It is also gratifying to me to observe that the state of the revenue is one of progressive improvement.

I have to lament, however, that another failure in the potato crop has caused very severe distress

in some parts of Ireland.

The operation of the laws for the relief of the poor in Ireland will properly be a subject of your inquiry; and any measures by which those laws may be beneficially amended, and the condition of the people may be improved, will receive my cordial assent.

It is with pride and thankfulness that I advert to the loyal spirit of my people, and that attachment to our institutions which has animated them during a period of Commercial difficulty, deficient production of food, and political revolution.

I look to the protection of Almighty God for favour in our continued progress; and I trust that you will assist me in upholding the fabric of the constitution, founded as it is upon the principles of freedom and of justice.

T the Court at Buckingham-Palace, the A 31st day of January 1849.

PRESENT,

The QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

TER Majesty having been pleased to appoint the Most Honourable Henry William Marquess of Anglesey, K.G. to be Lord Lieutenant and Custos Rotulorum of the county of Stafford, his Lordship this day took the Oaths appointed to be taken thereupon, instead of the Oaths of Allegiance and Supremacy.

T the Court at Windsor, the 15th day of A January 1849.

PRESENT,

The QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

THEREAS Her Majesty's Commissioners for building new churches have, in pur-Euance of the sixteenth section of an Act, passed in the fifty-ninth year of the reign of His Majesty King George the Third, intituled "An Act to " amend and render more effectual an Act, passed in the last session of Parliament, for build-"ing, and promoting the building, of additional churches in populous parishes," or under or by virtue of any other power or authority vested in them by the Church Building Acts, duly prepared and laid before Her Majesty in Council a representation, bearing date the fifth day of January one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine, in

the words following, viz:
"Your Majesty's Commissioners for building new churches beg leave humbly to represent to your Majesty, that, having taken into consideration all the circumstances of the united parishes of Kirkby Malzeard and Masham, the former of which parishes is situate within the west riding and the latter within the north riding of the county of York, and both being within the diocese of Ripon, it appears to them to be expedient, that a particular district should be assigned to the consecrated church of Saint Paul, situate at Healey, in the said parish of Masham, under and by virtue of the power or authority for such purpose contained in the sixteenth section of an Act of Parliament, passed in the fifty-ninth year of the reign of His Majesty King George the Third, intituled 'An Act to amend and render more effectual an Act, passed in 'the last session of Parliament, for building, 'and promoting the building, of additional 'churches in populous parishes,' or under or by virtue of any other power or authority in this behalf vested in your Majesty's said Commissioners under the Church Building Acts, and that such proposed district should comprize all that portion of the said parish of Masham which lies to the west of the eastern boundary-line hereinafter described, which comprizes also the entire township of Ellingstring, the township of Healey-cum-Sutton (excepting all that portion thereof called or known by the name of Sutton), the entire township of Ilton-cum-Pott, the greater part of the township of Fearby, with detached portions of the townships of Masham, Burton, Ellington, and Swinton, as well as the unenclosed moorland belonging to the parish of Masham, and not divided between the several townships in such parish, and that such proposed district should be called 'The Chapelry District of Healey,' with boundaries as hereinafter mentioned:

" The chapelry district of Healey is bounded

on the south and south west by the said parish of Kirkby Malzeard, on the north west by the parish of Coverham, on the north by the parish of East Witton, and on the east by the remaining part of the said parish of Masham, from which the proposed chapelry district is separated by the western and south western boundary line of the township of Ellington, as far as to the point where the road from Ellingstring to Swinton crosses Swinny Beck; then by the said road, leading from Ellingstring to Swinton, till it meets the Burn river; thence by the river Burn, running in a westerly direction up to the mouth of Quarry Gill Beck; thence by the Quarry Gill Beck till it arrives at the boundary of the township of Ilton; then by the boundary line of the township of Swinton as far as to the road leading from Masham to Ilton; and then by the boundary line of the township of Burton till it meets the boundary of the parish of Kirkby Malzeard on the south, as such proposed chapelry district, is more particularly delineated on the map or plan hereunto annexed, and is thereon coloured pink:

"Your Majesty's said Commissioners beg leave further to represent, that it also appears to them to be expedient, that banns of marriage should be published, and that marriages, baptisms, churchings, and burials should be solemnized or performed in the said church of Saint Paul, and that the fees to arise therefrom should be paid and belong to the incumbent of such church for

the time being:

" That the consent of the Right Reverend Charles Thomas Lord Bishop of Ripon (as Bishop of the diocese) has been obtained thereto, as required by the Act and section hereinbefore mentioned; in testimony whereof, the said Charles Thomas Lord Bishop of Ripon has signed and sealed this representation:

"Your Majesty's said Commissioners, therefore, 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 in your royal wisdom

shall seem meet."

Her Majesty, having taken the said representation, together with the map or 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,