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TUESDAY, JUNE 28, 1853.

At the Court at *Buckingham-Palace*, the 13th day of *June*, 1853,

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 third and fourth years of Her Majesty's reign, intituled "An Act to carry into effect, with certain modifications, the fourth report of the Commissioners of Ecclesiastical Duties and Revenues," and of another Act, passed in the session of Parliament, held in the fifth and sixth years of Her Majesty's reign, intituled "An Act for enabling Ecclesiastical Corporations, aggregate and sole, to grant leases for long terms of years," duly prepared and laid before Her Majesty in Council a scheme, bearing date the second day of June, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-three, 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 third and fourth years of your Majesty's reign, intituled 'An Act to carry into effect, with certain modifications, the fourth report of the Commissioners of Ecclesiastical Duties and Revenues,' and of another Act, passed in the session of Parliament held in the fifth and sixth years of your Majesty's reign, intituled 'An Act for enabling Ecclesiastical Corporations, aggregate and sole, to grant leases for long terms of years,' have prepared, and now humbly lay before your Majesty in Council, the following scheme, for determining the portion of the improved value to be made payable to us in a certain lease of a coal mine about to be granted by the Vicar of Batley, in the county of York.

"Whereas by the said last-recited Act it is enacted, that it shall be lawful for any Ecclesiastical Corporation, aggregate or sole (with certain exceptions which do not include vicars), from time to time, with the consent or consents thereby required, to grant or demise by lease, in manner thereinafter mentioned, any mines, minerals, quarries, or beds, belonging to such Corporation, together with the right of working, or of opening and working the same:

"And whereas by the same Act it is further enacted, that in case of any lease of mines, minerals, quarries, or beds, granted thereunder, such portion of the improved value accruing under such lease, as by the authority provided in the

first-recited Act shall be determined, not being more than three-fourth parts, nor less than one moiety of such improved value, shall forthwith, and from time to time, as the same shall accrue, be paid to us, and shall be subject to the provisions relating to monies payable to us:

"And whereas, with the consent required by the said Act, and otherwise in accordance with the provisions thereof, it is proposed by the Reverend Andrew Cassels, the present vicar of Batley aforesaid, to grant, or demise by lease, certain beds of coal, situate at Brownhill, in the parish and township of Batley aforesaid, belonging to him as such vicar.

"And whereas the improved value to accrue under the lease so proposed to be granted as aforesaid, will, according to the meaning of the same Act, be the whole of the rents, royalties, or other reservations which will become payable by virtue of such lease.

"Now, therefore, we humbly recommend and propose, that three fourth parts of the whole net amount of the reservation or reservations to be made in the said lease so to be granted, whether consisting of rent, royalty, or otherwise, shall, by such lease, be made directly payable to us, and that we shall have all the like remedies in respect of such three-fourth parts of any such reservation as aforesaid, as if the same were a separate rent reserved to us as lessors, or grantors, and reversioners of the premises comprised in such lease, independently of the rights and remedies of the said Andrew Cassels, and his successors, Vicars of Batley, in respect of the remaining one-fourth part thereof, without any priority or preference between us and the Vicars of Batley for the time being; and, further, that we shall have full benefit and advantage, either jointly with, or separately from, the said Andrew Cassels and his successors, Vicars of Batley, for the time being, of all or any of the covenants, conditions, and agreements in the said lease to be contained on the lessees' part, in like manner as if we had been grantors, lessors, and reversioners as aforesaid, and as in such lease shall be expressed; and that, for effectuating such objects, the said lease shall, and may, be framed in such manner, and contain all such clauses and provisions as we shall approve, and shall have full force accordingly, any rule of law, statute, or custom to the contrary notwithstanding.

"And we further recommend and propose, that we be authorized to apply, from time to time, as we shall think fit, all or any part of the monies