

At the Court of *Saint James*, the 4th day of December, 1953.

PRESENT,

Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother.
Her Royal Highness The Princess Margaret.
Lord Chancellor. Mr. Thomas.
Mr. Sandys. Sir David Eccles.

WHEREAS Her Majesty, in pursuance of the Regency Acts, 1937 to 1953, was pleased, by Letters Patent dated the twentieth day of November, 1953, to delegate to Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother, Her Royal Highness The Princess Margaret, His Royal Highness The Duke of Gloucester, Her Royal Highness The Princess Royal and the Earl of Harewood, or any two or more of them, as Counsellors of State, full power and authority during the period of Her Majesty's absence from the United Kingdom to summon and hold on Her Majesty's behalf Her Privy Council and to signify thereat Her Majesty's approval of anything for which Her Majesty's approval in Council is required:

And whereas the Church Commissioners have duly prepared and laid before Her Majesty in Council a Scheme bearing date the 20th day of November, 1953, in the words and figures following, that is to say:

"We, the Church Commissioners, acting in pursuance of the Union of Benefices Measures, 1923 to 1952, and the Pastoral Reorganisation Measure, 1949, now humbly lay before Your Majesty in Council the following Scheme which we have prepared with the consent of the Right Reverend Spencer, Bishop of Peterborough (in witness whereof he has signed the Scheme), for effecting the union of the benefice of Maidwell and the benefice of Draughton both situate in the diocese of Peterborough.

"SCHEME.

"1. *Union of Benefices.* The benefice of Maidwell and the benefice of Draughton shall be permanently united together and form one benefice with cure of souls under the style of 'The United Benefice of Maidwell with Draughton', but the parishes of the said benefices shall continue in all respects distinct.

"2. *Taking effect of union.* Upon the day when any Order of Your Majesty in Council affirming this Scheme is published in the London Gazette the union shall forthwith take effect and the Reverend Norman Reginald Campbell if he is then incumbent of both of the said benefices of Maidwell and Draughton shall with his consent (testified by his signature hereto), be the first incumbent of the united benefice and his admission thereto shall be without any form or fee of or for presentation or nomination and he shall not be required to pay any fees in respect of his collation, institution, licence, or induction to the united benefice beyond such fees as he would have been liable to pay if his admission to the united benefice had been an admission solely to that one of the said two benefices for the holding of which in plurality with the other a Dispensation was heretofore granted him.

"3. *Parsonage House.* Upon the union taking effect the parsonage house at present belonging to the benefice of Maidwell shall be the house of residence of the incumbent of the united benefice.

"4. *Patronage.* After the union has taken effect the right of presentation to the united benefice shall be exercised by the patrons of the two benefices alternately, the patron of the benefice of Maidwell having the first presentation to the united benefice to be made after the union."

And whereas the provisions of the Union of Benefices Measures, 1923 to 1952, the Union of Benefices Rules, 1926 and 1930, and the Pastoral Reorganisation Measure, 1949, relating to the preparation and submission of this Scheme have been duly complied with:

And whereas the said Scheme has been approved at the Council held under the authority of the said Letters Patent:

Now, therefore, Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother and Her Royal Highness The Princess Margaret, being authorized thereto by the said Letters Patent, have taken the said Scheme into consideration, and do hereby, by and with the advice of Her Majesty's Privy Council, on Her Majesty's behalf affirm the said Scheme and order that it shall

be and become effectual in law immediately upon the publication of this Order in the London Gazette.

W. G. Agnew.

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And whereas the Church Commissioners have duly prepared and laid before Her Majesty in Council a Scheme bearing date the 30th day of November, 1953, in the words and figures following, that is to say:—

"We, the Church Commissioners, acting in pursuance of the Union of Benefices Measures, 1923 to 1952, the Ecclesiastical Commissioners (Powers) Measure, 1938, and the Pastoral Reorganisation Measure, 1949, now humbly lay before Your Majesty in Council the following Scheme which we have prepared with the consent of the Right Reverend Clifford Salisbury, Bishop of Gloucester, (in witness whereof he has signed the Scheme), for effecting the union of the benefice of Eastington, and the benefice of Frocester, both situate in the diocese of Gloucester.

"SCHEME

"1. *Union of Benefices.* The benefice of Eastington and the benefice of Frocester shall be permanently united together and form one benefice with cure of souls under the style of 'The United Benefice of Eastington and Frocester', but the parishes of the said benefices shall continue in all respects distinct.

"2. *Taking effect of union.* Upon the day when any Order of Your Majesty in Council affirming this Scheme is published in the London Gazette the union shall forthwith take effect and the Reverend Clarence Simpson, if he is then incumbent of the said benefice of Eastington, shall with his consent (testified by his signature hereto), be the first incumbent of the united benefice.

"3. *Parsonage House.* Upon the union taking effect the parsonage house at present belonging to the benefice of Eastington shall be the house of residence of the incumbent of the united benefice.

"4. *Patronage.* After the union has taken effect the right of presentation to the united benefice shall be exercised by the patrons of the two benefices alternately, the patron of the benefice of Frocester having the first presentation to the united benefice to be made after the union.

"5. *Diversion of Endowments.* Upon the union taking effect, the capital sum held by us and representing the net proceeds, including accumulated interest, of the sale under the Parsonages Measures, 1938 to 1947, of the former parsonage house of the benefice of Frocester, shall be severed or diverted from that benefice and from the united benefice and shall be transferred to and be held by us as part of and for the benefit of our General Fund, and in consideration of the said transfer we shall make out of the said General Fund such periodical payments to the Diocesan Stipends Fund of the diocese of Gloucester as we from time to time determine to be equitable having regard to the value of the said endowments."

And whereas the provisions of the Union of Benefices Measures, 1923 to 1952, the Union of Benefices Rules, 1926 and 1930, and the Pastoral Reorganisation Measure, 1949, relating to the preparation and submission of this Scheme have been duly complied with: