Council of the 23rd day of August, 1883, shall be revoked, without prejudice to anything lawfully done thereunder, or to any proceedings commenced before the said 1st day of November, 1925.

(2) On and after the 1st day of November, 1925, Part II of the Fugitive Offenders Act, 1881, shall apply to the group of British Possessions and Territories hereinunder

mentioned; that is to say:-

Commonwealth of Australia; Papua; Norfolk Island; New Guinea; Nauru; New Zealand; Western Samoa; Fiji; Gilbert and Ellice Islands; British Solomon Islands.

M. P. A. Hankey.

## SCHEDULE.

1. New Guinea ... The New Guinea and Nauru (Fugitive Offenders) Order in Council, 1925.

3 Western Samoa ... The Western Samoa (Fugitive Offenders)
Order in Council,
1920.

4. British Solomon The Pacific Order in Islands. Council, 1893.

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 12th day of October, 1925.

## 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, of the Union of Benefices Measure, 1921, and of the Union of Benefices Measure, 1923, duly prepared, and laid before His Majesty in Council, a Scheme, bearing date the 30th day of July, 1925, 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, of the Union of Benefices Measure, 1921, and of the Union of Benefices Measure, 1923, 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 Orcheston Saint George and the Benefice (being a Rectory) of Orcheston Saint Mary, both of which Benefices are situate in the County of Wilts and in the Diocese of Salisbury:

"Whereas Commissioners appointed at our request by the Right Reverend St. Clair George Alfred, Bishop of Salisbury, 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 Orcheston Saint George and Orcheston Saint Mary duly made their Report to the said

Bishop of Salisbury and therein recommended the union of the said two Benefices and the terms for effecting the union, and the said Bishop of Salisbury signified in writing his approval of the said Report:

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 Orcheston Saint George and Orcheston Saint Mary are now full, the Reverend Ralph John Walter Grindle being the present Incumbent of the said Benefice of Orcheston Saint George and the Reverend Sydney Clement Winterton being the present Incumbent of the said Benefice of Orcheston Saint Mary:

"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 the said Benefice of Orcheston Saint George and the said Benefice of Orcheston Saint Mary, shall be permanently united together and form one Benefice with cure of souls under the style of 'The United Benefice of The Orchestons,' 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 then the said union shall take effect immediately upon the next vacancy of his Benefice and the then Incumbent (if any) of the other of the said two Benefices shall become the first Incumbent of the United Benefice.

"3. That upon the said union taking effect the Parsonage House at present belonging to the said Benefice of Orcheston Saint George shall become and be the house of residence for the Incumbent of the United Benefice and so soon as conveniently may be the Parsonage House at present belonging to the said Benefice of Orcheston Saint Mary and the site and appurtenances thereof and the grounds heretofore usually occupied and enjoyed therewith shall be sold and disposed of by us the said Ecclesiastical Commissioners at such time or times and in such manner in all respects as to us shall seem expedient and that the net