

Swinfen Eady, Lord Justice of Appeal, were, by His Majesty's command, respectively sworn of His Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council, and took their places at the Board accordingly.

Almeric FitzRoy.

At the Court at *Buckingham Palace*, the 13th day of *June*, 1913.

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England have, in pursuance of the Act of the sixth and seventh years of His late Majesty, King William the Fourth, chapter seventy-seven, of the Act of the third and fourth years of Her late Majesty, Queen Victoria, chapter one hundred and thirteen, and of the Act of the thirty-seventh and thirty-eighth years of Her said late Majesty, chapter sixty-three, duly prepared and laid before His Majesty in Council a Scheme, bearing date the eighth day of May, in the year one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, in the words and figures following, that is to say:—

"We, the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England, acting in pursuance of the Act of the sixth and seventh years of His late Majesty, King William the Fourth, chapter seventy-seven, of the Act of the third and fourth years of Her late Majesty, Queen Victoria, chapter one hundred and thirteen, and of the Act of the thirty-seventh and thirty-eighth years of Her said late Majesty, chapter sixty-three, have prepared and now humbly lay before Your Majesty in Council the following Scheme with respect to the Archdeaconries and Rural Deaneries in the diocese of Chichester.

"Whereas the Archdeaconries and Rural Deaneries in the said diocese of Chichester were set forth in the Statutory Schedule of Rural Deaneries prepared under the provisions of the hereinbefore thirdly mentioned Act and deposited in the Registry of the diocese of Chichester at Chichester on the eighteenth day of February, in the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five.

"And whereas the Archdeaconries within the said diocese were then two in number, to wit, the Archdeaconry of Chichester and the Archdeaconry of Lewes, but by an Order of Your Majesty in Council, dated the twenty-fourth day of June, in the year one thousand nine hundred and twelve, and published in the London Gazette on the twenty-eighth day of the same month, a new Archdeaconry, to wit, the Archdeaconry of Hastings, was constituted out of the said Archdeaconry of Lewes.

"And whereas it has been represented to us by the Right Reverend Charles John, Bishop of the said diocese of Chichester, that the arrangements which are hereinafter recommended and proposed with respect to the said Archdeaconries of Chichester, Hastings and Lewes and with respect to some of the Rural Deaneries

within such Archdeaconries are desirable and should be carried into effect, and we are of opinion that the same may properly be carried into effect.

"And whereas the said arrangements involve the rearrangement of the limits and the renaming of certain Rural Deaneries within the said Archdeaconries of Chichester, Hastings and Lewes, the abolition of certain other Rural Deaneries, and also the formation of two new Rural Deaneries.

"And whereas it appears to us to be convenient to set forth in the Schedule to this Scheme annexed the names of all the parishes, cures or churches which, under the arrangements hereinafter recommended and proposed, will be situate within and will constitute the several Rural Deaneries of the said three Archdeaconries of Chichester, Hastings and Lewes, to the intent that so far as legally may be the said Schedule may be held to be in the place of and in substitution for the aforesaid Statutory Schedule of Rural Deaneries.

"Now, therefore, with the consent of the said Charles John, Bishop of Chichester, (in testimony whereof he has set his hand and Episcopal Seal to this Scheme) we, the said Ecclesiastical Commissioners, humbly recommend and propose that as from the day on which any Order of Your Majesty in Council ratifying this Scheme shall be published in the London Gazette, and without any assurance in the law other than such duly gazetted Order, first, the Rural Deaneries of Arundel II, Midhurst II and Storrington III, in the said Archdeaconry of Chichester, and the Rural Deanery of Lewes IV, in the said Archdeaconry of Lewes, shall be abolished, secondly, a new Rural Deanery shall be formed within the said Archdeaconry of Hastings and shall be named "The Rural Deanery of Etchingham," thirdly, a new Rural Deanery shall be formed within the said Archdeaconry of Lewes, and shall be named "The Rural Deanery of Hove," and fourthly, the said Archdeaconries of Chichester, Hastings and Lewes shall each comprise and consist of those Rural Deaneries the names of which are set down in order under its name and are numbered consecutively in the Schedule to this Scheme annexed, and that the name which in such Schedule is given to any Rural Deanery shall be the name thereof, and that every parish or cure or church the name of which is set down in numbered order under the name of any Rural Deanery in the first column of the said Schedule shall belong to and be and form part of the Rural Deanery and Archdeaconry under the names of which it is set down as aforesaid, and shall be subject to the jurisdiction and authority of the Rural Dean of the Rural Deanery and of the Archdeacon of the Archdeaconry under which it is so set down as aforesaid, and shall not belong to or be a part of any other Rural Deanery or Archdeaconry nor be subject to the jurisdiction and authority of any other Rural Dean or Archdeacon.

"And we further recommend and propose that nothing herein contained shall prevent us from recommending and proposing any other matter or thing with respect to the matters aforesaid or any of them by virtue of the said Acts or of any of them or of any other Act of Parliament,