

of a pension has been increased by reason of an addition by way of war bonus or similar allowance to the emoluments of any office or employment in respect of which or on retirement from which the pension is payable) shall have effect as if the references therein to such an addition included any excess of the said emoluments over what they were on the third day of September, nineteen hundred and thirty-nine, or what in the opinion of the Admiralty they would have been on that day had the office or employment then existed: so, however, that no pension shall by virtue of this paragraph be less than it would have been if this Order had not been introduced."

Her Majesty, having taken the said Memorial into consideration, was pleased, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, to approve of what is therein proposed.

And the Right Honourable the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty are to give the necessary directions herein accordingly.

W. G. Agnew.

At the Court at *Buckingham Palace*, the 3rd day of June, 1954.

PRESENT,

The QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS the Church Commissioners have duly prepared and laid before Her Majesty in Council a Scheme bearing date the 13th day of May, 1954, in the words and figures following, that is to say:—

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

" SCHEME.

"1. *Union of Benefices.* The benefice of Awbridge and the benefice of Mottisfont shall be permanently united together and form one benefice with cure of souls under the style of 'The United Benefice of Awbridge with Mottisfont', 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 Leslie Roose Francis, if he is then the incumbent of the said benefice of Awbridge, 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 Awbridge shall be the house of residence of the incumbent of the united benefice, and the parsonage house at present belonging to the benefice of Mottisfont and the site and appurtenances thereof and the grounds heretofore usually occupied and enjoyed therewith (but excepting the tithe barn) shall, as soon as conveniently may be, be sold and disposed of by us at such time or times and in such manner in all respects as to us shall seem expedient, and the net proceeds of such sale or sales shall constitute and form part of the Expenses Fund of the diocese of Winchester established pursuant to the said Union of Benefices Measures.

"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 Mottisfont having the first presentation to the united benefice to be made after the union.

"5. *Clerical or lay assistance.* Upon the union taking effect the incumbent shall employ such clerical or lay assistance to assist him in performing the duties of the united benefice as the bishop of the said diocese of Winchester may from time to time direct, and there shall be appropriated as a fund towards the cost of providing such assistance as aforesaid a part of the endowments of the united benefice, namely, a capital sum sufficient to produce an annual income of £40, being part of a larger capital sum at present held by us for the endowment of the benefice of Mottisfont, and the said annual income shall be paid by us to the diocesan

board of finance of the said diocese of Winchester as trustees to apply the same accordingly."

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 by Her Majesty in Council:

Now, therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice of Her said Council, is pleased hereby to affirm the said Scheme and to order that it shall be and become effectual in law immediately upon the publication of this Order in the London Gazette.

W. G. Agnew.

At the Court at *Buckingham Palace*, the 3rd day of June, 1954.

PRESENT,

The QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS the Church Commissioners have duly prepared and laid before Her Majesty in Council a Scheme bearing date the 13th day of May, 1954, in the words and figures following, that is to say:—

"We, the Church Commissioners, in pursuance of the Church Patronage Act, 1870, and of the Acts mentioned therein, have prepared the following Scheme for effecting a transfer of the ownership of the advowson or perpetual right of patronage of and presentation to the church and cure (hereinafter called 'the said benefice') of Dartington in the diocese of Exeter:

"Whereas we are satisfied that the Right Reverend Bishop Charles Edward Curzon of 1 Nevern Square, Kensington, in the County of Middlesex, is the patron or person entitled to present or nominate to the said benefice:

"And whereas the said Right Reverend Bishop Charles Edward Curzon desires to transfer the advowson of the said benefice to the Bishop of Exeter for the time being and is consenting to this Scheme (in testimony whereof he has executed the same):

"And whereas we are satisfied that the transfer will tend to make better provision for the cure of souls:

"Now, therefore, with the consent of the Right Reverend Robert, Bishop of Exeter (in testimony whereof he has executed this Scheme), we, the said Church Commissioners, humbly recommend and propose that upon and from the day of the date of the publication in the London Gazette of any Order of Your Majesty in Council ratifying this Scheme and without any conveyance or assurance in the law other than such duly gazetted Order, the whole advowson or perpetual right of patronage of and presentation to the said benefice shall be transferred to the said Robert, Bishop of Exeter, and his successors in the same Bishopric and shall thereupon and thenceforth become and be absolutely vested in and shall and may from time to time be exercised by the Bishop of Exeter for the time being."

And whereas the said Scheme has been approved by Her Majesty in Council:

Now, therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice of Her said Council, is pleased hereby to ratify the said Scheme, and to order and direct that the same and every part thereof shall be effectual in law immediately upon the publication of this Order in the London Gazette pursuant to the said Acts.

And Her 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.

W. G. Agnew.

At the Court at *Buckingham Palace*, the 3rd day of June, 1954.

PRESENT,

The QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS the Church Commissioners have duly prepared and laid before Her Majesty in Council a Scheme bearing date the 7th day of March, 1952, in the words and figures following, that is to say:—

"We, the Church Commissioners, acting in pursuance of the Pastoral Reorganisation Measure, 1949, and of the Union of Benefices Measures, 1923 to 1936, and with the consent of the Right Reverend Arthur, Bishop of Bristol (in witness whereof he has