

ditions of Seamen's Lodging Houses, for the publication of the fact of a house being licensed, for the due execution of the Bye-laws, for preventing the obstruction of persons engaged in securing that execution, for the preventing of persons not duly licensed holding themselves out as keeping or purporting to keep licensed houses, and for the exclusion from licensed houses of persons of improper character, and shall impose sufficient fines, not exceeding fifty pounds, for the breach of any Bye-law; and further, that whenever His Majesty in Council orders that in any District or any part thereof, none but persons duly licensed in pursuance of Bye-laws under the said Section shall keep Seamen's Lodging Houses or let lodgings to Seamen from a date therein named, a person acting in contravention of that Order shall for each offence be liable to a fine not exceeding one hundred pounds:

And whereas the London County Council is the Local Authority in the Administrative County of London, and a Local Authority within the meaning of the said Section:

And whereas by Order in Council dated the 19th day of February, 1910, His Majesty was pleased to order that none but persons duly licensed in pursuance of the Bye-laws and Regulations scheduled to such Order should keep Seamen's Lodging Houses or let lodgings to Seamen in the District of the Administrative County of London, or in any part thereof:

And whereas the said County Council did, with the approval of the Board of Trade, make further Bye-laws which came into force on the 1st day of April, 1917, from which date the Bye-laws and Regulations contained in the Schedule to the said Order in Council dated the 19th day of February, 1910, were repealed:

And whereas it is deemed expedient to repeal the said Order in Council:

Now, therefore, His Majesty in Council, by virtue of the powers vested in Him by the said Act, doth hereby order that, from and after the date hereof, the said Order in Council dated the 19th day of February, 1910, shall be, and the same is hereby, repealed.

And His Majesty is pleased, by and with the advice aforesaid, to order, and it is hereby ordered, that none but persons duly licensed in pursuance of the said Bye-laws which came into force on the 1st day of April, 1917, or of Bye-laws for the time being in force in substitution for, or in modification or variation of, or in addition to, such Bye-laws shall keep Seamen's Lodging Houses or let lodgings to Seamen in the District of the Administrative County of London, or in any part thereof.

Almeric FitzRoy.

At the Court at *Buckingham Palace*, the 13th day of *June*, 1917.

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS by Section 16 of the Pluralities Act, 1838, as amended by the Pluralities Act, 1850, it is, amongst other things, enacted, "That whenever it shall appear to the Archbishop of the Province, with respect to his own Diocese, and whenever it shall be represented to him by the

Bishop of any Diocese, or by the Bishops of any two Dioceses, that two or more Benefices, or that one or more Benefice or Benefices, and one or more Spiritual Sinecure Rectory or Rectories, Vicarage or Vicarages, in his or their Diocese or Dioceses, being either in the same Parish or contiguous to each other, and of which the aggregate population shall not exceed 1,500 persons, may, with advantage to the interests of religion, be united into one Benefice, the said Archbishop of the Province shall inquire into the circumstances of the case; and if on such Inquiry it shall appear to him that such Union may be usefully made, and will not be of inconvenient extent, and that the Patron or Patrons of the said Benefices, Sinecure Rectory or Rectories, Vicarage or Vicarages respectively, is or are consenting thereto, such Consent being signified in writing under the hands of such Patron or Patrons, the said Archbishop shall, 6 weeks before certifying such Inquiry and Consent to His Majesty as hereinafter directed, cause, with respect to his own Diocese, a Statement in writing of the facts, and in other cases a Copy in writing of the aforesaid Representation, to be affixed on or near the Principal Outer Door of the Church, or in some public and conspicuous place in each of such Benefices, Sinecure Rectories, or Vicarages, with notice to any person or persons interested that he, she, or they may, within such 6 weeks, show cause in writing under his, her, or their hand or hands, to the said Archbishop against such Union; and if no sufficient cause be shown within such time, the said Archbishop shall certify the Inquiry and Consent aforesaid to His Majesty in Council, and thereupon it shall be lawful for His Majesty in Council to make and issue an Order or Orders for uniting such Benefices, Sinecure Rectory or Rectories, Vicarage or Vicarages, into one Benefice, with Cure of Souls, for ecclesiastical purposes only; and it shall be lawful for His Majesty in Council to give directions for regulating the course and succession in which the Patrons, if there be more than one Patron, shall present or nominate to such United Benefice, from time to time, as the same shall become vacant: "

And whereas the Right Honourable and Most Reverend Randall Thomas, Lord Archbishop of Canterbury, hath, pursuant to the provisions of the said Acts, duly prepared, and laid before His Majesty in Council, a Certificate in writing, bearing date the 13th day of February, 1917, in the words following:—

"We, Randall Thomas, Archbishop of the Province of Canterbury, Primate of all England and Metropolitan, do hereby certify to Your Majesty in Council:

"That the Right Reverend Frederic Edward, Lord Bishop of Salisbury, as Bishop of the Diocese within which are situate the Vicarage of Charlton Saint Peter, and the Rectory of Rushall, both in the County of Wilts, having represented unto us that the said Benefices, being contiguous to each other, and of which the aggregate population does not exceed 284 persons, might, with advantage to the interests of religion, be united into one Benefice, we inquired into the circumstances of the case:

"That on such Inquiry it appeared to us that such Union might be usefully made, and would not be of inconvenient extent, and that The Dean and Chapter of the Cathedral Church of Christ in Oxford of the Founda-