

to the said church, situate within the limits of such township and chapelry as aforesaid, and that the same should be named 'The District Chapelry of Denton.'

"And, with the like consent of the said Robert, Bishop of the said diocese of Ripon (testified as aforesaid), we, the said Ecclesiastical Commissioners, further represent, that it appears to us to be expedient that banns of matrimony should be published, and that marriages, baptisms, churchings, and burials should be solemnized or performed at such church, and that the fees to be received in respect of the publication of such banns, and of the solemnization or performance of the said offices, should be paid and belong to the minister of the same church for the time being: Provided always, that nothing herein contained shall be construed as expressing any intention on the part of us, the said Commissioners, to concur in or approve the taking of any fee for the performance of the said office of baptism, or for the registration thereof.

"We, therefore, humbly pray that your Majesty will be graciously pleased to take the premises unto your Royal consideration, and to make such order with respect thereto as to your Majesty, in your Royal wisdom, shall seem meet."

And whereas the said representation 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 representation, 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 said diocese of Ripon.

*Arthur Helps.*

AT the Court at Windsor, the 9th day of December, 1868.

PRESENT,

The QUEEN'S Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England have, in pursuance of the Act of the fifty-ninth year of His Majesty King George the Third, chapter one hundred and thirty-four; of the Act of the second and third years of Her Majesty, chapter forty-nine; and of the Act of the nineteenth and twentieth years of Her Majesty, chapter fifty-five, duly prepared and laid before Her Majesty in Council a representation, bearing date the twelfth day of November, in the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight, in the words following; that is to say:

"We, the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England, in pursuance of the Act of the fifty-ninth year of His Majesty King George the Third, chapter one hundred and thirty-four; of the Act of the second and third years of your Majesty, chapter forty-nine; and of the Act of the nineteenth and twentieth years of your Majesty, chapter fifty-five, have prepared, and now humbly lay before your Majesty in Council the following representation, as to the assignment of a district chapelry to the consecrated church, known as Saint Stephen-in-the-Banks, situate in

the parish of North Meols, in the county of Lancaster, and in the diocese of Chester.

"Whereas it appears to us to be expedient that a district chapelry should be assigned to the said church of Saint Stephen-in-the-Banks.

"Now, therefore, with the consent of the Right Reverend William, Bishop of the said diocese of Chester (testified by his having signed and sealed this representation), we, the said Ecclesiastical Commissioners, humbly represent that it would, in our opinion, be expedient that all that part of the said parish of North Meols which is described in the schedule hereunder written, all which part, together with the boundaries thereof, is delineated and set forth on the map or plan hereunto annexed, should be assigned as a district chapelry to the said church of Saint Stephen-in-the-Banks, and that the same should be named 'The District Chapelry of Saint Stephen-in-the-Banks.'

"And with the like consent of the said William, Bishop of the said diocese of Chester (testified as aforesaid), we, the said Ecclesiastical Commissioners, further represent, that it appears to us to be expedient that banns of matrimony should be published, and that marriages, baptisms, churchings, and burials should be solemnized or performed at such church, and that the fees to be received in respect of the publication of such banns, and of the solemnization or performance of the said offices should be paid and belong to the minister of the same church for the time being: Provided always, that nothing herein contained shall be construed as expressing any intention on the part of us, the said Commissioners, to concur in or approve the taking of any fee for the performance of the said office of baptism, or for the registration thereof.

"We, therefore, humbly pray, that your Majesty will be graciously pleased to take the premises into your Royal consideration, and to make such Order with respect thereto as to your Majesty in your Royal wisdom shall seem meet.

The SCHEDULE to which the foregoing Representation has reference.

"The District Chapelry of Saint Stephen-in-the-Banks, being:—

"All that part of the parish of North Meols, in the county of Lancaster, and in the diocese of Chester, wherein the present incumbent of such parish now possesses the exclusive cure of souls which consists for the most part of the territory known as 'The Banks,' all which said part is bounded on the north by the estuary of the River Ribble, upon the east partly by the parish of Hesketh with Becconsall, in the said county of Lancaster, and in the diocese of Manchester, and partly by the parish of Tarleton, in the said last-mentioned county and diocese and upon the remaining side, that is to say, upon the south west partly by the new parish of Saint John, Crossens, in the county of Lancaster, and diocese of Chester aforesaid, and partly by an imaginary line commencing upon the boundary which divides such new parish from the said parish of North Meols at the point where the watercourse called 'The Long Ditch,' joins the stream called 'The Sluice;' and extending thence, south-eastward; along the middle of the said stream called 'The Sluice,' for a distance of six furlongs, or thereabouts to the boundary which divides the said parish of North Meols, from the parish of Tarleton aforesaid."

And whereas the said representation has been approved by Her Majesty in Council; now,