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(For the Hebrew Standard.)

Shulamith.

"Peace" thy name, O Shulamith, doth spell;
"Perfect peace, tranquillity God-sent."
Now, that thou art gone, what's left to tell
Us of thee, my pure, my innocent,
Sweet, little darling Shulamith?—

"Peace!" And may that peace, by name we know,
Find its way into the wounded breast!
See! In heaven one more star's aglow!
'Tis my little bird that flew to nest
'Mong stars of peace—my Shulamith!

JOHN D. NUSSBAUM.

In memory of my child, a girl of three years, who died Oct. 21st, 1904.

"Shulamith means in Hebrew "Peace" and "Perfection."

(For the Hebrew Standard)

עַר לַעֲשׂוֹת לַיהוָה הַיּוֹם

"It is time to act for the Lord; they have made void Thy law."

Jewish Ministers?

BY THE REV. MELDOLA DE SOLA.

I.

To call a spade a spade does not tend to make a man popular to-day. It is a time of flabby compromise, and plain speaking is at a discount. According to fashionable ethics, the truth should not always be proclaimed; and, as it is deemed "undignified" to give utterance to words of protest where such protest is likely to raise a storm, the cause of truth is allowed to suffer.

Strange as it may appear, there is no walk in life in which this disinclination to proclaim the plain, unvarnished truth has been more pronounced in recent years than in our ministry. Time was when a Leeser, an Illovy, a Raphall, an Abraham De Sola, a Lyons, a Samuel Myer Isaacs, a Rice, and other exponents of Orthodox Judaism, did not fear to expose the un-Jewishness of Reform and to denounce its vagaries. But then "there were giants on the earth in those days." To-day, alas! we look in vain for champions of their calibre. Reform is more aggressive, more anti-Jewish, more insidious in its methods, and consequently more dangerous than ever before, and yet we seldom meet with an English-speaking Orthodox minister who has the manliness or the loyalty to the

cause he is employed and paid to serve, to wage war against a system which is creating in this country a generation of Jews who know not Judaism.

charge, and will endeavor to prove that it is as true as the Torah before I have concluded these articles. Winter and Summer can occur simultaneously in the same place, higher than its source; and, similarly, then Reform may be Judaism. But

If Reform be not Judaism, as will be shown, then Reform ministers are not Jewish ministers; for a Jewish minister must necessarily be a minister of Judaism—not a propagator of Kohlerism, Schulmanism, Silvermanism, or other similar Isms. And if the Reform ministers be not Jewish ministers, their congregations necessarily learn any Ism but Judaism. Hence the creation of a generation of Jews who know not Judaism.

How little the reform ministers are entitled to the designation of Jewish ministers, and how utterly inconsistent exponents of Orthodox Judaism are who accord them that designation will appear later.

A Gap in the Fence.

Editor, HEBREW STANDARD:

Please pardon my delay in writing you on the question of your admirable article, "A Gap in the Fence." Since I saw you last and promised to give you my opinion on the subject, I have been unusually busy, and was out of town part of the time; this is my excuse for writing at this late date.

In my opinion, the proper care of dependent and delinquent Jewish children in non-Jewish institutions can be accomplished more promptly and—under existing circumstances—with a fair degree of success, by providing religious instruction for these unfortunate waifs. I feel confident that arrangements could be made in institutions like the Juvenile Asylum, Five Points House Mission, and probably all the others, permitting religious instruction on Saturdays by Jewish ministers, and occasional visits and talks to the children by Jewish Sunday-school teachers.

As far back as 1860, such religious instruction was provided in Germany—in the Catholic states—for all schools above the grammar grade. The Catholic pupils would have to appear at school an hour earlier than the other students, attend mass, and receive instruction by the priest whom the Archbishop had appointed as preacher. Two days each week the Protestant minister would give an hour's lesson on each of those days; the Jewish minister would give an hour's lesson each Wednesday and Saturday afternoon. The system worked splendidly and to the benefit of all the students at school.

Similar systems could be worked out by a man of your ability, knowledge and pedagogical mind.

You may use this letter for publication, but I request you to omit my signature.

Yours cordially,

14th Dec. 1904.



David Takes To Saul the Presents from Jesse. (II. Sam. XII.)

(Tissot's Old Testament Pictures.)

(By Courtesy of the N. Y. Times)

To charge Reform with creating a generation of Jews who know not Judaism may shock our dignified and diplomatic friends. It may be regarded by them as a very stern arraignment. But I adhere to the

a congregation will not practice a religion superior to that taught by its minister.

What, then, is the religion preached by the exponents of Reform? Is it Judaism?

if treason and loyalty be not interchangeable terms, and if the repudiation of tenets fundamental to a religion be inconsistent with adherence to that religion, then Reform is not Judaism.

Mr. Lucas' Religious Classes.

The second celebration of Chanukah by these classes was held in the First Roumanian-American Synagogue, Rivington street, on Wednesday evening, the sixth night of the festival. The large and beautiful building gave Mr. Lucas the opportunity to have the whole of the children under his charge present. They filed in, class after class, to the number of nearly 600 children, to the beautiful music of the band of the Hebrew Sheltering Guardian Society. The programme was a repetition of the previous celebration in the Pike Street Synagogue and the audience of about 2,000 persons showed their appreciation of each number on the programme by their hearty applause.

The address of Dr. Edgar Dubs Shimer, the Superintendent of Public Schools of the district, was full of true religious feeling. Dr. Shimer is evidently a true Christian. He urged the children to be firm in their devotion to their ancient ancestral faith. He said that the highest ambition of those who were in authority in the public schools of this city was to make the children in their charge feel that the cultivation of the religion of their parents, whatever that was, could only lead to them becoming ideal citizens. He denounced the spirit of self-obliteration. He urged the children to "be somebody, so that the world may know that you are something." He also spoke very highly of the Jewish home life and finished a most eloquent oration by invoking God's blessing on those who were so devotedly working to make Jewish children observant Jews.

Mr. Louis Marshall, who also spoke, told of his own experience, as an example that observance of his religion had only been a benefit to him throughout his life. Mr. Lucas had referred to his connection with the proposed Jewish Protectors, in his introduction of Mr. Marshall to the audience, and Mr. Marshall said that investigation had shown that no child that had received a Jewish training in any religious school similar to that he was now addressing had become a subject of such an institution, as, unfortunately, he had been compelled to admit had now become a necessity for Jews.

Mr. Cyrus L. Sulzberger, who was also expected to speak, wrote that a meeting at his house prevented his attending, but that he was heartily in accord with the movement and wished it all success.

Each child was presented with a box of candy as a Chanukah gift.

Manhattan Rifles of New York City.

A monster military and vaudeville entertainment was tendered to the Manhattan Rifles at the Grand Central Palace last Sunday evening, December 11. An excellent programme was rendered to the full enjoyment of the large gathering in attendance. The object of the entertainment was to raise funds to procure rifles and accoutrements for the young soldiers. This is the only Jewish military organization in the city, and is one which tends to cultivate the spirit of patriotism and manliness in building up the Jewish youth, physically and morally.

It was incorporated May 14, 1902. Lieutenant Colonel Tuchler, Major K. Mandell and Major A. Victor formed the committee who had the affair in charge and thanks are due to them for the success which crowned their efforts. Mr. Joseph S. Marcus, the well known philanthropist of the east side, is a patron of the Manhattan Rifles and takes great pride in the development of the organization.

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President Wallace A. Wise, of District Grand Lodge No. 4, was the guest of the General Committee of District No. 1 last Saturday evening. Mr. Wise is here in the city for a brief period, and returns very shortly to his home in San Francisco.

Washington Irving Lodge has moved to Harlem. It is the first B'nai B'rith lodge to take that step, and its meetings will hereafter be held on the first and third Tuesdays of every month in the Doric room of Harlem Casino. The enormous Jewish population in that section of the city ought to justify the wisdom of the course of the officers of Washington Irving Lodge.

Hempstead, L. I.

(From Our Correspondent.)
The members of the Nassau Hebrew Association, who decided a year ago to purchase a site and erect a synagogue, are so divided in their views regarding the location of the proposed edifice that no definite conclusions can be reached, and those who have been most enthusiastic for the house of worship are quite discouraged at the prospects for a satisfactory settlement of the matter.

The association is composed of members from Hempstead, Freeport and Rockville Centre. It is contemplated spending about \$10,000 for a synagogue. When the association was first formed the members were very enthusiastic, but after a time the question of locating the synagogue, and the form of religion to be established, whether Orthodox or Reformed, came up for discussion, and it was found that the members were divided concerning the form of worship as well as on the synagogue question. The Hempstead contingent favored the Reformed service, while Rockville Centre members, who are said to be in the majority, favored the Orthodox form of worship. Freeport representatives took a neutral attitude regarding the synagogue question and form of worship, but Rockville Centre and Hempstead took an open stand.

Hempstead was anxious to be the site of the synagogue, but Rockville Centre members opposed located it there, on the ground that the location was undesirable for them, the distance they would have to travel being considerable, and causing a large outlay in car fare or wagon hire. A number of special meetings of the association were held, but nothing accomplished.

Services are now held by the association members at both Hempstead and Rockville Centre. The Rockville Centre people are agitating the location of the synagogue at Freeport, which is central by trolley for both villages, but the Hempstead people will not concede this. Freeport members say that they do not care whether the synagogue is located at Hempstead or Rockville Centre, and so the situation stands.

Another special meeting is talked of to settle the question if possible.
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Correspondence.

Dr. Kohler's Eternal Ethical Idea.

Editor, HEBREW STANDARD:

Lately there have been published in a contemporary certain statements made, ex-Cathedra, as it were, by the Rev. Dr. Kohler, President of the Hebrew Union College, statements that are so fraught with great importance to most vital questions regarding Israel's future, more especially as Dr. Kohler is now the acknowledged leader of Reform Judaism in this country, that I cannot refrain from recurring thereto again.

The Rev. President of the Hebrew Union College says in his letter published in the aforesaid contemporary issue of December 4th, that the Alpha and Omega of Reform Judaism is not the law but the eternal ethical idea.

Now though I am no scholar and make no pretense to erudition, still to the best of my limited knowledge—and herein I have the support of any number of learned men—the eternal ethical idea, so far as Judaism is concerned, is found in the Bible and there it is bound up with the Law. The Ten Commandments, the greatest declaration of ethical principles ever promulgated, are contained therein as part of the Law. The unity of God; the command to honor parents; to give rest to the servant and to the toiling animal on one day of the week; not to bear false witness; to respect the life, the property and all the belongings of one's fellow-man, certainly cover the whole field of ethics. Then again, the commands found in other parts of the Bible: To have honest weights; to be a man of one's word; to help along one's fellow man in the thousand and one ways detailed and commanded; the *Summum Summarum* of ethics, to release from military service him who had just led home a bride, him who had just planted a vineyard and not yet garnered and enjoyed its fruits. The many commands against cruelty to animals: not to muzzle the ox on the threshing floor; not to yoke animals unequal in strength and speed, together; not to rife a bird's nest in the presence of the mother bird, are all part and parcel of the Law, of the 613 Commandments and Prohibitions. Because they are part of the Law

our Rabbis attached such great importance to their observance and went in the practice of them so far that they would have been tabooed in these days of scientific charity. If a man have come to poverty and he had been a rich man once, the great Rabbi Hillel would have us feed him not as the poor man of to-day but as the rich man of yore, and we would an honored guest. "It is better to give charity than to bring sacrifices" quotes the author of *M'il Hazedakah*, extracts from whose work are printed in all the voluminous prayer books to be read every Sabbath day, "and he who receives the (poor) guest in his house with a pleasant and smiling countenance is greater than he who has beheld the *Shechina*" "He who gives charity secretly (so that the poor may not be put to shame) is greater than our teacher Moses, upon whom be peace." Any number of such expressions regarding the importance of the ethical commandments can be found scattered throughout the vast field of Hebrew literature from the *Talmud* down to the present day. All this because they are held to be the commands of God—because they are the Law.

However if the Law is not for us, if we have no further use for it, declare it not binding us, kick it into the *Rumpel Kammer*, where dwells Rev. Dr. Kohler's Reform Judaism get its eternal ethical idea from!

True, it is, that he may say that he takes from the Bible just what suits him, even as he does from other ancient works, the *Codex of Hammurabi*, the writings of Confucius, the *Zendavesta*, the *Vedas*, etc., ascribing no greater sacredness of character to the one than to the other. Then why adhere to the term of Reform Judaism?

If everything that distinguishes the Jew from his fellows of other faith shall be laid aside just as we lay aside garments that have gone out of fashion why not come out directly and plainly and preach assimilation?

In the light of what the Rev. Dr.

Kohler hold to be Reformed Judaism, Mr. Israel Zangwill must be right when he says that the children of Israel are but getting their just due when they are persecuted because they refuse to do in Rome as the Romans do; because they are clanish and stick by themselves; because they do not intermarry. If there is nothing but ethics why in the name of reason should we remain a separate people?

The people are beginning to see the logic of things. They are taking the the Rabbis at their word and beginning to assimilate themselves very rapidly. The Ethical Culture Society, with its membership nine-tenths Jews is but the gradual evolution of the teachings of a long line of Reform Rabbis. The members of that society do not consider themselves Jews anymore, I have been told. Certainly! Time was when the great holidays, the New Year and the Day of Atonement still claimed reverence from the most recreant; but to-day, even these have lost much of their hold upon us. Though many still refrain, from scruples due to early training, from opening their places of business on these days, nevertheless, they have advanced so far that they do not hesitate to substitute the feast at the club for the fast at the Synagogue on the *Yom Kippur*. Well, why not? It is not contrary to ethics to feast on Atonement day! And thus goes along gradually and surely the disintegration. The son of the temple-member of to-day is a member of the Ethical Cult on the morrow.

Again the question arises, if we are going to assimilate ourselves with the other people among whom we live, and we surely will if we cast aside all else but ethics, even as many of our Rabbis have already done, why spend thousands upon thousands of dollars to found a Hebrew Union College to teach *Talmud* and *Midrash*, etc., which the teachers themselves hold as useless and not of equal importance to the hundreds of other volumes (the treasures of other nations) of ancient

times; when these immense sums could be spent more in accordance with the eternal ethical idea in the founding of Kindergartens, technical schools, botanical gardens and the hundred and one other things that teachers of pure ethics at the present day deem necessary to make man ethical?

The plaintive wail of the Rev. Dr. Heller in the *Israelite* regarding the lengthening of the course in the Hebrew Union College seems fully justified. Why, indeed, make the young gentlemen wait for nine long years till they can go out and preach ethics? Where is the necessity for robbing these budding sprouts of so much time when the whole business could really be accomplished in a much shorter period, say three years, as the following scheme, which takes in the most important studies, clearly shows:

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The only criticism of Dr. Heller's article that I take the liberty of making is that he does not go far enough. Why in fact, as already said, have a Hebrew Union College at all? Since we are being carried so rapidly along the road to *Assimilation*—it was a great jump quickly made from Isaac M. Wise to Dr. K. Kohler—why expend the large sums for what, in a few years, will not alone be useless, but for that which we then may possibly be ashamed of.

As I. M. Wise was wont to say "Let us have light"—on these important questions above all.

JEROME ALEXANDER.
 New York, 11th Dec. 1904.

1905

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Rosh Chodesh Nissan	Thursday, April 6.
1st day Pesach	Thursday, April 20.
7th day Pesach	Wednesday, April 29.
Rosh Chodesh Iyar	Saturday, May 6.
Lag B'Omer	Tuesday, May 23.
Rosh Chodesh Sivan	Sunday, June 2.
1st day Shabuoth	Friday, June 9.
Rosh Chodesh Tammuz	Tuesday, July 4.
Fast of Tammuz	Thursday, July 20.
Rosh Chodesh Ab	Wednesday, Aug. 2.
Fast of Ab	Thursday, Aug. 19.
Rosh Chodesh Ellul	Friday, Sept. 1.

*Also observed the day previous as Rosh Chodesh.

Mutual Benefit and Burial Society.

