CAP. XXXVI.

An Act for carrying into effect the Report of the Commissioners appointed to inquire into the State of the Dioceses of *Canterbury*, *London*, *Winchester*, and *Rochester*; and for other Purposes. [29th *June* 1863.]

'WHEREAS by an Act of the Session of the Sixth and Seventh Years of the Reign of His late Majesty King *William* the Fourth, Chapter Seventy-seven, and by a certain Order in Council issued under the Authority of that Act, the Limits of the Sees of *Canterbury*, *London*, *Winchester*, and *Rochester* were newly arranged, and by such Arrangement it was amongst other things provided— 6 & 7 W. 4. c. 77.

'Firstly, That the Borough of *Southwark*, and the Parishes of *Battersea*, *Bermondsey*, *Camberwell*, *Christchurch*, *Clapham*, *Lambeth*, *Rotherhithe*, *Streatham*, *Tooting Graveney*, *Wandsworth*, *Merton*, *Kew*, and *Richmond*, in the County of *Surrey*, all then in the Diocese of *Winchester* (which Parishes are herein-after referred to as the first-named Parishes), should on the next Avoidance of the See of *Winchester* (which Avoidance has not yet happened) be added to and form Part of the See of *London*:

'Secondly, That the Parishes of *Barking*, *East Ham*, *West Ham*, *Little Ilford*, *Low Layton*, *Walthamstow*, *Wanstead*, *Saint Mary Woodford*, and *Chingford*, in the County of *Essex*, (which Parishes are herein-after referred to as the second-named Parishes), should continue to form Part of the Diocese of *London*:

'Thirdly, That the Parishes of *Charlton*, *Lee*, *Lewisham*, *Greenwich*, *Woolwich*, *Eltham*, *Plumstead*, and *Saint Nicholas Deptford*, in the County of *Kent*, and of *St. Paul Deptford*, in the Counties of *Kent* and *Surrey*, all then in the Diocese of *Rochester* (which Parishes are herein-after referred to as the third-named Parishes), should on the next Avoidance of the See of *Rochester* (which Avoidance has since happened) be added to and form Part of the See of *London*:

'And whereas by reason of the great Increase which since the passing of the said Act had taken place in Parts of the said Sees, and of other Circumstances, it seemed good to Her Majesty, on the Eighth Day of *April* One thousand eight hundred and fifty-seven, to issue a Commission to certain Persons therein named, directing them to consider the State of the several Dioceses of *Canterbury*, *London*, *Winchester*, and *Rochester*, as now or thereafter to be constituted by or under the Provisions of the said Act and Orders in Council, with special Reference to the Circumstances of the said Dioceses and the Extent and Boundaries thereof respectively, and the Number of Benefices and the Amount of the Population contained therein, and the Position and Circumstances of the Cathedral Churches within the same Dioceses, and whether any and what Alterations might advantageously be made in the same, or with reference thereto: And whereas the said Commissioners, in pursuance of the said Directions, made a Report to Her Majesty, dated the Thirty-first Day of *March* One thousand eight hundred and fifty-eight, and thereby recommended, amongst other things, that such Arrangements as are herein-after mentioned should be made with respect to the Episcopal Superintendence of the said Parishes firstly, secondly, and thirdly herein-before named: And whereas the said Recommendations cannot be carried into effect without the Authority of Parliament:' Be it 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:

Short Title.

1. This Act may be cited for all Purposes as "The *London* Diocese Act, 1863."

Recommendation of Commissioners as to certain Parishes herein named confirmed.

2. The said Act of the Session of the Sixth and Seventh Years of the Reign of King *William* the Fourth, Chapter Seventy-seven, and the Orders in Council made in pursuance thereof, shall be repealed, so far as respects the said first-named Parishes, and the said first-named Parishes shall, notwithstanding, continue to form Part of the See of *Winchester*.

