

the sixty-first and sixty-second years of Her said late Majesty, chapter twenty-three duly prepare for the purpose of being laid before Her said late Majesty in Council a scheme bearing date the twenty-sixth day of July, in the year one thousand nine hundred, in the words and figures following, that is to say:—

“We, the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England, in pursuance of the Union of Benefices Acts 1860 and 1898, namely, the Act of the twenty-third and twenty-fourth years of Your Majesty chapter one hundred and forty-two and of the Act of the sixty-first and sixty-second years of Your Majesty chapter twenty-three have prepared and now humbly lay before Your Majesty in Council the following scheme for effecting an union of two contiguous benefices within the metropolis and within the city of Westminster and diocese of London, namely, the benefice (being a vicarage) of All Saints Knightsbridge and the benefice (being a vicarage) of the Holy Trinity, Knightsbridge, and for effecting certain other measures incidental to or arising out of such union.

“Whereas the patronage of the said benefice of All Saints Knightsbridge is vested in the Rector for the time being of the rectory of the parish of Saint Margaret in the said city of Westminster.

“And whereas the patronage of the said benefice of the Holy Trinity Knightsbridge is vested in the Dean and Chapter of the Collegiate Church of Saint Peter in Westminster.

“And whereas the Right Honourable and Right Reverend Mandell Bishop of the said diocese of London has caused proposals for a scheme for effecting an union of the said two benefices to be laid before us, which proposals are prepared under the seventh and eighth sections of the firstly hereinbefore mentioned Act and are approved by the said Mandell Bishop of London and are assented to by the Reverend Joseph Armitage Robinson, Doctor in Divinity a Canon of the said Collegiate Church of Saint Peter in Westminster and the present Rector of the said rectory of the parish of Saint Margaret in the said city of Westminster as the patron of the said benefice of All Saints Knightsbridge and by the said Dean and Chapter of the Collegiate Church of Saint Peter in Westminster as the patrons of the said benefice of the Holy Trinity Knightsbridge and the same proposals are also assented to, subject to certain modifications, by the Vestry of the new parish of All Saints Knightsbridge and by the Vestry of the new parish of the Holy Trinity Knightsbridge.

“And whereas it appears to us the said Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England to be expedient that the said proposed union of the said two benefices should be effected and that such arrangements relating thereto and to the other matters hereinafter referred to should be made as hereinafter mentioned.

“And whereas the said Mandell Bishop of London as such Bishop and the patrons of the said two benefices and the vestries of the said two new parishes respectively, are willing that the scheme for effecting the said union should embody certain modifications of the said proposals, and this present scheme does embody the same modifications accordingly but otherwise is based upon the said proposals.

“Now therefore with the consent of the said Mandell Bishop of London (in testimony whereof he has to this scheme set his hand and his episcopal seal) and with the consent of the said Joseph Armitage Robinson (in testimony whereof he has signed and sealed this scheme) and with

the consent of the said Dean and Chapter of the Collegiate Church of Saint Peter in Westminster (in testimony whereof they have to this scheme set their common or capitular seal) and with the consents of the vestries of the said new parishes of All Saints Knightsbridge and the Holy Trinity Knightsbridge (in testimony of which consent this scheme is signed in the case of each of the said vestries by the Chairman of a meeting of the same vestry duly convened for the purpose of giving such consent) we the said Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England humbly recommend and propose to Your Majesty in Council all that is in this scheme contained under the several parts or headings hereinafter mentioned as follows:—

“PART I.

“As to the proposed union itself and certain immediate incidents thereof we recommend and propose:—

“1. That the said benefice of All Saints Knightsbridge and the said benefice of the Holy Trinity Knightsbridge be united into one benefice under the style of ‘The benefice of All Saints Knightsbridge’ which said united benefice is hereinafter called the united benefice.

“2. That if upon the day when any Order of Your Majesty in Council ratifying this scheme shall be published in the London Gazette the said benefice of the Holy Trinity Knightsbridge shall be vacant the union shall forthwith take effect, and if such benefice shall not then be vacant the said union shall take effect upon the then next avoidance of the said benefice of the Holy Trinity Knightsbridge whether such avoidance shall be caused in the manner contemplated by clause five of Part IV of this scheme or otherwise.

“PART II.

“As to the parish church of the united benefice and certain officers of the same, and certain matters connected therewith or with the church of the Holy Trinity Knightsbridge we, the said Ecclesiastical Commissioners, further recommend and propose:—

“1. That upon the union taking effect the Church of All Saints Knightsbridge shall become and thereafter continue to be the parish church of the united benefice.

“2. That upon the union taking effect the font the communion table and the sacramental plate or any portion thereof used in the church of the Holy Trinity Knightsbridge shall if the Bishop of London shall approve, be offered to the incumbent and churchwardens of the church of the new benefice hereinafter mentioned and if accepted by the said incumbent and churchwardens shall be transferred to the church of such new benefice but if not so offered or accepted then such font, communion table and sacramental plate or any portion thereof which shall not be needed for the church of the said new benefice shall be transferred to any other church or chapel or churches or chapels within the diocese of London which the Bishop may select.

“3. That upon the union taking effect the whole of the carved work and fittings and furniture now in the church of the Holy Trinity Knightsbridge shall with the approval of the Bishop of London be transferred to the church of the new benefice hereinafter mentioned but if the whole or a part of such carved work fittings and furniture shall not be needed for such church that which is not so needed shall be sold and the proceeds to arise from such sale shall in such case be added to the proceeds to arise from the sale hereinafter recommended of the materials and site of the church of the Holy Trinity Knightsbridge.

“4. That upon the union taking effect if the