

clubs, knives and wooden swords, rushed like demons to the house where the missionaries were staying. They attempted to escape amid a shower of stones and blows. One though sorely wounded managed to escape. Another, Rev. Nicamor Gomez; did not fare so well. A large stone thrown with great violence, struck him on the mouth, crushing in his teeth and inflicting a dreadful wound on all the lower part of his face. Another stone struck him on the back of the head and a blow from a wooden sword gashed the whole length of his face. He fell to the ground and was left for dead. He was afterwards removed but soon passed away to wear a martyr's crown. His two sons, one of them a minister, escaped, terribly bruised.

Such is the spirit of Rome. As an organization it is the bitter foe both of civil and religious liberty. With the serpents cunning it insinuates itself into the institutions of a country, and with a serpent's might, as it constricts its folds it crushes out the spirit of life and liberty.

FAREWELL TO MR. ROBERTSON.

The Board of Foreign Mission met in James Church, New Glasgow Nov. 28. Mr. Robertson was present.

The following resolution was passed:—

"The Board at the close of Mr. Robertson's furlough express gratitude to God for the work which our missionary has been enabled to do, in visiting many congregations in the Maritime Provinces, Quebec and Ontario, and rehearsing what the Lord has done by the Gospel, in the conversion of savage tribes from heathenism to christianity. They would give thanks for the health and strength of their missionary, after his fatiguing journeyings and toils; and for the welfare of Mrs. Robertson and family. They would commend them to the affectionate remembrance of our people at the throne of the heavenly grace; and would

now in prayer invoke the protection and guidance of God, in their journeying and voyages to their field of labour.

Dr. Burns by request offered prayer, embracing thanksgiving for the past, with petition for the continued presence of God. The chairman suitably addressed M. Robertson. who spoke in reply, of benefits manifold resulting from his visit to his home and native land; of kindness experienced, and of his desire now to return to his charge.

Mr. Robertson then visited the Ladies Society, which was in session in the United Church. Mrs. Robertson was present. A pleasant social tea was enjoyed. The missionary and his wife addressed the meeting, and a most enjoyable hour was closed by singing and prayer.

THE FAREWELL MEETING.

In the evening a farewell missionary prayer meeting was held in James Church. The rain poured heavily, but there was a large gathering.

Dr. MacGregor presided, Dr. Patterson Mr. Jack, of Maitland, Messrs. Murray, McCurdy, and Scott of New Glasgow, Mr. Meikle preacher all contributed by prayer or speech, to the interest of the meeting. Mr. Robertson's closing address which the people heard with deep attention was followed by the "Sweet by and by" sung with exquisite pathos. The singing of Psalm 136 was followed by a prayer in the same strain from the pastor of the Church. The collection amounted to \$38.71, and the whole service proved impressive and refreshing.

They were to take their departure on Wednesday 3d inst. holding meetings on the way at Amherst, Campbellton, St. John, Montreal, Kingston, Toronto, and Hamilton, and Sarnia, thence to San Francisco, to take steamer for New Zealand, but on the morning of departure three of their children were down with measles. Mr. Robertson went on to hold the meetings which had been appointed and will if all goes well be joined, by the family on the road.