Bernard Dowland was Deputy Chief Architect to the Ecclesiastical Commissioners and for 20 years before his retirement in 1970 he was in charge of maintenance and restoration in the Minster. He did much to the stone work (e.g. the gargoyles on the outside of the Chapter House, the saints' heads on the north side of the choir and the modern heads). He was also responsible for removing the ringers' gallery which had been installed by Christian, and replacing it with a fine oak floor in 1961. Unfortunately, this proved to be unsafe and another floor was put above it in 1973.