

ITALY.—The following gives some definite information as to the progress of the various missionary agencies at work in Italy. It will be observed that in the statistics of the Waldensian Church the 16 mother Churches in the Piedmont Valley and Turin are not included. The Waldensian Church reports 36 stations, 8 out-stations, and a membership of 1864. There are 21 pastors, 15 evangelists, and 51 school-teachers. The Free Italian Church has 26 pastors and evangelists, 23 stations and 8 out-stations, and a membership as reported of 955. Had all the Churches reported, it is believed the number would have been from 1,200 to 1,300. The Free Churches not included in the last mentioned organization (known as "the Brethren,") would seem to number 32. The English Methodist Church reported in May a membership of 1,007, with 24 pastors and evangelists, 27 stations and 7 out-stations. The American Methodist Church reports 8 stations and 3 out-stations, with 11 pastors and evangelists, 134 probationers, and 447 members.

NORWAY.—Mr. A. H. Darling, writing to the *Christian*, gives a rather gloomy view of religious liberty in Norway. Christians cannot be gathered in a private house or preaching hall; they cannot partake of the Lord's Supper except in the parish church. The doctrine of baptismal regeneration is generally prevalent.

MESSRS. MOODY AND SANKEY.—Messrs. Moody and Sankey have been holding farewell meetings at Inverness, and several places in the north and west of Scotland. They were then to proceed to Ireland, where they were to begin their labours in Belfast. The farewell meeting in Inverness was a very large and successful one. Mr. Moody spoke for two hours, touching on many important and practical points with great fervour and feeling, and at the same time with great wisdom.

RELIGIOUS CONFERENCES.—The recent religious papers from Britain give interesting accounts of religious conferences held in various places. There was one in Oxford at which Wm. Pearsall Smith took a prominent part. Lord Radstock, the Right Hon. Cowper Temple, M.P., and many ministers and laymen were present. The Perth conference was largely attended, and was very successful. The Earl of Kintire, Sir James Outram, Dr. Moody Stuart, Sir H. W. Moncrieff, Prof. La Harpe, of Geneva, and many others of various denominations were present. Several practical matters were considered and discussed, such as "How to conduct prayer meetings, inquiry meetings," &c.; "Brief reports of the revival," &c., &c.

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CALLS, &c.

The Rev. S. W. Fisher is called by the congregations of *Waterdown and Wellington Square*; the Rev. J. McLean, of *Roxboro'*, is called by the congregation of *Knox Church, Oro*; Rev. W. Cochran, M.A., Brantford, is called by the congregation of *Bay Street, Toronto*; the Rev. P. Nicol is called by the congregations of *Vaughan and Albion*; Rev. W. M. Roger, M.A., is called by the congregations of *Ashburn and Utica*; Rev. A. Gilray is called by the congregations of *Cheltenham and Mount Pleasant*; Mr. Gilray is also called by the Foreign Mission Committee, to labour as a missionary in the Island of Formosa; the Rev. R. M. Thornton, M.A., of Knox