

“perpetual curacy and benefice, and the minister thereof, duly nominated and licensed thereto, and his successors, shall be a body politic and corporate, with perpetual succession, and may receive and take to himself and his successors all such lands, tenements, tithes, rent-charges, and hereditaments as shall be granted unto him or them, and such perpetual curate shall thenceforth have, within the limits of the district parish formed under the Church Building Acts, for the church of such perpetual curacy sole and exclusive cure of souls, and shall not in anywise be subject to the control or interference of the incumbent or incumbents of the benefice or benefices to be affected by such Order, if he or they shall have consented to such Order as aforesaid.”

And whereas the Lord Bishop of Hereford hath made a representation in writing 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 by Divine Providence Lord Archbishop of the Province of Canterbury.

“We the Right Reverend James Lord Bishop of Hereford do hereby represent to your Grace as follows.

1. “That within our diocese of Hereford is the rectory and parish church of Little Hereford in the county of Hereford with the chapelry or perpetual curacy of Ashford Carbonell in the county of Salop.

“That the limits and boundaries of the chapelry or parish of Ashford Carbonell are well known and defined.

2. “That the said chapelry or parish of Ashford Carbonell contains a church long since erected the distance of which church from the said parish church of Little Hereford is three miles or thereabouts.

3. “That according to the census of one thousand eight hundred and seventy-one the population of the said parish of Little Hereford exclusive of the said chapelry or parish of Ashford Carbonell is five hundred and nine and the population of the said chapelry or parish of Ashford Carbonell amounts according to the same census to three hundred and forty-one.

4. “That the said chapelry or parish of Ashford Carbonell appears to have been immemorially treated as a separate parish for all civil purposes and it also appears that baptisms churchings marriages and burials have heretofore been and are now performed in the said church of Ashford Carbonell for the inhabitants thereof.

5. “That the inhabitants of the said chapelry or parish of Ashford Carbonell have from time immemorial resorted to the church within the said chapelry or parish and have repaired the said church by separate rates levied on the said chapelry or parish of Ashford Carbonell for the separate and distinct repair thereof and in such chapelry or parish the inhabitants thereof have elected from among themselves churchwardens overseers and other parish officers for the same.

6. “That the said chapelry or parish of Ashford Carbonell is not in any way connected with the parish of Little Hereford in respect of rates of any kind nor are the inhabitants of the said chapelry or parish of Ashford Carbonell entitled to any accommodation in the said parish church of Little Hereford nor are the inhabitants of the said parish of Little Hereford entitled to accommodation in the said church of Ashford Carbonell.

7. “That the net annual value of the said rectory of Little Hereford including the said chapelry or perpetual curacy of Ashford Carbonell is three hundred and twenty pounds arising partly from rent-charges given in commutation of tithes and partly from glebe and partly from surplice fees and Easter offerings.

8. “That the patronage of the said rectory and parish church of Little Hereford with the said chapelry or perpetual curacy of Ashford Carbonell belongs to the Right Reverend the Lord Bishop of Worcester in right of his See and the Reverend Augustus William Gurney is the present incumbent thereof.

9. “That it appears to us that the said chapelry or parish of Ashford Carbonell may under the provisions of the Acts of Parliament of the first and second years of the reign of Her present Majesty chapter one hundred and six and of the Act of the second and third years of Her Majesty chapter forty-nine be advantageously separated from the said rectory and parish church of Little Hereford and be constituted a separate parish for ecclesiastical purposes and a separate benefice and perpetual curacy which shall be endowed with a clear yearly income of two hundred pounds or thereabouts.

10. “That pursuant to the directions contained in the twenty-sixth section of the said Act of Parliament we have drawn up a scheme in writing appended to this representation describing the mode in which it appears to us that the alteration above proposed may be best effected and how the changes consequent upon such alteration in respect to ecclesiastical jurisdiction, ecclesiastical dues rates and payments and in respect to patronage and rights to pews may be made with justice to all parties interested and we do submit the same to your Grace together with the consents in writing of the aforesaid patron and incumbent respectively of the said rectory of Little Hereford with Ashford Carbonell to the intent that your Grace may if on full consideration and enquiry you shall be satisfied with such scheme certify the same to Her Majesty in Council.

“Given under our hand this seventeenth day of January, one thousand eight hundred and eighty.

“*J. Hereford.*”

And whereas the scheme and consents referred to in the representation are in the words and figures following:—

“The SCHEME above referred to.

“1. That the chapelry or parish of Ashford Carbonell shall be separated from the rectory and parish church of Little Hereford and be constituted a separate parish for ecclesiastical purposes and a perpetual curacy and benefice by the name or style of ‘The Perpetual Curacy of Ashford Carbonell’ of which the church within the said parish shall be the parish church.

2. “That such perpetual curacy of Ashford Carbonell shall be subject to the same ecclesiastical jurisdiction as the said rectory of Little Hereford and the incumbent of such perpetual curacy shall have exclusive cure of souls within the limits of the same.

3. “That there being attached or belonging to the church of the said chapelry or perpetual curacy of Ashford Carbonell a piece of meadow land containing eight acres one rood and eight perches situate in the parish of Coreley in the county of Salop and numbered 336 on the tithe apportionment map of the said parish of Coreley and that there also being also belonging to the said church of Ashford Carbonell three pieces or parcels of arable and meadow land containing