

his own act or default or by operation of law his income and house of residence as such Minor Canon or either of them or any part thereof respectively may be charged or encumbered or may become vested in or payable to or enjoyed by any other person or persons except as to the said house by letting the same with such licence and authority as aforesaid.

"V. Every Minor Canon who shall attain the age of fifty-five years shall retire from office and his minor canony shall upon his attaining that age ipso facto become vacant. And the said Dean and Chapter shall pay to any Minor Canon so retiring during the then residue of his life a pension according to the following scale:—

"(a.) If the Minor Canon so retiring shall have held his minor canony for less than ten years a pension of such amount not exceeding forty pounds annually as the Ecclesiastical Commissioners and the Visitor and the Dean and Chapter shall in each particular case deem adequate.

"(b.) If the Minor Canon so retiring shall have held his minor canony for ten years and less than fifteen years a pension of eighty pounds annually.

"(c.) If the Minor Canon so retiring shall have held his minor canony for fifteen years and less than twenty years a pension of one hundred and sixty pounds annually (which sum includes an allowance of forty pounds for house rent).

"(d.) If the Minor Canon so retiring shall have held his minor canony for twenty years or upwards a pension of two hundred and fifty pounds annually (which sum includes an allowance of fifty pounds for house rent.)

"Every such pension shall be payable by equal half yearly payments and shall commence and be computed from the day on which the Minor Canon so retiring shall have attained the age of fifty-five years provided that it shall be the duty of every Minor Canon to furnish to the said Dean and Chapter such information with respect to or reasonable evidence of his age as the said Dean and Chapter shall from time to time require.

"VI. In case any Minor Canon shall before attaining the age of fifty-five years become from any cause unable in the judgment of the said Dean and Chapter duly to discharge the duties of his office or any of them (the fact of such inability being if necessary established by due enquiry) it shall be lawful for the said Dean and Chapter by writing under their common seal to remove such Minor Canon from his minor canony and such minor canony shall thereupon become vacant and the said Dean and Chapter shall pay half yearly to every Minor Canon so removed during the then residue of his life a pension to be computed from the date of removal and to be of such an amount as the said Ecclesiastical Commissioners and the Visitor of the said Cathedral Church and the said Dean and Chapter shall under the circumstances of the particular case deem adequate Provided that as to any Minor Canon so removed who shall have held his office for ten years or upwards in case the amount of the same pension shall not be ascertained before the expiration of six calendar months from the date of such removal the said Dean and Chapter shall at the expiration of such six calendar months and thenceforth half-yearly until the amount of the same permanent pension shall be ascertained (or until the death of the Minor Canon so removed which shall first happen) pay to the

Minor Canon so removed an interim pension according to the following scale, that is to say, If the Minor Canon so removed shall have held his canony for ten years and less than fifteen years an interim pension of eighty pounds annually. If the Minor Canon so removed shall have held his canony for fifteen years and less than twenty years an interim pension of one hundred and sixty pounds annually (which sum includes an allowance of forty pounds for house rent.) If the Minor Canon so removed shall have held his canony for twenty years or upwards an interim pension of two hundred and fifty pounds annually (which sum includes an allowance of fifty pounds for house rent) Provided that after the amount of the said permanent pension shall have been ascertained as aforesaid the payments which shall have been made to the Minor Canon so removed in respect of his said interim pension shall if less in amount than the payments which ought to have been made to him in respect of his permanent pension (if ascertained) be deemed to have been made on account of such last-mentioned payments but if equal or greater in amount to or than such last-mentioned payments be deemed to have been made in satisfaction of the same payments.

"VII. It shall be lawful for the said Dean and Chapter to appoint any Minor Canon who may have so retired or been removed from his office as aforesaid to be an Honorary Minor Canon of the said cathedral church with a right to a stall in the choir of the said church, provided that no emolument whatsoever nor any place in the College of Minor Canons of the said cathedral church shall be taken or held by any Honorary Minor Canon by virtue of his appointment as such Honorary Minor Canon.

"VIII. Every pension which under the provisions of any scheme and Order of your Majesty in Council passed or made under the authority of the said 'Saint Paul's Cathedral, London, Minor Canons Act 1875' shall become payable to any Minor Canon who shall have retired or been removed from his office shall be subject to the provisions contained in section 9 of the last-mentioned Act in regard to sesser and reduction of pensions.

"IX. It shall be the duty of the said Dean and Chapter in selecting Minor Canons to have regard not to musical excellence alone but to all the provisions hereinbefore contained and to the fitness of any Minor Canon to discharge all the duties of the office as hereinbefore specified or appearing.

"And we further recommend and propose that nothing herein contained shall prevent us from recommending and proposing any other matter or or thing with respect to the matters aforesaid or any of them under or by virtue of the said Act or of any other Act of Parliament."

And whereas the said scheme has been approved by Her Majesty in Council: now, therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice of Her said Council, is pleased hereby to ratify the said scheme, and to order and direct that the same and every part thereof shall be effectual in law immediately from and after the time when this Order shall have been duly published in the London Gazette pursuant to the said Act; and Her Majesty, by and with the like advice, is pleased hereby to direct that this Order be forthwith registered by the Registrar of the said diocese of London.

C. L. Peel.