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FRIDAY, 3 JUNE, 1949

At the Court at *Buckingham Palace*, the 31st day of *May*, 1949.

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS in pursuance of the Bishops Resignation Act, 1869, a representation has been made to His Majesty by the Right Honourable and Most Reverend Geoffrey Francis, by Divine Providence Lord Archbishop of Canterbury, Primate of All England and Metropolitan at the instance of the Right Reverend Claude Martin, by Divine Permission Lord Bishop of Peterborough, and as such a Bishop of a Diocese within and of the Province of Canterbury, that the said Bishop is desirous of resigning his Bishopric (such resignation to take formal effect upon the 29th day of September, 1949), by reason that he is incapacitated by age from the due performance of his duties as Bishop:

And whereas His Majesty is satisfied of such incapacity and that the said Bishop has canonically resigned:

Now therefore, His Majesty, by and with the advice of His Privy Council, is pleased to declare, and it is hereby declared, that the said Bishopric of Peterborough shall become vacant on the 29th day of September, 1949, and His Majesty, by and with the like advice, is pleased to direct, and it is hereby directed, that this Order be forthwith registered by the Registrar of the Diocese of Peterborough.

E. C. E. Leadbitter.

At the Court at *Buckingham Palace*, the 31st day of *May*, 1949.

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 twenty-eighth day of April, One thousand nine hundred and forty-nine, 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 (1) the ownership of the advowson or perpetual right of patronage of and presentation to the church and cure (hereinafter called ‘the said benefice’) of All Saints, Kingston Seymour in the diocese of Bath and Wells, and (2) the alternate right of patronage of and presentation to the churches and cure (hereinafter called ‘the said united benefice’) of Chelvey with Brockley in the same diocese.

“Whereas we are satisfied that Joseph Ruscombe Wadham Smyth Pigott of Brockley Hall in the County of Somerset a Group Captain (Retired) in Your

Majesty's Air Force is the patron of the said benefice and is also the alternate patron of the said united benefice:

“And whereas the said Joseph Ruscombe Wadham Smyth Pigott desires to transfer the patronage of the said benefice and also the alternate right of patronage of the said united 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 and the alternate right of patronage and presentation to the said united 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.

At the Court at *Buckingham Palace*, the 31st day of *May*, 1949.

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 28th day of April, 1949, 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,