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

Jewish Ministers?

BY THE REV. MELDOLA DE SOLA.

XIV.

Let me now quote a few opinions in support of my contention that Reform is not Judaism, and that Reform ministers are not Jewish ministers.

The *Jeschurun* of Hanover, published by the son of that prince in Israel, Samson Raphael Hirsch, of blessed memory, commented upon the Pittsburg Conference in the following vigorous terms: "We accuse the Pittsburg Rabbinical Conference of the crime that they dare to claim the name of Jews and Rabbis. What they proclaim is in fullest contradiction to Judaism. They deny the direct divinity of the Torah and the everlasting authority of its laws. What they profess is anything but the Jewish religion, and it is, therefore, a usurpation and arrogance when they assert their principles as principles of Judaism, and those who follow them as professors of American Judaism. We dread not the consequences of this assertion. Whoever indorses these resolutions has no right to call himself a confessor of Judaism; he may assume whatever name he pleases, but such is neither the confession of Judaism, nor Christianity, nor Islam."

As the utterances of the individual Reformers quoted in these articles are in perfect harmony with the heresies of the Pittsburg Conference, the stinging criticism of the *Jeschurun* applies to them also, and fully supports my contention that Reform is

not Judaism and that Reform ministers are not Jewish ministers.

A recent utterance characteristic of Dr. Kohler evoked a criticism by Dr. H. Pereira Mendes which is perhaps all the more worthy of notice because Reformers, while regarding Dr. Pereira Mendes as an orthodox leader, do not place him among the "bigots" and "fanatics" who treat Reform as a collection of heresies to be denounced unceasingly. And in this connection, let me make one remark concerning the recent Kohler-Mendes controversy. If American Reform stands for ridicule instead of argument, for a cowardly shirking of the main issue instead of a calm and direct reply thereto, then Dr. Kohler is its worthy champion. He was challenged to prove himself a Jewish minister. He was challenged to prove that the Hebrew Union College could fly the flag of the Higher Criticism, which he declared to have nailed to its mast, and still be a Jewish college. He declined both challenges; he avoided the issue, and in language which, for lack of dignity and ordinary refinement, is almost unequalled in American Jewish literature.

In his criticism of Dr. Kohler, Dr. Mendes asks: "What is the difference between Dr. Kohler's Reform Judaism and Ethical Culture?" Let me here emphasize the fact, pretty clearly demonstrated in the preceding articles, that Dr. Kohler's Reform is typical of American Reform generally, and that if Kohler Reform and Ethical Culture are identical, American Reform generally differs not from Ethical Culture.

Then Dr. Mendes observes: "But now to run up the flag of Higher Criticism, which changes color from

day to day, to have men trained to teach it and yet posture as Jewish rabbis, to proclaim, 'I am a Jew,' and nevertheless hold up what is Jewish for ridicule, for denial, to deny that God spoke to our prophets, who were men, and yet to declare that men can speak to God in prayer, surely it is more manly, more honest more courageous, to found at once a new religion, and preach that."

There can be no mistaking the import of these eloquent words. If they imply anything, it is that Reform is not Judaism.

Dr. Mendes also maintains that "a Rabbi is an exponent of Judaism or he is nothing." Hence it follows that the Reform Rabbis are not Jewish ministers, that they are *nothing*.



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Dr. Bernard Drachman, another able exponent of Orthodox Judaism, characterize Reform as "fashionable recreancy."

Let us now see what non-Jews think of Reform.

The Rev. Charles Voysey, of the Theistic Church, made the following statement a few years ago: "We have thankfully acknowledged a hundred times that the Jews are God's witnesses, preserved by Him through marvellous vicissitudes and by the most painful discipline for this sublime end, and for no other; that by their fidelity and simple trust in Him they should bring all the rest of the misled and idolatrous world into the knowledge and love of the one living and true God. We have even ventured to remind the Jews how necessary it was that they should not lose

their distinctive characteristics, or even part with one of their peculiar institutions if any such departure should imperil their needful isolation and thereby defeat or hinder the grand purpose of God. We have told them that an unfaithful Jew is a discredit to the race and a dishonor to God."

It will be remarked that the Rev. Charles Voysey does not speak of a God-idea, after the manner of Reformers. He acknowledges the one true and living God. This alone is a stern condemnation of Reform heresy. But there is something more: Jews are to bring the rest of mankind to the knowledge and love of God. How? By rejecting His commandments, as Reform does? By asserting that His law is intolerant and its ordinances cruel, as Reformers do? Is this calculated to bring men to the knowledge of God and to inspire them with love for Him?

No. Jews are to bring mankind to the knowledge and love of God "by their fidelity and simple trust in Him." They are to preserve their distinctive characteristics, their peculiar institutions, their needful isolation. The Jew who is unfaithful to these obligations "is a discredit to the race and a dishonor to God."

Do Reformers display fidelity to God when they assume the right to abrogate His laws? Do they manifest trust in Him when they array their limited intelligence against the infinite wisdom that framed His statutes? Do Reformers preserve the distinctive characteristics and peculiar institutions of Judaism? Do they honor the Divine decree of Israelitish isolation?

