

"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 enquiry, 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 whereas it is also enacted "That any such scheme or modification may be drawn up according to the regulations and directions in such Act contained, subject to the consent in writing of the patron or patrons of the benefice or benefices to be affected thereby, under his or their hands, notwithstanding the vacancy of such benefice or benefices: and it shall be lawful for Her Majesty in Council thereupon 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 as directed by the said Act, shall come into operation and shall be forthwith binding on all persons whatsoever, notwithstanding such vacancy or vacancies."

And whereas Edward Henry, Lord Bishop of Exeter hath, pursuant to the enactment aforesaid, represented in a writing dated the eleventh day of February, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-six, to the Right Honourable Edward White, Archbishop of Canterbury, as follows:—

"To the Right Honourable and Most Reverend Edward White by Divine Providence Lord Archbishop of Canterbury.

"We Edward Henry by Divine permission Bishop of Exeter do hereby represent to your Grace as follows:—

"1. That there is in the county of Devon and our diocese of Exeter the parish of Countisbury which has its own parish church and is a perpetual curacy and benefice in our patronage as such Bishop as aforesaid and the same is now vacant but the present turn to present thereto is by reason of lapse vested in Her Most Gracious Majesty Queen Victoria.

"2. That the said parish by the census of one thousand eight hundred and eighty-one had a population of one hundred and sixty-four persons.

"3. That the gross annual income of the said perpetual curacy is twenty pounds or thereabouts and there is no residence house belonging thereto.

"4. That the said parish of Countisbury adjoins the parish of Lynton in the county and diocese aforesaid which is also a perpetual curacy and benefice in our patronage as such Bishop as aforesaid and has its own parish church and contains a population of one thousand two hundred and thirteen persons. And the Reverend William

Lipsett Lawson is the incumbent of the same perpetual curacy and benefice.

"5. That there is in the said parish of Lynton the district and village of Lynmouth which is estimated to contain a population of four hundred persons and the approach therefrom to the parish church is by a long and steep hill which renders the access thereto exceedingly difficult.

"6. That a chapel has been erected in the said village and district of Lynmouth and licensed for Divine service for the accommodation of the persons residing within such village and district and the same is intended to be consecrated.

"7. That if the said district and village of Lynmouth were united to the said parish of Countisbury and formed into one benefice there is reasonable ground for believing that an adequate income for the incumbent of such benefice would be provided by voluntary offerings until a sufficient permanent endowment could be obtained.

"8. That the gross annual income of the said benefice of Lynton is four hundred and thirteen pounds or thereabouts.

"9. That it appears to us that under the provisions of the Acts of Parliament of the first and second years of Her present Majesty chapter one hundred and six and the second and third years of Her said Majesty chapter forty-nine the district and village of Lynmouth aforesaid as described in the schedule hereto may be advantageously separated from the said parish of Lynton and be annexed for ecclesiastical purposes to the said parish of Countisbury to which the same may be more conveniently united.

"10. That pursuant to the twenty-sixth section of the said first-mentioned Act we have prepared the following scheme which together with the consents in writing of the patron and incumbent respectively of the said perpetual curacy of Lynton and the Right Honourable Farrer Baron Herschell Lord High Chancellor of Great Britain on behalf of Her said Most Gracious Majesty we hereby submit to your Grace to the intent that your Grace may if on full consideration and enquiry you shall be satisfied with such scheme certify the same to Her Majesty in Council.

"Given under our hand this eleventh day of February, one thousand eight hundred and eighty six.

"E. H. Exon.

"The SCHEDULE above referred to.

"All that portion of the parish of Lynton which is bounded towards the north partly by the Bristol Channel and partly by the parish of Countisbury and on all other sides by an imaginary line drawn in a southerly and straight direction from the western extremity of the foreshore lying on the western side of Lynmouth Pier (such extremity being about fifty yards west of the lime kiln on such foreshore) to the centre of the road called Wester-road and thence in an easterly direction along the centre of such road to the centre of the bridge, where such road crosses the River West Lyn and thence in a southerly direction along the centre of such river to the point where the north fence of a close called Lyn Wood No. 1173 on the tithe map of the said parish of Lynton touches the said river and thence in an easterly direction along such fence to a point where the boundary fence commences which divides the lands belonging to the Roe Trustees from those of William Kemeys Riddell Esquire and thence in a northerly and easterly direction along such fence until it joins the Watersmeet-road and thence in an easterly direction along the centre of such road to the east point of Middleham-gardens and thence northwards along the eastern boundary