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At the Court at *Holyrood Palace*, the 26th day of *August*, 1881.

PRESENT,

The QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS by an Act passed in the first session of the Parliament holden in the first and second years of the reign of Her present Majesty, intituled "An Act to abridge the holding of benefices in plurality, and to make better provision for the residence of the clergy," after reciting that "Whereas in some instances tithings, hamlets, chapelries, and other places or districts may be separated from the parishes or mother churches to which they belong, with great advantage, and places altogether extra-parochial may in some instances with advantage be annexed to parishes or districts to which they are contiguous, or be constituted separate parishes for ecclesiastical purposes," it is, amongst other things, enacted "That when with respect to his own diocese it shall appear to the Archbishop of the Province, or when the bishop of any diocese shall represent to the said archbishop that any such tithing, hamlet, chapelry, place, or district within the diocese of such archbishop, or the diocese of such bishop, as the case may be, may be advantageously separated from any parish or mother church and either be constituted a separate benefice by itself or be united to any other parish to which it may be more conveniently annexed, or to any other adjoining tithing, hamlet, chapelry, place, or district, parochial or extra-parochial, so as to form a separate parish or benefice, or that any extra-parochial place may with advantage be annexed to any parish to which it is contiguous, or be constituted a separate parish for ecclesiastical purposes; and the said archbishop or bishop shall draw up a scheme in writing (the scheme of such bishop to be transmitted to the said archbishop for his consideration) describing the mode in which it appears to him that the alteration may best be effected, and how the changes consequent on such alteration in respect to ecclesiastical jurisdiction, glebe lands, tithes, rent-charges, and other ecclesiastical dues, rates, and payments, and in respect to patronage and rights to pews, may be made with justice to all parties interested; and if the patron or patrons of the benefice or benefices to be affected by such alteration shall consent in writing under his or their hands to such scheme, or to such modification thereof as the said archbishop may

approve, and the said archbishop shall, on full consideration and inquiry, be satisfied with any such scheme, or modification thereof, and shall certify the same and such consent as aforesaid, by his report to Her Majesty in Council it shall be lawful for Her Majesty in Council to make an Order for carrying such scheme, or modification thereof, as the case may be, into effect; and such Order, being registered in the registry of the diocese, which the Registrar is hereby required to do, shall be forthwith binding on all persons whatsoever, including the Incumbent or Incumbents of the benefice or benefices to be affected thereby, if he or they shall have consented thereto in writing under his or their hands."

And whereas the Lord Bishop of Salisbury 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 Father in God Archibald Campbell by Divine Providence Lord Archbishop of the Province of Canterbury Primate of All England and Metropolitan.

"I George by Divine permission Bishop of Salisbury do in pursuance of the 26th section of the Act of Parliament of the first and second years of the reign of Her present Majesty chapter 106 hereby represent to your Grace.

"That there is in the county of Wilts and my diocese of Salisbury the vicarage of Coombe Bissett the parish whereof contains according to the census of one thousand eight hundred and eighty-one (exclusively of the chapelry hereinafter mentioned) a population of three hundred and sixty-two.

"That there is belonging to the parish of Coombe Bissett aforesaid the parochial chapelry of West Harnham the boundaries whereof are well known and defined and which contains according to the said census a population of two hundred and eighty-eight.

"That the net annual value of the benefice of Coombe Bissett arising partly from the rent-charge in lieu of tithes and partly from glebe and partly from surplice fees is one hundred and forty-six pounds in addition to which the incumbent of Coombe Bissett aforesaid is entitled to receive from out of the endowment of the Prebend of Coombe and Harnham in the Cathedral Church of Salisbury the yearly pension of fifty pounds of which twenty pounds is receivable in respect of the parochial chapelry of West Harnham aforesaid.