

"shall object thereto, and in such case the last-mentioned provision shall forthwith after such avoidance come into operation, and shall be binding on all persons whatsoever."

And whereas the Lord Bishop of Chichester hath drawn up, together with a scheme, a representation, in writing, bearing date the sixteenth day of May, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-two, and hath transmitted the same to his Grace the Lord Archbishop of Canterbury, in the words and figures following (that is to say) :—

"To the Right Honourable and Most Reverend Archibald Campbell, Lord Archbishop of the Province of Canterbury.

"I, the Right Reverend Richard, Lord Bishop of Chichester, do hereby represent to your Grace, that there is in the county of Sussex, and my diocese of Chichester, the vicarage and parish church of Washington, the parish whereof comprises (amongst other places) a district known by the name of North Washington, which consists of a territory of four hundred and sixty nine acres, two roods, and fifteen perches of land, according to the tithe apportionment of the said parish, and is all that part of the said parish which lies to the north-east of the fences which separate the fields or closes of land, numbered respectively 171, 172, 175, 178, and 179 on the tithe commutation map of the said parish of Washington, from the fields or closes of land, numbered respectively 180, 183, 184, and 191 on the same map.

"That the said district of North Washington adjoins the parish of Ashington, in the said county and diocese, to which parish the said district may be more conveniently annexed for ecclesiastical purposes.

"That according to the last census, the population of Washington, inclusive of the said district, is nine hundred and eight, the population of the said district is two hundred and eighty, or thereabouts, and the population of the said parish of Ashington is two hundred and seventy-seven, or thereabouts.

"That the parish church of Ashington is conveniently situated for, and adapted to the accommodation of the inhabitants of the said district who are accustomed to attend there for the purposes of divine worship, the most distant part of the said district being within a mile of the said parish church of Ashington, and the nearest house in the said district to the parish church of Washington, is distant more than two miles from such last-mentioned church.

"That it does not appear that any of the inhabitants or land owners of the said district, possess any legal right, by faculty or otherwise, to the exclusive use of any pews or sittings in the said parish church of Washington.

"That the patronage of the said vicarage and parish church of Washington, belongs to the President and scholars of Saint Mary Magdalen College, in the University of Oxford, and the Reverend John Walter Knight is the incumbent of such vicarage and parish church, and the patronage of the rectory and parish church of Ashington belongs to the Reverend John Goring, of Wiston, near Steyning, in the said county of Sussex, Clerk, and the Right Reverend Walter John Trower, late Bishop of Gibraltar is the incumbent of such rectory and parish church.

"That it appears to me, that under the provisions of the Acts of Parliament of the first and second years of the reign of Her present Majesty, chapter 106, and of the second and third years of

the same reign, chapter 49, the said district of North Washington may be advantageously separated from the said vicarage and parish of Washington, and be united to, and be deemed part of the rectory and parish of Ashington for ecclesiastical purposes.

"That, pursuant to the directions contained in the 26th section of the said first mentioned Act, I have prepared the following scheme, which, together with the consents thereto of the patrons and incumbents of the said vicarage of Washington, and of the said rectory of Ashington, I do submit to your Grace, to the intent that your Grace may, if on full consideration and enquiry, you shall be satisfied with such scheme, certify the same and such consent by your report to Her Majesty in Council.

"The SCHEME above referred to.

"That the district of North Washington shall be separated from the said vicarage and parish of Washington, and be united to, and be, and be deemed part and parcel of the rectory and parish of Ashington for ecclesiastical purposes.

"That the said district shall be subject to the same ecclesiastical jurisdiction as the said rectory of Ashington, and the incumbent of Ashington shall have exclusive cure of souls within the limits of the same district.

"That all tithe, rent charges, or other payments in lieu or commutation of tithe, belonging to the said vicarage of Washington, arising, and from time to time hereafter to arise or become due, or payable within the limits of the same district, and amounting to the annual commuted sum of thirty-one pounds eleven shillings and five pence, shall from henceforth belong to, and be received and enjoyed by, the incumbent for the time being of the said rectory of Ashington for ever.

"That all fees, and other ecclesiastical dues and payments for churchings, marriages, burials, and other ecclesiastical offices solemnized and performed within the parish or parish church of Ashington, in respect of the said district of North Washington, shall from henceforth belong to the incumbent, clerk, and sexton of the said parish of Ashington.

"That the parishioners of, and residing in the said district of North Washington, shall continue liable to all rates, charges, and assessments to be made for the purpose of discharging the sum of money borrowed on the security of the church rates of the said parish of Washington, for the repair of the parish church of Washington aforesaid, until the same sum with the interest thereon shall have been paid off and discharged.

"That the parishioners of, and residing in the said district, shall not hereafter be entitled to accommodation in the church of Washington, but shall be entitled, in common with the parishioners of Ashington, to accommodation in the church of Ashington.

"Given under my hand this sixteenth day of May, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-two.

(Signed) "R. Cicestr.

"Consent.

"The President and scholars of Saint Mary Magdalene College, in the University of Oxford, the patrons of, or the body corporate entitled to present to the vicarage and parish church of Washington, in case the same were now vacant; the Reverend John Walker Knight, Clerk, the incumbent of the same vicarage and parish church, the Reverend John Goring, Clerk, the patron or person entitled to present to the rectory and parish