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VICTORIÆ REGINÆ.

Cap. 14.

An Act for the Regulation and Management of the Charity founded by *Thomas Howell* in or about the Year One thousand five hundred and forty, and for other Purposes. [30th *June* 1852.]

WHEREAS an Information was on the Twenty-seventh Day of *July* One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight filed by Her Majesty's Attorney General in the High Court of Chancery against the Master, Wardens, and Brethren and Sisters of the Guild or Fraternity of the *Blessed Mary the Virgin* of the Mystery of Drapers of the City of *London* for the Establishment and Regulation of the above-mentioned Charity, and the said Information stated, amongst other things, that *Thomas Howell*, who died at *Seville* in the Kingdom of *Spain* in the Year One thousand five hundred and forty (being the *Thomas Howell* above mentioned), by his Will directed his Executors to send to the City of *London* Twelve thousand Ducats of Gold, to be delivered to the House named *Drapers Hall* and the Wardens thereof, the said Wardens to have in charge that as soon as they should receive the same they should therewith buy for the said House Four hundred Ducats of Rent yearly for ever to have in possession, and willed further that the

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said Four hundred Ducats yearly should be bestowed in Marriage to Four Maidens, being Orphans and of his Lineage and Blood if they could be found, and the Next of Kin to be first served of the said Four Maidens, and they to have each of them One hundred Ducats; and if no such Maidens of his Blood should be found, then to marry other Four Maidens although they should not be of his Lineage, with Condition that they should be honest and of good Name and Fame, each of them to have One hundred Ducats, and to spend the Four hundred Ducats in Marriage every Year to marry Four Maidens for ever; and if the said Twelve thousand Ducats should buy more than the said Four hundred Ducats of yearly Rent, to bestow the Residue in Marriage of Maidens being Orphans, and to the Increase of the said Four Maidens Marriage, as best should seem to the Wardens of the said House; and that by an Indenture bearing Date the Thirty-first Day of *March* One thousand five hundred and forty-three, made between King *Henry* the Eighth of the First Part, and the Master, Wardens, Brethren, and Sisters of the Company of Drapers of the other Part, the said King, for the Consideration therein-after expressed, granted to the said Master, Wardens, Brethren, and Sisters, and their Successors, the Capital Messuage and Two Gardens and other Buildings to the same annexed in the Parish of *Saint Peter le Poor* within the Ward of *Broad Street* in the City of *London* and in the Parish of *Saint Stephen Coleman Street*, paying yearly Ten Shillings and Fourpence into the Court of Augmentation; and the said King thereby declared that he would grant to the said Master, Wardens, Brethren, and Sisters, and their Successors, the Premises aforesaid by Letters Patent under the Great Seal, with the Rents and Profits thereof, from *Lady Day* then last, in consideration whereof the said Master, Wardens, Brethren, and Sisters covenanted to pay to the said King the Sum of One thousand two hundred Pounds, and the said Master, Wardens, Brethren, and Sisters, in further Recompense and Satisfaction of the Messuage, Lands, and other Premises before mentioned, did for themselves and their Successors covenant with the said King and his Successors that they and their Successors would and should yearly thereafter give, distribute, and dispose of the Rents and Profits which at any Time thereafter should clearly accrue from the said Premises, over and besides all Charges and Costs which should be bestowed in the Reparation of the said Premises, to and for the Marriage of poor Maidens being Orphans at the Discretion of the said Master, Wardens, Brethren, and Sisters of the said Company for the Time being; and that by Letters Patent bearing Date the Fourth Day of *July* in the Thirty-fifth Year of King *Henry* the Eighth the said King, in consideration of One thousand eight hundred Marks, granted to the said Master, Wardens, Brethren, and Sisters of the said Company of Drapers the said Capital Messuage and Gardens mentioned in
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the said Indenture in the Parish of *Saint Peter le Poor*, and in the same Letters Patent described as abutting upon *Broad Street South*, and the Messuages, Tenements, and Cellars lying together near the Church of the Convent of the *Augustine* Brothers in the said Parish and in the Ward of *Broad Street*, abutting upon the Street leading towards *Lothbury* on the South and the Way leading to the Priory of the *Augustines* upon the North, also a Messuage or Tenement, Cellars, and a Gatehouse fronting South towards *Broad Street* and abutting North on the Churchyard of the said Convent, and a Water-course and running of Conduit Water to the said Capital Messuage, and a Way to the said Capital Messuage and Tenement thereto belonging by the Gate called *Friars Gate* to *Broad Street*; and that about Nineteen Years after the Death of the said Testator *Thomas Howell* a Suit was instituted in the said Court of Chancery by certain Orphans of *Wales*, on behalf of themselves and other Kinsmen of the said *Thomas Howell*, against the Master, Wardens, Brethren, and Sisters of the said Company of Drapers, setting forth the Purport of the Will of the said *Thomas Howell*, and alleging that the Defendants had received the Legacy thereby bequeathed, and had purchased with Part thereof Lands and Tenements of the yearly Rent of One hundred and five Pounds, but had disposed of the Residue to their own Uses, and claiming the Benefit of the said Charity; and that the said Company put in their Answer in the said Suit, and thereby stated, amongst other things, that they had received Eight thousand seven hundred and twenty Ducats, which they had disposed of in the Purchase of Tenements and Gardens which produced a Rent of One hundred and five Pounds *per Annum* or thereabouts, but that the Reparations and other Charges of the Premises so purchased had stood them in Thirty Pounds a Year and were like to do so yearly, so that One Year with another they had received over and above all Charges Seventy Pounds, which they had bestowed in the Marriage of Maiden Orphans as therein mentioned, and that they always intended as near as they could to perform the said Will with as much of the Rents of the Premises as should come clearly to their Hands over and above all Charges; and that by the Decree made in the said Suit on the Twenty-fourth Day of *June* One thousand five hundred and fifty-nine it was ordered that once every Year, at the Feast of the Purification, a Certificate should be made out of a certain Pedigree or Herbal therein mentioned, which Certificate should be made by the Bishop of *Llandaff* for the Time being, or, if vacant, by the Dean and Chapter of the same Diocese, in Writing under their respective Seals, and delivered to the said Master and Wardens, ascertaining and proving that the Four Orphans named therein were next of Kin, Lineage, and Blood to the said Testator, and that they were Orphans, fatherless, and of the Age of Twelve Years and upwards, and were then living, on which Certificate the
