

ages respectively, is or are consenting thereto, such consent being signified in writing under the hands of such patron or patrons, the said Archbishop shall, six weeks before certifying such inquiry and consent to His Majesty as hereinafter directed, cause, with respect to his own diocese, a statement in writing of the facts, and in 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 such benefices, Sinecure rectories, or vicarages, with notice to any person or persons interested, that he, she, or they, may, within such six weeks, show cause in writing under his, her, or their hand or hands, to the said Archbishop, against such union; and if no sufficient cause be shewn within such time, the said Archbishop shall certify the inquiry and consent aforesaid to His Majesty in Council, and thereupon it shall be lawful for His Majesty in Council to make and issue an Order or Orders for uniting such benefices, Sinecure rectory or rectories, vicarage or vicarages, into one benefice, with cure of souls, for ecclesiastical purposes only; and it shall be lawful for His Majesty in Council to give directions for regulating the course and succession in which the patrons, if there be more than one patron, shall present or nominate to such united benefice, from time to time, as the same shall become vacant; and for determining, if such united benefice shall be in two dioceses, to which of such dioceses such benefice shall belong, and such Order or Orders shall be registered in the Registry or Registries of the diocese or respective dioceses, to which such united benefice shall be determined to belong, and to which either or any of the united benefices, Sinecure rectories, or vicarages shall have belonged when separate, which Order or Orders the Registrar, or Registrars, of such diocese or respective dioceses, immediately on the receipt thereof, are hereby required to register accordingly: and such Order, or Orders, shall thenceforth be binding on all parties whatsoever."

And whereas the Lord Archbishop of Canterbury, pursuant to the provisions of the said Act, hath duly prepared and laid before His Majesty in Council a certificate in writing, bearing date the 14th day of February, 1912, in the words and figures following:—

"We the undersigned Randall Thomas Archbishop of the Province of Canterbury Primate of all England and Metropolitan do hereby certify to Your Majesty in Council:—

"That the Right Reverend Edward Lord Bishop of Winchester as Bishop of the diocese within which is situate the vicarage of Combe in the county of Hants and the Right Reverend Frederic Edward Lord Bishop of Salisbury as Bishop of the diocese within which is situate the rectory of Buttermere in the county of Wilts, having jointly represented unto Us that the said benefices being contiguous to each other and of which the aggregate population does not exceed 1500 persons might with advantage to the interests of religion be united into one benefice, We inquired into the circumstances of the case.

"That on such inquiry it appeared to Us that such union might be usefully made and would not be of inconvenient extent, and that the Dean and Canons of the King's Free Chapel of St. George within the Castle of

Windsor being the patrons or persons entitled to present or nominate to the vicarage of Combe and also to the rectory of Buttermere (if the same or either of them were now vacant) have consented to the proposed union.

"That six weeks and upwards before certifying such inquiry and consent to Your Majesty in Council we caused a copy in writing of the aforesaid Joint Representation of the said Lord Bishops to be affixed to the principal outer door of the parish church of each of the said benefices with notice to any person or persons interested that he she or they might within such six weeks show cause in writing under his her or their hand or hands to Us the said Archbishop against such union but no sufficient cause has been shown.

"The Joint Representation of the said Lord Bishops of Winchester and Salisbury, Our inquiry into the circumstances of the case the statement of circumstances in reply thereto, the consent in writing of the said patrons and the copies of the Joint Representation and notices before mentioned are hereunto annexed.

"And We do hereby certify the inquiry and consent 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 uniting the said benefices into one benefice with cure of souls for ecclesiastical purposes and we further hereby declare that the said benefices when they shall be united into one benefice shall be included in and belong to the diocese of Salisbury and be under the full authority and jurisdiction of the bishop of such diocese of Salisbury.

"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 vicarage of Combe, situate in the county of Hants and diocese of Winchester, and the rectory of Buttermere, situate in the county of Wilts and diocese of Salisbury, shall be united into one benefice with cure of souls for ecclesiastical purposes only.

And His Majesty in Council, by and with the advice aforesaid, is further pleased to order and determine that such united benefice shall belong to the diocese of Salisbury.

*Almeric FitzRoy.*

At the Court at *Buckingham Palace*, the 10th day of *June*, 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