This is one of the oldest Jewish benevolent societies in the city of New York, and for the annual dues of \$7 its members receive a weekly sick benefit of \$7. In case of distress additional relief to the amount of \$200 furnishes burial and funeral expenses, and pays a death benefit to the family of the deceased of \$250. It has \$16,000 in invested funds and will receive members under thirty-five years of age without an initiation fee. For blank applications apply to any of the undersigned: Harry Solomon, president, No. 459 West Twenty-third street; I. S. Isaacs, treasurer, No. 52 William street; I. Schachine, secretary, No. 163 East 94th street; J. Finkelstone, sexton, No. 414 East Fifty-seventh street.

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Temple Emanu El.
Forty-third Street and Fifth Avenue.
Saturday morning Rev. Dr. Joseph Silverman will preach on "Moses Maimonides and His Influence on Judaism." Sunday morning, at 11.15 a. m., Dr. Silverman will lecture on "The Christmas Message to the World."

Temple Israel of Harlem.
Fifth Avenue and 125th Street.
Address by Rev. Dr. M. A. Harris Friday evening, December 23, subject of lecture: "Maimonides' Septi Centennial." Saturday morning, December 24, subject of sermon: "Forgetfulness and Success." Divine services commence on Friday evenings at 8 o'clock, on Saturday mornings at 10 o'clock.

East Eighty-sixth Street Temple.
"Living Words from Dying Lips" will be the subject of the sermon delivered this Sabbath morning by Rev. D. Davidson.

Temple Es. Chaim.
107 East Ninety-second Street.
Rev. Adolph Spiegel will preach Sabbath morning on "Religious Consciousness."

Beth Israel Bikur Cholim.
Seventy-second Street and Lexington Avenue.
This Sabbath morning Rev. Aaron Eisenman will preach the sermon on the topic, "Forgiving and Forgetting."

Temple Anshe Chesed,
160 East One Hundred and Twelfth St.
Friday, 8 p. m., Rev. Dr. A. Bloom, "Israel's Blessing." Sabbath, 9.30 a. m., Rev. Dr. Jacob Mandel, "Jacob on His Sickbed." Sabbath-afternoon, children's services at 3 o'clock. Dr. J. Leovinsky, "Modesty."

Jewish Theological Seminary.
521 West One Hundred and Twenty-third St.
Mr. Joseph I. Schwartz will be the speaker on Sabbath morning. Services commence at 9.30.

Temple Beth-El, Jersey City.
Rev. Dr. Alten Abelson will preach. Subject: "God in Man, and Man in God."

Young People's League of Beth Israel Bikur Cholim Congregation.
A regular meeting of the above society will be held on Sunday afternoon, December 25, at 3 o'clock, in the vestry rooms of the synagogue, Seventy-second street and Lexington avenue. A paper will be read and discussed. Topic, "Israel Among the Nations."

Tickwas Zion Society.
The Tickwas Zion Society will hold a debate next Saturday evening at 8 o'clock at their meeting rooms, 29 West 115th street, "The Herrstadt." Subject: "Resolved, That Zionism has a practical benefit to Jews even in those countries where Jews enjoy absolute liberty." Affirmative, Dr. Zinsler; negative, Dr. S. Clug. Visitors welcome.

Societe Israelite Francaise.
An entertainment and reception was given Thursday evening, December 15, in the Lexington Opera House by the Societe Israelite Francaise. The hall was beautifully decorated with American and French flags. The best number on the programme was the sketch by Gorman and West.

The Jewish Theological Seminary of America.
The seven hundredth anniversary of the death of Maimonides will be commemorated on Wednesday evening, December 28, 1904, by an address by Professor Israel Friedlaender, in the Lecture Hall of the Seminary, at 8:30 p. m. There will be at the same time an exhibition of books and manuscripts relating to Maimonides.

The Young Women's Hebrew Association.
1584 Lexington Avenue.
The speaker at the Friday evening services last week was Mrs. Minnie D. Lewis, who spoke of the beautiful meaning which may be interpreted into everyday life from the lessons which the Sabbath teaches. The speaker this week will be Mr. Falk Younker.

A graduation class has been formed of the girls of the Sunday school which will meet each Sunday afternoon under the direction of Miss Julia Weill. These girls will finish in June a full course in the study of the Bible and the Jewish religion.

The Needle Art Club will have its first social on Thursday evening, December 30. The programme of the evening is made up of many interesting games, and the evening will finish with a dance and refreshments will be served. The girls of this club devote one evening each month to sewing for the homeless mothers. They are also arranging a bazaar, which will take place later in the season. The proceeds of which is to be used for helping unfortunate women.

The next monthly social takes place on Sunday evening, January 1. A special programme is being prepared for this evening by the Dramatic Club of the institution.

Wyona St. Temple.
An entertainment and reception will be held at the Penn-Fulton Hall, corner of Pennsylvania avenue and Fulton street, on Sunday evening, January 1, 1905, commencing at 8 p. m.

Personal.
Mrs. Louis Ritter, of 143 West 111th street, gave, on Saturday last, one of her charming "At Homes." The house was artistically decorated with American beauty roses. The hostess had on a handsome receiving robe of pale green accordeon-pleated liberty chiffon, embroidered in white duchess lace. Among those present were: Mrs. Schwartz, Mrs. Penner, Mrs. Friedberg, Mrs. J. Ritter, Mrs. O. Ritter, Mrs. Beck, Mrs. Brickenheim, Mrs. Greenberg, Mrs. Trilling, Mrs. Kessler, Mrs. Kaufman, Mrs. Berlefin, Mrs. Dannenberg, Mrs. Mock, Mrs. Oppenheim and rs. S. Ritter.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Utermeyer and Miss Utermeyer are again occupying their town house, No. 675 Fifth avenue.

Bar Mitzvah.
The celebration of the Bar Mitzvah of Master Edgar J. Drachman, son of the Rev. Dr. Bernard Drachman, took place last Sabbath in the synagogue of the Congregation Zichron Ephraim, of which the father of the youthful celebrant is rabbi. It was quite an exceptional and very impressive occasion. Master Drachman displayed a mastery of Hebrew, and a familiarity with synagogue usages and ritual chanting, which are, in America at least, quite unusual in one of his youthful years. He chanted the entire Sedrah with the ease and skill of an accomplished Hazan, intoned the Haftarah with its appropriate melody and delivered two addresses, one in English and the other in Hebrew, with oratorical finish and in a most touching and impressive manner. The large congregation, consisting of the members of the synagogue and many outside friends and relatives, were profoundly affected by the deep earnestness and manifest ability of the youthful celebrant. A dinner, at which the family and trustees of the congregation were present, followed at the home and on Sunday afternoon and evening a large and numerous attended reception took place. The Bar Mitzvah of Master Milton Berg took place the same Sabbath.

HAFT.—Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Simon Haft announce the bar mitzvah (confirmation) of their son, Maurice Irving, on Saturday, December 24, 1904, at the Temple of Congregation Shaari Zedek, 23 West 118th street, at 9 a. m. Reception same evening at Westminster Hall, 73 Lenox avenue, at 9 o'clock.

LICHTENBERG.—Mr. and Mrs. Henry Lichtenberg announce the bar mitzvah of their son Newton, Saturday, December 24, at Temple Rodeph Sholem. Reception at the Herrstadt, 27 West 115th street, Sunday, December 25, after 8 p. m.

SONDHEIM.—Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Sondheim announce the bar mitzvah of their son Bernhard, Saturday, December 24, at Temple Rodeph Sholem, Lexington avenue at Sixty-third street, at half-past 9 a. m.

Master Charles, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. Ginsburg, of 60 West 115th street, was called to the law at the synagogue of the Jewish Theological Seminary on Sabbath last, 17th inst. He was prepared by the Rev. Bernhard Hast and has acquitted himself admirably.

ENGAGEMENTS.

GOLDSTEIN-WEISS.—Mr. and Mrs. Albert Weiss, of 20 Cedar street, Roxbury, Mass., announce the engagement of their daughter Caroline to Jules P. Goldstein, of Providence, R. I. At home December 25, 1904.

GORDON-ROSENTHAL.—Mrs. B. Gordon announces the engagement of her daughter Jennie to Mr. Abraham I. Rosenthal.

GREENBAUM-LEWIN.—Mr. and Mrs. L. Lewin announce the betrothal of their daughter Minnie to Mr. Louis Greenbaum. At home, 654 East 141st street, Sunday, December 18, 1904, from 3 to 6. No cards.

GREENBAUM-MEYERS.—Mr. and Mrs. Louis Meyers, of 331 East Eighty-fourth street, announce the engagement of their daughter Tillie to Mr. S. C. Greenbaum.

HECHT-LOEVY.—Mr. and Mrs. Loevy, 226 East Eighty-third street, announce the engagement of their daughter Rose to Mr. Joseph Hecht. At home Sunday, 18th, from 3 to 6 p. m.

LEVINE-FEINBERG.—Mr. and Mrs. H. Feinberg beg to announce the engagement of their daughter Belle to Jacob Levine. Announcement of reception later.

MOSES-DAVIS.—Mr. and Mrs. Raphael Davis, of 352 Pleasant avenue, announce the engagement of their daughter Sadie to Mr. Keeley J. Moses. December 18, 1904, from 3 to 6. No cards.

MUNDHEIM-KAUFMANN.—Stella W. Kaufmann, Pittsburg, to Samuel Mundheim, New York.

PINCUS-KLEIN.—Mr. and Mrs. J. Klein, 66 West 113th street, announce the engagement of their daughter Lena to Mr. Charles Pincus. At home December 25, from 2 to 5.

SILVERMAN-SWICK.—Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Swick, of 1683 Lexington avenue, New York city, announce the engagement of their daughter Rebecca N. to Mr. Max Silverman, of Ellenville, N. Y.

SOLOMON-SHAPIRO.—Mr. Harris Shapiro announces the engagement of his daughter Carrie to Bernard Solomon, on Sunday evening, December 4, 1904.

STRAUSS-LOEBL.—Mr. and Mrs. Sol Loebel, 90 East Eighty-first street, announce the engagement of their daughter Rosalie A. to Frank Strauss. At home Sunday, December 18, 3 to 6 p. m. No cards.

APPEL-STINER.—The engagement is announced of Miss Cella Stiner, daughter of Mrs. Stiner and the late Mr. Max Stiner, to Mr. Augustus Appel. At home, 149 West 120th street, Friday evenings. No cards.

BERKOWITZ-NEWMAN.—Mr. and Mrs. S. Newman, 1346 Fifth avenue, announce the engagement of their daughter Hattie to Mr. Maurice Berkowitz. At home Sunday, December 25.

BERNSTEIN-BRAND.—Mr. and Mrs. L. Brand announce the engagement of their daughter Dora to Mr. Mitchell Bernstein. Reception at residence, 28 West 120th street, from 3 to 6 p. m., Sunday, December 25. No cards.

CIRKER-LEVY.—Mr. and Mrs. Cirker beg to announce the betrothal of their daughter Rosie to Abraham Levy. At home December 25, 3 to 6, afternoon.

COHEN-AARONSON.—Mr. and Mrs. H. Aaronson announce the engagement of their daughter Anna to Mr. Sol Cohen. At home Monday, December 26, 1904, from 3 to 6 p. m. No cards. 243 Henry street, city.

DICHTER-ISRAEL.—Mr. and Mrs. Henry M. Israel announce the engagement of their daughter Abbie to Samuel S. Dichter, Ph. G., of New Rochelle, N. Y. Reception Sunday, December 25, 3 to 6 p. m., 203 East 115th street.

FISHER-FISHER.—Mr. and Mrs. I. S. Fisher announce the engagement of their daughter Josephine to Sydney S. Fisher, of Vacaville, Cal. At home Sunday, December 25, 110 East 116th street, from 3 to 6. California papers please copy. No cards.

FISHER-JACOBS.—Mr. and Mrs. A. Fisher, 60 East Nineteenth street, announce the engagement of their daughter Cora to Mr. David Jacobs. At home December 25, 3 to 6. No cards.

FRIEDMAN-BLOCK.—Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Block, of 5 East 131st street, announce the betrothal of their daughter Belle to Mr. David Friedman. Reception Sunday, December 25, 1904, from 3 to 6. No cards.

GOLDSTEIN-GOLDBAUM.—Mr. and Mrs. H. Goldbaum, of New Haven, announce the engagement of their daughter Esther to Mr. Israel Goldstein. At home January 1, from 7 to 10, 66 Howe street. No cards.

WEDDING BELLS.

Liebert-Cohen.
On December 11, 1904, by the Rev. Raphael Benjamin, M. A., of Keap Street Temple, Brooklyn, Mollye Cohen to Abraham J. Liebert.

Flamm-Mindek.
Mr. Marcus H. Flamm and Miss Victoria Mindek were married on Sunday afternoon, Dec. 11, at the residence of the bride, 12 East One Hundred and Tenth street, by Rev. Aaron Elseman.

Gans-Levy.
On Wednesday evening, December 7, 1904, Mr. Joseph Gans to Miss Cecelia Levy, at Astoria Hall, 62 East Fourth street. Rev. S. E. Distillator performed the ceremony.

Hirshman-Kaufman.
On Sunday, December 11, 1904, Mr. Pen Hirshman to Miss Tobias Kaufman at the residence of Rev. Distillator, 151 East 116th street, who officiated.

Lieberman-Minnesman.
On December 6, by the Rev. Dr. Adolph Spiegel, at the Siniyer Synagogue, Mr. Morris Lieberman was united in the bonds of matrimony with Miss Minnie Minnesman. The wedding dinner was given at Vienna Hall.

Kiesler-Moss.
The wedding of Mr. George Kiesler with Miss Ray Moss took place Wednesday last at Vienna Hall. Rev. Dr. Adolph Spiegel officiated.

Judas-Leiser.
On the 11th inst., at 1172 Park avenue Rev. Dr. Adolph Spiegel united in matrimony Mr. Morris Judas with Miss Eva Leiser.

Rothstein-Dackler.
On Saturday evening, December 10, at the residence of the bride, Mr. Isido Rothstein was married to Miss Paul Dackler by the Rev. Bernhard Hast.

Rosenstein-Danziger.
The marriage of Miss Rose Danziger daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Morris Danziger, of 326 East 116th street, to Mr. Maurice Rosenstein, took place last week, December 15, at the Vienna. Dr. Rudolph Grossman performed the ceremony. The bride wore a white chiffon gown, trimmed with duchess lace and carried a bouquet of lily of the valley and white forget-me-nots. The bride was attended by four bridesmaids, the Misses Minerva Danziger, H. Dorothy Goldstein, Annett Rosenstein and Hilda Rosenstein. Messrs. Charles S. Danziger, Jacob E. Salomon, Bernard King and Emil Heyman acted as ushers. Miss Pearl Moss and Miss Adele Danziger, nieces of the bride, were flower girls. The happy couple have gone on an extended trip through the South.

Corn-Hays.
The wedding of Miss Florence Beatrice Hays to Mr. Joseph Jacob Corn took place last week at Temple Israel, 125th street and Fifth avenue. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Maurice B. Harris, who delivered an impressive address upon the occasion. Owing to the recent death of a member of the family, there was no reception after the ceremony, but a small family dinner was given at the home of the bride's parents.

Steiniger-Samuels.
Miss Meta Steiniger, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Simon Steiniger, of this city, was married recently to Mr. H. Herbert Samuels, the ceremony being performed at Delmonico's. Miss Elsa Steiniger, a sister of the bride, was the maid of honor and Mr. Herman Hecht, of Philadelphia, the best man. The ushers were Messrs. Louis Levy, Henry Meuer, Isaac Lehman and Henry Well. Upon the completion of their wedding trip Mr. and Mrs. Samuels are to live at 325 Central Park West.

Yosseth-Kolb.
Mr. Morris E. Yosseth and Miss Frieda Kolb were united in marriage on Wednesday evening, December 20, at the "Herrstadt." Rev. Aaron Elseman officiated.

