

and laid before Her Majesty in Council a scheme, bearing date the thirtieth day of May, in the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty-six, in the words following; that is to say:

"We, the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England, in pursuance of the Act of the third and fourth years of your Majesty, chapter one hundred and thirteen; have prepared, and now humbly lay before your Majesty in Council, the following scheme for authorizing a transfer of the patronage of, or right of presentation to, the rectory of the abbey parish of Saint Alban's, in the county of Hertford, and in the diocese of Rochester.

"Whereas the patronage of or right of presentation to the rectory of the abbey parish of Saint Alban's aforesaid is vested in the Reverend Henry Joseph Boone Nicholson, of Saint Alban's aforesaid, Doctor in Divinity.

"And whereas the said Henry Joseph Boone Nicholson is desirous that the said patronage or right of presentation should be transferred to, and become vested in, the Bishop of the diocese for the time being, within which the abbey parish of Saint Alban's aforesaid shall be situate, so as to render the said rectory more eligible than it would otherwise be according to the rule and practice heretofore adopted by us, to receive an unconditional grant in augmentation of the income thereof out of the common fund under our control, which is referred to in the hereinbefore mentioned Act. Now, therefore, with the consent of the Right Reverend Joseph Cotton, Bishop of the said diocese of Rochester, within whose diocese the abbey parish of Saint Alban's aforesaid is now situate, and with the consent of the said Henry Joseph Boone Nicholson (in testimony whereof they have respectively signed and sealed this scheme), we humbly recommend and propose that upon and from the day of the date of the publication in the London Gazette of an Order of your Majesty in Council ratifying this scheme, and without any conveyance or assurance in the law other than such duly gazetted Order, the whole right of patronage of, and right of presentation to, the said rectory of the abbey parish of Saint Alban's aforesaid, and of the nomination of the rector or incumbent thereto, shall be transferred to, and become and be absolutely vested in, and shall and may from time to time be exercised by the said Joseph Cotton, Bishop of the said diocese of Rochester, or other the Bishop of the diocese for the time being, within which the abbey parish of Saint Alban's aforesaid may hereafter be situate.

"And we further recommend and propose, that nothing herein contained shall prevent us from recommending and proposing any further or other measures relating to the matters aforesaid, or to any of them, in accordance with the provisions of the said Act, 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 said diocese of Rochester.

Arthur Helps.

AT the Court at *Windsor*, the 27th day of *June*, 1866.

PRESENT,

The QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England have, in pursuance of an Act of the third and fourth years of Her Majesty, chapter one hundred and thirteen, duly prepared and laid before Her Majesty in Council a scheme, bearing date the thirty-first day of May, in the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty-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," have prepared, and now humbly lay before your Majesty in Council, the following scheme for applying a part of certain property, formerly belonging to the prebend of Sawley, in the cathedral church of Lichfield, in aid of the Fabric Fund of the said cathedral church.

"Whereas by an Act, passed in the session of Parliament held in the thirty-seventh year of the reign of His late Majesty, King George the Third, intituled "An Act to explain and amend an Act "passed in the fourth and fifth years of the reign "of Her late Majesty, Queen Anne, intituled "An "Act for augmenting the number of Canons "residential in the cathedral church of Lichfield, and for improving the Deanery and "Prebends of the said cathedral, and to make "further provision for the Canons residential "in the said cathedral church, and an addition "to the Fabric Fund thereof," it was, amongst other things, enacted that one-fifth part of all fines and profits which should be from time to time received for renewing the lease or leases of the said prebend of Sawley, or a fifth part of the rent or rents, receipt or receipts, benefit or advantage, arising from the said prebend (except of the ancient reserved rent) should be paid unto the Dean and Chapter, for the time being, of the said cathedral church of Lichfield, to be by them applied in aid of the fabric fund appropriated to keeping the said cathedral church in repair.

"And whereas in pursuance and under the authority of the provisions contained in the herein first recited Act all the lands, tenements, hereditaments, and endowments (except any right of patronage), formerly belonging to the said prebend of Sawley, became, on the death of the Reverend Lawrence Gardner, Doctor in Divinity, late holder of the said prebend, vested in us, subject to the then subsisting lease or leases thereof, and, by the same Act, we are required to set apart so much of the rent and profits of the said prebend of Sawley as had been theretofore applied as an addition to the fabric fund of the said cathedral church.

"And whereas our reversionary interest in a portion of the estates formerly belonging to the said prebend has been sold, under the authority of an Order of your Majesty in Council, bearing date the twenty-seventh day of June, one thousand eight hundred and forty-eight, and one-fifth part of the proceeds of such sale have been duly appropriated for the benefit of the fabric fund of the said cathedral church, under the authority of a further Order of your Majesty in Council, bearing date the eleventh day of March, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-three.