

county of Durham, which said five persons are commonly called Hyndman's Trustees, and the same proposals were also assented to by the patrons of the benefice of Saint Stephen, Spitalfields, situate with the metropolis, and in the said diocese of London, that is to say, by the Reverend Ernest Newton Sharpe, rector of the parish of Saint Paul, Kersal Moor, in the county of Lancaster, the Reverend Henry Lawe Corry Vully de Candole, vicar of the parish of the Holy Trinity, Cambridge, Francis Augustus Bevan of number 54, Lombard Street, in the said city of London, banker, John Francis William Deacon of number 20, Birchin Lane, in the said city of London, banker, and the said Edward Grose Hodge, which said last-named persons are commonly called the church patronage trustees, and the same proposals were also assented to by the vestry of the parish of Christ Church, Spitalfields, by the vestry of the new parish of Saint Mary, Spitalfields, and by the vestry of the new parish of Saint Stephen, Spitalfields.

"And whereas the said proposals comprised amongst other things the severance of a portion of the said new parish of Saint Mary, Spitalfields, from the said benefice of Saint Mary, Spitalfields, and its union with the said benefice of Saint Stephen, Spitalfields.

"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 of Christ Church, Spitalfields, and Saint Mary, Spitalfields, should be effected, and that such arrangements relating thereto and to the other matters hereinafter referred to should be made as are hereinafter mentioned.

"And whereas each of the said benefices of Christ Church, Spitalfields, of Saint Mary, Spitalfields, and of Saint Stephen, Spitalfields, is now full, the Reverend Charles Henry Chard, clerk in Holy Orders, being the present incumbent of the said benefice of Christ Church, Spitalfields, the Reverend George Rigg, clerk in Holy Orders, being the present incumbent of the said benefice of Saint Mary, Spitalfields, and the Reverend William John Parker, clerk in Holy Orders, being the present incumbent of the said benefice of Saint Stephen, Spitalfields.

"And whereas the said Arthur Foley, now Bishop of London, as such Bishop, and the patrons of the said three 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, as diocesan, and as patron of the said benefice of Christ Church, Spitalfields (in testimony whereof he has to this scheme set his hand and his episcopal seal) and with the consent of the said Philip Vernon Smith, William Mackworth Young, Edward Alexander Stuart, Edward Grose Hodge, and Frank Theodore Woods, as the patrons of the said benefice of Saint Mary, Spitalfields, and with the consent of the said Ernest Newton Sharpe, Henry Lawe Corry Vully de Candole, Francis Augustus Bevan, John Francis William Deacon, and Edward Grose Hodge, as the patrons of the said benefice of Saint Stephen, Spitalfields, (in testimony whereof they, the said secondly and

thirdly mentioned consenting parties, have to this scheme respectively set their several hands and seals) and with the consents of the vestry of the said parish of Christ Church, Spitalfields, of the vestry of the said new parish of Saint Mary, Spitalfields, and of the vestry of the said new parish of Saint Stephen, Spitalfields, (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 Christ Church, Spitalfields, and the said benefice of Saint Mary, Spitalfields, be united into one benefice under the style of 'The United Benefice of Christ Church, Spitalfields, with Saint Mary, Spitalfields,' 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 both of the said present benefices shall be vacant, the union shall forthwith take effect, and, if the said benefice of Saint Mary, Spitalfields, only shall then be vacant, the said union shall also forthwith take effect, and the incumbent of the other of the said present benefices shall become the first incumbent of the united benefice; and, if upon the day when any Order of Your Majesty in Council ratifying this scheme shall be published in the London Gazette, both of the said present benefices shall be full, then the said union shall take effect on the next avoidance of the said benefice of Saint Mary, Spitalfields, and the then incumbent of the other of the said two benefices shall be the first incumbent of the united benefice, and, in any case, it shall be lawful for the Bishop of the said diocese of London to admit to the united benefice such first incumbent (if an incumbent for the time being of the said benefice of Christ Church, Spitalfields), without any form or fee of or for presentation, and he shall thereupon become the incumbent of the united benefice. Until the time of the union taking effect the said two benefices shall remain separate and the rights and liabilities in respect thereof and of the incumbents of each of them shall remain unaffected.

"3. That, if after this scheme shall have been ratified by an Order of Your Majesty in Council, and before the said union shall have taken effect the incumbent for the time being of the said benefice of Saint Mary Spitalfields, shall, with the consent of the Bishop of London, retire from his incumbency in order that the said union may take immediate effect, then the incumbent so retiring from his incumbency shall be entitled during the period hereinafter specified to receive out of the annual income of the united benefice and by way of compensation, an annual sum of two hundred and fourteen pounds, which annual sum shall commence as from the day on which the said union shall take effect, and shall be payable by equal half-yearly payments in every year; the first half-