Rothstein-Dackler.
On Sunday, December 4, 1904, Mr. Isido Rothstein to Miss Paula Dackler, by the Rev. Bernhard Hast.

Bernstein-Kropp.
On Tuesday, December 20, 1904, at Everet Hall, Mr. Robert B. Bernstein to Miss Rose Kropp. Rev. Bernhard Hast officiated.

Cohn-Brill.
Married on Sunday, Dec. 18, 1904, at Majestic Hall, by Rev. F. Light, Mr. Herman Cohn to Miss Sarah Brill.

Eisner-Bachenheimer.
Miss Sallie Eisner, the daughter of Mr. Theodore Eisner, a prominent Jewish resident of East New York, was married to Mr. Isaac Bachenheimer on Sunday, December 18. The synagogue was beautifully decorated with palms. The choir sang the Wedding March. Rev. Dr. A. Elum, of New York, officiated.

Bondy-Schweiger.
On Wednesday, December 14, 1904, by Rev. Dr. Moses, Sadie, daughter of Mrs. A. J. Schweiger, to Mr. Gustav Bondy.

Flaum-Mindek.
On Sunday evening Mr. Marcus H. Flaum and Miss Victoria W. Mindek were married at the residence of the bride, 12 East 110th street, Manhattan. Rabbi Aaron Elseman performed the ceremony.

OBITUARY.

Mrs. Bertha Baers,
Who died after a short illness, was buried from her late residence, 209 East 14th street, in Maimonides Cemetery. Rev. F. Light conducted the services.

Mr. Gustave Ruthols,
Who died at the age of 75 years, was buried from his late residence, 13 West Ninety-ninth street, in Cypress Hill cemetery. Rabbi F. Light, of Congregation Ateris Zole, officiated.

Young Men's Hebrew Association.
The new class term begins Jan. 3. Enrollment is going on for arithmetic, bookkeeping, stenography, typewriting, mechanical drawing, elocution, German, Jewish history, Hebrew, penmanship, correspondence and spelling. The wholesome and inspiring tone of our religious exercises attract many young men and their elders to our services every Friday evening. The substantial increase in the attendance in our social rooms from 207 in October to 808 in November, is due to the installation of new games and other attractive features that we have added from time to time. Among our recent acquisitions, we are pleased to announce Mr. William Prager's gift of \$1,000 to the association, and the presentation of stationary opera chairs for the auditorium by Mr. Benjamin Holzman and Mr. William Goldman. The "Actives" Society will hold their annual entertainment in the auditorium on Sunday evening, December 25. This society is doing splendid work in getting the older men interested in the various activities in the building.

Election of Mr. Isaac Guggenheim to the Directorate of the Lincoln Trust Co.
The Lincoln Trust Company, at a meeting of the Board of Directors, held yesterday, elected to its number Mr. Isaac Guggenheim. Mr. Guggenheim has been heretofore not actively identified with up-town banking interests, and his name still further diversifies the character of the Board of the Lincoln Trust Company, which already represents some of the chief mercantile and financial interests of the city.

Maimonides Reform Congregation.
In order to commemorate the 700th birthday of Maimonides, a number of Jewish residents of East New York and Brownsville have organized a new congregation, called the "Maimonides Reform Congregation." They have several beautiful lots on Pennsylvania avenue to build thereon a beautiful temple, with fine school accommodations for the religious instruction of the children, many of whom are now suffering from the want of religious training. Mr. Theodore Eisner and Mr. Rubin are heading the movement.

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Brooklyn Hebrew Orphan Asylum.

Rabbi Benjamin, of Keap Street Temple, addressed the children at the Mincha service last Sabbath on the subject of "Saving and Wasting." The prayers were beautifully chanted by the Rev. Jacob Schuman, of the Ninth Street Synagogue, Brooklyn. A pleasant surprise was in store when the president Mr. Moses May, presented to the children a splendid mantle for the Scrolls of the Law. It was adorned with the two tables of the Ten Commandments, supported by two lions of Judah, all embroidered in gold on a maroon velvet groundwork. Mr. May is present at the afternoon service every Sabbath, attending in all winds and weather.

Keap Street Temple.

Mrs. Pauline May presented to the Temple last Sabbath a magnificent mantle for the Sephar Torah. In memory of her father, Jacob Waldheimer, who died one year ago. President Ernst Nathan accepted the gift and expressed the thanks and appreciation of the congregation. Rabbi Benjamin then dedicated the new mantle according to the ancient ritual, concluding with the blessing shehecheyonu.

Brooklyn Hebrew Orphan Asylum.

The annual general meeting of the above society will be held on Sunday, December 18, 1904, at 3 o'clock p. m., at the Asylum. The yearly reports of the several officers and committees will be submitted to the members, also the transaction of such other business as may come up for action. The election of the following officers and trustees will be held at the same time and place: A president in place of Moses May; a vice-president, in place of Abraham Abraham; a treasurer, in place of Herman Newman; eight trustees for three years, in place of Lipman Arensburg, Ira Leo Bamberger, Samuel Goodstein, David Mayer, David I. Rogow, David W. Stein, Henry M. Strauss, Emanuel Weil. Polls will be open from 2 to 5 p. m. The Nominating Committee reports that they have unanimously nominated the following officers and trustees: For president, Moses May; for vice-president, Abraham Abraham; for treasurer, Herman Newman; trustees for three years, Lipman Arensburg, Ira Leo Bamberger, Samuel Goodstein, David Mayer, David I. Rogow, David W. Stein, Henry M. Strauss, Emanuel Weil.

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What Louise Has Seen

My dear Miriam:

My! What a surprise, and a delightful one at that! So you have at last decided to come next week. I can hardly realize it.

Just as soon as I read your letter I went down town and attended your wants. Have this day sent by express the traveling suit, hat, etc. I had no trouble whatever, because I went to BOYNTON'S, "Specialists in women's outdoor garments," and found just the thing. I have no doubt of its being becoming. It was a simple suit and I took it with a rush. Boynton's are so reliable, that when they have a sale one can depend on its being genuine and that suit would not have been there long.

The waist is of champagne crepe de chene, blouse effect, pleated back; the yoke has four round rows of fine val lace, with pointed effect of silk wheels sleeves of two-shirred puffs, to elbow and tight cuff of val lace insertions.

Don't be overcome when I tell you that Clara actually sent tickets for matinee; something must have happened to cause such generosity. Alice, I took advantage of good nature (?) and went and can you imagine our surprise on arriving at the Garrick to find that Clara May and Julia were also there?

Julia (the ugly duckling) has grown to be a beautiful girl, and shows exceedingly good taste in dressing. She was a "study in black and white," having a most elegant costume of black voile, ermine boa and muft, white beaver hat continental shape, trimmed with white crushed roses, and white chiffon.

I tried my utmost to find out where she got her hat, but my coaxing was of no avail; then Alice tried, and succeeded (little diplomat), for ADAMS was the designer of the hat, as well as the dress

Well, after theatre we all came up here, had dinner and then, when the boys came home, we had a game of whist. Julia (as usual) won first prize and she was delighted with the veil and collar box of silk tapestry, about twenty-two inches long, has two layers of pasteboard, satin covered, to roll over; the inside of lid has two bands of ruffled silk elastic; one at each end where stocks can be carefully laid away I picked this and some other pretty things for prizes, at SAK'S.

Another useful article is a linen covered book, containing a year's amount of laundry lists, one for the laundry and another for one's self; on outside of the cover is embroidered four tubs of suds and over these the father, mother, sister and brother are leaning and washing. The title is "The Family Wash."

Talk about being tired, why I was actually elbowed through the streets, you know what New York is at all times, a rush and bustle, but you really cannot picture the mad rush for holiday presents.

Mothers dragging helpless little ones to see the windows and toys, and storm doors bruising arms and crushing masses. It is wonderful the manner in which such crowds are managed in the stores. Withal it is a jolly, good natured crowd, all helping to make excitement and business.

I halted for a few moments at CALLAHAN & MORRISSEY'S, and was pleased to find just what I had been looking for that is, table linens; they carry a substantial line of linens of all kinds.

A funny affair took place in a large department store, the other day. I think you will enjoy it as much as I did.

A German woman, of generous proportions and Mrs. Katzenjammer mien stepped or jumped out of the elevator, very much excited, made a bee line for the floorwalker, all the time pulling two boys (Hans and Fritz) and saying: "I had been ripped of ten-dollar bill," and beating the house for not having detected lives on the elevator.

After having gathered a crowd of the curious (yours truly among them) she gasped, clutched madly at her throat as if going to faint, then tore open the

front of her waist, and there—securely fastened upon her vest—was the lost bill.

A look of unspeakable joy came over her face. She said: "Mein Gott, it is here und not lost." She made no apology, but just rushed down stairs, Hans and Fritz after her, going down two steps at a time.

Down to facts again. Uncle Bobby is out of town, but will be back by the time you come. Elwin is awfully lonesome 'or Bobby, and thinks he should go with him.

Bobby gave Elwin a present, a Buster suit of white broadcloth. He does look fine in it, everybody admired it so much, and "HERBST, the Children's Clothier," will have some more customers on its account. I can always be suited there, they have the stylish cut to everything and are very moderate in prices.

Now dear, get ready, don't disappoint, as we are all anxiously awaiting your arrival, and want to see "the wonderful baby." Yours Lovingly,
 LOUISE.

For Lower Insurance Rates.

Of more than ordinary interest to property owners is the effort being made by the United Real Estate Owners' Association of the City of New York to procure lower rates of fire insurance upon certain classes of property in this city, which, by reason of superior construction or properties not considered extra hazardous, such as good stores, residences, flats, tenements, etc., should not be compelled to pay the present rates, as the other classes of property where the risk is greater.

Property owners feel that it is an excessive rate, unwarranted by the existing conditions, and they are aware that the profits accruing to the insurance companies from the rates imposed upon first class city property, go far toward paying their fire losses on out-of-town property, where fire protection is not so generous, and where construction is not so strictly safeguarded in matters of fire. Following is the report of the committee:

New York, December, 1904.

To the New York Fire Exchange:

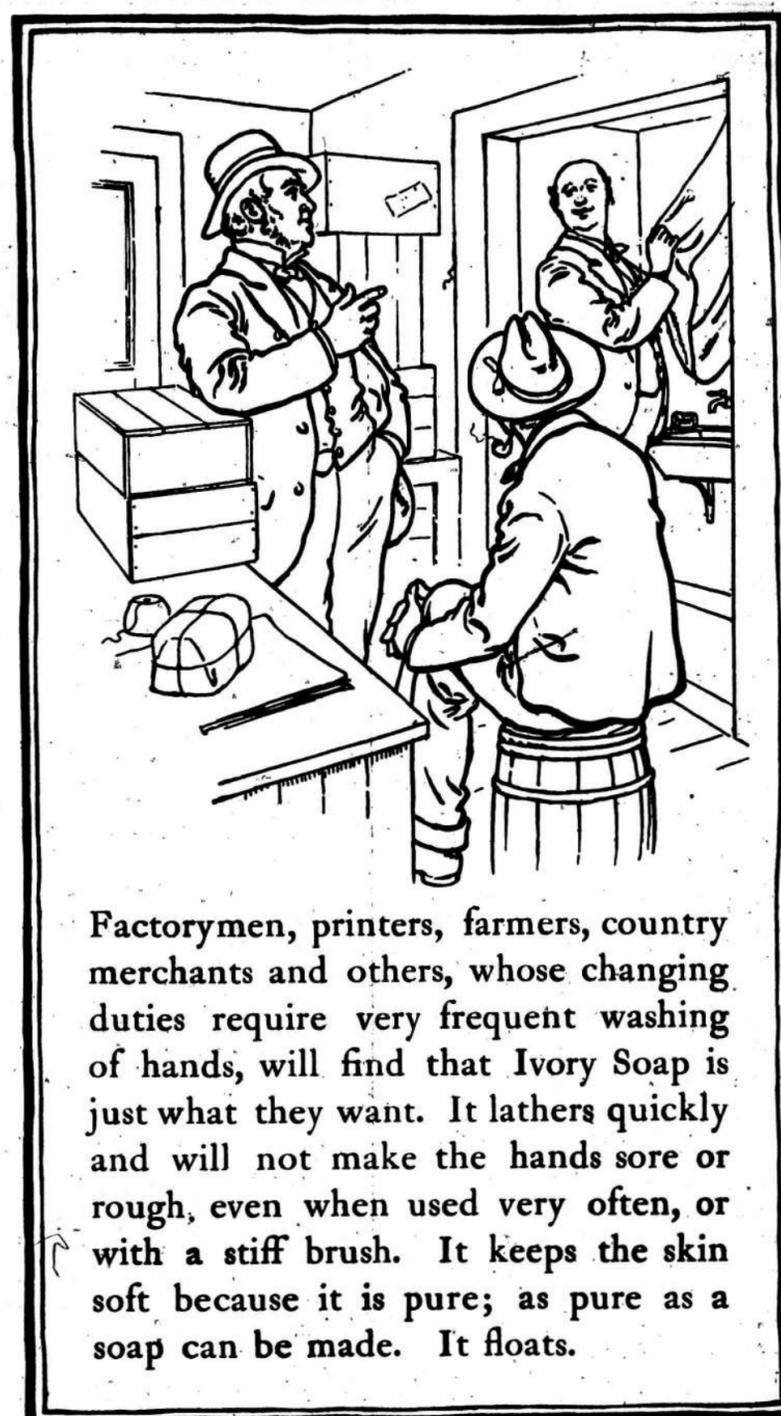
Dear Sirs—The undersigned, a committee appointed by the United Real Estate Owners' Association of the City of New York, composed of delegates representing the local organizations of the City of New York, beg most respectfully to you in the first place and as an initiatory step to other ways and applications of relief in matters hereinafter mentioned, present this application.

The committee, representing many thousands of owners, hope to have their grievances fairly considered and be permitted (if needed for your consideration) to be heard before the members of the exchange.

The insurance business of New York City has undergone some changes of late years. In some respects for the protection of insurance companies and for the more scientific ratings and care of properties, but as a whole in all its many considerations the good moral non-hazardous risk has suffered in being charged larger rates out of all just proportions of the necessary premiums to make insurance companies succeed in paying good fair interest and profits. To make the matter very plain as we understand it, insurance to us means a fair premium for the average risk of fires, where the owners, either of real estate or personal property, is partly a loser with the insurance company when the fire occurs. In no case should any insurance company carelessly issue a policy upon any class of property for more than its value, thereby creating an interest on the part of anyone to have a fire with profit from the fire.

We have gone over some of the many considerations. Among the things that we state, the owners of houses or buildings no part or parts of their duties be left to the Fire Insurance of New York for them all. That as to those parts in the division of duties to the people the Fire Exchange, should give some relief as above and hereinbefore asked for.
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There is another wonderful and striking story in the Bible with the same touching moral. When God sent Jonah to the great city of Nineveh to denounce its wickedness and to foretell its doom, the people repented and prayed to God, and were forgiven.

In the Talmud we are taught that careful consideration for dumb animals is a duty obligatory upon Jews. One famous rule in that book is often quoted:

אסור לו לאדם שיטעום כלום עד שיתן מאכל להמהו "It is forbidden to man to taste a morsel until after he has fed his cattle." The man must wait to satisfy his own hunger until after the dumb animals have been foddered.

My dears, I was led to select this subject by a beautiful and well-known Midrashic legend founded on the story of Joseph: is-to-day's Sedrah. When Joseph's envious and wicked brother had sold him to Egypt as a slave they took his "coat of many colors" and dipped it in the blood of a goat and

when he saw the blood-stained garment, cried.

"A wild beast has devoured him—Joseph has been torn to pieces." Now says the legend, when Jacob had uttered this cry of anguish he fell "like a stone" to the ground in a dead swoon.

Presently, he started to his feet and cried, in a fury: "And shall my boy's death go unavenged? G." he cried imperiously to his frightened sons, "go back to where you found the coat and follow the tracks of the will-beast who slew Joseph and bring then show it to their father, who, the devouring animal to me!"