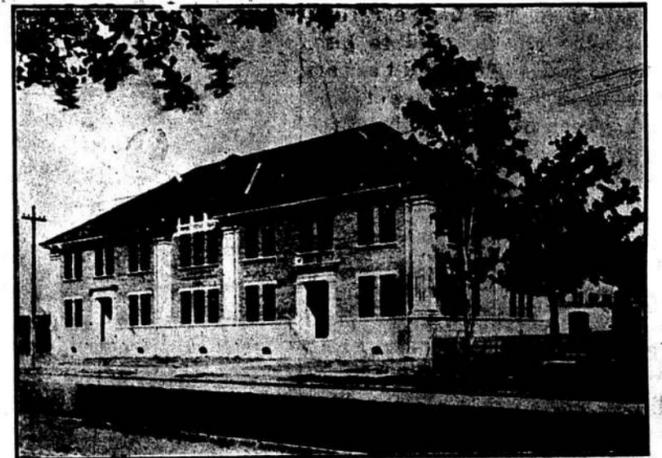
As these questions can only be answered with an emphatic negative, it follows that Reformers are unfaithful to the obligations Divinely imposed upon Israel, and that, in the words of the Rev. Charles Voysey, they are "a

discredit to the race and a dishonor to God!"

The *Churchman* makes the following comment upon a "Judaism" in which there is no religion: "Devout Jews, holding themselves separate from their Gentile neighbors on the ground of religion, raise no barrier of caste between themselves and others; but undevout and irreligious Jews distinguished as Jews by race only, and not by religion, practically maintain that a barrier of caste separates them from all other men. If Judaism be true, as we Christians believe, then there is reason why the Jew ought to maintain his separate existence; but if Judaism be not true, as thousands of Jews seem to believe, then the caste distinction of race is a voluntary distinction with which the Jew must accept its natural and universal consequences. In a word, we believe that if the Jewish people were manifestly governed by the religion they represent, they would command in this age not only tolerance, but admiration. Without religion Judaism dwindles to a caste, and has nothing but the prejudice of caste to justify its own existence."

With its "God-idea," with its denial of the Divine inspiration of the Bible, with its rejection of Divine laws, not only has Reform dwindled away to a system of Ethical Culture, but it has assumed that Judaism (i. e., Judaism as understood by the great mass of the Jewish people and by mankind in general) "is not true." By the verdict of the *Churchman* there is nothing but the prejudice of caste to justify the existence of Reformers as a distinct body.

As Reformers are very fond of expatiating upon the brotherhood of man, they should live up to their admiration for this brotherhood of man and formally connect themselves with Ethical Culturists and other Nothingarians.



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THIRD. Such lands should be located within two or at the utmost three miles from some prominent line of railroad, as a distance from seven to eight miles from a railroad, for various reasons, is likely to prove a great source of danger to the undertaking.

FOURTH. Not less than ten and not more than twenty families should form such a settlement, each family to be placed separately on a forty-acre tract.

FIFTH. Right from the start a thoroughly reliable, practical woodman and farmer, one who can talk German, should be placed in charge of the men to teach, guide and control them in their work, for the term of one year; such man, whom we may designate as "foreman," should be expected to work under instructions of the Association and to render weekly reports to headquarters of progress made.

SIXTH. The men selected from the settlement shall be provided with all necessary implements for the work, which are to remain the property of the Association, and shall be paid five dollars per week wages in full for their work, and provided that their work and conduct is entirely satisfactory to the management, such men shall continue to work for the term of one year for such wages of five dollars (\$5.00) per week; if, however, any of the men should be found unsatisfactory, then each man is subject to discharge without previous notice, and he must, with his family, vacate the premises previously assigned to him without further claim upon the organization of any nature whatsoever.

SEVENTH. At the close of a year of each man's continuous service, an inventory shall be taken of the proceeds obtained from his labor, and he shall be credited with the amount against the amount that has been paid him for either weekly wages or other purposes, and any amount, if any there appears that he may have earned in excess of the amount paid to him, shall be placed to his credit as part payment upon the forty acres of land which has been assigned to him at the price agreed upon; from that time on he is released from further supervision of the foreman and is to rely on his own resources for maintaining himself and his family. He is to be given a land contract for the forty acres assigned to him at the price agreed upon at the time of entering upon the work.

EIGHTH. The terms of the land contract shall include the payment of interest at the rate of six per cent (6%) per annum on the entire indebtedness, payable semi-annually until two such payments shall have been made; at the third semi-annual payment of interest there shall also be due and payable one thirty-second part of the principal of the entire indebtedness, and the same proportion every six

months thereafter until four payments on the principal and the interest then due shall have been paid. At the following semi-annual payment, two thirty-seconds of the principal shall be paid, including the interest then due and the same amount of principal shall be paid with the interest due semi-annually until eight such payments shall be paid; after that, each semi-annual payment shall be composed of three thirty-seconds and the interest which shall be due on the balance of indebtedness, until the entire account is paid up in full, making the entire period nine years from the date of said contract or ten years from the founding of the settlement.

NINTH. It is also agreed that at such time when one-half of the principal and the interest due up to the time shall have been fully paid by the "settler," he shall receive a warrant deed subject to a mortgage for the balance due, or if at any time during the life of said land contract or the mortgage on the property, said "settler" shall desire to pay up in full in order to be released from said mortgage, he shall have the privilege of doing so.

TENTH. The Association also may, with the consent of each settler, purchase at its expense an insurance policy on the life of each of the settlers in favor of the Association for its and the family's security in case of death; but if the indebtedness to the Association is paid up during the life of such insurance policy, then the same will be assigned to the family of such settler for their continuance, if they see proper to do so.

