

1915, the said Archbishop certified to His Majesty in Council as follows, that is to say:—

“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 John, Lord Bishop of Hereford, as Bishop of the Diocese within which is situate the United Benefice consisting of the Rectory of Stoke Prior and the Vicarage of Docklow, in the County of Hereford, having represented unto us that the disunion of the said United Benefice by the separation of the Rectory of Stoke Prior from the Vicarage of Docklow may be made with advantage to the interests of religion, we inquired into the circumstances of the case.

“That on such Inquiry it appeared to us that such union might be usefully dissolved, and that the Reverend George Burden, Vicar of the Vicarage of Leominster, in the said County of Hereford, being the Patron or person entitled to present to the said United Benefice, if the same were now vacant, consents to the proposed disunion.

“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 Representation of the said Lord Bishop to be affixed on the principal outer door of each of the Parish Churches of the said United Benefice 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 disunion, and no such cause has been shown.

“The Representation of the said Lord Bishop of Hereford, Our Inquiry into the circumstances of the case, the Statement of Circumstances in reply thereto, the Consent in writing of the said Patron, and the copies of the Representation and Notice 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 separating the said Rectory of Stoke Prior from the said Vicarage of Docklow so as to constitute each of them a separate Benefice with Cure of Souls for ecclesiastical purposes only.

“And we recommend that after the said disunion shall have been carried into effect each Benefice shall retain its own original tithes, endowments, and emoluments, and bear its own charges and outgoings, except that the Parish of Stoke Prior shall retain the whole of the glebe land of the United Benefice, and that of the annual income of £89 17s. 0d. at present derived from the Governors of the Bounty of Queen Anne out of endowments held for the United Benefice there shall be paid annually to the Incumbent for the time being of the Parish of Docklow £80 0s. 0d. and to the Incumbent for the time being of the Parish of Stoke Prior £9 17s. 0d.

“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 United Benefice consisting of the

Rectory of Stoke Prior and the Vicarage of Docklow, situate in the County and Diocese of Hereford, shall be disunited by separating the said Rectory of Stoke Prior from the said Vicarage of Docklow.

And His Majesty in Council, by and with the advice of His said Council, is further pleased, on the recommendation of the said Archbishop, and with the consent of the Patron, to assign and attach to each of such Benefices respectively its own original tithes, endowments, and emoluments, and to direct that each Benefice shall bear its own charges and outgoings, except that the Parish of Stoke Prior shall retain the whole of the Glebe land of the United Benefice, and that of the annual income of eighty-nine pounds and seventeen shillings (£89 17s.) at present derived from the Governors of the Bounty of Queen Anne out of endowments held for the United Benefice, there shall be paid annually to the Incumbent for the time being of the Parish of Docklow the sum of eighty pounds (£80), and to the Incumbent for the time being of the Parish of Stoke Prior the sum of nine pounds and seventeen shillings (£9 17s.).

Almeric FitzRoy.

*Treasury Chambers,
December 3rd, 1915.*

The Chancellor of the Exchequer has appointed Colonel William Hall-Walker to be Steward and Bailiff of the Three Hundreds of Chiltern.

*Foreign Office,
October 6, 1915.*

The KING has been graciously pleased to appoint—

The Honourable Herbert William Brooks to be a Third Secretary in His Majesty's Diplomatic Service.

*Foreign Office,
October 8, 1915.*

The KING has been graciously pleased to appoint—

Richard John Vereker Astell, Esq., to be a Third Secretary in His Majesty's Diplomatic Service.

*Foreign Office,
October 10, 1915.*

The KING has been graciously pleased to appoint—

Nigel Walter Law, Esq., to be a Third Secretary in His Majesty's Diplomatic Service.

*Foreign Office,
October 15, 1915.*

The KING has been graciously pleased to appoint—

Major Hugh Stewart, C.I.E., to be His Majesty's Consul at Muscat.