They released the wolf and ran away, glad enough to be out of the reach of her fangs. Then Jacob, his eyes blazing with fury, cried: "Thou ravenous, blood-thirsty beast! What had my innocent boy done to thee that thou shouldst slay and devour him? Behold, thy last hour hath come. I will kill thee with these bare hands!"

Then Jacob's heart was touched with sympathy and he said, "Pardon me. I have wronged thee in thought. Go in peace, and may God prosper thy quest!" The wolf went forth, un molested. A few nights after, when the sorrowing father had closed his eyes for the first time since his bereavement, in a troubled sleep, the wolf appeared to him again in a dream and says the legend, with great joy told him that she had found her whelp and prophesied that he, also, would, in the end find his last child.

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MUSIC.

Mr. F. S. Converse, of Harvard, was in most illustrious company at the last Kneisel concert. His quartet (in manuscript first time) began a programme in which the names of Schumann and Haydn also appeared. That, nevertheless, it was heard with every evidence of satisfaction and approval argues well for the young composer. The first two movements of the work are notable for thematic material, melodiously attractive, which, handled with a fine sense of contrast, the different instruments being employed idiomatically and skillfully. The last movement, while rather graceful in its rhythmic swing, hardly possesses the same value, but still it also rises above the commonplace. Mr. Converse's mastery of form was apparent and one hopes he will continue to work in the same field. A superb performance of Schumann's piano quartet followed. With Miss Aus der Ohe at the piano, there was shown the finest example of ensemble playing which I have listened to for many a day. It was Schumann at his loveliest, and it was the Kneisels in their most polished, most practical and most technically finished manner. And after the Haydn quartet (D major op. 76, No. 5) the audience fairly rose in its enthusiasm.

Naturally enough, Mr. Conried's splendid production of "Die Meistersinger" is causing more admiring comment than anything else, and the second performance drew a great crowd. Regarding the opera I want to borrow the pen of Ernest Newman, who says, most felicitously, "I am probably expressing only a personal opinion, but it seems to me the 'Die Meistersinger' is, after all, the loveliest and perhaps the profoundest of Wagner's works—the one to which we go back again and again with undiminished enthusiasm and ever-increasing admiration. There is only 'Tristan' that can be compared with it for intensity and continuousness of inspiration; and 'Tristan' is at times almost too intense—the emotion seems at times too violent, too disturbing, for art; seems, as in the third act, to be a veritable representation of the agony of real life. . . . There is no such strand of nervous or philosophical pain in the delight with which we listen to 'Die Meistersinger.' Wagner was never greater than in his divine music and to look out upon the world from the height to which he lifts us is to feel superior to all pain; all enmity with life. . . . Even in the saddest moments of the work, as when, during Sach's monologues, one feels that the man's heart is full almost to bursting, the dominant sensation in us is that curious one of pain tempered by strong philosophy that becomes so strangely uplifting a pleasure. . . . One feels that had Wagner made all his dramas so 'purely human' as the 'Meistersinger' he would have been some steps nearer Shakespeare than he is even now. . . . If I were confronted with the old question as to which of Wagner's scores I would save from general destruction if only one were allowed to me, I think it would be this. The others would not be surrendered without many pangs, but I would console myself with the reflection that the 'Meistersinger' is, after all, the most human of all Wagner's works, and therefore—though perhaps he did not know it—the most Wagnerian, while all the best qualities of his mind have gone to make the music the noblest, the profoundest, the most philosophical music in the whole range of opera."

audience to a degree of pleasurable excitement seldom witnessed. The great Belgian was also heard in the ballade and polonaise of Vieuxtemps, beloved and almost played to death by most violinists, but which his genius so vitalized that once more it sounded fresh and beautiful. A performance of Tschalkowsky's "Pathetic Symphony," admirably conducted by Mr. Walter Damrosch and exceedingly well played, was the other feature of a memorable afternoon.

At the Metropolitan "Faust," with Emma Eames, Saleza, Plancon and Mrs. Jacoby, will be sung to-night. The Saturday operas are "L'Elisir d'Amore" in the afternoon and "Fidelio" in the evening. The only production this season of "Der Ring des Nibelungen" is announced for the evenings of Thursday, Jan. 5 ("Rheingold"), Jan. 12 ("Walkure"), Jan. 19 ("Siegfried"), Jan. 26 ("Goetterdaemnerung").

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"SHILOH."

עד כי יבא שילה ולי יקרה עמים

"The sceptre shall not depart from Judah, nor a lawgiver from between his feet, until Shiloh come; and unto him shall the gathering of the people be."—(Gen. xlix. 10. Auth. Ver.)

There is scarcely another passage in the Torah about which there has been so much disputation as about the Hebrew phrases which head this column. The translation given above is that of the Authorized Version and is frankly unacceptable to all Hebraists. Christians argue that the passage unquestionably contains Messianic prophecy and has been fulfilled by the coming of their saviour. They therefore take "Shiloh" to be the name of a person and that person, they say, is the Nazarene.

But we find that שילה or שלה is, in the Bible, the name of the town in Judah in which, in the days of Samuel and Eli, the tabernacle was erected. In I. Sam. iv, 12, we have the expression ויבא שלה "And he came to Shiloh"—the ה serving as the ה local as well as being part of the name. Thus the orthodox Jewish rendering is "till he shall go to Shiloh." But, while this is grammatically more correct than the Christian rendering, it is unsatisfactory, for the simple reason that Judah's supremacy had not even begun in the days of Samuel. The sceptre began in Judah in the reign of David.

Rashi has felt the difficulty, and thus comments on the passage:

מלך המשיח שהמליכה שלו... שילה

"Shiloh is the King, the Messiah, for dominion in his (shelo)...but the Midrash explains Shiloh by shai lo—gifts are his." Thus Rashi rejects the view that Shiloh is the name of a place, and suggests—from the context, as do the Christians—that it means the Messiah; acknowledging, however, that the Midrash would read a variant of the text "until his tribute comes and the peoples gather about him."

A late Christian commentator would delete the ולי after the word and read with Rashi, שלו (shelo; "which is his") for Shiloh. Thus the passage would read "until he comes to whom belongs the gathering of the peoples." There are many other suggestions and various readings which, however, do not help more than any of the above. But we permit ourselves to quote one last suggestion, by Arnold B Ehrlich, which is so original and striking, that, whether it prove acceptable or not, is worthy of rather lengthy citation.

ל נראה ששילה כמו שלה ומשני שאמר יהודה לחמר, "שבי אלמנה בית אבי עד יגדל שיה בני" ושלה לא בא ליבמה אחר שגדל היה הרבך למשל לאמר "עד כי יבא שלה אל חמר" ונאמר המשל כמה שאין לו סוף

"To me it seems that Shiloh should be read Shelah. For, because Judah said to Tamar, "Abide a widow at thy father's house, till Shelah my son be grown" (Gen. xxxviii, 11), when in fact Shelah never came to her to espouse her as 'husband's brother'; there arose a proverbial saying: "until Shelah shall come to Tamar." This proverb was quoted with respect to anything that would never come to pass."

Those who might object that the quotation of a proverb would be unfitting in this connection should note that there are a number of unquestionable puns in this "Blessing of Jacob."

It is certain that no satisfactory rendering is possible to the passage as it stands. This much we may accept. The "Blessing of Jacob" unquestionably prophesies that "the sceptre shall not depart from Judah nor a law-giver (leader) from between his legs" until an event shall happen which has not yet taken place. In this belief let us remain content.

Tissot's Bible Illustrations.

We were recently shown a great French Bib'e—edition de luxe—illustrated by engravings, "plain and colored," from the paintings by the late J. JAMES TISSOT, the French artist. No one can question the artist's power and ability. What he lacks utterly—a fact surprising in an artist of eminence who had made Bible illustration his life-work—is imagination and religious and poetic atmosphere. The result is that his illustrations are a monument of good, common-place, drawing and coloring without a single touch of appeal to the heart or imagination of the viewer.

Gustave Dore's Bible pictures,—whose great defect is that they are artistically conventional and pretty—are thus, much more attractive and satisfactory than Tissot's. The latter has a convention of his own—the convention of the Paris Boulevards and of the ateliers of Montmartre of today. And it robs his picture of all attractiveness. They positively vulgarise the Bible stories and one feels, after glancing at them, that the sooner one forgets them and their evil effect on the eye and mind the better for one's faith and one's sense of the poetry of religion.

The grand figures of patriarch and mother in Israel, of hero and psalmist and prophet that every believer has nourished in his spiritual gallery in the indistinct, yet glorious, atmosphere of faith and poetry are robbed of their grandeur and mutilated in their beauty by a single glance at Tissot's laboriously common-place and studio-sly un-ideal works. It is not art, when all has been argued that can be urged, to paint a faithful picture of the first Algerian vendor of carpets one may meet on the Boulevard des Italiens—and to call him Saul or Samuel or Abraham; or to picture a flimsy studio-arrangement of his Brummagen rugs, and dub it the tent of Laban or Isaac. It is not art, to limn—no matter how accurate may be the actual picture—an ill-nourished, undergrown Jewish beggar-boy of the Paris Ghetto, and to call the result, Joseph sold to Potiphar.

Naturally, however, in a French artist, the story of Joseph and Potiphar's Wife is painted with a luscious suggestiveness which is almost as satisfactory as a 'nude' rejected by the Paris Salon be cause of the provisions of la Loi Brenger. Even faithful students of the ragged, scraggy folks one may meet in the Arab quarter of Suez, or on the quays at Aden, or in the markets of Aleppo, are not satisfactory material for Bible Illustration. Tissot's work—despite the marvellous industry and fecundity of the artist or in part because of them—is a tortive. Much of it would be useful to the publishers of pornographic Boulevard novels. Most of it, to the mind of a religious man, is objectionable; while to the sensitive eye of a lady, it is repulsive.

Read Them.

In another column we present our readers with the first of a series of articles upon Jewish Ministers by the Rev. Meldola De Sola. The writer is too well known to require an elaborate notice on our part. While other Orthodox Rabbis have occasionally condemned the vagaries of the Reform movement within the past two decades, Meldola De Sola has fought continuously against this travesty of Judaism from the day he entered the ministry. Thoroughly imbued with the vigorous orthodox sentiment of his eminent father, the late Dr Abraham De Sola, and an ardent admirer of the immortal Isaac Leeser, he has never missed an opportunity to expose the un-Jewishness of Reform, and to emphasize the danger of condoning the disloyalty of its exponents. He has been assailed as a fanatic, derided as a bigot, sneered at as a zealot. The colleagues who should have stood at his side have never resented these assaults, they have never broken a lance in his behalf, they have allowed him to fight his battle single-handed. And he has been strong enough and manly enough to fight the glorious battle without their assistance. A true champion of Orthodox Judaism, he has never shown quarter to the men who would surrender the citadel of Israel's faith, he has never associated with them, he has never ceased to treat them with that honest hostility which every faithful guardian of a sacred trust displays towards men who would commit the crime of betrayal. In Meldola De Sola we see re-produced the unfaltering championship of Orthodox Judaism with which the names of his illustrious father and of Isaac Leeser have become synonymous.

In the articles upon "Jewish Ministers" which he has now written for the HEBREW STANDARD, he supplies an amount of information about the Reform leaders which is at once instructive and suggestive. He proves most conclusively that there is no heresy against the fundamental doctrines of Judaism which Reform Rabbis have not uttered, that they cannot possibly be regarded as teachers of Judaism, and their claim to the designation of Jewish Ministers is absolutely without foundation.

The articles will appear regularly from this week, and will repay careful perusal. Read them.

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Man in the Observatory.

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The great success attending the New York Times and the constant progress which the paper, so long edited by Henry J. Raymond, is now making is something which is challenging the attention of the reading public. As one comes down the Elevated Railroad, in the Subway, in the Trolleys, and casts his eyes around he is certainly struck by the large number of passengers who are reading the Times. As a newspaper it is all that can be desired, and, as a clean paper to take home to the family, there is none better published.

The strides which the Times has made is certainly due to the excellent management of Albert S. Ochs its publisher, who decidedly knows how to run a newspaper. When Mr. Ochs took charge of the Times he was just about forty years of age; having been

born in Cincinnati, Ohio, on March 13, 1858. His education was attained in the public schools of Knoxville, Tenn. He embarked in the newspaper business; his earliest venture and success was as owner of the Chattanooga (Tenn.) Times, which he still controls. He is also the publisher of the Philadelphia Public Ledger. No better evidence of the vim and push of Mr. Ochs needs to be pointed to than his great achievement in the erection of the new Times' Building, one of the handsomest buildings in a city abounding in beautiful structures, and in a location considered the best in New York, and its surroundings now taking the name of the paper, being now named by the city authorities The Times' Square.

Mr. Ochs soon after his coming to New York City won the confidence of men of affairs and has retained it. He is a Director of the Associated Press and Treasurer of the same.

Mr. Ochs married Miss Effie Miriam Wise, the daughter of the late Rabbi Isaac M. Wise, of Cincinnati, who was the best known and most prominent rabbi in the United States; having been the leader of the Reform movement in Judaism and the founder of the Hebrew Union College of Cincinnati.

Congregational Singing.

We very gladly give prominence to the following item from a New Orleans, La., paper of last month:

"Sinai Temple took the first step toward introducing congregational singing in the Jewish church of this city. This was done at the services held there last night. It is considered as a popular move, and it was principally due to the efforts of Mrs. Paul Godchaux with the assistance of the Ladies' Guild of which she is president, that the measure was made possible. A large congregation was in attendance and the move appeared to meet with popular favor."

Though Temple Sinai is extremely "reform" it has in this instance, won from us, as an orthodox organ, the expression of our warmest approval. Its scholarly rabbi, Dr. Max Heller (who has given many a convincing proof that "he kin along ink considerable") is to be congratulated on the spirit he has infused into the members of his congregation, and on the Ladies' Guild, which, with Mrs. Paul Godchaux to lead, has taken an extremely sensible and gratifying step.

In many Orthodox, as in all Reform, places of Jewish worship, we have grown here in America, to depend altogether too greatly on Cantor and Choir, on Reader and Organist for the conduct of our services. Things, indeed, have reached such a pass that it is customary in some Reform Congregations to issue printed programmes of the musical numbers at each service and, in others, to publish such a list in the local newspapers, weekly.

Thank Heaven, no Orthodox Synagogue has, so far as we are aware, fallen to this pitiable state. This is not public worship—it is a transference of Concert-Hall methods to the "Temple." The piece de resistance is an anthem or organ recital. The sermon is thrown in as a make-weight, and prayer takes the aspect of the vicarious and perfunctory performance of a monotonous duty by a much-bored and uninterested "Reader."

Congregational singing is a great and welcome change to all this. It presupposes a friendly attitude among the congregants outside the Temple; and necessitates regular meetings for practice during the week. This has

measure is one which could be introduced with the most advantageous results in every Temple or Synagogue with which we are, or have ever been, acquainted. There are scores of beautiful airs and hundreds of noble psalms which lend themselves to responsive congregational singing in the Orthodox ritual. The tunes haunt us with recollections of soul-stirring religious emotion to the end of our lives; and the magnificent Hebrew verses provide a mental furnishing which makes our memory a beautiful Temple to God.

Reflections of a Young Bachelor.

I wonder if a woman knows what her husband means when he says, "I love you still!"

When angry, count one hundred. When very angry—but why should you be so!

The reason why some people are so ignorant is, because they employ all their time in teaching.

What beautiful society men some animals would make were they attired in evening dress.

It seems that with most people the question resolves itself into "To do or not to do"—everybody.

A woman is a being with the sensitiveness of a child, the carriage of an adult and the temper of . . . well, that depends upon the woman.

Most girls prefer a lover who is experienced in the affairs of the heart—and then complain when they get one.

Hot air is the result of a great deal of nerve and a little education.

In the tragedy of life the mother-in-law of the family plays the part of the villain of the melodrama.

Women never say anything. But if they only wouldn't talk—how nice it would be.

