Form of Conveyance of W. H. White's Fee-farm Rents.

VII. 'And whereas, under and by virtue of the Fourteenth, Fifteenth, Sixteenth, and 'Nineteenth Sections of the Act of Parliament passed in the Session of Parliament held 'in the Fifty-seventh Year of the Reign of His late Majesty King *George* the Third, 'Chapter Ninety-seven, and divers subsequent Acts of Parliament, the Parts still remaining 'unsold of certain Rents heretofore Crown Rents, Chief Rents, Fee Farm and Quit Rents, 'and other Rents, formerly the Property of *William Henry White*, deceased, in the said 'Act of the Fifty-seventh Year of King *George* the Third more particularly mentioned, 'are now vested in the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Woods, Forests, and Land 'Revenues, in trust to sell and dispose thereof in manner in the said Act of the Fifty-seventh 'Year of King *George* the Third directed: And whereas it is considered expedient that 'the Course of Proceeding in regard to the Sale of the said Rents, and the Form of Con-'veyance thereof, should be respectively assimilated to the Course of Proceeding and Form 'of Conveyance of other Fee Farm or other dry or unimprovable Rents under the Manage-'ment or Control of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Woods, Forests, and Land 'Revenues, and for that Purpose that the said Rents formerly the Property of the said '*William Henry White* should be vested in Her Majesty, Her Heirs and Successors, and 'be from Time to Time managed and sold by the said Commissioners in like Manner as 'such other Rents as aforesaid:' Be it therefore enacted, That from and after the passing of this Act all such and such Parts of all the Rents which were formerly Crown Rents, Chief Rents, Fee Farm Quit Rents, and other Rents, formerly the Property of the said *William Henry White*, remaining unsold, which by virtue of the Enactment herein-before recited or referred to are now vested or expressed to be vested in the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Woods, Forests, and Land Revenues for the Time being, shall henceforth become and be vested in Her Majesty, Her Heirs and Successors, as if the same were Part of the Hereditary Possessions and Land Revenues of the Crown under the Management or Control of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Woods, Forests, and Land Revenues, and shall be from Time to Time recoverable, dealt with, and be subject to be sold in like Manner and by the same Forms of Proceeding and Conveyance generally as other Parts of the said Possessions and Land Revenues under the Management or Control of the same Commissioners or either of them: Provided always, that if any Surplus shall remain from the Sale of the said Rents after the Debt in the said Act of the Fifty-seventh Year of King *George* the Third mentioned to be due from the said *William Henry White* to the Crown shall be fully satisfied and discharged, such Surplus shall be paid over to the Heirs or Assigns of the said *William Henry White*.

Not to extend to Scotland.

VIII. That this Act shall not extend to *Scotland*.

CAP. LVII.

An Act to explain and amend the Copyhold Acts. [4th *August* 1853.]

4 & 5 Vict. c. 35. 6 & 7 Vict. c. 23. 15 & 16 Vict. c. 51. 14 & 15 Vict. c. 104.

'WHEREAS Doubts have arisen as to the Construction of "The Copyhold Acts," and also of the Act of the Fourteenth and Fifteenth Years of Her present Majesty, "to '"facilitate the Management and Improvement of Episcopal and Capitular Estates in '"*England*," and as to the Powers under the Provisions of the first-recited Acts of Ecclesiastical Corporations, sole or aggregate, to enfranchise Lands, and of the Copyhold Commissioners to confirm or consent to such Enfranchisements, and to nominate Trustees to 'receive and apply Money paid for such Enfranchisements; and it is expedient to remove 'such Doubts, and further to amend the said Copyhold Acts:' Be it therefore enacted and declared by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in the present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, as follows:

Removing Doubts as to Enfranchisement, &c. of

I. The Provisions of the Copyhold Acts concerning the Commutation of Manorial Rights in Lands and the Enfranchisement of Lands, and concerning the Payment of Monies to be paid for Enfranchisement where the Lord is only entitled to a limited Estate or Interest or

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is under legal Disability, shall be deemed to have extended, and subject to the Provisions herein contained shall continue to extend, to Lands holden of any Ecclesiastical Corporation, sole or aggregate, and Lands parcel of any Manor belonging to any such Corporation, and the Application of the said Provisions, or any of them, to such Lands, shall not be deemed to have been interfered with by the said Act of the Fourteenth and Fifteenth Years of Her Majesty.

