspected the frame and fittings of your Church bells and we found the frame very shaky when the bells were ringing, this frame when it was put there in 1886 was not put in stout enough and there was not enough bolts put down through it to make it rigid when all the bells were ringing in peal. The old beams under the floor and frame and which carries the whole thing ought to have been taken out in 1886 and replaced with new ones, these old beams are got bad and there has been pieces put up under the ends of some of them to keep them up in their places, these are also got bad. The bearings of some of the bells are loose and the 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> bells want new stocks, gudgeons & bearings, and ironwork put to them if you carry out the repairs, the stocks should be deeper than now so that the bells could be taken up shorter, the staple in the 2<sup>nd</sup> bell is loose this must be taken out and a hole drilled through the head of bell and a new staple put in, you can have these repairs which we have mentioned done but we cannot make a satisfactory job of it. What we would recommend you to do would be to clear it all out and put in new beams an oak bed and an iron frame for six bells and hang the bells with all new fittings, it would then be a lasting and satisfactory job. We recommend an iron frame for this peal as it gives more room in the tower which you



can see by plan sent, but we are also sending  
a plan and estimate for an oak frame.

### Estimate No. 1

We will undertake to lower down the six  
bells and take out the old fittings, frame,  
floor and beams from the tower, provide and  
fix four oak beams each 11x9 and one 8x11,  
provide and lie on the beams cut in between  
the sills of frame a good 2" red deal floor;  
provide, make and fix an English oak frame  
for the six bells, the scantling of frame to be  
the same sizes as marked on plan and the  
frame to be bolted together with about 40  
long  $\frac{3}{4}$ " bolts, and the bolts where convenient  
to go down through into the main beams, all  
the joints of frame to be secured with stout  
strap plates, hoist the bells again into their  
places in the new frame and hang them  
with all new fittings complete as follows viz:-  
Wheels, stocks, stays & sliders, pulleys, steel  
gudgeons and gunmetal bearings, the steel  
gudgeons fitted into iron saddle plates clip  
bolted to the stocks, and the bearings fitted  
into iron carriages screwed down to frame  
and fitted with iron hinged covers and  
thumb screws, all new ironwork to hang the  
bells with quarter turn the 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> bells  
again same as they now are, take out the  
loose staple in the 2<sup>nd</sup> bell and drill hole  
through the head and put in a new staple  
put all the clappers in proper order and  
properly hang them in the bells use the  
present bell ropes and properly guide them  
away from the wheels to the ringing  
chamber with all thimbles and patrices



that may be required, paint all the ironwork and stocks & felloeing part of wheels 3 coats, pay all carriage of our materials from here to Abbotsham and all travelling expenses for our men and complete the work in a workmanlike and satisfactory manner for the sum of One Hundred and Nineteen Pounds Ten Shillings (£119-10-0).

All the old wood to be your property and the old ironwork and bearings to be ours.

You to have done any masonry that may be required to be done in putting in new beams &c.

### Estimate No. 2.

We will undertake to lower down the six bells & take out the old fittings, frame, floor & beams from the tower, provide six four oak beams 11x9 each, & one 11x8, provide six on the beams an oak framing bed, size of scantling for same to be 8x5, & provide six on the beams cut in between the oak bed a good 2" red deal floor, provide, make an iron frame for the six bells, the frame to be of sufficient strength & substance to resist the action of the bells when ringing, & paint the frame three coats of oxide paint, two before fixing & one after, the frame to be bolted down through oak bed into the beams. We will hoist the bells again into their places in the new frame & hang them with all new fittings complete same as stated in estimate No. 1, with the exception of the bearings which will be pedestal carriages fitted with



gunmetal bearings & iron fringed covers &  
thumb screws, & complete the work in  
a workmanlike & satisfactory manner  
for the sum of One Hundred & Thirty  
Pounds, Seventeen Shillings £130-17/-  
all the old wood to be your property &  
the old ironwork & bearings to be ours.  
You to have done any masonry that  
may be required to be done in putting  
in new beams &c.

### Estimate No 3.

We will undertake to put a new piece  
of oak scantling about 7-6 long 8x4 in  
the frame against wall where the 6<sup>th</sup>  
bell hangs, put about 16 long 3/4 bolts  
down through the frame, rehang the  
5<sup>th</sup> bell & 6<sup>th</sup> bell, & put new stocks &  
gudgeons & bearings & ironwork to  
them, leave them quarter turned as  
now, put a new double pulley to H<sup>d</sup>  
bell, lift out the 1<sup>st</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> H<sup>d</sup> bells  
& tighten all the bearings that are  
loose & put new coach screws where  
required, & ease the ends of gudgeons  
that are end bound, take out the  
loose staple in 2<sup>nd</sup> bell, & bore hole through  
her head & put new staple in her, repair  
what wheels require it, pay carriage of  
materials & travelling expenses for men  
for the sum of Twenty Five Pounds. £25

We remain, Rev Sir,

Your Obedient Servants  
Harry Stokes & Son.



To

Oct-21<sup>st</sup>-1910

Rev. W. B. Gurney  
Parish Rectory  
Creditor

Rev. Sir

The price of Bell Ropes up to 60 feet in length  
are 11/- per rope, and 4/- extra for every 10 feet over  
that length, you to pay the carriage of them.

The galvanized thimbles fitted into wood blocks  
to screw down on floor for ropes to work in are 7/- each  
you to pay carriage of them

H. Stokes & Son



St Thomas Church Bells October 25<sup>th</sup> 1910

To

Mr T. J. Lake  
8 Cowick Road  
St Thomas

Dear Sir

In reply to your letter of October 11<sup>th</sup> we beg to say that the cost of steel girders and an Iron frame for the above bells, and changing them with all new fittings, would be between £140- and £150

The cost of additional framework and steel girders for 2 more bells, which would be put up near the others, would be about £25=

yours truly  
Harry Stokes & Son.



Brent Knoll  
recast 2<sup>nd</sup> Bell

October 31<sup>st</sup> 1910

To

Rev. P. Whitfield Bracken

Rev. Sir

The cost of taking down the 2<sup>nd</sup> Bell, (you to have the window on North side taken out-) and sending her to the Foundry London and recasting her, we paying carriage of her to and fro, and hoisting her again into her place in the Tower will be £29<sup>..</sup>18<sup>..</sup>0, and the cost of reproducing the old inscription ~~same as now~~ will be £1<sup>..</sup>1<sup>..</sup>0. We calculate the old bell to be 8<sup>cu</sup> and we reckon to add  $\frac{1}{2}$ <sup>cu</sup> - ~~more~~ of new metal to her, if she is made any more than  $\frac{1}{2}$ <sup>cu</sup> heavier than now it will be charged for at 1<sup>..</sup>2<sup>..</sup> $\frac{1}{2}$  per lb.



## Biston Church Bell

Nov. 4. 1910

To Mr. W. Carter,

Dear Sir,

We have as you know examined the bell & its frame & fittings in Biston Church Tower and found the frame in a very shaky condition, it is now strutted to the walls and cannot be strengthened in any way. The gudgeons and bearings are quite worn out. The wheel and ironwork may be used again with a little repairing, the rope also requires splicing. The beams and floor are in good condition and can still remain, the only thing to be done is to clear out the present frame and replace it with a new oak one

### Estimate

We will undertake to unhang the bell take out the old frame & fittings from the tower, and provide, make and fix in the tower an oak frame for the bell, the sizes of scantlings to be  $\frac{5}{8}$ " x 8" for tops and sills, 4" x 14" for braces and 4" x 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ " struts, and securely bolt the frame together with about 10 long  $\frac{3}{4}$ " bolts some of which will go down through the beams, hang the bell in the frame with new fittings as follows viz:—stock, gudgeons & bearings, pulley, stay slider and box for clapper to swing in, repair and paint the present wheel and ironwork and use them again, repair & refix the chiming hammer, repair the rope and paint all the ironwork, stock rope and wheel 3 coats, do all carting and



leave the bell in good ringing condition  
for the sum of Eighteen Pounds (£18-0-0)

If you supply the oak cut to the sizes  
required and delivered to our workshops  
we will allow the sum of £4-18-0  
from the aforementioned sum.

All the old wood bearings is to be ours



Shed. Knoll Cottage.

