

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 Measure.

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 Saint Edmundsbury and Ipswich.

M. P. A. Hankey.

At the Court at *Buckingham Palace*, the 1st day of *February*, 1926.

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, of the Union of Benefices Measure, 1921, and of the Union of Benefices Measure, 1923, duly prepared, and laid before His Majesty in Council, a Scheme bearing date the 14th day of January, 1926, 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, of the Union of Benefices Measure, 1921, and of the Union of Benefices Measure, 1923, 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 Meeth and the Benefice (being a Rectory) of Huish both of which Benefices are situate in the County of Devon and in the Diocese of Exeter :

“ Whereas Commissioners appointed at our request by the Right Reverend William, Bishop of Exeter, 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 Meeth and Huish duly made their Report to the said Bishop of Exeter and therein recommended the union of the said two Benefices and the terms for effecting the union, and the said Bishop of Exeter 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 each of the said Benefices of Meeth and Huish is now full, the Reverend Henry John Mitchell being the present Incumbent of the said Benefice of Meeth and the Reverend Alfred Robert Scantlebury being the present Incumbent of the said Benefice of Huish :

“ And whereas the Advowson or perpetual right of Patronage of and presentation to each of the said Benefices of Meeth and Huish now belongs to one and the same person or persons :

“ Now, therefore, we, the said Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England, with the consent of the said William, Bishop of Exeter (in testi-

mony 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 Meeth and the said Benefice of Huish shall be permanently united together and form one Benefice with cure of souls under the style of ‘ The United Benefice of Meeth with Huish ’ 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 one only of the said two Benefices shall be then vacant the said union shall take effect upon the next avoidance of the other of the said two Benefices; and if neither of the said two Benefices be then vacant the said union shall take effect upon the next avoidance of that one of the said two Benefices which shall last be avoided after the date of the publication in the London Gazette of any Order of Your Majesty in Council ratifying this Scheme.

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

“ 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, and Measures, or of any other Act of Parliament, or Measure of the National Assembly of the Church of England.”

And whereas drafts of the said Scheme have been duly published in accordance with the provisions of the said Union of Benefices Measure, 1923, and Notices have been transmitted to the persons or bodies entitled under the same Measure to receive Notice 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 Statutory Rules applicable to proceedings under the said Union of Benefices Measure, 1923 :

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 Exeter has been duly given in the manner and within the time prescribed in the Statutory Rules aforesaid :

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 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 Measure.