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said Master and Wardens for the Time being should forthwith make Payment of Eighty-four Pounds yearly out of the Rents and Revenues of the said Lands and Tenements to the Hands of the said Bishop or Dean and Chapter to the Use of the said Four Orphans for that Year equally between them to be divided, that is, to each of them Twenty-one Pounds, on which Payment the said Bishop or Dean and Chapter should deliver to the said Master and Wardens an Acquittance, which should be a sufficient Discharge to the said Master and Wardens and their Successors against the said Four Orphans and all others for so much as should be paid to their Use; and if it should happen at any Time that any of the said Orphans then being Next of Kin and Blood to the said *Thomas Howell* should be within the Age of Twelve Years and not marriageable, all such Sums of Money as should then be due should be paid over to such other Four of the said Orphans being of the next Descent as should be above the Age of Twelve Years and marriageable, provided that the Orphans then being within the Age of Twelve Years should not be secluded nor lose their Portions, but that when they should accomplish the Age of Twelve Years or upwards, and the same certified in Form aforesaid, Payment should be made to them; and it was further ordered, that such Maidens as should thereafter be married, being justly certified in Form aforesaid to be of Kin to the said Testator according to the said Pedigree, might notwithstanding their said Marriage be admitted to receive their Portions when the Time should come, although they should be so married before they ought to receive the same; and it was further ordered, that if it should chance the said Tenements out of which the said yearly Sum of Eighty-four Pounds was to be paid should be so decayed that the same could not be levied, the Master and Wardens should be charged but with the Residue that should remain, and that if the said Lands and Tenements should be improved over and above the said Sum of Eighty-four Pounds, and over and above Twenty-one Pounds allowed yearly to the said Master and Wardens for their ordinary and extraordinary Charges, the same Improvement over and above the said Sums of Eighty-four Pounds and Twenty-one Pounds should be equally divided yearly to the said Four Orphans equally in Form aforesaid, foreseeing always that the same Improvement yearly to be divided to the said Four Orphans did not exceed the Value of Sixteen Pounds by the Year; provided also, that if the said Master and Wardens should at any Time thereafter receive the Sum of Three thousand two hundred and eighty Ducats of the Executors of the said *Thomas Howell*, being the Residue of his Legacy, or so much as might purchase an Increase of Lands and Tenements or other yearly Hereditaments to the yearly Value of Sixteen Pounds or under, that the said Master and Wardens should yearly thenceforth pay, on Certificate as aforesaid, to Four of
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the said Orphans so much as the said Increase in Rent of the Premises so to be purchased should amount to, foreseeing that in the whole the said Orphans should not be paid above the yearly Sum of One hundred Pounds; and the said Information further stated, that out of the Rents carried to the Account of the said Charity the following Payments were made; (that was to say,) a Quitrent to the Grocers Company, One Pound; a Quitrent to the Parish of *Saint Edmund the King*, Five Shillings and Fourpence; to the Clerk of the Company, Ten Shillings; incidental Expenses for the Surveyor's Charges and Repairs; to the Order of the Bishop of *Llandaff*, on the Receipt of a Certificate that the Four Persons therein named had been appointed to receive Marriage Portions, such Persons being Maidens, Orphans, Next of Kin and Lineage and Blood to *Thomas Howell*, and of the Age of Twelve Years and upwards, Eighty-four Pounds; and that the Residue of the said Rents was carried to the Account of the said Company's Income: And whereas the said Defendants to the said Information put in an Answer thereto, and they thereby admitted (amongst other things) that out of the Rents carried to the Account of the said Charity, amounting, as stated in such Answer, at the Time of the said Information being filed, to the Sum of One thousand nine hundred and forty-one Pounds Fifteen Shillings and One Penny *per Annum*, the said several Payments in the said Information mentioned were made, and that the Residue of the said Rents was carried to the Account of the said Company's Income; and the Cause came on to be heard before the Right Honourable the Master of the Rolls, and a Decree was made by his Lordship on the Twentieth Day of *April* One thousand eight hundred and forty-five, whereby it was declared (amongst other things) that the whole of the Funds or Sums of Money which came to the Hands of the Defendants under and by virtue of the said Will of the said *Thomas Howell* were applicable to the charitable Purposes mentioned in the same Will, and that the whole of the said Land and Premises mentioned in the said Indenture of the Thirty-first Day of *March* One thousand five hundred and forty-three, and the Letters Patent of the Fourth Day of *July* in the Thirty-fifth Year of King *Henry* the Eighth, were held by the said Company in trust for the charitable Purposes in the said Will declared; and it was further ordered, that it should be referred to the Master in Rotation, amongst other things, to take an Account of what the Property of the said Charity then consisted, and what was the then present Income arising therefrom; and it was further ordered, that the said Master should approve of and settle a Scheme for the future Administration of the said Charity, and the Application of the Income thereof, and that it should be referred to the Master to inquire and state whether, having regard to the charitable Objects contemplated by the said Testator, and the increased Amount of the Rents, Profits, and Income of the

