



VOLCANO "MAYON," PROVINCE OF ALBAY, SOUTHERN LUZON, P.I.,
ONE OF THE CHIEF ACTIVE VOLCANOES IN THE PHILIPPINES.

1898 it meant imprisonment, banishment, or death to a dissident from the Catholic faith. It was a crime to own a Bible. Rizal's case is an instance of what it meant for a man to dare to think for himself. Paulino Zamora, done to death in a similar way, is another instance.

"3. Because of their insatiable greed for money." Besides their income from estates, they derived immense sums from sale of Papal Bulls, masses, pictures, bones of the saints, marriage, burial and baptism fees, raffles, etc. The ringing of a bell at a funeral cost from ten cents to one dollar a stroke. Images were rented at so much per hour. A funeral in a church cost according to how near the corpse was brought to the altar. Burial fees were so high that many

bodies went unburied or were thrown into a common pit. Exorbitant marriage fees compelled many to live in a state of concubinage. Thousands of couples have been married since Protestant missionaries went there. Couples had lived together by personal contract for years, and their families were present to witness the ceremony.

"4. Because of the immorality of the majority of the friars who served as parish priests." The evidence for this could not be clearer or more unanimous. Friars with rare exceptions had their mistresses, who took pride in boasting about their relation. Dr. Stuntz was once introduced to six children of a friar, only two of whom were born of the same mother. Homes were broken up, daughters enticed