

benefice, and the annual compensation hereinbefore made payable to him shall thenceforth absolutely cease to be payable.

"6. That inasmuch as the parsonage house which is mentioned in the said Order of your Majesty in Council, gazetted on the thirteenth day of November in the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty-six, has now been removed under statutory powers possessed by the Metropolitan Board of Works, a new parsonage house for the rector of the united benefice proposed to be hereby created shall be provided, the said house to be erected according to plans to be approved by us the said Ecclesiastical Commissioners and by the Bishop of London, and to be built upon land to be duly conveyed to us, the said Ecclesiastical Commissioners, and to be paid for out of a certain sum of four thousand and five pounds six shillings and tenpence New Three pounds per centum Consolidated Bank Annuities now belonging to the rector for the time being of the said united rectory of Saint Nicholas, Cole Abbey, with Saint Nicholas Olave and Saint Mary, Somerset, with Saint Mary, Mounthaw.

#### "PART II.

"As to the parish church of the united benefice and certain matters connected therewith, we recommend and propose:

"1. That upon the union taking effect the church of Saint Nicholas, Cole Abbey, shall become and thereafter continue to be the parish church of the united benefice.

"2. That from and after the union taking effect, the expense of maintaining the fabric of the parish church of the united benefice and providing the things requisite for Divine service therein shall (subject nevertheless to the provisions of the Compulsory Church Rate Abolition Act, 1868,) be defrayed by the six parishes of the united benefice, and shall be provided in the following manner: that is to say, as between the two benefices now proposed to be united, the said expense shall be apportioned in accordance with the ratio for the time being existing between the assessment to the poor rate of property within the area of the one benefice, and the like assessment of property within the area of the other benefice, the four parishes of the one benefice to provide as between themselves their portion of the said expense in manner set forth in the said Order of your Majesty in Council, gazetted on the thirteenth day of November in the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty-six, and the two parishes of the other benefice to provide as between themselves their portion of the said expense in the same manner in which their church expenses are now by them provided.

"3. That upon the union taking effect, the sacramental plate used in the church of Saint Benet, Paul's Wharf, shall be transferred to the parish church of the united benefice; but if not needed for such church, then that the same, or so much of the said plate as shall not be so needed, shall be appropriated for the use of such other church or chapel as the Bishop of London shall select.

"4. That from the date when the union shall take effect, the rents which are now payable for the use of lights opening into the graveyard of the parish of Saint Peter, Paul's Wharf, shall belong to and be recoverable by the churchwardens of the same parish, and shall be by them applied in paying the charges (if any) upon the said graveyard, and in keeping in proper and seemly condition the same graveyard and the fences thereof.

"5. That upon the union taking effect, if the table of fees used in the two churches of Saint

Nicholas, Cole Abbey, and Saint Benet, Paul's Wharf, be alike in all particulars, the table of fees used in the church which will become the church of the united benefice shall, until revised or altered by proper authority, be the table of fees for all the six parishes of the united benefice; but if the said tables of fees in use in the said two churches respectively be not alike in all particulars, then the same shall be of no authority, and a new table of fees shall be made by the proper authority for the use of the same six parishes, as if the same were one parish.

"6. That if upon the union taking effect the present organist, parish clerk, and sextoness, or any of them of the said church of Saint Benet, Paul's Wharf, shall still be in office, they and each of them shall thereupon cease to hold such office respectively, receiving by way of compensation for the loss of such office the sum which in that behalf is next hereinafter mentioned: that is to say, the organist the sum of one hundred pounds; the parish clerk the sum of two hundred pounds; and the sextoness the sum one hundred pounds, which said several sums the Committee of the Welsh Congregation in London, mentioned in Part III of this scheme, have undertaken to provide and to pay over to the said organist, parish clerk, and sextoness respectively.

"7. That upon the union taking effect, the persons who at that time shall hold the offices of parish clerk and of sexton of the parishes of Saint Nicholas, Cole Abbey, and Saint Nicholas Olave, and Saint Mary, Somerset, and Saint Mary, Mounthaw, shall, without any further appointment, become the parish clerk and the sexton respectively of all the six parishes of the united benefice; but no parish clerk or sexton of the said six parishes shall have any larger estate or interest in his or her office than he or she shall have possessed in his or her original office before the union.

"8. That the register books belonging to the church of Saint Benet, Paul's Wharf, and the iron safe or safes (except as is mentioned in Part III, clause 2, of this scheme) in which the said books have heretofore been kept, shall be removed to the custody of the incumbent of the united benefice, to be preserved along with the other register books of the same benefice.

#### "PART III.

"As to the church of Saint Benet, Paul's Wharf, we recommend and propose:

"1. That as soon as conveniently may be after the taking effect of the union the church of Saint Benet, together with the font, communion table, organ, and other furniture shall be (if the Bishop of London for the time being see fit) given over to the Committee of the Welsh Congregation in London to be held and used by them for the purpose of Divine worship in the Welsh language according to the use of the Church of England, so long as they shall continue to maintain the fabric, monuments, and tablets, and the services therein, and to keep the same church in due order to the satisfaction of the Bishop of London.

"2. That at hours when the said church of Saint Benet is not being used by the said Welsh Congregation the parishioners of Saint Benet and Saint Peter's parishes shall continue to have the right of using the vestry room thereof for the purpose of parochial or charity meetings, and also that the two iron safes in which the vestry clerks of the parishes of Saint Benet and Saint Peter have heretofore placed their books shall continue to be so used, but that the safe in which the sacramental plate has hitherto been kept shall be henceforth used by the said Welsh Congregation.

"3. That if at any time the said Committee of