Decree of the
Master of the
Rolls, dated
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Charity Estates, it would be fit and proper that any and what Extension of charitable Objects and Uses should be made of the said Charity, so as to embrace other Objects than those immediately contemplated by the said Testator, and if he should be of opinion that such Extension should be made, then he was also to approve of a Scheme for such Purpose; and the said Master was to inquire and state whether it was necessary that an Act of Parliament should be obtained for carrying into effect such Scheme as he might approve of, and if he should be of opinion that the same was necessary, then that he might settle the Draft of a Bill for an Act of Parliament to be applied for by the Defendants for the Establishment of any such extended Scheme for the Appropriation and Application of the Income of the said Charity Estates, or any Part thereof, and also for the absolute Purchase by the said Defendants of such Part of the said Charity Estates whereon the Hall and Buildings occupied by them were built, and of the Gardens attached thereto, discharged of the charitable Trusts to which the same were then subject, and for the Investment and Disposition of the Purchase Money to be paid by the said Defendants for the same: And whereas Sir *George Rose*, the Master to whom the said Cause stood referred, made his Report, dated the Twelfth Day of *February* One thousand eight hundred and forty-six, and thereby found, amongst other things, that with the Money the said Company received for Oils sent to them by the Executors of the said Testator *Thomas Howell*, the Costs, Charges, and Losses deducted, they the said Company purchased Tenements and Gardens in the City of *London* of the yearly Rent of One hundred and five Pounds or thereabouts, and that the Site of the said Hall with the Gardens thereto belonging was Part of the Hereditaments so-purchased; and that if the said Hall and Gardens were then to be sold, it would, under the Circumstances mentioned and stated in the said Report, be more beneficial to the said Charity that the same should be sold subject to a Lease thereof for Twenty-eight Years from the Year One thousand eight hundred and forty-three, at a Ground Rent of One hundred and twenty Pounds a Year: And whereas by an Order of the Master of the Rolls, dated the Tenth Day of *March* One thousand eight hundred and forty-six, it was ordered that the said Master's said Report should be confirmed, and it was referred to the said Master to approve of a Lease of the Hall and Garden of the said Defendants, to be granted by them to such Persons as should be nominated by the said Defendants, for a Term of Twenty-eight Years, to be computed from the Year One thousand eight hundred and forty-three, at the yearly Rent of One hundred and twenty Pounds; and by Indenture of Lease, dated the Sixteenth Day of *April* One thousand eight hundred and forty-six, and made between the said Master and Wardens, and Brethren and Sisters, of the One Part, and *Robert Hendrie, Nathaniel Huson,*
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Master's Report, dated 12th Feb. 1846.

