12. That there be set out and reserved 12,000 Acres, either out of the Proportions, or otherwise out of the Lands omitted in the Survey, in such Counties and Places as to our Deputy and Commissioners shall be thought meet, the same to be disposed by us for the endowment of an Hospital to be erected for maimed and diseased Soldiers, in such Place and Manner as we shall hereafter appoint (15).

13. The Commissioners shall, by the anthority given them, hear and determine all Titles and Controversies by final Order and Decree, that shall be brought before them, concerning any lands and possessions (the Church Lands only excepted), which, nevertheless, they shall have Power to order and decree (as aforesaid), so it be done with the Consent of the Lord Deputy, the Archbishop of Dublin, and the now Bishop of Derry. They shall also compound for Titles between us and our Subjects, and between Party and Party (16).

14. And whereas complaint is made that the scites of some Cathedral Churches, the Places of the Residence of the Bishops, Deans, Chapters, Dignitaries, and Prebends in Ulster be passed away to divers in Fee-Farm by Letters Patent, under the Pretence of Monastery Lands, to the great Detriment of those Churches, the Commissioners shall have authority to examine the same, and finding the Information true, to consider of some course to be taken for Restitution to be made to the Churches from whence they were formerly taken, with such consideration to those that now hold them, as standeth with equity, according to the Circumstances considerable. And further, we are pleased, that the escheated Lands, out of which the Bishops have had heretofore rents, certainty of Refections, or Pensions, should be esteemed ecclesiastical, and be annexed to the several Sees whereunto they did pay the same, whereof the Commissioners are to take particular notice, and to see the same effected accordingly (17).

(15). *Hereafter appoint.*—In the first set of Instructions there is no reference whatever to this design of erecting an hospital, nor have we met, except in the above article, any allusion to the subject. It is probable the matter was allowed to fall through, amidst the multiplicity of other projects, and mainly, perhaps, because no lands were to be had for certain servitors who were left, on the great day of distribution, without proportions even of the small size. At all events the commissioners declined then to entertain the project of an hospital at all, by first demurring on account of the large extent of the lands set apart for this object, and, at the same time, actually suggesting that, as a whole barony might eventually be thus appropriated, they did not feel themselves at liberty to do anything in the matter. Their apology was "because 12,000 acres amount to a great precinct, the King may be pleased to assign an entire barony for the maintenance of an hospital, but in regard there is yet no house erected to that use, they have foreborne to assign any certain quantity of land for the same."

(16). *Party and Party.*—In the first set of Instructions, the 13th article required the commissioners "to examine the titles of such as claim any estates under any of the persons attainted, and thereupon allot unto them such portions as you in conscience and discretion shall think meet, and withal provide that they make such plantation and pay such rents as other undertakers rateably." This article refers exclusively to the claims that were being made by natives; but this 13th article in the *second* set of Instructions, as expressed in the text, evidently had in view certain bitter controversies that even then had appeared among the English in Ulster themselves! The answer of the commissioners affirms that "there hath been no order or decree made for the deciding of any titles, but every man's title is reported in the book of cases, neither did there arise any occasion of compounding for any." Perhaps the only unpleasant controversy the commissioners had to deal with during their sojourn was a rather fierce one which raged between the Bishop of Derry and Sir Thomas Phillips, as we shall see, about the island of the Derry.

(17). *Accordingly.*—The commissioners reported, in reference to this article of instruction, as follows:—"The site of the cathedral church of Derry (whereof complaint was chiefly made), was never passed in any book, the possession of which is now restored to the bishop, together with all his demesne and mensal lands, and all the rents and duties issuing out of the herenagh lands. The like is to be done to other bishops, but the possession of the herenagh lands was forborne to be delivered till the King's pleasure was further known in regard of the plantation." Among the State Papers is a curious and valuable document, headed *Particular Questions concerning the Plantation*, and containing also the *Answers* in the