Nov. 9<sup>th</sup> 110

To

C. Davey. <sup>£ sgd.</sup>  
Ssr.

To build a shed 12 ft. long  
& 10 ft. wide outside measure, with four  
courses of bricks all around it in the  
bottom, the bottom course to be 9 inches  
wide, & the other courses 4½ in. wide  
laid in mortar, with deal partitions  
resting on it, sills & heads 4x3, corner  
studs & door studs 4x3, the remainder  
of the studs to be 4x2, with a match  
board ledge door 6 ft 3" high, 2 ft 7" wide  
hung with tee hinges, & fitted with  
a Suffolk latch & catch, & a window  
3 ft. 6" by 3 ft. 3" with two casement  
lights, one light <sup>to be</sup> hung, all the  
partitions on the outside to be  
boarded with featheredge board  
7" wide, nailed to each stud, The  
roof to be covered with 24 gauge  
corrugated iron, fastened down to  
the heads of the partitions, & to one  
purlin across the middle, the  
whole of the woodwork outside to  
have two coats of stoprot, the door  
& window to be painted, put in  
10 joists 4x2 each resting on bricks  
& lay a 1" red deal floor on them, the  
floor to be 9" above the ground level  
will be £13.-5-0. the height of shed  
above the floor on the inside to be  
about 8 ft. 3" in the front, & 5 ft. 9" at  
the back.



Brent Knoll bells

To

October 13<sup>th</sup> 1910

Rev<sup>d</sup> P. Whitfield Brancker  
Rev<sup>d</sup> Sir

We will put the 2-15<sup>in</sup> x 12<sup>in</sup>  
beams - 14 x 12, and the 2-14 x 10 - in 12 x 10 and  
the 2-14 x 9 in 12 x 9, take out the 2 old inter-  
mediate beams, and provide and fix in their  
places - 2-14 x 12 new oak beams for the sum  
of £4<sup>0</sup> 15<sup>0</sup>

yours obediently  
Harry Stokes & Son

To

Nov<sup>r</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> 1910

Rev<sup>d</sup> P. Whitfield Brancker  
Rev<sup>d</sup> Sir

The difference in taking our  
materials up on the outside of Tower, and taking them  
up through on the inside, is a matter of saving of time  
and if you do as you propose about the organ so that  
we can take all our materials up and down from  
the inside we will allow £2<sup>0</sup> 10<sup>0</sup> for it. There  
is another thing in connection with it - and that is  
you would not want to go to the expence to have the  
North window taken out and put back again

yours obediently  
Harry Stokes & Son



Higher Denmore

To

Nov-12<sup>th</sup> 1916

Mr. W. Palmer

Dear Sir

The cost of making and fixing  
and painting 2 pairs of down Jambs and 2 ledge  
doors, all from Archangel deal at Mr. Down's  
Higher Denmore, Woodbury same as your  
specification sent us yesterday will be £2.9.0  
The cost of providing and fixing and painting  
the half round gutta and down pipes to the lean  
to shed will be 18.6-

yours truly  
H. T.



Nov-14<sup>th</sup> 1910

To

Rev<sup>d</sup> G. D. Southcomb  
Rose ash Rectory

Rev<sup>d</sup> Sir

In reply to your enquiry about the worth of  
old bell, we beg to say it is only worth old metal  
price, about 8 $\frac{1}{2}$  per lb. less carriage old bell  
metal of 1754 date is not worth any more  
than bell metal of present date

yours obediently  
H. Stokes & Son



To

Nov 24<sup>th</sup> 1910

C. Dawey Esq -  
Sir

To build a shed 10 feet long 8 ft wide outside measure with 2 courses of bricks in front and back and 1 pier in middle at each end, the bottom course to be 9" wide the other course to be 4 1/2" laid in mortar with deal partitions resting on it, gills and heads and corner studs and door studs 3x3 the remainder of studs to be 3x2 with a match board ledge door - 6.3 high by 2.7 wide hung with Tee hinges and fitted with Suffolk latch & catch and a window 3.6 x 3.3 with 2 casements light one light to be hung, all the partitions on the outside to be boarded with featheredge board 1/2" wide nailed to each stud. The roof to be covered with 24 gauge corrugated iron fastened down to the heads of partitions, the whole of the woodwork outside to have 2 coats of stop varnish, the door & window to be painted, put in joist 4x2 inside the shed and tie an 1" floor on them will be £9.4.0-

The height of shed above floor on the inside to be about 8 feet in front and about 5.9 at back

yours Obediently  
H. Stokes & Son



Fencing

Nov. 28. 1910

To Mr. W. C. Abbott

Dear Sir,

The cost of taking down old fence between Garden & Orchard and providing and fixing 15 oak posts each 7-9 long  $5 \times 4\frac{1}{2}$  fixed about 9-3 apart centre to centre, providing and fixing two lengths of  $4 \times 2$  deal rails and fixing one length, and fixing corrugated iron will be Seven Pounds Five Shillings (£7.5.0).

You to provide iron, nails, screws and one length of rails

yours truly  
Harry Stokes Esq

H.S.



Clapper Stays

Nov. 28. 1910

To Rev. G. M. Evans.

Puckington Rectory  
Ilminster.

Rev. Sir,

We will supply you with six clapper stays for your bells at  $3/6$  each. You to pay carriage and have them fitted to the bells. An order for them shall receive our best attention.

T. S. J.



Woodbury Parish Room

Dec. 2. 1910

To Mr. T. S. Sear,

Dear Sir,

The cost of the repairs to be done to the Parish Room in accordance with the specification you have given us will be £ 12-12-0.

The joists will be fixed about 1 foot apart and there will be a 4x3 deal wallplate put on the dwarf walls to fasten the joists to. the 1 1/4" red flooring will be the best quality and all the earth that will be taken out from under the joists will be carted away



Postlake Farm

Dec. 12, 1910

To Mr. Wm. Palmer,

Dear Sir,

We will provide and fix furnace, furnace fittings and cover at Postlake Dairy House, and make and hang two doors in yard, scap 1 jamb, putting ironwork in order provide and fix capping and roll top on one door and paint doors & jambs 3 coats at Postlake Farm for the sum of Four Pounds, Five shillings (£4-5-0). The tenant to do the carting

Yours truly,

Harry Stokes Esq.



# Venmore Stables

Dec. 12. 1910.

To Mr. Jenkins -  
Sir.

We will cover the roof of Stables in the field at Venmore Farm with 26 gauge galvanized corrugated roofing iron for the sum of Seven Pounds Ten Shillings (£7-10-0), or we will cover it with 24 gauge galv. corrugated roofing iron for the sum of Eight Pounds Ten Shillings (£8-10-0)

The 26 gauge is the thinnest that is made but it will last a good many years  
K.P. jr



Dec-20<sup>th</sup> 1910

Wembworthy Bells

To

E. H. Harbottle & Son

Sirs

The approximate cost of hanging the 3 bells in Wembworthy Church Tower, with new oak frame and new fittings, and oak beams to carry the frame & bells, and a deal floor would be about £65=

There is room to hang 2 more smaller bells in the Tower to make the peal 5, ~~with~~ 2 smaller bells weighing together about  $9\frac{1}{2}$  cwt - the approximate cost ~~would be~~ with framework, and fittings and hanging would be about £97=

If the 3 old bells want tuning they would cost tuning in the Tower £6 or £7= but if 2 more were to be added to them the best way would be to take them down from the Tower, and send them to the Foundry, the old bells would then be tuned by special machinery, and they and the new ones would be <sup>set for</sup> tuned to harmonise together. This would cost about ~~£14~~ £12=



Arlington

January 2nd 1911

To Rev. H. Candus

Rev Sir

We could not tell you what the cost of changing your bells would be in wood using some of old wood again but if it had to be all new it would run into £125 or £135 - if in iron it would be £140 to £150 and perhaps more we have nothing to call us your way at present but if you wish it we could make an inspection and give you an estimate of <sup>the</sup> cost by you paying our expenses down and back, and if you give us the work to do we should not make any charge only for carriage hire from Barnstable

H. Stokes & Son



Wigborough Church Bells

January 9<sup>th</sup> 1911

To

Rev<sup>d</sup> W. E. Windle

Rev<sup>d</sup> Sir

We have been over our figures again today, and in reply to your 1<sup>st</sup> question we beg to say our lowest figures will be £238.10.0 for an iron frame

2<sup>nd</sup> The sum of £238.10.0 includes a new floor in the bell chamber, same as described in the estimate for oak frame.

