

“advantage, and places altogether extra-parochial may in some instances with advantage be annexed to parishes or districts to which they are contiguous, 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 constituted 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 alteration 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 His Majesty in Council, it shall be lawful for His Majesty in Council to make an Order for carrying such scheme, or modification thereof, as the case may be, into effect.”

And whereas the Right Reverend Edward Carr Lord Bishop of Peterborough, hath pursuant to the enactment aforesaid, represented in a writing dated the fourth August, one thousand nine hundred and four to the Right Honourable and Most Reverend Randall Thomas, Lord Archbishop of Canterbury, as follows:—

“I the Right Reverend Edward Carr, Lord Bishop of Peterborough, do hereby represent to your Grace that there is in the county of Leicestershire and in my diocese the rectory of Sharnford.

“That there is in the same county and diocese and immediately adjoining to the said rectory of Sharnford an ancient hamlet or chapelry known by the name of the hamlet or chapelry of Wigston Parva, belonging to the vicarage of Claybrooke in the said county, the boundaries whereof are well known and defined.

“That the Right Honourable Arthur James Balfour, First Lord of the Treasury, is the patron or person entitled in right of the Crown to present to the said vicarage of Claybrooke, and that the Right Honourable the Lord High Chancellor of Great Britain in right of the Crown is the patron or person entitled to present to the said rectory of Sharnford.

“That the population of the said rectory of Sharnford according to the census of one thousand nine hundred and one is four hundred and eighteen persons, and the annual value of the

said rectory is two hundred and three pounds four shillings and two pence.

“That the population of the said hamlet or chapelry of Wigston Parva is forty-nine persons.

“That there is a church within the rectory of Sharnford aforesaid, and also a church or chapel within the hamlet or chapelry of Wigston Parva aforesaid.

“That the church or chapel of Wigston Parva aforesaid is distant from the parish church of Claybrooke three miles or thereabouts, and from the parish church of Sharnford one and a half miles or thereabouts.

“That the church of Sharnford affords accommodation for two hundred persons and the chapel of Wigston Parva for thirty persons.

“That the said hamlet or chapelry of Wigston Parva appears to have been from time immemorial treated as a separate and distinct parish for all civil purposes.

“That the said chapelry has its own churchwardens overseers and other parish officers, and is in no way connected with the said parish of Claybrooke in respect to rates of any kind.

“That the inhabitants of the said hamlet or chapelry of Wigston Parva have their marriages and burials solemnized and performed in the parish church of Claybrooke aforesaid, and in the burial ground belonging to the said parish, and it is proposed upon the completion of this scheme that they should have their marriages and burials respectively solemnized and performed in the parish church of Sharnford and in the burial ground belonging to the said parish.

“That the gross yearly income of the vicarage of Claybrooke aforesaid amounts to the sum of four hundred and forty-eight pounds.

“That it does not appear that any of the inhabitants or landowners of Claybrooke possess any legal right by faculty or otherwise to the exclusive use of any pews or sittings in the chapel of Wigston Parva, or that any of the inhabitants or landowners of Wigston Parva possess any such legal right by faculty or otherwise to the exclusive use of any pews or sittings in the church of Claybrooke aforesaid.

“That there is a house of residence within the said rectory of Sharnford for the use and occupation of the Incumbent thereof.

“That the vicar of Claybrooke aforesaid engages upon the completion of the scheme hereinafter proposed to give up the apportioned tithe rent charge which is derived from the hamlet or chapelry of Wigston Parva aforesaid, the computed value of which is fifty-one pounds five shillings and nine pence.

“That it appears to me that under the provisions of the Acts of Parliament of the 1st and 2nd years of the reign of Her late Majesty cap. 106, and of the 2nd and 3rd years of the same reign, cap. 49, the said hamlet or chapelry of Wigston Parva may be advantageously separated from the said vicarage of Claybrooke and be annexed to the said rectory of Sharnford for all ecclesiastical purposes.

“That pursuant to the directions contained in the said Acts of Parliament I have prepared the following scheme which I submit to your Grace to the intent that your Grace may if on full consideration and enquiry you shall be satisfied with such scheme certify the same to His Majesty in Council.”

And whereas the said scheme drawn up by the said Bishop and the consents of the patrons and Incumbents of the said benefices respectively are as follows:—

#### “SCHEME.

“That the said chapelry of Wigston Parva shall be for all ecclesiastical purposes separated