



A Commentary on the Decree Ne Temere (Paperback)

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Createspace Independent Publishing Platform, United States, 2016. Paperback. Condition: New. Language: English . Brand New Book ***** Print on Demand *****. From the beginning of the INTRODUCTION. The degree Ne Temere, published on the 2nd of August, 1907, is a law determining for Catholics the form of valid marriage and of valid engagements to marry. It is a law which is destined to hold an important place in the history of ecclesiastical discipline, for in it we have the first instance, in the nineteen centuries of the Church's life, of a general regulation affecting the solemnities of engagements, and, in the same long period, the second instance of such a regulation touching the formalities required for marriage. An additional interest attaches to it because it is the first fruits of the important work of codification undertaken four years ago. The right of the Church to enact such a law is beyond question. For marriage is something more than a mere civil contract. Elevated by the Divine Founder of Christianity to the dignity of a sacrament, it has thereby been committed to the care and the control of the Church which Christ empowered to exercise in His name His power...



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