the Act of the 3rd and 4th years of Her said late Majesty, Chapter 113, the Act of the 4th and 5th years of Her said late Majesty, Chapter 39, and the Act of the 31st and 32nd years of Her said late Majesty, Chapter 114, duly prepared, and laid before His Majesty in Council, a Scheme, bearing date the 15th day of April, 1926, in the words and figures following, that is to say:—

"We, the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England, in pursuance of the Act of the 33rd and 34th years of Her late Majesty Queen Victoria, Chapter 39, and of the Acts therein mentioned, that is to say, the Act of the 3rd and 4th years of Her said late Majesty, Chapter 113, the Act of the 4th and 5th years of Her said late Majesty, Chapter 39, and the Act of the 31st and 32nd years of Her said late Majesty, Chapter 114, have prepared, and now humbly lay before Your Majesty in Council, the following Scheme for effecting a transfer of the ownership of the Advowson or perpetual right of Patronage of and presentation to the Church and Cure (hereinafter called 'the said Benefice') of Hook, in the County of York and in the Diocese of Sheffield:

"Whereas the Advowson or perpetual right of Patronage of and presentation to the said Benefice of Hook is vested in Thomas Edmund Sotheron Estcourt, of Estcourt, Tetbury, in the County of Gloucester, a Captain Retired in Your Majesty's Army, as estate owner subject together with other hereditaments to certain family charges but otherwise free from incumbrances, and the said Thomas Edmund Sotheron Estcourt is therefore the Patron or person entitled to present or nominate to the said Benefice in case the same were now

vacant:

"And whereas the said Thomas Edmund Sotheron Estcourt is desirous that the whole Advowson or perpetual right of Patronage of and presentation to the said Benefice of Hook should be transferred to and be vested in the Bishop of Sheffield for the time being:

"And whereas the Right Reverend Leonard Hedley, now Bishop of Sheffield, is willing to accept such transfer, and in token of such his willingness and also in token that the same transfer has that consent of the Bishop of the Diocese which by the Acts in the hereinbefore mentioned Act recited or by some or one of them is made necessary he, the said Leonard Hedley, Bishop of Sheffield, has executed this Scheme as hereinafter mentioned:

"And whereas the transfer of the Patronage of the said Benefice of Hook which is hereinbefore mentioned and hereinafter recommended and proposed will in our opinion tend to make better provision for the Cure of Souls in the Parish or District in or in respect of which the right of Patronage or Advowson so recommended and proposed to be transferred as aforesaid arises or exists, that is to say, in the Parochial Chapelry of Hook:

"Now, therefore, with the consent of the said Thomas Edmund Sotheron Estcourt, being the person whose consent as Patron is required by the provisions of the hereinbefore mentioned Acts and of the Act of the 1st and 2nd years of Her said late Majesty, Chapter 106 (in testimony of which consent he has signed and sealed this Scheme), and with the consent of the said Leonard Hedley, Bishop of Sheffield (in testimony whereof he has signed

this Scheme and sealed the same with his Episcopal Seal), we, the said Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England, humbly recommend and propose that upon and from the day of the date of the publication in the London Gazette of any Order of Your Majesty in Council ratifying this Scheme and without any conveyance or assurance in the law other than such duly gazetted Order the whole Advowson or perpetual right of Patronage of and presentation to the said Benefice of Hook shall be transferred to the said Leonard Hedley, Bishop of Sheffield, and his successors in the same Bishopric and shall thereupon and thenceforth become and be absolutely vested in and shall and may from time to time be exercised by the said Leonard Hedley, Bishop of Sheffield, and by his successors in the same Bishopric for ever.

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

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 ratify the said Scheme, and to order and direct that the same 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 Acts.

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 Sheffield.

M. P. A. Hankey.

Privy Council Office, 1st June, 1926.

Notice is hereby given, that a Petition of Sir Arthur Everett Shipley, G.B.E., and others, praying for the grant of a Charter of Incorporation to "the Imperial College of Tropical Agriculture" has been presented to His Majesty in Council; and His Majesty having referred the said Petition to a Committee of the Lords of the Council, notice is hereby given that all Petitions for or against such grant should be delivered at the Privy Council Office on or before the 3rd day of July next.

Crown Office, House of Lords, S.W. 1. 31st May, 1926.

MEMBER elected to serve in the present PARLIAMENT.

Parliamentary Borough of Hammersmith, North Division.

James Patrick Gardner, Esquire, in the place of Captain Ellis Ashmead-Bartlett, C.B.E., who since his election for the said Borough hath accepted the office of Steward or Bailiff of His Majesty's Three Chiltern Hundreds of Stoke Desborough and Burnham in the County of Buckingham.