

ninety-four have prepared and now humbly lay before Your Majesty in Council the following scheme or representation for altering the boundaries of the new parish of Saint Peter Rock Ferry in the county of Chester and in the diocese of Chester.

"Whereas by the authority of an Instrument bearing date the fourth day of June in the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-four and being under the hand and seal of the Right Reverend John Bird then Bishop of the said diocese of Chester a particular district was assigned to the church of Saint Paul Rock Ferry in the parish of Bebington in the said county of Chester and in the diocese of Chester aforesaid.

"And whereas under the authority of an Order of Your Majesty in Council bearing date the sixth day of April in the year one thousand eight hundred and fifty-eight and published in the London Gazette upon the twenty-seventh day of the same month a certain part of the township and chapelry district of Tranmere in the said parish of Bebington was assigned as a district chapelry to the consecrated church of Saint Paul situate at Tranmere aforesaid and the same was named 'The District Chapelry of Saint Paul Tranmere.'

"And whereas the said particular district of Saint Peter Rock Ferry and the said district chapelry of Saint Paul Tranmere have now under the provisions of the Act of the nineteenth and twentieth years of Your Majesty chapter one hundred and four become new parishes of the character contemplated by that Act and by the Act of the sixth and seventh years of Your Majesty chapter thirty-seven and by the above-mentioned Act of the thirty-second and thirty-third years of Your Majesty chapter ninety-four.

"And whereas it has been represented to us and it appears to us to be expedient that the boundaries of the said new parish of Saint Peter Rock Ferry should be altered so as to include within its limits a certain portion of the said new parish of Saint Paul Tranmere, and also a certain additional portion of the said parish of Bebington.

"Now therefore with the consent of the Right Reverend Francis John now Bishop of the said diocese of Chester (in testimony whereof he has signed and sealed this scheme or representation) we the said Ecclesiastical Commissioners humbly represent recommend and propose that from and after the day of the date of the publication in the London Gazette of any Order of Your Majesty in Council ratifying this scheme or representation the boundaries of the said new parish of Saint Peter Rock Ferry shall be altered so as to include within its limits all that portion of the said new parish of Saint Paul Tranmere which is described in the Schedule hereunder written and which is delineated and set forth on the map or plan hereunto appended and is thereon coloured pink and also all that portion of the said parish of Bebington which is described in the same Schedule and which is delineated and set forth on the said map or plan and is thereon coloured green and that from and after the same date and without any assurance in law other than such duly gazetted Order the said portions of the said new parish of Saint Paul Tranmere and of the said parish of Bebington respectively so to be included as aforesaid shall become annexed to and become and be and shall together form part of the said new parish of Saint Peter Rock Ferry.

"And we further represent recommend and propose that nothing herein contained shall prevent us from representing recommending or proposing any other measures relating to the matters aforesaid

or any of them in accordance with the provisions of the hereinbefore mentioned Acts or of any of them or of any other Act of Parliament.

"The SCHEDULE to which the foregoing Scheme or Representation has reference.

"The territory to be annexed to the new parish of Saint Peter Rock Ferry in the county of Chester and in the diocese of Chester, comprising:—

"I. All that contiguous portion of the new parish of Saint Paul Tranmere in the said county and diocese which is bounded upon the south-east by the said new parish of Saint Peter Rock Ferry upon the north-east by the hereinafter described portion of the parish of Bebington in the county and diocese aforesaid or in other words by the River Mersey, upon the north by the new parish of Saint Luke Lower Tranmere in the county and diocese aforesaid and upon the remaining side, that is to say, upon the south-west by an imaginary line commencing upon the boundary which divides the said new parish of Saint Luke, Lower Tranmere from the new parish of Saint Paul, Tranmere aforesaid, at the centre of the bridge which carries the line of the Birkenhead Railway over Union-street, and extending thence south-eastward along the middle of the said line of railway for a distance of fifty-three chains or thereabouts to the boundary which divides the said new parish of Saint Paul Tranmere from the new parish of Saint Peter, Rock Ferry aforesaid.

"II. And also all that contiguous portion of the said parish of Bebington which consists of part of the River Mersey which said portion of such parish is bounded upon all sides as follows, i.e., upon the south-west by the hereinbefore-described portion of the new parish of Saint Paul Tranmere aforesaid, upon the north-west by the new parish of Saint Luke Lower Tranmere aforesaid, upon the north-east by the boundary in the middle of the River Mersey aforesaid dividing the said county of Chester and the diocese of Chester aforesaid from the county of Lancaster and from the diocese of Liverpool and upon the south-east by the new parish of Saint Peter Rock Ferry aforesaid."

And whereas drafts of the said scheme or representation have been transmitted to the patrons and to the incumbents of the cures affected by the arrangements which are contemplated by such scheme or representation and the incumbents of such cures (one of whom is also the patron of the cure of Bebington) have respectively signified their assent thereto.

And whereas the patrons of the cure of Saint Peter Rock Ferry have not raised any objection to the said scheme.

And whereas four of the patrons of the cure of Saint Paul Tranmere have made certain objections to the same scheme.

And whereas the fifth and remaining patron of the last-named cure is beyond the seas and the requisite period of two months has expired since drafts of the said scheme or representation were so transmitted as aforesaid.

And whereas the said scheme or representation has notwithstanding these objections 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, or representation 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 pursuant to the said Acts; and Her Majesty, by and with the like advice, is pleased hereby to direct that this Order be forth-