



Church Matters

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Wroughton

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Fifty Years a Sexton Mr. Richard Austin has just retired at the age of 84 after having served as sexton of the Parish Church at Wroughton, near Swindon, for 50 years. His association with the church extends over a much longer period than this, as his father and his uncle preceded him in the position. During Mr. Austin's connection with the church there have been no fewer than 3,624 baptisms, 824 marriages, and about 3,000 funerals. **Western Gazette, 26 February 1909**