Autorisation de la ville de Londres d'absorber les hôpitaux de Saint-Barthélemy et de Bethléem, diverses églises et autres propriétés (1547)

# [GOVERMENT OF ENGLAND, 1547]

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# [38 Henry 8]

Letters Patent, containing the Grant and Establishment of the Hospitals by *Henry* the Eighth; 1547.

#### The Fifth part of Patents of the 38th year of the reign of **For the Mayor and Commonalty of** *London*; concerning a grant to them and their successors.

T HE King to all to whom (and so forth), greeting.

[1 Grant of former Grey Friars' London properties to city of London]

King Henry

the Eighth. [1]

- <sup>i-</sup> Know ye that we, as well in performance of certain grants promises articles and agreements, in a certain indenture made between us of the one part, and the Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens of our City of *London* of the other part, bearing date the twenty-seventh day of *December* in the thirtyeighth year of our reign, expressed and specified, as for other causes and considerations us at this present especially moving, of our especial grace certain knowledge and mere motion, have given and granted, and by these presents do give and grant, to the aforesaid Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens of our City of *London*,
- [1(1)] all that the church heretofore of the Lesser Friers [or Friers Minors], commonly called the Grey Friers, within our City of *London*, and all the scite of the house of the said Lesser Friers, and
- [1(2)] all edifices land and soil of the church aforesaid; and
- [1(3)] also all the houses and buildings heretofore commonly called the frierie the library the dormitory and the chapter-house of the said late house of the Lesser Friers, and
- [1(4)] all the ground and soil called the great cloysters and the little cloyster of the said late house of the Lesser Friers, within the precinct of the scite of

the said late house of the Lesser Friers aforesaid; and

- also all those our chambers and edifices now or [1(5)] late in the several tenures of *George Woodward* and *Edward Medcalf*, situate and being within the scite precinct and circuit of the said late house of the Lesser Friers; and
- also all those houses edifices chambers and [1(6)] void grounds now or late in the tenure of *Owen Moore*, within the precinct of the said scite of the said late house of the Lesser Friers; and
- also all that our chamber or hall, and our cellar [1(7)] under the same, and all the ground within the little cloyster, within the precinct of the said scite of the said late house of the Lesser Friers, now or late in the tenure of *Hugh Willoughby*, one of our serjeants at arms, for the term of his life; and
- all that part of the houses and edifices called the [1(8)] dormitory of the said late house of the Lesser Friers, now being empty and not occupied; and
- also all those our houses and edifices and void [1(9)] grounds now or late in the tenure of *Richard Tredraye*, on the north part of the little cloyster of the said late house of the Lessor Friers aforesaid; and
- all other our houses edifices gardens void [1(10)] grounds lands tenements and other hereditaments whatsoever, with their appurtenances, situate lying and being within the circuit and precinct of the said scite of the said late house of the Lesser Friers aforesaid; and

the reversion and reversions of all and singular [1(11)] the premises, and

the rents and yearly profits whatsoever reserved [1(12)] upon whatsoever demises and grants of the premises, or of any parcel thereof, in any manner made; and

<sup>[1] 13</sup> January 1547—15 days before King Henry 8 died. Source: Memoranda, References, and Documents relating to The Royal Hospitals of the city of London (London: Re-printed by Benjamin Pardon, 1863) Appendix No V, pp 20-45; downloaded from https://wellcomecollection.org/works/k9j5g89a. There it is shown as one dense block of text, so for ease of reading this edition is broken into paragraphs with clause numbers in the margin. The source does not say this but it appears to be a translation of an original Latin text, which might be obtainable from the UK National Archives only in person; so, to be researched.

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also all those our four messuages and tenements,

- [1(13)] all other our land and ground whatsoever, within the precinct of the said late house of the Lesser Friers aforesaid; and
- [1(14)] also all the lead and stones iron glass timber and other things whatsoever, now being and remaining in and upon the premises or any parcel thereof.

[2 Grant of St. Bartholomew's hospital, its church and London prop-WE also give, and for the considerations aforesaid by these presents do grant to the aforesaid Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens of the said City of *London*,

- erties to city of<br/>London]all that the late hospital of St. Bartholomew in<br/>West Smithfield, near London, otherwise called<br/>the hospital of St. Bartholomew the Less, in<br/>West Smithfield near London, or by whatsoever
  - other name the same late hospital is called or known, and
  - [2(2)] all the church of the same late hospital, and the ground and soil of the same church, and all the lead and all the bells of the same church, and all the ornaments of the said church, and other things whatsoever to the same church and hospital in any manner belonging or appertaining; and
  - [2(3)] also the whole scite walk circuit and precinct, and the close of the said late hospital; and
  - [2(4)] also all that our messuage and tenement, with the appurtenances, now or late in the tenure or occupation of *Ralph Banyster*;
  - [2(5)] one other messuage or tenement, with the appurtenances, now or late in the tenure or occupation of *Thomas Woodwarde*;
  - [2(6)] one other messuage and tenement, and one garden, with the appurtenances, now or late in the tenure or occupation of *Richard Starky*;
  - [2(7)] one other messuage and tenement, with the appurtenances, now or late in the tenure or occupation of *Thomas Golde*;
  - [2(8)] one other messuage and tenement, with the appurtenances, now or late in the tenure or occupation of *Nicholas Webster*; and
  - [2(9)] all those our two messuages and tenements, with the appurtenances, now or late in the tenure or occupation of *Bartholomew Brokysby*; and

with the appurtenances, now or late in the tenure or occupation of *Christian Craker*, widow; and all that our messuage and tenement, with the appurtenances, now or late in the tenure of *Robert Chedley*, Esq.; and

also all that our messuage and tenement, with the [2(12)] appurtenances, now or late in the tenure or occupation of *Nicholas Edwards*; and

- also all those our eight messuages and tene- [2(13)] ments, and one store-house and garden, with the appurtenances, now or late in the tenure or oc-cupation of *John Taylor*; and
- all that our messuage and tenement called a <sup>[2(14)]</sup> smithie, with the appurtenances, and our two other messuages and tenements, with the appurtenances, now or late in the tenure or occupation of the same *John Taylor*; and

also all that our messuage and tenement, and one [2(15)] garden, with the appurtenances, now or late in the tenure or occupation of *Richard Taylor*; and

- also all those our two messuages and tenements, [2(16)] with the appurtenances, now or late in the tenure or occupation of *Robert Jenyns*; and
- also all that our messuage and tenement, and one [2(17)] garden, with the appurtenances, now or late in the tenure or occupation of *Jeffery de la Penne*; and
- all that our messuage and tenement, and one [2(18)] garden, with the appurtenances, now or late in the tenure or occupation of *John Harywell*; and
- also all those our five messuages and tenements, [2(19)] with the appurtenances, now or late in the tenure of *Richard Daye*; and
- all that our great messuage, and one garden, and [2(20)] four other messuages and tenements, with the appurtenances, now or late in the tenure of *Nicholas Rokkewood*; and
- also all that our messuage and tenement, and one [2(21)] garden, with the appurtenances, now or late in the tenure or occupation of *John Witton*; and
- also all that our messuage and tenement and [2(22)] ground, containing seven feet on every part of the same tenement, and one garden, with their appurtenances, now or late in the tenure of *Thomas Hykelynge*, chaplain; and

- [2(23)] all that our messuage and tenement, and one garden, with the appurtenances, now or late in the tenure or occupation of *William Cretynge*, clerk; and
- [2(24)] also all other our messuages houses edifices tenements curtilages void grounds gardens lands soil and hereditaments whatsoever, with the appurtenances, situate lying and being within the scite close walk circuit and precinct and inclosure of the said late hospital, and to the same late hospital heretofore belonging and appertaining, and parcel of the possessions of the same late hospital being; and
- [2(25)] also all those our messuages houses edifices tenements curtilages void grounds gardens lands soil and hereditaments whatsoever, with the appurtenances, within the scite close walk circuit precinct and inclosure of the said late hospital; and
- [2(26)] also all that our yearly rent of twenty-seven shillings, issuing out of one messuage and tenement, called *Olifaunte*, now or late of Sir *William West*, Knight, in West *Smithfield*, in the parish of St. *Sepulchre's*, *London*; and
- [2(27)] all that annual rent of thirteen shillings and four pence, issuing out of a certain tenement belonging to the wardens of the Church of St. Sepulchre without Newgate, London, situate and being in West Smithfield aforesaid, near St. John's Bars there; and
- [2(28)] also all that our messuage and tenement, and one garden, with the appurtenances, now or late in the tenure of *Ralph Worsley*, situate and being in West *Smithfield* in the parish of St. *Sepulchre* aforesaid; and
- [2(29)] also all that our messuage and tenement, with the appurtenances, in West *Smithfield* in the parish of St. *Sepulchre* aforesaid, now or late in the tenure or occupation of *Thomas Golde*; and
- [2(30)] also all those our two messuages and tenements, with the appurtenances, now or late in the tenure or occupation of *John Twyford*, and formerly in the tenure of *Richard Peerson*, in West *Smithfield* aforesaid, in the said parish of St. *Sepulchre*; and
- [2(31)] also all that our messuage and tenement, with the appurtenances, now or late in the tenure of *John*

