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FRIDAY, JUNE 11, 1847.

A T the Court at Buckingham-Palace, the 20th day of May 1847,

PRESENT,

The QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

THEREAS the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England have, in pursuance of an Act, passed in the session of Parliament held in the sixth and seventh years of the reign of His late Majesty King William the Fourth, intituled " An Act for carrying into 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," duly prepared and laid before Her Majesty in Council a scheme, bearing date the twentieth day of May, in the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-seven, in the words following, that is to say:

"We, the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England, in pursuance of an Act, passed in the session of Parliament held in the sixth and seventh years of the reign of His late Majesty King William the Fourth, intituled "An Act for "carrying into 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," have prepared, and now humbly lay before your Majesty in Council, the following scheme, for fixing a certain annual payment to be hereafter made to us by the Bishop of Norwich, and for abolishing peculiar and exempt jurisdictions in the diocese of Norwich.

" Whereas it was by the said Act enacted, that in order to provide for the augmentation of the incomes of the smaller bishopricks, such fixed annual sums should be paid to us out of the revenues of the larger sees respectively as should. upon due inquiry and consideration, be determined on, so as to leave as an average annual income to the archbishops and bishops therein named the respective sums therein mentioned, and that, out of the fund thus accruing, fixed annual payments should be made by us, in such instances and to such amount as should be in like manner determined on, so that the average annual incomes of the other bishops, respectively, should not be less than four thousand pounds, nor more than five thousand pounds:

"And whereas, soon after the passing of the said Act, we proceeded to consider the circum-