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At the Court at *Buckingham Palace*, the 27th day of *February*, 1905.

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council

WHEREAS the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England have in pursuance of the Act of the sixteenth and seventeenth years of Her late Majesty Queen Victoria, chapter fifty, and of the Act of the twenty-third and twenty-fourth years of Her said late Majesty, chapter one hundred and twenty-four, duly prepared and laid before His Majesty in Council a scheme bearing date the ninth day of February, in the year one thousand nine hundred and five, in the words and figures following, that is to say:—

“We, the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England, in pursuance of the Act of the sixteenth and seventeenth years of Her late Majesty Queen Victoria, chapter fifty, and of the Act of the twenty-third and twenty-fourth years of Her said late Majesty chapter one hundred and twenty-four, have prepared and now humbly lay before Your Majesty in Council the following scheme for effecting an exchange of the alternate patronage of the benefice (being a vicarage) of Saint Mary Magdalene, Barnstaple, situate in the county of Devon, and in the diocese of Exeter, for the alternate patronage of the benefice (being a vicarage) of Sempringham with the chapelries of Pointon and Birthorpe annexed, situate in the county of Lincoln, and in the diocese of Lincoln.

“Whereas the patronage of the said benefice of Saint Mary Magdalene, Barnstaple, is under the twenty-first section of the Act of the sixth and seventh years of Her said late Majesty, chapter thirty-seven, exercised by Your Majesty and by the Bishop of the said diocese of Exeter alternately.

“And whereas the advowson or perpetual right of patronage of and presentation to the said benefice of Sempringham with Pointon and

Birthorpe, is vested as to one moiety thereof in Your Majesty, Your Heirs and Successors in right of the Crown, and is exercised on behalf of Your Majesty by the First Lord of Your Majesty's Treasury for the time being, and as to the other moiety in the Bishop of the said diocese of Exeter for the time being.

“And whereas the Right Honourable Arthur James Balfour, now First Lord of Your Majesty's Treasury, and the Right Reverend Archibald, now Bishop of the said diocese of Exeter, have respectively signified to us their desire that the patronage of the said two benefices of Saint Mary Magdalene, Barnstaple, and Sempringham with Pointon and Birthorpe, may be re-arranged by way of exchange, in the manner which is hereinafter recommended and proposed.

“And whereas we have made due enquiry and calculation as to the circumstances and relative value of the said two benefices and of the patronage thereof respectively and we do hereby certify to Your Majesty in Council that the circumstances and present values of the said two benefices and vicarages are as set forth in the schedule hereunto annexed.

“Now therefore with the consent of the said Arthur James Balfour, acting on behalf of Your Majesty as such alternate patron of the said benefice of Saint Mary Magdalene, Barnstaple (in testimony of which consent he the said Arthur James Balfour has signed and sealed this scheme), and with the consent of the said Archibald Bishop of the said diocese of Exeter, acting as such owner of one moiety of the said advowson of the benefice of Sempringham with Pointon and Birthorpe (in testimony of which consent he the said Bishop has signed this scheme and affixed his episcopal seal to the same) we the said Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England humbly recommend and propose that upon and from the day of the date of the publication in the London Gazette of any Order of Your Majesty in Council ratifying this scheme and without any conveyance or assurance in the