Sowle, in West Smithfield, in the parish of St. Sepulchre aforesaid; and

also all that our messuage and tenement called [2(32)] the Hartshorne, with the appurtenances, now or late in the tenure of *William Hollande*, in West *Smithfield*, in the said parish of St. *Sepulchre*; and

all those our three messuages and tenements, and [2(33)] two gardens, with the appurtenances, now or late in the tenures or occupations of *Richard Hodges*, *Thomas Acton*, and *William Squyer*, in West *Smithfield*, in the parish of St. *Sepulchre* aforesaid; and

also all those our three messuages and tenements, with the appurtenances, now or late in the tenure or occupation of *Richard Starkey*, in West *Smithfield*, in the parish of St. *Sepulchre*, *London*, aforesaid; and

also all those our two messuages and tenements, [2(35)] with the appurtenances, now or late in the tenure of *Thomas Lane*, in *Giltspur street*, otherwise called *Knightrider street*, in the said parish of St. *Sepulchre*; and

also all those our five messuages and tenements, [2(36)] with the appurtenances, now or late in the tenure of *Rowland Faryndon*, carpenter, in *Giltspur street*, otherwise called *Knightrider street*, in the parish of St. *Sepulchre* aforesaid; and

- also all those our seven messuages and tenements, with the appurtenances, now or late in the tenure of *William Brereton*, in *Hosier lane*, in the parish of St. *Sepulchre* aforesaid; and
- also all those our four messuages and tenements, [2(38)] and one stable, with the appurtenances, now or late in the tenure of *David Sandbroke*, in *Hosier lane*, in the aforesaid parish of St. *Sepulchre*; and
- all that our messuage and tenement called the [2(39)] Bell, with the appurtenances, now or late in the tenure or occupation of *William Taylor* or his assigns, in *Hosier lane* aforesaid, in the parish of St. *Sepulchre* aforesaid; and
- also all that annual rent of twenty pence yearly, <sup>[2(40)]</sup> issuing out of a tenement, late of *Thomas Stokes*, and now of *Richard Harryyonge*, in *Cow lane*, in the parish of St. *Sepulchre* aforesaid; and
- also all that our great messuage and two gardens, [2(41)] and two stables, with the appurtenances, now or

late in the tenure of *Thomas Stokes*, in *Cow lane*, aforesaid, in the said parish of St. *Sepulchre*; and

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- [2(42)] also all those our eleven messuages and tenements, with the appurtenances, now or late in the tenure or occupation of *William Harveste*, and formerly in the tenure of *Robert Tye*, in *Cow lane* aforesaid; and
- [2(43)] also all that our messuage and brewhouse called the Green Dragon, with all the shops cellars solars and other their appurtenances, now or late in the tenure or occupation of *William Brereton*, in *Cow lane* aforesaid; and
- [2(44)] also all those our two messuages and tenements, now reduced in one, with the appurtenances, now or late in the tenure of *William Cordall*, in a street called St. *John's street* in our county of *Middlesex*, and in the parish of St. *Sepulchre* without Newgate, *London*, aforesaid; and
- <sup>[2(45)]</sup> all those our two messuages and tenements, with the appurtenances, now or late in the tenure or occupation of *William Symons*, and formerly in the tenure of *William Deane*, in St. *John street* aforesaid, in the parish of St. *Sepulchre* aforesaid; and
- [2(46)] also all that our messuage and tenement called the Red Lyon, with the appurtenances, now or late in the tenure or occupation of *Robert Barden*, and formerly in the tenure of *Alexander Bell*, in the street called St. *John* aforesaid, in the parish of St. *Sepulchre* aforesaid; and
- [2(47)] also all those our messuages and tenements, with the appurtenances, now or late in the several tenures of *John Cordall*, *Hugh Hatton*, and *Richard Broke*, in St. *John street*, in the said parish of St. *Sepulchre*; and
- [2(48)] also all that our messuage and tenement, with the appurtenances, now or late in the tenure of *Robert Smere*, in *Duck lane*, *London*, in the said parish of St. *Sepulchre*; and
- [2(49)] also all that messuage and tenement, with the appurtenances, now or late in the tenure or occupation of *William Davye*, in *Bretten street*, in the parish of St. *Buttolph* without *Aldersgate*, *London*; and
- [2(50)] all those our six messuages and tenements, with the appurtenances, now or late in the tenure or occupation of *John Twyford*, in *Bretten street*

aforesaid, in the said parish of St. *Buttolph* without *Aldersgate* aforesaid; and

also all those our two messuages and tenements [2(51)] called the Split Eagle, and our four other tenements, with the appurtenances, now or late in the tenure or occupation of *Robert Smere*, in *Bretten street*, in the parish of St. *Buttolph* aforesaid; and

also all that our messuage and tenement, called [2(52)] the Red Lyon, and one garden, with the appurtenances, now or late in the tenure of *Robert Andrew* and *William Duffeld*, or either of them, in the *Barbican*, *London*, in the said parish of St. *Buttolph* without *Aldersgate*, *London*, aforesaid; and

also all that our messuage and tenement or inn [2(53)] called the Antelope, with the appurtenances, now or late in the tenure of *William Bowbye*, in the parish of St. *Andrew* in *Holborn*, in our said county of *Middlesex*, near *London*; and

all that annual rent of twenty-three shillings and [2(54)] four pence, issuing out of one tenement called the Angel, in the parish of St. *Dunstan* in the West, *London*, belonging and appertaining to the wardens of the church of St. *Christopher* near the *Stocks*, *London*; and

also all that brewhouse called the Hartshorne, [2(55)] with the appurtenances, now or late in the tenure of *Alexander Hudson*, in the parish of St. *Bridget*, in *Fleet street*, *London*, aforesaid; and

also all those our three messuages or tenements, [2(56)] with the appurtenances, now or late in the several tenures or occupations of *Nicholas Spakeman*, *Lawrence Elyatt*, and *John Hardye*, carpenter, in *Fleet street*, and in the parish of St. *Martin* within *Ludgate* of the said City of *London*; and

also all that our messuage or tenement, called a [2(57)] barkehouse, and three other messuages and tenements, with the appurtenances, now or late in the tenure or occupation of *Hugh Greene* and *Richard Grey*, or one of them, in *Peterkey*, within the parish of the Blessed *Mary Magdalene* in *Old Fish street* in the said City of *London*; and

also all that our messuage and tenement, now or [2(58)] late in the tenure or occupation of *Agnes Gibson*, widow, and all those our two messuages and tenements, now or late in the tenure or occupation of *Alice Webbe*, widow, with all and singuother properties, 1547 lar their appurtenances, in *Peterkey*, in the parish

of St. Bennet, London; and

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- [2(59)] also all that annual rent of sixteen shillings, issuing out of a brewhouse called the Dolphin, in the Old Fish street, in the parish of Saint Nicholas Cold-Abby, London, and belonging and appertaining to the wardens of the church of the Blessed Mary Magdalene in Old Fish street aforesaid; and
- [2(60)] also all that annual rent of fifty-one shillings and eight pence, issuing out of one tenement belonging to the wardens of the church of St. Nicholas Cold-Abby, London, aforesaid, situate and being in Old Fish street aforesaid, in the said parish of St. Nicholas Cold-Abby aforesaid; and
- [2(61)] all that our messuage and tenement now or late in the tenure of *Robert Raynolds* and *Robert Long*, or one of them, and all those our three messuages and tenements now or late in the tenure or occupation of *Agnes Blockeswiche*, with all and singular their appurtenances, situate and being in *Old Fish street*, *London*, aforesaid, in the said parish of St. *Nicholas Cold-Abby*; and
- [2(62)] also all those our three messuages and tenements, with the appurtenances, now or late in the several tenures of *Richard Holte*, *Richard Bukeland*, and *Robert Bourne*, in *Watling street*, in the parish of St. *Austin*, in the said City of *London*; and
- <sup>[2(63)]</sup> also all that our messuage and tenement, and one shop, with the appurtenances, now or late in the tenure or occupation of *Thomas Daye*, in *Bow lane*, in the parish of the Blessed *Mary* of *Bow Church, London*; and
- [2(64)] also all that our messuage and tenement, with the appurtenances, now or late in the tenure of *John Twyford*, in *Soper lane*, in the parish of St. *Pancras*, *London*; and
- [2(65)] also all those fourteen messuages and tenements, with the appurtenances, now or late in the tenure of *William Phipps*, in *Thames street* in the parish of *All Saints*, called *Allhallows* the Little, in the said City of *London*; and
- [2(66)] also all that our capital messuage called the Axe, with the appurtenances, now or late in the tenure of *Elizabeth Egerson*, otherwise *Egerton*, widow; and

