

At the Court at *Buckingham Palace*, the 22nd day of *December*, 1948.

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS the Church Commissioners have duly prepared and laid before His Majesty in Council a Scheme bearing date the 1st day of December, 1948, in the words and figures following, that is to say:—

"We, the Church Commissioners, in pursuance of the Act of the 33rd and 34th years of Her late Majesty Queen Victoria, Chapter 39, and of the Acts therein mentioned, that is to say, the Act of the 3rd and 4th years of Her said late Majesty, Chapter 113, the Act of the 4th and 5th years of Her said late Majesty, Chapter 39, and the Act of the 31st and 32nd years of Her said late Majesty, Chapter 114, have prepared the following Scheme for effecting a transfer of the ownership of the advowson or perpetual right of patronage of and presentation to the church and cure (hereinafter called 'the said benefice') of Withiel Florey in the diocese of Bath and Wells:

"Whereas we are satisfied that Alan Vyvyan Insole of Whinburn, Ashurst, Kent, Esquire, is the patron or person entitled to present or nominate to the said benefice:

"And whereas the said Alan Vyvyan Insole desires to transfer the advowson of the said benefice to the Bishop of Bath and Wells for the time being and is consenting to this Scheme (in testimony whereof he has executed the same):

"And whereas we are satisfied that the transfer will tend to make better provision for the cure of souls:

"Now, therefore, with the consent of the Right Reverend William, Bishop of Bath and Wells, (in testimony whereof he has executed this Scheme), we the said Church Commissioners, humbly recommend and propose that upon and from the 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 shall be transferred to the said William, Bishop of Bath and Wells, 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 Bath and Wells 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 upon the publication of this Order 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 Bath and Wells.

E. C. E. Leadbitter.

CENTRAL CHANCERY OF THE ORDERS OF KNIGHTHOOD.

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

24th December, 1948.

The KING has been graciously pleased, on the advice of His Majesty's New Zealand Ministers, to approve the award of the GEORGE CROSS, in recognition of gallant and distinguished services whilst a prisoner of war in German hands (prior to September, 1945) to:—

No. 30169 Lance-Corporal David RUSSELL (deceased), 2nd New Zealand Expeditionary Force.

Crown Office, House of Lords, S.W.

21st December, 1948.

The KING has been pleased by Letters Patent under the Great Seal to present The Reverend Kenneth Henry Anstey, M.A., to the Rectory of Althorpe with Keadby in the county of Lincoln and Diocese of Lincoln void by the death of the last Incumbent and in His Majesty's Gift in full right.

TENDERS FOR TREASURY BILLS.

1. The Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury hereby give notice that Tenders will be received at the Chief Cashier's Office, at the Bank of England, on Friday, the 31st December, 1948, at 1 p.m. for Treasury Bills to be issued under the Treasury Bills Act, 1877, the National Debt Act, 1889, and the National Loans Act, 1939, to the amount of £170,000,000.

2. The Bills will be in amounts of £5,000, £10,000, £25,000, £50,000 or £100,000. They will be dated at the option of the tenderer on any business day from Monday, the 3rd January, 1949, to Saturday, the 8th January, 1949, inclusive, and will be payable at three months after date.

3. The Bills will be issued and paid at the Bank of England.

4. Each Tender must be for an amount not less than £50,000 and must specify the date on which the Bills required are to be dated, and the net amount per cent. (being an even multiple of one penny) which will be given for the amount applied for. Separate Tenders must be lodged for Bills of different dates.

5. Tenders must be made through a London Banker, Discount House or Broker.

6. The persons whose Tenders are accepted will be informed of the same not later than the following day, and payment in full of the amounts of the accepted Tenders must be made to the Bank of England by means of cash or a Banker's Draft on the Bank of England not later than 1.30 p.m. (Saturday 12 noon) on the day on which the relative Bills are to be dated.

7. Members of the House of Commons are not precluded from tendering for these Bills.

8. Tenders must be made on the printed forms which may be obtained from the Chief Cashier's Office, Bank of England.

9. The Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury reserve the right of rejecting any Tenders.

Treasury Chambers,

24th December, 1948.

The Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury hereby give notice that They have made an Order under Section 10 of the Finance Act, 1926 continuing until the 30th June, 1949, with certain additions and deletions, the exemption from Key Industry Duty of Articles exempted from duty by previous Orders which expire on the 31st December, 1948.

The Order is entitled "The Safeguarding of Industries (Exemption) (No. 10) Order, 1948." and is published as Statutory Instruments, 1948, No. 2719.

Copies of the Order may be obtained (price 2d. net) direct from His Majesty's Stationery Office at the following addresses:—York House, Kingsway, London, W.C.2; 13a Castle Street, Edinburgh, 2; 39 King Street, Manchester, 2; 2 Edmund Street, Birmingham, 3; 1 St. Andrew's Crescent, Cardiff; Tower Lane, Bristol, 1; 80 Chichester Street, Belfast, or through any bookseller.

Foreign Office, 14th December, 1948.

The KING has been pleased to grant unrestricted permission for the wearing by the undermentioned persons of the decorations respectively indicated, conferred upon them by His Royal Highness the Prince Regent of Belgium in recognition of services rendered during the war:—

Order of the Crown.

Commander.

Sir Ernest Barker, F.B.A., D.Litt., LL.D., President of the Book Commission, Cambridge.

Major-General Sir Frederick Maurice, K.C.M.G., C.B., lately Principal of Queen Mary College, London.

Officer.

Frederick Charles Green, Esq., M.A., Professor, University of Cambridge.

Chevalier.

Arthur Clow Ford, Esq., M.B.E., B.A., lately External and Extension Registrar, University of London.

Ifor Evans, Esq., M.A., Principal of Queen Mary College, London.

Raymond Edward Priestley, Esq., M.C., M.A., D.Sc., Principal and Vice-Chancellor of the University of Birmingham.