

well, Knight, Vice-Chancellor of England, and Sir Robert Monsey Rolfe, Knight, one of the Barons of Her Majesty's Court of Exchequer, Lords Commissioners for the Custody of the Great Seal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, was this day pleased in Council to deliver to them the Great Seal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland; and the said Lords Commissioners did thereupon take the oaths appointed to be taken instead of the oaths of allegiance and supremacy, and also the oath as Lords Commissioners for the Custody of the Great Seal.

AT the Court at *Buckingham-Palace*, the 19th day of *June* 1850,

PRESENT,

The **QUEEN'S** Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS by an Act, passed in the session of Parliament held in the first year of Her Majesty's reign, intituled "An Act to amend an Act for the regulation of municipal corporations in England and Wales," it is, amongst other things, enacted, that, if the inhabitant householders of any town or borough in England or Wales shall petition Her Majesty to grant to them a charter of incorporation, it shall be lawful for Her Majesty by any such charter, if she shall think fit, by the advice of Her Privy Council, to grant the same, to extend to the inhabitants of any such town or borough, within the district to be set forth in such charter, all the powers and provisions of the Act of the fifth and sixth William the Fourth, cap. 76, for regulating corporations, whether such town or borough be or be not a corporate town or borough, or be or be not named in either of the schedules to the said Act; provided, nevertheless, that notice of every such petition, and of the time when it shall please Her Majesty to order that the same be taken into consideration by Her Privy Council, shall be published in the London Gazette one month at least before such petition shall be so considered:

And whereas the inhabitant householders of the towns or boroughs of Hartlepool and South Shields, both in the county of Durham, have respectively presented a petitions to Her Majesty in Council, praying that charters of incorporation may be granted to the said towns or boroughs;

Her Majesty was this day pleased to order, and it is hereby ordered, that the said petitions be taken into consideration, by a Committee of the Lords of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council, on Monday the twenty-second day of July next.

Wm. L. Bathurst.

AT the Court at *Buckingham-Palace*, the 19th day of *June* 1850,

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 sixth and seventh years of Her Majesty's reign, intituled "An Act to make better provision for the spiritual care of populous parishes," duly prepared and laid before Her Majesty in Council a scheme, bearing date the second day of May, in the year one thousand eight hundred and fifty, 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 your Majesty's reign, intituled 'An Act to make better provision for the spiritual care of populous parishes,' have prepared, and now humbly lay before your Majesty in Council, the following scheme, for authorizing the sale of certain property formerly belonging to the prebend of Hoxton, in the cathedral church of Saint Paul's, London, and now vested in us.

"Whereas it is by the said Act (amongst other things) enacted, that notwithstanding the charge by that Act created (being a charge created in favour of the Governors of the Bounty of Queen Anne), all the same and the like powers and rights of ownership as are possessed and enjoyed respecting and over any lands, tenements or other hereditaments whatsoever, by any absolute owner thereof, shall be enjoyed by us with respect to and over all or any lands, tithes, rent-charges, tenements or other hereditaments vested in us under certain Acts therein mentioned (being the Acts under which the property hereinafter described is vested in us), and may, subject to the provisions of the same Acts and of the now reciting Act, be exercised by us by proper instruments in writing duly executed according to law, with a certain proviso respecting the application of every sum of money received as the consideration or purchase-money for the sale, transfer, and conveyance by us of any of such lands, tithes, tenements, or other hereditaments, or of any estate or interest therein, and with a further proviso that none of such lands, tithes, tenements or other hereditaments be sold, transferred or conveyed, except by the authority of a scheme, and an Order issued by your Majesty in Council ratifying the same:

"And whereas all the lands, tenements, hereditaments and endowments (excepting any right of patronage) formerly belonging to the said prebend of Hoxton became vested in us (subject to any subsisting lease or leases thereof), by virtue of an Order of your Majesty in Council, bearing date the twentieth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and forty-seven, which Order was duly gazetted on the fourth day of June following:

"And whereas application has been made to us for the purchase of all our estate and interest in certain portions of the said lands, tenements, and hereditaments; and after due consideration, it appears to us to be expedient that we should be empowered to dispose of our interest therein, or in any part or parts thereof, in such manner as shall appear to us to be advisable:

"We, therefore, humbly recommend and propose, that we may be authorized and empowered, by deed or deeds duly executed under our common seal, from time to time to sell and duly to convey, according to the provisions of the said Act, all or any of the said lands, tenements, and hereditaments (except as aforesaid), heretofore belonging to the said prebend, with their appurtenances, and all our estate, right, title, and interest therein, or in any part or parts thereof, unto and to the use of any person or persons desirous or willing to purchase the same, and his or their heirs, executors, administrators, or assigns, or otherwise as he or they shall direct or appoint, and for such consideration as shall upon due calculation and inquiry appear to us to be just and reasonable.

"And we further recommend and propose, that nothing herein contained shall prevent us from recommending and proposing any other measures relating to the matters aforesaid, or any of them, in accordance with the provisions of the said Act, or of any other Act of Parliament."