

The Puritans of "NEW ENGLAND," on the other hand, forgetful of the persecutions which had driven them from their native land, legislated in the strongest spirit of bigotry and intolerance against the "*Mass.*"

This is what man proposed, but God disposed very differently. Statistics shew that the Northern Continent of America is now the home of every people, nation, and language; that in our own Dominion, people speaking the English language, and professing the Protestant faith, slightly preponderate; that in the New England States, there is a new heart and spirit in the descendants of the Puritan fathers, who, while they have maintained freedom to worship God according to the dictates of their own consciences, see without fear the "*Mass-House*" standing side by side with the Protestant church.

A higher power than human will or desire had decreed that this continent should furnish a home for the toiling millions of every clime; and we have the testimony of thousands that, in this Dominion, which God has blest with a healthy climate and a fruitful soil, they have found a freedom only dreamt of elsewhere. It becomes our duty, then, flinging aside all national and religious prejudices, but adhering to that which is good, to live together as one people in this good and pleasant land of our birth or adoption, heartily joining with the poet:

" Now let us pray that come it may,
As come it will for a' that,
That man to man the world o'er
May brothers be and a' that."