Order for uniting the said benefices into one benefice with cure of souls for ecclesiastical purposes.

" RANDALL CANTUAR."

Now, therefore, His Majesty in Council, by and with the advice of His said Council, is pleased to order, as it is hereby ordered, that the rectory of Waldershare, situate in the county of Kent and diocese of Canterbury, and the rectory of Coldred, situate in the same county and diocese, shall be united into one benefice with the cure of souls for ecclesiastical purposes only.

Almeric FitzRoy.

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 4th day of February, 1911.

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

THEREAS by section 26 of the Pluralities Act, 1838, after reciting that "Whereas in some instances tithings, hamlets, chapel-ries, and other places or districts may be separated from the parishes or mother churches to which they belong, with great advantage, and places altogether extra parochial may in some instances with advantage be annexed to parishes or districts to which they are con-tiguous, or be constituted separate parishes for ecclesiastical purposes," it is, amongst other things, enacted "That when with respect to his own diocese it shall appear to the Archbishop of the province, or when the Bishop of any diocese shall represent to the said Archbishop that any such tithing, hamlet, chapelry, place or district within the diocese of such Archbishop, or the diocese of such Bishop, as the case may be, may be advantageously separated from any parish or mother church and either be constituted a separate benefice by itself or be united to any other parish to which it may be more conveniently annexed, or to any other adjoining tithing, hamlet, chapelry, place, or district, parochial or extra parochial, so as to form a separate parish or benefice, or that any extra parochial place may with advantage be annexed to any parish to which it is contiguous, or be constituted a separate parish for ecclesiastical purposes; And the said Archbishop or Bishop shall draw up a scheme in writing (the scheme of such Bishop to be transmitted to the said Archbishop for his consideration) describing the mode in which it appears to him that the alteration may best be effected, and how the changes consequent on such alteration in respect to ecclesiastical jurisdiction, glebe lands, tithes, rent charges, and other ecclesiastical dues, rates, and payments, and in respect to patronage and rights to pews, may be made with justice to all parties interested; and if the patron or patrons of the benefice or benefices to be affected by such alteration shall consent in writing under his or their hands to such scheme, or to such modification thereof as the said Archbishop may approve, and the said Archbishop shall, on full consideration and inquiry, be satisfied with any such scheme, or modification thereof, and shall certify the same and such consent as aforesaid, by his

Report to His Majesty in Council, it shall be lawful for His Majesty in Council to make an Order for carrying such scheme, or modification thereof, as the case may be, into effect."

And whereas the Right Reverend Herbert Edward, then the Lord Bishop of Winchester, hath, pursuant to the enactment aforesaid, made a representation in writing to the Right Honourable and Most Reverend Randall Thomas, Lord Archbishop of Canterbury, as follows:—

" I, Herbert Edward Bishop of Winchester, hereby represent to Your Grace as follows:----

"There is in my diocese of Winchester and the county of Hants the benefice of Hound. "There is also in the same diocese and

"There is also in the same diocese and county the benefice of Bursledon, the benefice of Hamble le Rice and the benefice of St. Mary Extra, Southampton, all of which are contiguous to the said benefice of Hound.

"The population of Hound is 2,429 or thereabouts with church accommodation for 450, that of Bursledon 610 or thereabouts with church accommodation for 250, that of Hamble le Rice 400 or thereabouts with church accommodation for 200, and that of St. Mary Extra, Southampton, 3,000 or thereabouts with church accommodation for 586.

"The Warden and Scholars Clerks of St. Mary College of Winchester, near Winchester, are the Patrons of the benefices of Hound and Hamble le Rice, and I, by virtue of my Bishopric, am the patron of the benefices of Bursledon and St. Mary Extra, Southampton.

"The Reverend William Alfred Cramer Chevalier is the Incumbent of Hound, the Reverend William Shirley is the Incumbent of Bursledon, the Reverend Alexander Mackintosh is the Incumbent of Hamble le Rice, and the Reverend Thomas Lewis Owen Davies is the Incumbent of St. Mary Extra, Southampton. All the before mentioned patrons and Incumbents of the several benefices consent to the scheme hereinafter set out. "The nett annual value of Hound is one

"The nett annual value of Hound is one hundred and ninety-six pounds or thereabouts, that of Bursledon is two hundred pounds or thereabouts, that of Hamble le Rice is eightythree pounds or thereabouts, and that of St. Mary Extra, Southampton, is three hundred and fifty pounds or thereabouts.

"It is desirable that the Civil and Ecclesiastical boundaries of Bursledon and Hamble le Rice respectively shall be made to coincide.

"(1) It is proposed to separate two portions of the parish of Hound with a population of 368 persons or thereabouts and to annex the same to the contiguous parish of Bursledon, from the church of which parish it is half a mile to a mile distant.

"(2) To separate a further portion of Hound with a population of 350 persons or thereabouts and to annex it to the contiguous parish of Hamble le Rice, from the church of which parish it is half a mile to a mile distant.

parish it is half a mile to a mile distant. "(3) To separate a further portion of Hound with a population of 420 or thereabouts and to annex it to the contiguous parish of St. Mary Extra, Southampton, from the church of which parish it is half a mile to a mile distant.

which parish it is half a mile to a mile distant. "All the several before mentioned portions of Hound so to be separated are more particularly hereinafter described in the Scheme hereto annexed and are delineated on the map or plan attached to such Scheme.

or plan attached to such Scheme. '' It therefore appears to me that under the provisions of the Pluralities Act, 1838, the