all those our three tenements, with the appurtenances, now or late in the tenure of *William Brereton*, situate and being in *Little Wood street*, in the parish of St. *Alphage*, *London*; and

all that annual rent of six shillings, issuing out [2(68)] of lands of the wardens of the mystery and society of Goldsmiths, *London*; and

all those our five messuages, and gardens to the [2(69)] same adjoining, with the appurtenances, now or late iu the tenure of *John Twyford*, in *Mugwell street*, in the parish of St. *Olaves*, *London*, aforesaid; and

all that our messuage and tenement, and one void [2(70)] piece of ground, with the appurtenances, now or late in the tenure of *John Pylborow*; and

all that our messuage and tenement, with the [2(71)] appurtenances, now or late in the tenure of *George Eyerson*, alias *Egerton*, in the market place called Saint *Nicholas's* Shambles, in the parish of St. *Nicholas* within *Newgate*, *London*, aforesaid; and

all that annual rent of ten pounds thirteen shillings and fourpence, issuing out of a tenement belonging to the wardens of the mystery and society of Merchant Taylors, *London*, situate and being in the *Vintry*, *London*, in the parish of St. *Martin* there; and

also all that annual rent of twenty shillings yearly, issuing out of a tenement, now or late belonging to the wardens of the mystery and society of Goldsmiths, *London*, situate and being in *Wood street* and *Westcheap*, in the parish of St. *Peter* in *Westcheap*, *London*, aforesaid; and

all that annual rent of twenty shillings yearly, <sup>[2(74)]</sup> issuing out of a tenement, commonly called the sign of the Eagle in *Cheape*, situate and being in the parish of St. *Peter* in *Westcheap* aforesaid, and belonging to the wardens of the Goldsmiths;

thirteen shillings and fourpence, yearly, issuing <sup>[2(75)]</sup> out of a tenement, now or late of the wardens of the said mystery and society of Goldsmiths aforesaid, in the parish of St. *John Zachary* in *Foster lane, London*, aforesaid; and

also all that yearly rent of ten shillings yearly, <sup>[2(76)]</sup> issuing out of one tenement at *London Wall*, in the parish of *All Saints* there, now or late belonging to the wardens of the parish church of St. *Peter* in *Cornhill, London*; and

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- also all that annual rent of ten shillings yearly, **[2**(77)] issuing out of a tenement in Bush lane, in the parish of St. Swithin, London, now or late belonging to the wardens of the parish church of St. Magnus, London; and

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- **[2**(78)] also all that annual rent of two shillings and sixpence yearly, issuing out of a tenement, commonly called the sign of the Ship and lately called the Pewter Dish, in the Poultry, near the Stocks, in the parish of St. Mildred, London, now or late belonging to the wardens of the mystery and society of Ironmongers, London; and
- **[2**(79)] also all that annual rent of thirty shillings yearly, issuing out of a tenement called the Eagle, in Gracechurch street, in the parish of St. Peter in Cornhill, London, aforesaid, now or late belonging to the wardens of the church of St. Michael in Cornhill aforesaid; and
- **[2**(80)] all that annual rent of twenty shillings yearly, issuing out of messuages and tenements now or late belonging to the wardens of the parish church of St. Andrews, near Baynard's Castle, situate and being in the parish of St. Andrew, near Baynard's Castle aforesaid; and
- **[2**(81)] all that annual rent of sixty shillings yearly, issuing out of a certain brewhouse, now or late of Robert Hamonde, situate and being in the parish of St. Andrew, near Baynard's Castle aforesaid: and
- **[2**(82)] also all that annual rent of twenty shillings yearly, issuing out of three messuages and tenements, and the key, late Dodmers, now or late of the said Robert Hamonde, in the said parish of St. Andrew, near Baynard's Castle aforesaid; and
- [2(83)] also all that annual rent of twenty-six shillings and eightpence yearly, issuing out of a tenement, commonly called the sign of the Bell, in Candlewick street, in the parish of the Blessed Mary of Abchurch, London, now or late belonging to the wardens of the church of the Blessed Mary of Abchurch aforesaid; and
- **[2**(84)] also all that annual rent of four shillings yearly, the parish of St. Ethelburge without Bishopsgate, London, now or late belonging to the war*don*; and

all that annual rent of two shillings, issuing out **[2**(85)] of one tenement, late in the tenure of John Tewksbury, belonging to the same wardens of the Tallowchandlers of London aforesaid, situate and being in the same parish of St. Ethelburge without Bishopsgate aforesaid; and

also all that annual rent of seven shillings yearly. **[2**(86)] issuing out of one tenement, late called the Horne and now called the Sun, belonging to the said wardens of the Tallowchandlers of London aforesaid, situate and being in the parish of St. Ethelburge without Bishopsgate aforesaid; and

also all that annual rent of thirty shillings and [2(87)] eight pence yearly, issuing out of a messuage and tenement called the Dolphin, now or late of Christopher Champyon, situate and being in the parish of St. Buttolph without Bishopsgate, London, aforesaid; and

also all that annual rent of forty-five shillings [2(88)] yearly, issuing out of a tenement, now or late of John Cocks, called the Saracen's Head, in Bread street, in the parish of All Saints, London; and

also all that annual rent of eight shillings yearly, [2(89)] issuing out of a tenement, now or late belonging and appertaining to the wardens of the society of the mystery of Saddlers, London, situate and being at Holborn cross, in the parish of St. Sepulchre, London, aforesaid; and

all that annual rent of thirty-seven shillings year-**[2**(90)] ly, issuing out of a messuage and tenement called the Cardinal's Hat, in the parish of St. Sepulchre, London, aforesaid, now or late belonging to the Master of the Savoy, near London, aforesaid; and

**[2**(91)] all that annual rent of six shillings and eight pence yearly, issuing out of lands now or late of John Wakelin, clerk, one of the minor canons in the church of St. Paul, London, situate and being near Paul's bakehouse, in the parish of St. George, London;

which said messuages lands tenements rents and other the premises, in the said parishes of St. Sepulchre, St. Buttolph's without Aldersgate, St. issuing out of one tenement called the Lampe, in Andrew, St. Dunstan's, St. Bridget, St. Martin within Ludgate, the Blessed Mary Magdalene in Old Fish street, St. Bennet's, St. Nicholas Colddens of the mystery of Tallowchandlers, Lon- Abby, St. Austin's, the Blessed Mary of Bow Church, St. Pancras, All Saints called Allhallows

the Little, St. Alphage, St. Olave, St. Nicholas, St. Martin's in the Vintry, St. Peter in Westcheap, St. John Zachary, All Saints at London Wall, St. Swithin, St. Mildred, St. Peter in Cornhill, St. Andrew near Baynard's Castle, the Blessed Mary of Abchurch, St. Ethelburg without Bishopsgate, St. Buttolph without Bishopsgate, All Saints in Bread street, St. Sepulchre, and St. George aforesaid, and in the parish of St. Andrew in Holborn aforesaid, and in West Smithfield, Giltspur street, Knightrider street, Hosier lane, Cow lane, St. John's street, Duck lane, Bretten street, Barbican, Fleet street, Peterkey, Old Fish street, Watling street, Bow lane, Soper lane, Thames street, Wood street, Mugwell street, St. Nicholas Shambles, the Vintry, Westcheap, Foster lane, Bush lane, the Poultry near the Stocks, Gracechurch street, Candlewick street, Bread street, and Holborn, aforesaid, to the said late hospital did heretofore belong and appertain, and were late parcel of the possessions thereof.