Order of Master of Rolls, dated 10th March 1846.

Indenture of Lease, dated 16th April 1846.

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Robert Barclay, and *William Vardon*, of the other Part, (the said last-named Parties being Trustees nominated by and on behalf of the said Company,) the said Hall and Gardens, as delineated and described in the Plan drawn on the Back of the Fourth Skin of the same Indenture, were granted and demised by the said Master, Wardens, Brethren, and Sisters unto the said *Robert Hendrie*, *Nathaniel Huson*, *Robert Barclay*, and *William Vardon*, their Executors, Administrators, and Assigns, for the Term of Twenty-eight Years from the Twenty-fifth Day of *December* One thousand eight hundred and forty-three, at the yearly Rent of One hundred and twenty Pounds: And whereas by another Order of the Master of the Rolls made in the said Cause, and dated the Second Day of *June* One thousand eight hundred and forty-six, it was referred to the said Master to settle and approve of the Draft of a Bill for an Act of Parliament to enable the said Defendants to purchase such Part of the Charity Estates whereon the said Defendants Hall and Buildings occupied by them were built, and of the Gardens attached thereto, discharged of the charitable Trusts to which the same were subject, and for the Investment and Disposition of the Purchase Money to be paid by the said Defendants for the same; and the said Master, by his Report dated the Fourth Day of *June* One thousand eight hundred and forty-six, certified that in pursuance of the said Order he had settled and approved of the Draft of a Bill for the Purposes last aforesaid (being the Bill which was passed and carried into effect by the Act next herein-after mentioned); and the said last-mentioned Report was confirmed by an Order of the Master of the Rolls, dated the Sixth Day of *June* One thousand eight hundred and forty-six: And whereas an Act was passed in the Tenth Year of the Reign of Her present Majesty, intituled *An Act to authorize the Sale of Part of the Charity Estates vested in the Master and Wardens and Brethren and Sisters of the Guild or Fraternity of the Blessed Mary the Virgin of the Mystery of Drapers of the City of London upon the Trusts of the Will of Thomas Howell deceased*, whereby, after reciting the filing of the above-mentioned Information on the Twenty-seventh Day of *July* One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight, and the said Decree of the Master of the Rolls made on the Hearing of the said Information on the Twenty-ninth Day of *April* One thousand eight hundred and forty-five, and the said Master's said Report dated the Twelfth Day of *February* One thousand eight hundred and forty-six, and the said Order of the Master of the Rolls of the Tenth Day of *March* One thousand eight hundred and forty-six, and the said Indenture of Lease of the Sixteenth Day of *April* One thousand eight hundred and forty-six, and the said Order of the Master of the Rolls of the Second Day of *June* One thousand eight hundred and forty-six, and the said Master's said Report of the Fourth Day of *June* One thousand eight hundred and