It is said that "Love and Philosophy are enemies." Well, anyone can suggest terms of reconciliation.

I know a man who is dead for the last ten years. The date of his marriage was in 1884.

The best way for a church to punish a divorced man is to make it compulsory for him to marry a grass-widow.

She is a wise girl who knows her own heart. He is a wise man who knows his own mind. But a person is certainly wise who knows—that none can know either.

The reason some men remain bachelors is because they lack reason.

A Fool's Paradise—Courtship.

From the Sublime to the Ridiculous From the Platonic Friendship to the marriage state.

There are some things no woman should know, and others every woman should be ignorant of.

Lies are facts which help to make marriages.

Sometimes a man is not to be blamed for being married. Possibly, he loved the girl.

A girl in the parlor is worth two in the ball-room.

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The Mirror.

I tender Rev. Dr. F. de Sola Mendes, rabbi of the West End Synagogue, in the name of all my readers, my hearty congratulations on his election "for life" to his rabbinate with a substantial increase in salary. Rabbi Mendes is a true gentleman, scholar and Jew. His unfeigned courtesy and kindness have won for him the warm suffrages of all with whom he came into contact. Thirty-one years of faithful service have well earned for him the distinction his flock has conferred on him.

The learned, genial, and burly Dr. Gotthold Deutsch of Cincinnati takes me to task, in a recent *American Israelite*, for a "misreading" of the Cawolson legend. It appears that I made two mistakes. Cawolson is not a physician, but is a professor in a St. Peter-burg seminary. Secondly, it was not a pogrom, but apropos the "ritual murder accusation," that the legend of the pun on נצרת was founded. I am charged, as a *Mirror*, with "reflecting reminiscences" incorrectly. Not so, I say. In the word of my old great-grandmother (ד"ר) "Yich ver-hofe wie yich hob ke-koft."

I might with equal justice attribute to Dr. Deutsch's error the fearful and wonderful rendering of the passage from the *Yom Kippur* liturgy which he quotes. My readers will find Dr. Deutsch's article—and very interesting and entertaining it is, in good sooth—on another page, and can amuse themselves by trying to make sense of the H-brew. But I am just. I know how sound a scholar and genial a humorist is the good Dr. Deutsch (Pity he is wasted on the Cincinnati community) so I put the blame for the blunder where it belongs, on the shoulders of the editors and compilers of the *Israelite*, "welche red-nisht Deutsch"—to quote my lamented ancestress once more.

But I know my master when I meet him and I gladly yield to such a man as Dr. Deutsch on such matters. Therefore do I now make *viddui* Cawolson is not a physician. He did not write the punning answer to any application for aid from professing Jews, who did not, in said application, urge the argument כי לכו נצרת ("for for this reason hast thou Christianized"). But, while historically untrue, it is artistically true. *Se non e vero e ben trovato*. Can Dr. Deutsch realize the force of the distinction?

A Lowell, Mass., paper of 9th inst., has a most interesting account of a peculiar ceremony in a synagogue which it calls "Abbe Snalon," of which Rev. Elias Wolfson appears to be the rabbi. According to this account "the ten

commandments worked on parchment will become the property of the synagogue, and they will be sold letter by letter to the members of the congregation. It is expected that several hundred dollars will be realized by the auction sale."

Further to satisfy the insatiable thirst of its readers for peculiar and special information, it alleges that "this will be the third set of commandments which the synagogue possesses." Lucky synagogue! Of course, this is an attempt by a Christian reporter to describe a *Siyum Sefer Torah*. I am accustomed to see Jewish practices described in a peculiar way. Frankly, I say the above "takes the cake." Still, there is the germ of a great idea in the selling of the *Asereth Hadibroth*, letter by letter at auction. Many Jews sell them *en bloc*—or throw them away when they can't sell them.

My Chief has been chuckling consumedly over an alleged joke that he believes he made. His aged sides have been shaking with laughter, and his gray locks have blown about as if the wind had toyed with them. He heard young Drachman's *Bar Mitzvah* speech in Hebrew. An enthusiastic neighbor said to him: "Grand! Isn't that a revelation?" "No," said J. P., "it is a *rebbe*-lation."

Master Edgar J. Drachman is truly a chip of the old block. I was present last Shabbas in the synagogue of the Congregation *Zichron Ephraim* and listened with great pleasure while he delivered an address in pure and classic H-brew, and with an impressive manner which showed clearly that he thoroughly understood his discourse, and was entirely at home in the sacred tongue. While thus listening, a thought struck me. How many of our halt-baked rabbis from the Cincinnati School could deliver a similar address! And echo answered "How many!"

Exchanges bring me, this week, gratifying proofs of the tolerant nature of the Reform Jewish mind. Your true Reform Jew is tolerant of everything—that serves to advertise him. (If there is not advertisement or gain in a thing or person, he is not so keen about that thing or person.) Yet Zangwill complains that the Zionists are unbusiness-like because they have not "taken stock" for so long a time. May-be, however, the Reform Jews referred to are not Zionists. They certainly "take stock" on every possible occasion.

Here, for instance, is the Rev. Dr. Samuel T. Carter, who attracted public attention recently, by being absolved of a charge of heresy by his Presbytery, though he refused to

accept the Presbyterian confession of faith! He is to lecture this Friday in Brooklyn, N. Y., in the Temple of Rabbi Alexander Lyons. Who shall say that Dr. Lyons does not know an attraction when he strikes it! He is a born *entrepreneur*. If all other strings break, he can take the place left vacant by the late Major Pond.

In St. Louis, Mo., at Temple Israel, Rabbi Harrison invited Wong Kai Kah, the Chinese, who is described as the Imperial Vice Commissioner to the World's Fair. (Please note I don't say Commissioner for Vice.) Mr. Wong, etc., lectured on Confucius and Mencius, very much to the satisfaction of his audience. So highly was the audience pleased, that it greeted the termination of Mr. Wong's address with an irrepressible outburst of applause. (I know that that last expression is ambiguous, but I can't stop to bother about it, now.)

And now comes Dr. Shulmann, who lectured last Sunday night at the Unitarian Service, before the Actor's Church Alliance. Dr. Shulmann said "that the service was not unfamiliar to him, and had he shut his eyes he might almost imagine himself to be attending his own services, in his own temple." Of course, to those Christian Unitarians, this would be news, but we knew it all the time. However, there may be members of Beth-El who will not be particularly pleased at their Rabbi's admission that their service is so strongly reminiscent of the Unitarian liturgy.

As a matter of fact, it was a *lapsus linguae*, on Dr. Shulmann's part, (that is, if he is correctly quoted in the *Daily Press*), or, I prefer to think so. While there is not too much distinctively Jewish, perhaps, in the Beth-El services, they are not quite so bad, I fancy, as Dr. Shulmann would have us believe. By the way, as he is a holder of a Jewish Theological Seminary degree, is not Prof. Schechter and his Board of Directors interested in this candid admission by Dr. Shulmann? Our good friend, Dr. Singer, will now sharpen his pen, fill his bottle with vitriolic ink and proceed to deluge the country with interminable epistles on this "break" of Beth-El's Rabbi.

Dr. Lyman Abbot has pronounced in favor of an Ethical-Pantheistic God and rejected "A Great First Cause." My troubles! But if I had wished to comment on his attitude I couldn't do better than the writer in last Tuesday's *N. Y. Times*:

"A congregationalist is, by the force of the term, responsible to nobody but his congregation. And a Congregationalist without a congrega-

tion, which we understand to be the proud predicament of Dr. Abbott, is an unmuzzled American citizen, subject only to the Constitution of the United States and the Penal Code of his own State, neither of which Dr. Abbott has violated."

I have just glanced at the *Y. M. H. A. Magazine*, of New Orleans. Herman J. Siferth, editor. It is truly a remarkable is entitled "*The Jewish Christmas*," and here are a few detestable chunks from that mass of intellectual sweetness. "About one fact, however, all can agree. The festival in honor of his (Christ's) birth approaches nigh unto the day of universal love. . . . For once the "Love ye one another" of the great socialist becomes a living force. Let no Jew disturb or detract from its spirit. . . . And while the elders pray, let the children play."

Have you got your breath back? Let us try again. That is by no means the richest tit-bit "His" (the Ghetto Jew's) "Sabbath no longer finds him in the heights of home and ecstatic enjoyment. . . . Then comes the glad tidings "Christ has Risen," then is the advent of the abandonment of affairs. . . . A new Sabbath has arrived. Whether it is of Bethlehem or of Zion, what matters it, so it be a Sabbath. May it not take the place of one of the Sabbaths forgotten? Even for those who dispute the divinity of its origin, may not its application be made divine?"

That's the sort of H-brew Young Men's Associate New Orleans raises. Think what a long course of fibre-relaxing, soul-atrophying teachings he must have been fed on to reach the stage where he can quietly pen or read such preposterous flap-doodle! (*Flap-doodle* is the stuff on which fools are fed, you know). What with Confucius and Mencius in the Jewish pulpit, Reform Rabbis feeling themselves at home at Unitarian services, Hebrew Young Men Associates crying: "Christ is Risen, let us Make a Sabbath!" Judaism in this country is at a very curious pass and affords a rich treat to the contemplative mind.

Ez-kiel Leavitt tells me that he met N. Phtali Herz Imber, poet, Zionist, co-pagorae, and original of Zangwill's *Melchizedek Pinchas*. Imber was excited about Zangwill's marriage. "Ich hob Zangwill a *tevah* g'athon" he cried. Well ich hob before ihm g'eheret a Snicksah und er hat es mir n'achg'athon." True, with the example of one genius influence another.

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In the Jewish World.

DOMESTIC.
Congregational.
 The Hebrews of Chicopee and Chicopee Falls, Mass., have recently been organized for the purpose of forming a congregation.

The Hebrew Orphan Society of Philadelphia has decided to enlarge its building in order to make more room for the increased number of children.

The recent dedication of Temple Sinai of Lake Charles, La., was largely attended. Addresses were made by the new rabbi, Rev. I. Warsaw and by Rabbi J. Friedlander, Beaumont, Texas.

The various Hebrew charities of Columbus, O., have formed a combination for the better performance of the work. By an aggregation of their several funds the new organization starts with a reserved fund of \$1,000.

A large meeting was recently held for the purpose of promoting the interests of the Hebrew Free School of Reading, Pa. which was well attended, and an appeal for the better support of the school by the Orthodox Hebrews of the city was made.

The euche party held by the Ladies' Auxillary of the Har Sinai Congregation last week in Masonic Hall, Trenton, N. J., in aid of the new temple at Front and Stockton streets, was one of the most notable events of its kind this year.

The house recently purchased by the Hebrews of Trenton, N. J., as a home for wayfarers was dedicated last week. This house is on Mill street. It has been renovated from cellar to roof and is a place full of comfort for those who may have cause to take advantage of the charity.

The Council of Jewish Women, Brooklyn section, will shortly establish in Brownsville a rescue home for Jewish girls. A temporary building has been secured, and efforts will be made to raise sufficient funds for the purchase of property and the building of a rescue mission for Jewish girls.

Domestic.
 A new Jewish club called "The Federal" has recently been organized at Washington, D. C.

The bazaar for the benefit of the Chicago Orthodox Jewish Home for the Aged has been postponed and will be held in the Coliseum from Feb. 25 to March 5.

"The Sons of Israel," Colorado Springs, Col., have purchased a plot adjoining the Evergreen Cemetery, and are now grading and beautifying it. They expect to complete the work by July, 1905.

About one thousand children were present at the Chanukah festival held at the Baldwin Place Synagogue (Boston) recently and enjoyed the programme arranged for them.

Plans are under way for the remodeling and enlargement of the American Hebrew School at Worcester, Mass. It is expected that three new male teachers will assist Mr. Harrison, the present principal.

For the purpose of increasing the funds for carrying on the kindergarten connected with the Hebrew Industrial School of Boston an affair was held last week in Sewall Hall, which was largely attended.

The Board of Directors of the Jewish Hospital in Avondale (Cincinnati) will build an addition to the institution for children. The addition will be connected with the hospital by a pavilion. It will be four stories high.

At the golden anniversary of the Jewish Widows and Orphans' Home, of New Orleans, to be held in January, 1905, Hon. B. F. Jonas, former Senator from Louisiana, who delivered the oration at the first anniversary, will again address the members of the home.

The recent Philadelphia B'nai Brith Charity Association ball and banquet for the benefit of the manual training school of that city is said to have been one of the most delightful and successful social functions of the city.

Dr. Charles S. Myers has been appointed demonstrator of experimental physiology until Michaelmas, 1909. Dr. Waldstein, Slade professor of fine art, has been appointed an advisory member of the Board of Architectural Education.

The costly new Jewish synagogue, Beth Ahaba, Richmond, Va., was dedicated last Friday, Dec. 9. Among those who took part were Rev. Dr. Samuel Sale, of St. Louis, and Rev. Dr. William Roseman, of Baltimore. The synagogue organ is the most costly in Virginia.

A smoker was given on Tuesday evening last in the vestry rooms of the Indianapolis Temple under the auspices of Esther Lodge, I. O. B. B. One of the topics of discussion was the care of Jewish families coming to Indianapolis from the crowded districts of New York.

The Young Men's Hebrew Association, of Peoria, Ill., which was organized several months ago, has secured an option on the building formerly occupied by the Creve Coeur Club, and it is probable that in a short time it may have permanent quarters. The association has now 75 names on its list.

A number of charitable young men have organized the Philadelphia Consumptive Aid Association for the benefit of persons afflicted with the disease in this city. It is the intention of the members to send consumptives to Denver and to help support the sanitarium of the Jewish Consumptives' Relief Society in Denver.

The Woman's Auxillary of the Hebrew Educational Society of Brooklyn held its annual meeting last Monday afternoon. Mrs. E. C. Blum was elected president to succeed Mrs. P. Schupman, resigned. The dressmaking, sewing classes and millinery classes organized by this society have been very successful.

The Jewish residents of the Third Ward, the old town of Flushing, L. I., have now made it certain that they will have a synagogue to worship in in the near future. Residents of Flushing, College Point, Whitestone, Great Neck and Port Washington and Corona are taking an interest in the Jewish association formed for the purpose of establishing a congregation.

At the Alhambra Theatre, San Francisco, the Kossuth Historic Society produced the frontier drama "Davy Crockett" for the benefit of the Jewish Educational Society. The entire production was under the personal supervision of K. C. Levy, who, under the name of Dudley Stanhope, has had a successful career as an actor and who also portrayed the title role. Of late years Mr. Levy has only appeared in charity entertainments.

Frank Kaplan, of Passaic, N. J., has filed in the Court of Chancery a bill in which he asks that the trustees of the Congregation B'nai Jacob, of that city, be restrained from building additional pews in front of what is now the front pew. Kaplan claims that he bought the front pew for \$245 at an auction held by the trustees in April, 1896. He charges that at a meeting of the trustees several weeks ago it was decided to build some additional pews in front of the one which Kaplan claims as his. He says that these proposed new pews will obstruct his view.

The commission which has been instituted to revise the passport regulations, and to which the question of the recognition without discrimination of American passports has been referred by the Foreign Office, has been enlarged and strengthened by the Minister of the Interior, Prince Sviatopolk-Mirsky, and M. Malevsky-Malavitch, succeeding Baron Taube as representative of the Foreign Office. The commission has not yet reached the question raised by the United States.

EVERYWHERE.

A New Association in Austria-Hungary.

Under the title Jewish Colonization Society, an organization has been formed in Vienna with the object of promoting the colonization of Palestine. The exhibition of Palestine produce gave the impetus to the movement, and the initiative in the formation of the society was taken by the leaders of the Jewish community. Dr. Alfred Stern, President of the Community, has been elected President of the Society, and the Executive includes representatives of all sections of the Jews in Vienna.

French Jewish Marriage.

The marriage of M. Jacques Cohen, Assistant Secretary to M. Combes, the Prime Minister, with Mlle. Suzanne Lehmann, drew a large political and Jewish gathering to the synagogue in the Rue de la Victoire on the 17th November. M. Combes was the first witness to sign the register at the civil marriage.

