

THE Japanese have not been fortunate in Formosa and in the interior of Korea. In both they are accused of cruelty in the suppression of insurrection, said by some to have been brought about by the hardness of their rule. The hillmen of Formosa were never pacified by the Chinese, and in that island warfare is perennial. Korea has at all times shown a desire for independence, leading to sporadic fighting against, at one time the Chinese, and at another the Japanese invader. Mr. F. A. McKenzie—a writer who is, now at all events, strongly anti-Japanese—admits in *The Tragedy of Korea* (Hodder & Stoughton) that government by the Marquis Ito was such as might have been expected of that great man. The privileged position of Japan in Korea is universally recognized, and, while all will be anxious