

Court, or the Records of the County Court in which such Office shall be exercised, before such Officer shall be entitled to demand, take, or receive any Fee or Profits of his Office. And for preventing all Simoniackal Contracts, for or concerning Church-Livings, and to the End that faithful and able Ministers, labouring in the Work of the Gospel, may be promoted in this Province.

Be it enacted, That every Minister, who shall be presented, inducted, or appointed, to any Church-Living, or Benefice, within this Province, shall, within Four Months thereafter, take and subscribe the several Oaths appointed by Law to be taken to the Government, and repeat and subscribe the Test, in the Provincial Court, or in the County Court of the County in which his Living or Benefice shall be, and also the following Oath, to wit: "I, A.B. do swear, that I have made no Simoniackal Payment, Contract or Promise, directly or indirectly, by myself or by any other, to my Knowledge, or with my Consent, to any Person or Persons whatsoever, for or concerning the procuring or obtaining the Benefice or Living of  
 Parish, whereunto I was presented, inducted or appointed, on the  
 Day of \_\_\_\_\_ in the Year of \_\_\_\_\_

nor will, at any Time hereafter, perform or satisfy in any Manner, directly or indirectly, any such Kind of Payment, Contract or Promise whatsoever, made by any other without my Knowledge or Consent. So help me God, through Jesus Christ."

And be it further enacted, That in Case any Minister shall, directly or indirectly, give any Sum of Money, Reward, Gift, Profit or Benefit, or shall, directly or indirectly, make or give any Agreement, Promise, Grant, Bond or other Assurance, for the paying or giving any Sum of Money, Reward, Gift, Profit or Benefit, or to resign his Benefice, for procuring his Presentation, Induction or Appointment to his Benefice, or shall wilfully omit or neglect to take all and every the Oaths aforesaid, and in the Manner and within the Time aforesaid, or in Case any Minister shall in any Manner be concerned in any Simoniackal Contract, such Minister shall thereupon, and from thenceforth be adjudged a disabled Person in Law, to have or hold the same, or any other Benefice or Church-Living, within this Province, and if any Minister shall be presented, inducted or appointed, to any Benefice or Church-Living in this Province, by or through the Means of any Simoniackal Contract or Agreement, to which he shall not be privy, such Minister shall thereupon, and from thenceforth be adjudged a disabled Person in Law, to have or hold the same Benefice or Church-Living.

Provided always, That no Lease, really, bona fide, and for good and valuable Consideration, made by any Person Simoniackally promoted or concerned in any Simoniackal Contract, to any Tenant or Person, not being privy to, or having Notice of such Simony, shall be impeached or avoided for or by Reason of such Simony.