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TUESDAY, 28 AUGUST, 1945.

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 24th day of August, 1945.

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 26th day of July, 1945, in the words and figures following, that is to say:—

"We, the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England, have prepared and now lay before Your Majesty in Council, the following Scheme pursuant to the Episcopal Endowments and Stipends Measure, 1943, for vesting in us, the said Ecclesiastical Commissioners, all endowments and other property belonging to, or held in trust for, the Bishopric of Salisbury or the Bishop thereof and for securing to the said Bishop the reduced stipend deemed to us appropriate:

"Whereas the Right Reverend Neville, Bishop of Salisbury, was in occupation of the See at the date of the passing of the aforesaid Measure and has requested us, the said Ecclesiastical Commissioners, to prepare a Scheme with respect to the See:

"And whereas we have prepared this Scheme accordingly after consultation with the Diocesan Board of Finance of the Diocese of Salisbury who have offered no objection thereto:

"And whereas the said Neville, Bishop of Salisbury, has approved the Scheme and in testimony of such approval has appended his signature to the Scheme:

"And whereas the Right Honourable the First Lord of Your Majesty's Treasury, acting on behalf of Your Majesty, has signified to us his consent to the preparation and submission of the Scheme to Your Majesty in Council:

"And whereas the endowments and property belonging to the See of Salisbury or held in trust therefor or for the Bishop thereof are described and referred to in the Schedule hereunder written:

"And whereas the Bishop was required by the Episcopal Pensions Measure 1926 to pay to us an annual contribution for the purpose of that Measure of £87 10s. 0d. and the annual contributions payable by future Bishops have been fixed by the Episcopal Pensions Measure 1945:

"Now, therefore, we, the said Ecclesiastical Commissioners recommend and propose that upon and from the 1st day of April 1946, all the endowments payments and other property described and referred to in the said Schedule shall vest in us the said Ecclesiastical Commissioners pursuant to the said Measure and that we shall be entitled absolutely to the benefit rents and profit thereof upon and from that date:

"And we further recommend and propose that we shall pay to the Bishop for the time being of the See by equal quarterly instalments in respect of the quarters ended on the 31st day of March, the 30th day of June, the 30th day of September, and the

31st day of December in every year the first such instalment to be the full quarter's payment due for the quarter ended on the 30th day of June, 1946, an annual stipend comprising the sum of £2,400 and also such sum, not exceeding £600 in any one year, as we shall have been duly satisfied has been expended by him in connection with the travelling required in and for the carrying out of his official duties and obligations as Bishop:

"And we further recommend and propose that that annual contribution payable to us by the Bishop for purposes of pension shall be such amount as is directed to be payable under the Episcopal Pensions Measure 1945.

"THE SCHEDULE.

"Part I.

"All that Episcopal Residence or Mansion House known as The Palace Salisbury together with the Chapel Cottages outbuildings and other buildings and the park gardens pleasure grounds and other the appurtenances thereunto belonging situate in the City of Salisbury in the County of Wilts as the same premises are delineated on the plan annexed hereto and thereon verged red.

"Part II.

"The Annual payment amounting to £5,000 payable by us under Section 3 of the Ecclesiastical Commissioners Act 1860.

"Part III.

"All those the fixtures, Communion vessels, pastoral staff, pictures, portraits, furniture, books, muniments, and other goods and chattels belonging to the Bishop of Salisbury in right of his dignity and not in his private capacity which are described and set forth in an Inventory to be deposited in the Diocesan Registry of the Diocese of Salisbury.

"The whole of the endowments set forth in this Schedule being subject to a duly authorised Mortgage of the same to us dated the 15th day of October 1936, securing an advance to the Bishop of Salisbury of the sum of £250 for the purchase of fixtures intended to be permanently annexed to the said Episcopal Residence of which sum the amount of £57 2s. 2d. still remained outstanding after payment of the instalment due on the 15th day of October, 1944."

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 upon the publication of this Order in the London Gazette pursuant to the said Measure.

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 Salisbury.

E. C. E. Leadbitter.