

Majesty The Queen, His Royal Highness The Prince of Wales, K.G., K.T., K.P., G.C.S.I., G.C.M.G., G.C.I.E., G.C.V.O., G.B.E., His Royal Highness The Duke of York, K.G., K.T., G.C.M.G., G.C.V.O., the Most Reverend Father in God Cosmo Gordon, Archbishop of Canterbury, the Right Honourable Douglas McGarel, Baron Hailsham, Lord High Chancellor of Great Britain, and the Right Honourable Stanley Baldwin, Prime Minister and First Lord of the Treasury, or any three of them, during His Majesty's illness, to summon and hold on His Majesty's behalf His Privy Council, and to signify thereat His Majesty's approval of any matter or thing to which His Majesty's approval in Council is required:

And whereas the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England have, in pursuance of the Union of Benefices Measure, 1923, duly prepared, and laid before His Majesty in Council, a Scheme bearing date the 14th day of March, 1929, in the words and figures following, that is to say:—

"We, the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England, acting in pursuance 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 the Benefice (being a Vicarage) of Monkland and the Benefice (being a Rectory) of Stretford, both of which Benefices are situate in the County of Hereford and in the Diocese of Hereford:

"Whereas Commissioners appointed at our request by the Right Reverend Martin Linton, Bishop of Hereford, pursuant to the provisions of the said Union of Benefices Measure, 1923, to inquire into and report upon the union of the said two Benefices of Monkland and Stretford duly made their Report to the said Bishop of Hereford and therein recommended the union of the said two Benefices and the terms for effecting the union including an alteration of boundaries affecting the Parish of Birley being one of the Parishes of the Benefice of King's Pyon with Birley in the said County and Diocese of Hereford, and the said Bishop of Hereford 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 both of the said Benefices of Monkland and Stretford are now full, the Reverend George Walter being the present Incumbent of the said Benefice of Monkland and the Reverend Percival Alfred Hugh Birley being the present Incumbent of the said Benefice of Stretford:

"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 Monkland:

"And whereas the Advowson or perpetual right of Patronage of and presentation to each of the said two Benefices of Monkland and Stretford now belongs to one and the same Patron or Patrons:

"Now, therefore, we, the said Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England, with the consent

of the said Martin Linton, Bishop of Hereford (in testimony whereof he has signed this Scheme), do humbly recommend and propose to Your Majesty as follows, that is to say:—

"1. That the said Benefice of Monkland and the said Benefice of Stretford shall be permanently united together and form one Benefice with Cure of Souls under the style of 'The United Benefice of Monkland with Stretford' 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 Stretford 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 Monkland and the then Incumbent of Stretford shall be the first Incumbent of the United Benefice; and if the said Benefice of Monkland only shall be then vacant the said union shall take effect upon the next avoidance of the said Benefice of Stretford; 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 Stretford if the Incumbent at that time of the said Benefice of Monkland shall have been instituted to Monkland 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 Monkland before that date and shall not so consent, then the said union shall take effect immediately upon the next vacancy of the said Benefice of Monkland following such avoidance of the said Benefice of Stretford and the then Incumbent of Stretford 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 Monkland shall become and be the house of residence for the Incumbent of the United Benefice.

"4. That with the consents of Lieutenant-Colonel Richard Norman Harrison Verdin, D.L., J.P., of Stoke Hall, Nantwich, in the County of Chester, now Patron of the said Benefice of King's Pyon with Birley, and of the Reverend Henry Gordon Seymour, now Incumbent of the said Benefice of King's Pyon with Birley (which said consents are testified by their respectively signing this Scheme) upon the union taking effect a portion containing Dorstone of the said Parish of Birley, which said portion is more particularly delineated and set forth upon the Map or Plan hereto annexed and thereon coloured green shall be severed from the said Parish of Birley and shall be transferred and annexed for all ecclesiastical purposes to the Parish of the said Benefice of Stretford, but no alteration shall be made in the Patronage or the endowments of either of the said Benefices of King's