Order of
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Rolls, dated
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and forty-six, and the said Order of the Master of the Rolls of the Sixth Day of *June* One thousand eight hundred and forty-six, it was enacted, that it should be lawful for the said Master and Wardens, and Brethren and Sisters, as the Trustees of the said Charity Estates, at any Time thereafter, with the Approbation and under the Direction of the Court of Chancery, absolutely to make sale and dispose of the Freehold Reversion and Inheritance of the Hall, Buildings, Gardens, and Premises comprised in the said therein and herein-before recited Indenture of Lease, unto the Master and Wardens, and Brethren and Sisters, for their own Use and Benefit, for such Sum or Sums of Money, and under and subject to such special Conditions and Restrictions, as to the said Court of Chancery should seem reasonable, and that, upon Payment of the Purchase Money into the Bank of *England* in manner therein-after directed, the Master and Wardens, and Brethren and Sisters should grant, convey, and assure the same, with their Rights, Members, and Appurtenances, to the Use of them the Master and Wardens, and Brethren and Sisters, their Successors and Assigns, for ever, discharged of and from all the charitable Uses and Trusts to which the same Hereditaments and Premises were then or should at the Time of such Sale be subject or liable; and it was also enacted, that the Hereditaments and Premises comprised in such Grant, Conveyance, or Assurance should immediately upon the Execution thereof be held and enjoyed by the Master and Wardens, and Brethren and Sisters, their Successors or Assigns, freed and absolutely discharged of and from all such charitable Uses and Trusts as aforesaid; and it was also enacted, that the Master and Wardens, and Brethren and Sisters, if and when they should become the Purchasers of all or any Part of the said Hereditaments by the said Act authorized to be sold as aforesaid, should pay their Purchase Money into the Bank of *England*, in the Name and with the Privity of the Accountant General of the High Court of Chancery, to the Credit of the Cause "The Attorney General *v.* Drapers Company, *ex parte* the Drapers Company," in the Manner directed and provided by the said Act; and it was also further enacted and provided by the same Act, that the Certificate of the Accountant General of the said Court of Chancery, together with the Receipt of the Cashier of the Bank of *England*, of the Payment of such Purchase Money, should be a sufficient Discharge for the same; and the same Act also contained Provisions for the Application and Investment of such Purchase Money, and for the Payment of the Costs, Charges, and Expenses of obtaining the said Act and of the Sale or Sales thereby authorized under the Sanction and by the Direction of the said Court of Chancery, to be obtained in the Manner in the same Act mentioned and provided in that Behalf: And whereas the said Master to whom the said Cause stood referred made his further Report therein, dated the Fourth Day of *March* One

Master's Report, dated 4th March 1851.

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One thousand eight hundred and fifty-one, and he thereby certified and found, amongst other things, that the Accounts of the Renter Wardens of the said Company contain, from a very early Period, (that is to say,) from the Year One thousand five hundred and sixty, a separate Rental under the Head of "*Howell's Trust*," corresponding in Substance with those of later Years, and that the Property now held by the said Company in the Parish of *Saint Peter le Poor* lies altogether, and consists of the Company's Hall and Gardens on the West Side and partly on the North, and is bounded partly on the North and East Sides by *Austin Friars*, and on the South by *Throgmorton Street*, and that the Remainder of the said Property is in *Dowgate* in the Parish of *St. Mary Botham*, and that Part of the Property held by the said Company in trust for *Howell's Charity* forms a connected Range of Buildings and Premises bounded on the East by *Bush Lane* and *Dowgate Hill*, on the North in part by the Parsonage House and Old Churchyard of *St. Mary Botham*, and the rest of the North Side, consisting of Houses on the North of *Scots Yard*, which runs into *Bush Lane*, and on the South that it is bounded partly by *Plumbers Hall*, and that there are Two Warehouses on the South by *Checquer Yard*, which run from *Bush Lane* to *Dowgate*, the Site of which Warehouses is partly in *Saint Mary Botham* and partly in *Saint Michael Royal*, and is considered as belonging Part to *Howell's Charity* and Part to the said Company; and the said Master further found that there are also in *Scots Yard* Six other Houses and Warehouses, being Part of the said *Howell's Charity* Property, which till about the Year One thousand eight hundred and twenty-nine were let on Lease, latterly at Rents amounting to nearly Four hundred Pounds, and which have been abandoned by the Lessees or left on the Expiration of the Leases, and that it was alleged that they had been offered in several Ways to be let, but that no adequate Offer had been made for them; and the said Master further found, that the present Income arising from the said Charity Property, exclusive of the Interest on the Purchase Money of the said Hall of the said Company, is Two thousand one hundred and thirty-eight Pounds Thirteen Shillings or thereabouts; and the said Master further stated, that he was of opinion that, having regard to the charitable Objects contemplated by the said Testator, and the increased Amount of the Rents, Profits, and Income of the Charity Estates, it would be fit and proper that an Extension of charitable Objects and Uses should be made, so as to embrace other Objects than those immediately contemplated by the said Testator, and that a Scheme had been proposed by the said Attorney General for the future Administration and Management of the said Charity and the Estates and Property thereof and the Application of the Income thereof, including an Extension of the charitable Objects and Uses of the said Charity other than those immediately con-

