

CHAPTER VII

OTHER MISSIONARY JOURNEYS

(A.D. 1301-1309)

“In an age of violence and faithlessness he was the apostle of heavenly love.”—*George Smith.*

“Yea, so have I strived to preach the Gospel not where Christ was named, lest I should build upon another man’s foundation.”—*Paul.*

FROM 1301 to 1309 Lull made several missionary journeys which are the more remarkable if we consider that he was now sixty-six years old and if we think of the conditions of travel in the Middle Ages. The Mediterranean was beset with pirates and the Catalan Grand Company were fighting the Byzantines, while Genoa and Venice waged a war of commercial rivalry. The Knights of St. John were fighting for Rhodes and the rival popes were quarreling.