

in each of the Benefices forming part of the United Benefice, with notice to any person or persons interested that he, she, or they may, within such six weeks, show cause in writing under his, her, or their hands to the said Archbishop against any such Disunion, and, if no sufficient cause be shown within such time, the Archbishop shall certify the Inquiry and Consent, when the Patron's Consent is necessary, to His Majesty in Council, and thereupon it shall be lawful for His Majesty to issue an Order for separating such last-mentioned Benefice or Benefices from such United Benefice, and for declaring the rights of Patronage of the several Patrons, if there be more than one Patron, and such Order shall be registered in the Registry of the Diocese to which such United Benefice shall belong; which Order the Registrar of such Diocese, immediately on the receipt thereof, is hereby required to register accordingly, and thereupon immediately, if such United Benefice shall be then vacant, otherwise on the first avoidance thereof, such Union shall be, *ipso facto*, dissolved, so far only as regards such Benefice or Benefices so proposed to be separated from such United Benefice, but in all other respects shall remain in full force and effect, and thenceforward such last-mentioned Benefice or Benefices shall be, and be deemed and taken to be, a separate and distinct Benefice or Benefices to all intents and purposes whatever as if no such Union had taken place, and the Patron or Patrons thereof shall and may according to the terms of such Order present or nominate thereto respectively, and so, from time to time, upon each and every avoidance of the same: Provided always, that no Benefices which have been united for more than sixty years before the passing of this Act shall be disunited without the Consent in writing of the Patron or Patrons thereof."

And whereas by Section 23 of the said Act it is further enacted that "Whenever two or more Benefices which have at any time been united into one Benefice shall be disunited and become separate Benefices under the provisions of this Act, whether the Order for Disunion shall extend to the whole number of Benefices of which such united Benefice consisted, or to one or more of such Benefices only, it shall be lawful for His Majesty in Council, on the recommendation of the Archbishop of the Province, with the Consent of the Patron or Patrons of such Benefices respectively, (such Consent to be signified in writing under the hands of such Patron or Patrons), to assign and attach such portion of the glebe lands, tithes, moduses, rent-charges or other endowments or emoluments belonging to or arising or accruing within the limits of such United Benefice to each of such Benefices respectively as to His Majesty in Council shall seem fit, notwithstanding such proportion of glebe lands, tithes, rent-charges, moduses, or other endowments or emoluments, or any part thereof, may not arise or accrue within the limits of the Benefice to which the same shall be so assigned and attached as aforesaid, or may not have belonged thereto, and also to divide and apportion between such Benefices all such charges and outgoings as before the Disunion thereof were imposed upon the whole United Benefice, and in the case of mortgages with the Consent of the mortgagees in writing under their hands and seals."

And whereas the Right Reverend Edward Lee, Lord Bishop of Lincoln, hath made a

Representation in writing, dated the 13th day of February, 1914, to the Right Honourable and Most Reverend Randall Thomas, Lord Archbishop of Canterbury, as follows:—

"I, Edward Lee, Bishop of Lincoln, do hereby represent to your Grace that it appears to me that the Disunion of the United Benefice consisting of the Vicarage of Ulceby and the Rectory of Croxton, in the County and my Diocese of Lincoln, by the separation of the said Rectory of Croxton from the said Vicarage of Ulceby, may be made with advantage to the interests of religion.

"EDWARD, LINCOLN."

And whereas, on the 25th day of February, 1914, the said Archbishop inquired into the circumstances of the case.

And whereas the said Bishop did, by a further Representation in writing, dated the 7th day of March, 1914, furnish to the said Archbishop a Statement of Circumstances as follows:—

"Whereas your Grace having inquired of me, Edward Lee, Bishop of Lincoln, what are the circumstances of the case upon which I found my opinion that the Disunion of the United Benefice consisting of the Vicarage of Ulceby and the Rectory of Croxton, both in the County and my Diocese of Lincoln, by the separation of the Rectory of Croxton from the Vicarage of Ulceby, may be made with advantage to the interests of religion, I do hereby represent to your Grace that the following are the circumstances:—

"That the Parish of Ulceby is separate from Croxton for all civil purposes, and that the distance between the said Benefices, computing such distance from the Church of Ulceby to the Church of Croxton, is 2½ miles or thereabouts.

"That according to the Census of 1911 the population of Ulceby is 947 persons, and that according to the same Census the population of Croxton is 119 persons.

"That the net yearly income arising from the said United Benefice, on an average of the last three years, is £416 10s. 7d. or thereabouts, and that the sources from which such income is derived are as follows:—Ulceby, £282 14s. 7d. or thereabouts, arising from Glebe Lands, Allotments, Fees and an annual charge of £170 upon the revenues of the Rectory of Croxton created by an Order in Council dated the 13th day of August, 1855: Croxton, £133 16s. 0d. or thereabouts, arising from Glebe Land and Fees.

"That there is one Church belonging to the Parish of Ulceby affording accommodation for about 290, and there is one Church belonging to the Parish of Croxton affording accommodation for about 90 persons, and there is no other Church or Chapel of the Church of England in either of the said Parishes but there is a Mission Room with accommodation for about 80 persons in the said Parish of Ulceby.

"That there is a good and sufficient House of Residence belonging to each of the said Benefices.

"That the said United Benefice, which is now held by the Reverend Hector Mawson, is in the patronage of the Right Honourable Richard Burdon, Viscount Haldane, Lord High Chancellor of Great Britain, acting for and on behalf of His Majesty The King.

"That, in the event of the said Rectory of Croxton being separated from the said Vicarage of Ulceby, it is proposed that the House of