FLOATING CHURCH

With a cargo of books and magazines the John Ashley set off downstream towards the docks. A routine yob for the past five years, since the former fishing vessel became a floating church and club. On board go sablors in the Port of London whenever they get the chance. For the John Ashley belongs to Missions to Seamen, which now celebrates its centenary. The ship a mamed after the Rev. John Ashley from whose ideas the movement sprang a hundred years ago. A service in the ship's chapel was now held for two seilors killed in an accident on a Dutch vessel. In 80 stations spread all over the world Missions to Seamen ministers to v q down ailers. The Queen Mother attended the centenary service in Westminster Abbey.