

tenements, hereditaments, and endowments, or such 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, theretofore belonging to the said prebend of Ketton, 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, it being our intention to invest the proceeds of such sale, from time to time as occasion may arise, in the purchase of other lands, tithes, rent charges, tenements, or hereditaments, or of some estate or interest therein, convenient to be held by us for the purposes of the Acts by which our proceedings are governed as aforesaid, and in the meantime to invest the said proceeds in some Government or Parliamentary Stock, or other public securities in England.

"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 Lincoln.

*Arthur Helps.*

At the Court at Windsor, the 8th day of February, 1871.

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, and of another Act of the twenty-third and twenty-fourth years of Her Majesty, chapter one hundred and twenty-four, sections two, three, and twenty-four, duly prepared and laid before Her Majesty

in Council a scheme, bearing date the twenty-sixth day of January, in the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy-one, 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, and of another Act of the twenty-third and twenty-fourth years of your Majesty, chapter one hundred and twenty-four, sections two, three, and twenty-four, 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 bishoprick of Chichester, and now vested in us.

"Whereas on the vacancy of the said bishoprick, which occurred on or about the twenty-first day of February, in the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy, by the decease of the Right Reverend Ashhurst Turner, the late Bishop of Chichester, all the lands, tithes, tenements, hereditaments, and endowments formerly belonging to the said bishoprick (except rights of patronage, and the episcopal house of residence situate at Chichester), became absolutely vested in us, for the purposes and subject to the provisions applicable to other hereditaments vested in us.

"And whereas the lands, tithes, tenements, hereditaments, and endowments aforesaid consist to a considerable extent of reversions expectant upon grants and leases for lives and years, and produce during the subsistence of such grants and leases only small annual revenues, and on that account, and in some instances on account of the character or situation of the property, are unsuitable or inconvenient to be assigned as an endowment for the said bishoprick, or to be held or applied for the other purposes for which estates vested in us are applicable, under the Acts by which our proceedings are governed.

"And whereas by the last-mentioned Act, 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 for the purchase of the leasehold interests, to require us to purchase such leasehold interests at a valuation.

"And whereas it is expedient that such of the aforesaid lands, tithes, tenements, hereditaments, and endowments lately belonging to the see of Chichester, either with or without other property vested in us, as the case may require, as in the judgment of our Estates Committee, and subject to the approbation of the Bishop for the time being shall be deemed convenient to be held as an endowment for the said see, and as will secure a net annual income of four thousand and two hundred pounds, being the income named for the Bishop of Chichester and his successors by the Order made by your Majesty in Council on the twenty-fifth day of August, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-one, which Order was duly published in the London Gazette on the nineteenth day of September following, should be assigned as the endowment of the said see, and that for that purpose, as well as with a view to the more advantageous appropriation of the remainder of the said lands, tithes, tenements, hereditaments, and endowments, or of the proceeds thereof, for the ultimate improvement of our common fund, we should be empowered to dispose of our interest therein, or in any part or parts thereof, and in such manner as shall appear to us advisable.

"Now, therefore, we humbly recommend and propose that we may be authorised and empowered, by instrument or instruments in writing, duly executed according to law, from time to time to