Dublin Castle
18th December 1837

Gentlemen,

Whereas by an Act passed in the fourth Year of His Majesty's Reign entitled "An Act to provide for the establishing of Compositions for Tithes in Ireland for a limited time" "It is enacted" "That at any time after the passing of the said Act, it shall be lawful for The Lord Lieutenant, or other Chief Governor or Governors of Ireland, upon the application of the Rector, Vicar, or other Ecclesiastical Incumbent, or of any Impropriator, or other person or persons entitled to any Tithe, or portion of Tithes, or of any five or more of the Owners or Occupiers of Land, each holding or possessing Lands of the Yearly Value (if Owners) or at the Yearly Rent (if Occupiers) of not less than Twenty Pounds, in any Parish in Ireland, to give Orders and Directions from time to time when and as such Lord Lieutenant or other Chief Governor or Governors shall think proper, to the Church Wardens of any such Parish, such Order and Directions to be signified to such Church Wardens by the Chief Secretary to The Lord Lieutenant, or other Chief Governor or Governors of Ireland, or in his absence by the under Secretary, that a Special Vestry shall be assembled in such Parish to proceed in carrying into execution the purposes of the said Act and that such Vestry shall be composed of such persons occupying Lands not being Tithe free within such Parish, who shall during the last preceding Year, have paid or yielded the highest or greatest amount of County Cess, Charges, or Grand Jury Rates

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