

" I, John, Bishop of Hereford, the Patron or the person entitled to collate to the Rectory of Evesbatch, in the County and Diocese of Hereford, in case the same were now vacant, and I, the Reverend Pendarves George Keke-wich, Clerk, Rector of the said Rectory, do hereby respectively signify to Your Grace our Consent to the Scheme above proposed for separating a District adjacent to St. Matthew's Church, Froome's Hill, from the Parish of Bishops Froome, and annexing the same to the Parish of Evesbatch aforesaid, for ecclesiastical purposes.

" J., HEREFORD.

" PENDARVES GEORGE KEKEWICH."

And whereas the said Scheme hath been transmitted by the said Bishop to the said Archbishop for his consideration:

And whereas the said Archbishop, being satisfied with the said Scheme, hath certified the same and the Consents aforesaid to His Majesty in Council by his Report dated the 28th day of August, 1916, which said Report is in the words and figures following:—

" We, the undersigned, Randall Thomas, Archbishop of the Province of Canterbury, do hereby represent to Your Majesty in Council:—

" That The Right Reverend John, Lord Bishop of Hereford, has represented unto us (amongst other things):—

" That there is in the County and his Diocese of Hereford, the Vicarage and Parish Church of Bishop's Froome, which Parish comprises a District called Froome's Hill:

" That in the year 1866 a Church was built at Froome's Hill aforesaid, which was duly consecrated and dedicated to St. Matthew, but to which no District has been assigned:

" That in the same County and Diocese there is also the Rectory and Parish Church of Evesbatch, which is distant about 1 mile from the said Church of St. Matthew:

" That it appears to the said Lord Bishop that under the provisions of the Pluralities Act, 1838, the said District of Froome's Hill (more particularly delineated on the *Map* or *Plan* annexed to the Scheme of the said Lord Bishop, and thereon coloured *pink*) may be advantageously separated from the said Vicarage of Bishop's Froome and be united to the said Rectory and Parish of Evesbatch to which it is contiguous:

" That pursuant to the directions contained in the said Pluralities Act, 1838, 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 alteration in respect of 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, which Scheme, together with the Consents thereto in writing of Sybil Maude Hopton, Wife of Colonel John Dutton Hopton, the Patron or person entitled to present to the Vicarage of Bishop's Froome, The Reverend William Cope Hopton, Vicar of the said Vicarage, the said Lord Bishop of Hereford, the Patron or person by virtue of his Bishopric entitled to collate to the Rectory of Evesbatch, and the Reverend Pendarves George Keke-wich, the Rector of the said Rectory, 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 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.

Treasury Chambers,

10th February, 1917.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer has appointed His Grace The Duke of Atholl to be Steward and Bailiff of the Three Hundreds of Chiltern.

Foreign Office,

October 22, 1916.

The KING has been graciously pleased to appoint:—

William Seeds, Esq.; to be a First Secretary in His Majesty's Diplomatic Service.

Foreign Office,

January 22, 1917.

The KING has been pleased to approve of:—

Señor Don Atanasio Zaldumbide as Consul-General of Ecuador at London;
 Señor Don Juan B. Chevalier as Consul-General of Panama at Liverpool;
 Monsieur Marie Alexandre Pallu de la Barrière as Consul of France at Liverpool for the Counties of Anglesey, Carnarvon, Chester, Cumberland, Denbigh, Derby, Flint, Lancaster, Merioneth, Montgomery, Nottingham, Salop, Stafford (including Birmingham), Westmorland, and York (West Riding), and for the Isle of Man;
 Monsieur Jean Ascension Jules Emile Feer as Consul of France at Southampton for the Counties of Dorset and Hants;
 Monsieur Henri Marie Louis Dumesnil de Maricourt as Consul of France at Dublin for Ireland;
 Monsieur Ulysse Raphaël Réau as Consul of France at Hong Kong;
 Mr. Satotsugu Ukita as Consul of Japan at Vancouver, British Columbia;
 Mr. Heikichi Yamazaki as Consul of Japan at Singapore;
 Señor Don Eduardo Valerio Maria Ricci de Sousa as Consul of Ecuador at Hong Kong;
 Mr. G. H. Baker as Consul of Peru at Auckland for New Zealand and the British Possessions in Oceania; and
 Monsieur H. G. Buisman as Vice-Consul of the Netherlands at Durban.