

that Parish together with your unshaken Zeal for the Security and promotion of the Established Religion, was pleased to Signify to the Vestery of that Parish, that they should not have any Rector imposed on them without a Tryal by and Aprobation of the Parisheners of the Parish

Therefore we the Vestrymen, Wardens, and Parisheners of the Parish of Coventry af.^d whose Names are hereto Subscribed, being filled with the deepest sense of gratitude for your kind and affectionate answer in return to our Application and do beg leave to offer this as our testimonial of our Sincerity to your person and a hearty desire and prayer of your long continuance in the Administration over us, And we beg leave with all due deference to represent to your Excellency that being encouraged by your condescending goodness and respect expressed towards us in your answer, the most Considerable part of the parisheners imedeately and unanimously determined to give a Call and Invitation to a Gentleman of the Clergy that should be able to give the most positive testimonials of his unshaken Zeal to the Church, indow'd with Abilities and from a Serioies [sic] of practice have demonstrated to the World to have lead a pious and Godly life, that from Such a man might have reason to hope that the most of the people would be rectified which from the long Neglect of the late Incumbent are much Corupted, and might take root and obtain a new gro'th amongst us, by which means we shall receive that advantage and satisfaction which we hold and do esteem as our greatest Blessing, to wit to be to the duty and practice of a holy and religious life, and that in obtaining such a Man it would be esteemed agreeable prevent every obstacle that could be suposed to arrive against our [attaining] so desirable an end, Thus being moved through the principles herein recited accordingly appointed some of our Vestry for the purpose af.^d and in consequence of their appointment, they made their aplication to the Rever.^d Doc.^r Thomas Bradbury Chandler and gave him an Invitation to our parish, who hath been pleased in consideration of the perishing state of our Church to condescend to come and visit us and to give the parishoners a Tryal of him, and accordingly has visited us and preached several Sermons in our Parish and performed some other porochial duties, and Satisfyed us from undoubted Authority of his Abilities moral life and conversation, some of which testimonials will be presented to your Excellency by this Gentleman and hope will prove satisfactory to you also, We now from him under these consideracions enjoy every hope of receiving from him all the Advantages we could desire or wish in a Teacher or Rector, and do declare our entire Satisfaction in him and to receive him as our Teacher, In consideration of which we humbly present the said Rev Doctor Thomas Bradbury Chandler to your Excellency and do earnestly pray your Excellency that you