Lands holden of Ecclesiastical Corporations.

II. No Commutation or Enfranchisement by any Ecclesiastical Corporation, sole or aggregate, already made or purporting to be made under the Copyhold Acts or any of them, or to be made in pursuance of any Agreement already approved of by the Copyhold Commissioners, shall be impeached by reason of the Consideration or Part of the Consideration for the same having been or being a Surrender of any Lands held for a Life or Lives or Years without Right of Renewal, or for any terminable or limited Estate or Interest.

Commutations or Enfranchisements in consideration of Surrender of limited Interests confirmed.

III. All Lands, except as herein-after excepted, which are capable of Enfranchisement by the Exercise of any Powers contained in any other Act of Parliament, or which may be otherwise enfranchised irrespectively of the Copyhold Acts, shall also be capable of being enfranchised under the Powers and Provisions of the Copyhold Acts, and by the sole Authority of those Powers and Provisions, and without any other Consent or Authority than such as is required by the Provisions of the same Acts: Provided always, that Lands held for a Life or Lives or for Years of any Manor belonging either in possession or reversion to any Ecclesiastical Corporation, where the Tenant of such Lands hath not a Right of Renewal, shall not hereafter be dealt with under the Copyhold Acts, except in the Cases herein-after particularly mentioned.

Enfranchisements that may be effected under other Acts may also be effected under Copyhold Acts.

IV. Whenever Proceedings which have been or shall be commenced under the Provisions of the Copyhold Acts for the Enfranchisement of any Lands shall terminate in Enfranchisement, and it shall appear to the Copyhold Commissioners that the Enfranchisement was One which might have been effected under the Provisions of the said Act of the Fourteenth and Fifteenth of Her Majesty, the Monies or Rentcharges which form the Consideration of such Enfranchisement shall be paid and applied to the same Account and in the same Manner as if such Enfranchisement had been effected under the said Act of the Fourteenth and Fifteenth Years of Her Majesty, and all the Provisions of the said last-mentioned Act which affect the Application of Enfranchisement Monies under that Act shall be applicable to such Enfranchisements as aforesaid made under the Provisions of the Copyhold Acts, and the Church Estates Commissioners and Ecclesiastical Commissioners shall respectively have the same Powers over such Consideration Monies, or the Interest accruing thereon, or upon Land, Rentcharges, or Securities acquired in respect thereof, and also over or against any Ecclesiastical Corporation interested therein, as such Commissioners respectively would have had if such Enfranchisement had been effected with the Consent of the said Church Estates Commissioners, and under the Provisions of the said Act of the Fourteenth and Fifteenth of Her Majesty; and where the Consideration Money for any such Enfranchisement has been paid into the Bank of *England* to the Credit of the Accountant General of the Court of Chancery *ex parte* the Copyhold Commission, and has not been invested, the said Accountant General shall, upon the Order of the Court of Chancery to be made upon a Petition to be presented to the said Court by the said Ecclesiastical Commissioners, cause such Money to be paid or transferred to such Account in the Bank of *England* as the said Church Estates Commissioners shall in each Case appoint: Provided always, that it shall be lawful for the said Court to order that all the Costs and Expenses incurred in the obtaining of such Order shall be paid out of such Money previous to its Payment or Transfer to the Account appointed by the said Church Estates Commissioners, and in case of various Funds being included in the said Order to direct the Distribution of such Costs amongst the several Funds in such Manner as the said Court shall think fit.

Application of Consideration Money in Cases where Enfranchisement might have been effected under 14 & 15 Vict. c. 104.

V. 'And whereas in Cases of Enfranchisement by Ecclesiastical Corporations effected or 'purporting to be effected under the Copyhold Acts, the Monies paid for Enfranchisement for 'the Lords Rights have been paid into the Hands of Trustees nominated under the Hands 'and Seal of the Copyhold Commissioners, to be applied by the said Trustees, with the Con-

Trustees appointed by Commissioners to have all such Powers as if

within the Scope of Sect. 14. of 6 & 7 Vict. c. 23.