The special features of this plan are: First. To create, from the start a settlement of ten families instead of scattering the people in single families among other settlers of various nationalities, which would deprive them of the religious atmosphere so dear to them, as well as the companionship of their friends and countrymen, without which but a very small proportion can feel thoroughly contented and happy.

SECOND. Under this plan the men are selected with a view of their physical strength and fitness for hard work, believing that a man who has a strong desire and the physical ability to enter upon a pioneer farmer life, is more likely to make a success of the undertaking, even with out any money if reasonable assistance is rendered him, than the man who is assisted in

buying a cultivated farm just because he has a few hundred dollars of his own to invest in the enterprise, which he has saved through several years of peddling or tailoring, but lacks the essential elements of either strength or experience in hard labor of any kind, which after all, are the chief factors to insure successful farming.

THIRD. The proposition to engage an experienced, intelligent farmer to superintend all the work of the settlement and to lead, teach and control the men in and about their work, appears to be one of the most vital provisions of the plan, as it is likely to inspire the men with confidence in the various branches of their work, in which they have had very little, if any, experience, even that claim to have been farmers in the old country, the condition of the land and climate being quite different. Instead our farmers learn from watching their experienced neighbors how the various kinds of work is done. Under this plan the teacher is with them to guide and instruct and thus avoid groping in the dark and plodding along in an uncertain fashion likely to lead to serious mistakes and finally to abandonment of the undertaking.

FOURTH. The "probation" idea, whereby each settler is employed at a moderate wage for a term of one year, subject, however, to being discharged at the end of any week if he is in any way unsatisfactory, is quite apparent as to its intention. It has two distinct objects in view—the first is to inspire the earnest settler with energy, perseverance and hope; secondly, to enable the management to dispose of undesirable individuals in a prompt manner without any chance of claims against the Association of any kind.

FIFTH. And finally, this plan is based upon the idea of selecting suitable men with families who have, however, not been fortunate enough to acquire a firm footing in any pursuit that promises ordinary comforts of life; consequently men that lived from hand to mouth and have no means of their own. The estimated cost of providing such settlers with such a farm and necessary equipment is as follows:

40 acres of land at \$20.00, \$800.00; pig house and barn, \$350.00; cow and chickens, \$40.00; tools necessary first year, \$50.00; one horse, wagon, etc., \$150.00; provisions for six months, \$150.00; total, \$1,540.00.

These figures are likely to deviate, as good "cut over" land can also be bought for less than \$20.00 per acre. The farmer also during the first six months in clearing his land, is likely to produce from the sale of the wood cut by him, more than the amount that he requires for provisions and other necessary living expenses. My original estimate as submitted to the Executive Committee of the Industrial Aid and Agricultural Society was an average of \$1,400.00 for each settler of a group of eighteen families, and that estimate appears to be fairly correct.

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At Home.

RABBI Wolf O. Wheatenstein, of Pittsburg, Pa., has been unanimously elected Chief-Rabbi of the Orthodox Jewish community of Lawrence, Mass.

The Jewish Charitable and Educational Society, of St. Louis, Mo., will build an addition to its quarters at Ninth and Wash streets for the establishment of a day nursery and kindergarten.

Elias Michael, of the Rice-Stix dry goods company gave \$10,000 to start the subscription list, and the remainder of the \$20,000 has already been subscribed. Mr. Michael, a few weeks ago, made a similar donation to the Jewish hospital.

The nursery building will be an annex to the main building. The society owns the ground and will start work in a few weeks. The charity will be conducted along similar lines to those in other cities and is for the Jewish mothers and children of the ghetto.

Plans have been matured and are rapidly being completed for a centralization of a large majority of the Jewish residents of Philadelphia in that section of the city bounded by Pine street, Snyder avenue, Seventh street and the Delaware river.

During the last few months A. Kelsky, a real estate dealer, of 1620 South Seventh street, and S. C. Kraus, of 512 South Fifth street, acting as agents for a large number of the Jewish residents, have purchased 400 business and residential properties in the section, and are constantly acquiring more.

Real estate dealers in the southern portion of the city admit that the property in that section is rapidly passing into the control of the Jews, and predict that they will before a great while own the larger part.

Following the recent sale to the city of Philadelphia of the synagogue of the Beth Israel Congregation, in Eighth street, below Jefferson, steps were taken at a meeting of the members this week looking to the purchase of a large house of worship, and a

nucleus for a building fund was created by the subscription of \$6500.

A building committee was appointed, with the following members: David F. Berlitzheimer, chairman; Alex Abrahams, Leo Levy, Morris Finer, A. Rosenblatt.

It was decided that the new synagogue should be located in the territory bounded by Broad street, Twenty-second street, Columbia avenue and Diamond street.

The new Mt. Sinai Hospital in Philadelphia was dedicated on March 12. Addresses were delivered by Rabbi B. L. Levinthal and Berkowitz, and Rev. C. Madison Peters and Messrs. Jacob D. Lit, president of the hospital, W. B. Hackenburg, J. Gimbel and Max Herzberg.

The Young Men's Zion Society, of Rochester, N. Y., has chosen Max Posner, president; Max Baker, vice-president; Joseph Robfagel, recording secretary; Isaac Posner, financial secretary, and Michael Morris, treasurer. Haskell H. Marks will represent the society at the Federation of Zionist Convention in Philadelphia.

