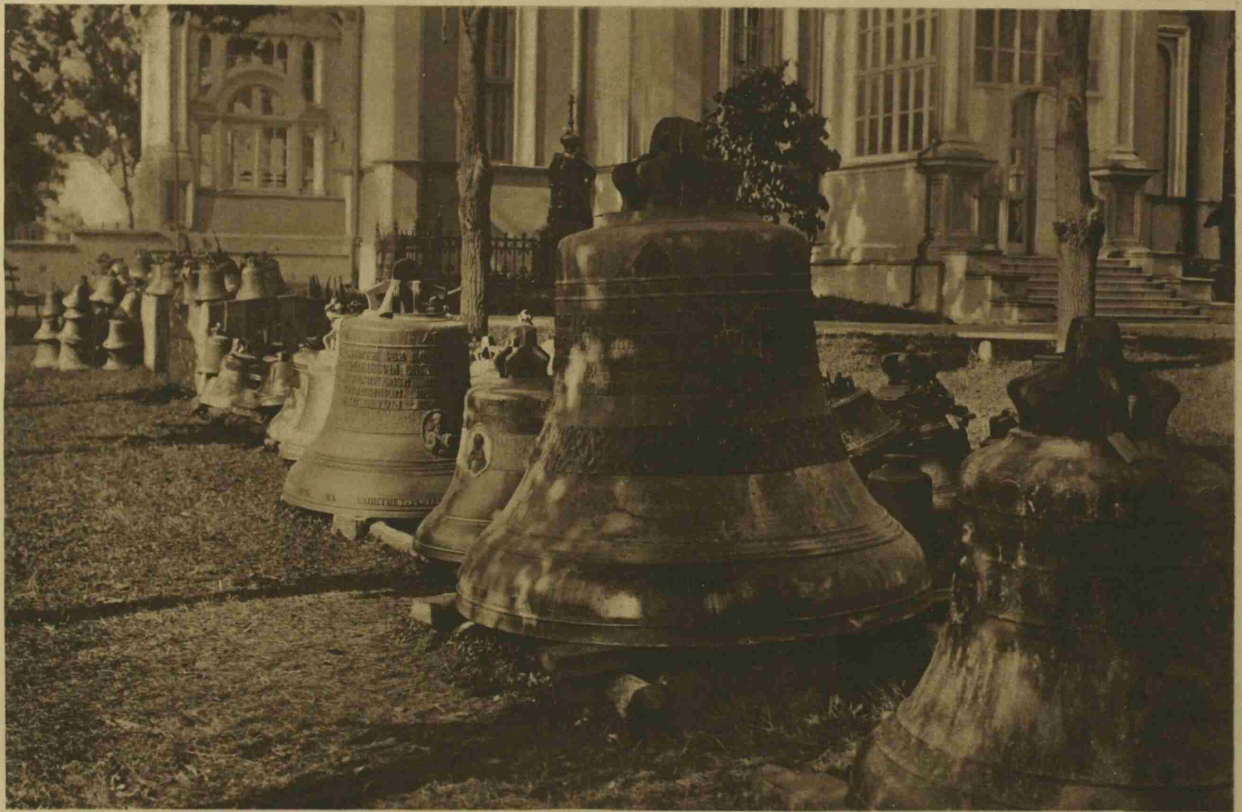


## SAVED: CHURCH-BELLS WHICH MIGHT HAVE BECOME ENEMY SHELLS.



BROUGHT FROM MANY PARTS OF RUSSIA THAT THE INVADING ENEMY MIGHT NOT USE THEIR METAL TO MAKE SHELLS: RUSSIAN CHURCH-BELLS—EACH LABELLED.



PLACED TOGETHER FOR SAFETY IN THE NIKOLSKY MONASTERY, NEAR MOSCOW: SOME OF THE 300 BELLS REMOVED BY THE RUSSIANS FROM THEIR CHURCHES.

In a letter from Kieff, Mr. Stephen Graham tells, in the "Times," the story of Russian church-bells gathered from all sorts of sources to prevent their being melted down for munitions by the enemy. "I read in a paper," he says, "that in Germany there are only enough shells to last three months, but orders have been given to take down all the church-bells, and it is thought that with the bells captured in Russia they will have enough copper to last out a year. A new arithmetic! How many shells can be made

from a church bell? . . . It is sad to see the loads of riven church-bells." The bells in our illustration, which have been saved from their suggested doom of furnishing Germany with material for munitions of war, have been rescued from churches without distinction of creed. They come from Orthodox churches, from Catholic, from Lutheran. Some are ornamental in design and decoration and have medallions of priests and bishops in *bas relief*; and all bear labels showing whence they have come.