

and further to order and direct that the said Scheme and every part thereof shall be effectual in law immediately from and after the date when this Order shall have been duly published 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 Lichfield.

*Rupert B. Howorth.*

At the Court at *Buckingham Palace*, the 22nd day of *February*, 1940.

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, and of the Ecclesiastical Commissioners (Powers) Measure, 1938, duly prepared and laid before His Majesty in Council a Scheme bearing date the 15th day of February, 1940, 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, and of the Ecclesiastical Commissioners (Powers) Measure, 1938, 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 Hinton Parva and the Benefice (being a Vicarage) of Bishopstone, both of which Benefices are situate in the County of Wilts and in the Diocese of Bristol:

“ Whereas Commissioners appointed at our request by the Right Reverend Clifford Salisbury, Bishop of Bristol, pursuant to the provisions of the said Measures to inquire into and report upon the union of the said two Benefices of Hinton Parva and Bishopstone duly made their Report to the said Bishop of Bristol and therein recommended the union of the said two Benefices and the terms for effecting the union, and the said Bishop of Bristol 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, which Scheme is based upon the terms recommended in the said Report, but, with the assent of the said Bishop, embodies a modification thereof:

“ And whereas both of the said Benefices are now full, the Reverend Cecil Raven Brain DaKeyne being the present Incumbent of the said Benefice of Hinton Parva and the Reverend Ernest William Smith being the present Incumbent of the said Benefice of Bishopstone:

“ And whereas the patronage of both of the said Benefices now belongs to one and the same Patron:

“ Now, therefore, we, the said Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England, with the consent of the said Clifford Salisbury, Bishop of Bristol (testified by his signing this Scheme), do

humbly recommend and propose to Your Majesty as follows, that is to say:—

“ 1. That the said Benefice of Hinton Parva and the said Benefice of Bishopstone shall be permanently united together and form one Benefice with Cure of Souls under the style of ‘ The United Benefice of Bishopstone with Hinton Parva ’ 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 Measures provided.

“ 2. That the Church of the Parish of Bishopstone shall be the Parish Church of the United Parish and that the Table of Fees for the said Parish of Bishopstone 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 one only of the said two Benefices 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 next avoidance of his Benefice and the then Incumbent (if any) of the other of the said two Benefices shall be the first Incumbent of the United Benefice: and if neither of the said two Benefices be then vacant then the said union shall take effect on the next avoidance of either of the said two Benefices if the Incumbent at that time 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 immediately upon the next vacancy of his Benefice and the then Incumbent (if any) of the other of the said two Benefices shall become the first Incumbent of the United Benefice.

“ 4. That upon the union taking effect the marriage registers in duplicate current at the Church of Hinton Parva shall be sent by the Incumbent of the United Benefice to the Registrar General to be closed officially.

“ 5. That upon the said union taking effect the Parsonage House at present belonging to the said Benefice of Bishopstone shall become and be the house of residence for the Incumbent of the United Benefice and so soon as conveniently may be the Parsonage House at present belonging to the said Benefice of Hinton Parva and the site and appurtenances thereof and the grounds heretofore usually occupied and enjoyed therewith shall be sold and disposed of by us, the said Ecclesiastical Commissioners, at such time or times and in such manner in all respects as to us shall seem expedient and that such proportion of the net proceeds of such sale as to us and the Bishop of the Diocese shall seem expedient shall be appropriated and held by us or be paid to the Diocesan Board of Finance of the Diocese as a Repair Fund for the said Church of Hinton Parva and the balance of such net proceeds shall constitute and form part of the Expenses