

"Whereas Commissioners appointed at our request by the Right Honourable and Most Reverend William, Archbishop of York, pursuant to the provisions of the said Measures to inquire into and report upon the union of the said two Benefices of Foston and Flaxton duly made their Report to the said Archbishop of York and therein recommended the union of the said two Benefices and the terms for effecting the union, and the said Archbishop of York 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 Foston and Flaxton are now full being held in plurality by the Reverend Albert Marchant under the authority of a dispensation:

"Now, therefore, we, the said Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England, with the consents of the said William, Archbishop of York, and of the said Albert Marchant (testified by their signing this Scheme) do humbly recommend and propose to Your Majesty as follows, that is to say:—

"1. That the said Benefice of Foston and the said Benefice of Flaxton shall be permanently united together and form one Benefice with Cure of Souls under the style of 'The United Benefice of Foston with Flaxton' but the Parishes of the said Benefices shall continue distinct in all respects.

"2. That upon the day when any Order of Your Majesty in Council ratifying this Scheme shall be published in the London Gazette the union shall forthwith take effect and the said Albert Marchant if he is then Incumbent of the said two Benefices of Foston and Flaxton shall be the first Incumbent of the United Benefice and his admission thereto shall be without any form or fee of or for presentation or nomination and he shall not be required to pay any fees in respect of his collation, institution, licence or induction to the United Benefice beyond such fees as he would have been liable to pay if his admission to the United Benefice had been an admission solely to that one of the said two Benefices for the holding of which in plurality with the other a dispensation was heretofore granted to him.

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

"4. That after the said union has taken effect the course and succession in which the respective Patrons shall present or nominate to the United Benefice from time to time as the same shall become vacant shall be as follows, that is to say, the right of presentation shall be exercised by the Patrons of the said two Benefices alternately, the Patron of the said Benefice of Foston having the right upon the first presentation to the United Benefice to be made after the union and every alternate right of presentation and the Patron of the said Benefice of Flaxton having the right of presentation upon the second presentation to the United Benefice to be made after the union and every alternate turn thereafter.

"Provided always that nothing herein contained shall prevent us from making any other recommendations and proposals relating to the matters aforesaid, or any of them, in accordance with the provisions of the said Measures, or of any other Measure of the National Assembly of the Church of England, or of any Act of Parliament."

And whereas drafts of the said Scheme have been duly published in accordance with the provisions of the said Measures, and Notices have been transmitted to the persons or bodies entitled under the said Measures 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 Measures:

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 Archbishop of York 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 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 York.

*Rupert B. Howorth.*

At the Court at *Buckingham Palace*, the 7th day of *March*, 1940.

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

Sheriffs appointed by His Majesty in Council for the year 1940:—

ENGLAND.

(Except Cornwall and Lancashire.)

*Bedfordshire.* Cyril Claud Dillingham, of 25, Lansdowne Road, Luton, Esq.

*Berkshire.* Sir Norman James Watson, of Sulhamstead House, Sulhamstead, Reading, Bt.

*Buckinghamshire.* Major Sir Reginald Bonsor, of Liscombe Park, Leighton Buzzard, Beds., Bt.