

At the Court at *Buckingham Palace*, the 4th day of *June*, 1940.

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England have, in pursuance of the Union of Benefices Measures, 1923 to 1936, duly prepared and laid before His Majesty in Council a Scheme bearing date the 30th day of May, 1940, in the words and figures following, that is to say:—

“ We, the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England, acting in pursuance of the Union of Benefices Measures, 1923 to 1936, have prepared and now humbly lay before Your Majesty in Council the following Scheme for effecting (1) the union of the Benefice (being a Vicarage) of Ambleside, Saint Mary, and the Benefice (being a Vicarage) of Rydal, Saint Mary, both of which Benefices are situate in the County of Westmorland and in the Diocese of Carlisle and (2) an alteration of the boundaries of the Parish of the said Benefice of Rydal, Saint Mary, and of the Parish of the Benefice of Grasmere in the said Diocese:—

“ Whereas Commissioners appointed at our request by the Right Reverend Henry Herbert, Bishop of Carlisle, pursuant to the provisions of the said Measures to inquire into and report upon the union of the said two Benefices of Ambleside, Saint Mary, and Rydal, Saint Mary, duly made their Report to the said Bishop of Carlisle and therein recommended the union of those Benefices and also an alteration of boundaries affecting the Parish of the said Benefice of Rydal, Saint Mary, and the Parish of the said Benefice of Grasmere and the terms for affecting the same and the said Bishop of Carlisle 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 of Ambleside, Saint Mary, and Rydal, Saint Mary, and for the said alteration of boundaries, which Scheme is based upon the terms recommended in the said Report, but with the assent of the said Bishop embodies a modification thereof:

“ And whereas both of the said Benefices of Ambleside, Saint Mary, and Rydal, Saint Mary, are now full, the Reverend Henry Adamson Thompson being the present Incumbent of the former Benefice and the Reverend John Arthur Legh being the present Incumbent of the latter Benefice:

“ And whereas the patronage of the said two Benefices of Ambleside, Saint Mary, and Rydal, Saint Mary, now belongs to one and the same Patron:

“ Now, therefore, we, the said Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England, with the consent of the said Henry Herbert, Bishop of Carlisle (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 Ambleside, Saint Mary, and the said Benefice of Rydal, Saint Mary, shall be permanently united together and form one Benefice with Cure of Souls under the style of ‘The United Benefice of Ambleside with Rydal’, but the Parishes of

the said Benefices shall continue in all respects distinct.

“ 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 Rydal, Saint Mary, 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, with the approval of the Bishop, consent to become the first Incumbent of the United Benefice, but if he shall not so consent, or if the Bishop shall not approve, that the said union shall take effect upon the then next avoidance of the said Benefice of Ambleside, Saint Mary, and the then Incumbent of Rydal, Saint Mary, shall be the first Incumbent of the United Benefice, and if the said Benefice of Ambleside, Saint Mary, only shall be then vacant the said union shall take effect upon the next avoidance of the said Benefice of Rydal, Saint Mary, 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 Benefice of Rydal, Saint Mary, if the Incumbent at that time of the said Benefice of Ambleside, Saint Mary, shall have been instituted to Ambleside, Saint Mary, subsequently to the date of the publication in the London Gazette of any Order of Your Majesty in Council ratifying this Scheme or if instituted before that date shall with the approval of the Bishop consent to become the Incumbent of the United Benefice, but if he shall have been instituted to the said Benefice of Ambleside, Saint Mary, before that date and shall not so consent or if the Bishop shall not approve then the said union shall take effect immediately upon the next vacancy of the said Benefice of Ambleside, Saint Mary, following such avoidance of the said Benefice of Rydal, Saint Mary, and the then Incumbent of the said Benefice of Rydal, Saint Mary, shall become the first Incumbent of the United Benefice.

“ 3. That upon the said union taking effect the Parsonage House at present belonging to the said Benefice of Ambleside, Saint Mary, shall become and be the house of residence for the Incumbent of the United Benefice.

“ 4. That upon the union taking effect provision shall be made by the Incumbent of the United Benefice for obtaining the services of a Curate and a portion of the endowments of the United Benefice, namely, (a) the sum of £653 7s. 11d. Parliamentary Grant £3 per cent. money, the sum of £220 18s. 4d. Bounty Lands etc. sold £3 per cent. money, and the sum of £800 Royal Bounty £3 per cent. money now held in trust for the said Benefice of Ambleside, Saint Mary, by Queen Anne's Bounty and (b) the sum of £1,200 Royal Bounty £4 per cent. money, the sum of £2,266 19s. 8d. Royal Bounty £3 per cent. money and the sum of £925 11s. 1d. Parliamentary Grants £3 per cent. money (being part of a larger sum of such money) now held in trust for the said Benefice of Rydal, Saint Mary, by Queen Anne's Bounty, shall be appropriated by Queen Anne's Bounty as a fund to meet the expenses of providing for the