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"FORGOTTEN."

Julia Harris May, in Lewiston Journal.
"Why should I care?" Alas, I do.
I care so much, dear heart, don't you?
To be forgotten, oft I say,
While earth moves on the usual way,
And trees I loved, and hills I knew,
Grow on, mount on, each day anew,
While flowers I planted still shall bloom,
And shrubs I placed shall shade my tomb,
To be forgotten everywhere;
I cannot say, I do not care.

Are we forgotten, if a tree
We planted waves in symmetry?
Are we forgotten, though the song
We sing, be not remembered long,
If it hath helped one sorrowing heart
To bear its load or act its part?
Are we forgotten if we've taught
One lesson with forgiveness fraught?
No, not forgotten; though the name
Be lost, the deed goes on the same.

The song that cheered an aching heart
May from man's memory depart,
But comfort shall, from year to year,
Flow on, because we once were here.
Perchance, indeed, some simple line,
That once I loved to say was mine,
Shall bless again some hapless lot,
When she who wrote it is forgot.
If my thought lives, goes on the same
What care I for my humble name?

Ah, not forgotten; that kind deed
Another hand to good shall lead;
And deeds shall on and on be done,
Because thou didst that humble one,
Till some great act a sun shall shine,
Drawn from that little one of thine,
And perfect peace that is to be
Shall hold some memory of thee.
Grand thought, that all my heart doth thrill;
"Forgotten, yet remembered still."

Dear Master, help me now, I pray,
To work with Thee from day to day,
Help me a better life to live,
A little of Thy wisdom give,
Keep me from everything that's wrong,
Help me to sing a sweeter song,
Help me to give, and not to keep,
When I shall lie in death's long sleep,
May some glad hymn I sung for Thee,
Still live though I forgotten be.

THE WOLF IN SHEEP'S CLOTHING.

Sabbath Eve Discourse at Beth Israel Synagogue, Philadelphia, by Rabbi M. M. Eichler.

"Have we not all one Father?
Hath not one God created us?"
Malachi ii, 10.

Of all the blessings that this country confers upon its citizens the greatest is the blessing of freedom of conscience. To worship God in the manner that his conscience dictates him, undisturbed by the religious or irreligious opinion of his neighbor is one of the inalienable rights of every American citizen. Christian or Jew, Mohammedan or Buddhist, Ethical Culturist, agnostic or atheist, of whatever belief or unbelief, all are the same under the Constitution of the United States, and can adhere to their several opinions and practices as long as they do not interfere with the rights of others or with the laws of the State.

Remove the corner-stone of religious freedom and it is only a question of time when this edifice, reared with so much

wisdom, and preserved with so much heroism, shall crumble into dust and be rent asunder by prejudice—begotten feud and strife. There is nothing in the domain of human thought more suitable to excite the passions of men, nothing more liable to stir up the flame of fanaticism and bigotry than differences in regard to religious belief.

History is full of records of religious wars. For centuries the blood of young and old, of helpless women and innocent children was spilt upon the altar of bigotry and fanaticism. Of all wars the religious wars were the most horrible and the most prolonged. Of all persecutions the bitterest were those that were inspired by supposed religious motives. Of all tyrants the most unrelenting were those who deemed themselves the ambassadors of God. Like Madame Roland, concerning liberty, so may we exclaim: "Oh, Religion, how many crimes were committed in thy name!"

And shall we blame religion for the atrocities committed in its behalf? You may as well blame fire, that indispensable element to human welfare and progress, for the conflagration and suffering that have resulted through its careless or criminal use; condemn the sun, moon and stars, because foolish men have made them unto gods, worshipping the creature instead of the Creator; blame charity for the abuses committed under its cover by givers and receivers; banish love, the sweetest sentiment of the human soul, for the vice and sensuous brutality into which it is degraded in the bosom of the low and the bestial.

Religion in its purity is intended to become man's blessing, and man changed it into a curse. Religion, as the meaning of the word signifies, is a bond that unites man with God and man with man, but instead of this, folly has made of it a barrier to separate men into hostile groups. Religion is a flower whose root is a paradise and whose fragrance should fill the earth with joy and delight, but bigotry has often changed into a poisonous weed, spreading infection all around. Religion is a holy flame, burning on the altar of humanity, but ambitious priests and fanatic monks have changed it into a fire which destroyed homes and inhabitants in its unbridled course.

