

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 Ely.

*Colin Smith.*

At the Court at *Buckingham Palace*, the 13th day of *October*, 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 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, 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 Bradford Peverell to part of the neighbouring Benefice (being an United Benefice) of Charminster with Stratton, both of which Benefices are situate in the County of Dorset and in the Diocese of Salisbury:

"Whereas Commissioners appointed at our request by the Venerable Charles Leslie Dundas, Official of His Grace the Archbishop of Canterbury, Guardian of the Spiritualities of the See of Salisbury during the late Vacancy thereof and acting pursuant to authority in that behalf given by His Grace, and pursuant to the provisions of the said Union of Benefices Act, 1919, to inquire into and report upon the union of the said Benefice of Bradford Peverell with a portion of the said United Benefice of Charminster with Stratton, duly made their Report to the Right Reverend St. Clair George Alfred, now Bishop of Salisbury, and therein recommended the severance of the Benefice of Stratton, from the said United Benefice of Charminster with Stratton, and the union of the said Benefice of Stratton so severed, with the said Benefice of Bradford Peverell, and the terms for effecting such union, and the said Bishop of Salisbury 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, which Scheme is based upon the terms recommended in the said Report, but with the assent of the said Bishop of Salisbury embodies certain modifications thereof:

"And whereas both of the said Benefices of Bradford Peverell and Charminster with Stratton are now full, the Reverend Henry Airay Watson being the present Incumbent of the said Benefice of Bradford Peverell and the Reverend Daniel Frederic Slemeck being the

present Incumbent of the said Benefice of Charminster with Stratton:

"Now, therefore, we, the said Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England, with the consent of the said St. Clair George Alfred, Bishop of Salisbury (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 a portion of the said United Benefice of Charminster with Stratton, namely the Benefice of Stratton, shall be severed from the remaining portion of the said United Benefice of Charminster with Stratton, and that the Benefice of Stratton so severed and the said Benefice of Bradford Peverell shall be permanently united together and form one Benefice with cure of souls under the style of 'The United Benefice of Bradford Peverell with Stratton,' but the Parishes of the said Benefices shall continue distinct in all respects.

"2. That with the consent of the said Daniel Frederic Slemeck (testified by his signing this Scheme) if upon the day when any Order of Your Majesty in Council ratifying this Scheme shall be published in the London Gazette the said Benefice of Bradford Peverell shall be vacant, the union of the said two Benefices of Bradford Peverell and Stratton shall take effect forthwith; and if the said Benefice of Bradford Peverell shall be then full, the said union shall take effect upon the next avoidance of the said Benefice of Bradford Peverell.

"3. That upon the said union taking effect the house of residence of the Minister serving the Church of Stratton shall become and be the house of residence for the Incumbent of the United Benefice.

"4. That upon the said union taking effect there shall be transferred from the said United Benefice of Charminster with Stratton and annexed to the United Benefice of Bradford Peverell with Stratton (1) all those Tithe Rent Charges commuted at £5 12s. 0d. arising within the Parish of Stratton, and now payable to the Incumbent of the said United Benefice of Charminster with Stratton, and (2) all that annual sum of £20 18s. 6d. at present payable by the Governors of Queen Anne's Bounty to the Incumbent for the time being of the said United Benefice of Charminster with Stratton.

"5. 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 of Bradford Peverell with Stratton from time to time as the same shall become vacant shall be as follows, that is to say, in each series of three successive turns of presentation or nomination after the union the Patrons of the said Benefice of Bradford Peverell shall have the first and third turns and the Patron of the said Benefice of Charminster with Stratton shall have the second 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