

by birth in the other States and Territories. In it there were about 800,000 foreigners and about 640,000 offspring of foreigners in the first degree, the larger fraction of whom were Irish and

Canadian French Roman Catholics. The Roman Catholics in New England in the last 36 years have increased 11-fold, and the total population only 47 per cent.

EVANGELICAL COMMUNICANTS AND POPULATION IN NEW ENGLAND.

	1850.	1850.	1870.	1880.
The total communicants	385,084	451,688	484,074	567,164
" " population	2,728,116	3,135,283	3,487,924	4,010,436
" " average of inhabitants to one communicant.	7.06	6.94	7.18	7.02

Thus there are fewer inhabitants to one communicant in 1880 than in 1850.

THE WHOLE COUNTRY.

The inhabitants proportioned to the number of churches decrease during each decade:

1800 one church in	1,751 inhabitants.
1850 " " " 538 "	
1870 " " " 540 "	
1880 " " " 516 "	
1886 " " " 518 "	

The relative supply of ministers is as follows:

1800 one minister to	2,001 inhabitants.
1850 " " " 900 "	
1870 " " " 809 "	
1880 " " " 718 "	
1886 " " " 692 "	

The gain of communicants on the population is constant, and as follows:

1800 one communicant to	14.50 inhabitants.
1850 " " " 0.57 "	
1870 " " " 5.78 "	
1880 " " " 5.00 "	
1886 " " " 4.80 "	

POPULATION AND COMMUNICANTS.

1870 to 1880, inc. of population.....	9.46 fold.
1800 to 1880 " communicants.....	27.52 "

ROMAN CATHOLICS IN NEW ENGLAND CITIES, 1886.

Dioceses.	Priests.	Churches, Ecclesiastical Stations.	Students.	Colleges and Acad.	Parochial Schools.	Parochial Scholars.	Charitable Insts.	Populations, R. C.
Boston.....	312	174	75	7	37	20,066	17	400,000 in '86
Burlington.....	45	72	18	5	16	3,658	1	35,000 in '84
Hartford.....	156	193	30	10	64	13,384	7	175,000 "
Manchester.....	47	72	14	5	20	4,600	5	150,000 "
Portland.....	57	60	..	5	14	3,671	4	90,000 "
Providence.....	104	71	38	11	17	9,000	4	156,000 "
Springfield.....	114	104	50	2	21	7,330	3	157,000 "
Totals.....	862	740	225	45	189	61,709	41	1,101,000

Such is the Roman Catholic increase in New England from 71 priests, 75 churches, 7 students, 2 colleges and academies, 3 charitable institutions and 100,000 Roman Catholic population in 1850. In the whole country in 1850 it had about 1-14 of the population, in 1870 about $\frac{1}{3}$. In 1886 the Roman Catholic adherents were 7,200,000, the evangelical Protestants 42,646,276; the Roman Catholics have 8,454 inhabitants to one church, the evangelical Protestants have 518; the Roman Catholics have 7,627 inhabitants to 1 priest, the evangelicals have 692 inhabitants to 1 minister; the Roman Catholics have 12.3 per cent. of the whole population, the evangelical Protestants have 73 per cent. The actual and relative growth of Roman Catholicism from 1800 to 1870 is large. The period of its greatest growth is the period of the large Irish immigra-

1800 to 1886	inc. population.....	11.01 fold.
1800 to 1886	" communicants.	33.3 "
1850 to 1880	" population.....	116 per cent.
1850 to 1880	" communicants...	184 "
1850 to 1886	" population.....	152 "
1850 to 1886	" communicants...	212 "

DIFFERENT POLITIES OR THEOLOGIES.

The Universalist churches have decreased 115 per cent. since 1850; the Unitarian churches have increased 89 per cent. Simply as a question of fact, we may say that the Universalist and Unitarian churches, relatively to evangelistic progress, are far in the rear.

EVANGELICAL PROTESTANT AND ROMAN CATHOLIC.

The increase of Roman Catholicism is chiefly in the cities, and its adherents are chiefly foreigners and their descendants. The statistics indicate that the outlook in the cities is hopeful for evangelicals and Protestants. In the fifty principal cities of the country the increase, since 1850, of the foreign-born and of those one or both of whose parents are foreign-born, is 4,194,617, or more than half of their total population—nearly 54 per cent. of it.

tion, from 1850 to 1870. It has made relatively smaller increase since 1870. Since the same year, 1870, the evangelical Protestant churches have made relatively greater progress. From 1870 to 1886 it increased its churches 890 less than from 1850 to 1870, its clergy 1,180 less. From 1870 to 1886 the evangelical Protestants increased their churches 14,520 more than from 1850 to 1870, its ministers 14,282 more. In 1886 the Roman Catholics had .4 of 1 per cent. more than in 1870 of the whole population, and .3 of 1 per cent. less than in 1880. In 1886 the evangelical Protestants had 12.5 per cent. more than in 1870 of the whole population, and 2.5 per cent. more than in 1880. Dr. James M. King, at the recent meeting of the Evangelical Alliance, summarized Roman Catholic statistics to date as follows: