

“some public and conspicuous place in each of such benefices, sinecure rectories or vicarages, with notice to any person or persons interested, that he, she, or they, may, within such six weeks, show cause in writing under his, her, or their hand or hands, to the said Archbishop, against such union; and if no sufficient cause be shown within such time, the said Archbishop shall certify the inquiry and consent aforesaid to Her Majesty in Council, and thereupon it shall be lawful for Her Majesty in Council to make and issue an Order or Orders for uniting such benefices, sinecure rectory or rectories, vicarage or vicarages, into one benefice, with cure of souls, for ecclesiastical purposes only; and it shall be lawful for Her Majesty in Council to give directions for regulating the course and succession in which the patrons, if there be more than one patron, shall present or nominate to such united benefice, from time to time, as the same shall become vacant.”

And whereas by the statute 13 and 14 Victoria, c. 98, it is provided that the aforesaid recited provisions of the said recited Acts should apply notwithstanding the aggregate yearly value of such benefices rectories or vicarages should exceed £500.

And whereas the Lord Archbishop of Canterbury pursuant to the provisions of the said Act, hath duly prepared and laid before Her Majesty in Council a certificate in writing, bearing date the first day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five, in the words following that is to say:

“To the QUEEN’S Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

“We the undersigned Archibald Campbell Lord Archbishop of the Province of Canterbury Primate of all England and Metropolitan do hereby certify to your Majesty in Council.

“That the Honorable and Right Reverend John Thomas Lord Bishop of Norwich as Bishop of the diocese within which are situate the rectory of Colkirk in the county of Norfolk and the rectory of Oxwick in the same county having represented unto us that the said benefices being contiguous to each other and of which the aggregate population does not exceed four hundred and eighty-five persons might with advantage to the interests of religion be united into one benefice we enquired into the circumstances of the case.

“That on such enquiry it appeared to us that such union might be usefully made and would not be of inconvenient extent and that Henry Hoare of Staplehurst in the county of Kent Esquire being the patron or person entitled to present to both the said benefices of Colkirk and Oxwick if the same respectively were now vacant has by a writing under his hand bearing date the twentieth day of May one thousand eight hundred and seventy-three signified his consent to the union of the said benefices into one benefice with cure of souls for ecclesiastical purposes which consent is annexed to the representation for the disunion of the benefices of Colkirk and Stibbard made by the said Lord Bishop of Norwich to us the said Archbishop and bearing date the seventh day of April one thousand eight hundred and seventy-three.

“That six weeks and upwards before certifying such enquiry and consent to your Majesty in Council we caused copies in writing of the aforesaid representation of the said Lord Bishop to be affixed on the principal outer door of the parish church of each of the said benefices with notice to

any person or persons interested that he she or they might within such six weeks show cause in writing under his her or their hand or hands to us the said Archbishop against such union and no such cause has been shown.

“The representation of the said Lord Bishop of Norwich our enquiry into the circumstances of the case the statement of circumstances in reply thereto and the copies of the representation and notice before mentioned are hereunto annexed.

“And we do hereby certify the enquiry and consent aforesaid to your Majesty in Council to the intent that your Majesty in Council may in case your Majesty in Council shall think fit so to do make and issue an order for uniting the said benefices into one benefice with cure of souls for ecclesiastical purposes only.

“As witness our hand this first day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five.

“A. C. Cantuar.

Now therefore Her Majesty in Council by and with the advice of Her said Council is pleased to order and doth hereby order that the said rectory of Colkirk in the county of Norfolk and diocese of Norwich and the rectory of Oxwick in the same county and diocese shall be united into one benefice with cure of souls for ecclesiastical purposes only.

C. L. Peel.

AT the Court at Windsor, the 10th day of December, 1875.

PRESENT,

The QUEEN’S Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS by an Act passed in the first session of the Parliament holden in the first and second years of the reign of Her present Majesty, intituled “An Act to abridge the holding of benefices in plurality, and to make better provision for the residence of the clergy,” after reciting that “Whereas in some instances tithings, hamlets, chapelries, and other places or districts may be separated from the parishes or mother churches to which they belong with great advantage, and places altogether extra-parochial may in some instances with advantage be annexed to parishes or districts to which they are contiguous, or be constituted separate parishes for ecclesiastical purposes,” it is, amongst other things, enacted “That when, with respect to his own diocese, it shall appear to the Archbishop of the Province, or when the bishop of any diocese shall represent to the said archbishop that any such tithing, hamlet, chapelry, place or district within the diocese of such archbishop, or the diocese of such bishop, as the case may be, may be advantageously separated from any parish or mother church, and either be constituted a separate benefice by itself or be united to any other parish to which it may be more conveniently annexed, or to any other adjoining tithing, hamlet, chapelry, place, or district, parochial or extra-parochial, so as to form a separate parish or benefice, or that any extra-parochial place may with advantage be annexed to any parish to which it is contiguous, or be constituted a separate parish for ecclesiastical purposes; and the said archbishop or bishop shall draw up a scheme in writing (the scheme of such bishop to be transmitted to the said