

AT the Court at *Windsor*, the 17th day of *November*, 1863.

PRESENT,

The QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty in Council

WHEREAS the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England, have, in pursuance of an Act of the sixth and seventh years of Her Majesty, chapter thirty-seven, sections six and eight, duly prepared and laid before Her Majesty in Council a scheme, bearing date the twenty-eighth day of October, in the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty-three, in the words following; that is to say:

"We, the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England, in pursuance of an Act of the sixth and seventh years of your Majesty, chapter thirty-seven, sections six and eight, have prepared, and now humbly lay before your Majesty in Council the following scheme for authorizing the sale and disposal of certain property formerly belonging to the Prebends of Ruiton, otherwise Ryton and Prees, otherwise Pipe Minor, in the Cathedral Church of Lichfield, annexed to the fourth Canonry in the said Church, and now vested in us.

"Whereas it was by the Act of the third and fourth years of your Majesty, chapter one hundred and thirteen enacted that the whole of the separate estates and endowments belonging to the said Prebends of Ruiton, otherwise Ryton and Prees, otherwise Pipe Minor (excepting any right of Ecclesiastical patronage) should, upon the then next avoidance of the said prebends become absolutely vested in us for the purposes, and subject to the provisions applicable to other hereditaments vested in us.

"And whereas, under, and by virtue of an Indenture bearing date the eleventh day of December, in the year one thousand eight hundred and fifty-eight, and made, or expressed to be made between the Reverend Henry Dudley Ryder, Clerk, Master of Arts, Prebendary of the said Prebends by Thomas Dudley Ryder, of Gray's Inn, in the county of Middlesex, Esquire, and Richard Calthorpe Whitmore Ryder, of Lincoln's Inn, in the county of Middlesex, Esquire, his Attorneys duly appointed by a deed poll or instrument under the hand and seal of the said Henry Dudley Ryder, dated the twenty-third day of November, one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine, of the one part; and us the said Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England of the other part; and of another Indenture bearing date the thirteenth day of December, in the year one thousand eight hundred and fifty-eight, and made or expressed to be made between the same Henry Dudley Ryder by his said Attorneys, the said Thomas Dudley Ryder, and the said Richard Calthorpe Whitmore Ryder, of the first part; the said Thomas Dudley Ryder and the said Richard Calthorpe Whitmore Ryder of the second part; and us, the said Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England, of the third part; all the estate and interest of him, the said Henry Dudley Ryder, as such prebendary as aforesaid, in all the lands, tithes, tenements, hereditaments and endowments, then belonging to the said prebends respectively, became vested in us for the consideration, and subject to the covenants contained in the said indentures.

"And whereas some portions of the lands, tithes, tenements, hereditaments, and endowments aforesaid, are subject to beneficial leases thereof, and produce during the subsistence of such leases, only a small annual revenue, and partly on that account, and partly on account of their character or situation, are unsuitable or inconvenient to be

held or applied for the purposes for which estates vested in us are applicable, under the Acts by which our proceedings are governed.

"And whereas by an Act of the twenty-third and twenty-fourth years of your Majesty, chapter one hundred and twenty-four, power is given to lessees holding under us, in the event of our declining to enter into a treaty for the sale of our reversions, or the purchase of the leasehold interests, to require us to purchase such leasehold interests at a valuation.

"And whereas with a view to the advantageous appropriation of the said lands, tithes, tenements, hereditaments and endowments, or of the proceeds thereof, for the ultimate improvement of our common fund, it is expedient that the said lands, tithes, tenements, hereditaments and endowments, or such part or parts thereof, as we shall at any time, and from time to time think fit, should be sold or disposed of, and accordingly that we should be empowered to dispose of our interest therein, or in any part or parts thereof, in such manner as shall appear to us advisable.

"Now, therefore, we humbly recommend and propose, that we may be authorized and empowered, by instrument or instruments in writing duly executed according to law, from time to time to sell or dispose of, and duly to convey according to the provisions of the said Act of the sixth and seventh years of your Majesty's reign, with the consent of the holder or holders thereof (if any) to be testified by his, her, or their being made parties to such instruments, all or any of the said lands, tithes, tenements, hereditaments, and endowments heretofore belonging to the said prebends of Ruiton, otherwise Ryton and Prees, otherwise Pipe Minor, or either of them, and so vested in us as aforesaid, with their appurtenances and all our estate, right, title, and interest therein, or in any part or parts thereof unto and to the use of any person or persons desirous or willing to purchase the same, and his, her, or their heirs, executors, administrators, or assigns, or otherwise, as he, she, or they shall direct or appoint, and for such consideration as shall, upon due calculation and enquiry, appear to us to be just and reasonable.

"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, or any of them, in accordance with the provisions of the said 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 Act; 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 Lichfield.

Arthur Helps.

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The QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS by an Act, passed in the session of Parliament, held in the eighteenth and nineteenth years of Her Majesty's