CHURCH NEWS.

BRILISH AND FOREIGN.

THE Synod met in London on Monday. The reports prove that the church is becoming larger and atronger both in numerical strength and means of usefulness. It has increased from 256 congregations with 45.540 communicants in 1876 to 286 with 61,021 in 1885. The receipts in 1876 were £164.862 or £635 per congregation and in 1885 £216,100

or £755.
A REMARKABLE spiritual awakening has occured in the Persian field of the Presbyterian Board of Poreign Missions. Places of worship in many villages have been crowded, lukewarm Christians have been revived, and there have been many conversions. In some towns there are from forty to sixty in-quirers. In Syria a number of Moham-medans have been converted, and 26 persons in Beirut have applied for admis-ion to the church

AMONG the many benefits accruing to our Church from our present excellent Moderator's year of office, none is likely to be more useful than the Presbyterian Map he is now publishing. Here our people will have a bird's eye view of the Church's operations, and our interest in them cannot but increase. It would be a grand idea to carry out if every Presbyterian put one of these maps in his place for private prayer, and spread out in detail before the Lord at stated and frequent intervals the wide interests of our church. The map should be a great stimulus to intercession, and if our people can be induced to pray more for the Church, they are sure to give more for the promotion of her operations in the land. -Dublin Presbyterian Churchman.

A DISPUTE discreditable to Christians has arisen in the little town of Haddington, Scotland. It appears that at the Disruption most of the congregation there seceded, and formed a new con-gregation called Free St. John's Prior to the disruption a gentleman in the neighbourhood gave to the congregation a set of communion cups, which the seceders, who were in the minority, took away with them. After a lapse of forty-three years the Established congregation has grown and flourished, and they now hold that the cups taken by the Dissenters should be returned. Of course, they refused, and the Estab-lished congregation, holding that the cups were given to the church, has resolved to apply to the sheriff for their possession, the Rev. Dr. Howden under-

taking to plead the case. THE sittings of the Scotch United Presbyterian Synod were opened in the Synod Hall Edinburgh. The ex-Moderator (Rev. Dr. Hutton) occupied the chair, and conducted the opening service, preaching from the words, "Art Thou the King?" On the motion of Dr. Drummond, Glasgow, seconded by Mr. Kidd, St. Andrews, Dr. Duff, Edinburgh, was appointed Moderator, and took the chair. After thanking the Synod, he referred to the depression of the times, and said this was an opportunity for them showing that voluntary. tunity for them showing that voluntary-ism could meet the wants of the people, and that they ought to put forth greater efforts than ever. They should seriously consider whether they were really adorning that doctrine, and were not bringing very just reproach upon the professors of it. A deputation from the Presbyterian Church of Bugland was received. Dr. M'Ewen, who headed it, stated that within the last ten years the Presbyterian Church in England had increased in membership from 46,000 to 61,000 and its revenue from £164,000 to £216,000. (Applause.) Dr. Scott submitted the report on the general statistics of the Church, from which it appeared that the number of baptisms reported was 462 less than the previous year. The membership had increased 1,255. The amount contributed for missionary and benevolent purposes was £79,179, as against £85,009 199. 1d. in the previous year. The report was adopted. Dr. Scott, Glasgow, submitted the report on the scheme for augmentation of attends. stipends. For the year 1885 the income has been £15,406 from all sources, or £246 less than the income for 1884, and £655 less than the amount expended in 1885. The balance at the credit of the fund at 31st December, last, was consequently reduced to £10,974, and the surplus fund for 1885 was only £4,474 or £655 less than the amount available for the surplus distribution of the previous year. The value of a share in the distribution of the surplus fund was further reduced from £26 to £24. For several years prior to that date the value was fixed at £40. The minimum stipend had thus been reduced to £186, instead of being raised to £200, as it formerly was. Dr. Brown moved the adoption of the report. Mr. Jeffrey seconded the motion, which was adopted. The Synod then proceeded to consider the question of Foreign Missions. It was reported that the ordinary income for 1885 amounted to £32,886, being £1,668 less than the ordinary income for the previous quarter. Legacies received increased the gross income to £39,673, or £354 above the gross income for 1884. The Reserve Legacy Fund amounts to £10,105. The expenditure for the year amounted to £13,076 being £556 above the expenditure of 1884. The working balance has thus been reduced from £5,550 to £760. An increase of \$5,000 a year was required more than the present income to enable the work to be carried on with efficiency.

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