And whereas drafts of the said Scheme have peen 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 certain objections have been so stated or transmitted to the said Ecclesiastical Commissioners within the time prescribed in the same Rules:

And whereas the said Ecclesiastical Commissioners after giving full consideration to such objections have deemed right to make no alterations in such draft Scheme:

And whereas public notice of the certification to His Majesty in Council of the said Scheme and the consent thereto in writing of the Bishop of Bristol has been duly given in the manner and within the time prescribed in the Statutory Rules aforesaid:

And whereas no appeal has been made to His Majesty in Council within the period of one month after the date of the said public notice in accordance with the provisions of the said Measures against the said Scheme or any part thereof by any person who has made objection as aforesaid to the said draft Scheme:

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 Bristol.

E. C. E. Leadbitter.

Privy Council Office, 19th July, 1940.

NAVAL AND MARINE PAY AND PENSIONS ACT, 1865,

Notice is hereby given that His Majesty in Council was pleased, on the 17th July, 1940, to approve a Memorial from the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty under the above-mentioned Act, relating to the payment of allowances to dependants of seamen, marines and reservists serving during the present war.

Copies of the said Order, when published, may be purchased directly from His Majesty's Stationery Office at the following Addresses:-York House, Kingsway, London, W.C.2; 120, George Street, Edinburgh 2; 26, York Street, Manchester 1; 1, St. Andrew's Crescent, Cardiff; 80, Chichester Street, Belfast; or through any bookseller.

Westminster, 17th July, 1940.

This day, the Lords being met, a message House to the Honourable Commons, by the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod, acquainting them that The Lords, authorised by virtue of a Commission under the Great Seal, signed by His Majesty, for declaring His Royal Assent to the Acts agreed upon by both Houses, do desire the immediate attendance of the Honourable House in the House of Peers to hear the Commission read; and the Commons being come thither, the said Commission, empowering the Lord Archbishop of Canterbury, and several other Lords therein named, do declare and notify the Royal Assent to the said Acts, was read accordingly, and the Royal Assent given to:-

Consolidated Fund (No. 2) Act, 1940.

Colonial Development and Welfare Act, 1940. Confirmation of Executors (War Service) (Scotland) Act, 1940.

Reform (Miscellaneous Provisions)

(Scotland) Act, 1940.

Cardiff Corporation (Trolley Vehicles) Order Confirmation Act, 1940.

Huddersfield Corporation (Trolley Vehicles) Order Confirmation Act, 1940.

Newcastle-upon-Tyne (Trolley Vehicles) Order Confirmation Act, 1940.

South-Eastern Gas Corporation Limited (Associated Companies) Act, 1940.

Benefice Buildings (Postponement of Inspections and Repayment of Loans) Measure, 1940.

Ecclesiastical Dilapidations (Chancel Repairs) Measure, 1940.

CENTRAL CHANCERY OF THE ORDERS OF KNIGHTHOOD.

St. James's Palace, S.W.I. 19th July, 1940.

The KING has been graciously pleased to approve the following Awards:

The Medal of the Military Division of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire, for Gallantry:-

880538 Corporal (now Assistant Section Officer) Joan Daphne Mary Pearson, Women's Auxiliary Air Force.

On the 31st May, 1940, at 0100 hours an aircraft crashed near the Women's Auxiliary Air Force quarters, the pilot being seriously injured, another officer killed outright and two airmen slightly injured. Upon hearing the crash Corporal Pearson rushed out to it and, although the aircraft was burning and she knew that there were bombs aboard, she stood on the wreckage, roused the pilot, who was stunned, and assisted him in getting clear, releasing his parachute harness When he was on the ground in doing so. about 30 yards away, a 120 lb. bomb went off. Corporal Pearson at once threw herself on top of the pilot to protect him from blast and splinters. Her prompt and courageous action undoubtedly helped to save the pilot's

874574 Corporal John McIntosh McClymont, Auxiliary Air Force.

On the 18th January, 1940, an aircraft, with two occupants, crashed during a snowstorm and immediately caught fire.