

render more effectual an Act, passed in the last session of Parliament, for building; and promoting the building, of additional churches in populous parishes;" further provisions are made for carrying such divisions into effect:

And whereas the said Commissioners have made a representation to Her Majesty in Council, in the words following, viz.

*"To the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.*

"Your Majesty's Commissioners for building new churches, appointed by virtue of an Act, passed in the 58th year of the reign of His Majesty King George the Third, intituled "An Act for building, and promoting the building, of additional churches in populous parishes;" and continued by an Act, passed in the 7th and 8th years of the reign of His Majesty King George the Fourth, intituled "An Act to amend the Acts for building, and promoting the building, of additional churches in populous parishes;" and further continued by an Act, passed in the 1st year of your Majesty's reign, intituled "An Act to prolong, for ten years, your Majesty's commission for building new churches;" beg leave humbly to represent to your Majesty, that, when the last census was taken, the parish of St. Anne, Limehouse, in the county of Middlesex and diocese of London, contained a population of 15,695 persons, and the parish of St. Dunstan, Stepney, in the same county and diocese, contained a population of 51,023 persons:

"That the parish church of St. Anne, Limehouse, will afford accommodation to 1,500 persons, and that of St. Dunstan, Stepney, to 2,000 persons:

"That there are three chapels in the said parish of St. Dunstan, Stepney, which together afford accommodation to 3,600 persons, and one chapel recently erected in the said parish of St. Anne, Limehouse, called St. James's Church, Ratcliff, which affords accommodation to 1,054 persons, including 404 free seats, appropriated to the use of the poor:

"That the said new chapel of St. James, Ratcliffe, is situate at the extremity of the said parish of St. Anne, Limehouse, where it adjoins to the said parish of St. Dunstan, Stepney, and is distant about a quarter of a mile from each of the parish churches of the said two parishes, which are the places nearest to the chapel appropriated to the celebration of Divine service according to the rites of the Church of England:

"That the extremities of the said two parishes, which lie contiguous to each other, and are delineated in the accompanying plan, contain a population of 7,947 persons:

"Your Majesty's said Commissioners beg leave further to represent to your Majesty, that, having taken into consideration all the circumstances above-mentioned, it appears to them to be expedient to unite and consolidate the said contiguous parts of the said parishes of St. Anne, Limehouse, and Saint

Dunstan, Stepney, into a separate and distinct district, to be assigned to the said chapel for all ecclesiastical purposes, and to constitute such district a consolidated chapelry, under the 6th section of an Act, passed in the 59th year of the reign of His Majesty King George the Third, intituled "An Act to amend an Act, passed in the last session of Parliament, for building, and promoting the building, of additional churches in populous parishes," for the purpose of affording accommodation for attending Divine service to persons residing in the said district, and for enabling the spiritual person serving such chapel to perform all ecclesiastical duties within the said district to such chapel, and for the due ecclesiastical superintendence of such district, and the preservation and improvement of the moral habits of the persons residing therein; and that such district should be named the consolidated district of St. James, Ratcliff, and that the boundaries thereof should be as follow:

"On the east it is bounded by the boundary line which divides that part of the hamlet of Ratcliffe which is within the parish of St. Anne, Limehouse, from the other part of the said parish of St. Anne, Limehouse; on the west by Bell-wharf, Love-lane, and Stepney-causeway, including all the houses on the east sides thereof; on the north by the Commercial-road, including all the houses on the south side thereof; and on the south by the River Thames, as the same is more particularly delineated in the plan hereunto annexed, and therein coloured red and blue:

"That the consent of the Lord Bishop of London has been obtained thereto, as required by the above-mentioned section of the said Act of the 59th year of His Majesty King George the Third; and, in testimony of such consent, the said Lord Bishop has signed and sealed this present instrument.

"Your Majesty's said Commissioners beg leave further to lay before your Majesty the above-stated circumstances, and humbly pray that your Majesty will be graciously pleased to take the premises into your royal consideration, and to make such order in respect thereto, as to your Majesty's royal wisdom shall seem meet."

Her Majesty, having taken the said representation, together with the plan thereunto annexed, into consideration, was pleased, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, to approve thereof, and to order, as it is hereby ordered, that the proposed assignment and consolidation be accordingly made and effected, agreeably to the provisions of the said Acts.

*Wm. L. Bathurst.*

*Church Commissioners'-Office,  
March 24, 1840.*

THE following is a copy of an Order of Her Majesty in Council, for the assignment of chapelry districts to the chapels of St. Peter and