

records in Easter Island, and the not very remote resemblance of this to some familiar American contrivances of the same kind, furnishes an additional link of connection. On the often disputed question of the source or sources of the aboriginal American population, it now seems to be the settled conclusion of archaeology that we have good evidence of prehistoric migrations of man into America by Behring's Straits from Northern Asia; by the Pacific Islands from Southern Asia; and by the Equatorial Atlantic, by way of the Canaries and West India Islands. To these we have to add the probability of Chinese and Japanese ships having at various times been drifted upon the Pacific coast, and the discovery of Greenland and part of the mainland of America by the Norsemen in the tenth century. Thus there seems to be not one way merely but several in which America may have received its early population, and by which we may account for the native races of America with their languages and customs merely as derivatives from the old world, and without supposing these tribes to be true Autochthones.

Two very interesting communications of a geological character were those of Prof. Hind on the Geology of Labrador, and of Mr. G. M. Dawson on Recent Elevations and Subsidences of the Land in British Columbia. Remote though these regions are from each other, they present some remarkable points of similarity, especially in relation to their more recent geological history. In both we have the evidence of the great glacial age. In both the surface glaciation and transport of boulders seem to have been caused by the joint or successive action of water-borne ice, and glaciers. In both there are the most remarkable evidences of submergence to a great depth in the Post-pliocene age. It is a remarkable illustration of the vastness of the geological changes which have occurred in comparatively modern times, that we should find on the mountains of the Pacific Coast and those of the North Atlantic seaboard the indications of a common submergence, and this of very great amount. Such vicissitudes are not to be accounted for by merely local causes, but by grand agencies effecting at once a whole hemisphere or the whole earth.

In British Columbia there seems to be good evidence of the submergence of the land to such an extent that sea margins occur 5270 feet above the level of the sea, and at various elevations between this and the present sea level. In the Rocky Moun-

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