

How Bells Are Tuned.

The first requisite is that each bell shall, in technical terms, be true or, in other words be in harmony with itself. This means that a bell must yield a note the exact pitch of which any ordinary musician can at once determine.

The fact is that every bell gives two prominent notes—the one the key note and the other the drone or "hum" note which in foreign bells is usually an octave, and in American bells a major or minor sixth, lower than the key note.

The harmony of the bell, therefore, depends almost entirely upon the drone, and the best test of a bell is the impression it gives the ear, while the fact remains that if the drone does not harmonize with the key note the bell seems harsh and discordant.

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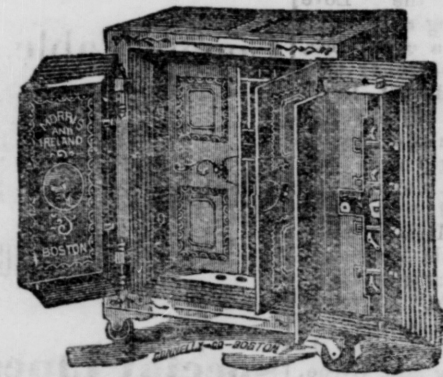
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