

7,289,314. In 1820, 9,638,131. In 1830, 12,856,487. Of this population, the greatest amount on a given space is found in New England, particularly in Massachusetts and Connecticut; if we except a parallelogram of equally dense, or greater population, extending westwardly from the Delaware to the Susquehanna, 70 miles in length, and 60 miles in breadth. Massachusetts has 72 persons upon each square mile of its surface. Some of the western states have not more than one person, on an average, in the same extent.

*Schools.* The noble and truly republican system of free schools exists in New England, and in Ohio. It is extending its influence in all the northern and middle States. New York has devised another plan of general education, of great efficiency and sustained with a munificence, in which this great state stands alone. Schools supported by private contribution, seminaries, academies, high schools for both sexes, lyceums, medical, law and theological schools are springing up with each new session of the legislatures. Assuming the number of children taught in the different schools in New York, as a basis, we may calculate the number of actual pupils in the United States at one million. Another million are as yet untaught. There are 50 incorporated colleges in the United States; and in New England and New York 220 incorporated academies. Supposing this division of the union to contain half of those in the United States, there will be a total of 458. The standard of the requisite character and qualifications of instructors has been elevated by the great and laudable exertions of associations of teachers. The school books are of a higher and more instructive stamp. In no department of the improvements of the age has more been done, than in the cause of general education; and in none does more yet remain to be done. Our institutions can never be based on the right foundation, until the whole community receive a substantial and virtuous education.

Religion is left to the voluntary choice of the people, no sect being favored by the laws beyond another, it being an essential principle in the national and state governments, that legislation may of right interfere in the concerns of public worship only so far, as to protect every individual in the unmolested exercise of that of his choice. Hence all the sects of Christianity are abundantly represented in our country. The methodists are, probably, the most numerous denomination. The presbyterians, congregationalists, baptists, episcopalians, and Roman Catholics, probably, rank, in point of numbers, in the order, in which they are here mentioned. The Cumberland presbyterians and Christians are growing denominations. There are nearly 10,000 fixed congregations of the different denominations. The income of the different religious, charitable, missionary, bible, tract, education and Sunday school societies is about