

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 Archibald, Lord Bishop of Exeter, hath made a Representation in writing, dated the 20th day of July, 1914, to the Right Honourable and Most Reverend Randall Thomas, Lord Archbishop of Canterbury, as follows:—

“I, Archibald, Lord Bishop of Exeter, in pursuance of the 26th Section of The Pluralities Act, 1838, do hereby represent to your Grace as follows:—

“There is, in the County of Devon, and Diocese of Exeter, the Benefice or Rectory of Ashwater, the Parish whereof contains a population of 679 persons, or thereabouts, with accommodation in the Parish Church for 250 persons:

“The net annual value of the Benefice of Ashwater is £467, or thereabouts:

“There is also, in the same County and Diocese, the Benefice or Perpetual Curacy of Clawton, the Parish whereof contains a population of 360 persons, or thereabouts, with accommodation in the Parish Church for 150 persons:

“The net annual value of the Benefice of Clawton is £152, or thereabouts:

“That it appears to me, and I do hereby represent to your Grace, that under the provisions of the said Pluralities Act, 1838, a small portion of the Parish of Ashwater, (the boundaries of which are more particularly described in the Scheme annexed to this Representation, and also delineated on the map annexed thereto, and are thereon coloured pink), may be advantageously separated therefrom, and be annexed to the said Parish of Clawton:

“The Reverend George Douglas Melhuish is the Patron, and Incumbent, of the Benefice of Ashwater:

“I, the said Archibald, Lord Bishop of Exeter, am the Patron of the Benefice of Clawton, and the Reverend Henry Herbert Harvey is the Incumbent thereof:

“That pursuant to the directions contained in the 26th Section of The Pluralities Act, 1838, I, the said Lord Bishop of Exeter, have drawn up a Scheme in writing, annexed to this Representation, describing the mode in which

it appears to me that the alteration above proposed may best be effected, and how the changes consequent on such alteration in respect of 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 I do hereby submit the same, together with the Consents in writing of the said Patrons and Incumbents of the said Benefices, to the intent that, if your Grace shall on full consideration and inquiry be satisfied with such Scheme, you may certify the same, and such Consents as aforesaid, to His Majesty in Council.”

And whereas the said Scheme, drawn up by the said Bishop of Exeter, and the Consents, referred to in the said Representation, are as follows:—

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“It is proposed to separate from the said Parish of Ashwater, and annex to the said Parish of Clawton, all that part of the Parish of Ashwater contiguous to the Parish of Clawton on the eastern side thereof, more particularly described in the Schedule hereunto annexed, and on the Plan (being a copy of the Ordnance Map of the said Parish of Ashwater, 2nd Edition, 1907) hereto annexed, and thereon coloured pink:

“That the Incumbent of the Benefice of Clawton shall have sole and exclusive Cure of Souls within such portion so to be separated from Ashwater:

“That any inhabitants of such portion shall be entitled to accommodation in the Parish Church of Clawton, but shall cease to be entitled to any right or accommodation in the Parish Church of Ashwater, except nevertheless any person or persons (if any) possessing a legal right by Faculty or otherwise to any Pew or Sitting in the Church of Ashwater, and who may not be willing to relinquish and give up the same:

“That any Inhabitants of the aforesaid portion shall have such and the same right to have Marriages, Baptisms, Churchings, and Burials, solemnized and performed in the Parish Church of Clawton as they might have had in the Parish Church of Ashwater:

“That all fees, ecclesiastical offerings, and emoluments, which may arise from the said portion, so to be separated from Ashwater, shall belong to the Incumbent of the Benefice of Clawton:

“That the tithes, or rent-charges in lieu of tithes, which are particularly described in the Schedule hereunto annexed, shall, upon and from the day of the date of the registration in the Registry of the Diocese of the Order of His Majesty in Council ratifying this Scheme, and without any conveyance or assurance in the law other than such Order, be transferred to, and shall become absolutely vested in, the Incumbent of the said Perpetual Curacy of Clawton, and his Successors, Incumbents of the said Perpetual Curacy:

“That no alteration shall be made in the Patronage of the said Benefices, or either of them:

“That the whole of the first fruits and tenths, now payable to the Governors of Queen Anne's Bounty in respect of the said Benefice of Ashwater, shall continue to be payable by the Rector of the said Benefice.