

ecclesiastical duties within the districts attached to such respective churches and chapels, and for the due ecclesiastical superintendence 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 the reign of His late Majesty King George the Third, 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;" and by another Act, passed in the 7th and 8th years of the reign of His late Majesty King George the Fourth, intituled "An Act to amend the Acts for building, and promoting the building, of additional churches in populous parishes;" and by another Act, made and passed in the 1st and 2d year of His present Majesty, intituled "An Act to amend and render more effectual an Act, passed in the 7th and 8th year of the reign of His late Majesty, intituled 'An Act to amend the Acts for building, and promoting the building, of additional churches in populous parishes;'" and also by another Act, made and passed in the 2d and 3d year of His said Majesty, intituled "An Act to render more effectual an Act, passed in the 59th year of His late Majesty King George the Third, 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 divisions into effect:

And whereas the said Commissioners have made a representation to His Majesty in Council, stating that, in the year 1831, when the last census was taken, the parochial chapelry of Oldham, in the parish of Prestwich cum Oldham, in the county palatine of Lancaster and diocese of Chester, contained a population of 50,513 persons; that there are besides the parochial chapel of Oldham, five other chapels in the said chapelry, called respectively Saint Peter's Chapel, Saint James's Chapel, Saint Margaret's Chapel Hollinwood, Saint Paul's Chapel Royton, and Shaw Chapel Crompton; that the parochial chapel of Oldham contains accommodation for 1440 persons, including 300 free seats appropriated to the use of the poor; that Saint Peter's Chapel contains accommodation for 900 persons, including 100 free seats appropriated to the use of the poor; that Saint James's Chapel contains accommodation for 1837 persons, including 896 free seats appropriated to the use of the poor; that Saint Margaret's Chapel contains accommodation for 560 persons; that Saint Paul's Chapel contains accommodation for 450 persons; that Shaw Chapel contains accommodation for 800 persons, including 100 free seats appropriated to the use of the poor; and that divine service is regularly performed in all the said chapels:

And whereas the said Commissioners have further represented to His Majesty, that having taken into consideration all the circumstances attending the said chapelry of Oldham, it appears to them to be expedient, that a particular district should be assigned to each of the above-mentioned chapels, under the provisions of the 16th section of an Act, passed in the 59th year of the reign of His late Majesty King George the Third, intituled "An Act to amend an Act, passed in the last session of Parliament, for building, and promoting the building, of additional churches in populous parishes;" and that such districts should be respectively named, the Parochial Chapel District, the Saint Peter's District, the Saint James's District, the Hollinwood District, the Royton District, and the Crompton District, with boundaries as follows, viz.

#### PAROCHIAL CHAPEL DISTRICT.

*(Parts of the Township of Oldham and Chadderton.)*

The boundary to commence in the centre of Yorkshire-street, opposite the Old Horsedge-road, and thence proceed northward, continuing along the boundary which separates the subdivisions of Oldham township, called the hamlets of Oldham below Town and Oldham above Town (including the west side thereof, or Oldham below Town), to where the township of Royton joins the township of Oldham; thence south westward, and continuing along the boundary which separates the townships of Royton and Oldham, to where the township of Chadderton joins the township of Oldham, in the valley below Plumpton; thence westward, and continuing along the boundary which separates the townships of Chadderton and Royton, to where the parish of Middleton joins the chapelry of Oldham, at the junction of the townships of Royton, Chadderton, and Thornham; thence north westward, and continuing along the boundary which separates the parish of Middleton from the chapelry of Oldham, to where the parish of Prestwich joins the parish of Middleton; thence southward, and continuing along the boundary which separates the parish of Prestwich from the chapelry of Oldham, to the centre of the road leading from Middleton to Oldham, at Mills-hill; thence eastward, along the centre of the Middleton and Oldham-road, and continuing along the centre of Hunt-lane (including the north or left side thereof); thence southward, continuing along the centre of the Werneth and Littleborough turnpike road; thence along the centre of the Austerlands and Manchester turnpike road to the foot path, leading from Werneth; thence south eastward, along the said foot path to Chamber-lane, thence north eastward and continuing along the centre of Chamber-lane to the old road between Oldham and Ashton, leading to Broadway-lane; thence north westward, and continuing along the centre of the Oldham and Ashton turnpike road, Fog-lane, and King-street (including the west or left side thereof); thence eastward, and continuing along the centre of Manchester-street, Market-place, high-street, and Yorkshire-street (including the north or left side thereof), to the centre of Yorkshire-street, opposite the Old Horsedge-road, where the boundary commenced, as the same is delineated in the plan thereunto annexed, and therein coloured red.