



# The Church Bells of Berkshire and their Inscriptions.

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## ALDERMASTON.

- 1st. Cast by John Warner & Sons, Ltd., London, 1895.  
Laus Deo Semper.  
C.E.K.<sup>1</sup>
- 2nd. G. Mears, Founder, London, 1860.
- 3rd. Henricus Knight, Fecit, 1681.
- 4th. G. Mears, Founder, London, 1860.
- 5th. Henricus Knight, Fecit, 1681.
- 6th. J<sup>no</sup>. Wix and J<sup>no</sup>. Read, Churchwardens.  
W. & T. Mears, late Lester, Pack & Chapman, of  
London, Fecit, 1787.

## LETCOMBE REGIS.

- 1st. James Wells, Aldbourne, Fecit, 1805.  
Thomas Goodlake and John Stone, Church-  
wardens.
- 2nd. James Wells, Aldbourne, Fecit, 1805.  
Thomas Goodlake and John Stone, Church-  
wardens.
- 3rd. Henry Knight made mee, 1626.
- 4th. C. Corr, 1726.
- 5th. + Joseph Carter made mee, 1599.
- 6th. Henry Knight made mee, 1621.

## WARGRAVE.

- 1st. Henry Knight made mee, 1668.
- 2nd. Henry Knight made mee, 1668.
- 3rd. Henry Knight made mee, 1668.
- 4th. Henry Knight made mee, 1670.
- 5th. Henry Knight made mee, 1668.
- Tenor. Samuel Knight Made Mee.  
W. Dearing, John Abeare, C.W., 1688.

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1. C. E. Keyser, Esq., of Aldermaston Park.

## SONNING.

These Bells, described in "Murray's" as famous, are inscribed :

- 1st. C. & G. Mears, Founders, London, 1853.
  - 2nd. At Proper times our voices we will raise  
In sounding to our benefactor's praise.  
Pack & Chapman, London, fecit, 1778.
  - 3rd. Ecclesiæ, Reginæ, Sacheverellisque Cano Laudes.  
R. Phelps, fecit, 1711.
  - 4th. Our voices shall with joyful sound  
Make hills and valleys echo round.  
Lester & Pack, fecit, 1759.  
Benj. Matthews and Joel Lane, and Wm. Scott  
and Jno. Berry, Ch. Wardens.
  - 5th. Love God, 1640.
  - 6th. Feare God, 1640.
  - 7th. Love God, 1640.
  - 8th. Love God, 1641.
- <sup>1</sup>Small Bell—Maria.

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1. This was probably the Pre-Reformation Sanctus Bell.

W. H. H.

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AT a recent meeting of the Society of Antiquaries, Mr. Haverfield read some notes on Romano-British remains at Long Wittenham, consisting chiefly of circular and other enclosures which have been traced in the corn, marking the site of some settlement, and yielding fragments of Roman pottery, etc.

AN oak tablet has been affixed to the Tower of Lyddington Church, Wilts, bearing the following inscription :—The clock in this tower was purchased from the Vicar and Churchwardens of Shrivenham, Berks, and presented to the Parish Church of Lyddington by W. Roden, Esq., of the Manor ; the cost of repair and erection being defrayed by members of the congregation and a few friends. Advent, 1898.

W. B. Pitt, Prebendary, Rector and Vicar.

James Smith and Charles Handy, churchwardens.

After seventy years in Shrivenham Tower ;

They brought me here to tell the hour ;

My only fault, so 'twas averr'd,

I struck too softly to be heard.

A plate on the clock is inscribed : Jones, Chalford, 1825.—W.H.H.