

that was being done to Christian pilgrims by the interference of the Moslems. Great crusades were begun to rescue the Holy Land from Mohammedan control. Wave after wave of soldiers rushed to Palestine, many of them leaving their bodies on the soil of that land and of the countries on the way. In the end the crusading movement died out and little was accomplished as far as spiritual (4 1/2) were concerned. Its only effect upon the followers of Mohammed would naturally be to make them more firm and solid in their opposition to Christianity. However, just as the waves of the crusades were approaching their end, a figure came into prominence in Europe, was known and highly regarded in many circles, did a remarkable work in instituting missions, devoted his life to the task, and then died a martyr but left little trace as far as the central activity of his work is concerned. Centuries more passed before much effective missionary work among the Moslems was done. Probably, if the Lord ~~tarry, the great~~ ^{tarry} ~~tarry~~ ^{tarry} the glorious sun of extensive effective missionary work among Moslems is still future. When ~~it~~ it comes it will likely be seen to have much in common with that which was represented by the great Morning Star of Mohammedan missions.

Raymond Lull was born ~~by~~ ⁱⁿ the Island of Majorca, off the coast of Spain, his father having been one of the men who helped the Spanish troops to conquer that island from the Moslems who had held it for some centuries. Born to a family wealthy and noble, Lull found an easy path marked out for himself to prominence in the Spain of his day. Soon he was a prominent figure at ^{the} court of the king of ~~of~~ Aragon (check). ~~He reached~~ To the age of 30 he lived in wild gay abandon, a life of luxury and of sensual pleasure. Though he wrote poetry that was widely recognized, ^{and} excelled in horsemanship, and manly sports, no one would have picked him as ~~as~~ ^{as} a man who would have prominence in scholarship, and certainly not in religious activity.

Then ^{shortly} ~~just~~ after Lull reached the age of 30, God spoke to him, ~~it was~~ His conversion was just as real to him as was the conversion of Paul on the Damascus Road, and ~~just~~ it was just as evangelically centered in Christ. ^{Many} Other writers of the 13th

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