[3 Grant of St. Bartholomew's properties outside London to city of London] WE also give, and for the consideration aforesaid by these presents do grant to the aforesaid Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens of the city aforesaid,

[3(1)] all those our lands meadows and pastures, containing by estimation sixteen acres, now or late in the tenure of *John Willoughby*, lying and being in divers pieces near *Wallocks Barne* in our said county of *Middlesex* and in the parish of St. *Giles* without *Cripplegate*, *London*, to the aforesaid late hospital heretofore belonging and appertaining; and

[3(2)] also all those our lands meadows and pastures, containing by estimation six acres, with the appurtenances, now or late in the tenure of one *Wakefield*, lying and being at the Butts in our county of *Middlesex* and in the said parish of St. *Giles* without *Cripplegate* aforesaid, to the same late hospital heretofore belonging and appertaining; and

[3(3)] also all those six acres of meadow, with the appurtenances, now or late of John Millen and Robert Smyth, lying and being altogether at Irish Field in the same county and in the said parish of St. Giles without Cripplegate aforesaid, to the said late hospital heretofore belonging and appertaining, and parcel of the possessions thereof late being; and

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also one acre and an half of meadow, with the [3(4)] appurtenances, now or late in the tenure of Christopher Terrell, lying and being in Edelmenton and Willesdon in our said county of Middlesex, to the said late hospital heretofore belonging and appertaining and parcel of the possessions thereof late being; and

all that our pasture, called *Aylesbury*, and one [3(5)] barn and two stables with the appurtenances, now or late in the tenure or occupation *of Adam Beeston*, situate lying and being in *Aylesbury*, in the parish of St. *Pancras* in the Fields in our said county of *Middlesex*, to the said late hospital heretofore belonging and appertaining, and parcel of the possessions thereof late being; and

also all that our messuage, and all those our lands [3(6)] meadows feedings and pastures, called *Cletherhouse, Rolde-Holdes*, alias *Rokeholds*, and *Vyntre*, with the appurtenances, now or late in the tenure of *Robert Haughmonde*, situate lying and being in *Cletherhouse*, in the parish of *Hendon* in our said county of *Middlesex*, to the said late hospital heretofore belonging and appertaining, and parcel of the possessions thereof late being; and

also all those two kilns and two wharfs, with the appurtenances, now or late in the tenure of *Richard Driver*, lying and being in *Lymehurst* otherwise *Lymehost*, in the parish of *Stebbenhithe* in our said county of *Middlesex*, to the said late hospital heretofore belonging and appertaining, and parcel of the possessions thereof late being; and

also all that our parcel of meadow, and one [3(8)] garden, with the appurtenances, now or late in the tenure of *Agnes Wilforde*, and *Marmaduke Brereton*, gentleman, or either of them, lying and being in the parish of *Enfield* in our said county of *Middlesex*, to the said late hospital heretofore belonging and appertaining, and parcel of the possessions thereof late being; and

also all that our parcel of meadow, with the [3(9)] appurtenances, now or late in the tenure of *John Royston*, lying and being in *Hackney Marsh*, in the parish of *Hackney* in our county of *Middlesex*, to the said late hospital heretofore belonging and appertaining, and parcel of the possessions thereof late being; and

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- [3(10)] also all that our manor of *Frerne*, with all and singular its rights members and appurtenances whatsoever, in our county of *Essex*, to the said late hospital heretofore belonging and appertaining, and parcel of the possessions thereof late being; and
- [3(11)] all that our messuage farm and tenement called *Frerne*, and all lands meadows feedings and pastures, with the appurtenances, now or late in the tenure or occupation of *Robert Hamonde*, situate lying and being in the parishes of *Downham*, *Ramsdon*, *Ramwell*, and *Wikeford*, in our said county of *Essex*, to the said late hospital heretofore belonging and appertaining, and parcel of the possessions thereof late being; and
- [3(12)] also all that our rectory and church of I.ittle *Wakering*, with all houses lands tenements glebe-lands tythes oblations obventions profits hereditaments rights and appurtenances whatsoever, in our county of *Essex*, to the said late hospital heretofore belonging and appertaining, and parcel of the possessions thereof late being; and
- [3(13)] the advowson donation free disposition and right of patronage of the vicarage of the parish church of Little *Wakering* in our said county of *Essex*, to the said late hospital heretofore belonging and appertaining, and parcel of the possessions thereof late being; and
- [3(14)] also all that our messuage and tenement, and one marsh, and all the leyne and one other marsh, called *Burneham*, with all and singular their appurtenances whatsoever, now or late in the tenure or occupation of *Reginald Highgate*, lying and being in *Burneham* in our said county of *Essex*, to the said late hospital belonging and appertaining, and parcel of the possessions thereof late being; and
- [3(15)] also all that our messuage and tenement, and one cottage and one garden, and all lands meadows feedings and pastures, with the appurtenances, now or late in the tenure or occupation of *Richard Reynold*, situate lying and being in *Hatfield Broadoak* and *Ockerell*, in the parish of *Hatfield* in our said county of *Essex*, to the said late hospital heretofore belonging and appertaining, and parcel of the possessions thereof late being; and

also all those our lands meadows and pastures [3(16)] called *Sherneward's Marsh*, in the parish of Little *Wakering* in our said county of *Essex*, to the said late hospital heretofore belonging and appertaining, and parcel of the possessions thereof late being; and

also all those our lands meadows feedings and [3(17)] pastures, with the appurtenances, now or late in the tenure of *John Smyth*, lying and being in *Dockett* in our county of *Bucks*, to the said late hospital heretofore belonging and appertaining, and parcel of the possessions thereof late being; and

also all those messuages lands tenements [3(18)] meadows feedings pastures rents reversions services courts leet and profits of courts there, called *Barthilmews* fee, and other profits commodities and emoluments whatsoever, with the appurtenances, now or late in the tenure or occupation of *John Coke*, situate lying and being in *Wollascombe* in our county of *Northt*. to the said late hospital heretofore belonging and appertaining, and parcel of the possessions thereof late being; and

also all that our rectory and church of *Hynton* St. [3(19)] *George*, otherwise called *George Hynton*, in our county of *Somerset*, with all houses lands tenements glebes tythes oblations obventions profits and hereditaments whatsoever to the same belonging and appertaining, with their rights and appurtenances whatsoever, to the said late hospital heretofore belonging and appertaining, and parcel of the possessions thereof late being; and

the advowson donation free disposition and <sup>[3(20)]</sup> right of patronage of the vicarage of the parish church of *Hynton* St. *George*, otherwise called *George Hynton*, in our said county of *Somerset*, to the said late hospital heretofore belonging and appertaining, and parcel of the possessions thereof late being; and

also all that our messuage and tenement, and all [3(21)] lands meadows feedings and pastures, with the appurtenances, now or late in the tenure of *Andrew Smythe*, situate lying and being in *Heth* in our county of *Oxon*, to the said late hospital heretofore belonging and appertaining, and parcel of the possessions thereof late being; and

**[3**(22)] also all those our two messuages, with the appurtenances, now or late in the tenure of John *Spykynge*, situate and being in the parish of St. Michael, in the town of St. Alban, in our county of Hertford, to the said late hospital heretofore belonging and appertaining, and parcel of the possessions thereof late being.

[4 Grant of St. Bartholomew's remaining property rights to city of London

We further give, and for the consideration aforesaid by these presents do grant to the aforesaid Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens of our city aforesaid all and singular other manors messuages houses edifices barns stables dovehouses yards orchards gardens pools running waters lands tenements mills meadows feedings pastures commons wastes heaths brewery marshes woods underwoods rents reversions services. and also rents upon whatsoever demises and grants of the premises and every parcel thereof made reserved, courts leet, views of frankpledge, chattels waived, estrays, rectories vicarages advowsons pensions portions tythes oblations knights-fees wards marriages escheats reliefs heriots fines amerciaments and other our rights profits commodities emoluments and hereditaments whatsoever, with all and singular their appurtenances, as well spiritual as temporal, of whatsoever kind nature or species they may be or by whatsoever names called or known, situate lying and being in the said City of London and in the suburbs of the same city, and in Edmonton otherwise Edelmenton, Willesdon, Aylesbury in the parish of St. Pancras in the Fields, Clytherhouse, Hendon, Lymehurst alias Lymehoste, Stebynheth, Enfield, and Hackney in our said county of Middlesex, and in Downeton, Downeham, Ramsden, Ramwell, Wykeford, Parva Wakerynge, Burneham, Hatfield Broadoak, Okerell, and Shernewood in our said county of Essex, and in Dockett aforesaid in our said county of Bucks, and in Wollaston in our said county of Northampton, and in Hynton St. George, otherwise called George Hynton, in our said county of Somerset, and in Heth in our said county of Oxon, and in the town of St. Alban's in our said county of Hertford, and elsewhere wheresoever,

as well in the same counties of Middlesex, Essex, Bucks, Northampton, Somerset, Oxon, and Hertford,

as elsewhere wheresoever within our kingdom of England,

to the said late hospital in whatsoever manner belonging or appertaining, or as parcel of the possessions or revenues of the same late hospital heretofore had known accepted used or reputed being:

Except always, nevertheless, and to us our heirs [Exceptions] and successors at all times reserved, all those messuages houses tenements and hereditaments called Crokehorne alley, or by whatsoever other name or names esteemed or known, and all gardens and void lands to the same belonging and appertaining, situate lying and being in the parish of St. Andrew in Holborn, in the county of Middlesex, (to wit) between the messuage and tenement commonly called Davis Inn on the east part, and the tenement now or late of Thomas Trappes, goldsmith, of London, on the west part, and a certain parcel of waste land on the south part, and the way of *Holborn* on the north part; and

also except, and in like manner at all times reserved to us our heirs and successors, all that annual rent of thirty-six shillings, issuing and payable for messuages and tenements of Martin Bowes, knight, in Friday-street, London; and

also except, and in like manner at all times reserved to us our heirs and successors,

all those messuages lands tenements meadows pastures and hereditaments now or late in the tenure of Henry Alford, in Rayneham, in the said county of Essex; and

also all that manor lands tenements and hereditaments called Ducketts, and all other messuages lands tenements and hereditaments in the parish of Harinyey otherwise called Harnesey, and in Totnam, in the said county of Middlesex, now or late in the tenure of Robert Hennege, esq. or his assigns, and which were formerly demised to William Brereton, esq.

We also give, and by these presents do grant to [5 Same prothe aforesaid Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens of the city aforesaid all the aforesaid hospital, and the aforesaid manors rectories advowsons messuages lands tenements meadows feedings pastures woods underwoods rents reversions services and all and singular other the premises

prietary rights as hospital and Grev Friars had]

above expressed and specified, with the appurtenances (except before excepted),

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as fully freely and entirely and in as ample manner and form as

the last master keeper or governor of the said late hospital, and

the last warden or governor of the said late house of Lesser Friers,

or any of their predecessors, in right of the same late hospital and house of Friers Minors, or either of them,

at any time before the several dissolutions of the same late hospital and house of Lesser Friers, or

before that the said late hospital and house came to our hands,

had held or enjoyed, or ought to have had held or enjoyed, the aforesaid late hospital, and all and singular other the premises above expressed and specified, or any parcel thereof, and

moreover as fully freely and entirely, and in as ample manner and form,

as all and singular the same premises came or ought to have come, and

as the same now are,

in our hands,

by reason or means of the several dissolutions of the said late hospital and house of Lesser Friers, or

by reason or means of any charter gift grant or confirmation to us in any manner made, or

by reason or means of any Act of Parliament, or in any other manner whatsoever.

[6 Grant of two churches and their properties to city of London] AND also we have given and granted, and by these presents, for the considerations abovesaid, and of our certain knowledge and meer motion aforesaid, we do give and grant to the aforesaid Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens of the city aforesaid,

[6(1)] all those the parochial churches of St. Nicholas and St. Ewins within Newgate of our City of London, by whatsoever names the same churches or either of them are or is called or known, and the soil and ground of the same churches, and also the belfreys ornaments and bells of the same; and

also one tenement, with the appurtenances, [6(2)] called the Christopher, situate and being in the parish of St. *Nicholas* aforesaid, now or late in the tenure or occupation of *William Dodge*; and

also one barn, with the appurtenances, in the lane [6(3)] called *Chick lane*, in the said parish of St. *Nicholas* aforesaid; and

also one other tenement, with the appurtenances, [6(4)] called the Crown, now or late in the tenure and occupation of *Eleanor Randehurst*, widow, in the said parish of St. *Nicholas* aforesaid; and

also one other tenement, called the Maid, with [6(5)] the appurtenances, now or late in the tenure or occupation of the said *Eleanor Randehurst*, within the said parish of St. *Nicholas* aforesaid; and

also one other tenement called the Lyon, with [6(6)] the appurtenances, now or late in the tenure or occupation of *Richard Maskerie*, in the same parish of St. *Nicholas* aforesaid; and

also one other tenement called the Horne, with [6(7)] the appurtenances, now or late in the tenure or occupation of *John Elcok*, in the said parish of St. *Nicholas* aforesaid; and

also one other tenement adjoining to the said [6(8)] tenement called the Horne, with the appurtenances, now or late in the tenure or occupation of *John Maskall*; and

one other tenement, with the appurtenances, [6(9)] now or late in the tenure or occupation of *William Smallwood*, in *Pentecoste lane*, in the said parish of St. *Nicholas* aforesaid; and

also one other parcel of land, with the appurtenances, adjoining to a certain stable of *Andrew Castell*, in the said parish of St. *Nicholas* aforesaid; and

also one chamber or house, with the appurtenances, now or late in the tenure or occupation of *John Richards*, situate and being within the same parish of St. *Nicholas* aforesaid; and

one other chamber or house, with the appurtenances, now or late in the tenure or occupation of *David Sandbroke*, in the said parish of St. *Nicholas* aforesaid; and

**[6**(13)] also one other tenement, with the appurtenances, now or late in the tenure or occupation of Thomas Hodson, in the said parish of St. Nicholas aforesaid: and

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- **[6**(14)] also one other tenement, with the appurtenances, now or late in the tenure or occupation of Thomas Adams, in the said parish of St. Nicholas aforesaid: and
- **[6**(15)] also one other tenement, with the appurtenances, now or late in the tenure or occupation of Robert Albright, in the said parish of St. Nicholas aforesaid: and
- **[6**(16)] one other tenement, with the appurtenances, now or late in the tenure or occupation of Richard Borne, adjoining to the porch of the said church of St. Nicholas aforesaid; and
- **[6**(17)] also one chamber or house, with the appurtenances, now or late in the tenure or occupation of Thomas Stilbone, clerk, in the churchyard of the said parish church of St. Nicholas aforesaid; and
- **[6**(18)] also one other tenement called the Peacock, with the appurtenances, now or late in the tenure or occupation of John Underhill, in a street called Aldersgate street, in the said City of London; and
- **[6**(19)] all and singular shops cellars solars chambers edifices passages gardens easements and profits whatsoever to the said tenements and other the premises in the said parish of St. Nicholas *Shambles* or to either of them, and to the said tenement in the said street called *Aldersgate* street, in any manner belonging cr appertaining or with the same or either of them demised letten used or occupied; and
- **[6**(20)] all and singular houses edifices messuages lands tenements and hereditaments, with their appurtenances, to the late rectors of the said parishes and to either of them belonging or appertaining; and
- **[6**(21)] all tythes and offerings of the parishioners and inhabitants of the same parishes, and all pensions portions rights and other profits of the same parish churches of St. Nicholas and St. Ewin's aforesaid, as well spiritual and ecclesiastical as temporal, or to the same parish churches or either of them in any manner belonging or appertaining; and

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also all tythes and offerings of the inhabitants of **[6**(22)] houses and edifices within the gate of Newgate, London, aforesaid, and of all the inhabitants within the same gate called *Newgate*, now parcel of the parish of St. Sepulchre without Newgate, London, aforesaid, and also all other spiritual profits of that part of the parish of St. Sepulchre's which is within Newgate aforesaid; and

also all tythes and offerings and other spiritual profits of all the inhabitants of and in all the houses and buildings within the precinct of the scite of the said house of the late Friers Minors aforesaid, and of all the inhabitants of and in all houses and edifices within the precinct scite circuit and close of the said late hospital of St. Bartholomew aforesaid.

which late hospital, and the aforesaid manors rectories messuages tenements lands and all and singular other the premises above expressed and specified, with the appurtenances, are now extended to the clear yearly value of three hundred and eighty pounds four shillings and two pence;

TO HAVE hold and enjoy the aforesaid late hospital, and the aforesaid manors messuages rectories churches advowsons pensions portions tythes offerings lands meadows feedings pastures woods underwoods rents reversions services, courts leet, views of frankpledge, chattels waived, estrays, free warrens, and all and singular other the premises above expressed and specified, with the appurtenances (except as before excepted),

to the aforesaid Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens of our said City of London, and their successors for ever, to the proper use and behoof of them the said Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens of the city aforesaid and their successors for ever.

to be holden of us our heirs and successors, as of our manor of Greenwich in our county of Kent, in free soccage (to wit) by fealty only, and not in chief, for all services and demands whatsoever therefore to us our heirs or successors in any manner to be rendered paid or done.

AND further, of our more abundant grace certain [7 Same adjuknowledge and meer motion, we have given and granted, and for us our heirs and successors by these presents do give and grant, to the aforesaid Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens of the city

dicative powers as hospital had]

**[6**(23)]

aforesaid and their successors, that the same Mayor Commonalty and Citizens and their successors may have hold and in full right enjoy and use all and all manner so many such like and the same courts leet, views of frankpledge and all which to view of frankpledge doth or ought to belong or appertain, the assize and essay of bread wine and beer, estrays, goods and chattels waived, and goods and chattels of felons and fugitives, parks, free warren and all things which to free warren doth or can appertain, and other rights liberties privileges jurisdictions profits commodities and emoluments whatsoever in the aforesaid manors lands tenements and other the premises, with their appurtenances, and in every parcel thereof, which the last master of the said late hospital, or either or any of his predecessors in right of the same late hospital, in the aforesaid manors lands tenements and other the premises, with their appurtenances, or in any parcel thereof, at any time had held or enjoyed, or ought to have had held or enjoyed, by reason of any letters patent of us or of any of our progenitors, or by reason of any charter gift grant prescription use or custom, or other means whatsoever:

[8 Revenues no longer the king's]

And further we give, and by these presents do grant to the aforesaid Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens of the city aforesaid, all and all manner of issues rents revenues and profits of the aforesaid manors lands tenements and other the premises, with all and singular their appurtenances, without account or any other thing therefore for the premises, or any of them, to us our heirs or successors to be rendered paid or done:

[9 Grant of Grey Friars' treasures to city of London]

we do also give, and by these presents grant to the aforesaid Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens of the city aforesaid, all and singular our goods chattels and implements following, now remaining and being within the said church, late of the Lesser Friers heretofore called the Grey Friers of London, and within the precinct of the said scite of the said late house of Lesser Friers aforesaid, (to wit)

one bath or font of copper doubled with lead containing by estimation in length eighteen acres [2] and in depth two feet and an half; and

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also twenty-eight implements called desks;

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twenty-eight implements called double settylls of wainscot, and

all the books being upon the same desks; and

also those implements there called partitions, as well in the church aforesaid as in the chancel of the same: and

all and singular altars tables and images, and

the pulpit in the same church being; and

also all and singular monuments and stones there: and

also all and singular candlesticks organs and desks: and

also all and singular goods and chattels, implements and utensils.

to the said late hospital belonging and appertaining, and now or late remaining and being in the aforesaid late hospital of St. Bartholomew.

