

“ And whereas by an Order of Her Majesty in Council, bearing date the twenty-second day of December one thousand eight hundred and thirty-six, and duly published in the London Gazette, it was provided that the average annual income of the Bishop of Ripon for the time being should be four thousand five hundred pounds; and that, in order to make up the income of the said Charles Thomas, who was then and is now bishop of the said see, to that amount, there should be paid to him by the said Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England, the annual sum of two thousand two hundred pounds, by equal half yearly payments in every year :

“ And whereas by an Order of Her Majesty in Council, bearing date the eleventh day of February one thousand eight hundred and forty-eight, and duly published as aforesaid, it was provided that, in consideration of the transfer to the said Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England of certain lands, tenements, and hereditaments therein described and referred to, with all the right, title, and interest of the said Charles Thomas, Bishop of Ripon, in the same, there should be paid to him by the said Commissioners the further fixed annual sum of five hundred pounds by like equal half yearly payments :

“ And whereas the said Charles Thomas, Bishop of Ripon, hath signified his willingness, in accordance with the provisions of the said herein-recited Act, to accept, as from the first day of January one thousand eight hundred and fifty-one, the said annual income or yearly sum of four thousand five hundred pounds and no more, in lieu of the present and future income arising from his said see, or receivable by him under the provisions of the said recited Orders in Council, or either of them, or any other ecclesiastical profits or emoluments of any kind or description whatsoever, received or enjoyed by him, and to enter into an agreement with the said Commissioners for regulating the income to be received by him as from the said first day of January one thousand eight hundred and fifty-one, in manner hereinafter mentioned :

“ Now, it is hereby agreed by and between the said Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England and the said Charles Thomas, Bishop of Ripon, as follows; that is to say :

“ 1. That the said bishop shall forthwith deliver to the said Commissioners, in such form as they shall direct, a correct account in writing, certified under his hand, of all monies actually received by him, whether consisting of arrears or otherwise, accrued due since the thirty-first day of December one thousand eight hundred and fifty, in respect of the revenues of his see, or of such other ecclesiastical profits or emoluments as aforesaid, during the half year ending on the thirtieth day of June now last past, and also of all monies remaining unpaid in respect of the said see, or of any such other profits or emoluments as aforesaid, on account of such arrears as aforesaid, or otherwise at the date of such account. And that the said bishop shall henceforth, half yearly, on the twenty-ninth day of September, and the twenty-fifth day of March, in every year, deliver a like account in writing, certified as aforesaid, of all monies actually received by him, whether consisting of arrears or otherwise, accrued due since the said thirty-first day of December one thousand eight hundred and fifty, in respect of the revenues of his see, or of such other ecclesiastical profits or emoluments as aforesaid, during the half year ending on the thirtieth day of June, or the thirty-first day of December, as the case may be,

then last past, and also of all monies remaining unpaid in respect of the said see, or of any such other profits or emoluments as aforesaid, on account of such arrears as aforesaid, or otherwise at the date of such account; and in such account to be forthwith delivered, and in every such future half yearly account, shall be included as money actually received by the said bishop, such a sum as shall from time to time be agreed upon between him and the said Commissioners, or in case of their disagreement, then as shall be determined by two indifferent persons, one to be chosen by the bishop, and the other by the said Commissioners, or in case of the disagreement of such two persons, then by an umpire to be chosen by them, as a fair and reasonable occupation rent to be charged against the said bishop, for such parts of the estates of the said see (other than and except the palace belonging to the said see, at Ripon, with the grounds, plantations, and premises thereunto belonging, containing by estimation twenty acres, or thereabouts; and also excepting certain pasture lands, adjoining the said grounds and premises, containing by estimation sixty-two acres, or thereabouts, which by reason of the costs, charges, and expenses to which the said Charles Thomas, Bishop of Ripon, has been and will be put to, by reason of planting, draining, and other improvements necessary for the convenient occupation thereof, and of the said palace and premises, are not likely to yield him any profit during his incumbency), as shall have been in the possession or occupation of the said bishop, or of any person or persons under his authority or permission (other than and except under any lease, or agreement for a lease, to be granted or entered into after the execution of these presents, with the consent of the said Ecclesiastical Commissioners as hereinafter mentioned), during the preceding half year, or any part thereof, and according to the term of his, her, or their having been in such possession or occupation; and if it shall appear by any such account, that after allowing all such reasonable and customary payments and deductions as shall be allowed by the said Ecclesiastical Commissioners, or their surveyor, or receiver, the net amount actually received has exceeded two thousand two hundred and fifty pounds, being one half of the said amount of the annual income so fixed for the said see as aforesaid, the surplus shall at the same time be paid by the said bishop; and he doth hereby agree to pay such surplus to the credit of the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England, at the Bank of England; and that upon the account so delivered being examined and approved by the Treasurers of the said Ecclesiastical Commissioners for the time being, their receipt for the amount of such surplus shall be given to the said bishop, but if it shall appear upon due investigation of any such account, that after allowing such payments and deductions as aforesaid, the net amount so received is less than one half of the said annual income so fixed as aforesaid for the said see, there shall be paid by the said Commissioners, and they do hereby agree to pay the said bishop, on the first day of November, or the first day of May, as the case may be, then next following, such a sum of money as shall make up the deficiency, and such payment shall be in full satisfaction and discharge of all and every of the said augmentations or payments of two thousand two hundred pounds, and five hundred pounds, to which such bishop is, or would have been, entitled under the provisions of the said Orders in Council, of the twenty-second day of December one thousand eight hundred and thirty-six, and the eleventh day of February one