

Whitehall, November 24, 1829.

The Lord Chancellor has appointed Francis Wilson, of Louth, in the county of Lincoln, Gent. to be a Master Extraordinary in the High Court of Chancery.

Whitehall, November 28, 1829.

WHEREAS it hath been humbly represented unto the King, that, about half past seven o'clock on the evening of Thursday the 12th day of November instant, Robert Harrison and Pattison, game-keepers in the employ of the Right Honourable the Earl of Lonsdale, were keeping watch in a wood adjoining the village of Melkingshorpe, in the parish of Lowther, in the county of Westmoreland, when they discovered four armed poachers, whom they pursued and had nearly overtaken, when one of the said poachers turned round and fired at and severely wounded the said Robert Harrison, who was unarmed, and is now in a dangerous and uncertain state;

His Majesty, for the better apprehending and bringing to justice the persons concerned in the felony before mentioned, is hereby pleased to promise His most gracious pardon to any one of them (except the person who actually fired at and wounded the said Robert Harrison) who shall discover his accomplice or accomplices therein, so that he, she, or they may be apprehended and convicted thereof.

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And, as a further encouragement, a reward of ONE HUNDRED GUINEAS is hereby offered to any person (except as aforesaid) who shall discover the said offender or offenders, so that he, she, or they may be apprehended and convicted of the said offence.—Such reward to be paid by the Earl of Lonsdale.

Office of Church Commissioners, 13, Great George-Street, Westminster, October 27, 1829.

THE following is a copy of an Order in Council, approving of a district being assigned to the new chapel built at Sharow, in the parish of Ripon:

At the Court at St. James's, the 10th of June 1829, present, the King's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS by an Act, passed in the 58th year of His late Majesty's reign, intituled "An Act for building and promoting the building of additional churches in populous parishes," it is amongst other things enacted, "that in every case in which the Commissioners appointed for carrying into execution the purposes of the said Act, shall be of opinion that it will be expedient to divide any parish into two or more separate and distinct parishes for all ecclesiastical purposes whatever, it shall be lawful for the said Commissioners, with the consent of the Bishop of the diocese in which such parish is locally situated, signified under his hand and seal, to apply to the patron or patrons of the church of such parish for his consent to make such division, and for such

patron or patrons to signify his or their consent thereto under his hand and seal, and the said Commissioners shall, upon the consent of the said patron or patrons so signified, represent the whole matter to His Majesty in Council, and shall state in such representation the bounds by which it is proposed, with such consent as aforesaid, to divide such parish, together with the relative and respective proportions of glebe lands, tithes, moduses, or other endowments, which will by such division arise and accrue and remain and be within each of such respective divisions, and also the relative proportions of the estimated amount of the value or produce of fees, oblations, offerings, or other ecclesiastical dues or profits which may arise and accrue within each of such respective divisions, and if thereupon His Majesty in Council shall think fit to direct such division to be made, such Order of His Majesty in Council shall be valid and good in law for the purpose of effecting such division; provided always, that no such division of any parish into distinct parishes shall completely take effect until after the death, resignation, or other avoidance of the existing incumbent of the parish to be divided;" and whereas by the said Act it is further enacted "that in any case in which the said Commissioners shall be of opinion that it is not expedient to divide any populous parish, or extra parochial place, into such complete separate and distinct parishes as aforesaid, but that it is expedient to divide the same into such ecclesiastical districts, as they with the consent of the Bishop, signified under his hand and seal, may deem necessary, for the purpose of affording accommodation for the attending Divine Service, according to the rites of the United Church of England and Ireland, to persons residing therein, in the churches or parochial chapels already built, or in additional churches or chapels to be built therein, and as may appear to such Commissioners to be convenient for the enabling the spiritual person or persons who may serve such churches or chapels to perform all ecclesiastical duties within the districts attached to such respective churches and chapels, and for the due ecclesiastical superintendance of such district, and the preservation and improvement of the religious and moral habits of the persons residing therein; the said Commissioners shall represent such opinion to His Majesty in Council, and shall state in such representation the bounds by which such districts are proposed to be described; and if thereupon His Majesty in Council shall think fit to direct such division to be made, such Order of His Majesty in Council shall be valid and good in law for the purpose of effecting such division:" and whereas by an Act passed in the 59th year of His late Majesty's reign, intituled "An Act to amend and render more effectual an Act passed in the last session of Parliament, for building and promoting the building of additional churches in populous parishes," further provisions are made for carrying such division into effect: and whereas the said Commissioners have made a representation to His Majesty in Council, stating that the parish of Ripon, in the county and diocese of York, contained in the year 1821, when the last census was taken, a population of 13,096 persons, and which has since considerably increased; that besides the parish church, there were seven consecrated chapels, which together afforded accommodation for 1580 persons only; that a new chapel