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## Spanish Church Persecutes Progress

*Melchor de Jovellanos angers the Holy Inquisition.*

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Melchor de Jovellanos is pursued by the Holy Inquisition for writing the “Informe de la Ley Agraria.” He talks about the ways to improve Spanish agriculture to provide new methods like those in England and the Netherlands. In the United Kingdom the political power started to separate the church because they were looking to obtain more profits. That’s why those countries have invested a lot of money in new technologies, introducing more machines and new crops in order to reduce the peasants’ work.

***His sin; talking about the ways to improve spanish agriculture***

This is not the case in Spain because the political power is even united with the Church. It is opposed to any progress by its conservative mindset. Although the most Spanish people think like that, there exists a minority of enlightened people who rebelled against all this.



*The famous liberal Melchor de Jovellanos.*

One of these people is the writer Melchor de Jovellanos, who is rebelling against the Holy Inquisition by writing a report for the advancement and the peasants’ right to learn like the English people. This report is called the “Informe de la Ley Agraria”

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This law is one of the reasons for riots, like the mutiny of Esquilache, causing the farm workers to rise against the minister Esquilache.

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