

has signified in writing his approval of both of the aforesaid Reports:

"And whereas we, the said Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England, have prepared this Scheme for the said unions of Benefices based upon the terms recommended in the said Reports:

"And whereas the said Benefices of Easton and Hoo with Letheringham are now full, the Reverend Arthur George Colbeck being the present Incumbent of the said Benefice of Easton and the Reverend David Henry Medcalf being the present Incumbent of the said Benefice of Hoo with Letheringham, but the said Benefice of Monewden is now vacant:

"And whereas only one Parsonage House will be left standing or remaining within or belonging to the United Benefice of Monewden and Hoo when the unions which are herein-after recommended and proposed shall take effect, namely, the Parsonage House belonging to the said Benefice of Monewden:

"Now, therefore, we, the said Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England, with the consent of the said Walter Godfrey, Bishop of Saint Edmundsbury and Ipswich (in testimony whereof he has signed this Scheme), do humbly recommend and propose to Your Majesty as follows, that is to say:—

"1. That a portion of the said Benefice of Hoo with Letheringham, that is to say, the Benefice of Letheringham shall be severed from the remaining portion of the said Benefice of Hoo with Letheringham and such severed portion of the said Benefice of Hoo with Letheringham, and the said Benefice of Easton, shall be permanently united together and form one Benefice with cure of souls under the style of 'The United Benefice of Easton and Letheringham' but the Parishes of the said Benefices of Easton and Letheringham shall continue distinct in all respects.

"2. That the said Benefice of Monewden and the said remaining portion of the said Benefice of Hoo with Letheringham, that is to say, the Benefice of Hoo, shall be permanently united together and form one Benefice with cure of souls under the style of 'The United Benefice of Monewden and Hoo' but the Parishes of the said Benefices of Monewden and Hoo shall continue distinct in all respects.

"3. That with the consent of the said Arthur George Colbeck (testified by his signing this Scheme) (a) if at the date of the publication in the London Gazette of any Order of Your Majesty in Council affirming this Scheme, the said Benefice of Hoo with Letheringham shall be vacant the unions shall both take effect forthwith, and (b) if at that date the said Benefice of Hoo with Letheringham shall be full then the unions shall both take effect upon the next vacation after that date of the said Benefice of Hoo with Letheringham.

"4. That upon the unions taking effect the Parsonage House at present belonging to the said Benefice of Easton shall become and be the house of residence for the Incumbent of the United Benefice of Easton and Letheringham and the Parsonage House at present belonging to the said Benefice of Monewden shall become and be the house of residence for the Incumbent of the United Benefice of Monewden and Hoo, and so soon as conveniently may be the Parsonage House situate

at Letheringham and at present belonging to the said Benefice of Hoo with Letheringham 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 proceeds of such sale shall be held and invested by us, the said Ecclesiastical Commissioners, as to one moiety thereof for the benefit of the United Benefice of Easton and Letheringham and as to the other moiety thereof for the benefit of the United Benefice of Monewden and Hoo.

"5. That after the said unions have taken effect (a) the patronage of the United Benefice of Easton and Letheringham shall belong wholly to the Patron of the said Benefice of Easton and (b) the course and succession in which the respective patrons shall present or nominate to the United Benefice of Monewden and Hoo from time to time as the same shall become vacant shall be as follows, that is to say, that in every series of four successive turns of presentation or nomination to be made to the United Benefice after the unions the Patrons of the said Benefice of Monewden shall have the first, the second, and the third turns and the Patrons of the said Benefice of Hoo with Letheringham shall have the fourth turn.

"6. That upon the said unions taking effect the endowments of the said Benefice of Hoo with Letheringham shall be appropriated as follows, that is to say, (a) there shall be annexed to the United Benefice of Easton and Letheringham a sum of £875 Four pounds per centum per annum Funding Stock (1960-1990) being part of a larger sum of such Stock at present held by us, the said Ecclesiastical Commissioners, on behalf of the said Benefice of Hoo with Letheringham, and (b) there shall be annexed to the United Benefice of Monewden and Hoo all other the endowments now belonging to the said Benefice of Hoo with Letheringham.

"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 Union of Benefices Measure, 1923, or of any other Measure of the National Assembly of the Church of England, or of any Act of Parliament."

And whereas drafts of the said Scheme have been duly published in accordance with the provisions of the said Union of Benefices Measure, 1923, and Notices have been transmitted to the persons or bodies entitled under the same Measure to receive Notice 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 Statutory Rules applicable to proceedings under the said Union of Benefices Measure, 1923:

And whereas certain objections have been so stated or transmitted to the said Ecclesiastical Commissioners within the time prescribed in the said 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: