

of the 37th and 38th years of Her said late Majesty, Chapter 63, have prepared, and now humbly lay before Your Majesty in Council, the following Scheme with respect to the Rural Deanery of Richmond and the Rural Deanery of Barnes, both within the Archdeaconry of Kingston-upon-Thames, in the Diocese of Southwark:

"Whereas it has been represented to us by the Right Reverend Cyril Forster, Bishop of Southwark, that the arrangement which is hereinafter recommended and proposed with respect to the said Rural Deaneries of Richmond and Barnes is desirable and should be carried into effect, and we are of opinion that the same may be properly carried into effect:

"Now, therefore, with the consent of the said Cyril Forster, Bishop of Southwark (in testimony whereof he has set his hand and Episcopal Seal to this Scheme), we, the said Ecclesiastical Commissioners, humbly recommend and propose that as from the day on which any Order of Your Majesty in Council ratifying this Scheme shall be published in the London Gazette and without any assurance in the law other than such duly gazetted Order, the Rural Deanery of Richmond and the Rural Deanery of Barnes shall be united and form one Rural Deanery within the said Archdeaconry of Kingston-upon-Thames, and such new Rural Deanery shall be called 'The Rural Deanery of Richmond and Barnes.'

"And we further recommend and propose that nothing herein contained shall prevent us from recommending and proposing any other matter or thing with respect to the matters aforesaid, or any of them, by virtue of the said Acts, or of any of them, or of any other Act of Parliament."

And whereas notice of the said Scheme has, in accordance with the provisions of the secondly hereinbefore mentioned Act, been transmitted to the Archdeacon affected by the Scheme, that is to say, to the Archdeacon of Kingston-upon-Thames, and he has expressed his approval of the same:

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 Southwark.

Almeric FitzRoy.

At the Court at *Buckingham Palace*, the 20th day of *June*, 1922.

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council

WHEREAS the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England have, in pursuance of the Union of Benefices Act, 1919, duly prepared, and laid before His Majesty in Council, a Scheme, bearing date the 11th day

of May, 1922, in the words and figures following, that is to say:—

"We, the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England, acting in pursuance of the Union of Benefices Act, 1919, have prepared, and now humbly lay before Your Majesty in Council, the following Scheme for effecting the union of two neighbouring Benefices, that is to say the Benefice (being a Rectory) of Saul and the Benefice (being a Vicarage) of Whitminster otherwise Wheatenhurst and hereinafter referred to as the Benefice of Whitminster, both of which Benefices are situate in the County of Gloucester and in the Diocese of Gloucester:

"Whereas Commissioners appointed at our request by the Right Reverend Edgar Charles Sumner, Bishop of Gloucester, pursuant to the provisions of the said Union of Benefices Act, 1919, to inquire into and report upon the union of the said two Benefices of Saul and Whitminster duly made their Report to the said Bishop of Gloucester, and therein recommended the union of the said two Benefices and the terms for effecting the union, and the said Bishop of Gloucester signified in writing his approval of the said Report:

"And whereas we, the said Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England, have prepared this Scheme for the union of the said two Benefices based upon the terms recommended in the said Report:

"And whereas both of the said Benefices of Saul and Whitminster are now full, the Reverend Edward Nathaniel Needham-Davies being the present Incumbent of the said Benefice of Saul, and the Reverend George Frederick Drysdale being the present Incumbent of the said Benefice of Whitminster:

"And whereas only one Parsonage House will be left standing or remaining within or belonging to the United Benefice when the union which is hereinafter recommended and proposed shall take effect, namely, the Parsonage House belonging to the said Benefice of Saul; and such house will accordingly become the Parsonage House of the United Benefice:

"Now, therefore, we, the said Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England, with the consent of the said Edgar Charles Sumner, Bishop of Gloucester (in testimony whereof he has hereunto set his hand), do humbly recommend and propose to Your Majesty as follows, that is to say:—

"1. That the said Benefice of Saul and the said Benefice of Whitminster shall be permanently united together and form one Benefice with cure of souls under the style of 'the United Benefice of Saul with Whitminster' and that the Parishes of the said Benefices shall also be united into one Parish for ecclesiastical purposes and for such other purposes as in the said Act provided.

"2. That the Church of the Parish of Saul shall be the Parish Church of the United Benefice and that the Table of Fees for the said Parish of Saul shall (until revised or altered by proper authority) be the Table of Fees for the United Parish.

"3. That if upon the day when any Order of Your Majesty in Council ratifying this Scheme shall be published in the London Gazette both of the said two Benefices shall be vacant, the union of the same two Benefices shall take effect forthwith; and if the said Benefice of Whitminster only shall be then