This has been the experience of ages, and the founders of the Republic have therefore sought, with all their wisdom and keen insight, to prevent the occurrence of religious feuds and struggles in this blessed land. With great care and scrupulous anxiety have the framers of the Constitutions avoided all reference to any creed or religion in order to secure freedom of conscience for all time to come.

And still, my friends, there are clouds upon the firmament of American religious freedom. It is true they are but "little clouds like a man's hand, arising out of the sea," and we hope that the heavens will not blacken with thick clouds and no storm will disturb the tranquility of our land.

The clouds that the observer can discern upon the apparently clear sky of this Republic are the "Missions to the Jews," supported and maintained by well-meaning Americans, but deluded by religious cranks in order to convert Jews to Christianity. Presumably there is no law against such agitations, and as long as their activity consists in verbal persuasion their action is legally correct.

But I consider such propaganda against the spirit of the American Constitution which secures undisturbed religious freedom to all as an insult to a large class of law-abiding and tax-paying citizens to have their religious belief denounced as pagan and barbarous; it is a menace to the freedom of this country to allow one religious sect to make incursions into the holy ground of another.

Has all the experience of centuries taught us so little as to allow religious agitation and attempts at conversion to take place in this land of progress and enlightenment?



CLARENCE I. DE SOLA.

In this very city of Philadelphia, during the past three days, a conference took place under the name of "The Friends of Israel." In the circular that they had the impudence to send to the Jewish ministers of this city, they stated "that they met for the purpose of promoting work among God's ancient people, Israel, and in order to bring the cause of Israel more prominently before the Christian public." Smooth and beautiful words these are, and they tempted me to attend one of their meetings. But, alas, my suspicions were well founded.

These lovely people, pretending to be peaceful lambs, are in reality "the wolf in the lambskin"—missionaries for the purpose of dissuading the Jews from their faith and the faith of their fathers, to accept Christianity as the only creed which assures salvation to man. Verily did I think of the saying, "Beware me of my friends; as for my enemies, I will take care of them!" and of the words of Bilhad, "that the hope of the hypocrites shall perish" (Job viii, 13). Give me an open enemy, who, in a manly manner makes an attack upon me, for then I can shield myself and

strike back. But save me from him who uses flattering words, pretending to be my friend, seeking my good, but who in truth wounds my heart and tramples upon my holiest sentiment. The lines of Edward Sydney Tyler (*London Spectator*, Feb. 25, 1899) could be well applied to these foes of Israel, masked in the garb of friendship.

Stand! as God saw thee of old time—
We see and know thee now,
The brand of unforgotten crime
Still black upon thy brow.

Aye, hypocrite, if thou wilt
White hands in protest, spread
The blood by coarser murders spilt
Was at thy bidding shed.

Fortunately there was nothing remarkable about these conferences and in spite of the pretentious and hypocritical manner in which they announced themselves they created so little sensation that the daily papers hardly took notice of them. The tones of the addresses I heard was, in spite of their repeated declarations of friendship, deeply humiliating to the Jews.

"The Jew is our brother, but he is a fallen brother. Let us therefore lift him up from his degradation, let us take him out from the darkness of Judaism and shed upon him the light of the gospel; save him from his benighted Jewish bigotry and give him liberally of the exalted teachings of Christianity." These were the words of Rev. George A. Pettit, pastor of Bethany Presbyterian Church, of Camden.

And now I ask you, my friends, whether this is not an insult to every American Jewish citizen, to have his sacred religious faith thus publicly humiliated and denounced? Is not this a violation of our sacred prerogative of worshipping our God in a manner it pleases us, undisturbed by any one?

The American missions for converting the Jews are a shame to American enlightenment, and a violation of American freedom of conscience and a degradation of American Jewish citizens.

These "would-be saviors" of Israel are the successors of the foes of Judaism of darker ages. The bigotry that incited Antiochus Epiphanes to force upon our ancestors Greek idolatry, the fanaticism that moved Emperor Hadrian to convert them to Roman heathenism and Torquemada, Spain's bloody high priest, to compel them to accept Catholicism, animates these apostles of the eve of the twentieth century.

