

Saint Michael with Holy Rood, Saint Laurence and Saint John, Southampton.

"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 Saint Michael with Holy Rood, Saint Laurence and Saint John, Southampton, from time to time as the same shall become vacant shall be as follows, that is to say, the right of presentation shall be exercised alternately by the Lord High Chancellor of Great Britain for the time being on behalf of Your Majesty, Your Heirs and Successors and the Bishop of Winchester for the time being and the first turn of presentation or nomination shall belong to the Patron of that one of the said two Benefices the Incumbent of which does not become the first Incumbent of the United Benefice under any of the provisions of Clause 2 of Part II of this Scheme.

"Provided always that this Scheme shall not take effect until the consents and approval which by the said Union of Benefices Act, 1919, are made requisite to the sale or letting or appropriation under the powers conferred by that Act of the site of any Church shall be obtained to the sale hereby proposed of the Church of Saint Laurence, Southampton, and of the site thereof together with any ground annexed thereto and necessary for the use and enjoyment thereof.

"And provided also 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 certain objections have been so stated or transmitted to the said Ecclesiastical Commissioners within the time prescribed in the same Rules:

And whereas the said Ecclesiastical Commissioners after giving full consideration to such objections have deemed right to make no alterations in such draft Scheme:

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 Winchester has been duly given in the manner and within the time prescribed in the Statutory Rules aforesaid:

And whereas no appeal has been made to His Majesty in Council within the period of one month after the date of the said public notice in accordance with the provisions of the said Act against the said Scheme or any part thereof by any person who has made objection as aforesaid to the said draft Scheme:

And whereas the Benefices affected by the said Scheme are all situate within the Municipal Borough of Southampton:

And whereas the said Scheme has been laid before both Houses of Parliament for the space of two calendar months:

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 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 Winchester.

*Almeric FitzRoy.*

At the Court at *Buckingham Palace*, the 31st day of *May*, 1923.

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 of the Union of Benefices Measure, 1921, duly prepared, and laid before His Majesty in Council, a Scheme, bearing date the 10th day of May, 1923, 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 of 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 Vicarage) of Cropthorne and the Benefice (being a Vicarage) of Saint John the Evangelist, Charlton, 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 Cropthorne and Saint John the Evangelist, Charlton, 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 which Scheme is based upon the terms recommended in the said Report, but with the assent of the said Bishop of Worcester embodies certain modifications thereof:

"And whereas the said Benefice of Cropthorne is now full, the Reverend Herbert Wilkinson being the present Incumbent thereof and the said Benefice of Saint John the Evangelist, Charlton, is at present vacant:

"And whereas the said Herbert Wilkinson has consented to become the first Incumbent of the United Benefice, if and when the union which is hereinafter recommended and proposed shall take effect:

"Now, therefore, we, the said Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England, with the consent of the said Ernest, Bishop of Worcester as such Bishop and also as the Patron of the said Benefice of Saint John the Evangelist, Charlton (in