

change of any lands, tithes, or other hereditaments belonging to the see of such bishop, or for the purchase of other lands, tithes, or other hereditaments in lieu thereof, or for substituting, in any case, any lands, tithes, or other hereditaments for any money payment, or any money payment for any lands, tithes, or other hereditaments.

"And whereas the Right Reverend Henry, Bishop of Worcester, is seized, in right of his see, of the lands and hereditaments hereinafter described, subject to the lease hereinafter mentioned.

"And whereas one of the purposes of the said Acts is to provide a fund for making better provision for the cure of souls; and we are of opinion that it would ultimately conduce to the improvement of the said fund that the said lands and hereditaments should be transferred from the said see of Worcester to us, and that an annual money payment to the said Henry, Bishop of Worcester, and his successors, should forthwith be substituted for the same.

"Now, therefore, we humbly recommend and propose, with the consent of the said Henry, Bishop of Worcester, testified by his having signed this scheme and sealed the same with his corporate seal, that from and after the day of the due publication in the London Gazette of an Order of your Majesty in Council ratifying this scheme, and without any conveyance or assurance in the law other than such duly gazetted Order, all that portion of the rectory of Hillingdon, in the county of Middlesex, which is now vested in the said bishop (except any right of ecclesiastical patronage), and which is, with certain exceptions, comprised in and demised by a certain indenture of lease, bearing date the fourth day of May, in the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-eight, granted for the lives of James Bagley, Harriet Bagley, and Selina Constance de Burgh (since deceased), subject to an annual reserved rent of seven pounds and three shillings, and all the estate, right, title, and interest therein and thereto of the said Henry, Bishop of Worcester, and of his successors, Bishops of Worcester, shall be and become conveyed and transferred from the said bishop and his successors, Bishops of Worcester, and shall be absolutely vested in us, as from the twenty-fourth day of June now last past, for the purposes of the said Acts.

"And we further recommend and propose, that in consideration of and for such conveyance and transfer, and in substitution for the said lands and hereditaments, there shall be paid by us to the said Henry, Bishop of Worcester, and his successors, Bishops of Worcester, the annual sum of sixty-five pounds, by equal half-yearly payments, on the twenty-fourth day of June and the twenty-fourth day of December in every year, and that the first of such payments shall be made on the twenty-fourth day of December now next ensuing.

"And we further recommend and propose, that nothing herein contained shall prevent us from recommending and proposing any other measures relating to the matters aforesaid, in conformity with the provisions of the said recited Acts, or of any other Act of Parliament."

And whereas the said scheme has been approved by Her Majesty in Council: now, therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice of Her said Council, is pleased hereby to ratify the said scheme, and to order and direct that the same and every part thereof shall be effectual in law immediately from and after the time when this Order shall have been duly published in the London Gazette pursuant to the said Acts; and Her Majesty, by and with the like advice, is pleased hereby to direct

that this Order be forthwith registered by the Registrar of the diocese of Worcester.

C. C. Greville.

At the Court at *Osborne House, Isle of Wight*, the 13th day of *August*, 1855.

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 third and fourth years of Her Majesty's reign, intituled "An Act to carry into effect with certain modifications the fourth report of the Commissioners of Ecclesiastical duties and revenues," and of another Act, passed in the session of Parliament held in the thirteenth and fourteenth years of Her Majesty's reign, intituled "An Act to amend the Acts relating to the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England," duly prepared and laid before Her Majesty in Council a scheme, bearing date the ninth day of August, in the year one thousand eight hundred and fifty-five, in the words 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 third and fourth years of your Majesty's reign, intituled 'An Act to carry into effect, with certain modifications, the fourth report of the Commissioners of Ecclesiastical duties and revenues,' and of another Act, passed in the session of Parliament held in the thirteenth and fourteenth years of your Majesty's reign, intituled 'An Act to amend the Acts relating to the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England,' have prepared, and now humbly lay before your Majesty in Council, the following scheme for augmenting the income of the Archdeaconry of Berks, in the diocese of Oxford.

"Whereas it was by the first recited Act enacted, that so soon as conveniently might be, and by the authority therein provided (that is to say, by a scheme prepared by us and a duly gazetted Order of your Majesty in Council ratifying the same), any archdeaconry might, subject to the consent of the bishop, be endowed, amongst other modes, by augmentation out of the common fund in the same Act mentioned, but not so in that case as to raise the average annual income to an amount exceeding two hundred pounds, provided that no archdeacon should be entitled to hold any endowment or augmentation, or other emolument, as such archdeacon, under the provisions of the same Act, unless he should be resident for the space of eight months in every year within the diocese in which his archdeaconry is situate, but subject to the same provisions as to licences for non-residence, which are enacted with respect to incumbents of benefices by the Act relating to pluralities and the residence of the clergy in the same Act mentioned; and it was by the said first-recited Act further enacted that, upon the endowment of an archdeaconry being made under the provisions thereof, all lands, tithes, and other hereditaments (except any right of patronage), belonging to such archdeaconry at the time of such endowment, might, with the consent of the bishop of the diocese and of any archdeacon, in possession at the time of the passing of the same Act, and by the authority therein provided, be vested in us for the purposes of the same Act.

"And whereas by the secondly recited Act it was declared and enacted that, in the case of any archdeaconry which should no longer be held by