AND we will, and by these presents of our certain [10 Grey Friknowledge and meer motion, and by our royal authority with which we are invested, for us our heirs and successors, do grant to the aforesaid Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens of the city gate)] aforesaid,

ars' church made a parish church (Christ Church New-

that the said church, late of the said Lesser Friers, situate within the scite of the said house late of the said Lesser Friers within the said City of London, from henceforth

shall and may be a parochial church, and

shall be called by the name of the church of Christ within Newgate, London; and

that the same church from henceforth shall and may be a parish church for all the inhabitants,

as well within the precinct of the scite of the said house late of the Lesser Friers aforesaid.

as for all the inhabitants now being and hereafter happening to be

within the limits circuit and precinct of the said parishes of St. Nicholas and St. Ewin's aforesaid, and

within the limits and precinct of that part of the parish of St. Sepulchre aforesaid

which is and lies in and within the Newgate of our City of London aforesaid; and

[2] So in the record.

the said church, late of the said Lesser Friers, the parish church of Christ within Newgate aforesaid we do make create constitute ordain name and declare by these presents:

[11 Transfer of Grey Friars' monastic properties and two other parishes to new parish of Christ Church Newgate] and we will, and by these presents for us our heirs and successors do grant,

that all the houses edifices land and soil within the said precinct of the scite of the said house late of the said Lesser Friers, within the said City of *London* and the aforesaid gate called *Newgate* of the said City of *London*, and so many and such houses edifices lands and ground of the said parish of St. *Sepulchre* aforesaid which lie and be within Newgate aforesaid, and all houses edifices land and ground within the limits circuit and precinct of the said parishes of St. *Nicholas* and St. *Ewin's* aforesaid, from henceforth for ever, may be and shall be parts and parcels of the said parish church of *Christ* within Newgate, *London*; and

also that all and singular persons who now do inhabit or hereafter shall inhabit in the same or in any part thereof, from henceforth at all times for ever, shall be accepted reputed and taken to have been and to be parishioners of and in the aforesaid parish of the church of *Christ* within Newgate, *London*, aforesaid, and as parcel of the same parish; and

that the aforesaid parishes and parochial churches of St. *Nicholas* and St. *Ewin's* 

from henceforth shall lose the name and names of the churches and parishes of St. *Nicholas* and St. *Ewin's*, and

from henceforth shall not be called or known by the name or names of the churches or parishes of St. *Nicholas* and St. *Ewin's*, or either of them,

but hereafter shall be called and reputed for and as parcel of the said parish of the church of *Christ* within Newgate aforesaid:

[12 Transfer of<br/>part of another<br/>parish's prop-and we will, and for us our heirs and successors<br/>by these presents do grant

that the aforesaid gate called Newgate, London,parish ofparish ofChrist ChurchNewgate]that the aforesaid gate called Newgate, London,and so many and such houses edifices land andground of the said parish of St. Sepulchre, London,don, which lie and are within Newgate aforesaid,

from henceforth shall be separated divided and taken away from the said parish of St. *Sepulchre*, and

not hereafter taken nor reputed as parts or parcels of the same parish of St. *Sepulchre*,

but from henceforth shall be stand and remain parcel, and shall be reputed and accepted to be parts and parcels, of the said parish of the church of *Christ* within Newgate, *London*, aforesaid, and not of any other parish; and

the same part and houses we do separate from the said parish of St. *Sepulchre*; and

the same part and houses, and all and singular the houses edifices land and ground of the said parishes of St. *Nicholas* and St. *Ewin's* to the same church of *Christ* within Newgate aforesaid we do unite and annex by these presents; and

that the inhabitants thereof from henceforth shall pay their tythes offerings and obventions there and not elsewhere.

AND also we will, and for us our heirs and [13 St. Basuccessors do by these presents grant to the aforesaid Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens of the city aforesaid, House of the

[13 St. Batholomew's hospital to contnue as House of the Poor, and its church as their parish church]

that the aforesaid late hospital of St. Bartholomew

shall hereafter be the place and house for sustaining the poor there, and

shall be called the House of the Poor in West *Smithfield* near *London*, of the foundation of King *Henry* the Eighth; and

that the church within the scite of the same late hospital

shall and may be the parish church, and

shall hereafter be called the church of St. *Bar-tholomew* the Less in West *Smithfield* near *London*; and

that the same church from henceforth shall and may be the parish church, as it hath heretofore been,

as well for all the inhabitants within the scite and close of the said late hospital

as for the poor people and officers and ministers to be there hereafter met together; and

the said church of the said late hospital, the parish church of St. *Bartholomew* the Less, in West *Smithfield* aforesaid, we do make ordain nominate and create by these presents:

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[14 St. Bartholomew's hospital's property rights continued] and we will, and for us our heirs and successors by these presents do grant, that all the houses edifices land and soil within the scite and close of the said late hospital for the poor of St. *Bartholomew's*, hereafter to be called the House of the Poor as aforesaid, shall from henceforth be reputed accepted and taken as parts and parcels of the said parish and parochial church of St. *Bartholomew* the Less, in West *Smithfield*, aforesaid.

[15 Grant of religious ownership of parishes of Christ Church Newgate and St. Batholomew to city of London] AND further know ye, that we of our especial grace certain knowledge and meer motion, and by our royal authority as supreme head of the Church of *England* and *Ireland*, do appropriate and incorporate to the aforesaid Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens of our said City of *London*, and their successors,

the rectory and parochial church of *Christ* within Newgate aforesaid, and

the rectory and parochial church of St. Bartholomew the Less in West Smithfield aforesaid,

and each of them, with their rights and appurtenances whatsoever;

the same rectories and churches, and each of them, with all tythes oblations and other their rights and appurtenances whatsoever, to the same Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens of our said City of *London*, and their successors, to their own proper uses, to be at all times possessed, we do give and grant by these presents,

[16 Mortmain licence to city of London for parishes granted] AND further we will, and by our royal authority with which we are invested, of our especial grace certain knowledge and meer motion, have given and granted, and by these presents for us our heirs and successors we do give and grant, to the aforesaid Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens of our said City of *London*, and their successors, full power licence and faculty, that

they

the aforesaid rectory and church of *Christ* within Newgate, *London*, and

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the said rectory and church of St. *Bartholomew* the Less in West *Smithfield* aforesaid, and

all and singular messuages houses edifices glebe-lands annuities pensions fruits tythes oblations, and other rights profits commodities and emoluments whatsoever to the same rectories and churches or either of them as aforesaid

assigned appointed belonging or appertaining or hereafter happening to be assigned appointed or to belong or appertain, or

as parcel of the same rectories and churches or either of them being or hereafter happening to be; and

the aforesaid rectory and church of Little *Wakering*, and

the aforesaid rectory and church of *Hynton* St. *George* otherwise called *George Hynton*,

with all the glebe-lands tythes oblations and other rights and profits whatsoever to the same rectories or either of them in any manner belonging or appertaining,

to the same Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens of the said City of *London*, and their successors for ever, to have hold possess and enjoy, and

to their own uses shall and may convert and retain,

without the impeachment or hindrance of us, our heirs or successors, or any our archbishops archdeacons sheriffs escheators justices commissioners or other the officers or ministers of us our heirs or successors, and

without any account for first fruits or tenths, or any other thing therefore to us our heirs or successors in any manner to be rendered paid or done; and

without any nomination presentation institution or collation of any rector in either of the same churches to be instituted or conferred,

the statute of mortmain, or

the statute for granting of first fruits and tenths to us our heirs and successors out of spiritual and ecclesiastical benefices dignities and promotions lately set forth and provided, or

any other statute act ordinance provision prohibition restriction or law, ecclesiastical or temporal, to the contrary thereof heretofore had made ordained or provided, or

any other matter cause or thing whatsoever,

in any wise notwithstanding; and

without any writ of *Ad quod dampnum*, or any other writ mandate or precept of us our heirs or successors, in any manner to be made sought or prosecuted in this behalf, and

without any inquisition to be thereof taken or made.

[17 New vicarages of Christ Church Newgate and St. AND further we will, and by our royal authority with which we are invested, for us our heirs and successors, do grant,

Bartholomew] that in the aforesaid church of *Christ* within Newgate aforesaid there shall and may be one vicarage perpetual; and

that in the aforesaid church of St. *Bartholomew* the Less, in West *Smithfield*, there shall and may be one other vicarage perpetual;

and one vicarage perpetual in the said church of *Christ* within Newgate aforesaid, and another vicarage perpetual in the church of St. *Bartholomew* the Less in West *Smithfield* aforesaid, we do make ordain create erect and establish by these presents:

[18 Vicars ap-<br/>pointed]and we will, and do by these presents grant,<br/>that *Thomas Birkhead*, clerk, shall be the first<br/>original and modern vicar of the said vicarage of<br/>the church of *Christ* within Newgate aforesaid;<br/>and

that *Thomas Hickling*, clerk, may be the first original and modern vicar of the said vicarage of the church of St. *Bartholomew* the Less in West *Smithfield* aforesaid;

and him the said *Thomas Birkhead*, the first original and modern vicar of the same vicarage of the church of *Christ* within Newgate aforesaid, and him the said *Thomas Hickling*, the first original and modern vicar of the said vicarage of the church of St. *Bartholomew* the Less, we do make ordain create nominate admit and institute by these presents; and that the said *Thomas Birkhead*, during his life, the said vicarage of the church of *Christ* within Newgate aforesaid, and that the said *Thomas Hickling*, during his life, the said vicarage of the church of St. *Bartholomew* the Less aforesaid, with their rights and appurtenances whatsoever, shall and may have, to be possessed in full right, in the same manner and form as other vicars perpetual within our kingdom of *England* their like promotions and dignities have and enjoy and ought to have and enjoy, and without any other institution or admission by the ordinary of the place in any manner to be made; and

that the next advowson and right of patronage,

as well of the said vicarage of *Christ* within Newgate aforesaid, after the death cession or deprivation of the said *Thomas Birkhead*,

as of the said vicarage of the church of St. *Bartholomew* the Less aforesaid, after the death cession or deprivation of the said *Thomas Hickling*,

to the aforesaid Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens of the said City of *London*, and their successors, shall belong and appertain in full right for ever:

And we will, and by these presents for us our [19 Vicar of heirs and successors do grant, Christ Church

[19 Vicar of Christ Church Newgate inporporated]

that the said *Thomas Birkhead*, and his successors vicars of the said vicarage of the church of *Christ* within Newgate aforesaid, shall and may be one body corporate in thing and name, and may have perpetual succession; and

that the same *Thomas Birkhead*, and his successors vicars of the same vicarage of the church of *Christ* within Newgate aforesaid, in the place of a rector,

shall

make their residence there, and

have the cure of the souls of the parishioners there, and

shall do and execute

all and singular other things which to the office of vicar are known to belong, and

all charges, as well ordinary as extraordinary, to the said church of *Christ* within Newgate aforesaid belonging and appertaining or in-

cumbent, shall acknowledge and support, except in the reparation of the chancel of the same church, as often as occasion shall require;

[20 Rights of vicar of Christ Church Newgate]

also we will, and for us our heirs and successors by these presents do grant,

that the same Thomas Birkhead, and his successors vicars perpetual of the vicarage of the church of *Christ* within Newgate aforesaid, by the name of the vicar of the same vicarage, shall and may be persons able and capable in law to receive and take to them and their successors, vicars perpetual of the same vicarage, of the aforesaid Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens of the said City of London and their successors,

one fit habitation and house convenient for the dwelling-place of the same vicars, and

a certain annuity or yearly pension of twentysix pounds thirteen shillings and four pence for his vicarage in that place, to be endowed with a clause of distress, or some other clause, for the security of the payment of the same annuity or yearly pension; and

that the same Thomas Birkhead, and his successors vicars of the vicarage of the church of Christ within Newgate aforesaid for the time being, by the name of the vicar perpetual of the vicarage of the church of Christ within Newgate aforesaid, may from henceforth prosecute claim plead and be impleaded, defend and be defended, answer and be answered, in whatsoever courts and places

within our kingdom of England, and

within the dominions powers and jurisdictions of us our heirs and successors whatsoever,

in and upon all and singular causes actions suits writs demands and complaints, real personal and mixt, as well spiritual as temporal, and in all other things causes and matters whatsoever:

And also we will, and by these presents for us [21 Vicar of St. Bartholomew our heirs and successors do grant, incorporated]

that the said *Thomas Hickling*, and his successors vicars of the vicarage of St. Bartholomew the Less aforesaid, shall and may be one body

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corporate, in thing and name, and may have perpetual succession; and

that the same Thomas Hickling, and his successors vicars of the same vicarage of the church of St. Bartholomew the Less in West Smithfield aforesaid, in the room of a rector,

shall

make their residence there, and

have the cure of the souls of the parishioners there, and

shall do and execute

all other things which to the office of vicar are known to belong, and

all charges, as well ordinary as extraordinary, to the same parochial church of St. Bartholomew the Less aforesaid belonging and appertaining or incumbent shall acknowledge and support, except in the reparation of the chancel of the same church, as often as need shall require;

also we will, and for us our heirs and successors [22 Rights of by these presents do grant, that the same *Thomas* Hickling and his successors, by the name of the vicar perpetual of the vicarage of the church of St. Bartholomew the Less in West Smithfield aforesaid,

vicar of St. Bartholomew]

shall and may be persons able and capable in the law to receive and take to them and their successors, vicars perpetual of the same church, of the aforesaid Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens of the said City of London or their successors,

one fit habitation and house convenient for the dwelling of the same vicars, and

a certain annuity or yearly pension of thirteen pounds six shillings and eight pence for his vicarage, there to be endowed, and with a clause of distress, or some other clause, for the security of the payment of the same annuity or yearly pension; and

that the same vicar of the vicarage of the church of St. Bartholomew the Less aforesaid, and his successors vicars of the same vicarage for the time being, by the name of the vicar perpetual of the vicarage of the church of St. Bartholomew the Less aforesaid, may from henceforth prosecute claim plead and be impleaded, defend and

soever courts and places

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within our kingdom of England, and

within the dominions powers and jurisdictions of us our heirs and successors whatsoever,

in and upon all and singular causes actions suits writs demands and complaints real perin all other causes matters and things whatsoever:

[23 City of London licensed to provide salaries and residences to vicars]

And also we will, and by these presents for us our heirs and successors do give and grant licence to the aforesaid Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens of our said City of London and their successors,

that the same Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens, and their successors, one house or mansion, and one annuity or yearly pension of twenty-six pounds thirteen shillings and four pence, to the aforesaid Thomas Birkhead, and his successors vicars perpetual of the said vicarage of the church of Christ within Newgate aforesaid, for their sustenance and the endowment of their vicarage there, for ever shall and may give and grant; and

that the same Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens and their successors shall and may give and grant one house or mansion, and one annuity or yearly pension of thirteen pounds six shillings and eight pence, to the aforesaid Thomas Hiekling, and his successors vicars perpetual of the said vicarage of the church of St. Bartholomew the Less in West Smithfield, for their sustenance ever:

[24 Mortmain licence for city of London to pay, house and endow vicars]

and in like manner we give and by these presents grant unto the said Thomas Birkhead and Thomas Hickling, and their successors vicars perpetual of the vicarages of the said churches of Christ within Newgate and St. Bartholomew the Less in West Smithfield aforesaid, especial licence that they the aforesaid houses and mansions, and the several annuities or yearly pensions aforesaid for their Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens of the said sustenance and endowment of their vicarages aforesaid, from the aforesaid Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens, or their successors, shall and may severally receive and possess in form

hôpitaux de Saint-Barthélemy et de Bethléem, diverses églises et autres propriétés (1547) be defended, answer and be answered, in what- aforesaid for ever, the statute for not putting lands to mortmain, or any other statute act ordinance

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or provision to the contrary thereof heretofore had made published ordained or provided, or any other matter cause or thing whatsoever, in any wise notwithstanding:

And further, we have given granted and re- [25 Grant of vicarial revesonal and mixt, as well spiritual as temporal, and leased, and by these presents do give grant and nues] release, to the aforesaid Thomas Birkhead and Thomas Hickling,

> all and all manner of first fruits, and sum and sums of money whatsoever to us for first fruits, by them the said Thomas and Thomas, or either of them, in any manner due or to be due, by reason and means of the institution and institutions of them the said Thomas and Thomas, or either of them, to the said vicarages of the churches of Christ within Newgate and St. Bartholomew the Less aforesaid, or to either of the same vicarages; and

> all and all manner of pains and penalties and sums of money whatsoever, by them the said Thomas and Thomas, or either of them, to us in any manner forfeited, or to be forfeited,

for non-payment of the said first fruits of the said vicarages of the church of Christ and St. Bartholomew the Less aforesaid or either of them, or any the possessions or revenues of those vicarages or either of them, or to the same Thomas and Thomas, for the endowment of those vicarages, or either of them, hereafter to be given, or

for not compounding for the same first fruits,

and the endowment of their vicarage there for the statute in that case made and provided, or any other statute act ordinance or provision to the contrary thereof heretofore had made ordained or provided, or any other matter cause or thing whatsoever, in any wise notwithstanding.

