

but it is also said that it is undeniable that most blessed results have followed. The movement has spread to a number of congregations. One result is, that new spiritual life is exhibited in the Syrian priests.

### MISSIONS OF UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

SPAIN.—The May number of the *United Presbyterian Record* contains interesting statements of the progress of Christian work in San Fernando and in Madrid. Opposition is not wanting and vexatious interferences, but the work advances. At Madrid a new assistant has connected himself with the work, a monk of the order of teaching priests. He was at first exceedingly timid, but hopes are entertained that his assistance will be highly useful. Much good is done by the Young Men's Christian Association. It is entirely a Spanish agency, encouraged by Spaniards. In the Boys' School there are from 90 to 100 boys. There is besides a school of higher education, where there are 20 youths studying Latin and other advanced branches.

OLD CALABAR.—The Rev. Mr. Edgerly gives full accounts of the inland geography of Old Calabar, and of a friendly interview which he had had with the King of Uyaga.

### MISSIONS OF IRISH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

WEST OF IRELAND.—The Moderator of the General Assembly has been visiting the congregations and stations in the west of Ireland. His report is highly interesting and encouraging. In the Presbytery of Athlone there are 11 congregations, where some years ago there was but one; and in the Presbytery of Connaught there are 13 regular congregations, where there were but three. The work of Colportage is carried on with vigour, and with most beneficial results.

INDIA.—The intelligence from India is full of encouragement, baptism following baptism. But there are also discouragements and drawbacks. Hira Hari, the Colporteur at Gogo, was attacked and murdered on his return from one of his journeys. Mr. and Mrs. Houston had reached Surat, where Mr. Houston had commenced his work. His account of the school is encouraging. The names on the roll are 200, with an average attendance of 160. Mr. Houston, in giving religious instruction, is assisted by one of the catechists.

At Borsud the want of more labourers is felt. The work had advanced quietly and gradually, but very decidedly. There is a very marked movement of a religious character. There is, the Missionary says, "a firm intellectual, or rather intelligent conviction that Hindooism and all heathenism is false, and that Christianity alone is true." There is a sincere conviction that man is a sinner, needs a Saviour, and that Jesus Christ is the one appointed to save.

### General Religious Intelligence.

AUSTRIA.—The recent course of Austrian legislation in ecclesiastical matters has called forth the displeasure and indignant remonstrances of the Roman Pontiff. It is plain that, in Roman as well as in Protestant countries, a spirit of determined resistance to the tyranny of ultramontane pretensions has been thoroughly aroused.