

At the Court at *Buckingham Palace*, the 10th day of *August*, 1909.

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 before His Majesty in Council a scheme bearing date the twenty-fourth day of June, in the year one thousand nine hundred and nine, 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 Saint Peter, Bentley, in the county of York and in the diocese of York.

"Whereas the advowson or perpetual right of patronage of and presentation to the said benefice of Saint Peter, Bentley, is vested for an estate in fee simple without incumbrances in Sir William Henry Charles Wemyss Cooke, of Wheatley Park, in the county of York, Baronet.

"And whereas the said William Henry Charles Wemyss Cooke is desirous that the whole advowson or perpetual right of patronage of and presentation to the said benefice of Saint Peter, Bentley, now vested in him as aforesaid, should be transferred to and be vested in the Right Honourable and Most Reverend Cosmo Gordon, Archbishop of York, and his successors.

"And whereas the said Cosmo Gordon, Archbishop of York, is willing to accept such transfer, and in token of such his willingness and also in token that the same transfer has that consent of the Bishop of the diocese which by the Acts in the hereinbefore mentioned Act recited or by some or one of them is made necessary he, the said Cosmo Gordon, Archbishop of York, has executed this scheme as hereinafter mentioned.

"And whereas the transfer of the patronage of the said benefice of Saint Peter, Bentley, which is hereinbefore mentioned and hereinafter recommended and proposed, will render the same benefice more eligible for augmentation out of funds under our control, and this circumstance 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 new parish of Saint Peter, Bentley.

"Now therefore with the consent of the said William Henry Charles Wemyss Cooke (in testimony whereof he has signed and sealed this scheme) and with the consent of the said Cosmo Gordon, Archbishop of York (in testimony whereof he has signed this scheme and sealed the same with his archiepiscopal seal) 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 law other than such duly gazetted Order the whole advowson or perpetual right of patronage of and presentation to the said benefice of Saint Peter, Bentley, now vested in him the said William Henry Charles Wemyss Cooke as aforesaid shall be transferred to the said Cosmo Gordon, Archbishop of York, and his successors in the same archbishoprick and shall thereupon and thenceforth become and be absolutely vested in and shall and may from time to time be exercised by the said Cosmo Gordon, Archbishop of York, and by his successors in the same archbishoprick for ever.

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

Almeric FitzRoy.

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