

carried conviction: an infallible sign, that something else besides reason was sought for.

Now as to the Colonies, and their proper establishment, of which we were speaking; we have stepped down from them to the subject of the Catechism [117] and to the defense of the Jesuits, not without necessity in my opinion, nor without great profit. For since we have mentioned the *Factum* written against the said Jesuits, and as we must from now on expose, one by one, the lies therein contained, it is for us here to explain what that *Factum* is, who was its Author, and what are said to have been the causes for its being issued to the world.