

## THE GREAT CURE ALL

It is strange what a universal panacea a new or enlarged edifice appears to be to stand-still and dying churches. These statistics show that with all the growth of our city, the attendance in our churches is not increasing. The average attendance at the morning service, in all our city churches, does not exceed 13,000 and at the evening service 15,000, which is more than answered by the 25,000 sittings furnished at the present time. And yet the appeal for unnecessary churches will continue, with the result, unless checked, of a large addition to the already heavy debt in our City for church buildings.

### A MORE GENERAL VIEW.

Now let us go beyond this Western District and take a more general view. The whole amount given in the City for purposes outside each parish is, as above stated, \$78,551.93. Let us see how this is made up :

To this object St. James' Cathedral gives .....	\$17,484.45
St. Paul's Church.....	19,089.00
	\$36,573.45

So that these two Churches furnish nearly one-half of the whole amount given in the City "for objects outside the parish." If we add to these two sums—

St. Anne's.....	\$6,469
All Saints'.....	3,999
The Redeemer.	2,718
St. Peter's.....	1,885

We have      \$51,644

coming from six churches of our City. That leaves, according to the schedule, 48 Churches to make up \$26,907, the balance of the above amount. It cannot be answered that these 48 Churches are small and insignificant, for amongst them are—

St. Luke's	St. Matthew's
St. Thomas'	St. Augustine
St. Simon's	St. Mark's
Holy Trinity	St. Alban's Cathedral
St. Cyprian	St. John's
St. George's	St. Mary Magdalene
St. Stephen's	

### EVANGELICAL CHURCHES TO BE THE BURDEN BEARERS.

It seems, however, in some quarters to be thought that the Evangelicals should be the burden-bearers, and that they should feel it an honor so to ease the shoulders of those who follow "the Catholic use" as to leave them money for other than foreign mission purposes.