of the Exchequer, the First Lord of the Admiralty and the Right Honourable Arthur Herbert Dyke Acland (Vice-President) to be a Committee of Council on Education.

A T the Court at Osborne House, Isle of Wight, the 25th day of August, 1892.

PRESENT,

The QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

ER Majesty in Council was this day pleased to appoint the Lord President of the Council, the Right Honourable the Earl of Rosebery, the Secretary of State for the Home Department, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, the Right Honourable Sir George Otto Trevelyan, Baronet, Secretary for Scotland (Vice-President), the Right Honourable John Blair Balfour (Lord Advocate), and the Right Honourable Henry Campbell-Bannerman, to be a Committee of Council on Education in Scotland.

Privy Council Office, August 25, 1892.

THIS day at Osborne House, Isle of Wight, in the presence of the Lord President of the Council, the Right Honourable Herbert Gardner was sworn President of the Board of Agriculture; the Right Honourable Charles Seale-Hayne was sworn Paymaster-General; the Right Honourable William John, Viscount Oxenbridge, was sworn Master of the Horse; the Right Honourable Charles Robert, Lord Carrington, was sworn Lord Chamberlain; and the Most Honourable Gavin, Marquess of Breadalbane, was sworn Lord Steward.

A T the Court at Osborne House, Isle of Wight, the 18th day of August, 1892.

PRESENT,

The QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS by an Order made by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty in Council on the fifteenth day of September one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven, Her Majesty did, by and with the advice of the said Council, order that George Henry Charles, Earl of Strafford, Sir George Webbe Dasent, Knight, Doctor of Civil Law, and William John Courthope, Esquire, or such other persons as Her Majesty might from time to time approve in the stead of them, or any of them, should be Her Majesty's Commissioners for testing, in conformity with Her Majesty's Order in Council dated the fourth June one thousand eight hundred and seventy, or such further Order or Orders as Her Majesty, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, had issued or might issue in that behalf, the qualifications of persons proposed to be appointed to situations or employments in Her Majesty's Civil Establishments, and also for testing, in conformity with regulations to be from time to time issued by Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for War, the literary qualifications of candidates for first Commissions in the Army, and for admission to the Royal Military College at Woolwich, and should hold their offices during the pleasure of Her Majesty; the said George Henry Charles, Earl of Strafford being the First Commissioner; and should have power, subject to the approval of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, to appoint from time to time such Assistant Examiners and others as might be required to assist them in the performance of the duties thereinafter assigned to them:

And whereas, since the date of the Order first above-mentioned, the said George Henry Charles, Earl of Strafford, and the said Sir George Webbe Dasent have retired, and whereas it is deemed expedient that the Civil Service Commission shall consist of two Commissioners, and that Francis Hervey, commonly called the Lord Francis Hervey, should be appointed second Commissioner.

Now therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, doth order, and it is hereby ordered that the said William John Courthope, Esquire, and the said Francis Hervey, commonly called the Lord Francis Hervey, or such other persons as Her Majesty may from time to time, approve in the stead of them, or any of them, shall be Her Majesty's Commissioners for testing, in conformity with the said Order in Council dated the fourth June one thousand eight hundred and seventy, or such further Order or Orders as Her Majesty, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, has issued or may issue in that behalf, the qualifications of persons proposed to be appointed to situations or employments in Her Majesty's Civil Establishments, and also for testing, in conformity with regulations to be from time to time issued by Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for War, the literary qualifications of Candidates for first Commissions in the Army, and for admission to the Royal Military College at Woolwich, and shall hold their offices during the pleasure of Her Majesty; the said William John Courthope, Esquire, being the first Commissioner; and shall have power, subject to the approval of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, to appoint from time to time such Assistant Examiners and others as may be required to assist them in the performance of their duties. C. L. Peel.

A T the Court at Osborne House, Isle of Wight, the 18th day of August, 1892.

PRESENT,

The QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

THEREAS by section twenty-one of "The Pluralities Act 1838" after reciting that, "Whereas from the increase of population, or "from other circumstances, it may be expedient that two or more benefices which have been "heretofore united or which may be hereafter " united under the provisions of this Act should "be disunited," it is amongst other things enacted, "That when two or more benefices " shall have been united, or may be hereafter "united into one benefice, and with respect to " his own diocese it shall appear to the Archbishop " of the Province, or the Bishop of any diocese " shall represent to the said Archbishop of the "Province, that one or more of the benefices " within his diocese, of which such united benefice "shall consist, may be separated therefrom with " advantage to the interests of religion, the said "Archbishop shall inquire into the circumstances "of the case, and if on such inquiry it shall "appear to him that such union may be usefully "dissolved, so far as respects such benefice or "benefices, he shall, six weeks at least before " certifying such inquiry to Her Majesty as here-"inafter directed, cause, with respect to his own "diocese, a statement in writing of the facts, "and in all other cases a copy in writing of " the aforesaid representation to be affixed on or "near the principal outer door of the church or in some public and conspicuous place in " each of the benefices forming part of the united "benefice, with notice to any person or persons