

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 Chester.

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 an Act of the sixth and seventh years of your Majesty, chapter thirty-seven, duly prepared and laid before Her Majesty in Council a scheme, bearing date the twenty-sixth 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 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 deanery of the cathedral church of Exeter, and now vested in us.

"Whereas under an Act of the third and fourth years of your Majesty, chapter one hundred and thirteen, and another Act of the fourth and fifth years of your Majesty, chapter thirty-nine, and by virtue of an Order of your Majesty in Council, made under the provisions of the same Acts, and bearing date the fifteenth day of April, in the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-eight, and duly published in the London Gazette on the twelfth day of May following, certain lands, tithes, and other hereditaments then belonging to the said deanery, became absolutely vested in us for the purposes, and subject to the provisions applicable to other hereditaments vested in us.

"And whereas on the vacancy of the said deanery, which occurred on or about the seventeenth day of January, in the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty-one, by the death of the Very Reverend Thomas Hill Lowe, the then dean, all the lands, tithes, and other hereditaments then belonging to the said deanery, except the residence house, situate in the city of Exeter, became by virtue of the Act first hereinbefore mentioned, absolutely vested in us for the purposes, and subject to the provisions aforesaid.

"And whereas the greater part of the lands, tithes, and hereditaments severally hereinbefore referred to are subject to beneficial leases or grants for lives and years and produce during the subsistence of such leases or grants only a small annual revenue, and on that account and partly on account of the character or situation of the property 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 holden 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, and hereditaments, or of the proceeds thereof, for the ultimate improvement of our common fund, it is expedient that the said lands, tithes, and hereditaments, 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 respective holders (if any), to be testified by their being made parties to such instruments, all or any of the said lands, tithes, and hereditaments formerly belonging to the said deanery, 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 inquiry 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 either of them, 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 Exeter.

Arthur Helps.

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

PRESENT,

The QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS the Local Board of Health for the district of Tunbridge Wells, in the counties of Kent and Sussex, have, under the provisions of an Act passed in the session of Parliament held in the twentieth and twenty-first years of Her Majesty's reign, intitled "An Act to amend the Burial Acts," presented a petition to Her Majesty in Council stating to the effect that