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templated by the said Testator; and the said Master further stated, that he had perused and considered such proposed Scheme, and approved thereof as a proper Scheme for the Purposes aforesaid, and that in a Schedule annexed to his said Report he had set forth the Particulars of such Scheme, and the said Master further found, that it was necessary that an Act of Parliament should be obtained for carrying into effect such Scheme, and, the Draft of a Bill for such Act having been laid before him, that he had perused and settled and approved of the same as a proper Bill for an Act of Parliament to be applied for for the Establishment of such extended Scheme for the Appropriation and Application of the Income of the said Charity Estates as aforesaid; and the said Master further found, amongst other things, that the said Hall and Buildings had been purchased by the said Defendants under the Provision of the said Act of the Ninth and Tenth Years of the Reign of Her present Majesty, with the Approbation of the Court, and that the same had been duly conveyed to or to the Use of the said Defendants discharged of the said Trusts; and the said Master further found, that at the Time of the passing of the said Act a Messuage or Tenement situate at the West End of the said Hall, being Number Twenty-nine in *Throgmorton Street*, and Part of the said Charity Estates, was not included in the Provisions of the said Act, the same having been then treated as a separate Tenement, but that such Messuage or Tenement had been since added to the said Hall and was then occupied by the Clerk of the said Drapers Company, and that the said Drapers Company were desirous of purchasing the same, and that the Provisions of the said proposed Act should be extended so as to enable them to do so, and that he was of opinion that the said proposed Act should be extended accordingly, and that he had therefore, in settling the said Bill for an Act of Parliament to be applied for for the Establishment of the said extended Scheme as aforesaid, settled the same so as to enable the said Defendants to purchase the said Messuage or Tenement situate at the West End of the said Hall, being Number Twenty-nine in *Throgmorton Street* aforesaid, and then in the Occupation of the said Clerk of the said Drapers Company as aforesaid, discharged from the charitable Trusts to which the same was then subject; and the said Master further stated, that he had caused the said proposed Bill to be ingrossed on Nineteen Sheets of Paper, and in testimony of his Approbation thereof he had signed his Allowance at the Foot of the said Ingrossment: And whereas by an Order made in the said Cause bearing Date the Fifteenth Day of *March* One thousand eight hundred and fifty-one it was ordered that the Master's said Report should be confirmed: And whereas by a further Order made in the said Cause dated the Fourth Day of *March* One thousand eight hundred and fifty-two it was ordered, among other things, that Application should be made to Parliament

Master's
Report
confirmed,
15th March
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Order of
Court, dated
4th March
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liament by Her Majesty's Attorney General for an Act enabling the Court of Chancery to extend the said Charity to the Establishment, Maintenance, and Benefit of Schools in *Wales* for the Instruction of Girls, and the maintaining, clothing, and providing Portions for the Orphan Inmates educated in the Schools to be so established, and the keeping up the Establishment for such Schools in such Manner as the said Court should think fit, and also enabling the said Company to purchase the said Messuage or Tenement, Twenty-nine, *Throgmorton Street*, for their own Use, and, as Trustees for the said Charity, to purchase and hold Sites for the Schools to be so established, and also to let, sell, exchange, and otherwise manage the Estates of the said Charity, and to invest the surplus Income thereof in the Purchase of Land under the Direction of the said Court; and it was further ordered, that the Bill to be so introduced into Parliament for obtaining such last-mentioned Act should be in accordance with the Draft Bill, which was therein stated to be produced in Court, and marked with the Letter A. and with the Initials of the Registrar, at the Time of making such Order; and the Draft Bill so produced in Court, and marked as aforesaid, corresponds with the Bill which is intended to be passed and enacted by this Act: And whereas the said Messuage or Tenement situate at the West End of the said Hall in *Throgmorton Street* aforesaid, together with the Appurtenances, is described in the Schedule to this Act annexed: 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,