Death of Jewish Resident of Japan.

Mr. Leo Lessner, a native of Poland, who has resided in Nagasaki for nearly twenty years, died there in October. Throughout his stay Mr. Lessner identified himself with communal affairs and always took a leading part in everything which concerned the well-being of his race. He was extremely charitable to all in need of help, irrespective of creed. Mr. Lessner was an honorary member of the Naagsaki Jewish Benevolent Association and Senior Warden of the Synagogue Beth Israel. His only son, Mr. S. D. Lessner, is President of the synagogue, and the head of the local branch of the Anglo-Jewish Association.

The Bishop of Stepney on the Jewish Alien.

Preaching on the 6th inst. on behalf of the East London Fund for the Jews, the Bishop of Stepney said that within a mile of the heart of the City of London there was a foreign city—as foreign as St. Petersburg—with 190,000 inhabitants, 60,000 of whom had probably not been born in the land. How was this problem of great difficulty in the East End to be treated by statesmen? The course of the alien was almost invariably upward; he did not displace native labor, as he brought his own trade with him, and had a love of education which distinguished him from the native working classes. The only reason which seemed to him to call for the interference of the State was the fact that the immigrants added greatly to the dire disease of East London—the "House Famine." The persecuted outcasts of Russia took up the room which was wanted by others, and this called for the serious attention of our statesmen.

Munificent Gifts to Jewish Institutions in Vienna.

Baron Nathaniel de Rothschild has given two million kronen (about \$400,000) for the extension of the Rothschild Hospital in Vienna.

The new Jewish Girls' Orphanage in Gebhardgasse was inaugurated on the 15th inst., in the presence of the leading members of the Jewish community in Vienna and representative Christians. Frau Charlotte Lea Merores-Itzeles, who died in 1896, bequeathed two million kronen for the erection of an orphanage to bear her name. A portion of the bequest was expended in the erection of a home in the Wahringstrasse. The balance was devoted to the Orphanage just opened.

An Ancient Synagogue Destroyed by Fire.

Early on Friday, Nov. 26, a fire broke out at Petschau, a small town near Karlsbad, within a short distance of the synagogue, and spread with such rapidity that the building, together with two houses inhabited by Jews, was consumed by the flames. But for the prompt arrival of the fire brigades from every direction, the whole of the so-called Jewish quarter, consisting chiefly of wooden houses, would have been destroyed. It is noteworthy that a Christian railway official, at the risk of his life, brought out the Scrolls of the Law in safety. The loss of property is the more to be regretted, as the poor people concerned were not insured. By the destruction of the synagogue the town of Petschau has been deprived of a valuable historical landmark.

Regis, the Anti-Semite, Subdued by Semitic Fascinations.

It is rumored in Algeria that M. Max Regis, the one-time anti-Semitic leader is about to marry a Jewess. No confirmation has reached us of the rumor, the value of which is discounted by a statement that the bride insists on the marriage being celebrated in the synagogue. This would be impossible unless M. Regis were previously converted to Judaism. Only in the Reform Synagogue in Berlin have marriages been solemnized between persons of different religions.

A Brave Jewish Boy.

The Royal Humane Society of England has awarded a medal to Vincent Levy, aged twelve, for his bravery in plunging into the sea at Montego Bay on July 18th, well knowing that sharks were near, and saving a schoolfellow who had accidentally fallen into the water while fishing.

A French Jew Decorated.

The Cross of Chevalier of the Legion of Honor has been conferred on M. Brisac, Engineer to the Lighting and Heating Company of Paris, Secretary to the Society for the Relief of Old Pupils of the Polytechnic School and Captain of the Territorial Artillery in the special service of the Military Government of Paris.

A Zionist Deputation to Prince Sviatopolk-Mirski.

Die Welt announces that on the 18th November a deputation of Russian Zionists was received by Prince Sviatopolk-Mirski, the Minister of the Interior. The deputation comprised Dr. N. Katzenelson (Lbau), who had on a previous occasion been received by His Excellency; Advocate J. Jasnowsky (Warsaw), Dr. Tschlenow (Moscow), and Dr. Belkowsky (St. Petersburg). The Minister gave a friendly hearing to the deputation, touched upon the most important points and demands of the Zionist movement and promised to give his earliest attention to the question.

The Distress in Russia.

The Central Committee of the Alliance Israelite Universelle has voted the following grants to Jewish communities towards relieving the distress occasioned by the war: Nikolajew, 2,000 roubles; Sdunska-Wola, 1,000 roubles; Brest-Litowsk, 1,000 roubles; Boguslaw, 1,000 roubles.

The Dreyfus Case.

The Criminal Chamber of the Court of Cassation has submitted its report on the application for the revision of the Dreyfus case to M. Baudouin, Procureur-General, but some time will elapse before he refers the matter to the entire court, which will then appoint one of its members to draw up a second report.

The Nineteenth Council of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations

On Tuesday, Jan. 17, 1905, a notable gathering will take place in Chicago. The Council of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations will then meet in biennial session. At least one hundred and thirty congregations may be represented by nearly five hundred delegates. Matters of great importance to American Judaism will be deliberated on and no doubt important action taken, which will largely influence the course to be pursued to further the interests and advance the prosperity of matters Jewish throughout the United States.

For more than thirty-one years has the Union of American Hebrew Congregations been in existence, and what it has accomplished may be judged by the work that has been done and is being carried on by the one hundred rabbis who have graduated from the Hebrew Union College and who occupy pulpits throughout the land. The great work of bringing Jewish instruction to the small communities, and enabling the children in the small towns to have equal religious school facilities with those of large cities will, of course, be a subject of careful consideration by the Council, and no doubt measures will be adopted having for their object increased efforts to carry on the hitherto successful efforts of the Union's Committee on Circuit Work.

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The Hebrew Ladies' Auxiliary of Bath Beach.

The December monthly meeting of the Hebrew Ladies' Auxiliary took place Thursday, Dec. 8, at Supper's Hotel, and was well attended. election of officers for the ensuing year took place and the following ladies will comprise the executive staff for 1905: Mrs. A. Slonka, president; Mrs. B. Richman, vice-president; Mrs. C. Saphe, treasurer; Mrs. J. E. Newman, corresponding secretary; Mrs. D. Weigel, financial secretary. Trustees—Mrs. S. Lyons, Mrs. L. L. Levy, Mrs. J. Rosenberg, Mrs. Arthur Pinerer, Mrs. Ben Erdman, Mrs. I. Goldsmith, Mrs. A. Mamolok. Executive Board—Mrs. Philip Zemansky, Mrs. Eli Steinhelmer, Mrs. M. Rosenbaum, Mrs. Lester Cohen. Five charity cases were reported that had been relieved by the ladies of the Relief Committee. So many demands have been made upon the society during the fall and winter that the ladies are urging the necessity of a grand charity ball. Six new members joined the society and with the increase in its executive staff, even more efficient work than was done last year is expected to be done, as the society has gained twenty new members since January and the good work that they are constantly doing is gaining for them hosts of new friends and patrons.

The following editorial from the Spectator will doubtless interest your readers.

Needless Slurs.

A Hebrew dealer in second-hand goods was heavily fined at the police court yesterday. The magistrate found him guilty of larceny on what appears to us to have been insufficient evidence. A customer had bought something and paid for it with what he thought was a one dollar bill. A little while afterward he returned and said that the bill he had given was a \$5 bank note, and demanded his \$4 change. The dealer said he didn't know whether a mistake had been made or not, but he offered to compromise the matter by allowing the customer \$4 worth of goods. This offer being rejected, the dealer refused to hand over the \$4 cash demanded of him.

He was fined \$10 and costs and obliged to pay the \$4 to the complainant—\$21 in all. The magistrate's reason for finding him guilty was a peculiar one. "No matter in your business, of your nationality would pay back \$4 in goods if you hadn't received it," said the magistrate. The inference is, of course, that if the de-

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endant had not been a second-hand dealer and a Jew he might have paid back \$4 in goods without being sure that he really owed it.

The Herald feels bound to protest against this double slur from the bench—a needless slur upon those who follow a legitimate and useful business, and a cruel slur upon the Jewish race. There are honorable dealers in second-hand goods, and there are honorable Jews, who would rather lose money or its equivalent in value than suffer under the imputation of having acted unjustly or dishonorably.

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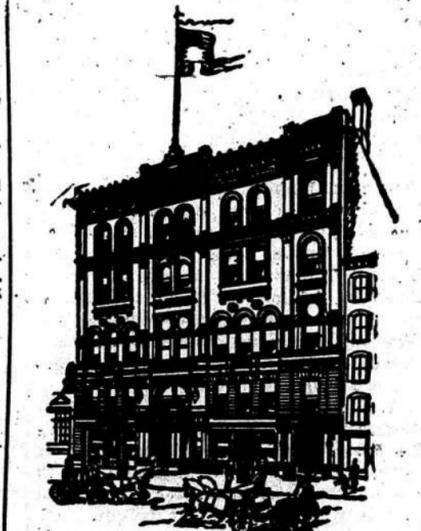
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The Oriental R g Bubble

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lishing representatives in the fashion centres abroad and selling AT MACY PRICES, the new gowns, wraps, millinery and dress novelties they are CONTINUALLY sending us. At the head of this foreign organization, which co-operates with our local buyers who go abroad at regular intervals, is Macy's oldest and most experienced buyer, who established headquarters in Paris one year ago.

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Daniel Webster Lodge 24, I. O. F.

Daniel Webster Lodge, which now has exactly 300 members, held its annual election last Sunday night at its rooms in East Fifty-eighth street.

It was one of the best attended meetings the lodge has had in recent years.

Interest naturally centered in the election. There were contests for but two of the offices, namely, that of vice president and of District Grand Lodge Representative.

Ex-Grand Master Benjamin Blumenthal chairman of District 15 School Board and president of Temple Rodolph Shalom, received the highest number of votes cast for the office of representative.

The next highest number of votes for the same office were cast for Sheriff's Counsel Maurice B. Blumenthal, and for ex-Grand Master Louis B. Franklin and Raphael Tobias; also Messrs Abraham Abraham, Adolph W. Klein and Benjamin Arbach were chosen to represent the lodge at the coming district convention.

Several questions of interest came before the lodge.

The newly elected vice president, Counselor Milton M. Goldsmidt, in accepting the office, thanked the lodge for this renewed evidence of their confidence in and affection for his father, Financial Secretary Martin M. Goldsmidt. He promised to serve the lodge with earnestness and zeal. Various extempore addresses were delivered by a number of the members, some of whom were Brothers Louis Lewenson Stern, Benjamin Blumenthal, Martin M. Goldschmidt, H. Lehman, Julian Rosenthal, A. W. Klein and L. Minster.

Representative-elect Maurice B. Blumenthal also spoke; members who have known him, and have followed his career from his earliest entrance into the lodge, were struck by the notable change in his presence and delivery. His addresses have always challenged attention; and while, comparatively speaking,

but a few years have elapsed, he has developed into a forceful speaker of striking and engaging presence, resourceful in expression and incisive in his delivery. In a word, he may be justly termed a master of the art of oratory.

The lodge is indeed a notable one in many ways.

It has furnished to the district three district grand masters, namely: Messrs Benjamin Blumenthal, Louis B. Franklin and Raphael Tobias.

It has on its membership rolls the names of several counsellors who have attained distinction at the bar, for example: The Honorable Joseph E. Newlurger, the late Emanuel M. Friend and others. And what is to its enduring credit, it has never turned a deaf ear to the calls of the needy; it has lived up to the lofty ideals for whose encouragement it was founded.

The lodge's Ladies' Auxiliary also held its meeting last Sunday night. The ladies present followed the proceedings with deep interest.

A congratulatory telegram was sent by the lodge to its re-elected treasurer, Mrs. Joseph Anderson, upon the occasion of the happy marriage of her daughter, Hattie, to Mr. Simpson, solemnized at the new Hotel Astor last Sunday. The chair was occupied by Officer Wiener, the outgoing president of the lodge.

Over \$700 were spent in sick benefits, funeral expenses, donations, and yet the finances of the lodge steadily grew during the past year. Eleven new members were initiated.

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Second Anniversary of the Hebrew Ladies' Auxiliary of Bath Beach.

The second anniversary of the Hebrew Ladies' Auxiliary took place Wednesday, Dec. 14, at Supper's Hotel, in the form of a luncheon, given in the new wing of the Winter Dancing Pavilion, where the table, which had been prettily decorated by Mrs. Ben Erdman and Mrs. Philip Zemansky, was set for forty covers.

And it was a goodly sight to see the ladies make merry at the strenuous work that had been done by them during the year in behalf of the poor and needy. The society assembled in the meeting room of Supper's and marched down stairs, members and their guests following the officers of the society, while Mrs. Ben. Erdman played the opening march. She also obliged the ladies with the music for dancing during the afternoon. The address of welcome was made by Mrs. Philip Zemansky, the active chairlady, who also enlivened the ladies during the different courses by some very amusing contributions. Mrs. A. Slomka, the unanimously re-elected president of the society, gave a very fine report as to the growth, standing and good work done by the society during the year, stating that \$228 had been expended in charity, and that twenty-four cases had been relieved. That the society had \$345.20 as a reserve fund in the savings bank in case of public disaster, or as a start towards some philanthropic project they might wish to favor; and \$124.12 in the hands of the treasurer to be used for immediate charity. She also enumerated the

money-making affairs of the society during the year, and thanked the different ladies who had acted as the chairladies, as well as those who had assisted them for their services. She also thanked the members of the society for their help in selling tickets, not forgetting to render the society's thanks to the many local tradespeople who had given liberal donations to the society, as well as the other friends who had kindly given donations; also praising the indefatigable work of the Relief Committee. And closed by invoking a blessing on the members of the society for their charitable work, and expressed the hope of seeing them and many more about the table next year.

Mrs. M. Hirsh, of the Relief and Investigating Committee, made a few appropriate remarks on her work.

Mrs. J. E. Newman, the corresponding secretary, delivered a valedictory address (in rhyme) to the outgoing executive staff of 1904, and likewise an appeal to the members in behalf of the worthy cause of charity for more active interest during the coming year. Before leaving the table the worthy president called the society to order and installed the different ladies in the different offices to which they had been elected. Several new members were admitted into the society.

Dancing followed, which was interspersed with some beautiful vocal selections rendered by Miss Ray Lyons in her admirable manner. The ladies likewise had the pleasure of hearing their old-time favorite, Mrs. B. Kuhlman, nee Miss Adrienne Pinover, in her clever dramatic recitations.

After a thorough good time the society dispersed, having passed a most enjoyable afternoon. Among those present were:

- Mrs. A. Slomka, Mrs. B. Reichman, Mrs. J. E. Newman, Mrs. D. Weigel, Mrs. L. L. Levy, Mrs. S. Lyons, Mrs. M. Hirsh, Mrs. J. Rosenberg, Mrs. Ben. Erdman, Mrs. M. Rosenbaum, Mrs. C. E. Goodheart, Mrs. I. Goldsmith, Mrs. L. Schiff, Mrs. B. Schiff, Mrs. S. Goldman, Mrs. Philip Zemansky, Mrs. Dave Cowen, Mrs. Maier, Mrs. Phoebe Spyer, Mrs. Abe Pinover, Mrs. M. Greenberg, N. Y., Mrs. Arthur Pinover, Mrs. B. Kuhlman, Mrs. Eli Steinheimer, Mrs. A. Fell, Mrs. O. Wormsel, Mrs. George Koplic, Mrs. Jankauer, Mrs. M. S. Michael, Mrs. S. Cohen, Mrs. Cohn, of New York, Miss Nettie Reichman, Miss Rose Reichman, Mrs. Mamolok, Mrs. Heitner, Miss T. Klein, Miss Ray Lyons, Mrs. Marr, Mrs. Cohen.

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Uniontown, Pa.

