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Competing for a News of the World challenge-cup and the title of Britain's loudest voice are 27 Town Criers from England, Wales and Scotland. Origin of their offices dates back to Elizabethian times. In Lyme Regis Langmoor Gardens, sternerian voices vie for the championship.

Britain's new champion crier is Richard May - 38-year-old Cornishman from St. Columb.

A traditional end to an ancient contest.