

former Act, or the said Act now in recital; and such district shall be under the immediate care of the curate appointed to serve such chapel, but subject, nevertheless, to the superintendence and controul of the incumbent of the parish church; and all such curates shall be nominated by the incumbent of the parish to the bishop for his licence, except where the right of nomination shall already be legally vested in any other person or persons, and in every such case by the person or persons possessing such right of nomination, subject to all the laws in force relating to stipendary curates, except as to the assigning of salaries to such curates; provided always, that it shall be lawful for the Commissioners, with the consent of the bishop of the diocese, to determine whether any and what part or proportion of the fees or dues for marriages, baptisms, churchings, and burials shall be assigned to any such curate; and whether banns of marriage shall be published, and marriages or baptisms, churchings or burials, shall be solemnized or performed in any such chapel or not; and in any case in which marriages shall be allowed in any such chapel, the Commissioners shall cause the boundaries of the district assigned to such chapel to be enrolled in the High Court of Chancery, and in the office of the Registry of the diocese, any thing in the said recited Act to the contrary notwithstanding; and no such chapelry shall become a benefice by reason of any augmentation of the maintenance of the curate, by any grant or bounty under the provision of any Act or Acts of Parliament, or law or laws for augmenting small livings, any thing in such Act or Acts of Parliament, or law or laws, to the contrary notwithstanding:”

And whereas by another Act, passed in the seventh and eighth 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 first and second years of His late Majesty King William the Fourth, intituled “An Act to amend and render more effectual an Act, passed in the seventh and eighth years 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 second and third years of His said late Majesty, intituled “An Act to render more effectual an Act, passed in the fifty-ninth 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 Her Majesty in Council, bearing date the thirteenth day of June one thousand eight hundred and forty-two, in the words following, viz.

“Your Majesty’s Commissioners for building new churches, appointed by virtue of an Act, passed in the fifty-eighth year of the reign of His Majesty King George the Third, intituled “An Act for building, and promoting the building, of additional churches in populous parishes;” continued by an Act, passed in the seventh and eighth years of the reign of His 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 further continued by an Act, passed in the first year of your Majesty’s reign, intituled “An Act to prolong, for ten years, Her Majesty’s Commission for building new churches;” beg leave humbly to represent to your Majesty, that, when the last census was taken, the parish of Blackburn, in the county of Lancaster and diocese of Chester, contained a population of seventy-two thousand seven hundred and forty-nine persons; that besides the parish church, which affords accommodation to two thousand two hundred persons, there are the churches of the ancient parochial chapelries of Walton-le-Dale, Great Harwood, and Samesbury, and fourteen other consecrated chapels in the said parish, of which the chapel of St. Leonard, at Balderstone, will accommodate four hundred persons; St. James’s Church, Over Darwen, will accommodate five hundred persons; the chapel of St. Stephen, in the township of Tockholes, will accommodate eight hundred and fifty-six persons, including four hundred and ten free seats appropriated to the use of the poor; Langho Chapel, in the township of Billington, will accommodate four hundred persons; the chapel of St. John, in the town of Blackburn, will accommodate one thousand seven hundred persons, including five hundred free seats appropriated to the use of the poor; St. Peter’s Chapel, in the township of Salesbury, will accommodate six hundred persons, including three hundred free seats appropriated to the use of the poor; St. Paul’s Chapel, in the town of Blackburn, will accommodate eight hundred persons, including two hundred and twenty-eight free seats appropriated to the use of the poor; St. Peter’s Chapel, in the town of Blackburn, will accommodate two thousand persons, including one thousand two hundred free seats appropriated to the use of the poor; St. Mary’s Chapel, in the township of Mellor, will accommodate one thousand persons, including seven hundred free seats appropriated to the use of the poor; the Chapel of the Holy Trinity, in the township of Over Darwen, will accommodate one thousand six hundred and eight persons, including nine hundred and ninety-three free seats appropriated to the use of the poor; St. James’s Chapel, in the township of Lower Darwen, will accommodate one thousand one hundred and twenty-one persons, including eight hundred and ninety free seats appropriated to the use of the poor; Immanuel Church, at Feniscowles, in the township of Livesey, will accommodate four hundred and seventy-three persons, including two hundred and thirty-nine free seats appropriated to the use of the poor; St. Saviour’s Chapel, at