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AT the Court at *Windsor*, the 15th day of *January*, 1849.

PRESENT,

The QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England have, in pursuance of an Act, passed in the session of Parliament held in the tenth and eleventh years of Her Majesty's reign, intituled "An Act for establishing the Bishoprick of Manchester, and amending certain Acts relating to the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England," and of certain Acts therein recited, duly prepared and laid before Her Majesty in Council a scheme, bearing date the eleventh day of January in the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine, 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 tenth and eleventh years of Your Majesty's reign, intituled, 'An Act for establishing the Bishoprick of Manchester, and amending certain Acts relating to the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England,' and of certain Acts therein recited, have prepared, and now humbly lay before your Majesty in Council, the following scheme for providing for the residence of the Bishop of Manchester within his diocese, for confirming the said bishop as visitor of the cathedral thereof, and for regulating honorary canonries therein.

"Whereas the said Acts confer upon us and Your Majesty in Council power for providing a fit residence for the Bishop of Manchester, and for carrying into effect the other arrangements hereinafter mentioned in connection with, and incidental to, the foundation and endowment of the bishoprick of Manchester:

"And whereas we are not yet prepared to recommend that a permanent episcopal residence should be provided for the bishops of Manchester:

"We, therefore, recommend and propose, that it shall be lawful for us, forthwith and from time to time, until a permanent house of residence shall be provided for the See of Manchester, to procure and engage, for the Bishop of Manchester for the time being, with the concurrence of such Bishop, a fit temporary residence within the said Diocese of Manchester, for such time as shall be deemed by us to be expedient, and to pay for the same, at a

rate not exceeding four hundred pounds by the year, out of any monies applicable to the purposes of the said Acts, which shall from time to time be standing to our credit and account in the Bank of England, such payment by us being in addition to the annual sum now in course of payment by us as the endowment of the see of Manchester.

"And whereas the order made by your Majesty in Council, on the tenth day of August in the year one thousand eight hundred and forty seven, ratifying a scheme prepared by us for founding the said bishoprick of Manchester, contains a provision for giving to the bishop of Manchester episcopal pre-eminence, jurisdiction, power, and authority within and over the said cathedral church of Manchester; but doubts may arise whether the said bishop is thereby constituted Visitor of the said cathedral:

"We further recommend and propose, for the purpose of removing such doubts, that the said James Prince Bishop of Manchester, and the Bishop of Manchester for the time being, is and shall be the Visitor of the said cathedral church and the chapter thereof, with all the same and the like rights, privileges, powers, jurisdiction and authority, with respect to and over the same, as appertain and belong to the Bishop of Ripon, in his office of Visitor, with respect to and over the cathedral church of Ripon and the chapter thereof; and that the office of Visitor of the said cathedral and chapter of Manchester is and shall be held to be absolutely transferred from the Bishops of Chester, and vested in the Bishops of Manchester for ever.

"And we further recommend and propose, with the consent of the Dean and Chapter of Manchester, testified by an instrument in writing under their common seal, bearing date the ninth day of October, in the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-eight, that all the provisions contained in an Order of your Majesty in Council, bearing date the twenty-third day of May in the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-four, relating to honorary canonries to be founded in certain cathedral churches therein mentioned, and to the holders thereof, shall be extended and shall apply to all honorary canonries to be founded in the said cathedral church of Manchester and to the holders thereof, as fully and effectually as if the said provisions were repeated herein.

"And we further recommend and propose, that nothing herein contained shall prevent us from recommending and proposing any other measures