At the services last Friday evening Rabbi I. Reichert, in a strong appeal for a revival of the activities of the members of Uniontown Lodge, No. 471, I. O. B. B., spoke on the merits of the order, choosing as his subject: "The Order B'nai B'rith, Its Hope, Aim and Our Duty." The subject announced for the coming Friday evening is: "The Beginning of a New and More Glorious Civilization."

GARDNER, MOSES.—In pursuance of an order of Hon. Abner C. Thomas, a Surrogate of the County of New York, dated October 20, 1904, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against Moses Gardner, late of the County of New York, deceased, to present the same with vouchers thereof to the subscribers at their place of transacting business, at the office of Kantrowitz & Esberg, No. 320 Broadway, Borough of Manhattan, in the City of New York, on or before the 28th day of June, 1905, next.

Dated New York, the 15th day of December, 1904. BERNARD EPSTEIN AND SARAH GARDNER, Executors.

Kantrowitz & Esberg, Attorneys for Executors.

RECKENDORFER, BABBETTE.—IN PURSUANCE of an order of Hon. Abner C. Thomas, a Surrogate of the County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against Babbette Reckendorfer, late of the County of New York, deceased, to present the same with vouchers thereof to the subscribers, at their place of transacting business at the office of Samuel H. Guggenheimer, No. 30 Broad Street, in the Borough of Manhattan, in the City of New York, on or before the 30th day of July next.

Dated New York, the 17th day of December, 1904. SAMUEL H. GUGGENHEIMER, Attorney for Executors, No. 30 Broad Street, Borough of Manhattan, New York City.

SCHLOSS, LEVI A.—IN PURSUANCE OF AN order of Hon. Abner C. Thomas, a Surrogate of the County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against Levi A. Schloss, late of the County of New York, deceased, to present the same with vouchers thereof to the subscriber, at his place of transacting business at the office of Christian G. Moritz, No. 231 Broadway, in the City of New York, on or before the 1st day of July next.

Dated New York, the 21st day of December, 1904. MAX LOEWENSTEIN, Executor. CHRISTIAN G. MORITZ, Attorney for Executor, 231 Broadway, Borough of Manhattan, New York City.

REIS, MICHAEL.—IN PURSUANCE OF AN order of Hon. Abner C. Thomas, a Surrogate of the County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against Michael Reis, late of the County of New York, deceased, to present the same with vouchers thereof to the subscriber, at his place of transacting business at the office of Myron H. Oppenheim, No. 135 Front Street, in the City of New York, on or before the 25th day of June next.

Dated New York, the 20th day of December, 1904. MYRON H. OPPENHEIM, Attorney for Executor, No. 135 Front Street, New York City, N. Y. RUDELPH M. HAAN, Executor.

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RADLE, FREDERICA.—IN PURSUANCE OF an order of Hon. Abner C. Thomas, a Surrogate of the County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against Frederica Radle, late of the County of New York, deceased, to present the same with vouchers thereof to the subscriber at his place of transacting business at the office of Wm. Worth Lowenstein and Stern, No. 350 Broadway, in the City of New York, on or before the 21st day of April next.

Dated New York, the 8th day of October, 1904. EUGENE J. RADLE, Administrator. WENTWORTH, LOWENSTEIN & STERN, Attorneys for Administrator, 350 Broadway, New York City, Manhattan.

PHILLIPS, CLARA.—IN PURSUANCE OF an order of Hon. Abner C. Thomas, a Surrogate of the County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against Clara Phillips, late of the County of New York, deceased, to present the same with vouchers thereof to the subscribers at their place of transacting business, 213 Broadway, in the Borough of Manhattan, City of New York, on or before the 10th day of August, 1904.

Dated New York, the 10th day of August, 1904. SIMON WOLF, SOLL KOHN, Executors.

WOLF, KOHN & ULLMAN, Attorneys for Executors, 303 Broadway, Borough of Manhattan, New York, N. Y.

LINDHEIM, CLARA.—IN PURSUANCE OF AN order of Hon. Abner C. Thomas, a Surrogate of the County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against Clara Lindheim, late of the County of New York, deceased, to present the same with vouchers thereof to the subscriber at his place of transacting business, viz: the office of Messrs. Kurzman & Frankenthaler, No. 25 Broad Street, Borough of Manhattan, City of New York, on or before the 24th day of April, 1905.

Dated New York, October 21st, 1904. MARION B. KOHLMAN, Executor. KURZMAN & FRANKENTHALER, Attorneys for Executor, 25 Broad Street, Borough of Manhattan, New York City.

LIEBMANN, FANNY.—IN PURSUANCE OF an order of Hon. Abner C. Thomas, a Surrogate of the County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against Fanny Liebmann, late of the County of New York, deceased, to present the same with vouchers thereof to the subscribers at their place of transacting business, Rooms 917-920, in No. 140 Nassau Street, in the Borough of Manhattan, in the City of New York, on or before the twenty-sixth day of June next.

Dated New York the twenty-first day of December, 1904. JOSEPH LIEBMAN, HENRY L. LIEBMAN, LILLY GURMAN, Executors. SAMUEL HOFF, Attorney for Executors, 140 Nassau Street, New York, N. Y.

JACOBS, JAMES.—IN PURSUANCE OF AN order of Hon. Abner C. Thomas, a Surrogate of the County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against James Jacobs, late of the County of New York, deceased, to present the same with vouchers thereof to the subscribers at their place of transacting business at the office of Kantrowitz & Esberg, No. 320 Broadway, Borough of Manhattan, in the City of New York, on or before the 2d day of May, 1905 next.

Dated New York, the 18th day of October, 1904. GUSSIE GEIZLER, EMMA GEIZLER, Executors. KANTROWITZ & ESBERG, Attorneys for Executors, 320 Broadway, Manhattan Borough, New York City.

MARKERT, CHRISTIAN.—IN PURSUANCE OF an order of Hon. Abner C. Thomas, a Surrogate of the County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against Christian Markert, late of the County of New York, deceased, to present the same with vouchers thereof to the subscriber, at his place of transacting business, at the office of Moss & Feiner, No. 35 Nassau Street, Borough of Manhattan, in the City of New York, on or before the 18th day of April next.

Dated New York, the fourth day of October, 1904. MOSS & FEINER, SAMUEL WEIL, Attorneys for Executor, 35 Nassau Street (Manhattan) City of New York.

SCHNEIDER, SARAH.—IN PURSUANCE OF an order of Hon. Abner C. Thomas, a Surrogate of the County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against Sarah Schneider, late of the County of New York, deceased, to present the same with vouchers thereof to the subscriber at her place of transacting business at the office of Maurice F. Propping, Nos. 35 and 37 Nassau Street, in the City of New York, on or before the 10th day of May next.

Dated June 10, 1904. ELISE VELTEN, Administrator. MAURICE F. PROPPING, Attorney for Administrator, 35-37 Nassau Street, New York City.

BLUMLEIN, ABRAHAM.—In pursuance of an order of Hon. Abner C. Thomas, a Surrogate of the County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against Abraham Blumlein, late of the County of New York, deceased, to present the same with vouchers thereof to the subscriber, at her place of transacting business, No. 128 Broadway, Borough of Manhattan, in the City of New York, on or before the 31st day of October, 1904.

Dated New York, the 31st day of October, 1904. EMMA BLUMLEIN, Executor. ROSE & PUTZEL, Attorneys for Executor, 128 Broadway, Borough of Manhattan, New York City.

DEPPERT, AGNES.—IN PURSUANCE OF an order of Hon. Abner C. Thomas, a Surrogate of the County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against Agnes Depfert, late of the County of New York, deceased, to present the same with vouchers thereof to the subscriber at her place of transacting business at the office of Adolph Bloch, No. 25 Broad Street, in the City of New York, on or before the 15th day of February next.

Dated New York, the 30th day of July, 1904. ADOLPH BLOCH, Administrator. CONRAD HARRIS, Executor.

FRIGENBAUM, BESSIE.—IN PURSUANCE OF an order of Hon. Abner C. Thomas, a Surrogate of the County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against Bessie Frigenbaum, late of the County of New York, deceased, to present the same with vouchers thereof to the subscriber, at her place of transacting business at the office of Abraham L. Gordon, No. 330 Broadway, in the City of New York, on or before the first day of May next.

Dated New York, the 12th day of October, 1904. ABRAHAM L. GORDON, Administrator. LOUISE SCHINDLER, Executor.

KARL POKATZKY, ALSO CALLED CARL POKATZKY.

In pursuance of an order of Hon. Frank T. Fitzgerald, a Surrogate of the County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against Karl Pokatzky, also called Carl Pokatzky late of Croson, Germany, deceased, to present the same, with vouchers thereof, to the subscriber at his place of transacting business, No. 35 Nassau Street, in the City of New York, Borough of Manhattan, on or before April 1, 1905.

Dated New York, the 22d day of September, 1904. RICHARD M. BRUNO, Ancillary Executor.

LUDER BRUNJES, ALSO CALLED LUDER BRUNGES.

In pursuance of an order of Hon. Frank Fitzgerald, a Surrogate of the County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against Luder Brunjes, also called Luder Brunges, late of Legumstadt, Germany, deceased, to present the same, with vouchers thereof, to the subscriber at his place of transacting business, No. 35 Nassau Street, in the City of New York, Borough of Manhattan, on or before April 1, 1905.

Dated New York, the 23d day of September, 1904. RICHARD M. BRUNO, Ancillary Executor.

ROSE, ISABELLE BERGER, ALSO KNOWN AS "Belle". In pursuance of an order of Hon. Abner C. Thomas, a Surrogate of the County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against Isabelle Berger Rose, also known as "Belle" Rose, late of the County of New York, deceased, to present the same, with vouchers thereof to the subscriber, at her place of transacting business at the office of her attorneys, Silverman & Bennet, No. 150 Nassau Street, Borough of Manhattan, in the City of New York, on or before the first day of February next.

Dated New York, July 22, 1904. JENNIE C. PROCTOR, Administrator. SILVERMAN & BENNETT, Attorneys for Administrator, 150 Nassau Street, Manhattan, N. Y. City.

IN PURSUANCE OF AN ORDER OF HON. Frank T. Fitzgerald, a Surrogate of the County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against Rosabel Silberstein, late of the County of New York, deceased, to present the same with vouchers thereof to the subscriber at his place of transacting business at the office of her attorney, Joseph Rosenwald, 32 Nassau Street, in the City of New York (Manhattan), on or before the 4th day of March next.

Dated New York, the 26th day of August, 1904. ISAAC J. SILBERSTEIN, Administrator. JOSEPH ROSENWALD, Attorney for Administrator, 32 Nassau Street, Manhattan, N. Y. City.

IN PURSUANCE OF AN ORDER OF HON. Frank T. Fitzgerald, a Surrogate of the County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against Max Stiner, late of the County of New York, deceased, to present the same with vouchers thereof to the subscriber at his place of transacting business, at the office of Johnston & Johnston, No. 8 and 10 Centre Street, Borough of Manhattan, New York City.

Dated New York, the 29th day of August, 1904. CAROLINE STINER, Executor. JOHNSTON & JOHNSTON, Attorneys for Executor, 8 and 10 Centre Street, Borough of Manhattan, New York City.

LYON, RACHEL.—In pursuance of an order of Hon. Frank T. Fitzgerald, a Surrogate of the County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against Rachel Lyon, late of the County of New York and Baltimore, Maryland, deceased, to present the same with vouchers thereof to the subscribers, at their place of transacting business, care of Bandler & Haas, No. 320 Broadway, in the City of New York, on or before the 28th day of March next.

Dated New York, the 13th day of September, 1904. JULIUS M. LYON, ERNEST WEINMAN, Executors. BANDLER & HAAS, Attys for Executors, 320 Broadway, N. Y. Cit.

KOHN, DAVID.—IN PURSUANCE OF an order of Hon. Abner C. Thomas, a Surrogate of the County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against David Kohn, late of the County of New York, deceased, to present the same with vouchers thereof to the subscribers, at their place of transacting business, care of Bandler & Haas, No. 320 Broadway, in the City of New York, on or before the 30th day of January next.

Dated New York, the 12th day of July, 1904. ROSALIA KOHN, Adm. GEORGE N. KANBLEY, Adm.

VOLDPOGLE, COHEN & LIND, Attorneys for Adm., 271 Broadway, New York City.

IN PURSUANCE OF AN ORDER OF HON. Frank T. Fitzgerald, a Surrogate of the County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against Israel (also known as Irving) Kraft, late of the County of New York, deceased, to present the same with vouchers thereof to the subscriber, at their place of transacting business, No. 87 Nassau Street, Borough of Manhattan, in the City of New York, on or before the 17th day of March next.

Dated New York, the thirtieth day of August, 1904. CHARLES O. MAAS, HARRY KRAFT, Executors. WM. VICTOR GOLDBERG, Attorney for Executors, 87 Nassau Street, Borough of Manhattan, New York City.

GIESCHEN, HENRY.—IN PURSUANCE OF AN order of Hon. Frank T. Fitzgerald, a Surrogate of the County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against Henry Gieschen, late of the County of New York, deceased, to present the same with vouchers thereof to the subscribers at their place of transacting business, Room 25, Fifth Floor, No. 120 Broadway, Borough of Manhattan, in the City of New York, on or before the 16th day of June next.

Dated New York, the 30th day of November, 1904. ALBERT W. GIESCHEN, ALBRICHT J. BODE, Executors. MILLER, MILLER & STORM, Attorneys for Executors, 120 Broadway, New York City.

KREINER, AARON.—In pursuance of an order of Hon. Frank T. Fitzgerald, a Surrogate of the County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against Aaron Kreinerman, late of the County of New York, deceased, to present the same with vouchers thereof to the subscribers at our place of transacting business, No. 207 Broadway, in the City of New York, on or before the 16th day of April next.

Dated New York, the 1st day of October, 1904. MAX A. KREINER, FANNIE KLEIN, Executors. STRALEY & HABROCK, Attorneys for Executors, 207 Broadway, Manhattan, New York City.

KLEIN, LINA.—IN PURSUANCE OF AN order of Hon. Abner C. Thomas, a Surrogate of the County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against Lina Klein, late of the County of New York, deceased, to present the same with vouchers thereof to the subscriber, at his place of transacting business at the office of Klumstein, Townsend & Chaikman, No. 32 Nassau Street, in the City of New York, on or before the seventh day of February next.

Dated New York, the 25th day of July, 1904. EDWARD KLEIN, Executor. EINSTEIN, TOWNSEND & GUTTERMAN, Attorneys for Executor, 32 Nassau Street, New York City.

ULLMANN, MAURICE.—IN PURSUANCE OF an order of Hon. Abner C. Thomas, a Surrogate of the County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against Maurice Ullmann, late of the County of New Jersey, deceased, to present the same with vouchers thereof to the subscribers at their place of transacting business at the office of James Scheil & Kikus, No. 30 Pine Street, in the City of New York, on or before the second day of February next.

Dated New York, the 18th day of July, 1904. MARY ULLMANN, DANIEL W. ULLMANN, FARDJANAH HALL, Executors. JAMES SCHELL & KLIKUS, Attorneys for Executors, 30 Pine Street, New York City.

CAHN—LEOPOLD.—IN PURSUANCE OF AN order of Hon. Abner C. Thomas, a Surrogate of the County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against Leopold Cahn, late of the County of New York, deceased, to present the same with vouchers thereof to the subscribers, at their place of transacting business, the office of William L. Cahn, No. 25 Pine Street, in the City of New York, on or before the 20th day of May next.

Dated New York, the 11th day of November, 1904. CLARA CAHN, ARTHUR L. CAHN, WM. L. CAHN, Executors. HAROLD NATHAN, Attorney for Executors, No. 27 William St., New York City.

PHRIEDLANDER, JULIUS M.—IN PURSUANCE OF an order of Hon. Abner C. Thomas, a Surrogate of the County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against Julius H. Friedlander, late of the County of New York, deceased, to present the same with vouchers thereof to the subscriber at his place of transacting business at the office of Joseph Rosenwald, Attorney at Law, No. 32 Nassau Street, Manhattan, in the City of New York, on or before the first day of August next.