A movement for the building of a Jewish Hospital has been set on foot in Pittsburg, Pa.

Abroad.

As the result of a journey which he made last year in Algeria, Baron Dr. Henri de Rothschild placed at the disposal of the Governor-General the sum of 25,000 francs for the establishment of infirmaries in the extreme south of the colony. In accordance with his desire, two infirmaries have just been built, one at the important centre of Beni-Ounif, the other at Colgomb-Bechar, which will shortly become the terminus of the railway in the south-west. These infirmaries are almost completely finished, and contain

wards for men and women (which are separated by a spacious courtyard), waiting and visiting-rooms, operating theatre, dispensary and bathrooms. They are already frequented by a large number of natives, and will powerfully contribute to the propagation of French influence in the region of Figuig. A tablet, recording the liberality of Baron Henri, has been placed on the facades of the infirmaries.

Ritter von Orlowski, who has been styled the father of anti-Semitism in Austria, has been sentenced to four years' imprisonment and loss of his title of nobility, for fraud, abuse of trust and other offences.

The Jewish community in Cracow has sustained a severe bereavement by the death of its President, Dr. Leo Horowitz, Knight of the Francis Joseph Order, and a member of the Town Council. For many years he rendered valuable services to the town, especially in respect to its development, and to his own community.

Recently, Baron Dr. Henri de Rothschild assumed office as President of the Society of Jewish Studies. In his address, he said that he was deeply touched at being permitted to occupy a post which was held twenty-five years ago by his lamented father. He also expressed his warm sympathy with the fruitful work of the Society.

The death is announced of Madame Regina de Camondo, widow of Count Moise de Camondo, and mother of Count Isaac de Camondo.

A Beth Din on the lines of the one in London, Eng., has been constituted in Paris, and entered on its duties recently. The following form the Executive:—The Grand Rabbins of France and Paris, Presidents; M. Moise Netter, late Grand Rabbi of Oran, Vice-President. Rabbi Weiskopf, and, in turn, one of the Assistant Rabbis of Paris are Assessors. Rabbi Lubetski, Hebrew Secretary.

Adolf Pichler, the well-known painter, was buried on the 14th February, at the Jewish cemetery in Munich. The deceased was a native of Hungary, but had resided fifty years in Munich. He drew the materials for his pictures chiefly from the Old Testament. His best productions were those which treated of incidents in Jewish history, such as "The Dying Jacob Blesses his Children," "Spinoza," "The Praying Jew," and "Judah Halevi."

Vice-Sergeant Dr. Rappaport, who resides in Berlin, Germany, has been promoted Lieutenant in the Reserves of the Count Kleist von Nollendorf Grenadier Regiment.

According to the latest statistics, there are in Warsaw, Russian-Poland, 275,000 Jews; the total population is 772,000. Of the 50,050 Jewish families, only 7,390 pay a communal tax, from two to 500 roubles annually. The remainder are pitifully poor. Last year, 13,000 Jewish workmen were unemployed, and the "German Society for the Amelioration of Jewish Workers" expended 30,000 roubles in relief.

The City Council of Vienna has unanimously resolved that all animals killed in the municipal abattoirs must be pole-axed before being slaughtered. The Executive of the Jewish Community is taking steps to make representations to the Government against this decision.

The Emperor Francis Joseph has conferred the Knight's Cross of the Francis Joseph Order on Police Councillor Dr. Samuel Freund, of Vienna, and the Gold Cross of merit on Herr David Eisner, a member of the staff of the *Wiener Zeitung*.

Imperial Councillor Friedrich, retired inspector of the Austrian State Railways, died in Vienna recently. He had served the railways in various capacities for over forty years, his last appointment having been that of

Deputy Chairman of the Rates Department for home traffic.

The two murderers of a Jewish peddler in jewelry, name Horowitz, at Nancy, France, have been sentenced to death at the Meurthe-et-Moselle Assize Court.

In the Prussian Diet, Deputy Rosenow recently complained that at Swinemuende Catholic and Jewish house-owners were still compelled to pay a tax towards the maintenance of the Evangelical Church. On behalf of the Government, Privy Councillor von Chappuis replied that the Church authorities at Swinemuende has been empowered to abolish the tax.

Dr. J. Traube, Professor of Chemistry at the High School in Charlottenburg (Berlin), has been elected Corresponding Member of the Royal Society at Liege.

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The Rev. Dr. Daniel A. Huebsch has been invited to preach six sermons during the coming season. The subjects are as follows Sunday, March 26th, "The Legend of the Sapphire Sword;" Saturday, April 8th, "Do We Need a Temple?" Saturday, April 29th, "The Schiller Centenary;" Saturday, May 13th, "The Functions of a Modern Minister;" Saturday, May 27th, "Some Elements of Faith;" Saturday, June 10th, "Types of Religious Expression."

Amity Charity League.

The Amity Charity League was organized about nine years ago for charitable purposes, and is composed of a body of intelligent young women who do excellent and praiseworthy work on the East Side in alleviating the sufferings of the poor and needy.

An important feature of the Amity Charity League is the dances which they run from time to time, which have attained great popularity, due to the social spirit which pervades them, and attention is called to one which is to be held on April 2, 1905, at Imperial Lyceum, 162 East Fifty-fifth street, New York City.

