

imaginary line commencing at a point where the boundary which divides the said new parish of Saint Mary Birch from the parish of Middleton aforesaid meets the boundary which divides the township of Middleton from the township of Thornham at which point Whit Brook is joined by the stream which flows past the southern side of the farm house called or known as Butterworth's and extending thence eastward along the said township boundary (thereby following the course of the last-mentioned stream) for a distance of eleven chains or thereabouts to the point where such township boundary crosses the middle of the Rochdale Canal and extending thence first southward and then south-eastward along the middle of the said canal for a distance of thirty-three chains or thereabouts to the boundary which divides the said parish of Middleton from the new parish of Saint Matthew Chadderton aforesaid.

"II. And also all that contiguous portion of the said new parish of Saint Mary Birch which is bounded upon the north by the said new parish of Saint Martin Castleton Moor upon the east upon the south-east and upon a small part of the west by the parish of Middleton aforesaid (including the above described portion thereof) and upon the remaining side that is to say upon the north-west and upon the remaining part of the west by an imaginary line commencing upon the boundary which divides the said parish of Middleton from the new parish of Saint Mary Birch aforesaid at the centre of Stanycliffe Bridge which carries the road from Manchester to Rochdale over the Stanycliffe Brook and extending thence north-eastward along the middle of the last-mentioned road for a distance of sixty-seven chains or thereabouts to the centre of the bridge at Slattocks Locks which carries the same road over the Rochdale Canal aforesaid and extending thence generally northward along the middle of the said canal for a distance of one mile and two chains or thereabouts to the boundary at the turnbridge a little to the north of Maden Fold which boundary divides the said new parish of Saint Mary Birch from the new parish of Saint Martin Castleton Moor aforesaid."

And whereas drafts of the said scheme have, in accordance with the provisions of the firstly hereinbefore mentioned Act, been transmitted to the patrons and to the incumbents of the two cures out of which it is intended that the district recommended in such scheme to be constituted shall be taken, and such patrons and incumbents have respectively signified their assent to such scheme.

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; 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 said diocese of Manchester. *C. L. Peel.*

AT the Court at Osborne House, Isle of Wight, the 8th day of February, 1896.

PRESENT,

The QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England have, in pursuance of the Act of the fifty-ninth year of His Majesty King
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George the Third, chapter one hundred and thirty-four; of the Act of the second and third years of Her Majesty, chapter forty-nine; and of the Act of the nineteenth and twentieth years of Her Majesty, chapter fifty-five, duly prepared and laid before Her Majesty in Council a representation, bearing date the ninth day of January, in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six, in the words following, that is to say:—

"We, the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England, in pursuance of the Act of the fifty-ninth year of His Majesty King George the Third, chapter one hundred and thirty-four; of the Act of the second and third years of Your Majesty, chapter forty-nine; and of the Act of the nineteenth and twentieth years of Your Majesty, chapter fifty-five, have prepared, and now humbly lay before Your Majesty in Council, the following representation as to the assignment of a district chapelry to the consecrated church of Saint James Calderbrook situate within the parochial chapelry of Littleborough and within the original limits of the parish of Rochdale in the county of Lancaster and in the diocese of Manchester.

"Whereas it appears to us to be expedient that a district chapelry should be assigned to the said church of Saint James Calderbrook situate as aforesaid.

"Now therefore, with the consent of the Right Reverend James Bishop of the said diocese of Manchester (testified by his having signed and sealed this representation), we, the said Ecclesiastical Commissioners, humbly represent, that it would, in our opinion, be expedient that all that part of the said parochial chapelry of Littleborough which is described in the schedule hereunder written, all which part, together with the boundaries thereof, is delineated and set forth on the map or plan hereunto annexed, should be assigned as a district chapelry to the said church of Saint James Calderbrook situate as aforesaid, and that the same should be named 'The District Chapelry of Saint James Calderbrook.'

"And with the like consent of the said James Bishop of the said diocese of Manchester (testified as aforesaid) we, the said Ecclesiastical Commissioners, further represent, that it appears to us to be expedient that banns of matrimony should be published, and that marriages, baptisms, churchings, and burials should be solemnized or performed at the said church of Saint James Calderbrook situate as aforesaid, and that the fees to be received in respect of the publication of such banns and of the solemnization or performance of the said offices should be paid and belong to the minister of the same church for the time being: Provided always, that nothing herein contained shall be construed as expressing any intention on the part of us the said Commissioners to concur in or approve the taking of any fee for the performance of the said office of baptism or for the registration thereof.

"We, therefore, humbly pray that Your Majesty will be graciously pleased to take the premises into Your Royal consideration and to make such Order with respect thereto as to Your Majesty, in Your Royal wisdom, shall seem meet.

"The SCHEDULE to which the foregoing representation has reference.

"The district chapelry of Saint James, Calderbrook being:—All that part of the parochial chapelry of Littleborough within the original limits of the parish of Rochdale and in the county of Lancaster and in the diocese of Manchester which is bounded upon the west by the