'sent of the said Commissioners, in the Manner directed and specified in the said Copyhold 'Acts of and concerning any Money to be paid for enfranchising under the said Acts into the 'Bank of *England* in the Name and with the Privity of the Accountant General of the Court 'of Chancery:' Be it enacted, That in all Cases where Trustees have been so appointed by the said Commissioners, such Appointments shall be deemed to be and the same are hereby declared to be valid and effectual, and within the Scope and Intent of the Fourteenth Section of the Act of the Sixth and Seventh Years of Her Majesty, Chapter Twenty-three, and such Trustees are hereby declared to have and to have had all such Powers and Liabilities, and all Acts done by such Trustees, and all Consents and Confirmations by the Copyhold Commissioners in relation to the Acts of such Trustees, shall be and are declared to have been as valid and effectual, as in the Case of other Trustees nominated according to the Scope and Intent of the said Section of the said last-mentioned Act.

Trustees appointed by Copyhold Commissioners to transfer the Funds to Ecclesiastical Commissioners.

VI. Provided always, That in all Cases wherein Trustees have been so appointed by the said Copyhold Commissioners, and shall stand possessed of Monies paid for Enfranchisement of Lands subject to Manorial or other Rights of Ecclesiastical Corporations, or of Land or Securities in respect thereof, the Copyhold Commissioners shall, by an Order under their Hands and Seal, direct such Trustees to pay over the Monies of which they may so stand possessed, or to convey such Land or transfer such Securities, to the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for *England*, who are hereby required to accept the same, and to apply such Monies, Land, or Securities respectively, and the Land or Securities to be purchased with such Money respectively, in the Manner directed and specified in the Copyhold Acts of and concerning any Money to be paid for enfranchising under the said Acts into the Bank of *England* in the Name and with the Privity of the Accountant General of the Court of Chancery.

Liability of Trustees to cease.

VII. When such Trustees shall have paid over, conveyed, or transferred to the Ecclesiastical Commissioners in pursuance of this Act the whole of the Monies, Land, or Securities of which they may so stand possessed as aforesaid, their Liabilities as such Trustees in respect of any such Monies, Land, or Securities shall cease and determine, and the Expenses of all such Payments, Conveyances, or Transfers shall be paid by the Ecclesiastical Commissioners out of any Monies that may come into their Possession in respect of the Money, Land, or Securities so to be paid over, conveyed, or transferred.

Pending Proceedings to be completed.

VIII. All Agreements for the Enfranchisement of Lands held of any Ecclesiastical Corporation for a Life or Lives or for Years, where the Tenants thereof have not a Right of Renewal, which have been entered into with the Consent of the Copyhold Commissioners before the passing of this Act, shall be valid and effectual, and such Enfranchisements shall be capable of being completed under the Copyhold Acts, notwithstanding the Proviso hereinbefore contained, but the Money to be paid for such Enfranchisements shall be paid and applied in the Manner herein-before particularly mentioned; and a Recital in the Instrument of Enfranchisement or an Endorsement thereon, under the Seal of the Copyhold Commissioners, that the Agreement for such Enfranchisement was entered into, with such Consent as aforesaid, before the passing of this Act, shall be conclusive Evidence thereof.

Recital or Endorsement to be Evidence.

Ecclesiastical Commissioners to give Memorandum of Payment, Conveyance, or Transfer.

IX. In all Cases where any Trustees as aforesaid shall have paid over, conveyed, or transferred any Monies, Land, or Securities to the Ecclesiastical Commissioners in pursuance of any Order under the Hands and Seal of the Copyhold Commissioners, or when any Money shall be paid to the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for Enfranchisements, the Proceedings in respect of which were commenced before the passing of this Act, the Ecclesiastical Commissioners shall, at the Request of the Copyhold Commissioners, deliver to the Copyhold Commissioners a Memorandum of the Payment of the Monies or the Conveyance of the Land, or the Transfer of the Securities, as the Case may be, and such Memorandum shall be Evidence of the Fact of such Payment, Conveyance, or Transfer.