3<sup>rd</sup> We should put the bells during the job in the bottom of Tower provided that we could not put any of them on the 2 intermediate chambers.

If you would prefer steel girders to go with the iron frame instead of the 5 oak beams we would put in 5 steel girders 14x6 - 57 <sup>lbs</sup> to the foot - instead of the 5 oak beams for the same sum

We shall be very pleased to send you a plenty of testimonials if you wish us to do so, and if you <sup>would</sup> like to write to

Rev<sup>d</sup> Mableton Helly of Helly

Rev<sup>d</sup> G. H. Motinense Colyton

Rev<sup>d</sup> W. D. Pitman Adeton Gifford

Rev<sup>d</sup> G. S. Powell Horbeton

Rev<sup>d</sup> H. Nestill Buckfastleigh

Rev<sup>d</sup> T. Belle Salter West-Abington

H. D. Manley Esq. Naval Bank Totnes

We think that any of these gentlemen will give us a character, we hope that you will be able to accept our tender, we have brought our figures down now as low as possible, and could not go any lower with them so has to do a satisfactory job. If there is any further questions you wish to ask us, we shall be very pleased to answer them

yours obediently

H. Stokes & Sons

P. S. Mr. Stokes Senr. has had 40 years experience in Church bell work



# Bell Wheels

Jan. 9. 1911

To Charles Carr. Ltd  
Woodland Works  
Bmethwick

Gents.

In reply to your enquiry of Jan. 6. for Church Bell Wheels we beg to quote you as follows

size	price	size	price
5-0	- £1-3-0	6-1	- £1-9-0
5-1	- 1-3-6	6-2	- 1-9-6
5-2	- 1-4-0	6-3	- 1-10-0
5-4	- 1-4-6	6-4	- 1-10-6
5-5	- 1-5-0	6-5	- 1-11-0
5-6	- 1-5-6	6-6	- 1-11-6
5-7	- 1-6-0	6-7	- 1-12-0
5-8	- 1-6-6	6-8	- 1-12-6
5-9	- 1-7-0	6-9	- 1-13-0
5-10	- 1-7-6	6-10	- 1-13-6
5-11	- 1-8-0	6-11	- 1-14-0
6-0	- 1-8-6	7-0	- 1-15-0

They are made from Foreign Oak with ash hoop & elm felloeing and free on rail at Woodbury Road Station L.G. W.R. We shall be very pleased to receive an order from you and it should receive our best attention



# Fir Hill Fence

Jan. 11. 1911

To Mr. & Hallett,  
Saddler,  
Exmouth.

Dear Sir,

We have had a look at the fences in your fields at Woodbury and find that there are about 120 new posts required and a lot of the others require putting right also 2 new gates are required. We could not give you a price for putting it all in good order as it is almost impossible to tell how long it would take but we would be very pleased to let you have a Carpenter for 4/- per day and a Labourer for 3/3 per day. We would also supply you with oak posts 5.6 long  $4\frac{1}{2} \times 4\frac{1}{2}$  at 3/- ea. 6.0 long  $4\frac{1}{2} \times 4\frac{1}{2}$  at 3/3 ea. and 7.0 long  $4\frac{1}{2} \times 4\frac{1}{2}$  at 3/9 $\frac{1}{2}$  ea. There are four straining posts 7.0 long  $9 \times 9$  ea. which we would supply for 13/9 each.

If you came up one of us would go through the fences with you & you would then see what it was like & how many posts you would have put in

Yours truly,  
Harry Stokes Esq.  
H/Sr.



South Brent Church Bells

Feb 3<sup>rd</sup> 1911

To

A. Goodman Esq:  
Churchwarden  
Turrymead  
South Brent

Sir

There is we reckon a few days work to be done to the above. some of the bells are gone a bit out of level, and they will have to be tipped out from their bearings and levelled up, the clappers and staples inside the bells want seeing too and re-leathering, and the 5<sup>th</sup> clapper is broken, the flight of it is broken off there will have to be a new bottom part put to this clapper, all the whole lot wants a general overhauling we will send down and do what is wanted as soon as we have completed the peal we have in hand

yours obediently  
H. Stokes & Son



re Lyme Regis Church Bells.

Feb. 8. 1911

To Mr. H. E. Foxwell

18. Pound Street.

Dear Sir,

We will undertake to lower the six bells to the ringing chamber, take out the old fittings, frame, floor and beams from the tower, provide and fix in the tower resting on the corbels four English oak beams each 12x10, provide, make, and fix in the tower an English oak frame for 8 bells, the frame to be bolted together with about 56 long  $\frac{3}{4}$  bolts and the bolts where convenient to go down through into the main beams, all the joints of frame to be secured with stout strap plates, the frame to be made & the sides of scantling to be the same as shown on plan, cut in between the sills of frame and resting on the beams a good red deal floor 2" thick and well nail it to the beams. We will also undertake to hoist 8 bells into their places in the new frame and hang them with all new fittings as follows viz:- wheels, headstocks, stays sliders, ground pulleys, steel gudgeons and gunmetal bearings, the steel gudgeons fitted into iron bed plates and clip bolted to the stocks, and the bearings fitted into iron carriages screwed down to frame and fitted with iron hinged covers & thumb screws, all new ironwork to hang the bells with, quarter turn the tenor bell and any others that may require quarter turning provide 6 new clappers for the 6 old bells



and properly hang them in the bells, provide a new set of eight best make bellropes and properly guide them away from wheels to ringing chamber with all necessary, shutes, thimbles, patrices &c. paint all the ironwork, stocks & felloeing part of wheels four coats of paint, do all the masonry that we require in chipping & levelling up stone corbels before putting in any new work, and take out from window any slate louvers that may be required to enable new bells and materials to be taken up, replace them again and make them good, take off clock weights, wires, pulleys, striking hammers, alter rod that works hands, repair it all again and leave clock in good working order, pay carriage of our materials and travelling expenses for our men and complete the work in a satisfactory and workmanlike manner and to the satisfaction of anyone you like to appoint to inspect the work or try the go of the bells, anyone that knows anything about church bell work for the sum of One Hundred and Ninety Seven Pounds, Ten Shillings. (£197-10-0). all the old materials to be our property.

The cost of two new bells and clappers (a 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup>) to increase the peal to eight bells, the two bells weighing together about 8½ cwt. and to be in proper tune with the present six, carriage of bells to Lyme Regis will be Sixty Four Pounds. (£64). Any inscriptions you wish to have put on them will be 4<sup>o</sup> per letter extra.

A chiming apparatus to chime the 8 bells



if only brought to the ringing chamber  
will ~~be~~ <sup>cost</sup> Eleven Pounds (£11.) if brought to  
the bottom of the tower to the baptistry, it  
would cost Thirteen Pounds, Five Shillings  
(£13-5-0). If fixed in the baptistry, it would  
be put into a cupboard fitted with lock and  
key, but if fixed in ringing chamber it  
would not be put into a cupboard, you  
must understand that it cannot be so  
fixed that it can be used either in the  
ringing chamber or baptistry, it must be  
fixed to be used in one place or the other

We remain

Yours obediently,  
Harry Stokes & Son,  
H.S. jr.



Miss Dobson's Cottage

Feb. 20. 1911

To Mrs. Davey,  
Madam

The cost of cleaning off & whitening  
the ceilings in dining and drawing rooms,  
and papering the dining and drawing rooms  
and staircase landing with the papers you  
have selected, at Miss Dobson's Cottage  
will be Two Pounds, Twelve Shillings, (£2-12-0)

Harry Stokes, Son



# Arlington Church Bells.

Feb. 22<sup>nd</sup> 11.

To

Rev. F. A. B. Cardus.

Rev. Sir.

