

thousand nine hundred and nine, in the words and figures 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 improvements at the episcopal house of residence belonging to the See of Chester, which is known as The Palace, Chester.

“Whereas the Right Reverend Francis John, now Bishop of Chester, is desirous that certain improvements should be made at the said episcopal house of residence, and has submitted to us the particulars of such 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 improvements a sum of five hundred pounds (being a sum which together with the amount of the outstanding balance of the sum already borrowed upon the same security under the authority of the statutes hereinbefore mentioned does not exceed two years' income of the See) should be provided by the borrowing of the same sum 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 Chester.

“Now therefore with the consent of the said Francis John, Bishop of Chester (testified by his having affixed his signature and episcopal seal to this scheme), we, the said Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England, humbly recommend and propose that the said Bishop be authorized to borrow from the Governors of the Bounty of Queen Anne, and that the said Governors be empowered to lend under the provisions of the above mentioned Acts any sum not exceeding five hundred pounds, and that as a security for the same the said Bishop do mortgage all and every part of the lands, tenements and hereditaments, and endowments or emoluments which now belong or may hereafter belong to his said See to the said Governors by deed for the term of twenty years or until the said sum so to be borrowed as aforesaid with the interest for the same as hereinafter mentioned, and all costs and charges which may attend the recovery thereof shall be fully paid and satisfied, and that such principal sum shall be repaid with interest in the manner following: that is to say, during and in respect of the first period of twelve months of the said term, computed from the day of the date of the mortgage, no part of the said principal sum shall be repayable, but the said Bishop or his successors shall yearly, at the end of the second period of twelve months so computed and at the end of every such like period of twelve months thereafter, pay to the said Governors, their successors or assigns, one fifteenth part of the said principal sum until the whole thereof shall be repaid, and shall also at the end of the first and each succeeding period of twelve months, computed as aforesaid, pay interest at the rate of four pounds per centum per annum on the said principal sum or on so much thereof as shall from time to time remain unpaid. And that if and when it shall happen that either the principal or the interest directed to be paid as hereinbefore mentioned shall be in arrear and unpaid for the space of forty days after the same

shall become due, it shall and may be lawful for the said Governors, their successors and assigns, to recover the same and the costs and charges attending the recovery thereof by distress and sale in the like manner as rents may be recovered by landlords or lessors from their tenants by the laws in force at the time of such distress and sale, and that such mortgage deed shall be in the form and to the effect to be approved by us, the said Ecclesiastical Commissioners, and shall bind as well the said Francis John, now Bishop of the said diocese of Chester, as every succeeding Bishop of the same diocese, until the principal money and interest, costs and charges shall have been paid off and discharged.

“And we further recommend and propose that the said sum so to be borrowed as aforesaid shall be paid to us, the said Ecclesiastical Commissioners, and that the receipt of our Joint Treasurers for the time being endorsed on the said mortgage deed shall be a good and sufficient discharge of the said Governors and their successors for the same, who shall not be bound or required to see to the application thereof and that upon the receipt of the said sum so to be borrowed as aforesaid the whole or any part or parts thereof shall be applied by us at such times and in such manner as shall appear to us to be expedient towards effecting the said proposed improvements at the episcopal house of residence aforesaid.

“And we further recommend and propose that nothing herein contained shall prevent us from recommending and proposing any other measures relating to the matters aforesaid or any of them in conformity with the provisions of the hereinbefore mentioned Acts or of either of them or of any other Act of Parliament.”

And whereas the said scheme has been approved by His Majesty in Council: Now, therefore, His Majesty, by and with the advice of His 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 pursuant to the said Acts: and His 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 Chester.

A. W. FitzRoy.

At the Court at *Buckingham Palace*, the 28th day of *June*, 1909.

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England have, in pursuance of the Act of the thirty-third and thirty-fourth years of Her late Majesty Queen Victoria, chapter thirty-nine, and of the Acts therein mentioned, that is to say, the Act of the third and fourth years of Her said late Majesty, chapter one hundred and thirteen; the Act of the fourth and fifth years of Her said late Majesty, chapter thirty-nine; and the Act of the thirty-first and thirty-second years of Her said late Majesty, chapter one hundred and fourteen, duly prepared and laid before His Majesty in Council a scheme bearing date the twenty-second day of April, in the year one