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Rules and Orders for the Augmentation of the Maintenance of the Poor Clergy, &c.

1. **T**HAT the Augmentations to be made by the said Corporation, shall be by the way of Purchase, and not by the way of Pension.
2. That the stated Sum to be allow'd to each Cure which shall be Augmented, be 200 *l.* to be invested in a Purchase, at the Expence of the Corporation.
3. That the Governors shall begin with Augmenting those Cures that do not exceed the Value of 10 *l. per Ann.* and shall Augment no other, till those have all received our Bounty of 200 *l.* except in the Cases and according to the Limitations hereafter named.
4. That in order to encourage Benefactions from others and thereby the sooner to compleat the Good that was intended by our Bounty, the Governors may give the said Sum of 200 *l.* to Cures not exceeding 35 *l. per Annum*, where any Persons will give the same, or greater Sum, or Value in Lands or Tythes.
5. That the Governors shall every Year between *Christmas* and *Easter*, cause the Account of what Money they have to distribute that Year to be Audited, and when they know the Sum, publick Notice shall be given in the *Gazette*, or such other way as shall be judged proper, That they have such a Sum to distribute in so many Shares; And that they will be ready to apply those Shares to such Cures as want the same, and are by the Rules of the Corporation qualified to receive them; where any Persons will add the like or greater Sum to it, or the Value in Lands or Tythes, for any such particular Cure.
6. That if several Benefactors offer themselves, the Governors shall first comply with those that offer most.
7. Where the Sums offer'd by other Benefactors are equal, the Governors shall always prefer the poorer Living.
8. Where the Cures to be Augmented are of equal Value, and the Benefactions offer'd by others are equal, there, they shall be preferr'd that first offer.
9. Provided nevertheless, that the Preference shall be so far given to Cures not exceeding 10 *l. per Annum*, that the Governors shall not apply above One third Part of Money they have to distribute that Year, to Cures exceeding that Value.
10. Where the Governors have expected till *Michaelmas* what Benefactors will offer themselves, then no more Proposals shall be received for that Year; but if any Money remain after that to be disposed of, in the first place Two or more of the Cures in the Gift of the Crown, not exceeding 10 *l. per Ann.* shall be Chosen by Lot, to be Augmented preferably to all others: The precise Number of these to be settled by a General Court, when an exact List of them shall be brought in to the Governors.
11. As for what shall remain of the Money to be disposed of after that, a List shall be taken of all the Cures in the Church of *England*, not exceeding 10 *l. per Annum*; and so many of them be Chosen by Lot, as there shall remain Sums of 200 *l.* for their Augmentation.
12. When all the Cures not exceeding 10 *l. per Annum* shall be so Augmented, the Governors shall then proceed to Augment those of greater Value, according to such Rules as shall at any time hereafter be proposed by them, and approved by us, our Heirs or Successors, under our or their Great Seal.
13. That all Charitable Gifts, in real or personal Estates, made to the Corporation, shall be strictly applied, according to the particular Direction of the Donor or Donors thereof, where the Donor shall give particular Directions for the Disposition thereof: And where the Gift shall be generally to the Corporation, without any such particular Direction, the same shall be apply'd, as the rest of the Fund or Stock of the Corporation is to be applied.
14. That a Book shall be kept, wherein shall be Entred all the Subscriptions, Contributions, Gifts, Devices or Appointments, made or given, of any Moneys, or of any Real or Personal Estate whatsoever, to the Charity mentioned in the Charter, and the Names of the Donors thereof, with the Particulars of the Matters so given; the same Book to be kept by the Secretary of the Corporation.
15. That a Memorial of the Benefactions and Augmentations made to each Cure, shall, at the Charge of the Cor-

poration, be set up in Writing on a Stone to be fixed in the Church of the Cure so to be encreased, there to remain in perpetual Memory thereof.

16. When the Treasurer shall have received any Sum of Money for the Use of the Corporation, he shall, at the next General Court to be holden after such Receipt, lay an Account thereof before the Governors, who may Order and Direct the same to be placed out for the Improvement thereof, upon some publick Fund or other Security, till they have an Opportunity of laying it out in proper Purchases, for the Augmentation of Cures.

17. That the Treasurer do Account Annually before such a Committee of the Governors, as shall be appointed by a General Court of the said Corporation, who shall audit and state the same; and the said Account shall be Entred in a Book to be kept for that purpose, and shall be laid before the next General Court after such Stating; the same to be there re-examined and determined.

18. The Persons whose Cures shall be augmented, shall pay no manner of Fee or Gratification to any of the Officers or Servants of this Corporation.

Stockholm, February 23. N. S. Some Days ago an Express arrived here from Turkey, and brought the following Orders from the King. 1st, That in case the Senate had already conven'd the States of the Kingdom, they should be immediately dissolv'd. 2dly, His Majesty commands that the Taxes should be rais'd this Year upon the same Foot as they were the last Year. 3dly, That all his Forces should immediately be made compleat, and that Twenty thousand Men should be transported early in the Spring into Pomerania, under the Command of Count Steinboeck, in order to meet his Majesty in Poland. 4thly, He enjoins the Senate not to hearken to any Proposals of Peace, being resolv'd to procure Tranquility for his Subjects himself, when he shall judge it a proper time. Notwithstanding the first of these Orders, the States continue still assembled, and the Regency does not seem disposed to separate them, till they have done all that is necessary for the Defence of the Kingdom. Some Merchants of this City have undertaken to fit out a Squadron, which is to be sent to the Coasts of Finland, and it is said will be ready to set Sail within a Month.

Madrid, February 26. N. S. On the 14th Instant the Queen of Spain died in the 26th Year of her Age, and was buried on the 18th, with great Pomp, in the Monastery of St. Lawrence. His Majesty having committed the Care of the Government for a Fortnight to Cardinal Giudice, remov'd immediately after her Death to the Palace of the Duke de Medina Celi, where he continues still with the Prince and the two Infants. The Marquis de Castel-Rodrigo, who arrived some time ago from Sicily, is constituted Captain-General and Governor of this City, with a Yearly Salary of Twelve thousand Crowns. For the better preservation of the Publick Safety and Quiet, he is to have Four hundred Men under him, with Four Officers of Justice, who are to try all Malefactors. The President of the Council of Castile has been dangerously Ill, but is now something better. An Express is arrived from Cadiz with an account, that Admiral de Pez set Sail from thence on the 8th with three large Men of War, in order to join the Fleet on the Coasts of Catalonia. Letters from the Camp before Barcelona bring an account, that the Fleet had cast Anchor near the Mouth of the River Llobregat, where the Marquis de Valdecannas, and some of the Troops were already disembarked.

Paris, March 21. N. S. On the 14th Mare had Villars arrived here, and went the next Day to Versailles, to give the King an Account of his Negotiations at Madrid. His Majesty received him very graciously, and has granted his Son the Reversion of the Government or Province. Marshal Berwick is appointed by his Majesty to go to Madrid, with a Compliment of Condoleance to the King of Spain upon the Death of his Queen. They write from Turin, that the Imperial Minister at that Court was order'd to leave the King of Sicily's Dominions in ten Days, by way of requital for the same Orders his Majesty's Envoy had receiv'd at Vienna. Letters from Constantinople bring an Account, that the Bachas who had revolted in Asia, were defeated by the Grand Signior's Army, upon which the Troops that were upon their March to those Parts had been countermanded. The new Levies were continued with great diligence, and