



CHAPTER clxxiii.

An Act for suppressing the sinecure Rectory of Sock Dennis in the County of Somerset and providing for the application of the Tithe Rent-charge thereof. A.D. 1883.

[2nd August 1883.]

WHEREAS Sock Dennis is a parish and rectory in the county of Somerset containing eight hundred and eighty acres and twenty-eight perches and is bounded on the north by the parish of Ilchester and on the south and west by the parish of Tintinhull:

And whereas John Eveleigh Wyndham of Exeter is or claims to be owner in fee simple in possession of four hundred and fifteen acres one rood eleven perches in Sock Dennis described in Part I of the Schedule to this Act and known as "the Sock Dennis Estate" subject to a fee farm rent of three pounds charged on the said estate and payable to the Rector of Ilchester and William Wyndham of Denton in the county of Wilts is or claims to be owner of three hundred and forty-seven acres and three roods in Sock Dennis described in Part II of the Schedule to this Act and known as "Wyndham's Sock" and the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England (in this Act called "the Ecclesiastical Commissioners") are or claim to be owners of the remaining lands in Sock Dennis containing one hundred and seventeen acres and seventeen perches described in Part III of the Schedule to this Act:

And whereas the tithes on the parish of Sock Dennis are commuted at two hundred and fifty-four pounds nineteen shillings and have been apportioned as follows:

	A.	R.	P.		£	s.	d.
On Sock Dennis Estate -	415	1	11	-	120	0	0
On Wyndham's Sock -	347	3	0	-	103	19	0
On Lands of the Ecclesiastical Commissioners - }	117	0	17	-	31	0	0
	880 0 28			-	254 19 0		
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And whereas there are no dwelling-houses in Sock Dennis other than a farmhouse and one labourer's cottage on Sock Dennis estate and a farmhouse and two labourers' cottages on Wyndham's Sock :

And whereas there is not any church parsonage or glebe in Sock Dennis nor any property or endowment (except the said tithe rent-charge) belonging to the rectory of Sock Dennis and the two nearest churches are those of Ilchester and Tintinhull :

And whereas the inhabitants on Sock Dennis estate attend divine service at the parish church of Ilchester and the inhabitants on Wyndham's Sock attend divine service at the parish church of Tintinhull :

And whereas John Eveleigh Wyndham is or claims to be seised in fee simple of the advowson of the rectory of Sock Dennis :

And whereas the Right Reverend the Lord Bishop of London is patron of the rectory of Ilchester and the Right Honourable John Viscount Arbutnott is patron of the vicarage of Tintinhull :

And whereas all the said parishes of Sock Dennis Ilchester and Tintinhull are situate in the diocese of Bath and Wells :

And whereas the Reverend Edward Newton Dickenson was presented to the rectory of Sock Dennis in the month of July one thousand eight hundred and eighty-two which was then vacant by the death of the former incumbent on or about the twenty-eighth day of July one thousand eight hundred and eighty-one but the said Edward Newton Dickenson died on or about the nineteenth day of November one thousand eight hundred and eighty-two without having been instituted and neither he nor the said former incumbent ever exercised any spiritual function in Sock Dennis :

And whereas the said John Eveleigh Wyndham as owner and patron and the Lord Bishop of Bath and Wells as ordinary are of opinion that it is desirable that the said sinecure rectory be suppressed :

And whereas the said John Eveleigh Wyndham is willing and desirous that the said rectory be suppressed on the terms of the scheme embodied in this Act including provision for the cure of souls of the inhabitants of Sock Dennis and for the application of part of the said tithe rent-charge and the merger of the remainder as in this Act mentioned :

And whereas the annexation of the parish of Sock Dennis for ecclesiastical purposes to the adjoining parishes of Ilchester and Tintinhull in manner provided by this Act would be convenient to the inhabitants of the said parish of Sock Dennis should the population thereof hereafter increase :

And whereas the value of that portion of the said tithe rent-charge which is by this Act merged and extinguished is not greater than the value of the advowson of Sock Dennis :

And whereas the Reverend Edward Francis Hopkinson is the rector of the unappropriate rectory of Ilchester : A.D. 1883.

