

CAMINHA José Ferrers

Was born of a wealthy merchant family in Aracati in the State of Ceará, Brazil in 1841. Sent to Europe to prepare himself for a career in his father's business, he came to Liverpool, where there was a large Brazilian community. Attracted to the Redemptorists of the province of Holland and England, he was admitted to the novitiate in Bishop Eton, receiving the habit on 2nd August 1861. Very shortly afterwards he became seriously ill and was admitted to profession on his death bed. Brother Caminha died on 10th October 1861 and was buried in the grounds of the monastery of Bishop Eton. The little information about this first Redemptorist from South America is to be found in the chronicles of Bishop Eton.