Memorandum to be Evidence.

Costs how to be settled.

X. That in all Cases of Enfranchisement under the Copyhold Acts all Costs properly payable by any Persons interested in the Enfranchisement of any Land shall be settled and ascertained by the Commissioners or Assistant Commissioners (pursuant to the Provisions of the Act passed in the Fifteenth and Sixteenth Years of Her present Majesty); and that no Costs

Costs or Expenses shall be recoverable from any Person whomsoever of or relating to or by reason of any Enfranchisement, until the same shall have been certified under the Hands and Seal of the said Commissioners or of an Assistant Commissioner to have been reasonably and properly incurred.

XI. This Act shall be taken and construed as Part of the recited Copyhold Acts. Act to be Part of Copyhold Acts.

CAP. LVIII.

An Act to authorize the Appointment of Barristers for the Purpose of effecting a complete annual Revision of Lists and Registry of Voters for the City of *Dublin*, and to remove Doubts as to the Rate Books for the Purposes of such Registry. [4th *August* 1853.]

'WHEREAS by an Act passed in the Session of Parliament holden in the Second and Third Years of the Reign of His late Majesty King *William* the Fourth, Chapter Eighty-eight, the Chairman of Sessions for the County of *Dublin* was authorized and empowered to register Voters for *Dublin* City, and it was thereby enacted, that it might be lawful for him to discharge the Duties of all Registries subsequent to the First by Deputy, qualified and approved of as therein mentioned, whose Acts were to be of the same Efficacy as if done by the said Chairman, and who was to be remunerated in manner therein mentioned: And whereas by another Act passed in the Session of Parliament holden in the Thirteenth and Fourteenth Years of the Reign of Her present Majesty, Chapter Sixty-nine, the said Chairman and his Deputy having Jurisdiction under the said recited Act for the Registry of Voters were and each of them was authorized and empowered to hold a Court for the Purposes of the new Registration and the annual Revision of the Lists therein particularly specified, which Court was to be held at the Times and during the Periods therein specified, and for such Services the said Chairman and the Deputy so appointed by him as aforesaid were to be remunerated as in the said last-mentioned Act specified: And whereas *Conway E. Dobbs*, Esq., Barrister-at-Law, was appointed such Deputy of the said Chairman, for the Purpose of discharging the Duties imposed on the said Chairman by the said Acts: And whereas by reason of the great Numbers of Persons claiming to be registered in and for the said City of *Dublin* it is expedient to empower the said Chairman of Sessions for the County of *Dublin* to appoint additional Deputies:' Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, as follows; (that is to say,) 2 & 3 W. 4. c. 88. 13 & 14 Vict. c. 69.

I. For the Purpose of having henceforward a complete annual Revision and Registration of the Parliamentary Voters for the City of *Dublin*, it shall and may be lawful for the said Chairman of Sessions of the County of *Dublin*, with the Consent of the Lord Lieutenant or other Chief Governor or Governors of *Ireland* for the Time being, and he is hereby authorized and required, by Warrant under his Hand, to nominate and appoint any Number of Barristers of the *Irish* Bar, not exceeding Three, of Six Years standing at the least, to be in the Place and Stead of the said Chairman of Sessions of the County of *Dublin*, in order, by Subdivision between them, to discharge the Duties imposed on the said Chairman by the said recited Acts; and the Barristers so appointed for the said City shall attend at the same Place, but shall sit apart from each other, and hold separate Courts at the same Time, for the Despatch of Business, such Courts to be Courts of Record, and to be held for and during such Period in each Year as may be limited and prescribed in such Warrant of Appointment. Appointment of Barristers to discharge Duties imposed on Chairman of Sessions of the County of Dublin.

II. All the Powers, Duties, Rights, and Privileges given and imposed by the said Acts or either of them to or upon the said Chairman and his Deputy, or to the Court which they were authorized to hold, are and shall be by virtue of such Warrant given to and imposed upon such Substitutes and the Courts they are respectively by this Act authorized to hold, save only the Power of appointing any Deputy under them or any of them; and all Acts to Barristers to have the same Powers, &c. as the said Chairman.