

and benefice, and be styled and called the perpetual curacy of Freckleton; and that the inhabitants of the said township of Freckleton shall, from and after such time as the same shall become a perpetual curacy and benefice, be subject and liable to all rates, charges, and assessments to be made for and in respect of the maintenance and repairs of the church or chapel of Freckleton aforesaid, and shall be exempt from all rates, charges, and assessments to be made for or in respect of the parish church of Warton, and also from the offices of churchwardens of the same parish.

"That the said perpetual curacy of Freckleton shall be subject to the same ecclesiastical jurisdiction as the said vicarage or perpetual curacy of Warton and the said original vicarage of Kirkham,

"That the perpetual curate or incumbent for the time being of Freckleton, when and so soon as the same shall become a separate parish and benefice, and he shall be duly licensed thereto, shall thenceforth have the exclusive cure or charge of souls of the inhabitants residing within the said separate parish or benefice.

"That the inhabitants of the said township of Freckleton shall not, from the time of the same becoming a separate parish and benefice, be entitled to any accommodation within the parish church of Warton aforesaid, but shall be entitled to accommodation within the church of Freckleton aforesaid, and that all ecclesiastical jurisdiction and surplice fees for and in respect of the inhabitants of the said township of Freckleton theretofore belonging to the vicar or perpetual curate of Warton aforesaid shall thenceforth belong to the perpetual curate of Freckleton aforesaid for the time being.

"That from and after the said township shall be constituted and formed a separate benefice, two churchwardens shall be annually chosen in the customary manner, and at the time when churchwardens are usually appointed, and every person so chosen shall be duly admitted, and shall do all things pertaining to the office of churchwarden, as to ecclesiastical matters, within the said separate benefice.

"That there shall be assigned and attached to the separate parish and perpetual curacy of Freckleton, so to be constituted, the yearly sum of fifty pounds (or its equivalent in the rent-charges), part of the yearly sum of two hundred and seventy pounds, now paid and payable to the vicar or perpetual curate of Warton by the said Dean and Chapter, as before mentioned.

"That from and after the said parish or benefice shall be constituted and formed, baptisms, churchings, banns, marriages, and burials, and all other offices contained in the Book of Common Prayer, shall and may be performed, published, and solemnized within the church of Freckleton aforesaid.

"That the patronage or right of nominating a perpetual curate to the said perpetual curacy of Freckleton shall, on the same becoming a separate parish and benefice, belong to the said Dean and Chapter of the Cathedral Church of Christ, in Oxford, of the foundation of King Henry the Eighth, and their successors for ever.

"And I hereby submit the foregoing representation and scheme to your Grace, together with the consents, in writing, of the said Dean and Chapter, as patrons, and of the said Reverend Thomas Henry Dundas, the perpetual curate or vicar of Warton, hereto annexed; and in case you shall, on full consideration and enquiry, be satisfied therewith, I request that your Grace will be pleased to certify the same, and the consents of

the patrons and vicar of Warton aforesaid, pursuant to the said Act of Parliament.

"Given under my hand this sixth day of December, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-three.

"*J. Manchester.*"

*Consent.*

"To the Most Reverend William, Lord Archbishop of York.

"We, the Dean and Chapter of the Cathedral Church of Christ, in Oxford, of the foundation of King Henry the Eighth, the patrons or the persons entitled to present or nominate to the perpetual curacy and parish church of Warton, in the county of Lancaster, and diocese of Manchester, in case the same were now vacant, and I, the Reverend Thomas Henry Dundas, Clerk, B.A., vicar or perpetual curate of the said perpetual curacy and parish church, do hereby respectively signify to your Grace our consent to the scheme above proposed, for separating the township of Freckleton from its parish of Warton aforesaid, and for constituting the said township a separate benefice and a perpetual curacy.



"*T. H. Dundas, Vicar or Perpetual Curate of Warton.*"

And whereas his Grace the Lord Archbishop of York hath, pursuant to the provisions of the said Acts, duly prepared and laid before Her Majesty in Council a certificate and report in writing, bearing date the tenth day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-three, in the words following (that is to say):—

"To the QUEEN'S Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

"We, the undersigned, William, by Divine Providence, Lord Archbishop of York, do hereby certify to your Majesty in Council, that by a certain order of your Majesty in Council, bearing date the twenty-first January, one thousand eight hundred and forty-six, the perpetual curacy and separate benefice of Warton, in and then belonging to the original or ancient parish of Kirkham, in the county of Lancaster, was constituted and formed, and a certain church, situate in the township of Freckleton, in the county of Lancaster, and the said township of Freckleton were, inter alia, included in the said separate benefice and perpetual curacy of Warton; that the Right Reverend James, Lord Bishop of Manchester, being the Bishop in whose diocese the said benefice of Warton is now situated, has represented to us that it appears to him that the said township of Freckleton may be advantageously separated from the perpetual curacy and parish church of Warton aforesaid, and be constituted a separate parish for ecclesiastical purposes, of which the church or chapel of ease at Freckleton aforesaid shall be the parish church; that the said Lord Bishop has drawn up a scheme, in writing (and transmitted the same to us for our consideration), describing the mode in which it appears to him that the alteration may be best effected with justice to all parties; that the patrons and incumbent of the said perpetual curacy of Warton aforesaid, have consented, in writing, to the scheme of the said Lord Bishop; the representation of the said