We have as you know inspected the above bells & their fittings, & we found that the frame was a very slight one, not stout enough for the peal of bells, the frame oscillates a good deal when the bells are ringing in peal & nothing can be done to it to make it more rigid, the fittings on the bells are worn out & the wheels are much too large, there are four beams underneath the frame & floor, two of these we think were put there when the bells were put in the tower, & two many years before. We propose to put 3 bells to swing one way, & three opposite to them. they are now five one way, & one the other, we should then put the main beams the opposite way to what they now are, they would then be the same way as the 4<sup>th</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> would swing. We could not use any of the old fittings or framework again. what is required to be done is to lower the bells down to the ringing chamber & take out all the fittings, frame, floor & beams, & put it all in new. The bells themselves are alright. In making & fixing a new frame the pipe from the stove would want a little alteration.



## Estimate.

We will undertake to lower the six bells take out the old fittings, frame, floor, & beams, from the tower, provide & fix in the tower four English oak beams, three 12x10 & one 12x9. provide, make & fix an English oak frame for the six bells. the sizes of scantling for the frame to be the same as marked on plan sent. the frame to be bolted together with about 45 long  $\frac{3}{4}$  bolts, & the bolts where convenient to go down through in the main beams, provide fix, & put in between the sills of frame, resting on the beams, & nailed to them a good red deal floor 2" thick. We will also undertake to hoist the six bells into their places in the new frame & hang them, with all new fittings complete viz. wheels, stocks, stays, & sliders, ground pulleys, steel gudgeons, & gunmetal bearings, the steel gudgeons fitted into iron saddle plates & clip bolted to the stocks & the bearings fitted into iron carriages, screwed down to frame & fitted with iron hinged cover & thumb screws, all new ironwork to hang bells with, use the present set of ropes again, & properly guide them away from bells to ringing chamber. with all necessary shutles, thimbles & patrices, put the clappers in proper order



& properly hang them in the bells,  
paint all the ironwork, stocks, &  
felloeing part of wheels, three coats of  
paint, pay carriage of our material  
from here to Arlington, & all travelling  
expenses for our men, & complete the  
work in a workmanlike & satisfactory  
manner & to the satisfaction of anyone  
you may like to appoint to inspect  
it or try the go of the bells, anyone  
that knows anything about church  
bellwork for the sum of  
One Hundred & Thirty Three Pounds  
Fifteen Shillings (£133-15/-).

You to have all masonry done that  
may be required in levelling up the  
setoffs &c, & take out the slate louvre  
from window in bellchamber to  
let out old materials & take up the new  
& put them back again, also to provide  
a larch pole to go across top of tower  
to do the hoisting from. All the old  
wood to be your property & the old  
ironwork & bearings to be ours.

We remain Rev. Sir

your obedient servants.

Harry Stokes & Son.

P. S.

The cost of hanging the bells with  
fittings as stated above, but in a cast  
iron frame with oak framing bed & beam  
would be about Fifteen Pounds more  
than the aforementioned sum.



# Door & Window

Feb. 28. 1911

Mr. W. Sumnerfield.

Dear Sir,

We will make one pair of  $4\frac{1}{2} \times 3$  related deal jambs with dowels and one  $1\frac{1}{2}$  deal sash door for same  $6-9 \times 2-9\frac{1}{2}$  with 2 deal panels and 2 H.P. glass panels, hung with butt hinges + fitted with 6 rim lock and painted two coats paint for £1-10-0.

We will also make one window frame + easements glazed thing complete  $4-5\frac{1}{2} \times 3-10$  and painted 2 coats paint for £1-12-0. This does not include a counter sill or any fixing

yours truly  
Harry Stokes Esq.  
H.S. jr



March 1<sup>st</sup> 1911

To

G. M. & May Esq-  
Churchwarden  
Stowton

Sir

We supply bell ropes from 2 different makers  
and the best makers ropes are for 45 feet 14.0 each  
the other makers ropes are for 45 feet 12.6 each  
you to pay the carriage of them in either of the  
prices We should recommend you to have the 14-  
one for your peal please let us know

yours Obediently  
H. Stokes & Son

P.S

Do the ringers want a strap rope in the tower or  
only the single rope same as the others a strap  
rope would cost 2/6 more



To

March 5<sup>th</sup> 1911

Rev<sup>d</sup> H Pollock  
The Parsonage  
Delabole

Rev<sup>d</sup> Sir

The cost of the Bell Rope you write about  
will be 2/- you to pay the carriage by Parcel  
Post, this price is for a rope up to 60 feet in length  
if over that length it will be 4/- extra for every  
10 feet-

H. Stokes & Son



To

March 8<sup>th</sup> 1911

Rev<sup>d</sup> J. J. M. Patch

Wilmington Vicarage

Rev<sup>d</sup> Sir

The cost of a new Table Bell, with framing and fittings complete and hung in your Church Tower would be about £56— or thereabout— it would have to be put up over the others

H. Stokes & Son

March 28<sup>th</sup> 1911

To

Rev<sup>d</sup> E. D. Southcomb

Roseash Rectory

Rev<sup>d</sup> Sir

In reply to your letter received this morning we beg to say we shall be very pleased to go and inspect your bells and tower and our charge would be 15/- you to send to Bishopcote Station and fetch Mr. Stokes Low and take him back to Station again; we are afraid we could not go this week, not until one day next week; we would write you again naming the day and time would be at the Station

H. S. & Son



To G. H. Harbottle & Son

March 29<sup>th</sup> 1911

Wentworth Church Bells

Sir

It will take about 115 cube feet of sawn oak timber for a frame for 5 bells, and 2" oak floor and oak beams, and for a frame for 3 bells and floor and beams it will take about 95 cube feet

yours obediently  
H. Stokes & Son



# Burrington Church Bells

April 11. 1911

To the Vicar & Churchwardens

Rev. Sir & Gentlemen

As you already know we have examined the bells and their frame and fittings in your Church Tower, and you saw when the bells were ringing that the frame is in a very shaky condition and we cannot strengthen it to make it firm, and as I then told you the only thing that we can recommend is to clear it all out and put in new frame, floor and beams. Five of the bells are worn very badly where the clappers have been striking for so many years and must be quarter turned so that the clappers shall strike on a fresh place. The wheels may be used again by putting new felloeing to them and painting them & some of the ironwork can be used again, we have allowed for this in our estimates. We should have to pend and clear out the tower before making frame so that we could see how much ironwork would be fit to use.

## Estimate No. 1. (Oak frame)

We will undertake to lower the six bells from the tower, take out the old fittings, frame floor & beams and provide and fix in the tower four English Oak beams 12x10 ea., provide, make and fix an English oak frame for six bells, the sizes of scantling for frame to be the same as marked on plan, and bolt it together with about 43 long  $\frac{3}{4}$  bolts, the bolts where convenient to go down through frame and main beams, and secure all the joints with stout strap plates, provide and fix in between the sills



of frame and resting on the beams and nailed to them a good 2" red deal floor. We will also undertake to hoist the six bells into their places in the new frame and hang them with fittings complete as follows viz:- Re-felloe and re-hoop the present wheels & use them again, put new stocks, stay rollers, & ground pulleys, put new steel gudgeons to the present iron bed plates and put new gunmetal bearings fitted into iron carriages & fitted with iron hinged covers & thumb screws, use what can of the present ironwork for hanging the bells and make good where required, use the present set of ropes and properly guide them away from wheels to ringing chamber with all necessary pulleys, patrices &c. put new clappers to the bells where required, repair the chiming apparatus and leave it in good working order, paint all the ironwork, stocks and wheels three coats, pay carriage of all our materials and travelling expenses for our men to Southmolton Rd. Station (you to do all carting from the Station to Church and also provide a larch pole to go across tower for lifting) and complete the work in a workmanlike and satisfactory manner and to the satisfaction of anyone you may like to appoint to inspect the work or try the go of the bells for the sum of One Hundred and Twenty Nine Pounds. (£129-0-0).

