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Dear Mr. Tong,

DEANE CHURCH.

The men are at work preparing the openings in the stone walls for the beams supporting the new bells and one or two difficulties appear.

- (1) One of the R.S.J's will penetrate through the clock casing which will have to be cut away and this will interfere with the support of the pendulum which hangs from the cross-member supported on this casing.
- (2) This same beam would have its wall bearing only on a wood lintol over the clock face opening. This we do not think is satisfactory.
- (3) There already exist in the position of 6" x 5" girders, two 8" x 4" girders and these will have to be removed before the openings can be made to receive the new beams. As we have only instructions to make the openings, we presume Messrs. John Taylor & Co., Loughborough, will take out the beams and this will require immediate attention.
- (4) Where this 12" x 5" beam is to be fixed, we find there exists a flue in the wall and the wall itself is very open rubble. The only thing that appears possible there is to introduce a fairly widespread reinforced concrete pad; this would mean some disturbance of stone but it seems to be the best that can be done.

Perhaps you could give us some more information on these matters.

Yours sincerely,

*Arthur John Hope*

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