I. That it shall be lawful for the said Master and Wardens, and Brethren and Sisters, as the Trustees of the said Charity Estates, to sell and convey unto them the said Master and Wardens, and Brethren and Sisters, for their own Use and Benefit, the said House and Premises, Number Twenty-nine, *Throgmorton Street*, described in the said Report of the said Master of the Fourth Day of *March* One thousand eight hundred and fifty-one, and in the Preamble of this Act, with the Appurtenances, for such Price, in such Manner, and subject to such Conditions and Provisions as to the said Court of Chancery shall seem reasonable, and, upon Payment of the Purchase Money thereof, to hold the same purchased Hereditaments and Premises unto them, their Successors and Assigns, freed and discharged from all charitable Uses and Trusts now subsisting and affecting the same; and that, for the Purpose of the Sale and Conveyance so hereby authorized to be made as aforesaid, all and singular the Powers, Enactments, and Provisions contained respectively in the said herein-before recited Act of the Tenth Year of

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the Reign of Her present Majesty, with respect to the Hereditaments by the same Act authorized to be sold and conveyed by the said Master and Wardens, and Brethren and Sisters, as aforesaid, and with respect to the Conveyance of the same purchased Hereditaments, and the Payment, Application, and Investment of the Purchase Money thereof, and the Costs of or attending such Purchase, or otherwise connected with or relating to the Sale or Conveyance by the same Act authorized to be made as aforesaid, shall extend and apply to and include the aforesaid House and Premises, Number Twenty-nine, *Throgmorton Street*, with the Appurtenances, and the Sale and Conveyance hereby authorized to be made thereof, as fully and effectually as if all the same Powers, Enactments, and Provisions were herein contained and repeated.

Court of Chancery empowered to extend Charity to Establishment and Maintenance of Girls School in Wales.

II. That it shall be lawful for the Court of Chancery to extend the said Charity to the Establishment, Maintenance, and Benefit of Schools in *Wales* for the Instruction of Girls, and the maintaining, clothing, and providing Portions for the Orphan Inmates educated in the Schools to be so established, and the keeping up the Establishment for such Schools, in such Manner and subject to such Provisions and Regulations as the said Court shall from Time to Time order or direct, and from Time to Time to make and give such Decrees, Orders, or Directions in relation to the Charity and the Premises as shall be requisite or proper, having regard to the Extension hereby authorized as aforesaid; provided, that for the Purposes of this Act the whole of the Diocese of *Llandaff* shall be deemed to be in *Wales*; provided also, that in preparing such Schemes Preference shall be given to the Diocese of *Llandaff*, both as to the Priority and Size of the Foundations to be established and maintained under the Authority of this Act; and that not more than One School shall be established or maintained from the Proceeds of the said Charity beyond the present Limits of that Diocese.

Orphans of the Blood of the Founder to be preferred and to have Marriage Portions.

III. That if any Orphan Maiden who shall be certified by the Bishop of *Llandaff* to be of the Blood of the said *Thomas Howell* shall apply to be admitted into any of the Schools established or maintained under the Authority of this Act, such Person shall be preferred to all others; and that every Orphan Inmate of any of the said Schools who shall have been duly certified to be of the Blood of the said *Thomas Howell* shall, after leaving such School and being of unblemished Character, be entitled on her Marriage to a Marriage Portion of Two hundred Pounds out of the Funds of the Charity; and that the Governor may advance a Portion of such Sum for her Benefit in the meantime.

IV. That

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IV. That the Bishop of the Diocese in which any of the said Schools shall be established shall be *ex officio* a Governor of such School, and shall, when present at a Meeting of the Governors of such School, be the Chairman thereof.

The Bishop of the Diocese to be an *ex officio* Governor of the Schools.

V. That it shall be lawful for the said Company, their Successors and Assigns, by and under the Order and Direction of the said Court of Chancery, to purchase and hold such Pieces of Ground as Sites for the Schools to be established as aforesaid, and the Buildings and Appurtenances to be attached thereto, as shall be approved of by the said Court; and that such Pieces of Ground when so purchased shall be conveyed unto or otherwise vested in the said Company, their Successors and Assigns, upon trust for the said Charity, in such Manner as the said Court of Chancery shall order or direct.