Dated the 15th day of August, 1904. SANFORD J. FRIEDLANDER, Administrator. JOSEPH ROSENWALD, Attorney for Administrator, 32 Nassau Street, Manhattan New York City.

STICH, RACHEL.—IN PURSUANCE OF AN order of Hon. Frank T. Fitzgerald, a Surrogate of the County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against Rachel Stich, late of the County of New York, deceased, to present the same with vouchers thereof to the subscriber, at his place of transacting business, at the office of Kantrowitz & Esberg, No. 320 Broadway, Borough of Manhattan, in the City of New York, on or before the 20th day of April, 1905, next.

Dated New York, the 12th day of October, 1904. JOHN STICH, Executor. KANTROWITZ AND ESBERG, Attorneys for Executor, 320 Broadway, New York City, Manhattan Borough.

LOWENFELD, JACOB.—IN PURSUANCE OF an order of Hon. Abner C. Thomas, a Surrogate of the County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against Jacob Lowenfeld, late of the County of New York, deceased, to present the same with vouchers thereof to the subscribers, at their place of transacting business at the office of Kantrowitz & Esberg, No. 320 Broadway, Borough of Manhattan, in the City of New York, on or before the 2d day of May, 1905 next.

Dated New York, the 18th day of October, 1904. BERNARD LOWENFELD, BERTHA SCHWARTZ, Executors. KANTROWITZ & ESBERG, Attorneys for Executors, 320 Broadway, Manhattan Borough, New York City.

LEVY, ISABELLA.—In pursuance of an order of Hon. Abner C. Thomas, Surrogate of the County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against Isabella Levy, late of the County of New York, deceased, to present the same with vouchers thereof to the subscribers at their place of transacting business at the office of Joseph L. Green, No. 290 Broadway, Borough of Manhattan, in the City of New York, on or before the 15th day of May next.

Dated New York, the 2d day of November, 1904. JAMES H. LEHMAIER, JOHN TROUSTINE, JOHN M. SCHLESINGER, Executors. JOSEPH L. GREEN, Attorney for Executor, 290 Broadway, Manhattan, New York City.

ROSENHEIM, ISIDOR.—IN PURSUANCE OF an order of Hon. Abner C. Thomas, a Surrogate of the County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against Isidor Rosenheim, late of the County of New York, deceased, to present the same with vouchers thereof to the subscriber, at his place of transacting business, the office of Harry R. Kohn, No. 25 Pine Street, in the City of New York, on or before the 25th day of May next.

Dated New York, the 4th day of November, 1904. MAX ROSENHEIM, Administrator. HARRY R. KOHN, Attorney for Administrator, 25 Pine St., New York City, Manhattan.

COHEN, ROSA.—In pursuance of an order of Hon. Abner C. Thomas, a Surrogate of the County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against Rosa Cohen, sometimes called Rosie Cohen, late of the County of New York, deceased, to present the same with vouchers thereof to the subscriber, at his place of transacting business, Room 25, No. 290 Broadway, Manhattan Borough, in the City of New York, on or before the first day of May next.

Dated New York, the twenty-first day of October, 1904. ABRAHAM L. COHEN, Executor. SAMUEL J. COHEN, Attorney for Executor, Stewart Building, 290 Broadway, Borough of Manhattan, New York City.

SHANDALL, HARRY J.—In pursuance of an order of Hon. Frank T. Fitzgerald, a Surrogate of the County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against Harry J. Shandall, late of the County of New York, deceased, to present the same with vouchers thereof to the subscriber, at her place of transacting business at the office of Abr. A. Silberberg, No. 300 Broadway, in the City of New York, on or before the 30th day of June next.

Dated New York, the 22d day of November, 1904. BERTHA SHANDALL, Administrator. ABR. A. SILBERBERG, Attorney for Administrator, 300 Broadway, New York City.

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The Wheeled Plow.
The wheeled plow was known in an-
cient Italy and appears on many Ro-
man coins and inscriptions.

Good Night.
Good night? Ah, no; the hour is ill
Which severs those it should unite.
Let us remain together still,
Then it will be good night.

How can I call the lone night good,
Though thy sweet wishes wing its
flight?

Be it not said, thought, understood,
That it will be good night.
To hearts which near each other move
From evening close to morning light,
The night is good, because, my love,
They never say good night.
—Shelley.

Life.
A train of gay and clouded days,
Dappled with joy and grief and praise,
Beauty to fire us, saints to save,
Escort us to a little grave.
—Emerson.

Haydn.
Haydn was fond of imitating animal
sounds in his symphonies. In these
compositions will be found imitations
of the cat, horse, cow, cuckoo, grass-
hopper and donkey.

Parish of Spinsters and Widows.
Spinsters and widows comprise the
majority of the inhabitants of Askern,
near Doncaster, England, according to
evidence given before the local govern-
ment board inspector. The population
has been practically stationary for the
last thirty years.

Flirted In Church.
Flirting in church was one of the
many weaknesses of Charles II. It is
recorded that he was given to playing
"peep" with Lady Castlemain through
the curtains which divided the royal
box from the ladies' pew.

Japanese Morning Glories.
The morning glory is one of the eight
plants whose flowers the Japanese
chiefly value, the others being the apricot
(mume), the cherry, the wistaria,
the peony, the iris, the lotus and the
chrysanthemum. The species most gen-
erally cultivated is Ipomoea triloba, a
native of China, which blooms in To-
kyo at midsummer.

Postage Stamps.
Few know that there is a difference
between winter and summer postage
stamps. In the cold months the gum
on the stamps is a little thinner and
softer, while that on those to be used
during the summer and in southern
states is not so easily affected by heat.
ful dancing. In her dress she affects
bright colors. She will wear a skirt
of burning red, with a gorgeous under-
garment, over which she dons a waist
of silken texture, dark and ornamented
with the gay and beautiful "pina,"
which is thrown over her shoulders.

A Weary Monarch.
Stephen II. of Hungary abdicated out
of weariness in 1131 and spent his time
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CITY NEWS.

Society of American Cantors.

The Executive Board of the above-named society met on Wednesday afternoon, December 14, at the residence of Rev. S. Rappaport, vice-president of the society. Matters of vital importance were transacted touching upon the musical liturgy of the synagogue and kindred subjects. The general meeting was held on the evening at Temple Beth El, Fifth Avenue and Seventy-sixth street, with President A. Kaiser, of Baltimore, Md., in the chair. There were present members from various parts of the country. The president in his report spoke of the marked progress of the society, mentioning the fact that another very prominent reform, most influential Southern congregation in Richmond, Va., which for the past thirty years has had no cantor, reinstated the office and is exceedingly pleased with the change.

Rev. M. Silverman, chairman of the Advisory Committee, submitted his report recommending the publication of a new Year's and Atonement Service, which was unanimously adopted. It was also decided to issue a circular letter to cantors, rabbis and Jewish religious institutions urging them to co-operate in establishing a larger uniformity in such liturgical portions of the ritual in which orthodox and reform are alike, and consequently in a position to adopt the same tunes and the same melodies to the various responses of the ritual, thus investing it with greater dignity.

A request was received from Rev. Dr. Henry Berkowitz, chairman of the committee appointed by the central conference of American Rabbis to compile a new Hagadah and to prepare proper tunes and melodies for the same, was cheerfully granted and the Advisory Committee was charged with the performance of that work.

Educational Alliance Annual Meeting. Carl Schurz's Speech.

Hon. Carl Schurz made an address to the twelfth annual meeting of the Educational Alliance last Sunday evening, in which he advised the Jews to be less clannish. If this advice were followed, he said, the pretext—there was no reason—for anti-Semitic feeling would be lessened.

The business of the meeting was transacted rapidly. The annual report of the Alliance's president and Board of Directors showed a satisfactory condition of affairs. The most important event chronicled was the completion of the annex, made possible by the gift of two men. All told \$58,000 was expended on the building. Offices for the Legal Aid Bureau have been established there, and it is designed to make it a center for the education of workers.

There was a slight increase in the membership of the Alliance, from 1,964 to 2,002, during the year. The treasurer's report showed a deficit of \$9,000. By the end of the year the Alliance will be \$14,000 in debt. The endowment fund has been increased since Andrew Carnegie's gift of \$25,000 by the \$10,000 bequest of Simon Loeb.

In conclusion, the report asks a more liberal support from the public, either by a greater number of annual contributors or the enlargement of the endowment fund, which now amounts to \$200,000 to \$500,000.

The following directors, whose term of office had expired, were re-elected for the next three years, and the meeting adjourned: Mrs. Julia Richman, Messrs. Benjamin Altman, Morris W. Benjamin, Sidney Blumenthal, Bernard M. L. Ernst, Sigmund Mendlesohn, Lee Kohns and Robert E. Simon.

Young Folks' Auxiliary of Congregation Emmanuel of Harlem.

This society, which has recently been organized by the active rabbi of Congregation Emmanuel of Harlem, Dr. Louis A. Alexander, will give its first matinee dance on Sunday afternoon next at 2 p. m. The proceeds are to be devoted to the building of a new temple in the central part of Harlem. The object is most worthy, and there is no doubt that the affair will prove a very enjoyable one. It will take place in Junge's Hall, 160 East 116th street, and the tickets can be obtained from any member of the committee, or from the rabbi, Dr. Louis A. Alexander, at 80 East 116th street.

A Popular Appointment.

We are most pleased to be afforded the opportunity to chronicle the appointment

to a high and exalted position in the Pythian ranks of Mr. Joseph Runshelm, as the deputy grand chancellor of the Sixth District, Domain of the State of New York of the Order of Knights of Pythias.

As a result of the interest evinced by Mr. Runshelm in matters Pythian, the gentlemen is also actively interested in other fraternal societies, viz: Empire City Lodge 206, F. & A. M., the Young Men's Review Association, Young Folks' League of the Hebrew Infant Asylum and the Order of Na Pooh.

With this record of achievement as a promise of future activity, the Sixth District is to be congratulated in the appointment of Mr. Runshelm as its leader. The excellent record he has made in the Pythian fraternity.

Alarm of Fire at the Hebrew Orphan Asylum.

Seven hundred children in the Hebrew Orphan Asylum, which covers the entire block between One Hundred and Thirty-Sixth and One Hundred and Thirty-Eighth streets and Amsterdam and Richmond avenues, were aroused early last Saturday morning, by a cry of fire. Instantly the fire bells all through the building were ringing.

The fire was discovered on the top floor of the building in the linen room, which adjoins the boys' dormitory. It had burned considerable headway when a watchman came upon it. Instantly the alarm was raised.

The other boys have a fire brigade and a fire-saving outfit, and at the cry of fire the children, or those who were old enough, sprang to their feet and quickly put on their clothes.

The fire-saving brigade came to the linen room and they were clothed. Then the brigade went at the fire.

Though the flames were close to the boys' dormitory, the 300 boys in the building marched out in single file and in perfect order.

The girls were told to remain in their part of the building until there was danger. The little children were carried to a safe part of the building.

Damage to the building was not serious. The fire was extinguished by the fire department. The fire was caused by a candle in the linen room. When the firemen rushed in there was nothing left for them to do.

Then came the reserve police under Sergt. Wont. Word had been sent to them that the entire asylum was in flames and that hundreds of children were perishing.

The police came upon the little girl, standing in line, all dressed, and ready to march out, and they saw the life savers and fire brigade at work.

"I have never seen such discipline," said the sergeant, as he took his policemen back to the station house.

Supt. Conee will make an effort to prove the fire's origin. He asserts that the linen room, where it was discovered, was locked last night and the key left in his office. There was nothing but linen in the room, and the door was still locked when the firemen broke in to extinguish the flames.

The Union of Orthodox Congregation Issues the Following Warning.

The Festival of Chanukah, just passed, has again stirred us with the histories of those who gave their lives in defense of our beloved faith. These heroes and heroines will have given their lives in vain, if, in spite of all efforts to the contrary, Jewish children are so false to their God as to permit themselves to be bribed from their allegiance.

The season of the year is upon us, when the most subtle attacks are made by those who call themselves friends, although not of our faith. These attacks are made in the form of bribes and treats, toys, candies, etc., which are distributed, usually after gathering around a so-called Christmas tree. This tree is associated with the Christian festival of Christmas. It stands for Christianity. It is typical of Christianity.

No appeal to the children of our faith, to hold themselves aloof from gatherings to which they may be invited, where, in exchange for their presence in honor of the Christian Christmas festival, they will have to quote from one of the most noted of these "candy friends" of ours to listen "to the stories of the Christ Child, who many years ago was born into the world to show his own people, and all people for ever, that love is the force in all ages, the only one that has power to bridge over all differences on earth and lay hold of Eternity."

This is an outrageous attack upon our right to bring up our children in the religion for which our parents suffered and died.

We urge upon the parents that they should carefully inquire as to where their children get the dolls, toys, etc., which "kind" ladies and gentlemen seem so anxious to distribute, especially among Jewish children, at this season of the year.

H. PEREIRA MENDES, President
Of the Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations of the United States and Canada.
ALBERT LUCAS, Secretary.

In The Theatres.

Irving Place Theatre.

Sudermann's "Sodom's Ende" was given early in the week, and Herr Walden's portrayal of the degenerate painter Jernikow lent some interest to a performance, which showed a lack of careful preparation unusual to this theatre. The play itself is revolting, and we should be grateful if it were permanently shelved. Even in Germany it appears to have disappeared from the repertory. For Thursday (this evening) and Friday "Die Versunkene Glocke," Hauptmann's masterpiece, is announced, with a strong cast. As appropriate to the holiday, "The White Horse Tavern" will be given on Saturday night. The fairy plays for children, performed every afternoon, are also pleasing features at this festive season.

Sousa's Farewell Concerts.

John Philip Sousa and his world famous band will say farewell to home audiences in three holiday concerts at Carnegie Hall on Sunday evening next, and on the Monday and Tuesday evenings of next week. The soloists are Miss Estelle Libling, soprano; Miss Jessie Straus, violinist; Messrs. Clark and Sellstedt, cornetists, and Mr. Marshall Lufsky, piccolo.

Yorkville Theatre.

A great vaudeville carnival is announced for the Yorkville next week, where the usual capital list of specialties is announced. Stuart, "The Male Patti;" Crane Brothers, "The Mudtown Minstrels;" Polk and Treak, "The Musical Graigs, Bailey and Madison, Kreisler's Dog, Cat and Monkey Circus. The vitagraph, with new and interesting pictures and many others will complete the bill of headliners.

Proctor's Twenty-third St. Theatre.

George Fuller Golden, the famous monologist, who, for the past several seasons, has been one of the London favorites, has returned home, and makes his first reappearance at Proctor's, heading the programme next week. The nine "Broilers" from "The Royal Chef" have survived the closing of that company, and following the example of the "Champagne Dancers," will be exploited in vaudeville, which should contribute in marked measure to the excellence of the holiday bill.

Proctor's One Hundred and Twenty-fifth Street Theatre.

"The Cricket on the Hearth," an adaptation from Charles Dickens' famous novel, by Hugh Ford, will be offering at the One Hundred and Twenty-fifth Street Theatre next week.

Proctor's Fifty-eighth Street Theatre.

"Checkers" begins a two weeks' run at the Fifty-eighth Street, commencing Monday, Dec. 26. This play of racing life has by no means exhausted its popularity in New York, and two weeks at the Fifty-eighth Street should be an event of the season.

Proctor's Fifth Avenue Theatre.

"Captain Impudence," Edwin Milton Royle's great play of military life, after a most prosperous week in Harlem, is scheduled to the Fifth Avenue, where it will be presented next week by the full strength of the Proctor Fifth Avenue Stock Company.

Third Avenue Theatre.

"Too Proud to Beg" will be next week's attraction at the Third Avenue Theatre.

Metropolis Theatre.

Joe Welch, whose reputation as an actor of Jewish character roles is widespread, and who has been a successful star in this style of stage work for several years, will be seen at the Metropolis Theatre next week in a new comedy-drama of New York life, written by Lee Arthur.

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