

and laid before Her Majesty in Council a representation, bearing date the eleventh day of May one thousand eight hundred and forty-seven, in the words following, that is to say :

“ Your Majesty’s Commissioners for building new churches beg leave humbly to represent to your Majesty, that, by virtue of an Order of your Majesty in Council, bearing date the twenty-ninth day of January one thousand eight hundred and forty, a particular district, under the sixteenth 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,” was, by such Order in Council, and in conformity with the provisions contained in the said section, duly assigned to the church of Saint Philip, situate in the district parish of Saint Mark, Clerkenwell, in the county of Middlesex, and within the diocese of London :

“ That the said Order in Council did not direct that marriages should be performed in the said church :

“ Your Majesty’s said Commissioners beg leave to represent to your Majesty, that, having taken into consideration all the circumstances of the said district so assigned to the said church of Saint Philip, it appears to them to be expedient, that banns of marriage should hereafter be published, and that marriages should hereafter be solemnized and performed in the said church of Saint Philip, and that a supplemental Order for such purpose should be made, pursuant to the provisions of the fourth section of an Act, passed in the session of Parliament holden in the seventh and eight years of your Majesty’s reign, intituled “ An Act concerning banns and marriages in certain district churches or chapels;” and that one moiety of the fees to arise from the publication of banns or the solemnization or performance of marriages in such church should belong to the Incumbent thereof for the time being; and that the other moiety of such fees should be received for, on account of, and paid to the present Incumbent of the said district parish of Saint Mark, Clerkenwell, during his incumbency thereof, but upon his resigning or otherwise avoiding such incumbency, that the whole of the

said fees should belong to the said Incumbent of the said church of Saint Philip for the time being :

“ That the consent of the Right Honourable and Right Reverend Charles James Lord Bishop of London, as Bishop of the diocese, has been obtained thereto, as required by the Act and section lastly hereinbefore mentioned; in testimony whereof, the said Charles James Lord Bishop of London has signed and sealed this representation :

“ Your Majesty’s said Commissioners, therefore, humbly pray, that your Majesty will be graciously pleased to take the premises into your royal consideration, and to make such order in respect thereto as to your Majesty in your royal wisdom shall seem meet.”

Her Majesty, having taken the said representation into consideration, was pleased, by and with advice of Her Privy Council, to approve thereof, and to order, as it is hereby ordered, that the recommendations of the said Commissioners, in respect of the publication of banns and the solemnization of marriages, and the fees arising therefrom, be carried into effect, agreeably to the provisions of the said Act.

*C. C. Greville.*

*Whitehall, June 2, 1847.*

The following Address of the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland having been transmitted by Robert Montgomery Lord Belhaven, Her Majesty’s Commissioner, to the Right Honourable Sir George Grey, Bart. one of Her Majesty’s Principal Secretaries of State, has been by him presented to the Queen; which Address Her Majesty was pleased to receive very graciously :

*May it please your Majesty,*

WE, your Majesty’s loyal and faithful subjects, the Ministers and Elders of the Church of Scotland, convened in this General Assembly, have received with gratitude the gracious letter in which your Majesty has been pleased to convey to us the expression of your cordial approbation of the present meeting of our Assembly, and to renew the assurance of your royal countenance and support, and of the affectionate regard which you bear towards the Church of Scotland. It is our earnest desire and prayer that the blessing of Almighty God may enable us to conduct all our proceedings with that wisdom and prudence which become a Christian Assembly, and which will at once secure your Majesty’s approbation and promote the spiritual welfare of the people committed to our charge.