Jacob Lodge, No. 14, I. O. F. S. of I.

An open meeting will be held at 227 East Broadway, on Wednesday, March 23, 8 p. m. An illustrated lecture on the "Prevention and Cure of Tuberculosis," by Dr. L. W. Zwisohn, with stereopticon views, will be the chief feature of the programme.

Young Women's Hebrew Association.

The speaker at the Friday evening services was Dr. David Davidson. The speaker this week will be Mrs. J. Janowitz.

The entertainment given at the Montefiore Home was most enjoyable. Some of the children who had performed in the Purim play at the Young Men's Hebrew Association appeared and an interesting programme was arranged by Miss Rosalie Krombach. Refreshments were served to the inmates, and the Bible class of the institution furnished candy and gifts for the children.

The children of the Sunday-school have arranged to pay \$2 a week for the board of a little blind child for the Sunshine Society. The beautiful spirit shown by the children in giving this money must be seen to be appreciated. The older girls of the building will also take care of a blind child, each girl contributing ten cents a week.

The reading-room and circulating library are now open to members. The books are loaned for two weeks, the same as any other circulating library.

The Seder at which Mrs. Minnie D. Louis will act as hostess and Mr. Raphael Malamed as host will take place at the rooms of the association on the first and second evenings of the Passover week.

Any Jewish girl who would like to attend the Seder can do so by leaving her name at the Young Women's Hebrew Association, 1584 Lexington avenue. The dinner, both for the Young Men's Hebrew Association and the Young Women's Hebrew Association, will be prepared by the cooking class of the association.

Daughters of the Home of Jacob.

The third and last day of the exercises for the opening of the Home of the Daughters of Jacob, at 302 and 303 East Broadway, terminated Wednesday evening, the 15th inst., on which occasion a raffle took place for the endowment of two beds. The sale of tickets for this raffle had been in progress for about two months, and over \$1,500 was realized.

The following constituted the Raffle Committee: Mrs. Dworsky, Mrs. Joseph, Mrs. Sklamberg, also Mr. Sklamberg, representing the B'nai Israel Congregation; Dr. Moseman, representing the United Hebrew Community; Mr. Jacob Korn, representing Raffle Lodge; Mr. Right, representing Marsike Toro; Mr. W. Axelrod, representing American Benevolent Association, and Mr. J. Berman, representing Vigil Society.

The winners of the two beds were B'nai Hashua Lodge, No. 19, which meets at 209 East Broadway, and Congregation Ohav Zadeck, which meets at 172 Norfolk street. The latter, upon being notified that they were one of the fortunate winners, presented the Home with \$100, and a member of said congregation added an additional \$25.

State Street Temple.

At a cost of over \$20,000 the interior of the Beth Elohim Temple, on State street, near Hoyt, is to be remodelled and enlarged during the next few months. Work on the improvements will be begun in about two weeks, and the funds necessary for the undertaking have already been raised by this thriving congregation. The present plans are to enlarge the seating capacity of the structure to eleven hundred and to completely redecorate the interior of the temple. This will mean the erection of a new organ, the shifting of the choir loft to a new position over the pulpit, and the construction of a new pulpit. The decorations will include a change in the color scheme of the interior, and while not elaborate, expense will not be spared in giving the sanctuary a bright appearance.

The State street temple was organized in 1861, and most of its existence has been spent in the present temple. The Rev. Alexander Lyons has been singularly successful during his work in the temple, and its membership includes many prominent Hebrews. It has a membership of something over a thousand, which is steadily being added to. The fact that the present seating capacity is largely inadequate has been a material factor in prompting the remodeling of the structure.

To Celebrate 250th Anniversary.

The first or preliminary general meeting will be April 9th; object, to consider the propriety of celebrating the 250th anniversary of the Jews in New York, and method of celebration, if desired.

Rabbi Silverman and the Stage.

"Why should not the Actors' Church Alliance have a theatre of its own, where there may be carried out the ideals which it has of high dramatic presentations without the present outcry against the stage? I believe that if it were possible to have their ideas carried out, if they could get a theatre for the presentation of such plays, there are many men and women who would come forward and endow such a theatre, and thus show to the world that the modern stage is the ally of the Church, the promoter of morals, and an example to the whole world."

This was the peroration of the sermon delivered before a large congregation by the Rev. Dr. Joseph Silverman on Sunday morning at the Temple Emanu-El.

Dr. Silverman declared that the motive of the alliance was misunderstood; that it is the broadminded effort of sincere men and women to link the best interests of church and stage; to raise the standard of theatrical productions to that height to which it really aspires and which the world would like to see it reach.

"The Church is not perfect," he continued; "neither is the theatre, but both are great agencies for good."

"The Church has rejected many things that make for the betterment of man. I include all churches of whatever religion in this category. The Church has declared against the open saloon, the open library, the open museum on Sundays."

"I would have the churches, the museums, the libraries, and the theatres open so that men may imbibe the spirit of the day. Such a life would really make life worth the living."

Mr. Lucas' Religious Classes.

The 700 children of the religious classes conducted by Mr. Albert Lucas in the Pike street, Chrystie street and Rivington street synagogues will hold a joint Purim festival in the Rivington Street Synagogue of the First Roumanian American Congregation on Sunday, March 26, at 8 p. m.

The speakers will be Hon. N. Taylor Phillips and Dr. L. B. Bernstein.

Capmakers' Strike Ends.

The strike of the capmakers against the open shop order of the Cap Manufacturers' Association issued three months ago was ended yesterday. During the strike the capmakers received support from the American Federation of Labor. The fight cost the union many thousands of dollars.

The strikers did not get all they wanted, but their union was recognized, and they returned to work under the old conditions.

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Dr. Daniel A. Huebsch, for the first time, spoke at the religious exercise held on Friday evening, March 17. His address was remarkable for its fervency and eloquence, and made a strong impression on all those present.

The Purim Minstrel Show which took place on Saturday and Sunday evenings March 18 and 19, proved very satisfactory in all respects, and the receipt materially swells the Vacation Camp Fund. The music and hilarity of the minstrel boys provoked continued laughter and applause on the part of the audience.

On Saturday evening, March 25, Sidney Herbert Cox lectures on "Australia," illustrated by stereopticon views. All are welcome.

An Unjust Sentence.

Through an appeal made by Bernhard Rabbino, counsel for the Educational Alliance, Magistrate Flammer, in the Essex Market Court, on Monday, discharged from custody Mrs. Rebecca Goldstein, thirty-five years old, of 51 Orchard street, whom he sentenced on Monday to a term of six months on Blackwell's Island for begging.

Mrs. Goldstein is the mother of six small children, the youngest a year old. She was permitted to take it with her to the island. The lawyer said that an error had been made, as at the time she was arrested she was helping a woman friend sell candy on the front doorstep of 148 Stanton street.

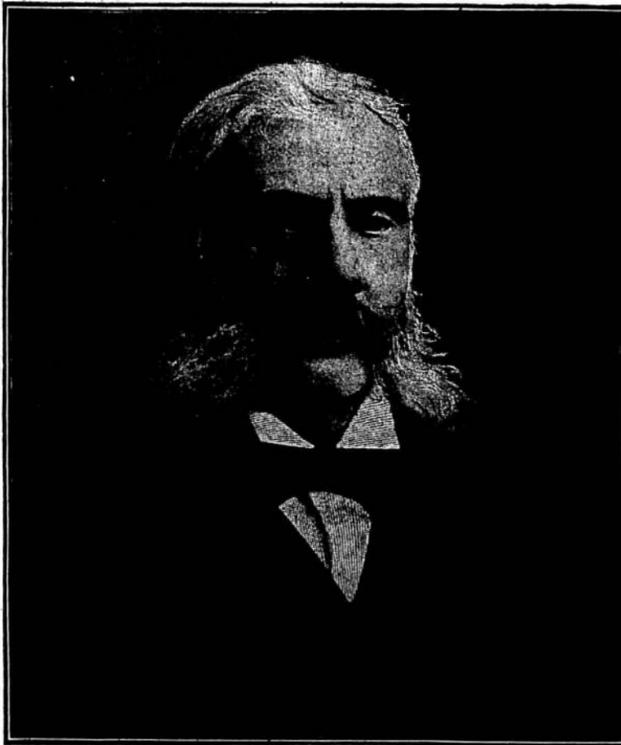
DEATH OF MEYER GUGGENHEIM.

Meyer Guggenheim, the well-known capitalist and philanthropist, founder of the great smelting business of M. Guggenheim's Sons, died on March 16 at Palm Beach, Fla., whither he had gone two weeks ago. Mr. Guggenheim was born on Feb. 21, 1828, in Langnau, Switzerland, and at the age of 19, together with his father and brothers, came to this country and settled in Philadelphia.

In that city Guggenheim began business life in the humblest way, dealing as a traveling salesman, in such commodities as stove polish and glue, which he afterward learned to manufacture and

Perth Amboy, N. J. By this time the firm had become the most important silver smelting company in the world; it soon entered into a combination of smelting firms known as the "American Smelting and Refining Company" (1900), the firm of M. Guggenheim's Sons retaining controlling interest. The firm naturally became interested in many mines, and a separate firm, called the "Guggenheim Exploration Company," has been formed to represent this side of its activity.

Mr. Guggenheim's career was distinguished by absolute honesty, integrity and fair dealing. His benefactions were many, and he expended hundreds of



Meyer Guggenheim.

thus sold at a greater profit. Next he turned his attention to embroideries, gaining a large fortune by importing the Swiss products. In 1881 he transferred his business to New York city under the name of "M. Guggenheim's Sons." About this time he became interested in a silver mine; in order to work it properly he bought up a smelting plant in Denver, Col., and, with the aid of his sons, devoted himself almost exclusively to smelting operations, building a smelter in 1888 at Pueblo, Col. The firm then extended its operations throughout the United States, and even into Mexico, where it built the first complete smelter at Monterey and another at Aguas Calientes. It was further found necessary to build refining works, which was done at

thousands of dollars for benevolent purposes. The private pavilion of the Mount Sinai Hospital in this city was erected by him and his sons. They gave liberally to the Jewish Theological Seminary, built a private hospital for the Philadelphia Jewish Hospital and erected a pavilion for the Jewish National Consumptive Hospital at Denver, Col.

He is survived by seven sons and three daughters. The funeral took place on Sunday morning last at Temple Emanuel. The pallbearers were Judge David Leventritt, Louis Marshall, Nathan Fleischer, James Seligman, Gustave A. Goldsmith, Dr. Willy Meyer, David Adler, Charles Minzesheimer, Louis Spiegelberg and V. Henry Rothschild. The Rev. Dr. J. Silverman delivered the address.

