

“ 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 the benefices forming part of the united benefice, 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 hands to the said Archbishop against any such disunion: and if no sufficient cause be shown within such time, the Archbishop shall certify the inquiry and consent, when the patron's consent is necessary, to Her Majesty in Council, and thereupon it shall be lawful for Her Majesty to issue an Order for separating such last-mentioned benefice or benefices from such united benefice, and for declaring the rights of patronage of the several patrons, if there be more than one patron, and such Order shall be registered in the registry of the diocese to which such united benefice shall belong, which Order the Registrar of such diocese, immediately on the receipt thereof, is hereby required to register accordingly, and thereupon immediately if such united benefice shall be then vacant, otherwise on the first avoidance thereof, such union shall be ipso facto dissolved, so far only as regards such benefice or benefices so proposed to be separated from such united benefice, but in all other respects shall remain in full force and effect, and thenceforward such last-mentioned benefice or benefices shall be and be deemed and taken to be a separate and distinct benefice or benefices to all intents and purposes whatever as if no such union had taken place, and the patron or patrons thereof shall and may according to the terms of such Order present or nominate thereto respectively, and so from time to time upon each and every avoidance of the same: Provided always, that no benefices which have been united for more than sixty years before the passing of this Act shall be disunited without the consent in writing of the patron or patrons thereof.”

And also “ That whenever two or more benefices which have at any time been united into one benefice shall be disunited and become separate benefices under the provisions of this Act, whether the Order for disunion shall extend to the whole number of benefices of which such united benefice consisted, or to one or more of such benefices only, it shall be lawful for Her Majesty in Council, on the recommendation of the Archbishop of the Province with the consent of the patron or patrons of such benefices respectively (such consent to be signified in writing under the hands of such patron or patrons), to assign and attach such portion of the glebe lands, tithes, moduses, rent-charges or other endowments or emoluments belonging to or arising or accruing within the limits of such united benefice to each of such benefices respectively, as to Her Majesty in Council shall seem fit, notwithstanding such proportion of glebe land, tithes, rent-charges, moduses, or other endowments or emoluments or any part thereof may not arise or accrue within the limits of the benefice to which the same shall be so assigned and attached as aforesaid, or may not have belonged thereto, and also to divide and apportion between such benefices all such charges and outgoings as before the disunion thereof were imposed upon the whole united benefice.”

And whereas on the 4th day of September, 1880 Richard, Lord Bishop of Chichester made a representation to the Lord Archbishop of Canterbury in the words following:—

“ To the Most Reverend Archibald Campbell, Lord Archbishop of the Province of Canterbury,

“ I, Richard, Lord Bishop of Chichester, do hereby represent to your Grace, that it appears to me that the disunion of the rectory and parish churches of Stedham with Heyshed alias Heyshott, in the county of Sussex and my diocese of Chichester, by the separation of the said rectory of Stedham from the said rectory of Heyshed alias Heyshott, may be made with advantage to the interests of religion.

“ Witness my hand this fourth day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty. *R. Cicestr.*”

And whereas the Lord Archbishop having enquired into the circumstances of the case it appeared to him on such enquiry that the said union might be usefully dissolved. The said Lord Archbishop therefore six weeks and upwards before certifying such enquiry to Her Majesty in Council caused a copy in writing of the aforesaid representation to be affixed to the principal outer door of each of the said parish churches of the said united benefice with notice to any person or persons interested to show cause against the proposed disunion. No such cause having been shown within the period limited by the said Act, and the patron having consented to the proposed disunion; the said Lord Archbishop hath pursuant to the provisions of section 21 of the said Act duly certified the enquiry and the patron's consent to Her Majesty in Council. And the said Lord Archbishop did recommend with the consent of the patron of the said united benefice (such consent being signified in writing under the hand of such patron) that each of the said rectories should retain its original endowments and emoluments and that the charges on the present united benefice of seventeen pounds eighteen shillings and six pence half-penny for first fruits and one pound fifteen shillings and ten pence half-penny for yearly tenths should be apportioned so that the said rectory of Stedham should be liable to eight pounds nineteen shillings and six pence half-penny for first fruits and to seventeen shillings and eleven pence half-penny for yearly tenths and that the said rectory of Heyshed alias Heyshott should be liable to eight pounds nineteen shillings for first fruits and to seventeen shillings and eleven pence for yearly tenths. The certificate of the said Lord Archbishop containing such recommendation bearing date the 16th day of March, 1881, is in the words following:—

“ 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 Richard Lord Bishop of Chichester as Bishop of the diocese within which is situate the united benefice consisting of the rectory and parish of Stedham and the rectory and parish of Heyshed alias Heyshott in the county of Sussex having represented unto us that the disunion of the rectory and parish churches of Stedham with Heyshed alias Heyshott by the separation of the said rectory of Stedham from the said rectory of Heyshed alias Heyshott might be made with advantage to the interests of religion we inquired into the circumstances of the case.

“ That on such inquiry it appeared to us that such union might be usefully dissolved and that Nathaniel Phillips Simes of Strood Park Horsham in the county of Sussex Esquire being the patron or person entitled to present to the said