

teenth day of July, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-six, in the words following, viz.:

"Your Majesty's Commissioners for building new churches beg leave humbly to represent that having taken into consideration all the circumstances of the parish of Saint George, Birmingham, in the county of Warwick, and in the diocese of Worcester, it appears to them to be expedient that a particular district should be assigned to the consecrated church of Saint Matthias, situate in the said parish of Saint George, Birmingham, under the powers contained in the sixteenth section of an Act of Parliament, 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,' as enlarged by the third section of an Act of Parliament, passed in the second and third years of your Majesty's reign, intituled 'An Act to make better provision for the assignment of Ecclesiastical Districts to Churches or Chapels augmented by the Governors of the Bounty of Queen Anne, and for other purposes,' and that such proposed District should be named 'THE DISTRICT CHAPELRY OF SAINT MATTHIAS, BIRMINGHAM,' and that the boundaries thereof should be these hereinafter mentioned; that is to say:

"The boundary line of the district chapelry of Saint Matthias, Birmingham, commences at the point where Great Russell-street crosses the Hockley Brook, and proceeds in a southerly direction along the middle of Great Russell-street into Bridge-street, then turns easterly along the middle of Bridge-street as far as Eldon-street, then southerly along the middle of Eldon-street into New John-street West, then easterly along the middle of New John-street West as far as Summer-lane, then southerly along the middle of Summer-lane as far as Brearly-street (the same being the boundary line separating the parish of Saint George from the district of Saint Stephen, Birmingham), the boundary line of Saint Matthias District then proceeds westerly along the middle of Brearly-street and Brearly-street West into Well-street, then southerly along the middle of Well-street into Unett-street, then north-westerly along the middle of Unett-street into Great King-street, and south-westerly along the middle of Great King-street to Hockley Hill, then northerly along the middle of Hockley Hill as far as Hockley Brook, then easterly along the middle of that brook as far as Great Russell-street to the point where the boundary line of the said district chapelry of Saint Matthias, Birmingham, commenced, as the same is more particularly delineated on the map hereto annexed, and is thereon coloured red.

"Your Majesty's said Commissioners beg leave further to represent that it also appears to them to be expedient that banns of marriage should be published, and that marriages, baptisms, and churchings, should be solemnized or performed in the said church of Saint Matthias, and that the fees to arise therefrom should belong to the minister or incumbent of such church for the time being.

"That the consent of the Right Reverend Henry Bishop of the said diocese of Worcester has been obtained thereto, as required by the Acts and sections hereinbefore mentioned, in testimony whereof he 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 taking the said representation, together with the map thereunto annexed, into consideration, was pleased, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, to approve thereof, and to order, and it is hereby ordered, that the proposed assignment of a particular district to the consecrated church of Saint Matthias, situate in the parish of Saint George, Birmingham, to be named "The District Chapelry of SAINT MATTHIAS, BIRMINGHAM," be accordingly made, and that the recommendations of the said Commissioners, in respect of the publication of banns and the solemnization of marriages, baptisms, and churchings, in the said church, and in respect of the fees to arise therefrom, be carried into effect agreeably to the provisions of the said Acts; and Her Majesty is further pleased to direct that this Order be forthwith registered by the Registrar of the diocese of Worcester.

*Wm. L. Bathurst.*

*Board of Green Cloth, July 25, 1856.*

The Queen has been pleased to appoint the Honourable Valentine Augustus Browne, commonly called Viscount Castlerosse, to be Comptroller of Her Majesty's Household, in the room of the Right Honourable Archibald William Douglas, commonly called Viscount Drumlanrig, resigned.

*Downing-Street, August 1, 1856.*

The Queen has been pleased to constitute so much of the present diocese of the Bishoprick of New Zealand as comprises all that portion of the middle Island of New Zealand which lies to the southward of a geographical line drawn across the said middle Island, at the northern boundary of the territory set apart for the Canterbury settlement under the provisions of the Act 13 and 14 Victoria, cap. 70; together with the southern Island of New Zealand, and the Auckland Islands, and all adjacent islands lying to the southward of the 43rd degree 5 minutes of south latitude, into a separate and distinct diocese, to be called "The Bishoprick of Christchurch," and to appoint the Reverend Henry John Chitty Harper, D.D., to be ordained and consecrated Bishop of the said diocese.

*Whitehall, August 2, 1856.*

The Queen has been pleased to grant unto the Reverend Gilbert Frankland Lewis, M.A., the place and dignity of a Canon of the cathedral church of Worcester, the same being void by the death of the Honourable and Reverend James Somers Cocks, late Canon thereof.

*Foreign-Office, August 4, 1856.*

The Queen has been pleased to approve of Mr. James R. Smith, junior, as Consul at Londonderry, for the United States of America.