2.0.0

### Estimate No. 2 (Iron Frame).

We will undertake to lower the six bells from the tower, take out the old fittings, frame, floor and beams and provide and fix in the tower four



English oak beams 12x10 each, provide and fix on the beams an oak framing bed the sizes of scantling for same to be 8x5, and provide and fix in between the oak framing bed and resting on the beams and nailed to them a good 2" red deal floor. Also provide, make and fix on the framing bed and resting on the beams an iron frame for six bells, bolted down to bed and beams, the frame to be of sufficient strength and substance to resist the action of the bells when ringing, and painted three coats of oxide paint two before fixing and one after. We will also undertake to hoist the six bells into their places in the new frame and hang them with fittings as described in Estimate No. 1 with the exception of the bearings which will be pedestal carriages fitted with gunmetal bearings & iron hinged covers & thumb screws (you to do carting and find pole as stated in Estimate No. 1) and complete the work in a workmanlike and satisfactory manner and to the satisfaction of anyone you may like to appoint to inspect the work or try the go of the bells for the sum of One Hundred and Forty Six Pounds. (£146.0.0).

If you found the beams and delivered them to the tower cut to the sizes required we would allow you the sum of Ten Pounds, out of the above contracts. If after the wheels were taken off ~~and~~ any of them would not do again any new ones required would cost 18/- ea. extra to the above contracts.

All the old wood to be your property and all the old ironwork and bearings to be ours. You to



have done any masons work that may be  
required in levelling in beams. We have  
nothing to do with the clock, you would have  
to get a clockman to take off the weights and  
hammers and repair them.

We remain

Your obedient servant

Harry Stokes Son

H.S. jr



# Roseash Church Bells.

April 12. 1911

To the Rev. E. D. Southcomb.

Rev. Sir.

We can put in a new treble bell by altering the frame and putting in three new cast iron pieces of framing and some new oak sills under the new bell and the present treble bell, and shifting back the present 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> bells closer to the west wall, we can make a good job of it if you like to go to the expense.

The cost of a new treble bell weighing about 4 cwt., putting in 3 new pieces of iron framing and altering the present frame and shifting the 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> bells, and hanging the new bell with all new fittings complete fit for ringing will be about Sixty Five Pounds. (£65.) you to have the bell, materials, men & tools carted to and from Bishopscynpton Station.

To overhaul the frame and bells, clean off and paint all the ironwork, stocks and felloeing part of wheels would cost Five Pounds, Ten Shillings. (£5-10-0.), you to convey men and tools to and from Bishopscynpton Station

We remain Rev. Sir

Your obedient servants

Harry Stokes & Son

H.S.J.

April 18<sup>th</sup> 1911

Rev. Sir

We can guarantee that the combination of iron with wood in the frame will prove thoroughly satisfactory, we have been thoroughly into the matter and you can rest assured that it will be alright. In quoting you the price of about £65- we forgot that there would have to be a chinning hammer and that the rack at bottom would have to be made into 6. This would make it a couple of pounds more.

H.S.



April 17<sup>th</sup> 1911

Iddesleigh Church Bells

To

Major W. R. Arnold  
Nethercott  
Iddesleigh

Sir

The probable cost of providing and hanging 2 bells a 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> in Iddesleigh Church Tower to make the peal into 6. will be about from £100-12 to £105- This would include putting chiming hammers to them same as on the present 4, and any inscription put on them would be 4<sup>d</sup> per letter this would be an extra charge we are not sure whether the 4 old bells are in proper tune, if not they would want a little tuning, if so the tuning would be an extra charge

yours obediently  
H Stokes & Son

April 20<sup>th</sup> 1911

Sir

We are sorry we misread your letter. The cost of hanging 2 bells in Iddesleigh Church Tower with all new fittings complete and bells left fit for ringing will be £22= This sum do not include clappers for the bells nor for putting chiming hammers to them

H. Stokes & Son



Mr. J. Skinner, Woodbury,

April 27. 1911

To Mr. W. Palmer,

Dear Sir,

We will undertake to make <sup>the</sup> the  
3 windows for cowsheds, do the work in making  
& fixing W.C., and creosote the woodwork  
of cowsheds as described in your specification  
of April 24. 1911 ~~for the~~ at Mr. J. Skinner  
for the sum of Eight Pounds. (£8.).

Also clean off & paint <sup>2 coats</sup> the woodwork  
in front and end of Mr. J. Skinner's house  
and the adjoining Cottage for the  
sum of £ 1-15-6

Yours truly,  
Harry Stokes & Son



May 1<sup>st</sup> 1911

To

Rev<sup>d</sup> T. C. Tanner

The Rectory

Sydenham Damerell

Rev<sup>d</sup> Sir

The cost of bell ropes are 1/- each up to  
60 feet in length and 4/- for every 10 feet over that  
length you'd pay the carriage of them and  
order would be esteemed, and would receive  
immediate attention

H. Stokes & Son



# Dawlish Church Bells

May 2. 1911

To Mr. E. A. Border,

Hon. Sec. of the

Dawlish Church Bell Committee

4 Park Road  
Dawlish

Dear Sir,

We will undertake to supply two new bells (a 1<sup>st</sup> + 2<sup>nd</sup>) to add to the present peal of six now in Dawlish Church Tower to complete the octave, the two bells weighing together  $9\frac{1}{2}$  cwt. and to be in tune with the present six bells, the two bells would have to go over the present bells in a frame carried on steel joists as shown on plan enclosed as there is no room for them on the same level as the present bells; also provide and fix in the in the tower four steel joists to carry the frame and bells, two of the joists to be 8" x 6" weighing 30 lbs. per foot, running from east to west walls and put into the walls and cemented in, and the other two joists to be 8" x 5" weighing 27 lbs. per foot running from north to south and bolted to the 8" x 6" joists; also provide, make and fix in the tower a east iron frame for the two bells and bolted down to the joists; <sup>also</sup> hoist and hang the bells in the new frame and hang them with all new fittings complete viz:- wheels, stocks, stays and sliders, pulleys, steel gudgeons and gunmetal bearings, the gudgeons fitted into iron bed plates and clip bolted to the stocks, and the bearings fitted into iron carriages fitted with iron hinged covers and thumb screws and bolted down to the frame, all new ironwork to hang the bells



with, provide two new bell ropes and clappers and staples for the bells, shift what wheels, stays & sliders on the old bells that may be required so that the eight bell ropes can be got as near as possible in a circle, put fresh rope guides in the chamber under the bells, ~~and~~ do what alterations may be required to the iron guide in bottom of tower to take the two extra ropes, paint the steel <sup>joists</sup> guides and iron frame three coats of oxide paint, two before fixing and one after, paint the ironwork, stocks and felloeing parts of wheels three coats, pay carriage of bells and materials, and travelling expenses for our men and complete the work in a workmanlike and satisfactory manner and to the satisfaction of anyone you may like to appoint to inspect the work ~~or~~ anyone that knows anything about Church Bellwork for the sum of One Hundred and Twenty, One Pounds (£121).

Any inscriptions put on the bells would be 3<sup>d</sup> per letter extra.

If the bells weighed over 9½ cwt. the extra weight would be charged for at £7 per cwt., if less than 9½ cwt. ~~then~~ it would be allowed for at the same rate.

We recommend the steel joists and the iron framing for the two new bells instead of an oak frame and beams as it is neater and not so clumsy, and it can be easily cleaned and painted at any time when required.



It would be a good job if you would have about 25 long  $\frac{3}{4}$ " bolts put down through the old oak frame, it is a pinned frame and wedged to the walls but it is in fair condition, these bolts where possible would go through the frame and into the beams, the frame could then be pulled up together and it would be strengthened and made more rigid; ~~the~~ some of the pulleys under the wheels are worn out they are now working on wood pins which ought not to be; some of the gudgeons and bearings are worn badly; the ironwork on the bells is a very poor lot, it is very thin & rusty; and some of the bells want quarter turning there is one already quarter turned. We would strongly recommend you to have the bolts put down through the frame and rehang the six bells with all new fittings, it would then be a satisfactory job and correspond more with the new bells and fittings.

We will put 25 bolts down through the frame, rehang the six bells with all new fittings viz:- wheels, stocks, stays and sliders, pulleys, gudgeons and bearings, ironwork, guides, quarter turn the bells that require it, pay all carriage and labour and leave the bells all complete fit for ringing for the sum of Fifty Five Pounds, Fifteen Shillings (£55-15-0).

We remain

yours obediently  
Harry Stokes & Son.  
H.S.



