

day of the date of the publication in the London Gazette of any Order of Your Majesty in Council ratifying this Scheme and without any conveyance or assurance in the law other than such duly gazetted Order the whole advowson or perpetual right of patronage of and presentation to the said Benefice of Emmanuel, Attercliffe, shall be transferred to the said Leslie, Bishop of Sheffield, and his successors in the same bishopric and shall thereupon and thenceforth become and be absolutely vested in and shall and may from time to time be exercised by the Bishop of Sheffield for the time being."

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 ratify the said Scheme, and to order and direct that the same and every part thereof shall be effectual in law immediately from and after the time when this Order shall have been duly published in the London Gazette pursuant to the said Acts.

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 Sheffield.

Rupert B. Howorth.

At the Court at *Buckingham Palace*, the 23rd day of February, 1942.

PRESENT

The KING'S Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

Whereas the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England have duly prepared and laid before His Majesty in Council a Scheme bearing date the 12th day of February, 1942, 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, now humbly lay before Your Majesty in Council the following Scheme which with the consent of the Right Reverend Kenneth, Bishop of Oxford (in witness whereof he has signed this Scheme) we have prepared for effecting the union of the Benefice of Northbourne, Saint Peter, and a part of the Benefice of Hagbourne, both situate in the Diocese of Oxford.

" SCHEME

"1. *Boundaries*.—Upon the day when any Order of Your Majesty in Council affirming this Scheme is published in the London Gazette a part of the Benefice and Parish of Hagbourne containing by estimation an area of 500 acres or thereabouts and included in which is the Mission Church dedicated to St. Frideswide (the boundaries of which part are described in the schedule hereto and are shown upon the map annexed to this Scheme) shall be severed from the remaining part of the said Benefice and Parish and united to the Benefice and Parish of Northbourne.

"2. *Endowments*.—Upon the union taking effect or upon the vacation of the Benefice of Hagbourne by the Reverend Harold Allan Smith-Masters (whichever shall be the later), a capital sum of £1,666 13s. 4d. being part of a sum of money appropriated or to be appropriated by Queen Anne's Bounty to the said Benefice of Hagbourne pursuant to the Tithe Act, 1936, shall be severed or diverted from the said Benefice of Hagbourne and shall be appropriated by Queen Anne's Bounty for the augmentation of the Benefice of Northbourne.

" SCHEDULE

"All that north western part of the said Parish of Hagbourne which lies to the west of the middle of the Didcot Newbury and Southampton line of the Great Western Railway and to the north of an imaginary line commencing at the point where the said line of railway crosses the middle of the footpath which follows the course of the stream flowing along the southern side of East Hagbourne Field and extending thence generally westward along the middle of the said footpath to its junction with Park Road and extending thence due westward in a straight line to the boundary which divides the said Parish of Hagbourne from the Parish of Harwell in the County of Berks and in the said Diocese of Oxford."

And whereas the provisions of the Union of Benefices Measures, 1923 to 1936, and the Union of Benefices Rules, 1926 to 1930, relating to the

preparation and submission of this Scheme have been duly complied with:

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 it shall be and become effectual in law immediately upon the publication of this Order in the London Gazette.

Rupert B. Howorth.

CENTRAL CHANCERY OF THE ORDERS OF KNIGHTHOOD.

St. James's Palace, S.W.1,

24th February, 1942.

The KING has been pleased to appoint Lieutenant-General His Royal Highness Henry William Frederick Albert, Duke of Gloucester, K.G., K.T., K.P., G.C.M.G., G.C.V.O., to be Great Master of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath.

CENTRAL CHANCERY OF THE ORDERS OF KNIGHTHOOD.

St. James's Palace, S.W.1.

24th February, 1942.

The KING has been graciously pleased to approve the award of the George Medal to:—

541367 Corporal Edwin Gilbert Durant, Royal Air Force.

In November, 1941, an aircraft caught fire, and one of its bombs exploded. Corporal Durant led the fire tender party to the scene after the first explosion, knowing full well that further explosions could be expected from the remaining bombs. On reaching the blazing aircraft, Corporal Durant observed an injured airman lying near the wreckage and, assisted by another airman, promptly dragged him clear. Whilst carrying the injured airman to the comparative safety of the fire tender, they were twice hurled to the ground by the force of the explosion from two further bombs. Leaving the injured airman to the care of the medical orderly in charge of the ambulance, Corporal Durant led a party to the other side of the aircraft, whence he had heard a cry for help, and helped to extricate another casualty from the fire. Throughout, Corporal Durant displayed fine leadership and complete disregard of his own safety and, with the assistance of another airman was undoubtedly responsible for saving the life of one of the occupants of the blazing aircraft. Unfortunately, the second occupant who was rescued subsequently died of his injuries.

Foreign Office,

14th October, 1941.

The KING has been graciously pleased to appoint:—

Raymond Gordon Antony Etherington-Smith, Esquire, Paul Stephen Falla, Esquire, Charles Hepburn Johnston, Esquire, and Archibald David Manisty Ross, Esquire, to be Second Secretaries in His Majesty's Diplomatic Service.

Foreign Office,

19th October, 1941.

The KING has been graciously pleased to appoint:—

Richard Purdon Heppel, Esquire, to be a Second Secretary in His Majesty's Diplomatic Service.