Book X. Title XXXVIII.

If a curial leaves the city preferring to live in the country. (Si curialis relicta civitate rus habitare maluerit.)

10.38.1. Emperors Arcadius and Honorius to Eutychianus, Praetorian Prefect.

We order that all curials shall be admonished by a threat, not to flee from or desert the city, in order to live in the country, knowing that the farm which they preferred to the city will be confiscated to the fisc, and they will lose the rural estate on account of which they, by leaving the city, proved themselves undutiful. Given at Constantinople December 15 (396). C. Th. 12.18.2.

Note.

On May 10, 467, Emperors Valentinian and Valens had written to Tatianum, Praetorian Prefect: "You will vigorously take care that curials do not transfer their fireside to the country and leave the city, which has been forbidden by many laws." C. Th. 12.18.1.