The second-named and third-named Parishes shall on the next Avoidance of the See of *Rochester* be united to and form Part of the See of *Rochester*. And all or any of the said second-named and third-named Parishes may, previously to such Avoidance, by Order of Her

Her Majesty in Council, made on the joint Application of the Bishops of *London* and *Rochester*, be united to and form Part of the See of *Rochester*.

And the said second-named Parishes, on being united to the See of *Rochester*, shall become Part of the Archdeaconry of *Essex*. And the said third-named Parishes, on being united to the same See, shall become subject to the same Archidiaconal Jurisdiction as the other Parishes situate in *Kent* and belonging to the See of *Rochester* are or may become subject to.

As to the Jurisdiction of Archdeacon of St. Albans.

3. 'And whereas by the same Act and Order in Council it was provided, that upon the 'then next Avoidance of the Archdeaconry of *Rochester* the said Archdeaconry should be 'suppressed, and that the next and every future Dean of *Rochester* should have the Juris-'diction of an Archdeacon within and over the whole City and Deanery of *Rochester*, and 'all Parishes and Places within the Limits of the said City and Deanery: And whereas 'the Archdeaconry of *Rochester* became vacant some Time since, but no Vacancy in the 'Deanery of the Cathedral Church of *Rochester* hath yet taken place, and there is not at 'present any one to exercise Archidiaconal Jurisdiction within and over the City and 'Deanery of *Rochester*: And whereas by an Order of Her Majesty in Council, dated the 'Twenty-seventh Day of *August* One thousand eight hundred and sixty, the Canonry in the 'Cathedral Church of *Rochester* formerly held with the said Archdeaconry of *Rochester* was 'permanently annexed to the Archdeaconry of *St. Albans*: And whereas, in order to remove 'the Inconvenience which has arisen from there being no Person capable of exercising 'Archidiaconal Jurisdiction within the said Archdeaconry of *Rochester*, and which is likely 'to arise from that Jurisdiction being vested in the Dean of the Cathedral Church of '*Rochester*, it is proposed to vest such Archidiaconal Jurisdiction in the Archdeacon of '*St. Albans* and his Successors:' Therefore the said Act of the Session of the Sixth and Seventh Years of the Reign of King *William* the Fourth, Chapter Seventy-seven, and the said first-mentioned Order in Council made in pursuance thereof, shall be repealed, so far as they respect the Archidiaconal Jurisdiction over the said City and Deanery of *Rochester*; and the full and exclusive Jurisdiction of an Archdeacon within and over the whole City and Deanery of *Rochester*, and all Parishes and Places situate within the Limits of the said City and Deanery, shall, immediately after the passing of this Act, be vested in and exercised by the Archdeacon of the Archdeaconry of *St. Albans* and his Successors, Archdeacons of the said Archdeaconry, and the said Archdeacon shall be styled the Archdeacon of *Rochester* and *St. Albans*.

CAP. XXXVII.

An Act to defray the Charge of the Pay, Clothing, and contingent and other Expenses of the Disembodied Militia in *Great Britain* and *Ireland*; to grant Allowances in certain Cases to Subaltern Officers, Adjutants, Paymasters, Quartermasters, Surgeons, Assistant Surgeons, and Surgeons Mates of the Militia; and to authorize the Employment of the Non-commissioned Officers. [29th *June* 1863.]

'WHEREAS it is necessary that Provision should be made for defraying the Charge 'of the Pay, Clothing, and contingent and other Expenses of the Regular Militia, and 'of the Miners of *Cornwall* and *Devon*, when disembodied, in *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, 'and for making in certain Cases Allowances of Retired Pay to Subaltern Officers and 'Surgeons Mates and Assistant Surgeons of the Regular Militia, and of the Miners of '*Devon* and *Cornwall*, also to Adjutants, Paymasters, Surgeons, and Quartermasters of 'the Regular Militia who have been allowed to retire, and to Adjutants disabled after long 'Service:' Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice