[R1232 : page 5]

SECTARIAN TAXES.

A prominent New York journal calls attention to the fact that of the total sum of \$1,142,222.61 assessed in that city for charitable purposes for the present year, more than one-half will go to support sectarian charities, the figures standing:

Nonsectarian,	. \$510,092.38
Sectarian,	632,130.23
Total,	,142,222.61

This immense sum appropriated to sectarian purposes is made up as follows: –

PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL.

The Children's Fold of the	
City of New York, \$17,680.00	
Protestant Episcopal House of	
Mercy, 9,134.63	
The Shepherd's Fold of the	
Protestant Episcopal Church	
in the State of New York, 5,000.00	
Total \$31,814.63	

JEWISH.

Hebrew Benevolent Society of the City of New York, \$60,000.00

ROMAN CATHOLIC.

Association for Befriending

Children and Young Girls . . . \$7,280.00
St. Joseph's Institution for the Improved Instruction of Deaf Mutes 20,700.00
Foundling Asylum of the Sisters of Charity 252,345.60
New York Catholic Protectory . 254,000.00
Roman Catholic House of the Good Shepherd 6,000.00

Total \$540,325.60

Thus, at the expense of the public, over half a million dollars per year are spent to prove to the world the *great benevolence* of the CHURCH OF ROME.

We highly approve of real generosity and benevolence, but the people have a right to demand that public taxes be devoted to public and not to sectarian religious purposes. The influence of this money goes to spread or to support the errors of the systems dispensing the sum. How these large sums of money are spent, the public never knows, for no reports are required of these as of the city charities.
