

paragraph and hardly a single sentence that is true. Mr. Smith, like Dr. Littledale, is too well informed to assert that we really did assassinate three Kings. He merely borrows from the Doctor, the "Jesuit in the background" theory. It is quite in Dr. Littledale's best style. They both insinuate, without adducing proof. Base insinuation is generally supposed, by the ignorant and prejudiced, to be a peculiarly jesuitical practice. And indeed both these gentlemen have all the characteristics of the fictitious Jesuit whom they help to conjure up. But the live Jesuit before you has no hesitation in saying that Mr. Smith rather overdoes the part. He is a trifle too savage, when he sets us on a par with Thugs. It is easy to return the compliment. Mr. Smith might very well be called a literary Thug, who first feeds upon all the garbage heaped up by the professional slanderers of history, and then proceeds to lecture the human race in both hemispheres upon all the fads that have found lodgment in his fertile brain. Talking people to death is his substitute for the sword of the original Thug.

Mr. Roy refers me to several works, and hopes that I will not only study the heretical authors but also those of my own Church. As to the *Encyclopaedia Britannica*, which he places first, besides what I have already stated about its untrustworthiness, I will merely add that Dr. Littledale, despite his great erudition, occasionally shows astounding ignorance, as when he says: "The numbers of the Society at present are not accurately known." They are most accurately known. Had he been honest, he would have written to any Jesuit, who, by referring to the catalogue of the Order, would have given him the number. Dr. Littledale's estimate is about forty per cent astray.

Of the seven other books recommended Mr. Roy says the last four are by Catholics. The fact is that one of these works is written by two infidels, and an other by a quasi-heretic. Mr. Roy himself is the best proof that the bearing of a French name is no sign of Catholicism. Michelet and Quinet, joint authors of a libel on the Society of Jesus, were two of the greatest enemies of the Catholic Church that ever wrote in France. They are thoroughly anti-Catholic.

Pascal, who is of course trotted out by Mr. Roy, was one of the greatest French writers, but he belonged to the heresy of the Janenists, who were the sworn enemies of the Society of Jesus. Joseph de Maistre said of his *Letters to a Provincial*: "It is a collection of immortal lies."

"I hope, however, he will not only study the heretical authors, but also those of his own Church. Then he may come to think as everybody else about the Jesuit Order;"

Everybody else that Mr. Roy speaks to; but there is a considerable portion of the world that is called the Catholic world, which numbers 250,000,000, and in that whole body, a part from a few cranks, or people who have not studied the question, you will not find one who will hold Mr. Roy's views.

I will sum up what I have said in answer to Mr. Roy by quoting the very remarkable testimony of Mr. Blanco White. Mr. White, educated