Judgment of the Lords of the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council on the Appeal of Fitzmaurice v. Hesketh, from the Consistory Court of the Diocese of Manchester; delivered the 2nd March 1904.

Present:

The LORD CHANCELLOR.

LORD DAVEY.

LORD ROBERTSON.

LORD LINDLEY.

Ecclesiastical Assessors:

The Archbishop of Canterbury.

The BISHOP OF RIPON.

The BISHOP OF LINCOLN.

[Delivered by the Lord Chancellor.]

Their Lordships have no doubt, and they have the assent of the Right Reverend Prelates in that view, that the act with which the Appellant was charged is an immoral act within the meaning of the Clergy Discipline Act, 1892, and was properly so held by the Consistory Court.

Their Lordships will, therefore, humbly advise His Majesty that the Appeal ought to be dismissed.

