

testimony whereof he has signed this Scheme), and with the consent of the said William Henry Smale (testified by his signing this Scheme), do humbly recommend and propose to Your Majesty as follows, that is to say:—

“ 1. That the said Benefice of Petersmarland and the said Benefice of Petrockstowe shall be permanently united together and form one Benefice with cure of souls, under the style of ‘The United Benefice of Petrockstowe with Petersmarland,’ but the Parishes of the said Benefices shall continue distinct in all respects.

“ 2. That upon the day when any Order of Your Majesty in Council ratifying this Scheme shall be published in the London Gazette the union shall forthwith take effect, and the said William Henry Smale, if he is then Incumbent of the said Benefice of Petersmarland 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 such sum as may be necessary not exceeding the sum of £100 in any one year.

“ 4. That upon the said union taking effect the Parsonage House at present belonging to the said Benefice of Petrockstowe 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 Petersmarland 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, the right of presentation shall be exercised by the Patrons of the said two Benefices alternately, the Patron of the said Benefice of Petrockstowe having the right upon the first presentation to the United Benefice to be made after the union and every alternate right of presentation, and the Patron of the said Benefice of Petersmarland having the right of presentation upon the second presentation to the United Benefice to be made after the union and every alternate turn thereafter.

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

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

And whereas no person who has made objection as aforesaid to the said draft Scheme has proceeded with an appeal to His Majesty in Council against the said Scheme or any part thereof:

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 Exeter.

*M. P. A. Hankey.*

At the Court at *Buckingham Palace*, the 9th day of *November*, 1931.

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England have, in pursuance of the Act of the 7th and 8th years of Her late Majesty Queen Victoria, Chapter 94, of the Act of the 13th and 14th years of Her said late Majesty, Chapter 94, and of the Act of the 32nd and 33rd years of Her said late Majesty, Chapter 94, duly prepared, and laid before His Majesty in Council, a Scheme or Representation, bearing date the 15th day of October, 1931, in the words and figures following, that is to say:—

“ We, the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England, acting under the provisions of the Act of the 7th and 8th years of Her late Majesty Queen Victoria, Chapter 94, of the