signed this Scheme), and with the consent of the said John Walker (testified by his signing this Scheme), do humbly recommend and propose to Your Majesty as follows, that is to say:—

"I. That the said Benefice of Stawley and the said Benefice of Bathealton with Kittisford shall be permanently united together and form one Benefice with cure of souls under the style of 'The United Benefice of Bathealton with Stawley and Kittisford,' but the Parishes of the said Benefices shall continue distinct in all respects.

Your Majesty in Council ratifying this Scheme shall be published in the London Gazette the union shall forthwith take effect and the said John Walker if he is then Incumbent of the said Benefice of Bathealton with Kittisford shall be the first Incumbent of the United

Benefice.

"3. That at any time and from time to time after the Union has taken effect the Incumbent of the United Benefice shall employ such clerical or lay assistance in the performance of the duties of the United Benefice as the Bishop may require and towards the remuneration of clergy or lay workers so required to be employed the Incumbent of the United Benefice shall be liable to provide out of the income of the United Benefice if the Bishop shall so require such sum as may be necessary not exceeding the sum of £75 in any one year.

"4. That upon the said union taking effect the Parsonage House at present belonging to the said Benefice of Bathealton with Kittisford 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 Stawley 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 for the benefit of the United Benefice.

"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 from time to time as the same shall become vacant shall be as follows, that is to say, that in every series of five successive turns of presentation or nomination to be made to the United Benefice after the union the Patron of the said Benefice of Stawley shall have the second turn and the alternate Patrons of the said Benefice of Bathealton with Kittisford shall have the first, the third, the fourth and the fifth turns in the same order as between themselves as they are now entitled in respect of presentation or nomination to the Benefice of Bathealton with Kittisford.

"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 Bath and Wells 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 Bath and Wells.

M. P. A. Hankey.

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 15th day of May, 1930.

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 8th day of May, 1930, 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 Elmdon and the Benefice (being a Vicarage) of Bickenhill, both of which Benefices are situate in the County of Warwick and in the Diocese of Birmingham:

"Whereas Commissioners appointed at our request by the Right Reverend Ernest William, Bishop of Birmingham, 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 Elmdon and Bickenhill duly made their Report to the said