

belonging to any of the said Benefices of Ludford, Richard's Castle, Ashford Carbonnel and Ashford Bowdler shall be made by reason of such transfers of territory.

" 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 Measure, 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 the prescribed time has elapsed and no such objections have been so stated or transmitted to the said Ecclesiastical Commissioners:

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

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 Hereford.

M. P. A. Hankey.

At the Court at *Buckingham Palace*, the 15th day of *June*, 1928.

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 7th day of June, 1928, 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 an United

Benefice) of Athelhampton with Burleston and the Benefice (being a Vicarage) of Puddletown, 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 Right Reverend St. Clair George Alfred, Bishop of Salisbury, 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 Athelhampton with Burleston and Puddletown 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 including an alteration of the boundaries of the Parish of the Benefice of Piddlehinton, situate in the said County of Dorset and in the said Diocese of Salisbury, 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 based upon the terms recommended in the said Report:

" And whereas both of the said Benefices of Athelhampton with Burleston are now full, the Reverend Henry Martyn Wellington being the present Incumbent of the said Benefice of Athelhampton with Burleston and the Reverend Canon Arthur Leonard Helps being the present Incumbent of the said Benefice of Puddletown:

" 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 signed this Scheme), do humbly recommend and propose to Your Majesty as follows, that is to say:—

" 1. That the said Benefice of Athelhampton with Burleston and the said Benefice of Puddletown shall be permanently united together and form one Benefice with Cure of Souls under the style of 'The United Benefice of Puddletown with Athelhampton and Burleston' 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 Athelhampton with Burleston 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 Puddletown and the then Incumbent of Athelhampton with Burleston shall be the first Incumbent of the United Benefice; and if the said Benefice of Puddletown only shall be then vacant the said union shall take effect upon the next avoidance of the said Benefice of Athelhampton with Burleston 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