

bishopric of Ripon was endowed with the average annual income of four thousand five hundred pounds, partly by the transfer to the said bishopric of certain estates theretofore belonging to the sees of York and Durham respectively, and partly by a fixed annual sum of two thousand two hundred pounds, payable by us half-yearly on the thirteenth day of April and the thirteenth day of December in every year, to the bishop of Ripon for the time being, out of certain monies in the said scheme specified :

“ And whereas the lands, tenements and hereditaments so transferred from the see of York, which are particularly described in the schedule to the said scheme annexed, being at the date of the said scheme demised by certain leases renewable upon fines, were then estimated to be of the average annual value of five hundred pounds, and were intended to represent that annual sum in part of the whole average annual income aforesaid; but the Right Reverend Charles Thomas, the first and present Bishop of Ripon, has represented to us, that the said lands, tenements and hereditaments have not produced, and do not appear likely to produce, during his incumbency in the same see such estimated annual sum :

“ And whereas one of the purposes of the said last-mentioned Act was to provide, as nearly as might be, such an average annual income for the bishops of the said see of Ripon as should be determined, by the joint authority herein-before referred to, between the limits of four thousand pounds and five thousand pounds by the year :

“ And whereas the following arrangement has been agreed upon between us and the said Charles Thomas Bishop of Ripon, for supplying the deficiency of income aforesaid and for fully carrying into effect the said last-mentioned purpose :

“ We, therefore, humbly recommend and propose, with the consent of the said Charles Thomas Bishop of Ripon, testified by his having hereunto set his corporate seal, that without any conveyance or assurance in the law other than this scheme and any duly gazetted Order of your Majesty in Council ratifying the same, and upon and from the day of such gazetting, all the said lands, tenements and hereditaments mentioned and described in the said schedule to the scheme aforesaid shall, together with all right, title and interest therein, and subject only to any legally subsisting lease or leases thereof, be and be held to be, for the consideration hereinafter mentioned, conveyed and transferred to us by and from the said Charles Thomas Bishop of Ripon and from his successors in the same see, and shall then and thereupon become and be absolutely vested in us, for episcopal purposes, according to the provisions of the several Acts in that behalf; and that, in consideration of and for such conveyance and transfer, there shall be paid by us to the said Charles Thomas Bishop of Ripon and his successors, bishops of Ripon, in addition to the fixed annual sum in the said scheme mentioned as aforesaid, and out of the like monies, the further fixed annual sum of five hundred pounds, by like equal half-yearly payments, on the same days in

every year, and subject to a like apportionment in case of any vacancy, as in and by the same scheme and Order in Council is provided; and that the first of such half-yearly payments shall be made on the thirteenth day of April, in the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-eight; provided that no renewal of any lease, nor any new lease, of any part of such lands, tenements and hereditaments shall have been since the thirteenth day of October last or shall be granted by the said Charles Thomas Bishop of Ripon.

“ And whereas the amount of the monies, from time to time applicable to the purposes aforesaid and to the augmentation of any of the smaller sees upon vacancies occurring therein respectively, will depend on the contingency of vacancies occurring among the larger sees from which payments are hereafter to be made towards such purposes, and the amount of the demand upon such monies will depend on the contingency of vacancies occurring among such smaller sees, and it may therefore happen that the demands upon such monies may for a time exceed the amount thereof; we, therefore, further recommend and propose, that if at the commencement of any half year commencing on the first day of January or the first day of July it shall appear to us that there will in the current half year be a deficiency of the said monies to pay the sums then charged thereon and payable in the same half year, it shall be lawful for us to resolve that a rateable deduction shall be made from the sum of two hundred and fifty pounds which would according to the provisions herein-before contained be payable in the same half year to the bishop of Ripon for the time being, as well as from the several sums payable to the respective bishops of other smaller sees during such half year; and that upon the amount of every such deduction being certified by us or by our treasurer to the bishop to be affected thereby, within fourteen days after the commencement of such half year, the said bishop shall have no present claim to any greater sum than the residue of his half-yearly payment after such deduction as aforesaid, nor any future claim, except as is herein-after mentioned; that is to say, that so soon thereafter as the sums receivable by us in any half year and applicable to the purposes aforesaid shall exceed the sums to be paid by us within the same half year, we shall be authorized and bound to divide the surplus rateably among the bishops from whose payments such deductions shall have been made, or the representatives of such of them as shall be dead; and so from half year to half year until the whole sums deducted shall be paid, the deductions of one half year to be paid before any payment shall be made on account of the deductions of any subsequent half year; provided always, that nothing herein contained shall be construed to affect in any manner the amount of any payment to be made by us to the said Charles Thomas Bishop of Ripon and his successors under the authority of the said Order in Council of the twenty-second day of December one thousand eight hundred and thirty-six.