

At the Court at *Buckingham Palace*, the 17th day of *March*, 1932.

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 11th day of December, 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 unions (1) of the Benefice (being a Vicarage) of Haresfield with the Benefice of Harescombe (now forming part of the United Benefice of Harescombe with Pitchcombe) and (2) of the Benefice (being a Vicarage) of The Edge with the Benefice of Pitchcombe (now forming part of the said United Benefice of Harescombe with Pitchcombe) all in the County of Gloucester and in the Diocese of Gloucester:

“Whereas Commissioners appointed at our request by the Right Reverend Arthur Cayley, Bishop of Gloucester, pursuant to the provisions of the said Union of Benefices Measure, 1923, to inquire into and report upon the unions (1) of the said Benefices of Haresfield and Harescombe and (2) of the said Benefices of The Edge and Pitchcombe with a portion of the Benefice of Standish with Hardwicke situate in the said County and Diocese duly made their Report to the said Bishop of Gloucester and therein recommended the unions of the said Benefices of Haresfield and Harescombe and of the said Benefices of The Edge and Pitchcombe and the terms for effecting such unions including proposals for certain alterations of boundaries affecting the Parishes of the said Benefices of Haresfield, Harescombe, The Edge, Pitchcombe and Standish with Hardwicke and also the Parishes of the Benefice of Brookthorpe with Whaddon, situate in the said County and Diocese, and the said Bishop of Gloucester 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 of Benefices based upon the terms recommended in the said Report:

“And whereas the said Benefice of Haresfield the said United Benefice of Harescombe with Pitchcombe and the said Benefice of The Edge are all now full, the Reverend George Montagu Garner being the present Incumbent of the said Benefice of Haresfield, the Reverend John Alfred Armstrong being the present Incumbent of the said United Benefice of Harescombe with Pitchcombe and the Reverend Lionel Berners Cholmondeley being the present Incumbent of the said Benefice of The Edge:

“And whereas the Advowson or perpetual right of Patronage of and presentation to the said United Benefice of Harescombe with Pitchcombe and to the said Benefice of The Edge now belongs to one and the same Patron:

“Now, therefore, we, the said Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England, with the consent of the said Arthur Cayley, Bishop of Glou-

cester (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 Haresfield and the portion of the said United Benefice of Harescombe with Pitchcombe which consists of of the said Benefice of Harescombe shall be permanently united together and form one Benefice with cure of souls under the style of ‘The United Benefice of Haresfield with Harescombe’ but the Parishes of the said Benefices of Haresfield and Harescombe shall continue distinct in all respects.

“2. That the said Benefice of The Edge and the portion of the said United Benefice of Harescombe with Pitchcombe which consists of the said Benefice of Pitchcombe shall be permanently united together and form one Benefice with cure of souls under the style of ‘The United Benefice of The Edge with Pitchcombe’ but the Parishes of the said Benefices of The Edge and Pitchcombe shall continue distinct in all respects.

“3. That with the consent of the said George Montagu Garner (testified by his signing this Scheme), if upon the day of the date of the publication in the London Gazette of any Order of Your Majesty in Council affirming this Scheme the said United Benefice of Harescombe with Pitchcombe and the said Benefice of The Edge shall both be vacant then the said unions shall forthwith take effect, but if upon that day the said United Benefice of Harescombe with Pitchcombe only shall be vacant then the said unions shall take effect immediately upon the next vacation thereafter of the said Benefice of The Edge, and if upon the said day the said Benefice of The Edge only shall be vacant then the said unions shall take effect immediately upon the next vacation thereafter of the said United Benefice of Harescombe with Pitchcombe; but if upon the said day both the said Benefice of The Edge and the said United Benefice of Harescombe with Pitchcombe shall be full, then the said unions shall take effect upon the next avoidance thereafter of either the said United Benefice of Harescombe with Pitchcombe or the said Benefice of The Edge whichever shall last be avoided after the date of the publication in the London Gazette of any Order of Your Majesty in Council affirming this Scheme and in any of the events hereinbefore mentioned the said George Montagu Garner if he is then Incumbent of the said Benefice of Haresfield shall become and be the first Incumbent of the United Benefice of Haresfield with Harescombe.

“4. That upon the said unions taking effect (a) the Parsonage House at present belonging to the said Benefice of Haresfield shall become and be the house of residence for the Incumbent of the United Benefice of Haresfield with Harescombe, (b) the Parsonage House at present belonging to the said Benefice of The Edge shall become and be the house of residence for the Incumbent of the United Benefice of The Edge with Pitchcombe and (c) so soon as conveniently may be the Parsonage House at present belonging to the said United Benefice of Harescombe with Pitchcombe 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