

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 twenty-first day of October one thousand eight hundred and forty-three, 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 Broxbourne, in the county of Hertford and diocese of London, contained a population of two thousand three

hundred and eighty-six persons; the adjoining parish of Great Amwell, in the same county and diocese, contained a population of one thousand five hundred and forty-five persons; and the hamlet of Hoddesdon, in the said parish of Broxbourne, contained a population of one thousand seven hundred and forty-one persons; and that part of the said parish of Great Amwell, which is surrounded by the said hamlet of Hoddesdon, contained a population of four hundred and twenty persons; that the parish church of Broxbourne affords accommodation to about one thousand persons; and the parish church of Great Amwell to about three hundred and fifty persons; that there is a consecrated chapel, at Hoddesdon, on the confines of the said two parishes of Broxbourne and Great Amwell, the altar of the said chapel being within the said parish of Great Amwell, which affords accommodation to six hundred and thirty-six persons, including four hundred and twenty-four free seats appropriated to the use of the poor:

“That the said chapel, at Hoddesdon, is distant from the parish church of Broxbourne about one mile and a half, and from the parish church of Great Amwell two miles and a quarter, which are the places nearest to the said chapel appropriated to the celebration of divine service according to the rites of the Church of England:

“That the extremities of the said parishes of Broxbourne and Great Amwell which lie contiguous to each other at Hoddesdon, and are delineated in the accompanying plan, contain a population of two thousand and six persons:

“Your Majesty’s said Commissioners beg leave further to represent to your Majesty, that, having taken into consideration all the circumstances above mentioned, it appears to them to be expedient to unite and consolidate the northernmost part of the said hamlet of Hoddesdon and those detached parts of the parish of Great Amwell which are surrounded by the said hamlet of Hoddesdon, and form a separate and distinct district, to be assigned to the said chapel at Hoddesdon, for all ecclesiastical purposes, and to constitute such district a consolidated chapelry, under the sixth section of an Act, passed in the fifty-ninth year of the reign of His 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,” for the purpose of affording accommodation for attending divine service to the persons residing in the said district, and for enabling the spiritual person serving such chapel to perform all ecclesiastical duties within the said district attached to such chapel, and for the due ecclesiastical superintendence of such district, and the preservation and improvement of the moral habits of the persons residing therein; and, that such district should be named, “The Consolidated Chapelry District of Hoddesdon,” and consist of the northernmost portion of the hamlet of Hoddesdon, and certain detached portions of the parish of Great Amwell, with bounda-