

Downing Street, September 7, 1876.

The Queen has been graciously pleased to direct Letters Patent to be passed under the Great Seal granting and declaring that the Degrees of Bachelor and Master in Arts and Bachelor and Doctor in Law, Medicine, and Music, hereafter to be granted or conferred by the University of New Zealand, shall be recognized as Academic Distinctions and rewards of merit, and be entitled to rank, precedence, and consideration in the United Kingdom and in the Colonies and Possessions of the Crown throughout the world, as fully as if the said Degrees had been granted by any University of the said United Kingdom.

Commissions signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County of Inverness.

The Right Honourable Ronald Archibald Bosville, Lord Macdonald, to be Deputy Lieutenant. Dated 30th August, 1876.
Edward Henry Scott, Esq., to be Deputy Lieutenant. Dated 30th August, 1876.

NAVAL PRIZE MONEY.

Department of the Accountant-General of the Navy and Comptroller of Navy Pay, Admiralty, September 4, 1876.

NOTICE is hereby given to all persons interested therein, that preparations are now being made for the intended distribution of the tonnage bounty awarded for two slave dhows, the "Katiri Sham" and "Simesa," captured on the 23rd and 24th of October, 1875, by Her Majesty's ship "London."

Agents or other persons having any just and legal demands, unliquidated, against the said award, are required to transmit the particulars of any such demand to the Registrar of the High Court of Admiralty; in order that the same may be examined, taxed, and allowed by that Officer, and paid under the sanction of the Judge of the said Court.

Due notice will be given, by future advertisement in the London Gazette; of the date proposed for the commencement of distribution; and, at the same time, the amount of an individual's share in the respective classes will be announced.

WE, the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England, acting in pursuance of the Act of the twenty-ninth and thirtieth years of Her Majesty, chapter one hundred and eleven, section five, do hereby, subject as hereinafter mentioned, grant and convey to the Incumbent of the vicarage of Saint Mary, Lichfield, in the county of Stafford, and in the diocese of Lichfield, and to his successors, Incumbents of the same vicarage, all and singular the yearly tithe commutation rent-charges which are particularly described in the schedule hereunto annexed, and are now vested in us: To have and to hold the said yearly tithe commutation rent-charges to the use of the said Incumbent and his successors for ever: Provided always, that the said yearly tithe commutation rent-charges, expressed to be hereby granted and conveyed shall be, and be taken to be, in lieu of and in full substitution for the yearly sum or stipend of five pounds thirteen shillings and four pence, heretofore payable by us, the said Commissioners, or by our lessee, in respect of the said and other yearly tithe commutation rent-charges and hereditaments, to the Incumbent for the time being of the said vicarage of Saint Mary, Lichfield, and also for the several further yearly sums, together amounting to one pound fourteen shillings and sixpence, heretofore payable by us to the Incumbent for the time being of the same vicarage, in respect of certain other hereditaments formerly belonging to various prebends in Lichfield Cathedral, and now vested in us, to which substitutions the Reverend John Gylby Lonsdale, Canon of Lichfield, and the present Incumbent of the said vicarage of Saint Mary, Lichfield, is consenting, and in token thereof has signed this instrument: And provided also, that the Incumbent for the time being of the same vicarage shall be entitled to receive from us, or on our account, the net amount of the profits and proceeds of the said yearly tithe commutation rent-charges for and in respect of the period intervening between the first day of October, in the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five, and the date of the publication of these presents in the London Gazette.

In witness whereof, we have hereunto set our common seal this third day of August, in the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy-six.

John Gylby Lonsdale, Vicar.

(L.S.)

SCHEDULE.

EXTRACT from the Confirmed Apportionment and Summary to the Apportionment of Rent-charge in lieu of Tithes of the divisions or townships of Burntwood, Edjal, and Woodhouses, in the parish of Saint Michael, Lichfield, in the county of Stafford.

Landowners.	Occupiers.	Number on Plan.	Quantity.			Rent-charges payable to the Ecclesiastical Commissioners.		
			A.	R.	P.	£	s.	d.
Wolverstan, Stanley Pipe. ...	Peake, Edward John...	741	16	1	38	5	4	3
		746	10	0	10	3	3	9
Hinckley, Richard ...	Cliff, John ...	776	8	1	15	1	10	9
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