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At the Court at Windsor, the 4th day of December, 1878.

PRESENT,

The QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS by an Act passed in the first session of the Parliament holden in the first and second years of the reign of Her present Majesty intituled "An Act to abridge the holding of benefices in plurality, and to make better provision for the residence of the clergy," after reciting that "Whereas, in some instances, tithings, hamlets, chapelries, and other places or districts may be separated from the parishes or mother churches to which they belong with great advantage, and places altogether extra-parochial may in some instances with advantage be annexed to parishes or districts to which they are contiguous, or be constituted separate parishes for ecclesiastical purposes," it is, amongst other things, enacted, "That when, with respect to his own diocese, it shall appear to the Archbishop of the Province, or when the bishop of any diocese shall represent to the said archbishop that any such tithing, hamlet, chapelry, place, or district within the diocese of such archbishop, or the diocese of such bishop, as the case may be, may be advantageously separated from any parish or mother church, and either be constituted a separate benefice by itself or be united to any other parish to which it may be more conveniently annexed, or to any other adjoining tithing, hamlet, chapelry, place, or district, parochial or extra-parochial, so as to form a separate parish or benefice, or that any extra-parochial place may with advantage be annexed to any parish to which it is contiguous, or be constituted a separate parish for ecclesiastical purposes; and the said archbishop or bishop shall draw up a scheme, in writing (the scheme of such bishop to be transmitted to the said Archbishop for his consideration), describing the mode in which it appears to him that the alteration may best be effected, and how the changes consequent on such alteration in respect to ecclesiastical jurisdiction, glebe lands, tithes, rent-charges, and other ecclesiastical dues, rates, and payments, and in respect to patronage and rights to pews, may be made with justice to all parties interested; and if the patron or patrons of the benefice or benefices to be affected by such alteration shall consent, in writing, under

"his or their hands to such scheme, or to such modification thereof as the said Archbishop may approve, and the said Archbishop shall, on full consideration and inquiry, be satisfied with any such scheme, or modification thereof, and shall certify the same and such consent as aforesaid, by his report to Her Majesty in Council, it shall be lawful for Her Majesty in Council to make an Order for carrying such scheme, or modification thereof, as the case may be, into effect; and such Order being registered in the registry of the diocese, which the registrar is hereby required to do, shall be forthwith binding on all persons whatsoever including the incumbent or incumbents of the benefice or benefices to be affected thereby, if he or they shall have consented thereto in writing under his or their hands."

And whereas the Lord Bishop of Lincoln hath made a representation in writing to his Grace the Archbishop of Canterbury in the words and figures following, that is to say:—

"To the Most Reverend Archibald Campbell  
Lord Archbishop of Canterbury.

"I the Right Reverend Christopher Lord Bishop of Lincoln do hereby represent to your Grace that there is in the county and diocese of Lincoln the vicarage and parish church of Keddington.

"That the population of the parish of Keddington aforesaid according to the census of one thousand eight hundred and seventy-one amounts to one hundred and forty-four persons.

"That there is one church belonging to the said parish of Keddington affording accommodation for one hundred and eighty-two adults and children.

"That the net annual value of the said vicarage of Keddington is seventy-seven pounds fifteen shillings arising from glebe and a grant from the Governors of the Bounty of Queen Anne.

"That there is no sufficient house of residence for the incumbent of the said benefice.

"That the said vicarage of Keddington is in the patronage of Sir William Earle Welby Gregory of Denton Hall in the said county of Lincoln Baronet M.P.

"That there is in the said county and diocese the perpetual curacy or vicarage of the district chapelry of the Holy Trinity Louth.

"That the population of the said district chapelry of the Holy Trinity Louth according to the census of one thousand eight hundred and