

## **Biography of Raymund Lull**

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if possible, more arrogant. The Moham-  
medan world was more of a unit, and from  
Bagdad to Morocco Moslems felt that the  
Crusades had been a defeat for Christen-  
dom. One-half of Spain was under Mos-  
lem rule. In all Northern Africa Saracen  
power was in the ascendant. Many con-  
versions to Islam took place in Georgia,  
and thousands of the Christian Copts in  
Egypt were saying farewell to the religion  
of their fathers and embracing the faith of  
the Mameluke conquerors. It was just  
at this time that Islam began to spread  
among the Mongols. In India, Moslem  
preachers were extending the faith in  
Ajmir and the Punjab. The Malay  
archipelago first heard of Mohammed  
about the time when Lull was born.\* Bey-  
bars I., the first and greatest of the Mame-  
luke Sultans, sat on the throne of Egypt.

\* Arnold: "Preaching of Islam," synchronological table,  
p. 389, 1896.