

AT the Court at *Windsor*, the 4th day of
February 1847,

PRESENT,

The QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England have, in pursuance of an Act, passed in the session of Parliament held in the sixth and seventh years of Her Majesty's reign, intituled "An Act to make better provision for the spiritual care of populous parishes," duly prepared and laid before Her Majesty in Council a scheme, bearing date the twentieth day of January one thousand eight hundred and forty-seven, in the words and figures following, that is to say:

"We, the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England, in pursuance of an Act, passed in the session of Parliament held in the sixth and seventh years of your Majesty's reign, intituled "An Act to make better provision for the spiritual care of populous parishes," have prepared, and now humbly lay before your Majesty in Council the following scheme, for confirming and authorizing the enfranchisement of certain property, lately belonging to the prebend of Islington, otherwise Isleden, in the cathedral church of Saint Paul, London.

"Whereas it is by the said recited Act (amongst other things) enacted, that, notwithstanding the charge by that Act created (being a charge created in favour of the Governors of the Bounty of Queen Anne), all the same and the like powers and rights of ownership as are possessed and enjoyed respecting and over any lands, tenements or other hereditaments whatsoever, by any absolute owner thereof, shall be enjoyed by us with respect to and over all or any lands, tithes, rent charges, tenements and other hereditaments vested in us under certain Acts therein mentioned (being the Acts under which the property hereinafter described is so vested in us), and may, subject to the provisions of the same Acts and of the now reciting Act, be exercised by us by proper instruments in writing, duly executed according to law, with a certain proviso respecting the application of every sum of money received as the consideration or purchase money for the sale, transfer and conveyance by us of any such lands, tithes, tenements or other hereditaments, or of any estate

or interest therein; and with a further proviso, that none of such lands, tithes, tenements or other hereditaments be sold, transferred or conveyed except by the authority of a scheme prepared by us, and an Order issued by your Majesty in Council ratifying the same:

"And whereas part of the property and endowment of the said prebend of Islington, otherwise Isleden, consisted of the manor of the prebend of Islington, otherwise Isleden:

"And whereas the said prebend has become absolutely vested in us (subject to certain existing leases or grants of parts of the land belonging thereto), in consequence of the vacancy thereof, created by the collation of the Reverend William Hale Hale, Clerk, the late Prebendary thereof, to a residentiary canonry in the said cathedral church of Saint Paul, London, in the month of October one thousand eight hundred and forty:

"And whereas we are, in right of such prebend, lords of the said manor, and have as such lords enfranchised to (or concurred in the enfranchisement to) the several parties named in the schedule hereunder respectively written, being tenants of the said manor, the several pieces or parcels of land and hereditaments in the said schedule respectively described:

"And whereas applications have been and are likely to be made to us by other tenants of the said manor, for the enfranchisement to them of other lands, tenements and hereditaments, copyhold, of the said manor:

"And whereas we have, upon due inquiry, satisfied ourselves that it is expedient that the several enfranchisements so made by us as aforesaid should be confirmed and made valid, and that we should be authorized to make such further enfranchisements as shall appear to us to be expedient:

"We, therefore, humbly recommend and propose, that the several enfranchisements already made by us of the lands, tenements and hereditaments mentioned in the said schedule, to the several persons therein named, shall be valid and effectual in the law to all intents and purposes, as from the respective times of the making thereof; and that we may be authorized and empowered to do such acts and execute such deeds under our common seal (if any) as may be required or deemed advisable for confirming the same accord-