

eligendo, for the purpose of authorising the election of an additional coroner above the number of those who had been theretofore customarily elected in such county, to order that such county should be divided into such and so many districts, for the purposes of that Act, as to Her Majesty, with the advice aforesaid, should seem expedient, and to give a name to each of such districts, and to determine at what place within such district the court for the election of coroner for such district should be holden, as hereinafter provided; and every such Order should be published in the London Gazette :

And whereas the justices of the peace for the county of Oxford, in general quarter sessions assembled, at Oxford, in and for the said county, on Monday the thirtieth day of December one thousand eight hundred and forty-four, did resolve, that a humble petition should be presented to Her Majesty, praying for such division or alteration as hereinafter mentioned, and did adjourn the further consideration thereof to the adjournment of the general quarter sessions of the peace, held at the County-hall, at Oxford, in and for the said county of Oxford, on Saturday the first day of February one thousand eight hundred and forty-five, due notice thereof having been given to all the coroners of the said county; and two of the justices attending such adjourned sessions did thereby certify, under their hands and seals, that such petition was agreed to :

And whereas the said justices have since presented their petition to Her Majesty, representing

“ That, it having seemed expedient to the justices at large of the said county of Oxford, that the county should be divided into four districts for the purposes of the Act of the seventh and eighth years of Her Majesty’s reign, intituled “ An Act to amend “ the law respecting the office of county coroner,” it was resolved by the said justices in quarter session assembled, that a petition should be presented to Her Majesty, praying, that such division be made, and that thereupon the justices adjourned the further consideration of such petition until the said first day of February one thousand eight hundred and forty-five, notice thereof having, in the interval, been given to the several coroners of the said county, three out of the four of whom on the said day personally attended the meeting of the justices for that purpose, who conferred with the said

coroners touching the said petition ; and, therefore, having due regard to the size and nature of each district, the number of its inhabitants, the nature of their employments and other circumstances, humbly praying, that the said county may be divided into the four following districts, and representing that as the said county is almost entirely an agricultural one, having, beyond that circumstance, no peculiarity in it, the reason upon which the subjoined division is founded, has been confined to its equality in area and population as far as practicable ; and that in endeavouring to arrive at such equality, consideration has been had to the fact, that the University of Oxford, the parliamentary borough of Oxford, the borough of New Woodstock (as prior to the Boundaries Act, third of William the Fourth, cap. 64), the municipal borough of Banbury, and the corporate town of Henley-upon-Thames, within the said county, severally have coroners of their own to the exclusion of the county coroners.

Central District to comprise the following parishes and places, viz. :

Ambrosden,
 Arncott,
 Baldon Marsh,
 Baldon Toot,
 Beckley,
 Begbroke,
 Bicester,
 Blackthorn,
 Bladon,
 Blenheim,
 Bletchingdon,
 Burcott,
 Cassington,
 Charlton on Otmoor,
 Chesterton,
 Chippinghurst,
 Chislehampton,
 Clifton Hampden,
 Cowleys,
 Cuddesden,
 Culham,
 Denton,
 Dorchester (excepting as to Overy),
 Drayton (in Dorchester Hundred),
 Elsfeld,
 Ensham,