

Vicarage) of Tynemouth Low Town otherwise North Shields, Saint Peter (hereinafter referred to as the said Benefice of North Shields, Saint Peter) and (2) of the Benefice (being a Vicarage) of Tynemouth, Christ Church, with the remaining part of the said Benefice of North Shields, Saint Peter, all of which Benefices are situate in the County of Northumberland and in the Diocese of Newcastle:

"Whereas Commissioners appointed at our request by the Right Reverend Harold, Bishop of Newcastle, pursuant to the provisions of the said Union of Benefices Measure, 1923, to inquire into and report upon the unions (1) of the said Benefice of Tynemouth, Western Town, Holy Trinity, with a part of the said Benefice of North Shields, Saint Peter, and (2) of the said Benefice of Tynemouth, Christ Church, with the remaining part of the said Benefice of North Shields, Saint Peter, duly made their Report to the said Bishop of Newcastle and therein recommended the said unions and the terms for effecting the same and the said Bishop of Newcastle signified in writing his approval of the said Report:

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

"And whereas the said Benefices of Tynemouth, Western Town, Holy Trinity, and Tynemouth, Christ Church, are now full, the Reverend Harry Aram Hand being the present Incumbent of the said Benefice of Tynemouth, Western Town, Holy Trinity, and the Reverend Christopher Milner being the present Incumbent of the said Benefice of Tynemouth, Christ Church, and the said Benefice of North Shields, Saint Peter, is at present vacant:

"Now, therefore, we, the said Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England, with the consent of the said Harold, Bishop of Newcastle (in testimony whereof he has signed this Scheme), and with the consents of the said Harry Aram Hand and Christopher Milner (testified by their signing this Scheme), do humbly recommend and propose to Your Majesty as follows, that is to say:—

"1. That the said Benefice of Tynemouth, Western Town, Holy Trinity, and the western part of the said Benefice of North Shields, Saint Peter (all which part is more particularly described in the Schedule annexed to this Scheme), shall be permanently united together and form one Benefice with cure of souls and one Parish for all ecclesiastical purposes under the style of 'The Benefice of Tynemouth, Western Town, Holy Trinity' (hereinafter referred to as the United Benefice of Tynemouth, Western Town, Holy Trinity).

"2. That the remaining part of the said Benefice of North Shields, Saint Peter, and the said Benefice of Tynemouth, Christ Church, shall be permanently united together and form one Benefice with Cure of Souls and one Parish for all ecclesiastical purposes under the style of 'The Benefice of Tynemouth, Christ Church' (hereinafter referred to as the United Benefice of Tynemouth, Christ Church).

"3. That the Church of the Parish of Tynemouth, Western Town, Holy Trinity, shall be the Parish Church of the Parish of the United Benefice of Tynemouth, Western Town, Holy Trinity, and that the Table of Fees for the said Parish of Tynemouth, Western Town,

Holy Trinity, shall (until revised or altered by proper authority) be the Table of Fees for the United Parish of Tynemouth, Western Town, Holy Trinity.

"4. That the Church of the Parish of Tynemouth, Christ Church, shall be the Parish Church of the Parish of the United Benefice of Tynemouth, Christ Church, and that the Table of Fees for the said Parish of Tynemouth, Christ Church, shall (until revised or altered by proper authority) be the Table of Fees for the United Parish of Tynemouth, Christ Church.

"5. That with the consents of the said Harry Aram Hand and Christopher Milner (testified as aforesaid) upon the day when any Order of Your Majesty in Council ratifying this Scheme shall be published in the London Gazette the unions shall forthwith take effect.

"6. That upon the unions taking effect the Register Books of Baptisms Marriages and Burials and other the Records and Muniments deposited in the Church of North Shields, Saint Peter, shall be transferred to the Church of Tynemouth, Christ Church, but the marriage registers in duplicate current at the Church of North Shields, Saint Peter, shall first be sent by the Incumbent of the United Benefice of Tynemouth, Christchurch, to the Registrar General to be closed officially.

"7. That after the said unions have taken effect (a) the Patronage of the United Benefice of Tynemouth, Western Town, Holy Trinity, shall belong wholly to the Patrons of the said Benefice of Tynemouth, Western Town, Holy Trinity, and (b) the Patronage of the United Benefice of Tynemouth, Christ Church, shall belong wholly to the Patron of the said Benefice of Tynemouth, Christ Church.

"8.—(a) That so soon as conveniently may be after the unions have taken effect the Church of North Shields, Saint Peter, shall be taken down and the materials thereof (or so much of such materials as shall be found unsuitable for removal as hereinafter provided) and the site of the said Church of North Shields, Saint Peter, together with any ground annexed thereto and necessary for the use and enjoyment thereof 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 subject to the conditions and restrictions imposed by the said Union of Benefices Measure, 1923.

"(b) That the net proceeds to arise from such sale or sales after the appropriation to the Expenses Fund of the Diocese of Newcastle under the said Measure of so much of such proceeds as may in our opinion be necessary to defray the expenses attendant upon the sale or sales, the taking down of the Church, the removal of monuments (if any) and all other expenses incidental to these matters, shall be applied by us the said Ecclesiastical Commissioners as follows, that is to say, towards the cost of the provision of a Church or Chapel of Ease (to be dedicated to Saint Peter) at Balkwell, in the Parish of the Benefice of Percy, Tynemouth, in the said Diocese of Newcastle, including the cost of the removal of so much of the materials of the said Church of North Shields, Saint Peter, as may be found suitable for use in the erection of such proposed Church or Chapel of Ease; and any residue of such net proceeds after the provision