The difference is only the method. Antiochus and Hadrian had armies at their command and sought with the point of the bayonet to impress the Jews with their particular views concerning God and worship. Torquemada had the government behind him, and as Inquisitor could burn those who would not accept his creed. Now, of course, no force can be used, therefore cunning hypocrisy and money are the means to entice the feeble and the weak minded in our camp to be camp treacherous to the cause for which we suffered centuries of martyrdom.

These "fishers of men" spread their nets everywhere, but the muddy waters

CLARENCE I. DE SOLA.

Mr. Clarence I. de Sola, of Montreal, President of the Federation of Zionist Societies of Canada, is one of the most active and capable leaders of Zionism on this side of the Atlantic. His executive ability was abundantly displayed in the work which he did in organizing the movement in Canada, and to his efficient guidance is to be attributed a large share of the growth and progress of Zionism in the neighboring Dominion.

The first Zionist Society in Canada was founded in Montreal January, 1898. Mr. de Sola took an active part at the first meeting and was elected a member of the Committee on Organization. The zeal and vigor with which he performed his duties while serving on this committee, led to his being elected Hon. Corresponding Secretary, when the first Council of the Montreal Society was appointed. The work which he willingly assumed in this office was heavy. Not only did he labor unceasingly to promote the movement in Montreal, but with keen ardor, he pressed forward the work of propaganda unremittingly in other Canadian cities by a mass of correspondence, by the distribution of Zionist literature, by personal interviews and public address. As a result societies were gradually organized in other Canadian cities, until to day Zionist associations exist in nearly all the important communities of Canada.

When the Jewish Colonial Trust was launched Mr. de Sola did yeoman service in helping to secure subscription for the shares.

Last Autumn all the Zionist societies of Canada were united under the control of a central body, consisting of delegates from each city. Mr. Clarence I. de Sola was unanimously elected president of the Federation. In addition to his devotion to Zionism, he also actively participates in other branches of communal work. He is member of the Board of Trustees of the Spanish and Portuguese Jews of Montreal—whose new and beautiful edifice was built from his design. For eight years he was an officer of the Montreal Branch of the Anglo-Jewish Association. He has also contributed several articles to the press on Canadian Jewish History, about which subject he possesses much interesting data.

Mr. de Sola finds time for all these communal labors despite the fact that he is engaged in the management of a large business in ship building and bridge building and the manufacture of railroad and canal material. Many important works have been carried out by him in this connection.

Clarence I. de Sola was born in Montreal, and is the third son of the late Rev. Abraham de Sola, LL.D., whose name will ever be held in reverence so long as ripe scholarship and devotion to duty command our homage. His eldest brother is the Rev. Meldola de Sola, so widely known for his powerful and fearless championship of orthodox Judaism.

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CITY NEWS.

Temple Emmanu-El.

Dr. Joseph Silverman will preach Sabbath morning on "The Need of a Queen Esther for Modern Judaism," and Sunday morning at 11.30 o'clock on "The Highest Ideal of Marriage." The public is invited.

Temple Ahawath Chesed Shaar Hashomayim.

The subject of Dr. Davidson's sermon to-morrow is, "Wherein Are We to Be Reformers?" Next Sunday morning the children of the religious school will be given an excellent Purim entertainment.

Madison Avenue Synagogue.

Rev. Moses P. Jacobson, formerly minister of the Congregation Anshe Maariv Chicago, Ill., will deliver the sermon Saturday morning, March 17. Services begin at 10 o'clock.

Jewish Theological Seminary.

At the Sabbath afternoon services held at the Seminary, Mr. Rudolph I. Coffey delivered the sermon, choosing Amalek as his theme. When we read the passage in Deuteronomy in which the Lord declares that He will wage eternal war against the Amalekites, we are almost inclined to believe that our God is a God of vengeance instead of one of love and mercy. Nevertheless, we cannot but recognize the justice of the doom pronounced over Amalek when we consider the perfidy and the malice which prompted him to attack the weaklings and the stragglers of a people just freed from the shackles of bondage.

