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By the KING.

A PROCLAMATION.

EDWARD, R. & I.

Whereas Our Parliament stands prorogued to Tuesday, the seventeenth day of January, one thousand nine hundred and five; We, by and with the advice of Our Privy Council, hereby issue Our Royal Proclamation, and publish and declare that the said Parliament be further prorogued to Tuesday, the fourteenth day of February, one thousand nine hundred and five; and We do hereby further, with the advice aforesaid, declare Our Royal Will and pleasure that the said Parliament shall, on the said Tuesday, the fourteenth day of February, one thousand nine hundred and five, assemble and be holden for the despatch of divers urgent and important affairs; and the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and the Knights, Citizens, and Burgesses, and the Commissioners for shires and burghs, of the House of Commons, are hereby required and commanded to give their attendance accordingly at Westminster, on the said Tuesday, the fourteenth day of February, one thousand nine hundred and five.

Given at Our Court at *Buckingham Palace*, this twelfth day of *January*, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and five, and in the fourth year of Our Reign.

GOD save the KING.

At the Court at *Buckingham Palace*, the 12th day of *January*, 1905.

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS in pursuance of the Bishopricks Act, 1878, and the Bishopricks of Southwark and Birmingham Act, 1904, the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England on the fifteenth day of December one thousand nine hundred and four certified to His Majesty under their common seal, that the annual value of the Birmingham Bishopric Endowment Fund, together with the annual sum which will ultimately be derived in pursuance of the last above-mentioned Act from the contributory Bishopric of Worcester was not less than three thousand pounds. And that they the said Ecclesiastical Commissioners were satisfied that from the date of the foundation of the said Bishopric there would become and be payable to them under the provisions of the will of the late Reverend Canon Thomas Henry Freer an annual sum to be used as additional income for the said Birmingham Bishopric Endowment Fund which would be sufficient forthwith to raise the annual value of the said Birmingham Bishopric Endowment Fund to a sum of three thousand five hundred pounds.

Now, therefore, in pursuance of the above-mentioned Acts His Majesty is pleased, by and with the advice of His Most Honourable Privy Council, to order and declare as follows:—

(1.) The Bishopric of Birmingham is hereby founded.

(2.) The diocese of the said Bishopric shall consist of the Archdeaconry of Birmingham and the Rural Deanery of Handsworth and of such other parishes as shall be transferred to the diocese in pursuance of the Bishopricks of Southwark and Birmingham Act, 1904.

(3.) The Parish Church of Saint Philip at Birmingham in the county of Warwick subject to the rights of the patron and incumbent of such