

“vince, with respect to his own diocese, and
 “whenever it shall be represented to him by the
 “bishop of any diocese, or by the bishops of any
 “two dioceses, that two or more benefices, or
 “that one or more benefice or benefices, and one
 “or more spiritual sinecure rectory or rectories,
 “vicarage or vicarages, in his or their diocese or
 “dioceses, being either in the same parish or con-
 “tiguous to each other, and of which the aggregate
 “population shall not exceed one thousand five
 “hundred persons, and the aggregate yearly value
 “shall not exceed five hundred pounds, may, with
 “advantage to the interests of religion, be united
 “into one benefice, the said Archbishop of the
 “Province shall inquire into the circumstances of
 “the case; and if on such inquiry it shall appear
 “to him that such union may be usefully made,
 “and will not be of inconvenient extent, and that
 “the patron or patrons of the said benefices,
 “sinecure rectory or rectories, vicarage or vicar-
 “ages respectively, is or are consenting thereto,
 “such consent being signified in writing under the
 “hands of such patron or patrons, the said Arch-
 “bishop shall, six weeks before certifying such
 “inquiry and consent to Her Majesty, as herein-
 “after directed, cause, with respect to his own
 “diocese, a statement in writing of the facts,
 “and in other cases a copy in writing of the
 “aforesaid representation, to be affixed on or near
 “the principal outer door of the church, or in
 “some public and conspicuous place in each of
 “such benefices, sinecure rectories or vicarages,
 “with notice to any person or persons interested,
 “that he, she, or they, may, within such six
 “weeks, show cause in writing under his, her, or
 “their hand or hands, to the said Archbishop,
 “against such union; and if no sufficient cause
 “be shown within such time, the said Archbishop
 “shall certify the inquiry and consent aforesaid
 “to Her Majesty in Council, and thereupon it
 “shall be lawful for Her Majesty in Council to
 “make and issue an Order or Orders for uniting
 “such benefices, sinecure rectory or rectories,
 “vicarage or vicarages, into one benefice, with
 “cure of souls, for ecclesiastical purposes only;
 “and it shall be lawful for Her Majesty in Council
 “to give directions for regulating the course and
 “succession in which the patrons, if there be more
 “than one patron, shall present or nominate to
 “such united benefice, from time to time, as the
 “same shall become vacant.”

And whereas the Lord Archbishop of Canter-
 bury pursuant to the provisions of the said Act,
 hath duly prepared and laid before Her Majesty
 in Council a certificate in writing, bearing date
 the fourth day of May, in the year of our Lord
 one thousand eight hundred and seventy-six, in
 the words following, that is to say:

“To the QUEEN’s Most Excellent Majesty in
 Council.

“We the undersigned Archibald Campbell
 Lord Archbishop of the Province of Canterbury
 Primate of all England and Metropolitan do
 hereby certify to your Majesty in Council.

“That the Right Reverend Charles John
 Lord Bishop of Gloucester and Bristol as Bishop
 of the diocese within which are situate the
 rectory of Stratton in the county of Gloucester
 and the perpetual curacy or vicarage of Baunton
 in the same county having represented unto us
 that the said benefices being contiguous to each
 other and of which the aggregate population does
 not exceed seven hundred and eighteen persons
 might with advantage to the interests of religion

be united into one benefice we enquired into the
 circumstances of the case.

“That on such inquiry it appeared to us that
 such union might be usefully made and would not
 be of inconvenient extent and that Thomas
 William Chester Master Esquire being the patron
 or person entitled to present to the said rectory of
 Stratton if the same were now vacant and being
 also the patron or person entitled to nominate or
 present to the said perpetual curacy or vicar-
 age of Baunton the same being now vacant has
 signified his consent in writing to the union of
 the said benefices into one benefice with cure of
 souls for ecclesiastical purposes.

“That six weeks and upwards before certifying
 such inquiry and consent to your Majesty in
 Council we caused copies in writing of the afore-
 said representation of the said Lord Bishop to be
 affixed on the principal outer door of the parish
 church of each of the said benefices with notice to
 any person or persons interested that he she or
 they might within such six weeks show cause in
 writing under his her or their hand or hands to
 us the said Archbishop against such union and
 no such cause has been shown.

“The representation of the said Lord Bishop of
 Gloucester and Bristol our inquiry into the circum-
 stances of the case the statement of circumstances
 in reply thereto the consent in writing of the
 patron and the copies of the representation and
 notice before mentioned are hereunto annexed.

“And we do hereby certify the inquiry and
 consent aforesaid to your Majesty in Council to
 the intent that your Majesty in Council may in
 case your Majesty in Council shall think fit so to
 do make and issue an Order for uniting the said
 benefices into one benefice with cure of souls for
 ecclesiastical purposes only.

“As witness our hand this fourth day of May
 in the year of our Lord one thousand eight
 hundred and seventy-six.

“A. C. Cantuar.”

Now therefore Her Majesty in Council by and
 with the advice of Her said Council is pleased to
 order and doth hereby order that the said rectory
 of Stratton and the perpetual curacy or vicarage
 of Baunton in the county of Gloucester and
 diocese of Gloucester and Bristol shall be united
 into one benefice for ecclesiastical purposes only.

C. L. Peel.

AT the Court at Windsor, the 17th day of
 May, 1876.

PRESENT,

The QUEEN’s Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS the Ecclesiastical Commissioners
 for England have, in pursuance of the
 Act of the twenty-third and twenty-fourth years
 of Her Majesty chapter one hundred and forty-
 two duly prepared and laid before Her Majesty
 in Council a supplemental scheme, bearing date
 the twenty-ninth day of July, in the year one
 thousand eight hundred and seventy-five, in the
 words following, that is to say:

“We the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for
 England acting in pursuance of the Act of the
 twenty-third and twenty-fourth years of your
 Majesty chapter one hundred and forty-two have
 prepared and now humbly lay before your Majesty
 in Council the following supplemental scheme
 under the twenty-fifth section of that Act with
 reference to the Church of Saint James lately