Not only must war be waged against Amalek of old, but against the Amalekites, the Hamans of to-day. For in every generation enemies rise up against Israel to destroy him. Even in this enlightened age malice and hatred make themselves felt in the most refined countries. Who would have believed the possibility of a Dreyfus case? And hardly had Dreyfus bowed himself off the stage at Rennes, in France, than Hilsner, at Poina, was made the victim of a monstrous accusation.

True, Israel's mission is peace. But that peace is not to be bought by slavish subjection to the kicks and buffets of anti-Semites. Only when we have succeeded in extirpating race hatred and prejudice from among mankind can we have peace.

The meeting of the Morais Literary Society last Saturday evening was devoted entirely to the reading of a little Hebrew book written by David Frishman.

Young Men's Hebrew Association.

Work on the new building of the association, corner 92d street and Lexington avenue, has steadily progressed during the winter, and the building is now nearing completion. Efforts are being made to render it fit for occupancy some time in May, and this will be found necessary, more so as the old building at 361 Lexington avenue has been sold and must be vacated by May 1.

The association has been treated to a pleasant surprise in being the recipient of a letter from Mr. Andrew Carnegie, indicating his willingness to donate \$5,000 for the purpose of establishing in the library of the new building an "Andrew Carnegie Alcove."

Dr. Lee K. Frankel will deliver the next Saturday "Talk" at the rooms of the association to-morrow evening.

The challenge debate between the lit-

erary society and the social club, which was held in the vestry rooms of the Shearith Israel Synagogue, was awarded to the literary society after a very close contest.

The last lecture of the course will be held in the vestry rooms of Temple Beth-El, Thursday evening, March 22, on which occasion the Hon. Bird S. Coler will deliver a lecture on "The City of New York." A very excellent concert by well-known artists will also be given.

Educational Alliance.

The Women's Philharmonic Society of the city of New York has recently organized a department of music for the people. The first concert in this direction was given Sunday evening, March 11, at the Educational Alliance. Many prominent artists, including Miss Fannie Hirsch, vocalist; Miss Martina Johnstone, violinist; Miss Amy Fay, pianist; Miss Anna May Behlen, harpist; Miss Laura Sedgwick Collins, Mrs. Josephine Ware Vermilye, Miss Julia Hard volunteered their services. The concert was a tremendous success, and was given under the personal supervision of Miss Hattie Sternfeld, representative of the Women's Philharmonic Society at the Educational Alliance.

Hebrew Sheltering Guardian Society.

Under the auspices of the Young Ladies and Gentlemen's Circle, an entertainment for the children will be held at the institution on March 25, at which prizes for annual essay competition will be awarded. The children are hard at work writing their essays, as each is anxious to obtain a prize.

Ladies' Auxiliary Society of the Home for the Aged and Infirm.

A Purim entertainment, under the auspices of the Ladies' Auxiliary Society of the Home for Aged and Infirm of the I. O. B. B., will be given at the Home in Yonkers on Tuesday, March 20, beginning at 2.30 p. m.

Young Israel.

Young Israel is a new society that has lately been established on the East Side. Last Tuesday the assembly rooms of the Hebrew Orthodox Society, at 109 Henry street, were crowded with enthusiastic young men who had assembled to complete the organization of this society and to arrange for a mass meeting.

The organizers of this society have found that the great irreligion that exists among the young generation downtown is mainly caused by ignorance of the sublime teachings of Judaism, and is partly due to lack of encouragement. To counteract this growing evil, several earnest young men on the East Side, assisted by a few students of the Jewish Theological Seminary, have succeeded in forming this society. Very shortly after its organization the membership of this society was greatly increased by earnest young men from all parts of the city. But the ambitions of the society do not stop here. It wishes to unite all young Israelites in the city who still adhere to the tenets of Judaism, and for this purpose an open meeting of "Young Israel" will be held on Tuesday evening, March 20, in the auditorium of the Educational Alliance. The meeting will be addressed by Dr. H. P. Mendes, Dr. B. Drachman and other prominent speakers. All who have the interests of Judaism at heart should be present at this meeting to encourage this noble undertaking on the part of the young of our people.

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MARRIAGES.

White-Marks and Levitt-Marks.