> AND further, of our more ample grace certain [26] Grant of knowledge and mere motion, we have given and granted, and by these presents for us our heirs and successors do give and grant, to the aforesaid City of London,

the advowson donation nomination presentation free disposition and right of patronage of the vicarage perpetual and vicars perpetual of the

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said parochial church of Christ commonly called or to be called *Christ Church* within Newgate, London, and

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the advowson donation nomination presentation free disposition and right of patronage of the vicarage perpetual and vicars perpetual of the said parochial church of St. Bartholomew the Less in West Smithfield aforesaid,

to have and enjoy the aforesaid advowson donation nomination presentation free disposition and right of patronage

of the vicarage perpetual and vicars perpetual of the said parish church of Christ commonly called Christ Church within Newgate aforesaid, and

of the said vicarage perpetual and vicars perpetual of the said parish church of St. Bartholomew the Less in West Smithfield aforesaid,

to the aforesaid Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens of the city aforesaid and their successors for ever, to be holden of us our heirs and successors. as of our said manor of *Greenwich* in our county of Kent, by fealty only, in free soccage and not in chief, for all services and demands whatsover:

And we will, and for us our heirs and successors do by these presents grant,

that in the aforesaid church called Christ Church within Newgate, London, from henceforth for ever there shall and may be one priest, by the said Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens of the city aforesaid and their successors from time to time to be named and appointed,

who shall be called the Visitor of Newgate aforesaid, and

who from time to time shall visit the prisoners there as there shall be need; and

that in the same church called *Christ Church* within Newgate aforesaid from henceforth for ever there shall and may be five other priests, by the aforesaid Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens of the city aforesaid in like manner to be named and appointed, in aid of the vicar there, to celebrate divine service, and to administer the sacraments there:

we also will, and for us our heirs and successors [28 City of London's by these presents do grant to the aforesaid Mayor powers-1 and Commonalty and Citizens of the city aforesaid and their successors,

that in the said late hospital, which shall hereaf- [28 (1) to apter be called the House of the Poor in West Smithfield aforesaid, from henceforth for ever there shall and may be one priest to visit the poor there and to minister to them, by the said Mayor Poorl and Commonalty and Citizens of the city aforesaid and their successors to be from time to time named and appointed, who shall be called Housekeeper; and

that every person and persons who shall be visitors of Newgate aforesaid, and those who hereafter shall have the offices places or dignities of the other five priests of the said church called Christ Church aforesaid; and he who shall be housekeeper in the said house of poor, and those who shall be nominated instituted and admitted to the same places offices and dignities, and each of them, and their successors,

point Housekeeper of St. Batholomew's

House of the

[28 (2) to exempt Visitor, 5 priests and Housekeeper from having to pay ecclesiastical fees for their offices]

shall from time to time have and enjoy those places dignities and offices, and each of them, without the payment of any first fruits or tenths, or any sum or sums of money for or in the name of first fruits or tenths, or of the yearly tenth part, of or for the same places offices or dignities, or any of them, to us our heirs and successors, or for us our heirs or successors therefore to be required or charged, by reason and means of a certain Act of Parliament for granting the first fruits and tenths of ecclesiastical and spiritual benefices promotions and dignities to us our heirs and successors, set forth and provided in the twenty-sixth year of our reign,

but shall be thereof exonerated and acquitted for ever by these presents,

the said statute or any other act statute or law to the contrary thereof heretofore published made ordained or provided in any wise notwithstanding:

and further we will, and by these presents for us [29 City of our heirs and successors do grant to the aforesaid Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens of the said power to ap-City of London and their successors,

London's point and remove church ministers]

[27 Visitor of

Newgate pris-

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that the same Mayor and Commonalty and Citi- called Bethelem, situate without and near Bishopszens, and their successors, shall from time to time have the nomination assignation and appointment

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of the aforesaid visitor of Newgate, and

of the aforesaid five other priests in the said church of Christ within Newgate aforesaid, and

of the said housekeeper and other the officers and ministers whatsoever in the said churches of Christ and St. Bartholomew the Less, and in the said house of poor people, hereafter and for the future happening to be; and

that it shall and may be lawful for the same Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens of the said City of London, and their successors,

the said visitor of Newgate and

the aforesaid other five priests of the said church of *Christ* within Newgate aforesaid, and

the aforesaid hospitaller or housekeeper of the said house of poor people, and

each of them, and

all other officers and ministers in the said churches of Christ and St. Bartholomew the Less, and in the said house of poor as aforesaid hereafter and for the future happening to be (except the said vicars of the said churches of Christ and St. Bartholomew the Less aforesaid).

for any great crime or offence by them or either of them to be committed, or because they are negligent or disobedient in executing and doing such good and reasonable ordinances and commands which may hereafter happen to be assigned or appointed them, to expel and remove, and other fit and convenient persons to their places and offices from time to time to assign and appoint when and as often as the case shall so happen.

[30 Grant of Bethlehem hospital and its properties to city of London]

AND further know ye, that we of our especial grace certain knowledge and meer motion, for us our heirs and successors, have given and granted, and by these presents do give and grant, to the aforesaid Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens of the city aforesaid and their successors, the custody order and government of our house and hospital

gate, of the said City of London, and of all manors lands tenements possessions revenues and hereditaments whatsoever, and wheresoever lying and being, to the same house and hospital called Bethelem belonging or appertaining; and

them the said Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens of the city aforesaid and their successors, masters keepers and governors of the aforesaid house and hospital called Bethelem, and of the aforesaid manors lands tenements and other the premises to the same house and hospital belonging and appertaining, we do make ordain and appoint by these presents;

TO HAVE hold and enjoy the aforesaid custody order and government of the same house and hospital called Bethelem, and of the aforesaid manors lands tenements possessions revenues and hereditaments, to the same house and hospital called Bethelem belonging and appertaining, to the aforesaid Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens of the city aforesaid and their successors for ever, to the uses and purposes in and upon the foundation thereof ordained and provided, or hereafter by us our heirs or successors to be ordained and provided.

AND, that the said Mayor and Commonalty and [31 Others Citizens of our City of London and their successors may be better able to support the charges and expences of the said poor people in the said house called the House of the Poor in West Smithfield aforesaid to be sustained, and other charges to the the poor] same Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens of the city aforesaid and their successors assigned and appointed by the aforesaid indenture between us and the same Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens of the city aforesaid: Know ye, that we of our further grace certain knowledge and meer motion have willed and given licence, and by these presents do for us our heirs and successors give and grant licence, to our subjects and liege people whomsoever, that they and either or any of them shall and may give grant alien sell or appoint manors rectories lands tenements tithes rents reversions services or other possessions revenues or hereditaments, to the yearly value of one thousand marks, in our City of London, or elsewhere within our kingdom of England, or in Wales, or elsewhere wheresoever within our pow-

may give or sell property to city of London to support its hospitals for

ers or dominions, over and above the aforesaid manors rectories lands tenements and other the premises above by these presents, as is aforesaid, given and granted, although the same are held of us in chief, or otherwise, to the aforesaid Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens of our City of *London* and their successors for ever:

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[32 Mortmain licence to city of London to acquire such property]

and in like manner we give and grant unto the same Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens, and their successors, especial licence that they shall and may have receive and take of any our subjects and liege people, such manors rectories lands tenements tithes rents reversions services possessions revenues and hereditaments, to the yearly value of one thousand marks over and above the aforesaid manors rectories lands tenements and other the premises above, by these presents as aforesaid, given and granted; the said statute of mortmain or any other statute act ordinance or provision to the contrary thereof heretofore had made ordained or provided, or any other matter cause or thing whatsoever; in any ways notwithstanding.

[**33** No fee for these letters patent]

We also will, and by these presents do grant to the aforesaid Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens of our City of *London*, that they shall and may have these our letters patent under our great seal of *England* in due manner made and sealed, without fine or fee, great or small, to us in our Hanaper or elsewhere to our use in any manner to be therefore rendered paid or done: although express mention, and so forth.

In witness whereof, and so forth.

Witness the King at *Westminster*, the thirteenth day of January.

By the King himself.

HEN. ROOKE.

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