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Ford Hall Meetings
Conducted by THE BOSTON BAPTIST SOCIAL UNION
SIXTH SEASON—1912-1913
EVERY SUNDAY EVENING at 7.30 P. M.

PROGRAM FOR JANUARY 5
Mrs. Fletcher Corf, Pianist, in an Illustrated Half-Hour Talk on
"The Creative Ability of Children in Music."

Miss Frances G. Curtis and Mr. Isaac Harris, candidates for the
single vacancy on the Boston School Board, will be present to answer,
during the Question Period, any queries that may be addressed to them
concerning the local situation.

HYMN, “There’s No Dearth of Kindness.”
ADDRESS, “Are Our Public Schools Democratic?”
—Mrs. Anna Garlin Spencer of New York.
HYMN, “America, the Beautiful.”
QUESTIONS FROM THE FLOOR.

PROGRAM FOR JANUARY 12
Miss Helen Tufts . . . . . . . . . . Violinist
John Harris Gutterson . . . . . . . Accompanist
1. “Serenade” . . . . . . . . . . . . . . Schubert
HYMN, “Onward Brothers.”
2. “Zorlaco” . . . . . . . . . . . . . . Sarasate
ADDRESS, “The Moral Asset of the Class Struggle”
—Prof. Vida D. Scudder of Wellesley.
HYMN, “O God of Earth and Altar.”
QUESTIONS FROM THE FLOOR.

PROGRAM FOR JANUARY 19
Miss Emma Harlow . . . . . . . . . . Soprano
John Harris Gutterson . . . . . . . . . Accompanist
1. \{a. "A Bud of Life" . . . . . . . . . . Thorne
\{b. “Life's Maytime” . . . . . . . . . . Newton
HYMN, “These Things Shall Be.”
2. \{a. "To Thee” . . . . . . . . . . . . Oley Speaks
\{b. “A Better Land” . . . . . . . . . . Cowen
HYMN, “There’s No Dearth of Kindness.”
QUESTIONS FROM THE FLOOR.

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THERE'S NO DEARTH OF KINDNESS.

There's no dearth of kindness
In this world of ours;
Only in our blindness
Take we thorns for flowers.
We are ever learning
Of the higher life,
And are only yearning
For the end of strife.

As the wild rose bloweth
And the stream flows free;
Kindness freely floweth
Out from you and me.
But we oft imagine
That we are alone,
While the love around us
Is high as Heav'n has grown.

There's no dearth of kindness
In this world of ours;
Only in our blindness
Take we thorns for flowers!
This is God's best giving,
Falling from above!
Life were not worth living,
Were it not for Love.
—Gerald Massey.

O GOD OF EARTH AND ALTAR

(To the music of "Webb")

O God of earth and altar
Bow down and hear our cry,
Our earthly rulers falter,
Our people drift and die;
The walls of gold entomb us,
The swords of scorn divide,
Take not Thy thunder from us,
But take away our pride.

From all that terror teaches,
From lies of tongue and pen,
From all the easy speeches
That comfort cruel men,
From sale and profanation
Of honor and the sword,
From sleep and from damnation
Deliver us, good Lord.

Tie in a living tether
The priest and prince and thrall,
Bind all our lives together,
Smite us and save us all;
In ire and exultation
Aflame with faith, and free,
Lift up a living nation,
A single sword to Thee.

—G. K. Chesterton.

ONWARD, BROTHERS!

Onward, brothers, march still onward,
Side by side and hand in hand;
We are bound for man's true kingdom,
We are an increasing band.
Tho' the way seems often doubtful,
Hard the toil which we endure,
Tho' at times our courage falters,
Yet the promised land is sure.

Olden sages saw it dimly,
And their joy to madness wrought;
Living men have gazed upon it,
Standing on the hills of thought.
All the past has done and suffered,
All the daring and the strife,
All has help'd to mould the future,
Make man master of his life.

Still brave deeds and kind are needed,
Noble thou's and feelings fair;
Ye, too, must be strong and suffer,
Ye, too, have to do and dare.
Onward, brothers; march still onward,
March still onward hand in hand;
Till ye see at last Man's kingdom,
Till ye reach the Promised Land.

—H. Havelock Ellis.
AMERICA, THE BEAUTIFUL

O beautiful for spacious skies,
For amber waves of grain,
For purple mountain majesties
Above the fruited plain!
America! America!
God shed His grace on thee,
And crown thy good with brotherhood
From sea to shining sea!
O beautiful for pilgrim feet,
Whose stern, impassioned stress,
A thoroughfare for freedom beat
Across the wilderness!
America! America!
God mend thine ev'ry flaw,
Confirm thy soul in self-control,
Thy liberty in law!

O beautiful for glorious tale
Of liberating strife,
When vengeance, for man's avail,
Men lavish'd precious life!
America! America!
May God thy gold refine,
Till all success be nobleness,
And ev'ry gain divine!
O beautiful for patriot dream
That sees beyond the years
Thine alabaster cities gleam
Undimmed by human tears!
America! America!
God shed His grace on thee,
And crown thy good with brotherhood
From sea to shining sea!

—Katherine Lee Bates.

THESE THINGS SHALL BE!

These things shall be! a loftier race
Than e'er the world hath known, shall rise;
With flow'r of freedom in their souls,
And light of science in their eyes.
They shall be gentle, brave and strong,
To spill no drop of blood, but dare
All that may plant man's lord-ship firm,
On earth, and fire, and sea, and air.
Nation with nation, land with land,
Unarm'd shall live as comrades free;
In ev'ry heart and brain shall throb
The pulse of one fraternity.
New arts shall bloom of loftier mould,
And mightier music thrill the skies,
And ev'ry life shall be a song,
When all the earth is paradise.
These things—they are no dreams—shall be
For happier men when we are gone:
Those golden days for them shall dawn,
Transcending aught we gaze upon.
—John Addington Symonds.

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THE MEETINGS ARE ENTIRELY FREE
NO TICKETS REQUIRED

FORD HALL, corner Bowdoin Street and Ashburton Place
January 12.—Prof. Vida D. Scudder of Wellesley College will talk to us on "The Moral Asset of the Class Struggle." It was Miss Scudder, you will recall, who came out clearly in sympathy with the strikers at Lawrence at a time when many of us had not yet made up our minds how to take the I. W. W. That's the way with Miss Scudder; she sees farther than most of us—and sooner.

January 19.—Dr. Yamei Kin of China talks to us on "The Awakening of China," with particular reference, we may assume, to the extraordinary Woman-Movement that is now so strong there. Though the first woman of her race to receive the degree of M. D. in this country Dr. Kin has never lost her close touch and her deep sympathy with her sisters in the East. It is very piquant to see her in her native costume talking in perfect English of their life and their problems. She is, indeed, a fount of first-hand information concerning every phase of life in this new Republic of the East.

January 26.—Joseph Fels, the ardent Single Taxer, comes to us again, his topic this time being "Just Taxation the Hope of the World." Mr. Fels is fresh from England where a considerable measure of land reforms has already been instituted and he will doubtless have a good deal to say about Lloyd George and his policies. But he is interesting whatever he says; you who have heard him before very well know that.

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