Monday afternoon, March 12, 1900, at the residence of the parents of the brides, Mr. and Mrs. Selim Marks, 62 West 97th street, New York city, by the Rev. Stephen S. Wise, Mr. Martin S. White to Miss Florence May Marks and Mr. Aaron Levitt to Miss Queen V. Marks.

Docter-Toplitz.

Mr. Albert A. Docter to Miss Florence Rose Toplitz, at Delmonico's, Wednesday evening, March 14, by the Rev. Stephen S. Wise.

Ahrensdoerf-Goldstein.

The marriage of Mr. Louis A. Goldstein to Miss Ruth Z. Ahrensdoerf took place on Monday, March 12, 1900, at Tuxedo, Madison avenue and 59th street. Officiating minister, Rev. B. Hast.

Silver Wedding.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred. Fischer of 315 East 55th street celebrated their twenty-fifth anniversary of wedded life on Saturday evening, the 10th of March, 1900. Rev. B. Hast officiated. They were the recipients of many valuable presents and innumerable dispatches and letters of congratulation.

The Albany Dental Association, under the management of F. L. Morhard, D. D., has become one of the largest establishments in this city, through the genuine good work it is doing all along. Their new method of extracting teeth and inserting new ones the same day is a feature of the establishment, as well as the manufacture of sets at a lower rate than anywhere else in the city. Their prices are very reasonable, as the following will show:

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Proctor's Theatres.

At Proctor's Twenty-third Street Theatre, Cissie Loftus will head these features, week of March 19: Sager Midgley and Gertie Carlisle; Dorothy Neville. "As It Happens;" Fields and Ward; Max Unger; Morrell and Evans; Kalatechnoscope, and others.

At Proctor's Palace, East 58th street, besides Miss Loftus, there are: Cora Stuart and company; Lew Hawkins; Cardownie Troupe; Three Westons; Maxwell and Dudley; Kalatechnoscope, any many more.

Mr. Proctor will open the Fifth Avenue Theatre on Monday, May 7, next, as Broadway's first home of continuous performance of high-class vaudeville. The prices will be the same as prevail at the other Proctor theatres in this city, entire orchestra, 50 cents; balconies, 25 cents. Both the Palace and Proctor's Twenty-third Street Theatre will be continued exactly as at present, and they will be able to present vaudeville's best entertainments. Due announcement of the inaugural entertainment at the Fifth Avenue Theatre will be given in these columns.

Irving Place Theatre.

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paragement of him to say that, while he completes, he does not rise above the ensemble. The performance of that masterpiece of modern German dramatic poetry, "Die Versunkene Glocke," was admirable in its poetic spirit, its lovely scenery and the close attention to every detail. We expect similar results to be attained from the representation of "Hero und Leander" this evening. In Grillparzer's tragedy the two leading roles are in the hands of Fri. Schiffl and Herr Wagner.

Soldiers Coming to the Garden.

Madison Square Garden will be brilliant in decoration and especially attractive in the performances which are given by the Military Athletic League in their fourth annual military tournament, which will begin on Monday night, March 26, and continue during the week. The Soldier Show is an important one for everybody, as details of infantry, cavalry, artillery and men from the ships of the navy are made by the United States Government. The show is practically under their patronage. There will be rough riding by the cavalry, and some splendid exhibitions of gymnastic horsemanship, musical drills, gallant charges and battle scenes will be represented in each of the three branches of the service, artillery, infantry and cavalry taking part. The Signal Corps will show how work is done in the field in building towers and stringing wires while the enemy are in position to interfere with the work. Camp scenes, repulses and attack, artillery practice, daring driving by the men who "are with the guns," the naval militia, National Guard, batteries with Gatling guns and mounted platoon drills; all this and more will be on exhibition during the week, with matinees on Wednesday and Saturday, in which there will be entirely a military programme.

Brooklyn Theatres.

Williams and Walker and their own company of fifty people, who come to the Bijou next week, are all colored, and will present, for the second time in this city, their new novelty and musical farce, entitled "The Policy Players." The Williams and Walker show is the property of Hurlig & Seamon, the prosperous New York music hall managers, and, while admitting there have been other colored companies, it may be said without fear of contradiction that in the Williams and Walker aggregation the acme of perfection has been reached. The performance throughout is replete with every variety of entertainment.