Danforth Church Bells May 5<sup>th</sup> 1911

To

W<sup>m</sup> G. A. Butler

Dear Sir

In reply to your letter received this morning and to the questions therein contained we beg to say

- 1<sup>st</sup> - all the alterations necessary to be done to the existing peal for fixing the 2 new bells is included in our tender
- 2<sup>nd</sup> - we take all responsibility with regard to any accidents which may happen to our men in carrying out the work
- 3<sup>rd</sup> - The wheel, the framing part is made of oak, the hoops of ash, and the following part of Elm. The hoops and following part are painted 3 coats. The stays & sides are of oak
- 4<sup>th</sup> - In obtaining a faculty there is no need of an architect-making plans the bell hangers plans would do. The Architect would only want to give his opinion on the stability of the Tower it is strong enough to carry the 2 extra bells, in our opinion it would carry 10 or 12 instead of 8
- 5<sup>th</sup> - We cannot allow any discount on a cash payment. We have put our figures as low as we could so as to make a thorough good job and after the work is done and bells tried and found satisfactory we think then that the money is due
- 6<sup>th</sup> - We will have any reasonable inscription put on the bells free of charge

yours truly  
H. Stokes & Son



## Breane Church Bells

May 18. 1911

To Rev. T. W. Strong  
Rev. Sir

As you know we have examined the 3 bells and their frame & fittings in your Church Tower and we found that it is in a very bad condition. The frame, floor and beams must be renewed as nothing can be done to the present lot. The bells are very old and the canons have been taken off the 2<sup>nd</sup> bell and we would recommend that the ones on the 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> bells be taken off. They are very high, and then the bells can be hung to correspond with the 2<sup>nd</sup> bell. We would recommend you to have another oak frame put in as the iron would rust quickly so near the sea and would often have to be painted. You ought to have some lower windows put in the tower roof to let out the sound of the bells and also to let in some light. There is plenty of room in your tower for five or six bells. We have sent you estimates for frames for three, five and six bells

### Estimate No. 1

We will undertake to lower the 3 bells take out the old fittings, frame, floor and beams, and provide and fix in the tower four English oak beams, two 10" x 8" and two 10" x 9", and provide, make and fix on the tower beams an English oak frame for three bells fixed clear of the tower walls, the sizes of scantling for frame to be the



same as marked on plan sent, and bolt it together with about 22 long  $\frac{3}{4}$ " bolts, the bolts to go down through frame and where convenient through the beams also, secure the joints of frame with stout strap plates, provide and fix in between the pillars of frame and resting on the beams and nailed to them a good 2" red deal floor. We will also undertake to hoist the three bells into their places in the new frame and hang them with all new fittings complete viz:- wheels, stocks, staps & sliders, pulleys, steel gudgeons and gunmetal bearings, the gudgeons to be fitted into iron bed plates clip bolted to the stocks and the bearings fitted into iron carriages screwed down to frame and fitted with iron hinged covers and thumb screws, all new ironwork to hang the bells with, provide a new set of bell ropes, quarter turn the 2<sup>nd</sup> bell, provide three new clappers, take off the canons from 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> bells and drill holes through their heads to hang them by, paint all the ironwork, stocks and felloeing part of wheels three coats, put a  $\frac{3}{4}$ " match board ceiling up under the beams and stain and varnish it, pay carriage of all our materials from here to Brent Knoll Station and all travelling expenses for our men and complete the work in a workmanlike and satisfactory manner for the sum of Seventy One Pounds, Sixteen Shillings, ( $\pounds 71-16-0$ ).

### Estimate No. 2.

We will in an oak frame <sup>4 beams</sup> for five bells and hang the three bells as stated



in No. 1 estimate for the sum of Eighty One Pounds, Fifteen Shillings. (£81-15-0).

#### Estimate No. 3

We will put in an oak frame and beams for six bells and hang the three bells as stated in No. 1 estimate for the sum of Eighty Eight Pounds, Eight Shillings. (£88-8-0).

#### Estimate No. 4

We will put in a cast iron frame for three bells, fixed on an oak framing bed and beams, and painted three coats and hang the three bells and do all the other work mentioned in No. 1 estimate except the bearings which would be pedestal ones and be bolted to the frame instead of screwed, and complete the work in a workmanlike and satisfactory manner for the sum of Eighty Two Pounds, Eighteen Shillings. (£82-18-0)

#### Estimate No. 5.

We will put in a cast iron frame for five bells fixed on an oak framing bed and beams and hang the three bells as stated in No. 4 estimate for the sum of Ninety Six Pounds, Two Shillings (£96-2-0).

#### Estimate No. 6.

We will put in a cast iron frame for six bells fixed on an oak framing bed and beams and hang the three bells as



stated in No. 4 estimate for the sum of  
One Hundred and Six Pounds, Ten Shillings  
(£106-10-0.)

In Nos. 1 and 4 estimates you would  
have to do the carting of frame and  
materials from Brent Knoll station to  
Brean Church, but in estimates Nos. 2,  
3, 5 and 6 we should pay the carriage  
from here to Brean Church.

In all of the aforementioned estimates you  
would have to do any masonry that was  
required in putting in new beams.

All the old wood to be yours and the  
old iron, old metal and old bearings ours.

H. S. J.

May 22. 1911

To the Rev. T. W. Strong,  
Rev. Sir.

In reply to your letter of the 19<sup>th</sup> inst.  
we beg to say that we cannot allow any  
discount of the sums named in the estimates,  
and we should require 80 per cent on the  
completion of the work and the balance  
within three months. Trusting to be favoured  
with an order for the work

We remain Rev. Sir

your obedient servants  
Harry Stokes & Co.



Breane Bells

May 26. 1911

To Rev. T. W. Strong.

Rev. Sir.

We thank you for your letter of this morning re Breane Bells accepting our estimate No. 2 for the work and note the conditions mentioned in your letter. We will quarter turn all the bells and we will let the canons remain on the bells as you request but the clappers must be new to make a good job. With regard to the masonry we cannot say if £1. will pay for it but whatever it costs you would have to pay for it and engage your own <sup>mason</sup>, as we should not bring a mason with us. Trusting this will meet with your approval

We remain Rev. Sir

your obedient servants  
H. Stokes Son



Mr. H. Dagworth's painting

May. 26. 1911

To Mr. W. Palmer

Dear Sir.

We will clean off and paint two coats all the woodwork on outside of Mr. H. Dagworth's house at Woodbury, Salterton for the sum of £2-5-0

yours truly  
Harry Stokes Esq



To

June 13<sup>th</sup> 1911

Mr. W. Symons

6 Churchwarden

Marsh Farm

Swymbridge

Dear Sir

The price of Bell Ropes from 45 to 60 feet  
are all one price 11/- per rope you to pay the  
carriage of them and if for every 10 feet over  
60 feet an order would receive immediate  
attention

H. S. & S.



To

June 16<sup>th</sup> 1911

Rev. J. P. D. Hogg  
The Vicarage  
Framlington

Rev. Sir

We have been asked by Mr. Arundell Clarke  
to send you a price for Bell Ropes same kind as we  
put to the bells some years ago, when we returned  
them we beg to say the price is 11/- per rope  
you to pay the carriage of them  
H. Stokes & Son



To

June 29<sup>th</sup> 1911

Rev. H. Harold Morris  
South Hill Rectory  
Callington

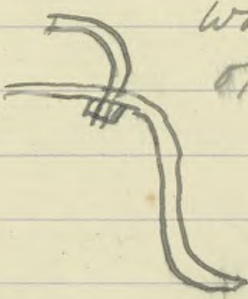
Rev. Sir

The top of the bell cannot be put on again if all the head is not broken off, what is not broken off must be taken off and the stock refitted down on the bell and bore 4 holes through the head and put bolts up thro to fasten down the stock, where the piece is cut up from the stock to fit the bell now, this piece would have to be made good again it would cost you between £2 & £3- to do this job you to send to Callington and meet man and take him back again

H. L. & S.

August 13<sup>th</sup> 1911

Rev. Sir

We can make an iron canon like the piece you have sent, and make it to have a nut at end and screw it up inside the bell, there would have to be an hole bored thro head of bell, this will not impair the tone of the bell nor injure it it would be like this  would not want to take off any of the other canons

H. L. & Son



To

July 3<sup>rd</sup> 1911

Mr. W. H. Dacey

Rock Cottage

Knowlton

Dear Sir

The price of the Bell ropes will be 11.<sup>00</sup> each you to pay the carriage of them, they will be about 40 ft. long, they are made in 60 ft. and 90 ft. lengths.

yours truly  
H. Stokes & Son



Stoke Chimland Bells

July 10<sup>th</sup> 1911

To

Rev<sup>d</sup> Mantland Kelly

Rev<sup>d</sup> Sir

We thank you for your letter re Stoke Chimland  
Church Bells, we have nothing at present to call us that  
way our work at present is in North & East Devon and  
in Somerset. We shall be very pleased to go down and  
examine, and report on the condition of the Bells almost  
at anytime that would suit the Dean, we should make  
no charge for examining & reporting on the Bells if  
the work was placed in our hands, but if not we should  
charge our expenses for going down.

