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FRIDAY, 13 JULY, 1923.

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 7th day of July, 1923.

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council

WHEREAS the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England have, in pursuance of the Union of Benefices Act, 1919, and of the Union of Benefices Measure, 1921, duly prepared, and laid before His Majesty in Council, a Scheme, bearing date the 12th day of April, 1923, in the words and figures following, that is to say:—

“ We, the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England, acting in pursuance of the Union of Benefices Act, 1919, and of the Union of Benefices Measure, 1921, have prepared, and now humbly lay before Your Majesty in Council, the following Scheme for effecting the union of two neighbouring Benefices, that is to say, the Benefice (being a Rectory) of Ribbesford and the Benefice (being a Vicarage) of Bewdley, both of which Benefices are situate in the County of Worcester and in the Diocese of Worcester:

“ Whereas Commissioners appointed at our request by the Right Reverend Ernest Harold, Bishop of Worcester, pursuant to the provisions of the said Union of Benefices Act, 1919, to inquire into and report upon the union of the said two Benefices of Ribbesford and

Bewdley duly made their Report to the said Bishop of Worcester and therein recommended the union of the said two Benefices and the terms for effecting the union, and the said Bishop of Worcester signified in writing his approval of the said Report:

“ And whereas we, the said Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England, have prepared this Scheme for the union of the said two Benefices based upon the terms recommended in the said Report:

“ And whereas the said Benefice of Ribbesford is now full, the Reverend Charles Raymund Hollis being the present Incumbent thereof and the said Benefice of Bewdley is at present vacant:

“ And whereas the said Charles Raymund Hollis has consented to become the first Incumbent of the United Benefice when the union which is hereinafter recommended and proposed shall take effect:

“ And whereas only one Parsonage House will be left standing or remaining within or belonging to the United Benefice when the union which is hereinafter recommended and proposed shall take effect, namely the Parsonage House belonging to the said Benefice of Bewdley, and such house will accordingly become the Parsonage House of the United Benefice:

“ And whereas the Advowson or perpetual right of Patronage of and presentation to the said Benefice of Bewdley now belongs to the