

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 date when this Order shall have been duly published in the London Gazette pursuant to the said Measure.

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 Coventry.

M. P. A. Hankey.

At the Court at *Buckingham Palace*, the 22nd day of *March*, 1927.

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England have, in pursuance of the Union of Benefices Measure, 1923, duly prepared, and laid before His Majesty in Council, a Scheme bearing date the 3rd day of February, 1927, in the words and figures following, that is to say:—

“ We, the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England, acting in pursuance 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 the Benefice (being a Rectory) of Lowther and the Benefice (being a Vicarage) of Askham, both of which Benefices are situate in the County of Westmorland and in the Diocese of Carlisle:

“ Whereas Commissioners appointed at our request by the Right Reverend Henry Herbert, Bishop of Carlisle, pursuant to the provisions of the said Union of Benefices Measure, 1923, to inquire into and report upon the union of the said two Benefices of Lowther and Askham duly made their Report to the said Bishop of Carlisle, and therein recommended the union of the said two Benefices and the terms for effecting the union, and the said Bishop of Carlisle 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 Lowther and Askham are now full, the Reverend Thomas Beaufort Tylecote being the present Incumbent of the said Benefice of Lowther and the Reverend Joseph Fisher Prince being the present Incumbent of the said Benefice of Askham:

“ And whereas the Advowson or perpetual right of Patronage of and presentation to each of the said two Benefices of Lowther and Askham now belongs to one and the same Patron or Patrons:

“ Now, therefore, we, the said Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England, with the consent of the said Henry Herbert, Bishop of Carlisle (in testimony whereof he has signed this Scheme), do humbly recommend and propose to Your Majesty as follows, that is to say:—

“ 1. That the said Benefice of Lowther and the said Benefice of Askham shall be permanently united together and form one Benefice with Cure of Souls under the style of ‘ The United Benefice of Lowther cum Askham ’ 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 the said Benefice of Lowther only 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 then next avoidance of the said Benefice of Askham and the then Incumbent of Lowther shall be the first Incumbent of the United Benefice; and if the said Benefice of Askham only shall be then vacant the said union shall take effect upon the next avoidance of the said Benefice of Lowther; and if neither of the said two Benefices be then vacant, then the said union shall take effect on the next avoidance of the said Benefice of Lowther if the Incumbent at that time of the said Benefice of Askham shall have been instituted to Askham subsequently to the date of the publication in the London Gazette of any Order of Your Majesty in Council ratifying this Scheme or if instituted before that date shall consent to become the Incumbent of the United Benefice; but if he shall have been instituted to Askham before that date and shall not so consent, then the said union shall take effect immediately upon the next vacancy of the Benefice of Askham following such avoidance of the Benefice of Lowther and the then Incumbent of Lowther shall become the first Incumbent of the United Benefice.

“ 3. That a Curate at a stipend of £250 per annum be appointed to assist the Incumbent of the United Benefice in performing the duties of the United Benefice, this recommendation and proposal being made to the intent that the Bishop of Carlisle shall have the power of requiring the appointment of a Curate in accordance with and subject to the conditions and provisions of Subsection (b) of Section 18 of the said Measure.

“ 4. That upon the said union taking effect the Parsonage House at present belonging to the said Benefice of Askham 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 Lowther 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