A. Stokes & Son



# Dawlish Rope Guides

July 29. 1911

Rev. W. P. Alford

Rev. Sir.

To put all new iron guides in the bottom of tower for ropes to work in and galvanised rings on first floor at Dawlish Church as explained to you will cost Four Pounds (£4) extra to our other contracts

Yours obediently  
Harry Stokes Son.



To

August 2<sup>nd</sup> 1911

Rev<sup>d</sup> Canon Kempe  
St<sup>-</sup> Maryan

Rev<sup>d</sup> Sir

We can send down to overhaul your bells  
but we cannot say exactly what the cost would  
be, as we do not know how long it would take  
whether we would have to stop at St<sup>-</sup> Maryan one clear  
day or more, but we should say it would cost  
between £2 and £3 = exclusive of the trap hire  
between Grampond R<sup>d</sup> and St<sup>-</sup> Maryan and  
back. This we take if you would arrange for  
we do not know at present whether we could  
arrange to do it week after next -

Harry Stokes & Son.



Brampton Ropes

To

Mr John Symons  
Churchwarden

Woodbury R.F.O

Aug- 4<sup>th</sup> 1911

Dear Sir

We will supply you with 8 Bell Ropes for  
the Brampton Church Bells for £4-12-0, same out  
of Rope and same quality, and by same maker,  
as the last- we supplied for the Bells you to pay  
the carriage of them.

yours truly  
H. Stokes & Son



Lydford chimneys

August 4<sup>th</sup> 1911

To

Rev. G. S. Thorpe

Lydford Rectory

Rev. Sir

The cost of providing and fixing the Ellacombe chiming apparatus, to the 5 bells in Lydford Church Tower, with a locked box (made in deal) in bottom of Tower to lock in ropes will be  
£4.12.0.

yours obed<sup>ly</sup>  
H. Stokes & Son



To

August 15<sup>th</sup> 1911

Rev<sup>d</sup> A Lewis  
Chandstock Rectory  
Chand

Rev<sup>d</sup> Sir

We shall be very pleased to go and inspect your Church bells, and give you an estimate for what is wanted to be done to them. If after giving you an estimate you placed the work in our hands, we should make no charge you to send and fetch us from Chand Junct-Harom or Chand if nearest, and send us back again. If you did not give us the work our charge would be £ 10/-

We remain Rev<sup>d</sup> Sir  
your obed<sup>t</sup> Servants  
H Stokes & Son



To

August 18<sup>th</sup> 1911

Rev. H. Foster Morris

Rev. Lu

The cost of sending down a man to put an iron cannon in the bell would be £2<sup>00</sup> 3<sup>00</sup> you to send to Callington station, and fetch man and tools, and send him back again to station when he had finished, and let someone help him a few hours to unhang the bell and hang it up again, any man would do for this. You must please understand that the wheel had to be taken off the bell, and the bell unhung, and stick taken off, and bell dropped on floor to true it - we should have to send a pair of chain blocks with the man to unhang bell, and hang it up again

yours obediently  
H. Stokes & Son



Mr. C. H. Stamps Painting

Aug. 23. 1911

To Mr. C. H. Stamp.

Dear Sir:

We will clean off and paint two coats all the doors, windows and shutters on house, also the yard doors, ploughhouse door window, cowhouse door, 2 garden doors, W.C. door, cellar door, and front railings, grain room with the front door, put in five panes of glass, and make and fix a new garden door jambs for the sum of Eight Pounds, Fifteen Shillings. (£8-15-0). Any repairs which may be required would be done extra to be above

Yours truly  
Harry Stokes & Son



# Chardstock Church Bells

August 29. 1911

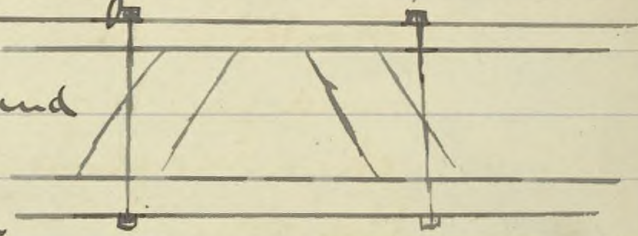
Rev. A. Lewis

Rev. Sir.

We have as you already know examined the peal of six bells in your Church Tower, and we found on ringing up the bells that the frame shifts about a great deal especially the sides against the wall where they 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> hang, the bearings of the 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> & tenor are loose and some of the gudgeons are worn oval and have too much play, these gudgeons and bearings have had 43 years wear, the staples which the clappers hang on in the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> bells are loose and the ground pulleys under the wheels are worn very much, the wheels are very winding and the shrouding on them is become worn eaten, the stocks on the bells are also worn eaten, the ironwork on the bells is become very rusty through want of paint but this could be cleaned and painted and used again. The frame is a pinned one and that is the reason that it shifts about, what is wanted is to put about 20 long  $\frac{3}{4}$  bolts down through it and strain it well up together:-

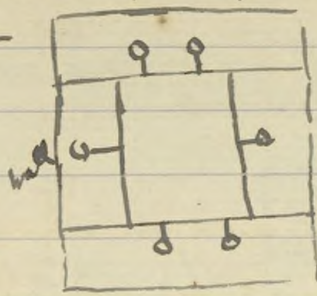
this would strengthen and stiffen it. There is a new set of ropes required

and we strongly advise some stays to be put in the bottom of tower about 15' 0" up from the floor, the height now is 26' 0" and it is difficult to ring the bells at such





a distance. the stays would be similar to this :-



We could not recommend any repairs to the present (old) fittings, the only thing that could remain and be used again is the stays and sliders and the ironwork on the bells, what is required and what we recommend is to put in about 20 long bolts through the frame, and hang the bells with new stocks gudgeons and bearings, pulleys, wheels, new ropes, guides for ropes in bottom of tower fasten the loose staples in the bells etc.

### Estimate

We will undertake to put in about 20 long  $\frac{3}{4}$  bolts through frame and strain it well up together, take off the fittings from the bells and rehang them with new stocks, gudgeons and bearings, pulleys, wheels, fasten the staples in 2<sup>nd</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> bells and leave them secure, see the clappers are alright, clean the ironwork on the bells and use it again and make good any that may be wanted, use the stays and sliders again, provide a new set of 6 bell ropes, provide and fix a set of stays in bottom of tower with turned hard wood blocks in them for ropes to work in, provide and fix 6 galvanized thimbles in clock chamber floor in place of wood blocks which the ropes now work in, paint the stocks, ironwork that requires painting, felloeing part of wheels and iron stays 3 coats paint see that the shutters are alright, leave the chime hammers and clock hammers



in order, pay carriage of material from here to Chardstock and all travelling expenses for our men and complete the work in a satisfactory manner for the sum of Fifty Eight Pounds, Thirteen Shillings. (£58-13-0) and the old materials to be our property

We remain Rev. Sir

Your obedient servants

Harry Stokes & Co

P.S.

The bells can be rung occasionally, but the less they are rung the better. We would advise you and the churchwardens to go up in the tower when all the bells are ringing you will then be able to judge for yourselves what the frame is like.



# Loxbeare Church Bells.

Aug. 30. 1911

To Messrs. Harbottle & Sons  
County Chambers  
Exeter.

