

and for the purpose of fully carrying into effect any of the provisions thereof, any sum of money which shall have been invested in the public funds, or in other security or securities, in trust, for any ecclesiastical body corporate, aggregate or sole, may, upon an application, in writing, to us, under the hand and seal of such body corporate, and in case of any chapter, with the consent of the visitor thereof, be directed to be sold, and the same shall be sold accordingly, and the produce of such sale shall be applied to such purpose and in such manner as shall appear most conducive to the permanent benefit of such body corporate :

“ And whereas by the thirdly-recited Act it is enacted, that it shall be lawful for the dean and chapter of any cathedral church, under the authority provided in the herein first-recited Act, to purchase any house or site, being contiguous or near to such cathedral church, and to add to, alter, or improve any such house, or to take down the same, and to build another house, or more houses than one, upon the site thereof, or to apply the site of any such house, or any part thereof, by and with the authority aforesaid, to the improvement of the cathedral or the precincts thereof :

“ And whereas by the same Act it is declared and enacted, that the provisions of the said secondly-recited Act, relating to the sale and application of any sum of money invested in trust for any ecclesiastical body corporate, do and shall include and apply to all monies and securities for money, and to all stock in the Government Funds, or elsewhere, standing in the name of the Accountant-General of the Court of Chancery, or in the name or names of any other public officer, or of any individual or individuals, for or to the credit or for the benefit of or in trust for any dean and chapter, whether for the purpose of being laid out in land or otherwise; and that the same provisions shall extend and may be applied to any of the purposes of the Act now in recital :

“ And whereas the sum of four hundred and fifty-eight pounds, being the amount of the purchase money of certain lands in the parishes of Bredicot and Tibberton, in the county of Worcester, sold by the said Dean and Chapter to the Birmingham and Gloucester Railway Company, under the authority of an Act, passed in the session of Parliament held in the sixth year of

the reign of His said late Majesty, intituled “ An Act for making a railway from Birmingham to Gloucester, with a branch therefrom,” has been paid by the said Company into the Bank of England, in the name and with the privity of the Accountant-General of the Court of Chancery, and placed to his account there :

“ And whereas certain other sums of money, amounting together to the sum of two hundred and seventy pounds, the purchase moneys of certain other lands sold by the said Dean and Chapter to the said Company, in the parishes of Stoke Prior and Himbleton, in the said county of Worcester, have been, under the authority of the same Act, paid to Edmund Hungerford Lechmere, of Great Malvern, in the county of Worcester, Esquire, and John Whitmore Isaac, of Boughton, in the parish of Saint John in Bedwardine, in the said county of Worcester, Esquire, as Trustees for the said Dean and Chapter :

“ And whereas certain other sums of money, being the purchase monies of lands sold by the said Dean and Chapter to the Stratford and Moreton Railway Company, under the authority of an Act, passed in the session of Parliament held in the first and second years of the reign of His Majesty King George the Fourth, intituled “ An Act for making and maintaining a railway or tramroad from Stratford-upon-Avon, in the county of Warwick, to Moreton in Marsh, in the county of Gloucester, with a branch to Shipston-upon-Stour, in the county of Worcester;” and of another Act, passed in the session of Parliament held in the third year of His late Majesty King William the Fourth, intituled “ An Act for enabling the Stratford and Moreton Railway Company to make a new branch of railway to Shipston-upon-Stour, in the county of Worcester,” have been also paid to the said Edmund Hungerford Lechmere and John Whitmore Isaac, as Trustees for the said Dean and Chapter, and have been invested in their names in the purchase of one hundred and twenty-two pounds seven shillings and five pence Three per Cent. Consolidated Bank Annuities, and the dividends thereof have been, from time to time, paid to the said Dean and Chapter, in accordance with the provisions of the same Acts :

“ And whereas the said Dean and Chapter are entitled, subject to a certain lease, bearing date the