

in the London Gazette pursuant to the said Measures.

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 Carlisle.

*Rupert B. Howorth.*

At the Court at *Buckingham Palace*, the 9th day of *March*, 1939.

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England have, in pursuance of the Union of Benefices Measures, 1923 to 1936, duly prepared, and laid before His Majesty in Council, a Scheme bearing date the 15th day of December, 1938, in the words and figures following, that is to say:—

“ We, the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England, acting in pursuance of the Union of Benefices Measures, 1923 to 1936, have prepared, and now humbly lay before Your Majesty in Council, the following Scheme for effecting the Union of the Benefice (being a Rectory) of Wolverhampton (Saint Peter) and the Benefice (being a Vicarage) of Wolverhampton, Saint Mary, both of which Benefices are situate in the County of Stafford and in the Diocese of Lichfield:

“ Whereas Commissioners appointed at our request by the Right Reverend John Augustine, late Bishop of Lichfield, pursuant to the provisions of the said Measures to inquire into and report upon the union of the said two Benefices of Wolverhampton (Saint Peter) and Wolverhampton, Saint Mary, duly made their Report to the Right Reverend Edward Sydney, now Bishop of Lichfield, and therein recommended the union of the said two Benefices and the terms for effecting the union, and the said Edward Sydney, Bishop of Lichfield, 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 Wolverhampton (Saint Peter) and Wolverhampton, Saint Mary, are now full, the Reverend Canon John Brierley being the present Incumbent of the said Benefice of Wolverhampton (Saint Peter) and the Reverend Robert Edwin Smith being the present Incumbent of the said Benefice of Wolverhampton, Saint Mary:

“ And whereas the Patronage of each of the said Benefices of Wolverhampton (Saint Peter) and Wolverhampton, Saint Mary, now belongs to one and the same Patron:

“ Now, therefore, we, the said Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England, with the consent of the said Edward Sydney, Bishop of Lichfield (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 Wolverhampton (Saint Peter) and the said Benefice of Wolverhampton, Saint Mary, shall be permanently united together and form one Benefice with Cure of Souls under the style of ‘ The Benefice of Wolverhampton ’ (hereinafter referred to as the United Benefice) and that the Parishes of the said Benefices shall also be united into one Parish for ecclesiastical purposes and for such other purposes as in the said Measure provided.

“ 2. That the Church of the Parish of Wolverhampton (Saint Peter) shall be the Parish Church of the United Parish and that the Table of Fees for the said Parish of Wolverhampton (Saint Peter) shall (until revised or altered by proper authority) be the Table of Fees for the United Parish.

“ 3. 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 Wolverhampton, Saint Mary, 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 with the approval of the Bishop consent to become the first Incumbent of the United Benefice, but if he shall not so consent, or if the Bishop shall not approve then the said union shall take effect upon the then next avoidance of the said Benefice of Wolverhampton (Saint Peter) and the then Incumbent of Wolverhampton, Saint Mary, shall be the first Incumbent of the United Benefice, and if the said Benefice of Wolverhampton (Saint Peter) only shall be then vacant the said union shall take effect upon the next avoidance of the said Benefice of Wolverhampton, Saint Mary, 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 Wolverhampton, Saint Mary, if the Incumbent at that time of the said Benefice of Wolverhampton (Saint Peter) shall have been instituted to Wolverhampton (Saint Peter) 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 with the approval of the Bishop consent to become the Incumbent of the United Benefice, but if he shall have been instituted to the said Benefice of Wolverhampton (Saint Peter) before that date and shall not so consent, or if the Bishop shall not approve then the said union shall take effect immediately upon the next vacancy of the said Benefice of Wolverhampton (Saint Peter) following such avoidance of the said Benefice of Wolverhampton, Saint Mary, and the then Incumbent of the said Benefice of Wolverhampton, Saint Mary, shall become the first Incumbent of the United Benefice.

“ 4. That upon the union taking effect the register books of baptisms, marriages and burials and other the records and muniments deposited in the Church of Saint Mary, Wolverhampton, shall be transferred to the Parish Church of the United Benefice but the marriage registers in duplicate current at the Church of Saint Mary, Wolverhampton, shall first be sent by the Incumbent of the United