Sirs,

The cost of providing, making and fixing in Loxbeare Church Tower an English oak frame for the three bells, sizes of scantling for frame to be  $7 \times 4$ ,  $7 \times 4\frac{1}{2}$ ,  $7 \times 5$ ,  $9 \times 3\frac{1}{2}$ ,  $10 \times 3\frac{1}{2}$ ,  $10 \times 4$ ,  $12 \times 4$ ,  $5 \times 3\frac{1}{2}$  and  $5 \times 4$ , the frame to be bolted together with about 22 long  $\frac{3}{4}$  bolts and the joints of frame to be secured with strap plates, and re-hanging the three bells with new wheels, stocks, stay, sliders, pulleys, steel gudgeons, gunmetal bearings, all new ironwork, new ropes and clappers, and painting all the ironwork, stocks and felloe part of wheel. Three coats of paint. Paying carriage of material and travelling expenses will be Forty Eight Pounds, Sixteen Shillings. (£ 48. 16. 0)

We remain

Yours obediently,  
Harry Stokes & Son  
H.P.S.

P.S.

The above price does not include new beams <sup>and</sup> floor.

Mar 30. 1896 last estimate



re Dolton Bells

Sept. 1<sup>st</sup> 1911

To Mr. J. Darch  
Churchwarden  
Ham. Dolton

Dear Sir.

At your request we have examined the peal of six bells in Dolton Church Tower and we found that the treble bell requires re-hanging, this bell was not rehung when the other five were in 1893 the wheel cuts the rope badly, and this cannot be altered without putting a new wheel, the bearings also are loose and worn badly but the ironwork which fastens the bell to the stock could be used again by cleaning & painting it, the clapper also requires re-leathering and a new block, also a new pulley is required, the clapper of the 2<sup>nd</sup> bell requires re-leathering, the bearings of the 3<sup>rd</sup> bell are loose and out of level, the bearings of the 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> bells are loose & the clappers require new boxes, the pin of the 6<sup>th</sup> clapper is worn and requires to be repaired the frame is slack and all the bolts want to be tightened up, all the ironwork on the bell wants to be screwed up and cleaned and painted, also the wheels are slack. We would also recommend that a rope guide be put in the bottom of tower about 14 feet up from the bottom to steady the ropes, it is a long distance from the bottom to the first floor and it is difficult to ring the bells.

Estimate

We will rehang the treble bell with new wheel, stock, gudgeons and bearings



pulley, use the same ironwork again and the stay & slider and leave her in good ringing condition. Also put new leathers to the clappers of 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> bells, level up the bearings of the 3<sup>rd</sup> bell, put new clapper boxes to the 4<sup>th</sup> + 5<sup>th</sup> bells and tighten up their bearings, repair the pin of clapper of 6<sup>th</sup> bell, see the pulleys are alright, screw up bolts of frame and generally screw up the fittings of the 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> + 6<sup>th</sup> bells for the sum of Thirteen Pounds (£13-0-0)

We will fix a new set of iron stay guides fitted with turned hardwood boxes for the ropes to work in, in the bottom of tower for the sum of Three Pounds, Fifteen Shillings (£3-15-0). provided you have them at the same time as the other work was being done, otherwise there will be extra travelling expenses.

You to have the tower cleaned out before commencing the work, and cart the material men & tools from Portsmouth Dock Station and take the men & their tools back again on completion of work

Yours truly  
Harry Stokes rson



# Portsmouth Church Bells

Sept. 13. 1911

To the Rev. J. F. Hamlyn.

Rev. Sir,

We will undertake to take out the old framework, floor and beams now in Portsmouth Church Tower and provide and fix in the tower four steel girders 12" x 6" weighing 45 lbs. ~~per~~ per foot, provide and fix on the girders an oak framing bed to take the iron frame, and provide and fix on the oak bed and girders a cast iron frame for five bells, the frame to be of sufficient strength and substance to resist the action of the bells when ringing, the frame, oak bed and girders to be all bolted together, <sup>the frame & girders</sup> and to be painted 3 coats of oxide paint, two coats before fixing and one after, provide and fix on the iron girders and cut in between the oak bed a good red deal floor 2" thick, do any masonry that may be required in levelling up the settops to take the girders, pay carriage of all the material and travelling expenses for our men for the sum of Eighty Two Pounds, Five Shillings (£82.5.0) all the old material to be our property.

## Estimate No. 2

We will undertake to rehang the sound bell (which is the largest,) in the new frame with all new fittings complete viz:- wheel, stock, stay & slider, pulley, steel gudgeons and gunmetal bearings, ironwork, rope, clapper, quarter turn <sup>it</sup> her so that the



clapper shall strike opposite to what it does now, provide chute and guide for rope, paint the ironwork, stock and felloeing part of wheel three coats and pay carriage of material and all labour for the sum of Seventeen Pounds Ten Shillings (£17.10.0). This sound bell has got a very high canon head on it and in recharging it it would be a great deal better to have it taken off and some holes drilled through the head to take bolts to fasten on the stock with, it will be no detriment to the bell and it can be made to ring easier by doing this, we would take off the head and drill the holes through <sup>the</sup> bell for the old metal, if you will not allow this to be done we can rehang <sup>it</sup> ~~her~~ as <sup>it</sup> ~~she~~ is.

### Estimate No. 3.

This sound bell would also have to be taken down and sent up to the Foundry with the others so that all the other bells can be tuned to <sup>fit</sup> ~~her~~ <sup>it</sup> will be the tenor bell of the peal. The cost of taking <sup>it</sup> ~~her~~ down from the tower and sending <sup>it</sup> ~~her~~ to the Foundry, London and back again and hoisting <sup>it</sup> ~~her~~ in the tower will be Seven Pounds, Seventeen Shillings (£7.17.0)

### Estimate No. 4

We will undertake to take down the 2<sup>nd</sup> bell, which is stated to be cracked, from the tower, send <sup>it</sup> ~~her~~ to the Foundry, London to be recast, add what metal is required to allow for wastage in recasting, pay carriage of <sup>it</sup> ~~her~~ to and from the Foundry.



and hoist ~~it~~ again in ~~its~~ place in the tower and rehang ~~it~~ with all new fittings as stated in Estimate No. 2, except quarter turning, for the sum of Forty Eight Pounds, Fifteen Shillings. (£48-15-0).

In examining this bell we could not find that ~~it~~ was cracked but it would have to go up to the Foundry, and if on a further examination at the Foundry it was found not to be cracked and would not want recasting ~~it~~ only tuning it would not cost as much as the above sum by Twenty Pounds. (£20-).

#### Estimate No. 5.

We will undertake to take down the broken bell from the tower and send it to the Foundry, London, to be recast, add what metal is required to allow for wastage in recasting and for what is missing from this bell, pay carriage of her to and from the Foundry and hoist it again in its place in the tower, and rehang it with all new fittings as stated in Estimate No. 2, except quarter turning for the sum of Fifty Pounds, Fifteen Shillings (£50-15-0).

#### Estimate No. 6.

We will undertake to supply two new bells and clappers, a 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup>, to make the peal five, the two new bells to weigh together about 12 cwt. and to be in tune with the tenor bell and the other two bells when recast, pay carriage of them from the Foundry, to Portsmouth and



hoist them into their places in the tower and hang them with all new fittings as stated in Estimate No. 5 for the sum of One Hundred and Twenty Three Pounds, Fourteen Shillings (£123-14-0). If the bells were over 12 cwt. the extra weight would be charged for at £7-7-0 per cwt. if under it would be deducted at same rate.

### Estimate No. 7

There is room in the tower for six bells and instead of making the frame for five bells you would prefer to have it made and fixed to take six bells, we will make and fix a frame for six bells for the sum of Seven Pounds, Eight Shillings (£7-8-0) extra to Estimate No. 1. We would strongly advise you to have this done.

We have enclosed a plan showing how a five bell frame would be made

We remain Rev. Sir

Your obedient servants  
Harry Stokes & Son



To

Sept 16<sup>th</sup> 1911

Rev<sup>d</sup> G. Cluchette

Sturwell Rectory

Rev<sup>d</sup> Sir

We can scarcely say what it would cost to overhaul your Bells it may take a man 3 days and it may take longer but we should say it would cost something about £2<sup>7</sup><sup>2</sup><sup>3</sup><sup>4</sup> There about you to send and fetch man & tools from Barnstable Station & take him back again, when he had done we don't think we could send next week, but we may be able to the following week if you will please let us know

H. Stokes & Son