

England, in pursuance of the Act of the sixteenth and seventeenth years of Her late Majesty Queen Victoria, chapter fifty, and of the Act of the twenty-third and twenty-fourth years of Her said late Majesty, chapter one hundred and twenty-four, have prepared and now humbly lay before Your Majesty in Council the following scheme for effecting an exchange of the patronage of the benefice (being a vicarage) of Buckland, situate in the county of Buckingham and in the diocese of Oxford, for the patronage of the benefice (being a rectory) of Saint Margaret, Somerby, situate in the county of Lincoln and in the diocese of Lincoln.

“Whereas the advowson or perpetual right of patronage of and presentation to the said benefice of Buckland is vested in the Dean and Chapter of the Cathedral Church of Lincoln, and their successors.

“And whereas the advowson or perpetual right of patronage of and presentation to the said benefice of Saint Margaret, Somerby, is vested in Your Majesty, Your heirs and successors in right of the Crown, and such right of patronage and presentation is exercised on behalf of Your Majesty by the Lord High Chancellor of Great Britain for the time being.

“And whereas the said Dean and Chapter of Lincoln and the Right Honourable Robert Threshie, Earl Loreburn, now Lord High Chancellor of Great Britain, acting on behalf of Your Majesty as aforesaid, have respectively signified to us their desire that the patronage of the said two benefices of Buckland and Saint Margaret, Somerby, may be rearranged by way of exchange in the manner which is hereinafter recommended and proposed.

“And whereas we have made due inquiry and calculation as to the circumstances and relative value of the said two benefices and of the patronage thereof respectively, and we do hereby certify to Your Majesty in Council that the circumstances and present values of the said two benefices are as set forth in the schedule hereunto annexed.

“And whereas the clear yearly value of the

said benefice of Saint Margaret, Somerby, in Your Majesty's Books amounts to seven pounds seven shillings and sixpence.

“Now, therefore, with the consent of the said Dean and Chapter of Lincoln (in testimony whereof they have caused their common or capitular seal to be affixed to this scheme) and with the consent of the said Robert Threshie, Earl Loreburn, acting as Lord High Chancellor of Great Britain (in testimony whereof he has signed and sealed this scheme), we, the said Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England, humbly recommend and propose that upon and from the day of the date of the publication in the London Gazette of any Order of Your Majesty in Council ratifying this scheme; and without any conveyance or assurance in the law other than such duly gazetted Order, the whole advowson or perpetual right of patronage of and presentation to the said benefice of Buckland, and the church thereof, shall be assigned and transferred from the said Dean and Chapter of Lincoln, and from their successors, and shall become and be absolutely vested in Your Majesty, Your heirs and successors, and shall and may from time to time and at all times be exercised on behalf of Your Majesty by the said Robert Threshie, Earl Loreburn, as Lord High Chancellor of Great Britain or other the Lord High Chancellor of Great Britain, for the time being, and that in exchange for the same the whole advowson or perpetual right of patronage of and presentation to the said benefice of Saint Margaret, Somerby, and the church thereof, shall in like manner and upon and from the same date be assigned and transferred from Your Majesty, Your heirs and successors, and shall become and be absolutely vested in and shall and may from time to time and at all times be exercised by the said Dean and Chapter of Lincoln and their successors for ever.

“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 or any of them in accordance with the provisions of the said Acts, or of either of them, or of any other Act of Parliament.

“The SCHEDULE to which the foregoing Scheme has reference.

Name and Quality of the Benefice to be given in exchange by Dean and Chapter of Lincoln.	County.	Diocese.	Population.	Net Income.	Residence.
Buckland, a vicarage	Buckingham	Oxford	730	£ 200 per annum	No.

Name and Quality of the Benefice to be given in exchange by the Lord Chancellor.	County.	Diocese.	Population.	Net Income.	Residence.
Somerby, Saint Margaret, a rectory ...	Lincoln	Lincoln	101	£ 103 per annum	Yes.”