

and the patrons of the said two benefices and the vestries of the said 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 Arthur Foley, Bishop of London (in testimony whereof he has to this scheme set his hand and episcopal seal) and with the consent of the said Herbrand Arthur Duke of Bedford (in testimony whereof he has to this scheme set his hand and seal) and with the consent of the said Leonard Edmund Shelford (in testimony whereof he has to this scheme set his hand and seal) and with the consent of the vestry of the said parish of Saint Paul, Covent Garden, and of the vestry of the said parish of Saint Michael, Burleigh-street (in testimony of which consents 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 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 Saint Paul, Covent Garden, and the said benefice of Saint Michael, Burleigh-street, be united into one benefice under the style of 'The Benefice of Saint Paul, Covent Garden,' which said united benefice is hereinafter called the united benefice.

"2. That upon the day when any Order of Your Majesty in Council ratifying this scheme shall be published in the London Gazette the union shall forthwith take effect, and the said Edward Henry Mosse, if he is then the Incumbent of the said benefice of Saint Paul, Covent Garden, shall be the first Incumbent of the united benefice and it shall be lawful for the Bishop of the said diocese of London to admit the said Edward Henry Mosse to the united benefice without any form or fee of or for presentation and he shall thereupon become the Incumbent of the united benefice.

#### "PART II.

"As to the Parish Church of the united benefice and the Church of Saint Michael, Burleigh-street, and certain officers of the same and certain matters connected therewith we, the said Ecclesiastical Commissioners, further recommend and propose:—

"1. That upon the union taking effect the Church of Saint Paul, Covent Garden, shall become and thereafter continue to be the parish church of the united benefice.

"2. That upon the union taking effect the font, communion table, sacramental plate, bells and any suitable furniture and fittings of the church of Saint Michael, Burleigh-street, shall be transferred to the church of the proposed new benefice hereinafter mentioned, or in the event of its being impossible for architectural reasons to use some of such furniture or fittings in the church of the proposed new benefice, then the furniture or fittings not so used may be transferred to such other church or chapel within the diocese of London as the Bishop may select.

"3. That upon the union taking effect if the tables of fees used in the two churches be alike in all particulars the table of fees used in the church which will become the church of the united benefice shall (until revised or altered by proper authority) be the table of fees for the united parishes, but if such tables of fees be not alike in all particulars the same shall be of no authority and a new table of fees shall be made by the proper authority for the use of the united parishes as if the same were one parish.

"4. That in the event of the services of any of the church servants of the parish of Saint Michael, Burleigh-street, who at present hold office being dispensed with by reason of the union taking effect, such servants shall, out of any moneys to be received by us, the said Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England, under the provisions of Part V of this scheme, receive such reasonable compensation as having regard to the length of his or her or their tenure of office and other circumstances of the case shall seem to us and to the Bishop of the said diocese of London equitable and proper. Provided always that it shall be lawful for us, if we shall see fit, in all or any of these cases to advance the compensation money or any part thereof out of the fund created by the twenty-second section of the said Act of the twenty-third and twenty-fourth years of Her said late Majesty, chapter one hundred and forty-two.

"5. That upon the final closing of the church of Saint Michael, Burleigh-street, the register books of baptisms marriages and burials of the parish of Saint Michael, Burleigh-street, shall be transferred to the church of the united benefice.

#### "PART III.

"As to the endowments of the united benefice we the said Ecclesiastical Commissioners further recommend and propose:—

"1. That upon the union taking effect all the properties, revenues and income constituting the endowments (present and future) of the rectory of Saint Paul, Covent Garden, shall be transferred and annexed to the united benefice.

"2. That upon the union taking effect the present parsonage house of the rectory of Saint Paul, Covent Garden, shall be the parsonage house of the united benefice, and the present parsonage house of the vicarage of Saint Michael, Burleigh-street, shall form part of the endowments of the united benefice and shall be used as a house of residence for the assistant curate or curates of the united benefice.

#### "PART IV.

"Upon the subject of patronage, we, the said Ecclesiastical Commissioners further recommend and propose:—

"That the patronage of the said united benefice of Saint Paul, Covent Garden, shall be vested in the said Herbrand Arthur, Duke of Bedford, his heirs and assigns, and that the patronage of the new church and benefice which are referred to in Part VI of this scheme shall be vested as therein recommended and proposed.

#### "PART V.

"As to the church of Saint Michael, Burleigh-street, and the site and appurtenances thereof and as to the proceeds of any sale or sales of the materials, site, furniture, or fittings of the same church we the said Ecclesiastical Commissioners further recommend and propose:—

"1. That as soon as conveniently may be after the union has taken effect the church of Saint Michael, Burleigh-street, be taken down.