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Westminster, December 18, 1902.

This day the Lords being met a message was sent to the Honourable House of Commons by the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod, acquainting them, that *The Lords authorized by virtue of a Commission under the Great Seal, signed by His Majesty, for declaring His Royal Assent to the Acts agreed upon by both Houses, do desire the immediate attendance of the Honourable House in the House of Peers to hear the Commission read*; and the Commons being come thither, the said Commission, empowering the Lord Archbishop of Canterbury, and several other Lords therein named, to declare and notify the Royal Assent to the said Acts, was read accordingly, and the Royal Assent given to

- Agriculture and Technical Instruction (Ireland) (No. 2) Act, 1902.
- Patents Act, 1902.
- Electric Lighting (Scotland) Act, 1902.
- Expiring Laws Continuance Act, 1902.
- Osborne Estate Act, 1902.
- Local Government (Ireland) Act, 1902.
- Mail Ships Act, 1902.
- Militia and Yeomanry Act, 1902.
- Education Act, 1902.
- Metropolis Water Act, 1902.
- Uganda Railway Act, 1902.
- Glasgow Corporation (Water and General) Order Confirmation Act, 1902.

At the Court at *Buckingham Palace*, the 16th day of *December*, 1902.

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

**W**HEREAS the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England have in pursuance of the Act of the sixth and seventh years of His late Majesty King William the Fourth chapter seventy-seven, and of the Act of the fifth year of Her late Majesty Queen Victoria (Session two)

chapter twenty-six, duly prepared and laid before His Majesty in Council a scheme bearing date the fourth day of December, in the year one thousand nine hundred and two, in the words following, that is to say:—

“We the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England in pursuance of the Act of the sixth and seventh years of His late Majesty King William the Fourth, chapter seventy-seven, and of the Act of the fifth year of Her late Majesty Queen Victoria (Session two) chapter twenty-six have prepared and now humbly lay before Your Majesty in Council the following scheme for authorizing certain sanitary improvements at the episcopal residence belonging to the See of Lichfield which is situate in the city of Lichfield.

“Whereas the Honourable and Right Reverend Augustus now Bishop of the diocese of Lichfield is desirous that certain sanitary improvements should be made at the said episcopal residence and has submitted to us the particulars of such proposed sanitary improvements and we have approved the same.

“And whereas the said Bishop is also desirous and it appears to us to be expedient that towards the cost of effecting the said proposed sanitary improvements a sum of three hundred pounds (being a sum which together with the amount of the outstanding balances of the sums already borrowed upon the same security by the Bishop of Lichfield under the authority of the Statutes hereinbefore mentioned does not exceed two years' income of the See) should be provided by borrowing such sum of three hundred pounds by way of mortgage upon the security of all and every part of the lands tenements and hereditaments endowments or emoluments which now belong or may hereafter belong to the Bishoprick of Lichfield.

“Now therefore with the consent of the said Augustus Bishop of the said diocese of Lichfield (testified by his having affixed his signature and episcopal seal to this scheme) We the said Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England humbly