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Borough of Brooklyn.

A special song recital will take place next Monday evening, March 19, at the Brooklyn Academy of Music by Mme. Nordica, soprano, assisted by Miss Marie Brema, mezzo-soprano. The programme will be as follows:

PART I.

- 1 a. The Angel.....Rubinstein
- b. Autumn Song.....Mendelssohn
- Mmes. Nordica and Brema.
- 2 The Cycle, "Frauenliebe und Leben," Schumann

Miss Marie Brema.

- 3 a. The Robin Sings.....MacDowell
- b. Lullaby.....Luckstone
- c. La Rose.....Webber
- d. Spring Song.....Wehl
- Mme. Nordica.

PART II.

- 4 a. Der Atlas.....Schubert
- b. Der Fruhling.....Tschalkowsky
- c. L'Heureux Vagabond.....Bruneau
- d. Der Kuckuck.....Tschalkowsky
- e. The Throstle.....M. V. White
- Miss Marie Brema.

- 5 a. The Swan.....Grieg
- b. Sinesvers.....Hahn
- c. Serenade.....Strauss
- Mme. Nordica.
- 6 a. Wanderer's Evening Song.....Rubinstein
- b. Greeting.....Mendelssohn
- Mmes. Nordica and Brema.

The first in the spring series of dramatic readings will take place on Saturday evening, March 17, at 8.15 o'clock in Association Hall by Mr. Leland Powers of Boston. It will include selections from "Cyrano de Bergerac."

The illustrated lecture by Mr. Dwight L. Elmendorf of New York, postponed from Feb. 14 on account of the illness of Mr. Elmendorf, will be given on Friday evening, March 23, in Association Hall, with colored lantern photographs and motion pictures.

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AMERICAN ZIONIST NEWS.

Zionist affairs in the city of Philadelphia continue to progress very satisfactorily. At a recent meeting of the Beth Israel Culture Association a paper on Zionism was presented by Mr. Aaron Brav and discussed by Rabbi M. M. Eichler, who described the present condition of Jews to whom Zionism is the only hope and encouragement.

A recent meeting of the Philadelphia Society, Dorshel-Zion, was addressed by Rabbis Levinthal, Brenner and Bloch. About twenty members were enrolled, in addition to the original membership of seventy-five.

Wednesday evening, Feb. 28, the Rev. Dr. Henry Berkowitz delivered an address entitled "Our Educational Problem," before the B'nai Zion Society, at its rooms, 532 Pine street, Philadelphia. Referring to Zionism, Dr. Berkowitz, although not a Zionist, declared that it is certainly a characteristic of this movement that it has attracted people in all lands, and aroused an enthusiasm not previously known. It has brought people together who are far apart. Wednesday evening, March 7, the third of the series of lectures of the course was given by the Rev. Dr. Ilowizi.

The Zionist Council of Greater Boston held its first annual entertainment at Music Hall, Tuesday evening, Feb. 27. The Federation which forms the Council is made up of the Hebrew National Association, Dorshal Zion, No. 1, Dorshal Zion No. 3, Dorshal Zion No. 4, Sons and Daughters of Zion, Lovers of Zion, Dorshath Zion, Boston; Dorshath Zion, Chelsea, and Boston Daughters of Zion. The officers of the Executive Council are: Mr. Marcus Lande, president; Mr. Louis B. Magid, vice-president; Mr. Samuel Margolis, recording secretary; Mr. Robert Silverman, corresponding secretary and Mr. Senior S. Bloomberg, treasurer.

A regular quarterly meeting of the Zionist Society of Montreal, held in the Zionist Chambers, 68 St. Lawrence street, Feb. 28, showed the society to be in a flourishing condition and active in propaganda work.

A number of young women of Pittsburgh, Pa., are organizing a Zionist society, and have already held their first meeting.

The students of the Jewish Theological Seminary of New York city are active in the Zionist cause. They are giving a series of Bible lessons to the "Daughters of Zion" and a course of lectures on political themes before the "American Daughters of Zion."

Rabbi H. Brodsky of New York delivered an eloquent address on Zionism before a crowded and enthusiastic meeting last Sunday afternoon, before the Anshei-Keneseth Congregation, Clinton and Judd streets, Chicago, Ill.