And whereas the Reverend John Bezaleel Hyson is the vicar of the vicarage of Tintinhull :

And whereas the scheme has the approval of the Lord Bishop of Bath and Wells and of the Lord Bishop of London and of Viscount Arbuthnott and of the Ecclesiastical Commissioners and of the said William Wyndham and of the respective incumbents of the parishes of Ilchester and Tintinhull :

And whereas it is expedient that this scheme be carried into effect but the same cannot be done without the authority of Parliament :

May it therefore please Your Majesty that it may be enacted and 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 (that is to say) :—

1. This Act may be cited as the *Sock Dennis Rectory Act* Short Title.
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2. The rectory of Sock Dennis in the county of Somerset is hereby suppressed and the advowson or right of presentation and all rights (if any) of donation or nomination thereto are hereby absolutely extinguished. Suppression
of rectory
of Sock
Dennis.

3. On and after the passing of this Act the lands described in Parts I and II of the Schedule to this Act shall for all ecclesiastical purposes or purposes relating to the cure of souls be deemed to form part of the ecclesiastical parish of Ilchester and the lands described in Part III of the same Schedule shall for all ecclesiastical purposes or purposes relating to the cure of souls be deemed to form part of the ecclesiastical parish of Tintinhull. Lands in
Sock Dennis
added to
ecclesias-
tical parishes
of Ilchester
and Tintin-
hull.

4. (1) On and after the passing of this Act the amount of tithe rent-charge apportioned on the lands described in Part II of the Schedule to this Act being one hundred and three pounds nineteen shillings shall be transferred and added to the great tithes of the rectory of Ilchester and be payable to and recoverable by the rector of Ilchester for the time being in like manner as it was payable to and recoverable by the rector of Sock Dennis before the passing of this Act and the rectory of Ilchester shall be subject to and charged with eleven shillings and sixpence the yearly tenths heretofore chargeable on the rectory of Sock Dennis and with the annual payment of ten shillings and sixpence to the archdeacon in whose district Sock Dennis is situated : Application
of part of
tithe rent-
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(2) On and after the passing of this Act the amount of tithe rent-charge apportioned on the lands described in Part III of the Schedule to this Act being thirty-one pounds shall be transferred and added to the vicarial or small tithes of the vicarage of Tintinhull and be payable to and recoverable by the vicar of Tintinhull for the time being in like manner as it was payable to and recoverable by the rector of Sock Dennis before the passing of this Act.

Merger of
part of tithe
rent-charge
on Sock
Dennis.

5. On and after the passing of this Act the amount of tithe rent-charge apportioned on the lands described in Part I of the Schedule to this Act being one hundred and twenty pounds shall be merged and extinguished in the freehold and inheritance of those lands as follows (namely) one hundred pounds in the lands numbered 1 to 26 both inclusive containing together three hundred and sixty-one acres three roods nine perches and twenty pounds in the lands numbered 64 to 68 both inclusive containing together fifty-three acres two roods two perches and the fee farm rent of three pounds now charged on the lands described in Part I of the same Schedule and payable to the rector of Ilchester shall be extinguished.

Costs of Act.

6. The amount of tithe rent-charge on the whole of the lands in the parish of Sock Dennis which has accrued in the interval between the twenty-eighth day of July one thousand eight hundred and eighty-one and the passing of this Act shall be payable to and recoverable by the said John Eveleigh Wyndham his executors or administrators and be by him or them applied in payment of the costs charges and expenses preliminary and of and incidental to the obtaining and passing of this Act and so far as such amount proves insufficient those costs charges and expenses shall be borne and paid by the said John Eveleigh Wyndham or out of his estate.

SCHEDULE to which the foregoing Act refers.

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LANDS in the Parish of Sock Dennis the Numbers Names or Descriptions and Quantities of the respective Properties being taken from the Apportionment of the Rent-charge in lieu of Tithe and the Plan therein referred to.

PART I.

LANDS WHEREOF JOHN EVELEIGH WYNDHAM IS OR CLAIMS TO BE OWNER KNOWN AS "SOCK DENNIS ESTATE."

