

1899.

831 17 8

"April 1899
The Right Hon^{ble} the Dowager Viscountess Downe
Manor House
Great Addington
Thrapston

Mar 30

To recasting the ring of four bells
according to estimate of 25 Jan
1899. GREAT ADDINGTON CH:
Recast 1 bell, 2, 3, 4 & 5 of the
ring of six -

2. 4. 1. 25

3. 5. 0. 18

4. 6. 0. 11

5. 7. 1. 23

23. 0. 21 at 6. 6.

146 1 7

C. By the four old bells

4. 1. 0

4. 2. 10

5. 1. 2

7. 1. 4

21. 1. 16 at 4. 4.

89 17

56 4 7

63 13 6

19

50

60

The new tenor, 10. 0. 12 at 6. 6.

Inscription on the tenor, 58 letters at 4

New fittings for the five 10/1

Frame for the five (for the six 6d. 1.)

Order 17 Cts. 17/1.
Castings 23 - 23/1.
Linn bolts marking 20/1.

Sinking down & fitting (for the six 20/1. 12/1)

18

Car: by rail

7

831-17.8

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Brought forward 255 17 1
 New treble to make six - wt.
 4 " 1 " 2 at 1 b. 6. 26 17 9
 Fittings 10 1/2 frame 8 1/2 fixing 7 1/2 can 11 21 " "

303 14 10

Supplying new clock hammer & main
 time in shop fitting to frame &
 strike on the treble

1 7 "

Two quadrant for ditto 2 1/2

5 "

Wire 6' screws 6' hooks 3 1/2

4 6

Steel joist

10 "

Billinghurst fixing in tower

13 hrs. 15 1/2 Hallam 7 hrs 6 1/4

1 1 6

Can. of temporary bell 2 1/2

5 10

Can. of extras settled 12 Oct 99

1 " "

307 9 8

Net

14 Apr 99

Rev. C. M. Greensted
 Northill Rectory
 Digglewade

Mar 6

To bell hangers overhauling
 Hams 7 hrs. Heat 7 hrs. 11
 Settled 19 June 99

3

14 "

30 June 99

Messrs: Cartwright & Warners Ltd.

Loughborough

Mar 18

To twelve cast-iron trucks to pattern
 to order U: 317.

wt. 24 lbs. 1 1/2 Loman 3 1/2 hrs.

2 6

T.L.

25 Jan: 9

The Right Hon^{ble} the Dowager Viscountess Downe
Great Addington

My Lady

In compliance with your Ladyship's request Mr Ed Taylor yesterday had the honour of making an inspection of the ring of four bells in the tower of Great Addington Church, and we now respectfully beg to report that although all the four bells appear to be sound still they are so very much out of tune not only with one another but also each one in itself in its own harmonics that they ought all to be recast. Even the largest bell which appeared to Mr Taylor yesterday to be not so very far out, we find upon careful investigation to have one harmonic tone about half a note too sharp and another harmonic about a quarter of a note too flat, so that it will at once be seen that to endure a pure true tone in each bell. (Like each one of the Theraputa peal or like Swand's tenor) all must be recast. The old bells are also all rather too light for their notes & to obtain fullness & roundness of tone and at the same time softness we propose to increase the weight

wright of the four bells in the recasting by about 3½ Cwt. -
 and we beg to submit to your Ladyship our estimate for this.
 & for adding another large bell to make five, and hanging
 the peal with entirely new fittings in a new iron frame on steel
 girders, in a similar manner to that in which we have within
 the last two years hung the Shropston and the Pound peals.
 And as we find that in this manner there is plenty of room to
 add another smaller bell to complete the ring of six to swing
 on the same level as the other five we have taken the liberty
 of appending the cost of this proposed bell, as the music of
 a ring of six is so much more melodious & varied than five only -
 and we are sure that your Ladyship would be pleased with this
 peal & would find it very sweet & musical -

If the enclosed estimate meets with your Ladyship's
 approval and we could hear by return of post we would use
 every endeavour to complete the work by Easter, though should
 we find we could not manage it we would rather be a little
 later than exchange the efficiency by too great hurry -
 and respectfully awaiting the honour of your Ladyship's
 commands

We have the honour to remain
 Your Ladyship's most obedient servants
 J. M. Taylor

27 Jan: 9.

The Right Hon^{ble} H. D. Viscountess Downe
Great Addington

My Lady

We are honoured by the receipt of your Ladyship's favour of yesterday's date for which we are very much obliged and the work shall have our immediate and most careful attention.

We are today sending to Cranford Station the tools, weighing 7 Cwt.: for taking down the bells and our bellhanger will follow on Tuesday morning next the 31st inst: arriving Cranford by the 8.29 train and we should be much obliged if it could be arranged for a Cart to be at the Station then so that our man could see to the loading up of the tools. We are also taking the liberty of sending a note to Mr. Pettitt to tell him that our bellhanger will be at the Church on Tuesday & would like to see him.

Promising to be up time & to complete by Easter if we can with
efficiency
We have the honour to remain
Your Ladyship's most obedient servants
H. M. Taylor & Co