"And whereas in part of the arrangement for the aforesaid exchange, it was agreed that a sum of one thousand and one hundred pounds, three pounds per centum Consolidated Bank Annuities, should be, and the same accordingly has been, transferred by the said Charles Hardy, to our account, and into our names, in the books of the Governor and Company of the Bank of England, and that the sum of three thousand pounds should be, and the same accordingly has also been, paid to us by the said Charles Hardy, to be respectively held and disposed of by us as part of the aforesaid common fund, but upon the understanding and condition that the income of the minister or incumbent of the said perpetual curacy of Saint Michael and All Angels, Shelf, should be augmented by an annual sum of one hundred and thirty-three pounds, to be payable out of the said common fund in manner hereinafter mentioned.

"And whereas we have made due inquiry as to the circumstances of the proposed exchange and the relative value of the said benefices and patronage, and we do hereby certify to your Majesty that the value of the patronage of the said perpetual curacy of Saint Michael and All Angels, Shelf, when the income of the same perpetual curacy shall have been augmented as hereinbefore and hereinafter mentioned, will be equivalent as nearly as may be to the value of the patronage of the said perpetual curacy of Saint Paul, Butter-

shaw.

"Now, therefore, with the consent of the Right Reverend Charles Thomas, Bishop of Ripon, and of the said Charles Hardy, in testimony whereof they have respectively signed and sealed this scheme, we humbly recommend and propose that immediately from and after the publication in the London Gazette of an Order of your Majesty in Council ratifying this scheme, and without any further or other assurance or conveyance in the law, the patronage of the said perpetual curacy of Saint Michael and All Angels, Shelf, shall be assigned and transferred from the said Charles Hardy, his heirs, and assigns, and shall become and be absolutely vested in, and shall and may from time to time be exercised by, the Bishop of Ripon and his successors, bishops of the said see, and that in exchange for the same the patronage of the said perpetual curacy of Saint Paul, Buttershaw, shall be assigned and transferred from the said bishop and his successors, and shall in like manner become and be absolutely vested in the said Charles Hardy, his heirs and assigns, and that the patronage of the said last mentioned perpetual curacy shall and may from time to time be exercised by the said Charles Hardy, his heirs and assigns.

"And we further recommend and propose that there shall be paid by us out of the common fund in the first-named Act mentioned to the minister or incumbent for the time being of the said perpetual curacy of Saint Michael and All Angels, Shelf, the annual sum of one hundred and thirty-three pounds by equal half-yearly payments on the first day of May and the first day of November

in every year.

"And we further recommend and propose that if a vacancy in the incumbency of the said perpetual curacy of Saint Michael and All Angels, Shelf, shall happen on any other day than the first day of May or the first day of November, the amount hereby recommended to be made payable shall be duly apportioned between and paid to the minister or incumbent making the vacancy, or his representatives and the minister or incumbent succeeding to the same perpetual curacy.

"And we further recommend and propose, that I

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 hereinmentioned Acts, or of any other Act of Parliament."

And whereas the said scheme has been approved by Her Majesty in Council: now, therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice of Her said Council, is pleased hereby to ratify the said scheme, and to order and direct that the same and every part thereof shall be effectual in law immediately from and after the time when this Order shall have been duly published in the London Gazette pursuant to the said Acts; and Her Majesty, by and with the like advice, is pleased hereby to direct that this Order be forthwith registered by the Registrar of the diocese of Ripon.

C. C. Greville.

A T the Court at Windsor, the 29th day of December, 1856,

PRESENT.

The QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

HEREAS 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 cer-" tain modifications, the fourth report of the Com-"missioners of Ecclesiastical Duties and Reve-"nues," 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 twenty-seventh day of November, in the year one thousand eight hundred and fifty-six, in the words and figures 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 perpetual curate of Saint James, Over Darwen, in the parish of Blackburn, and county of Lancaster.

"Whereas by the said last-recited Act it was enacted, that it should be lawful for any Ecclesiastical Corporation, aggregate or sole (with certain exceptions, which do not include perpetual curates), 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 was further enacted, that in case of any lease of mines.