The Zion Society of Albany met lately and was addressed by Mr. William Noah and Rabbi Rifkin. The hall was crowded and twenty-nine new members were elected, making a total membership of sixty.

At the open meeting held last Saturday night of the Brooklyn Daughters of Zion addresses were delivered by Mr. Harold Spieldberg and Mr. Saxe. A member of the society, Miss J. G. Kaplan, read a very able paper on Zionism. Some young men of Minneapolis, Minn., have lately formed a new Zion organization. Steps are being taken to arrange for a reading room, and regular courses of lectures by out of town speakers.

The Jewish Messenger of March 9 published a picture of the latest colony of Palestine, Machnayim, organized about two years ago, and consisting then of only twenty Galician families. The Messenger states that the colony is eight hundred hectares, and is two hours' travel from Haifa. It includes good material, and will doubtless make an excellent report of itself.

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The Hebrews of Vineland, N. J., are raising funds for the erection of a synagogue.

Ten per cent of the marriages celebrated in Buda Peth in 1898 were mixed marriages.

There are in the government of Vienna 399 factories, the workmen of which are 30 per cent. Jews.

In Jassy has been established a society of "Ezra" for the purpose of assisting emigrants to America.

Herr Rudolph Ritter von Guttman has given 20,000 crowns to the society for the education of the people of Vienna.

Herr Wawelberg of Warsaw has given 10,000 roubles for the opening of reading rooms in the villages around the Polish capital.

Only sixty-two Jewish teachers are engaged in the gymnasium and high schools in Germany as against 1,721 non Jewish masters.

A number of sculptures by the famous Russo-Jewish sculptor, Herr M. Antolsky, will be exhibited at the forthcoming Paris Exhibition.

To cope with the distress existing in the Jewish colonies in Cherson, a relief committee has been called into existence in Moscow and Odessa.

The Hebrew Ladies' Benevolent Society of Paterson, N. J., have secured the Opera House for April 23, when they will hold their annual benefit.

In Munich two Jews were elected on the Orphanage Council. The rest of that body thereupon declined to work with their Jewish colleagues.

The Jewish community of Fulda, (Germany) will open in a month or two the new elementary school which, it is said, will be one of the best schools in town.

The number of mixed marriages is on the increase in Prussia. During the past year 65 Jewesses took non-Jewish husbands, and 118 Jews married Christians.

The editor and proprietor of the first Jewish paper Rasvet, in Russia, has just died in Warsaw at the advanced age of 92. The disease was a well known litterateur.

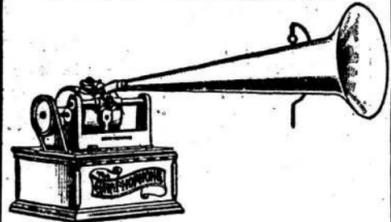
A benefit performance of the Beth El Sisterhood at the Metropolitan Opera House on Wednesday night resulted in a gain of about \$5,000 for the treasury of the institution.

There is a strong probability of the erection of a new synagogue in South Trenton, N. J. The new structure will probably be erected on the site of the present building on Union street, and will cost \$14,000.

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the Jewish congregation were granted a building permit to erect one story frame building, to be used as a school house, at 1230 Washington street, to cost \$1050.—Seattle (Wash.) Times.

The ways of the Roumanian Government pass the understanding of man. They disdain to treat the Jewish population as human beings and yet when Jews desire to emigrate the necessary passports are refused.

A Sydney contemporary advertises a picnic "in aid of the funds for the purchase of a Sepher Torah for the use of the Mynyan of a Baron de Hirsch Memorial Aid Society." Surely this is a unique example of the relations of cause and effect.

The Jewish soldiers of the 114th Nowo-Torshok Infantry Regiment, stationed at Misau (Russia), are writing a regimental Sepher Torah. The chief of the regiment Colonel Prilukow, gave the men a holiday in honor of the event.

Lawyers of the Jewish persuasion in the Grand Duchy of Hesse (Germany), are only elevated to the Bench on condition that they become converts to Christianity. A strong protest against this system has been lodged with the Hessian Chamber.

