

vacancy of the Benefice of Spridlington following such avoidance of the Benefice of Saxby with Firsby and the then Incumbent of Saxby with Firsby shall become the first Incumbent of the United Benefice.

"3. That after the said union has taken effect the course and succession in which the respective Patrons shall present or nominate to the United Benefice from time to time as the same shall become vacant shall be as follows, that is to say, that in each series of four successive turns of presentation or nomination to the United Benefice the Patron of the said Benefice of Spridlington shall have the first the second and the third turns and the Patron of the said Benefice of Saxby with Firsby shall have the fourth turn.

"Provided always that nothing herein contained shall prevent us from recommending and proposing any other measures relating to the matters aforesaid, or any of them, in accordance with the provisions of the said Act, or of any other Act of Parliament."

And whereas drafts of the said Scheme have been published locally in the manner prescribed in the Statutory Rules made under the said Act and also transmitted in the manner so prescribed to the Patrons affected together with a Notice in each case requiring any objections to such draft Scheme to be stated or transmitted in writing to the said Ecclesiastical Commissioners within the time prescribed in the same Rules:

And whereas the prescribed time has elapsed and no such objections have been so stated or transmitted to the said Ecclesiastical Commissioners:

And whereas public notice of the certification to His Majesty in Council of the said Scheme and the consent thereto in writing of the Bishop of Lincoln has been duly given in the manner and within the time prescribed in the Statutory Rules aforesaid:

And whereas neither of the two Benefices affected by the said Scheme is situate in a City or Municipal Borough:

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 affirm the said Scheme and to order that the two Benefices therein recommended to be united shall be united to the extent and for the purposes recommended in the said Scheme, and further to order and direct that the said Scheme 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 Act.

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 Lincoln.

*Almeric FitzRoy.*

At the Court at *Buckingham Palace*, the 10th day of *August*, 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, and the Union of Benefices Measure, 1921, duly pre-

pared, and laid before His Majesty in Council, a Scheme, bearing date the 27th day of July, 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, and the Union of Benefices Measure, 1921, 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 Great Comberton and the Benefice (being a Rectory) of Little Comberton both of which Benefices are situate in the County of Worcester and in the Diocese of Worcester:

"Whereas Commissioners appointed at our request by the Right Reverend Ernest, Bishop of Worcester, 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 Great Comberton and Little Comberton duly made their Report to the said Bishop of Worcester and therein recommended the union of the said two Benefices and the terms for effecting the union, and the said Bishop of Worcester 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 each of the said Benefices of Great Comberton and Little Comberton is now full the Reverend John Coleman Longland being the present Incumbent of the said Benefice of Great Comberton and the Reverend William Dobson Lowndes being the present Incumbent of the said Benefice of Little Comberton:

"Now, therefore, we, the said Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England, with the consent of the said Ernest, Bishop of Worcester (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 Great Comberton and the said Benefice of Little Comberton shall be permanently united together and form one Benefice with cure of souls under the style of 'The United Benefice of The Combertons' but the Parishes of the said Benefices shall continue distinct in all respects.

"2. 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 one only of the said two Benefices shall be then vacant the said union shall also take effect forthwith if the Incumbent of the other of the said two Benefices shall consent to become the first Incumbent of the United Benefice, but, if he shall not so consent then the said union shall take effect upon the next avoidance of his Benefice and the then Incumbent (if any) of the other of the said two Benefices shall be the first Incumbent of the United Benefice; and if neither of the said two Benefices be then vacant then the said union shall take effect on the next avoidance of either of the said two Benefices if the Incumbent at that time of the other of the said two Benefices shall consent to become the first Incumbent of the United Benefice, but if he shall not so consent than the said union shall take effect immediately upon the next vacancy of his