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A T the Court at Osborne House, Isle of Wight, the 14th day of January, 1887.

PRESENT,

The QUEEN'S Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

HEREAS 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 con-"tiguous, 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 consti-"tuted 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 altera-"tion 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 whereas by another Act of Parliament passed in the second and third years of the reign of Her present Majesty, intituled "An Act to "make better provision for the assignment of ecclesiastical districts to churches or chapels " augmented by the Governors of the Bounty of "Queen Anne; and for other purposes," it is, amongst other things, further enacted, "That "when by any Order of Her Majesty in Council, " as aforesaid, a separate parish for ecclesiastical " purposes is constituted, the same shall, on regis-" train thereof, and with the consent in writing " of the incumbent or incumbents of the benefice " or benefices to be thereby affected, become a " 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 thence-"forth 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 controul or inter-"ference 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 John, Lord Bishop of Salisbury, hath represented in a writing dated the fourth December, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-six, to the Right Honourable Edward White, Lord Archbishop of Canterbury as follows:—

"To the Most Reverend Edward White Lord Archbishop of Canterbury.

"I John, Bishop of Salisbury do hereby represent to your Grace that to the vicarige and parish church of Cranborne in the county of Dorset and my diocese of Salisbury belongs a hamlet or place known by the name of Verwood