The Hebrew Benevolent and Orphan Asylum Society of Newark, N. J., announces the receipt of \$1,000 from Mrs. Leopold Fox. From the same source the hospital for Women and Children has received \$500, for which acknowledgment has been made by Mrs. Ruth Pruden.

The Young Men's Hebrew Charitable Association of Chicago, at the annual meeting of the organization discussed plans for an annual subscription of \$200,000. Half of this has already been subscribed by 450 members of the association. It is the purpose to substitute subscription for the annual ball.

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It is not necessary for a Jewish minister to explain to a Jewish congregation the utter baselessness of their denunciation of the sublime faith of Israel, the inheritance of Jacob. I consider it superfluous to speak on "Why Am I a Jew," or "Why Do I Not Believe in the Man God of Nazareth?" But it is of importance to think and speak concerning the question, "What Shall Be Our Attitude Regarding the Christian Exertion to Convert the Jew?"

Shall we continue the everlasting policy of "Sufferance is the badge of all our tribe?" Shall we leave unanswered those lying words about the darkness of Judaism, benighted, stubborn and unbelieving Israel? Shall we allow the children of our poorer brethren to be enticed in the nets of apostasy without searching for means to put a stop to this miserable barter of human souls?

"But what can we do?" you ask. "There is freedom of speech, and hence we cannot shut the mouth of anybody, and as long as they are within the limits of the law, nothing can be done." Aye, something can be done. There is freedom of speech, you say. Let us make use of their weapons, take advantage of our freedom of speech, and let the word of protest be heard in the pulpit, on the platform, in the press, in the club-room and in the thousand and one places where Jewish influence reaches.

Some are of the opinion that we ought to treat our over zealous saviors with silent contempt. But you must not forget that may be misinterpreted as weakness, or as stubbornness. Silence will not always do.

Let us enter the arena of spiritual and intellectual contest and tell the world that the venerable mother has very little to learn from the daughter, that Judaism need not capitulate before Christianity;

that Israel's eternal fountain, whence Christianity has drawn its strength, is still overflowing with its bounteous and never ceasing waters of salvation.

Tell them in plain and emphatic words that, although the rise and spread of Christianity is the work of Providence, although Christianity has had a mission to reach the great mass of heathen nation, to which Judaism in its original purity, was too exalted; that although Christianity has been an instrument in the hands of Providence, it was never meant to supersede the religion of Abraham, of Moses, of David, of Isaiah and of Akiba.

Every Jew ought to be posted on some of the most important facts held by scientists and scholars concerning Christian doctrine.

Christian theology was an accommodation to the needs of the nations among whom it was introduced. The world was still heathen to a great extent. Though the Greek divinities had lost their power, the only gods that were known were gods in human form. A purely spiritual, invisible deity that cannot be represented in marble or on the canvas could not very well have appealed to them. Thus the idea of a man god, of incarnation, has arisen to suit the mode of thinking of the Gentile nations. The idea of trinity as but a compromise with polytheism, which was still lingering in the hearts of men. We have no objection if our Christian neighbors believe in these doctrines, for we respect the religious sentiments of every man, and deem it improper to speak lightly or in an irreverent manner about the doctrines of any faith, since whether they are erroneous or not, they become consecrated in the heart of the believer, and we must say to the scoffer: "Put off the shoes of thy feet, for the place whereon thou standest is holy ground."

But say to your missionary, "while we respect your views, we cannot accept them as ours. Your ideas of the divinity of the man of Nazareth, of the trinity, of original sin, of vicarious atonement, or of the necessity of a mediator between man and God, are strange and incomprehensible to us, and we cannot and will not subscribe to them."

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No ransom can be paid for him, no one can die in his stead, if he is guilty, he must be his own redeemer; he must repent and he can come without a mediator to the heavenly Father, who is the father of love and of mercy, the Father of Jew and Gentile, the rich and poor, the king and beggar, alike.

But after all, the age of theological disputation is gone. It is the deed and not the creed that God wants of you; Judaism is religion of deeds, not of creeds. It does not matter what your belief is concerning metaphysical conceptions as long as you believe in One God, who created, preserveth and ruleth the world, and in consequence of this simple belief you "do justice, love mercy and walk humbly before

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