

district known as the Plump Hill Edgehills and Shapridge district (more particularly delineated and described and verged red in the plan annexed to the scheme appended hereto) may be advantageously separated from the said parish of Holy Trinity and annexed to the said parish of Abenhall to which it is contiguous.

"That pursuant to the directions contained in the said Act the said Lord Bishop has drawn up a scheme in writing describing the mode in which it appears to him that the proposed alteration may best be effected and how the changes consequent upon such alterations in respect of ecclesiastical jurisdiction glebe lands tithe rent-charges and other ecclesiastical dues rates and payments and in respect to patronage and rights to pews may be made with justice to all parties interested which scheme together with the consents thereto in writing of the Right Honourable Herbert Henry Asquith K.C. M.P. First Lord Commissioner of Your Majesty's Treasury on behalf of the Crown, the patron or person entitled to present to the benefice of Holy Trinity (Forest of Dean) (in case the same were now vacant) the Reverend James Lawton the Incumbent of the same benefice, the Right Honourable Robert Threshie Earl Loreburn Lord High Chancellor of Great Britain the patron or person entitled to present to the benefice of Abenhall (in case the same were now vacant) and the Reverend Charles Richard Pollock the Incumbent of the same benefice, has been transmitted to Us for Our consideration.

"The representation and scheme of the said Lord Bishop of Gloucester and the consents above referred to are hereunto annexed.

"And We the said Archbishop being on full consideration and enquiry satisfied with the said scheme do hereby pursuant to the said Pluralities Act 1838 certify the same and such consents as aforesaid to Your Majesty in Council to the intent that Your Majesty in Council may in case Your Majesty in Council shall think fit so to do make and issue an Order for carrying the said scheme into effect."

"RANDALL CANTUAR."

Now, therefore, His Majesty in Council, by and with the advice of His said Council, is pleased to order, as it is hereby ordered, that the said scheme be carried into effect.

*Almeric FitzRoy.*

At the Court at *Buckingham Palace*, the 14th day of *May*, 1912.

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS by section 26 of the Pluralities Act, 1838, after reciting that "Whereas in some instances tithings, hamlets, chapelries, and other places or districts may be separated from the parishes or mother churches to which they belong, with great advantage, and places altogether extra-

parochial may in some instances with advantage be annexed to parishes or districts to which they are contiguous, or be constituted separate parishes for ecclesiastical purposes," it is, amongst other things, enacted "That when with respect to his own diocese it shall appear to the Archbishop of the province, or when the Bishop of any diocese shall represent to the said Archbishop that any such tithing, hamlet, chapelry, place, or district within the diocese of such Archbishop, or the diocese of such Bishop, as the case may be, may be advantageously separated from any parish or mother church, and either be constituted a separate benefice by itself or be united to any other parish to which it may be more conveniently annexed, or to any other adjoining tithing, hamlet, chapelry, place, or district, parochial or extra-parochial, so as to form a separate parish or benefice, or that any extra-parochial place may with advantage be annexed to any parish to which it is contiguous, or be constituted a separate parish for ecclesiastical purposes; and the said Archbishop or Bishop shall draw up a scheme in writing (the scheme of such Bishop to be transmitted to the said Archbishop for his consideration) describing the mode in which it appears to him that the alteration may best be effected, and how the changes consequent on such alteration in respect to ecclesiastical jurisdiction, glebe lands, tithes, rent-charges, and other ecclesiastical dues, rates and payments, and in respect to patronage and rights to pews, may be made with justice to all parties interested; and if the patron or patrons of the benefice or benefices to be affected by such alteration shall consent in writing under his or their hands to such scheme; or to such modification thereof as the said Archbishop may approve, and the said Archbishop shall, on full consideration and inquiry, be satisfied with any such scheme, or modification thereof, and shall certify the same and such consent as aforesaid, by his report to His Majesty in Council, it shall be lawful for His Majesty in Council to make an order for carrying such scheme, or modification thereof, as the case may be, into effect."

And whereas Frederic Henry, Lord Bishop of Ely, hath, pursuant to the enactment aforesaid, made a representation to the Right Honourable and Most Reverend Randall Thomas, Lord Archbishop of Canterbury, in the words and figures following, that is to say:—

"I, Frederic Henry, Bishop of Ely, in pursuance of the 26th section of the Pluralities Act, 1838, do hereby represent to your Grace as follows:—

"There is in the county of Bedford and diocese of Ely the benefice or vicarage of Shillington, the parish whereof (including the district of Lower Stondon hereinafter mentioned) contains a population of one thousand five hundred and eighty-eight or thereabouts, with accommodation in the parish church for four hundred and fifty persons.

"The net annual value of the said benefice of Shillington from all sources is two hundred and sixty pounds or thereabouts.

"There is also in the same county and diocese the benefice or rectory of Upper Ston-