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 only.

" 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 Rectory of Calborne, situate in the County of Southampton and Diocese of Winchester, and the Vicarage of Newtown, situate in the same County and Diocese, shall be united into one Benefice with Cure of Souls for ecclesiastical purposes only.

Almeric FitzRoy.

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 20th day of December, 1919.

PRESENT.

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

HEREAS by 16 sectionof Pluralities Act, 1838, as amended by the Pluralities Act, 1850, it is, amongst other things, enacted, "That whenever it shall appear to the Archbishop of the Province, with respect to his own Diocese, and whenever it shall be represented to him by the Bishop of any Diocese, or by the Bishops of any two Dioceses, that two or more Benefices, or that one or more Benefice or Benefices, and one or more Spiritual Sinecure Rectory or Rectories, Vicarage or Vicarages, in his or their Diocese or Dioceses, being either in the same Parish or contiguous to each other, and of which the aggregate population shall not exceed 1,500 persons, may, with advantage to the interests of religion, be united into one Benefice, the said Archbishop of the Province shall inquire into the circumstances of the case; and if on such inquiry it shall appear to him that such union may be usefully made, and will not be of inconvenient extent, and that the Patron or Patrons of the said Benefices, Sinecure Rectory or Rectories, Vicarage or Vicarages respectively, is or are consenting thereto; such consent being signified in writing under the hands of such Patron or Patrons, the said Archbishop shall, 6 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 6 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 shown 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 whereas the Right Honourable and Most Reverend Randall Thomas, Lord Archbishop of Canterbury, hath, pursuant to the provisions of the said Act, duly prepared and laid before His Majesty in Council a Certificate in writing bearing date the 19th day of

November, 1919, in the words following:—
"We, 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 Edgar, Lord Bishop of St. Albans, as Bishop of the Diocese within which are situate the Vicarage of Flitton and the Vicarage of Pulloxhill, both in the County of Bedford, having represented unto us that the said Benefices are contiguous to each other and of which the aggregate population does not exceed 1,500 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 Master, Fellows and Scholars of Balliol College, in the County of Oxford, being the Patrons or persons entitled to present to both the said Benefices, have consented to the proposed.

"That 6 weeks and upwards before certifying such Inquiry and Consents to Your Majesty in Council we caused a copy in writing of the aforesaid Representation of the said Lord Bishop 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 6 weeks show cause in writing under his, her, or their hand or hands, to us the said Archbishop against such union and no such sufficient cause has been shown:

"The Representation of the said Lord" Bishop of St. Albans our Inquiry into the circumstances of the case, the Statement of Circumstances in reply thereto, the Consents in writing of the said Patrons and the copies of the Representation and Notices before-men-

tioned are hereunto annexed:

"And We do hereby certify the Inquiry and Consents 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 only.

"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 Flitton, situate in the County of Bedford and Diocese of St. Albans, and the Vicarage of Pulloxhill, situate in the same County and Diocese, shall be united into one Benefice with Cure of Souls for ecclesiastical purposes only.

Almeric FitzRoy.

Chancery of the Order of Saint Michael and Saint George.

> Downing Street, 22nd December, 1919.

The KING has been graciously pleased to give directions for the following appointment to the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George:-