CHAPTER IX

HIS LAST MISSIONARY JOURNEY AND HIS MARTYRDOM

"As a hungry man makes despatch and takes large morsels on account of his great hunger, so Thy servant feels a great desire to die that he may glorify Thee. He hurries day and night to complete his work in order that he may give up his blood and his tears to be shed for Thee."—Lull's "Liber Contemplationis in Deo."

"Is not devotion always blind? That a furrow be fecund it must have blood and tears such as Augustine called the blood of the soul."—Sabatier.

THE scholastics of the Middle Ages taught that there were five methods of acquiring knowledge—observation, reading, listening, conversation, and meditation. But they left out the most important method, namely, that by suffering. Lull's philosophy had taught him much, but it was in the school of suffering that he grew