

good cause to the contrary; but that there may ever be some time of trial of their behaviour in the office of Deacon, before they be admitted to the order of Priesthood.

3. (33.) It hath been long since provided by many decrees of the ancient Fathers, that none should be admitted either Deacon or Priest, who had not first some certain place where he might use his function. According to which examples we do ordain, that henceforth no person shall be admitted into sacred orders, except he shall at that time exhibit to the Bishop a presentation of himself to some ecclesiastical preferment then void, or a certificate that he is provided of some church where he may attend the cure of souls, or that he is a Fellow or in right as a Fellow, in some college in Cambridge or Oxford; or except by the Bishop himself, that doth ordain him Minister, he be shortly after to be admitted to some Benefice or Curateship then void, or *except he be a Professor in Trinity College, or some other College, under the jurisdiction of the Bishop, or a Missionary in the Diocese, or in the employment of some Missionary Society approved by the Bishop.* And if the Bishop shall admit any person into the Ministry, that hath none of these titles aforesaid, then he shall keep and maintain him in all things necessary, *till he be provided with some sufficient cure.*

4. (34.) No Bishop shall henceforth admit any person into sacred orders, who is not of his own Diocese, unless he be either of *some University in connexion with the United Church of England and Ireland*, or except he shall bring letters dimissory from the Bishop of whose Diocese he is; and desiring to be a Deacon, is three and twenty years old; and to be a Priest, four and twenty years complete; and hath taken some degree in either of the said Universities; or at least, except he be able to yield an account of his faith in Latin, according to the *39 Articles of Religion*, and to confirm the same by sufficient testimonies out of Holy Scripture; and except moreover he shall then exhibit letters testimonial of his good life and conversation, under