

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

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council

WHEREAS the Right Reverend Lisle, Lord Bishop of Coventry, has, under Section 26 of the Pluralities Act, 1838, made a Representation to the Right Honourable and Most Reverend Randall Thomas, Lord Archbishop of Canterbury, in the following terms:—

" I, Lisle, by Divine Permission Bishop of Coventry, do, in pursuance of the 26th section of the Act of Parliament of the first and second years of the reign of Her late Majesty Queen Victoria, Chapter 106, hereby represent to your Grace as follows:—

" 1. There is in the County of Warwick and my Diocese of Coventry the Vicarage of Wyken the Parish whereof lies adjacent to the Parish of Stoke and contains according to the Census of 1911 a population of 132 and the net annual value thereof is Three hundred and forty pounds.

" 2. In the same County and Diocese is the Rectory of Stoke the Parish whereof contains according to the Census of 1911 a population of 8298 and the net annual value thereof is Four hundred and fifty pounds.

" 3. The present boundaries between the said respective Parishes of Wyken and Stoke are most irregular and it appears to me that the following alterations in the boundaries of the said respective Parishes may be made with advantage to the interests of religion, viz.:— the north-west corner of the Parish of Stoke be united to the Parish of Wyken.

" 4. I, Lisle, by Divine Permission Bishop of Coventry, am by virtue of my Bishopric Patron of the Benefice of Wyken.

" 5. The Right Honourable George, Viscount Cave, Lord High Chancellor of Great Britain, is the Patron in right of the Crown of the said Benefice of Stoke.

" 6. The Reverend Charles Whitworth Phillips is the present Incumbent of the said Benefice of Wyken.

" 7. The Reverend Charles Churton Potts is the present Incumbent of the Benefice of Stoke.

" 8. Pursuant to the directions contained in the 26th Section of the said Act, I, the said Bishop, have drawn up a Scheme in writing appended to this Representation describing the said District of the said Parish of Stoke proposed to be annexed to the said Parish of Wyken and the mode in which it appears to me the alteration may be effected and how the changes consequent thereon in respect to Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction, Glebe lands, Tithes, Dues, Rates and Payments and in respect of Patronage and rights to pews may be made with justice to all parties interested and I do hereby submit the same to your Grace together with the consents in writing of the said respective Patrons and Incumbents of the said respective Parishes and in case you shall on full consideration and enquiry be satisfied therewith I request that your Grace will be pleased to certify the same and the consents of the said respective Patrons and Incumbents thereto to His Majesty in Council."

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

" THE SCHEME referred to in the foregoing REPRESENTATION.

" 1. It is proposed to separate the following District from the Parish of Stoke in the County of Warwick and Diocese of Coventry and unite the same for Ecclesiastical purposes to the adjoining Parish of Wyken in the same County and Diocese."

" Such District shall consist of all that portion of the said Parish of Stoke which lies to the north of an imaginary line commencing at a point in the western boundary of the said Parish in the centre of Clay Lane immediately opposite the centre of the road called Stoke Row from which point the said imaginary line proceeds in an easterly and northerly direction along the centre of Stoke Row aforesaid until it reaches a point immediately opposite the southern boundary wall or fence of the houses situate on the southern side of Stratford Street whence the said imaginary line proceeds in an easterly direction along the said boundary wall or fence and also along the southern boundary of the southernmost house on the east side of Shakespeare Street until it reaches the eastern boundary of the garden attached to the last mentioned house whence it proceeds in a northerly direction along the eastern boundary wall or fence of the gardens attached to the houses situate on the south side of Avon Street from whence the said imaginary line proceeds in an easterly direction along such last mentioned boundary wall or fence until it reaches the northern or north-eastern boundary of the said Parish.

" Such District is coloured pink on the said plan annexed hereto and thereon indicated by the letter 'A.'

" 2. The inhabitants of the said District shall not in future be entitled to any accommodation in the Church of the said Parish of Stoke (except nevertheless any person or persons possessing a legal right by Faculty or otherwise to any pew or sitting within the said Church) but shall be entitled to accommodation in the Church of the Parish of Wyken and shall be liable subject to the provisions of the Compulsory Church Rates (Abolition) Act, 1868, to the repair of such last mentioned Church.

" 3. The Incumbent of the Parish of Wyken shall have sole and exclusive cure of souls within the above mentioned District so united to the said Parish of Wyken.

" 4. No alteration shall be made in the Patronage or Endowment of the said Benefices.

" CONSENTS.

" I, Lisle, by Divine Permission Bishop of Coventry, being the Patron or person in right of my said Bishopric entitled to present to the Benefice of Wyken in the County of Warwick and Diocese of Coventry in case the same were now vacant and The Reverend Charles Whitworth Phillips, the Incumbent of the said Benefice of Wyken, The Right Honourable George, Viscount Cave, Lord High Chancellor of Great Britain, and as such Lord High Chancellor and in right of the Crown being the Patron or person entitled to present to the Benefice of Stoke in the said County