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The Church in Massachussets may well feel that the hand of God is with her. She is fast making inroads into the serried ranks of Puritanism, despite all the obstacles which that rigid sect can throw in her way. A Boston Congregationalist paper, not long ago, gives us the following statistics :

"In the State of Massachussets there were, in 1832, Baptist Churches 207 ; now (1867) there are 264, being a gain of a little over 25 per cent. At the same time, there were 145 Methodist Churches ; now there are 250, a gain of over 70 per cent. In 1832 there were 26 Episcopal Churches, now (1867) there are 121."

The gain here is nearly 400 per cent. These are statistics which make one's heart glad, and put to silence for ever the oft repeated taunt that "the Church could not exist without the patronage of the state." Again I find that between the years 1860 and 1867 *one hundred and thirty nine* of the Ministers of the various denominations have gone over to the ministry of the Episcopal Church. Of the 139 who thus embraced "Evangelical truth and Apostolic order," there were :

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| Methodist          | Ministers..... | 59  |
| Baptist            | do .....       | 15  |
| Presbyterian       | do .....       | 18  |
| Dutch Reformed     | do .....       | 3   |
| Congregationalist  | do .....       | 16  |
| Universalist       | do .....       | 3   |
| German Reformed    | do .....       | 5   |
| Unitarian          | do .....       | 10  |
| German Lutheran    | do .....       | 6   |
| Roman Catholic     | do .....       | 3   |
| German Evangelical | do .....       | 1   |
| Total.....         |                | 139 |

### CURRENT LITERATURE.

The publication which most commands our attention this month is a volume (\*) of Sermons by the late lamented *Rector of Bishop's College Grammar School.*

(\*) Parish, School and College Sermons : By the late Rev. George Clerk Irving M.A., Rector of Bishop's College Grammar School, and formerly Vice-Provost of Trinity College, Toronto. With a Memoir of the Author's Life : By the Rev. George Whitaker, M.A., Vice-Provost of Trinity College, Toronto. Edited by Rev. Henry Roe, B.A., St. Matthews, Quebec. Montreal : John Lovell, 1867.

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