

"And whereas it has been made to appear to us that the augmentation hereinafter recommended and proposed is required in order to raise the annual income of the said Archdeacon to two hundred pounds.

"Now therefore we the said Ecclesiastical Commissioners with the consent of the Right Reverend George Wyndham Bishop of Bath and Wells (testified by his having signed and sealed this scheme) and with the consent of the Venerable Hilton Bothamley now Archdeacon of the said Archdeaconry of Bath (in testimony whereof he the said Archdeacon has signed and sealed this scheme) humbly recommend and propose that subject as is hereinafter mentioned we the said Ecclesiastical Commissioners be authorized to pay by half-yearly payments on the first day of January, and the first day of July in every year, out of the common fund created by the said Act of the third and fourth years of Her said late Majesty Queen Victoria chapter one hundred and thirteen to the Archdeacon of the said Archdeaconry of Bath, and to his successors in the same Archdeaconry, the yearly sum of twelve pounds in addition to the yearly sum of one hundred and eighty-eight pounds now payable by us to the Archdeacon for the time being of the same Archdeaconry.

"And we further recommend and propose that the first year in respect of which the said yearly sum of twelve pounds hereinafter recommended to be paid to the said Archdeacon of Bath shall be payable shall be the year ending the first day of January in the year one thousand nine hundred and three and that every payment in respect of the said yearly sum shall be made by us only after we shall have been satisfied that the Archdeacon who applies for the same has during the previous twelve calendar months complied with the conditions as to residence which for the time being are required by law and that he has not collected procurations, synodals, visitation fees or induction fees during the same period.

"And we further recommend and propose that whenever any Archdeacon who may be entitled to receive the said yearly sum of twelve pounds hereinafter recommended to be paid to the said Archdeacon of Bath shall resign or otherwise avoid his Archdeaconry such yearly sum shall be apportionable between such Archdeacon or his representative (as the case may be) and the Archdeacon who shall next be collated to the same Archdeaconry.

"And we further recommend and propose that nothing herein contained shall prevent us from recommending or proposing any other measures relating to the matters aforesaid or any of them in accordance with the provisions of the hereinafter mentioned Acts or either of them or any other Act of Parliament."

"And whereas the said scheme has been approved by His Majesty in Council: now, therefore, His Majesty, by and with the advice of His 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 from and after the time when this Order shall have been duly published in the London Gazette pursuant to the said Acts; and His 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 Bath and Wells,

A. W. FitzRoy.

At the Court at *Buckingham Palace*, the 11th day of *June*, 1902.

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England have in pursuance of the Act of the thirty-third and thirty-fourth years of Her late Majesty Queen Victoria, chapter thirty-nine, and of the Acts therein mentioned, that is to say, the Act of the third and fourth years of Her said late Majesty, chapter one hundred and thirteen, the Act of the fourth and fifth years of Her said late Majesty, chapter thirty-nine, and the Act of the thirty-first and thirty-second years of Her said late Majesty, chapter one hundred and fourteen, duly prepared and laid His Majesty in Council a scheme bearing date the first day of May, in the year one thousand nine hundred and two, in the words following, that is to say:—

"We the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England in pursuance of the Act of the thirty-third and thirty-fourth years of Her late Majesty Queen Victoria chapter thirty-nine and of the Acts therein mentioned that is to say the Act of the third and fourth years of Her said late Majesty chapter one hundred and thirteen the Act of the fourth and fifth years of Her said late Majesty chapter thirty-nine and the Act of the thirty-first and thirty-second years of her said late Majesty chapter one hundred and fourteen have prepared and now humbly lay before Your Majesty in Council 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 Avening in the county of Gloucester and in the diocese of Gloucester.

"Whereas the advowson or perpetual right of patronage of and presentation to the said benefice of Avening is vested for an estate in fee simple without incumbrances in the Reverend Edgar William Edwards Clerk in Holy Orders now rector or incumbent of the said benefice of Avening and his heirs and assigns.

"And whereas the said Edgar William Edwards is desirous that the whole advowson or perpetual right of patronage of and presentation to the said benefice of Avening now vested in him as aforesaid should be transferred to and be vested in the Dean and Chapter of the Cathedral Church of Gloucester and their successors.

"And whereas the Right Reverend Charles John now Bishop of Gloucester is consenting to the transfer of patronage which is hereinafter mentioned and which is hereinafter recommended and proposed and in token of such his consent which by the Acts in the hereinafter mentioned Act recited or by some or one of them is made necessary he the said Charles John Bishop of Gloucester has executed this scheme as hereinafter mentioned.

"And whereas the transfer of the patronage of the said benefice of Avening which is hereinafter mentioned and hereinafter recommended and proposed will in our opinion tend to make better provision for the cure of souls in the parish or district in or in respect of which the right of patronage or advowson so recommended and proposed to be transferred as aforesaid arises or exists, that is to say in the parish of Avening.