

late Majesty, Chapter 113, the Act of the 4th and 5th years of Her said late Majesty, Chapter 39, and the Act of the 31st and 32nd years of Her said late Majesty, Chapter 114, duly prepared, and laid before His Majesty in Council, a Scheme, bearing date the 2nd day of May, 1918, in the words and figures following, that is to say:—

“ We, the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England, in pursuance of the Act of the 33rd and 34th years of Her late Majesty Queen Victoria, Chapter 39, and of the Acts therein mentioned, that is to say, the Act of the 3rd and 4th years of Her said late Majesty, Chapter 113, the Act of the 4th and 5th years of Her said late Majesty, Chapter 39, and the Act of the 31st and 32nd years of Her said late Majesty, Chapter 114, have prepared, and now humbly lay before Your Majesty in Council, the following Scheme for effecting a transfer of the ownership of the Advowson or perpetual right of Patronage of and presentation to the Church and Cure (hereinafter called ‘ the said Benefice ’) of Brackley, in the County of Northampton, and in the Diocese of Peterborough:

“ Whereas the Advowson or perpetual right of Patronage of and presentation to the said Benefice of Brackley is vested, free from incumbrances, in the Right Honourable John Francis Granville Scrope, Earl of Ellesmere (hereinafter called ‘ the said Earl of Ellesmere ’) during his life, with remainders over, and the said Earl of Ellesmere is therefore the Patron or person entitled to present or nominate to the said Benefice in case the same were now vacant:

“ And whereas the said Earl of Ellesmere is desirous that the whole Advowson or perpetual right of Patronage of and presentation to the said Benefice of Brackley should be transferred to the Right Reverend Frank Theodore, now Bishop of Peterborough, and his Successors in the same Bishopric:

“ And whereas the said Frank Theodore, Bishop of Peterborough, is willing to accept such transfer, and in token of such his willingness, and also in token that the same transfer has that consent of the Bishop of the Diocese which, by the Acts in the hereinbefore mentioned Act recited, or by some or one of them, is made necessary, he, the said Frank Theodore, Bishop of Peterborough, has executed this Scheme as hereinafter mentioned:

“ And whereas the transfer of the Patronage of the said Benefice of Brackley, which is hereinbefore mentioned, and hereinafter recommended and proposed, will, in our opinion, tend to make better provision for the Cure of Souls in the Parish or District in or in respect of which the right of Patronage or Advowson, so recommended and proposed to be transferred as aforesaid, arises or exists, that is to say, in the Parish of Brackley:

“ Now, therefore, with the consent of the said Earl of Ellesmere, being the person whose consent as Patron is required by the provisions of the hereinbefore mentioned Acts, and of the Act of the 1st and 2nd years of Her said late Majesty, Chapter 106 (in testimony of which consent he has signed and sealed this Scheme), and with the consent of the said Frank Theodore, Bishop of Peterborough (in testimony whereof he has signed this Scheme, and sealed the same with his Episcopal Seal), We, the said Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England, humbly recommend and propose that upon

and from the day of the date of the publication in the London Gazette of any Order of Your Majesty in Council ratifying this Scheme, and without any conveyance or assurance in the law other than such duly gazetted Order, the whole Advowson or perpetual right of Patronage of and presentation to the said Benefice of Brackley shall be transferred to the said Frank Theodore, Bishop of Peterborough, and his Successors in the same Bishopric, and shall thereupon and thenceforth become and be absolutely vested in, and shall and may from time to time be exercised by, the said Frank Theodore, Bishop of Peterborough, and his Successors in the same Bishopric for ever.

“ And we further recommend and propose that nothing herein contained shall prevent us from recommending and proposing any further or other measures relating to the matters aforesaid, or any of them, in accordance with the provisions of the said Acts, or of any of them, or of any other Act of Parliament.”

And whereas the said Scheme has been approved by His Majesty in Council:

Now, therefore, His Majesty, by and with the advice of His said Council, is pleased hereby to ratify the said Scheme, and to order and direct that the same and every part thereof shall be effectual in law immediately from and after the time when this Order shall have been duly published in the London Gazette pursuant to the said Acts.

And His Majesty, by and with the like advice, is pleased hereby to direct that this Order be forthwith registered by the Registrar of the said Diocese of Peterborough.

Almeric FitzRoy.

CENTRAL CHANCERY OF THE ORDERS OF KNIGHTHOOD.

St. James's Palace, S.W.,

July 9, 1918.

AMENDED STATUTES OF THE ORDER OF THE BRITISH EMPIRE.

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, Emperor of India, to all to whom these Presents shall come.

Greeting!

WHEREAS by Letters Patent under the Great Seal of the said United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, bearing date at Westminster the Fourth day of June, 1917, in the Eighth year of Our Reign, We have thought fit and been pleased to institute, erect, constitute, and create an Order of Knighthood, to be called and known for ever hereafter by the name, style, and designation of “ The Most Excellent Order of the British Empire,” whereof We, Our heirs and successors for ever shall be Sovereigns:

And whereas by Our aforesaid Letters Patent We did ordain that the said Order should be governed by Statutes and Ordinances and that the Statutes to be observed within the said Order should be established by Us and sealed by the Seal of the Said Order which Statutes so given and in future to be given by