

chant Shipping Act, 1854," is pleased to direct, that the said Light Dues shall on and after the first day of October, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-one, be further reduced as follows, that is to say, until Her Majesty, with the advice of Her Privy Council, may see fit otherwise to determine, there shall be allowed to every person paying the dues mentioned in the said consolidated tables, so approved as aforesaid by the said Order in Council of the twenty-sixth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-five, a further abatement or discount upon the amount payable by him, which further abatement or discount shall, in the case of every over-sea vessel, be ten per cent., making together with the aforesaid abatements of twenty-five per cent., fifteen per cent. and ten per cent. respectively, allowed by the said recited Orders, a gross abatement or discount of sixty per cent. upon the amount of the dues specified in the said consolidated tables, and payable in respect of such over-sea vessel; and which further abatement or discount shall, in the case of every coasting vessel, be twenty-five per cent., making, together with the aforesaid abatements of ten per cent., fifteen per cent., and ten per cent. respectively allowed by the said recited Orders, a gross abatement or discount of sixty per cent., upon the amount of the dues specified in the said consolidated tables, and payable in respect of such coasting-vessel.

Arthur Helps.

AT the Court at *Osborne House, Isle of Wight*,
the 25th day of *July*, 1861,

PRESENT,

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

WHEREAS the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England have, in pursuance of an Act of the twenty-third and twenty-fourth years of Her Majesty, chapter one hundred and twenty-four, duly prepared and laid before Her Majesty in Council a scheme, bearing date the sixteenth day of May, in the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty-one, in the words and figures following; that is to say:

"We, the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England, in pursuance of the Act of the twenty-third and twenty-fourth years of your Majesty's reign, chapter one hundred and twenty-four, sections two, three, four, and seven, have prepared, and now humbly lay before your Majesty in Council the following scheme for assigning certain lands and hereditaments as the endowment of the See of Durham.

"Whereas the Honorable and Right Reverend Henry Montagu, Bishop of Durham, succeeded to the See of Durham, on an avoidance which happened before the passing of the hereinbefore mentioned Act, and is in receipt of the annual amount named by Act of Parliament, as the income of the Bishops of Durham, videlicet, eight thousand pounds; and the said Henry Montagu, Bishop of Durham, has signified to us his willingness to accept as the endowment for his See, the lands, tenements, and hereditaments particularly described in the two parts of the Schedule hereto annexed, whereof those portions which are specified in the first part of the Schedule, are vested in us in fee-simple, and the portions specified in the second part of the same Schedule, (save and except all minerals

thereunder or thereupon, and all mineral and way-leave rights in, over, or under the same,) now belong to the said Bishop and his successors in the said See; the lands, tenements, and hereditaments so specified in the said two parts of the Schedule aforesaid, being in the opinion of our Estates Committee, convenient to be held as the endowment of the See, and calculated to secure to the holder thereof, as nearly as may be (after deducting costs of management), a net annual income of eight thousand pounds per annum; and no more; and that such assignment of lands and hereditaments as is hereinafter recommended and proposed, should be made so that all the lands and hereditaments not so assigned, which now form part of the endowment of the said See, may thereupon become vested in us, and applicable to the purposes of our common fund.

"Now, therefore, with the consent of the said Henry Montagu, Bishop of Durham, testified by his having signed this scheme and sealed the same with his episcopal seal, we humbly recommend and propose that, upon the publication in the London Gazette of any Order of your Majesty in Council ratifying this scheme, and without any conveyance or assurance in the law other than such duly published Order, the lands, tenements, and hereditaments particularly described in the two parts of the Schedule hereunto annexed, with their appurtenances, and all the right, title, estate, and interest therein (save and except, and always reserved unto us, our successors, and our and their lessees, tenants, and assigns, all and singular, the mines, quarries, and beds of coal, stone, clay, sand, minerals, and metalliferous substances of all descriptions therein or thereunder, with full and exclusive authority to sink, win, work, get up, and carry away the same, in, under, out of, and from, the said lands, hereditaments, and premises, or any other lands, hereditaments, and premises, according to the course and practice at present, or hereafter to be used or adopted in the county of Durham, or according to the most approved mode which may, from time to time, be used or invented, and to enter upon, take, use, and occupy, from time to time, and for such time, and in such manner as we, our successors, lessees, tenants, and assigns shall think fit, so much of the said lands, hereditaments, and premises, as we shall deem necessary, proper, or convenient, for all or any of the aforesaid purposes, making full compensation for any injury thereby occasioned, and save and except, and always reserved, full and exclusive authority for us, our successors, lessees, tenants, and assigns, or persons acting under our authority, and whether in reference or respect to lands held by or under us, or any other property, to make, grant, and use, any way or ways, upon, across, under, or through the said lands, hereditaments, and premises, for the purposes aforesaid) together with all tithes, or rent charges in lieu of tithes, arising thereout or charged thereupon, and the benefit of the perpetual land tax (if any) charged upon the same premises, shall be assigned as the endowment of the Bishopric of Durham, and shall, as from and after the thirtieth day of June next, become and be absolutely vested in the said Bishop in as full and ample a manner as if the same had formed part of the ancient possessions of the same See.

"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, in conformity with the provisions of the said recited Act, or of any other Act of Parliament.