

*Reasons for giving to the Rectors of poorer parishes a larger share of the St. James' Rectory Surplus:—*

1. Because the principle of distribution in proportion to needs is clearly embodied in all the Acts of Parliament.
2. Because proportionate distribution according to needs is clearly required by the original Patent from the Crown—"His majesty, having due regard for the spiritual welfare of all his loving subjects." Without proportionate distribution many of Her Majesty's "loving subjects" must have their spiritual interests wholly neglected.
3. Because proportionate distribution according to need is clearly recognised and expressed in all the resolutions passed by the Synod.
4. Because if it had not been for the needs of the poorer parishes, it is questionable whether the division of the Rectory surplus would have ever been obtained.
5. Because without proportionate distribution the poorer parishes cannot be maintained, and the most needy and dependent portion of our people would be left without the preaching of the Gospel and the ministrations of our Church.
6. Because the wealthy parishes are well able to support their own clergy if they are willing to do so.
7. Because proportionate distribution would set free that portion of the Commutation Fund which is now or might hereafter be required by certain of the clergy of poorer parishes in the city and township of York.
8. Because the peace, harmony and prosperity of the Church depend upon the maintenance of the principles of righteousness and justice in all her legislation and in the administration of all her affairs.