In Honor of Zunsner.

The fiftieth anniversary of the literary activity of Eliakum Zunsner, the oldest of Yiddish poets, will be celebrated on March 30, at Cooper Union, with appropriate ceremonies.

Similar functions will be held in Chicago, Boston, Baltimore and Philadelphia, in honor of the venerable poet, who has reached his seventieth year.

Hebrew Orphan Asylum.

Children of the Hebrew Orphan Asylum will present the Purim drama, "Queen Esther," on Saturday evening, March 25, at 8.15, and Sunday afternoon, March 26, at 3 p. m., at the Orphan Asylum. The costuming and staging have all been prepared in the asylum, and preparations for the play have been made by the children together with their teachers in the home. The play will be produced in the large playroom with stage adjoining.

President Roosevelt and Jerusalem Jews.

The Hungarian-American Congregation in Jerusalem, composed of United States citizens, having sent an address of loyalty to President Roosevelt, the Rev. Mayer J. Friedman has received in response the following letter from the President's secretary:

White House, Washington, February 6, 1905.

My Dear Sir:

Your letter of January 8th has been received and the President requests me to thank you for the courtesy you have extended to him.

Assuring you that your kindly expressions are appreciated, believe me,

Very truly yours,

W. LOEB, JR.,

Sec'y to the President.

To Rev. Mayer J. Friedman, Jerusalem, Pal.

Purim Celebrations.

Brooklyn Educational Society.

The children of the Sabbath school of the Hebrew Educational Society, Pitkin avenue, Brownsville, celebrated Purim Day Sunday night in the society's rooms, by holding an entertainment. "Esther," a Purim play, was presented in a capable manner by the members of the school. Between three and four hundred children and a large number of trustees and parents of the children saw the play.

Ahasuerus, Samuel Badt; Haman, Max Davis; Mordecai, Abraham Gottlieb; Tarshish, Joseph Popkin; Meres, William Mandelbaum; Memuchan, Jacob Chereskin; Mehuman, Max Feldman; Zethara, Meyer Sinehnik; Charbona, Benjamin Goldmann; Charkas, Julius Langer; Hathak, Bernard Plotkin; King's jester, Henry Pilzer; Scribe, Jacob Senior; Bigtha, Samuel Gitlin; Theresh, Henry Blume; Herald, Samuel Seinfeld; butler, Samuel Bagdanoff; Esther, Fannie Isaacson; Zuleika, Helen Silberstein; first maid of honor, Bertha Cohen; second maid of honor, Pauline Lifshitz; third maid of honor, Lillie Pomerantz.

Temple Beth Israel Bikur Cholem.

The Religious School of the Temple will hold its Purim play and entertainment on Sunday afternoon, March 26, at 3 o'clock in the Synagogue. Many thanks are due to Miss Victoria Moss, who gratuitously coached the children in this play, and who gave much time and effort towards its success.

The Young Peoples' League will give an informal Purim sociable to its members on Sunday afternoon next in the vestry of the Synagogue.

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The Purim dance at the building was a pronounced success. Many interesting costumes were worn by the girls and prizes were awarded to Miss Nellie Samuels for the prettiest costume, to Miss Pilzer for the most original (she represented a rose bush), to Miss Augusta Wolf for the most artistic, representing Egypt, and Miss Mary Wollenberg for the most grotesque.

Shearith Israel Mission School.

The little girls of Mission School No. 2, of the Shearith Israel Congregation, gave their "Purim play" last Sunday in the school rooms, 114 St. Marks place. Between twenty and thirty of the girls took part to the intense delight of the rest of the school. The performance was also witnessed by some members of the congregation and friends of the school. At the close of the play Dr. H. P. Mendes addressed the children.

Mission School No. 2 has grown very rapidly since last fall. Some of its pupils seem scarcely six years old, but all are much interested in its work. The school is under the direction of Mrs. Julius Laubheim as principal.

Ladies' Bikur Cholim Society.

The annual Purim festival of the Industrial School, in connection with this society was held on Wednesday afternoon at the school room, 216 East Broadway. The programme, consisting mainly of exercises by the pupils, was very interesting and was highly appreciated by the large audience.

Temple Israel Branch.

"From Gloom to Light," a Purim drama, was performed by and in aid of the Temple Israel Branch, at the auditorium of the Young Men's Hebrew Association, corner Ninety-second street and Lexington avenue, on Thursday evening, March 23.

The Beth Israel Hospital Purim Ball.

The annual entertainment and ball in aid of the funds of the hospital took place on Tuesday at the Grand Central Palace. There were present several thousands of persons who enjoyed the entertainment.

The directors are anxious to erect an annex to the present building which will materially increase the usefulness of the institution. At least \$10,000 is needed for the purpose.

Reception at Aged Home.

The annual Purim reception of the Home for Aged and Infirm Hebrews was held Sunday afternoon at the institution, 125 West One Hundred and Fifth street. The specious building which shelters 240, whose ages range from sixty to ninety-two, was artistically decorated. President Julius Ballin and the Executive Board received the hundreds of visitors. There was a concert and refreshments were served.

Montefiore Home.

