

William Grant by **DIVINE PERMISSION**, Bishop of Australia,

To our beloved in **CHRIST** *James Edmondstone* Clerk, Greeting,
We do by these Presents give and grant unto you, in whose Fidelity, Morals, Learning, sound
Doctrine and Diligence, We do fully confide, our Licence and Authority, to perform the Office of

Minister in the ~~Parish Church of~~ *several parochial establishments, and*
Benvenuto Stefan, Sydney in the County of *Cumberland* within our Diocese

and Jurisdiction, in reading the Common Prayers, and Performing other Ecclesiastical Duties
belonging to the said Office, according to the Form prescribed in the Book of Common Prayer,
made and published by Authority of Parliament, and the Canons and Constitutions in that Behalf
lawfully established and promulgated, and not otherwise, or in any other Manner (you having first
before

subscribed the Articles, taken the Oaths, and made and subscribed the Declaration, which in this
Case are required by Law to be subscribed, made and taken): And WE do by these Presents assign

unto you *such Stipend, Allowance or advantage as may be authorized*
and granted by Her Majesty's Government for the performance
of the said Office,

and WE require and appoint that you reside *within the Town of Sydney.*

IN WITNESS whereof, We have caused our Seal which we use in this Case, to be hereto
affixed: Dated the *Third* Day of *May* in the Year
of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and *thirty nine* and of our Consecration, the
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EXTRACT

From Letters Patent 18th January, 1836.—6th Wm. IV.

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“And for a Declaration of our Royal Will concerning the special causes and matters in which we will that the aforesaid Jurisdiction shall be exercised; We have further given and granted, and do by these Presents give and grant to the aforesaid Bishop of Australia and his Successors, full Power and Authority by himself and themselves, or by his or their Commissary or Commissaries, by him or them to be thereunto especially authorised, to grant Licenses to officiate, to all Ministers and Chaplains of all the Churches or Chapels, or other places within the said Diocese of Australia, wherein Divine Service shall be celebrated according to the Rites and Liturgy of the Church of England.”

EXTRACT

From Act of Council, 8 Wm. 4, No. 5, (6th Sept. 1837,) intituled “An Act to regulate the temporal Affairs of Churches and Chapels of the United Church of England and Ireland, in New South Wales.”

“XIX. And be it enacted, That from and after the passing of this Act no Person shall be, or shall be received as Chaplain or Minister, or permitted, suffered, or allowed to sing or say the common or open Prayer, or to minister the Sacraments, or to preach any Sermon in any Church or Chapel consecrated according to the use of the United Church of England and Ireland within this Colony and its Dependencies, unless he be first approved and thereunto licensed by the Archbishop of the Province, or the Bishop of the Diocese, or (in case the said Archbishop or Bishop shall be absent) by the Governor of the Colony.”