

together with the Consents thereto in writing of the Warden Scholars and Clerks of Saint Mary College of Winchester, the Patrons or persons entitled to present to the said Benefice of Downton with the Chapelry of Nunton and Bodenham annexed (if the same were now vacant), The Reverend Lenthall Greville Dickenson, Incumbent of the said Benefice, The Right Honourable Jacob, Earl of Radnor, the Patron or person entitled to present to the said Benefice of Odstock (if the same were now vacant), and The Reverend Francis Edward Overton, Incumbent of the said Benefice, has been transmitted to us by the said Lord Bishop for our consideration:

"The Representation and Scheme of the said Lord Bishop, and the Consents above referred to, are hereunto annexed:

"And we, the said Archbishop, being on full consideration and inquiry 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.*

*Whitehall, August 7, 1915.*

The KING has been pleased to issue a Commission under His Majesty's Royal Sign Manual to the following effect:—

GEORGE, R.I.

GEORGE THE FIFTH, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland and of the British Dominions beyond the Seas King, Defender of the Faith, to

Our right trusty and well-beloved Counsellors:—

Andrew Graham, Baron Dunedin, Knight Commander of Our Royal Victorian Order; and

Henry Edward Duke, one of Our Counsel learned in the Law;

and

Our trusty and well-beloved:—

Sir James Thomas Woodhouse, Knight;

Everard Charles de Peyer, Esquire;

Alexander Mackay, Esquire, Chartered Accountant, Dundee; and

John Mackintosh Mac Leod, Esquire, Chartered Accountant, Glasgow,

Greeting!

Whereas We have deemed it expedient that a Commission should forthwith issue to inquire and determine, and to report what sums (in cases not otherwise provided for) ought in reason and fairness to be paid out of public funds to applicants who (not being subjects of an enemy State) are resident or carrying on business in Our United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, in respect of direct and substantial loss incurred by them by reason of interference with their property or business

in Our said United Kingdom through the exercise by the prescribed Government Authority of its powers under the Defence of the Realm (Amendment) (No. 3) Act, 1915:

Now know ye that We, reposing great trust and confidence in your knowledge and ability, have authorized and appointed, and do by these Presents authorize and appoint you the said Andrew Graham, Baron Dunedin; Henry Edward Duke; Sir James Thomas Woodhouse; Everard Charles de Peyer; Alexander Mackay; and John Mackintosh Mac Leod to be Our Commissioners for the purposes of the said inquiry.

And for the better effecting the purpose of this Our Commission, We do by these Presents authorize you to sit in two divisions, consisting as to the one division of you the said Henry Edward Duke (Chairman); Sir James Thomas Woodhouse and Everard Charles de Peyer; and as to the other division of you the said Andrew Graham, Baron Dunedin (Chairman); Alexander Mackay and John Mackintosh Mac Leod: and to allocate to the two said divisions such of the matters submitted for your consideration as you may deem expedient.

And We do by these Presents give and grant unto you full power to call before you such persons as you shall judge likely to afford you any information upon the subject of this Our Commission; and also to call for, have access to and examine all such books, documents, registers and records as may afford you the fullest information on the subject, and to inquire of and concerning the premises by all other lawful ways and means whatsoever.

And We do by these Presents authorize and empower you to visit and personally inspect such places as you may deem it expedient so to inspect for the mere effectual carrying out of the purposes aforesaid.

And We do by these Presents will and ordain that this Our Commission shall continue in full force and virtue, and that you, Our said Commissioners, may from time to time proceed in the execution thereof, and of every matter and thing therein contained, although the same be not continued from time to time by adjournment.

Provided that, should you deem it expedient, the powers and privileges hereinbefore conferred on you shall belong to, and may be exercised by, any one or more of you.

Provided also that the powers and privileges hereinbefore conferred on you or any one or more of you shall be in addition to, and not in derogation of, the powers and privileges conferred on you or any one or more of you by the Commission appointed by Us on the thirty-first day of March last, and styled "The Defence of the Realm Losses Commission."

And Our will and pleasure is that you do, from time to time, either jointly or by divisions as aforesaid, report to the Lords Commissioners of Our Treasury, under your hands and seals, your opinions upon the matters herein submitted for your consideration.

Given at Our Court at Windsor, the second day of August, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, in the sixth year of Our Reign.

By His Majesty's Command.

*John Simon.*