

of our own share in the work. Mr. Robert Harkness was sent out by an organization called "The Society for the Evangelization of Korea," and when Mr. Harkness left the mission, and went to Japan where he now labors, he was succeeded by Mr. Fenwick who after a couple of years returned to Canada, after which the Society that sent him expired. Mr. Fenwick expects to return to Korea this year as the director of a new organization called the "Korean Itinerant Mission." Mr. J. S. Gale, was also sent out by the University Y.M.C.A. After he severed his connection a combination was effected entitled "The Canadian Colleges Mission," and now have Dr. Hardy as their representative. Where the need is so great, it seems right that any one should go who can speak of the precious Name, but is there not room to question the wisdom of so many separate organizations? Surely the Church is sufficiently divided and all who wish to help Korea or any other land can do so in connection with some of the churches, who are already there without still further rending the body of Christ. However that be as to the method, we cannot but rejoice at every addition to the number of those who go forth as witnesses for Him who died for Korea's salvation. We repeat, that this is a critical stage—much will depend in the loyalty of the Church in her intercessions during these troublous times, when a new national era is being inaugurated. Not only will the world know Korea better after this, but the Koreans will know the world better, and wish for the strength of that civilization they have so long excluded. May they be led to see that true national strength is built upon the enlightenment and righteousness of the people and then their future as a nation will be secured.

Protestants Mobbed.

It is difficult to read with patience, even the most moderate accounts of the attack made by Roman Catholics on the Protestant missions in the City of Quebec. More than a week has passed, but no fresh facts have developed to modify or to throw into an extenuating light the disgraceful proceedings of August 6th when a mob of four thousand people incited by religious fury and creed fanaticism made a concerted and planned attack on the Protestants. The affair is aggravated by the report that a threatening notice had appeared in an evening paper in which the mission workers were described as Salvationists! The riots of a few years ago on the Salvation Army in the same city have not been forgotten, but instead of shame for the outrage, it would seem that its very memory serves to stir up hatred and discord. The mob first attacked the Baptist mission at the corner of Bridge and Joseph streets, the windows and doors of which they broke with showers of stones and whose inmates had to be escorted to their homes by the police after enduring many indignities and many narrow escapes. Among those thus abused were Rev. Adam Burwash, general evangelist of Grande Ligne mission; C. W. Grenier, missionary, Grande Ligne mission; Mrs. Grenier, Mr. Taylor and Mlle. Desjardins. One young fellow who was preaching, it is said, was severely wounded on the head by a stone. The mob next proceeded to the building at the corner of George and Richelieu streets, which is the headquarters of the French Anglican missions. Here also they destroyed the building. The third object of attack was the Salva-

tion Army barracks, on Palace Hill, the windows and doors of which were smashed to atoms and the inmates were forced to flee.

So far the Church of Rome has made but a faint remonstrance and a stigma rests upon her in Canada for the deplorable action of her people. It is true, Hon. Wilfred Laurier has uttered a deprecatory protest which does him credit, but which it is safe to say will not win him votes in the Quebec constituencies when next he appeals for the suffrages of his country men. On Sabbath last some Roman Catholic preachers, recognized the gravity of the situation and expressed disapproval, but it was painfully noticeable that the usual restraining influence of the church did not save the missionaries on that day from the necessity of having a large force of police for their protection.

Recent Scientific Research.

The annual meeting of the Victoria Institute was particularly interesting this year. The subjects chiefly discussed were of direct scientific interest and were superlatively handled by veterans in science. A remarkable paper was that of Professor Duns, F.R.S.E., Edinburgh, the subject of whose paper was Archaeology and Anthropology, especially connected with folk-lore, and more particularly with stone folk-lore. He showed the importance of stone folk-lore as a branch of study which threw some light on many facts in the historical records of the world. He described the nature and geological character of stones in question, the superstitions they were connected with, and their frequent mention in history, even among nations in the earliest historic times.

Among the papers taken up, one by Dr. Prestwich (the acknowledged Nestor among geologists), "A Possible Cause for the Origin of the Tradition of the Flood," had been very fully dealt with. Dr. Prestwich brought before the Institute all those Geological phenomena which had come under his observation during half a century of geological research throughout Europe and the coasts of the Mediterranean, which were "only explicable upon the hypothesis of a widespread and short submergence of continental dimensions, followed by early re-elevation, and this hypothesis satisfied all the important conditions of the problem."

Other subjects were Eastern exploration; the Babylonian Records of a Primitive Monotheism (in which it was clearly proved from readings in recently deciphered Assyrian tablets that Monotheism and the name, Aa, Jehovan, was known in Assyria generations before the time of Abraham, a result also in accordance with evidence from the earliest known Egyptian records, but opposed to the recent speculations of certain leading modern writers); Biological Research (in which it was shown that the contention of some biologists that that science afforded a negative evidence to the existence of an over-ruling Providence was untenable); Illustrations and Confirmations of the Bible record from Recent Discoveries; Eastern Exploration; The Origin of the Australasian Peoples; Habit in Man; Chinese Ethics, etc. Reference was made to the Institute's increasing membership abroad and in the Colonies, and the successful arrangements by which its most distant members could take a part in considering the subjects brought forward; also to the useful purposes which the members (not only students, but any taking even a