

sons or objects connected with the said dean and chapter and enumerated and set forth in the schedule hereunto annexed, marked B, and that an annual sum of not less than eight hundred pounds should be set apart for the due reparation of the said cathedral church and the buildings connected therewith.

"And whereas it has been made to appear to us, that by reason of the great antiquity of the said church, and of the want of due reparation in times past, it has become necessary for the due sustentation thereof to expend thereon forthwith such a sum of money as cannot be wholly charged on the parties now entitled to the receipt and enjoyment of the divisible corporate revenues of the said dean and chapter.

"And whereas we have ascertained that the sum so required to be forthwith expended in such repairs, and in effecting improvements conducive to the security of the fabric of the said cathedral church, amounts to fifteen thousand and three hundred pounds, or thereabouts.

"And whereas one of the purposes of the said Acts is to provide a fund for making better provision for the cure of souls; and the said dean and chapter have proposed to us, with the consent of their visitor, that the said manors, lands, tithes, tenements, and hereditaments (except as hereinafter excepted), should be dealt with in manner hereinafter mentioned; and we are of opinion, that it would ultimately conduce as well to the improvement of the said fund, as to the permanent benefit of the said dean and chapter, that the same should be dealt with accordingly.

"Now, therefore, with the consent of the dean and chapter of the cathedral church of Worcester, and of the Right Reverend Henry, Bishop of Worcester, as visitor of the said dean and chapter, testified by their having hereunto affixed their respective corporate seals, we humbly recommend and propose, that, in consideration of the money payments hereinafter mentioned to be paid by us to, or on account of, the said dean and chapter, and of our relinquishing all our right and claim in respect of the said suspended canonries, to and in the estates and property to be retained by the said dean and chapter, and to any participation in the rents and profits thereof (except in the Worcester meadows), or in the money payments hereinafter mentioned, or the estates to be substituted for the same, all the manors, lands, tithes, tenements, and hereditaments, which now belong, either in possession or reversion, to the said dean and chapter (excepting any right of ecclesiastical patronage, and any property in possession, or not subject to any outstanding demise or grant, situate within the precincts or sanctuary of the said cathedral church, and excepting also the Worcester meadows aforesaid), and all the estate and interest therein of the said dean and chapter, shall, as from and after the first day of November, in this present year, without any conveyance or assurance in the law other than any duly published Order of your Majesty in Council, ratifying this scheme, become and be transferred to and vested in us and our successors, and that we and they shall thereupon become and be absolutely seized of the same in fee, and that in consideration of and for such transfer and conveyance, we shall surrender all right and be excluded from all participation in respect of the said suspended canonries to and in the property to be hereafter retained by the said dean and chapter as aforesaid, except in the Worcester meadows aforesaid, and that there shall on the first day of May, and the first day of November, in every year, be paid by us to the said dean and

chapter, in respect of the half year then last past, the sum of four thousand and five hundred pounds; and also until the said dean and chapter shall have been put into possession of real estates as hereinafter mentioned, the further sum of one hundred and eighty pounds (such last-mentioned sum to be by them appropriated and paid to the chapter clerk for the time being, in respect of the profits which would have accrued to him on account of the management of the estates hereby proposed to be transferred to us), and that the first payment of each of such half yearly sums respectively, be made on the first day of May next, and that the receipt or receipts of the Receiver-General for the time being of the said dean and chapter, shall be a good and valid discharge to us for all or any and every such sum or sums of money as shall therein be expressed to have been paid to him by us under the authority of this scheme when ratified as aforesaid.

"And we further recommend and propose that, as a further consideration for the said transfer and conveyance, there shall be forthwith paid and expended by us in effecting such repairs of the said cathedral church and improvements as aforesaid, under the superintendence of and according to plans and specifications to be prepared by the architect of the dean and chapter, and to be approved by us, the said sum of fifteen thousand and three hundred pounds, for which due allowance has been made in fixing the amount of the annuity to be paid to the said dean and chapter as aforesaid.

"And we further recommend and propose that none of the monies or estates to be received or acquired under the provisions of this scheme, shall be applicable to the purposes of our common fund (except only so far as it may be necessary to reimburse such fund, any advances made thereout under the provisions of this scheme), until or unless by and under the like authority, the said dean and chapter shall have been put into possession in fee simple of real estates (of which not more than one eighth part shall consist of tithes or tithe rent charges), sufficient to secure to the said dean and chapter, a clear annual income therefrom (after deducting rates, taxes, and other outgoings, including costs of management), of nine thousand pounds, free from any claim by us on account of the shares to which we may be entitled in respect of suspended canonries, subject however as well to the charges and outgoings hereinbefore mentioned, as to all other capitular liabilities, except the hereinbefore mentioned payment of three hundred and sixty pounds per annum to the chapter clerk."

"Provided also that if when the said dean and chapter shall have been put into possession of permanent estates as last aforesaid, the present chapter clerk shall hold that office, there shall be paid to him by us during his tenure thereof, a yearly sum of one hundred and fifty pounds, in respect of the loss of emoluments which he will then sustain, by reason of the diminution in the number and area of the capitular estates."

"And we further recommend and propose, with the like consent of the said dean and chapter, and of their visitor, that the said sums of stock and cash so described as aforesaid, in the said Schedule marked A, and also any other sums of stock or cash which may be now invested or held in trust for the said dean and chapter, excepting only any stock or cash which may have been produced by the sale of any part of the Worcester meadows aforesaid, shall as soon as conveniently may be, be sold out or transferred, and the same or the proceeds thereof, be paid or carried to our