

the Church, and ever obedient to the Successors of St. Peter. The examination now commences, the Elected and Assisting Bishop being seated, the Consecrator reads aloud the following Examen :

1st. The Ancient institutions of the Holy Fathers teach and command that He who is to be elevated to the dignity of Bishop first undergo a diligent examination with all charity on the faith of the most Holy Trinity, and moreover that he has acquired a sufficient amount of knowledge which will be able to guide him in the Right Government of so exalted a position and that he be irreprehensible in all his ways. We by the same command and authority interrogate you, Most Beloved Brother, with all Charity, whether you are willing to devote all your prudence as far as your Capabilities extend to the Sense and meaning of the Divine Scripture; Elected answers, I am willing and consent to everything with all my heart.

2nd. The Consecrator interrogates: Are you willing to teach by word and example the people intrusted to you all the Scripture you understand? Answer: I am willing.

3rd. Are you willing to embrace reverently, teach and preserve the traditions of the orthodox Fathers and the Holy Decretals and Constitutions of the Apostolic Seat. Answer, I am willing.

4th. Are you willing to show in all your actions, faith, subjection, and obedience to Blessed St. Peter the Apostle to whom God has given the power of binding and loosing, and to his vicar our Lord, Pio Nono, and to his Successors the Roman Pontiffs. Answer, I am willing.

5th. Are you willing to abstain from all evil with the help of the Lord, and to devote yourself to everything good. Answer, I am willing.

6th. Are you willing to preserve and teach Chastity and Sobriety, with the assistance of the Lord. Answer, I am willing.

7th. Are you willing to devote yourself to the Service of the Lord, and to abstain from all lucre, as far as human frailty permits. Answer, I am willing.

8th. Are you willing to preserve humility and patience in yourself, and to teach them to others. Answer, I am willing.

9th. Are you willing to be affable and merciful to the poor, and to strangers and to all who are in want, for God's sake. Answer, I am willing.

The Consecrator then says, May the Lord give you all these gifts, and guard you and strengthen you in every good. All answer, Amen.

10th. Do you believe according to the intelligence and capacity of your understanding the Most Holy Trinity, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. One God omnipotent, and an Entire Deity in the Holy Trinity, Co-essential, Con-substantial, Co-eternal, and Co-omnipotent, one will, power and Majesty, the Creator of all Creatures, from whom, through whom, and in whom are all things visible and invisible both in Heaven and on Earth. Answer, I believe, and assent.

11th. Do you believe that each person in the Most Holy Trinity is God, True, Entire and Perfect. Answer, I believe.

12th. Do you believe that the Son of God, the Word of God, eternally born of the Father is Con-substantial, Co-omnipotent, Co-eternal, and Co-equal with the Father in his divinity and that he was conceived by the Holy Ghost, and temporally born of the Blessed Virgin Mary, with a rational Soul, having two wills, two nativities, the one eternal of the Father, the other temporal of the Mother, True God, and True Man, not adopted, not phantastic, but the one and the only one Natural Son of God, in two and from two natures not in two Persons but in the singularity of the one Person of the Divine Word, Impassible and Immortal in His Divinity, but in his humanity for us and for our Salvation suffered the real torments of the flesh and was buried and rose again the third day from the dead in the resurrection of the same flesh, and that forty days after the resurrection, He as-

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