

At the Court at *Buckingham Palace*, the 11th day of *June*, 1902.

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England have in pursuance of the Act of the seventh and eighth years of Her late Majesty Queen Victoria, chapter ninety-four; of the Act of the thirteenth and fourteenth years of Her said late Majesty, chapter ninety-four, and of the Act of the thirty-second and thirty-third years of Her said late Majesty, chapter ninety-four, duly prepared and laid before His Majesty in Council a scheme or representation, bearing date the twenty-fourth day of April, in the year one thousand nine hundred and two, in the words following, that is to say:—

"We the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England acting under the provisions of the Act of the seventh and eighth years of Her late Majesty Queen Victoria chapter ninety-four, the Act of the thirteenth and fourteenth years of Her said late Majesty, chapter ninety-four, and the Act of the thirty-second and thirty-third years of Her said late Majesty chapter 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 James Heywood and the new parish of Saint George Unsworth both in the county of Lancaster and in the diocese of Manchester.

"Whereas by the authority of an instrument bearing date the sixteenth day of July in the year one thousand eight hundred and forty and being under the hand and seal of the late Right Reverend John Bird sometime Bishop of Chester a part of the parish of Bury in the said county of Lancaster and at that time in the diocese of Chester but now in the said diocese of Manchester was assigned as a particular district to the church of Saint James in Heywood in the said parish of Bury.

"And whereas by an instrument bearing date the twenty-eighth day of November in the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy-two we the said Ecclesiastical Commissioners acting in pursuance of the Act of the nineteenth and twentieth years of Her said late Majesty chapter one hundred and four did authorize the publication of banns of matrimony and the solemnization of marriages baptisms churchings and burials in the said church of Saint James Heywood.

And whereas by the authority of an Order of Her said late Majesty in Council bearing date the nineteenth day of May in the year one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five and published in the London Gazette of the twenty-second day of the same month a part of the parish of Prestwich in the said county of Lancaster and in the said diocese of Manchester was assigned as a district chapelry to the consecrated church of Saint George situate at Unsworth in the said parish of Prestwich and such district chapelry was named 'The District Chapelry of Saint George Unsworth.'

"And whereas the said particular district of Saint James Heywood and the said district chapelry of Saint George Unsworth have under the provisions of the said Act of the nineteenth and twentieth years of Her said late 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 Her said late Majesty chapter thirty-seven and by the said Act of the thirty-second and thirty-third years of Her said late 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 James Heywood and the said new parish of Saint George Unsworth should be altered in the manner which is hereinafter mentioned.

"Now therefore with the consent of the Right Reverend James Bishop of Manchester (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 and without any assurance in the law other than such duly gazetted Order the boundaries of the said new parish of Saint James Heywood and the said new parish of Saint George Unsworth shall be altered so that all that portion of the parish of Middleton in the said county of Lancaster and in said diocese of Manchester which is described in the First Schedule hereunder written and is delineated and set forth upon the map or plan hereunto annexed and is thereon coloured pink shall be dissevered from such parish and shall be annexed to and shall in future form part of the said new parish of Saint James Heywood and that all that portion of the said parish of Middleton which is described in the Second Schedule hereunder written and is delineated and set forth upon the said map or plan hereunto annexed and is thereon coloured green shall be dissevered from the said parish and shall be annexed to and shall in future form part of the said new parish of Saint George Unsworth.

"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 any of them or any other Act of Parliament.

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

"The territory to be annexed to the new parish of Saint James Heywood in the county of Lancaster and in the diocese of Manchester being:—

"All that portion of the parish of Middleton in the said county and diocese which is bounded upon the north-west by the said new parish of Saint James Heywood upon the north-east by the new parish of Saint Luke Heywood upon the south-east by the new parish of Saint Mary Birch both in the county and diocese aforesaid and upon the remaining side that is to say upon the south-west by an imaginary line commencing at the point where the boundary which divides the said new parish of Saint Mary Birch from the parish of Middleton aforesaid crosses the middle of the road leading from Birch to Heap Bridge and extending thence north-westward along the middle of the last-mentioned road for a distance of sixty-five chains or thereabouts to its junction with Pilsworth-road and extending thence first south-westward and then westward along the middle of the last-named road for a distance of sixty-three chains or thereabouts to the point where it is joined by the footpath leading past Frog Hall to Heap Bridge and extending thence north-westward along the middle of the said footpath for a distance of three chains and a half or thereabouts to the boundary which divides the said parish of Middleton from the new parish of Saint James Heywood aforesaid.