Company to purchase Sites for Schools.

VI. That it shall be lawful for the said Company, their Successors and Assigns, from Time to Time, with the Sanction and Approbation of the said Court of Chancery, to grant and contract for the Grant of any Building, Improving, or other Leases for any Term or Number of Years of all or any Part of the Lands, Estates, and Property for the Time being belonging to or held in trust for the said Charity, and also to sell and convey or exchange, and contract for the Sale and Conveyance or Exchange of all or any Part of the same Lands, Estates, and Property, for such Rents, at such Prices, upon such Terms and Conditions, and with and subject to such Powers and Provisions, and in such Manner respectively, as the said Court of Chancery shall from Time to Time by its Order authorize or direct; and for the Purposes aforesaid, or any of them, and also for the Improvement or better Management of the said Charity Estates, or any of them, to make and execute all or any such Deeds, Leases, and Conveyances, and accept all or any such Surrenders, and to make and enter into all such Contracts and Arrangements, and do all such Acts, Matters, and Things whatsoever, as the said Court of Chancery shall in manner aforesaid authorize or direct.

Company empowered to grant Building Leases, and to sell, exchange, and manage Charity Estates under Directions of Court of Chancery, according to Provisions of Scheme.

VII. That it shall be lawful for the said Company, their Successors and Assigns, from Time to Time, with the Sanction and Approbation of the Court of Chancery, to lay out and invest the surplus Rents and Profits and Income of the Charity Estates and Property, and all or any Monies arising from any Sale or Exchange of the said Charity Estates and Property, or any Part thereof, and all or any other Monies for the Time being belonging to the Charity, in the Purchase of Lands or Hereditaments or Government or Real Securities; and that from Time to Time when and as often as any such Purchase or Investment shall be made as aforesaid the Lands and Securities respectively so to be purchased or obtained shall be con-

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veyed and transferred unto or otherwise vested in the said Company, their Successors and Assigns, upon trust for the Benefit of the said Charity, as the Court of Chancery may from Time to Time direct.

Expenses
of Act.

VIII. That all the Costs, Charges, and Expenses incident to and attendant or in anywise relating to the applying for, obtaining, and passing this Act, and incidental and preparatory thereto, shall be paid out of the Charity Estates, Monies, and Property, in such Manner as the said Court of Chancery shall direct.

Interpreta-
tion of Terms.

IX. That in this Act the following Words and Expressions shall have the several Meanings hereby assigned to them, unless there be something in the Subject or Context repugnant to such Construction; (that is to say,)

The Expression "Company" shall mean and include the Drapers Company, by their Corporate Name of "The Master, Wardens, " and Brethren and Sisters of the *Blessed Mary the Virgin* of " the Mystery of Drapers of the City of *London*," and their Successors, and other the Trustees for the Time being of the Charity :

The Expression "the Charity" shall mean the said Charity founded by *Thomas Howell* as established and administered under the Authority of this Act.

General
Saving of
Rights.

X. Saving always to the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, Her Heirs and Successors, and to all and every other Person or Persons, Bodies Politic or Corporate, his and their Heirs, Executors, Administrators, Successors, and Assigns, (other than and except the said Company,) all such Estate, Right, Title, Interest, Property, Benefit, Claim, and Demand whatsoever of, in, to, or out of the said several Lands, Estates, and Premises by this Act directed to be held by or vested in the said Company, their Successors and Assigns, in trust for the said Charity as aforesaid, or any of them, or any Part or Parts thereof respectively, as he or they or any of them had before the passing of this Act, or would, could, or might have had in case this Act had not been passed.

Act as
printed by
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be Evidence.

XI. That this Act shall not be a Public Act, but shall be printed by the several Printers to the Queen's most Excellent Majesty duly authorized to print the Statutes of the United Kingdom, and a Copy thereof so printed by any of them shall be admitted as Evidence thereof by all Judges, Justices, and others.

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SCHEDULE to which the foregoing Act refers.

A Messuage or Tenement situate at the West End of Drapers Hall, being Number Twenty-nine, Throgmorton Street, in the City of London, in the Occupation of the Clerk of the Drapers Company.

C. F. Yates.

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