

the Society of Jesus was the Marquis de Pombal. He had been received at the Court on the recommendation of a Jesuit, who had been deceived by Pombal's hypocrisy. The latter's object was to get the reins of power into his own hands and then unchristianise the Kingdom of Portugal. The Jesuits were a bar to his antichristian projects. He determined on their ruin. As soon as he had won the King's confidence, he slandered and persecuted the Order, and finally suppressed it in the Portuguese Dominions. One of his many cruel acts was the casting them into prison, where he kept them for 17 years in horrible dungeons with hardly enough to keep body and soul together. Father Malagrida, who was considered a saint, and who had, both in Europe and in South America, labored with unsparing devotedness as a true hero, was strangled in the public square by Pombal's orders in 1761. Pombal himself was disgraced after the death of the King; he was even condemned to death for his judicial murders and enormous thefts, though the Queen allowed him to live on as a monument of despised iniquity. When he died, no one would bury his corpse. The Jesuits re-entered Portugal in 1829, and they found his coffin still unburied in a chapel on the road between Lisbon and Coimbra. * * * The priest who performed the requiem services over his body was a Jesuit. That was their revenge.

Poverty.

Mr. Roy proceeds:—"Your self-denial and poverty! You now 'brag and bluster' about your self-denial and poverty, and that you work for your food and raiment only." No; I did not speak of my self-denial. What I said was that we worked for our country's best interests with no earthly reward but our food and raiment. Put this assertion of mine on a basis of statistics. In this compensation for the Jesuits' Estates, how much is to be given to the Society? Do you know how much the sum amounts to for each individual? By the Pope's distribution, we Jesuits get, out of \$400,000, only \$160,000. We are over 200 Jesuits in Canada, about one-third of whom are priests like myself, the rest students preparing for the priesthood, or lay-brothers, who do the manual work in our houses, some of whom are carpenters, others tailors, or shoemakers, or bakers and cooks, generally very poor cooks. Now, divide up \$160,000 among 200 men. That does not give you much. Call it \$1,000 capital at 5 per cent. It would give \$50 a year. We live cheaply, but not quite so cheaply as that. It costs about \$200 a year to keep each of us going. We do not spend any money uselessly, we do not wear fashionable clothes, we want about one cassock a year, which costs something like \$14. Then we are not allowed to wear gold watches or jewellery. We use no money except in so far as we need it for travelling expenses or for immediate wants, we only use that with permission of our Superiors, and the Superior of the house has to give an account to higher superiors of the way in which the money is used. We carry no books about with us. If we want to read a book, we find in each house that we go to a common library, we select a book and put it back when we