

“ effect the reports of the Commissioners appointed to consider the state of the Established Church in England and Wales, with reference to ecclesiastical duties and revenues, so far as they relate to episcopal dioceses, revenues, and patronage;” and by virtue of the provisions of the same Act, the boundaries of the said archdeaconry of Wilts were so altered and diminished in extent, as to reduce the annual income thereof :

“ And whereas the same archdeaconry is endowed by the annexation thereto of the rectory and parsonage of Saint Leonard, Mynty, in the county of Wilts and diocese of Gloucester and Bristol; and the Venerable William Macdonald was, at the time of the passing of the said first recited Act, and still is, the Archdeacon of the same archdeaconry :

“ And whereas the said archdeaconry of Salop is only endowed by the annexation thereto of a certain meadow, situate in the parish of Saint Nicholas in the city of Hereford, and called and known by the name of “the Archdeacon’s Meadow;” and the Venerable William Vickers was, at the time aforesaid, and still is, the Archdeacon of the same archdeaconry :

“ And whereas it is by the first recited Act enacted, that any archdeaconry may, subject to the consent of the Bishop, be endowed, amongst other modes, out of the common fund in the same Act mentioned, but so as not to raise the average annual income of such archdeaconry to an amount exceeding two hundred pounds; provided that no Archdeacon shall be entitled to hold any endowment or augmentation, or other emolument, as such Archdeacon, under the provisions of the same Act, unless he shall be resident for the space of eight months in every year within the diocese in which his archdeaconry is situate, or as to any archdeaconry then existing within the diocese in which his archdeaconry was situate before the passing of the herein secondly recited Act; subject to the same provisions as to licences for non-residence which are enacted with respect to incumbents of benefices by the Act respecting residence and pluralities in the said first recited Act recited; and it is by the same Act further enacted, that upon any such endowment, all lands, tithes, and other hereditaments (except any right of patronage) belonging to such archdeaconry at the time of such endowment may, with the consent of the Bishop of the diocese, and of any Archdeacon in possession at the time of the passing of the same Act, and by the authority therein provided, be vested in us for the purposes of such Act :

“ We, therefore, humbly recommend and propose, with the consent of the Right Honourable and Most Reverend Edward Archbishop of York, the Right Honourable and Right Reverend Charles James Bishop of London, the Right Reverend Edward Bishop of Salisbury, and Thomas Bishop of Hereford, and of the said Stuart Corbett, William Macdonald, and William Vickers, as

Archdeacons of the said archdeaconries of York, Wilts, and Salop, testified by their having respectively signed and sealed this scheme, that the said archdeaconries of York, London, Saint Albans, Wilts, and Salop, shall be severally and respectively endowed by augmentation out of the common fund in the first recited Act mentioned in manner following; and that the said rectory of Mexborough, and the said tithes of Ravensfield, and the said rectory and parsonage of Saint Leonard, Mynty, and also the said meadow in the parish of Saint Nicholas, in Hereford, together with all the rights, privileges, members, and appurtenances thereunto respectively belonging (except any right of patronage belonging to either of the said rectories), shall be disannexed from the said archdeaconries of York, Wilts, and Salop, respectively, and vested in us for the purposes of the said first recited Act.

“ And we recommend and propose, that there shall be paid by us out of the said common fund to the said Stuart Corbett, Archdeacon of York, William Hale Hale, Archdeacon of London, Charles Parr Burney, Archdeacon of Saint Albans, William Macdonald, Archdeacon of Wilts, and William Vickers, Archdeacon of Salop (in the diocese of Hereford), and to their respective successors in the said archdeaconries, so long as they shall respectively hold the same archdeaconries, and shall duly reside in the dioceses in which the same are or shall be respectively situate (but in case of the said archdeaconry of London not after the next vacancy of any canonry in the cathedral church of Saint Paul, except the canonry so annexed to the said archdeaconry as aforesaid), the several annual sums following, that is to say; to the Archdeacon of York, for the time being, the sum of one hundred and fifty pounds; to the Archdeacon of London, for the time being, the sum of one hundred and eighty pounds; to the Archdeacon of Saint Albans, for the time being, the sum of one hundred and eighty pounds; to the Archdeacon of Wilts, for the time being, the sum of one hundred and fifty pounds; and to the Archdeacon of Salop (in the diocese of Hereford), for the time being, the sum of one hundred and fifty pounds, on the first day of January in every year; and every such whole yearly payment to each of such Archdeacons shall be made only on production to us of a certificate, under the hand of the bishop for the time being of the diocese in which his archdeaconry is situate, that such Archdeacon has duly resided as aforesaid during the preceding year; and that the first of such payments shall be made on the first day of January next ensuing; and that whenever a vacancy in any of the said archdeaconries shall happen on any other day than the first day of January, the then next yearly payment shall be duly apportioned between, and paid to the archdeacon making the vacancy, or his representatives, and the archdeacon succeeding to the said archdeaconry so becoming vacant, according to the time which shall have elapsed from the last day of payment to the day of such vacancy inclusive; and that such proportion shall be paid to the respective parties accord-