Number on Plan.	Name or Description of Property.	Quantity.		
		A.	R.	P.
1	Great Wornhams - - - -	19	0	7
2	Little Wornhams - - - -	16	2	33
3	Higher Wornham Mead - - - -	11	2	22
4	Lower Wornham Mead - - - -	11	1	10
5	Shepton Hays - - - -	17	1	6
6	Shepton Hays - - - -	11	1	27
7	Pennings - - - -	11	1	30
8	Sock Mead - - - -	20	0	38
9	Little Sock Marsh - - - -	13	2	19
10	Great Sock Marsh - - - -	32	0	32
11	Young Orchard - - - -	2	0	20
12	Little Field Orchard - - - -	2	2	7
13	Little Orchard - - - -	0	3	16
14	Farmhouse and Outbuildings Gardens Bar- tons &c. - - - -	3	1	23
15	Broad Sock - - - -	42	3	16
16	Rich Mead - - - -	16	0	16
17	Oat Close Orchard - - - -	13	1	24
18	Houses Mead - - - -	7	1	6
19	Atkin's Leaze - - - -	23	3	27
20	Dry Ground - - - -	11	1	2
21	Long Orchard - - - -	2	1	20
22	Napier's Mead - - - -	10	0	16
23	Bartlett's Leaze - - - -	19	2	34
24	Long Hills - - - -	24	1	31
25	The Drove - - - -	0	2	14
26	Western Side - - - -	15	3	33
64	Burlinghams - - - -	8	2	8
65	Burlinghams - - - -	13	0	25
66	Barton Halls &c. - - - -	0	0	26
67	Burlinghams - - - -	20	3	21
68	Burlinghams * - - - -	10	3	2
	Total -	415	1	11

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PART II.

LANDS WHEREOF WILLIAM WYNDHAM IS OR CLAIMS TO BE OWNER,
KNOWN AS "WYNDHAM'S SOCK."

Number on Plan.	Name or Description of Property.	Quantity.		
		A.	R.	P.
27	Brice's Sock - - - -	7	0	21
28	Brice's Sock - - - -	16	2	8
29	Brice's Sock - - - -	9	3	28
30	Leach's Sock - - - -	6	1	24
31	Beaton's Sock - - - -	7	0	12
32	Leach's Sock - - - -	6	2	18
33	Higher Cary Mead - - - -	12	2	14
34	Lower Cary Mead - - - -	11	1	38
35	Leach's Sock - - - -	18	2	26
36	Western Side - - - -	14	2	4
37	Sixteen Acres - - - -	13	1	4
38	Long Hill - - - -	16	3	13
39	Long Orchard - - - -	3	3	20
40	Holway's Sock - - - -	7	0	32
41	Took's Sock - - - -	5	1	26
42	Orchard adjoining - - - -	2	3	10
43	Seven Acres - - - -	6	1	38
44	Seven Acres and Hilly Seven Acres - - - -	11	1	8
45	Eight Acres - - - -	7	0	32
46	The Twelve Acres - - - -	9	3	33
47	House Ground - - - -	12	0	18
48	Barton and Buildings - - - -	0	1	30
49	Farmhouse Outbuildings, Bartons, and Gardens - - - -	1	0	11
50	Part of the Twelve Acres - - - -	6	0	18
51	Part of the Twelve Acres - - - -	3	0	30
52	Beaton's Sock - - - -	10	0	22
53	The Eight Acres - - - -	6	1	2
54	Gillard's Leaze - - - -	11	1	28
55	Great Gillard's Leaze - - - -	12	2	33
56	Hilly Ground Mead - - - -	1	2	34
57	Hilly Ground Mead - - - -	4	3	20
58	Great Hilly Ground - - - -	12	1	13
59	Great Socks - - - -	10	2	32
60	Great Beaton's Leaze - - - -	11	1	28
61	Little Beaton's Leaze - - - -	3	1	32
62	Little Hill - - - -	5	0	0
63	Great Hill - - - -	6	0	16
72	New Mead - - - -	33	1	24
	Total	347	3	0

PART III.

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LANDS WHEREOF THE ECCLESIASTICAL COMMISSIONERS ARE OR CLAIM TO BE OWNERS.

Number on Plan.	Name or Description of Property.	Quantity.		
		A.	R.	P.
69	Little Chester Mead - - - -	13	2	15
70	Lower River Chester Mead - - -	44	1	38
71	Great Chester Mead - - - -	59	0	4
	Total -	117	0	17

N.B.—The rent-charge on the above properties is apportioned as follows:—

	£	s.	d.
On lands &c. in Part I - - - -	120	0	0
On lands &c. in Part II:—			
On Numbers 27, 28, 29 - - - -	£ 7	16	0
On the rest - - - -	96	3	0
		103	19 0
On lands in Part III - - - -		31	0 0
		<u>£254</u>	<u>19 0</u>

