

## BRANCH ACCOUNTS

for year ending December, 31st 1943.

	Exeter		Ayls.D.		East		N-East		North		N-West		M-Dev.		S-West										
	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.									
<b>RECEIPTS</b>																									
Balances in hand, ..	14	13	6	16	14	6	23	5	3	26	9	7	3	19	3	6	15	4	2	13	6	5	16	3	
Honorary Members' Subscriptions ..		5	0	5	0																				
Performing " " (a/rears) ..											1	18	0												
Bank Interest ..		7	1	6	10		11	4																	
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>																									
Half Subscriptions to General Fund ..	15	5	7	17	6	4	23	16	7	29	0	3	4	4	3	6	15	4	2	16	8	5	16	3	
Postages and Stationery ..																									
Tea at Meeting ..		9	6	7	6																				
Advertising in "Ringing World" ..		10	0																						
Deficit by Retiring Treasurer ..		6	0																						
Balances carried forward ..	14	0	1	16	16	4	23	16	7	27	1	2	4	1	9	6	15	4	2	16	8	5	16	3	
<b>INSTRUCTION ACCOUNT</b>																									
Balance from 1942 ..		27	10	7																					
Bank Int. 13/9, less Instruction Bks. 4/- ..																									
Balances carried forward ..		28	0	4																					

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£	s. d.	£	s. d.
Balance 1st January, 1943	74 9 6	Printing Reports	3 12 6
Half Subscriptions from following Branches:	..	Secretary's Postages	..
Aylesbeare Deanery	..	Treasurer's ..	..
North-East Devon	..	Printing Postcards	..
North Devon	..	Subscription to Friends of Exeter Cathedral	1 0 0
Bank Interest ..	..	Advance on Copyright of Ringing World	8 0 0
		Committee Room	..
		Balance forward	..
			62 17 11

  

<b>Bells Restoration Fund.</b>	
Balance, 1942	£119 11 4
Interest, 1943	£ 2 19 9
Balance in hand	£122 11 1

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North-East Devon	.. .. .		19	0	Printing Postcards	.. .. .		7	3	
North Devon	.. .. .		2	6	Subscription to Friends of Exeter Cathedral	.. .. .		6	0	
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