

based upon the terms recommended in the said Report:

"And whereas both of the said Benefices of Lutton with Washingley and Polebrooke are now full, the Reverend Matthew Charles Whitelaw being the present Incumbent of the said Benefice of Lutton with Washingley and the Reverend Leonard Seymour Clark being the present Incumbent of the said Benefice of Polebrooke:

"Now, therefore, we, the said Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England, with the consent of the said Frank Theodore, Bishop of Peterborough (in testimony whereof he has hereunto set his hand), do humbly recommend and propose to Your Majesty as follows, that is to say:—

"1. That the said Benefice of Lutton with Washingley and the said Benefice of Polebrooke shall be permanently united together and form one Benefice with cure of souls under the style of 'The United Benefice of Polebrooke with Lutton' but the Parishes of the said Benefices shall continue distinct in all respects.

"2. That if upon the day when any Order of Your Majesty in Council ratifying this Scheme shall be published in the London Gazette both of the said two Benefices shall be vacant, the union of the same two Benefices shall take effect forthwith; and if the said Benefice of Lutton with Washingley only shall be then vacant the said union shall also take effect forthwith if the Incumbent of the other of the said two Benefices shall consent to become the first Incumbent of the United Benefice, but if he shall not so consent, then the said union shall take effect upon the then next avoidance of the said Benefice of Polebrooke and the then Incumbent of Lutton with Washingley shall be the first Incumbent of the United Benefice; and if the said Benefice of Polebrooke only shall be then vacant the said union shall take effect upon the next avoidance of the said Benefice of Lutton with Washingley; and if neither of the said two Benefices be then vacant, then the said union shall take effect on the next avoidance of the said Benefice of Lutton with Washingley if the Incumbent at that time of the said Benefice of Polebrooke shall have been instituted to Polebrooke subsequently to the date of the publication in the London Gazette of any Order of Your Majesty in Council ratifying this Scheme or if instituted before that date shall consent to become the Incumbent of the United Benefice; but if he shall have been instituted to Polebrooke before that date and shall not so consent, then the said union shall take effect immediately upon the next vacancy of the Benefice of Polebrooke following such avoidance of the Benefice of Lutton with Washingley and the then Incumbent of Lutton with Washingley shall become the first Incumbent of the United Benefice.

"3. That upon the said union taking effect the Parsonage House at present belonging to the said Benefice of Polebrooke shall become and be the house of residence for the Incumbent of the United Benefice.

"4. That after the said union has taken effect the course and succession in which the respective Patrons shall present or nominate to the United Benefice from time to time as the same shall become vacant shall be as

follows, that is to say, the right of presentation shall be exercised by the Patrons of the said two Benefices alternately, the Patron of the said Benefice of Lutton with Washingley having the right upon the first presentation to the United Benefice to be made after the union and every alternate right of presentation and the Patron of the said Benefice of Polebrooke having the right of presentation upon the second presentation to the United Benefice to be made after the union and every alternate turn thereafter.

"Provided always that nothing herein contained shall prevent us from recommending and proposing any other measures relating to the matters aforesaid, or any of them, in accordance with the provisions of the said Act, or of any other Act of Parliament."

And whereas drafts of the said Scheme have been published locally in the manner prescribed in the Statutory Rules made under the said Act and also transmitted in the manner so prescribed to the Patrons affected, together with a Notice in each case requiring any objections to such draft Scheme to be stated or transmitted in writing to the said Ecclesiastical Commissioners within the time prescribed in the same Rules:

And whereas the prescribed time has elapsed and no such objections have been so stated or transmitted to the said Ecclesiastical Commissioners:

And whereas public notice of the certification to His Majesty in Council of the said Scheme and the consent thereto in writing of the Bishop of Peterborough has been duly given in the manner and within the time prescribed in the Statutory Rules aforesaid:

And whereas neither of the two Benefices affected by the said Scheme is situate in a City or Municipal Borough:

And whereas the said Scheme has been approved by His Majesty in Council:

Now, therefore, His Majesty, by and with the advice of His said Council, is pleased hereby to affirm the said Scheme and to order that the two Benefices therein recommended to be united shall be united to the extent and for the purposes recommended in the said Scheme, and further to order and direct that the said Scheme and every part thereof shall be effectual in law immediately from and after the time when this Order shall have been duly published in the London Gazette pursuant to the said Act.

And His Majesty, by and with the like advice, is pleased hereby to direct that this Order be forthwith registered by the Registrar of the said Diocese of Peterborough.

M. P. A. Hankey.

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 20th day of February, 1924.

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 24th day