It was a great day for the inmates of the Montefiore Home; an elaborate dinner was provided for them by the president, Mr. Jacob H. Schiff, and in the evening a masquerade was tendered them by Mr. and Mrs. Hausmann, the superintendent and matron of the institution. All patients who were not bedridden participated in the same. The large dining room was handsomely decorated and transformed into a ballroom. As many as two hundred masks appeared on the floor, tripping the light fantastic toe to Prof. Freyer's orchestra. The ball commenced at 8 o'clock and was kept up until late in the morning. During the interval refreshments were served and the manner in which they were partaken of speaks well for the appetite of the "Chronically Invalids."

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Russian Actors in New York.

As has already been announced in the Hebrew Standard, M. Orleoneff and Mme. Nasimoff and their company have arrived from London for the purpose of presenting Eugene Tchirikoff's masterpiece, "The Chosen People." The first performance took place on Thursday afternoon at the Herald Square Theatre, which was placed at the disposal of the company by Mr. Frohman.

The play, which is in three acts, graphically describes the unhappy situation of the Jews in Russia, culminating in a riot which vividly reminds us of Kishineff. There is the natural conflict between the old fashioned father and his up-to-date children, who are gradually drifting away from the faith of their fathers, but who are ultimately forced to return because of the Jew-baiting of their Christian laborers. The author shows how hopeless is the position of Russian Jews.

The acting left nothing to be desired. M. Orleoneff is an actor of twenty years standing and he has gained considerable fame in his own country. Mme. Nasimoff is an actress of high rank and the rest of the company are also noted thespians.

For obvious reasons the Russian censor prohibited a performance in Russia, and so these actors voluntarily exiled themselves in the defense and behalf of performing in other countries. Both in Berlin and in London the company has been warmly received and every kindness extended to them. They will remain in the United States for several months.

The Educational Alliance.

A performance of Mrs. Frances Hodgson Burnett's play, "The Little Princess," will be given in the auditorium of the Educational Alliance on Sunday evening, April 9, 1905, under the auspices of the Women's Auxiliary to the Educational Alliance. The entire company, giving this play is composed of young men and women and children of the Educational Alliance. All seats reserved \$2, to be had at the residence of Mrs. Selmar Hess, 956 Madison avenue.

Furthering the Work of the Removal Office.

On Thursday evening, March 30th, there will be held an important conference composed of representatives of East Side societies at the room of the Industrial Removal Office at 104 Rivington street for the purpose of furthering the work of that organization. For some time past the Rev. Joseph Seff has been endeavoring to obtain the support of East Side organizations with the view of making known the activities of the Removal Office, and thereby helping to lessen the congestion on the East Side. Among the speakers expected to be present are Jacob H. Schiff, Cyrus L. Sulzberger, Nathan Bijur and Eugene Benjamin.

Swindling Immigrants.

The Legal Aid Bureau, of the Educational Alliance, has discovered a new method of swindling immigrants. It has been ascertained that a number of small manufacturers advertise that they are ready to teach trades and guarantee steady employment in return for certain sums. Shortly after the money has been secured from the poor immigrant and practically before anything has been taught him some excuse has been found for sending him away.

Mr. Rabino, head of the bureau, has already taken action against one firm and has sent warnings to several others.

The Allen Street Fire.

The latest victim of the disastrous fire at 105 Allen street, which was reported in last week's HEBREW STANDARD, is Miss Clara Ginsburg, 17 years old, who died on Tuesday morning at Gouverneur Hospital. This brings the number of dead to twenty.

A fund is being raised in aid of the sufferers. At a meeting held in the rooms of the Florence Sullivan Association in Grand street over two thousand dollars were raised and a benefit performance is being arranged for in Miner's Theatre. In addition to this there has been organized an influential committee of local residents, who will make it their business to see that the survivors who have lost everything are cared for. Messrs. Edlstein and Tchomshesky have placed the People's Theatre at the disposal of the committee for a benefit.

A Federation of Charities.

Within the past few weeks a number of important conferences have been held for the purpose of bringing about a federation of Jewish charities in this city. So far nothing practical has been achieved, but it is the hope of those favoring such a scheme that in the near future New York charitable institutions will be federated.

Meanwhile, the directors of the United Hebrew Charities are making every effort to bring the East Side into line. A number of meetings have been held downtown and these were addressed by Mr. Cyrus L. Sulzberger, Mr. Nathan Bijur, Mr. Lee K. Frankel, Rabbi Rivkind, Rev. J. Seff and Rev. Rabinowitz.

It is proposed that all the East Side charitable institutions shall work in conjunction with the United Hebrew Charities which will become a great clearing house.



Temple Israel, Rockway Beach.

The Ladies' Benevolent Society of this temple are giving an entertainment and ball on April 1st at Lewey's Atlantic Park Hotel for the purpose of raising funds with which to build a Hebrew free school. Such an institution has become an absolute necessity, as at least twenty-five per cent. of the children pop-

ulation of Rockway Beach are of the Jewish faith. The committee in charge of the affair are: B. Edlstein, chairman; Mrs. B. Edlstein, Mrs. J. Gottlieb, Mrs. J. Kohn, B. Lechtman, Miss B. Franklin, M. Abrahams, Mrs. L. Lewey, Mrs. R. Dreyfuss, Mrs. M. Resnick, Mrs. F. Well, J. Gottlieb, Mr. B. Lechtman.

INTERESTING ITEMS.

At a meeting of the jury of the Society of American Artists for the twenty-seventh annual exhibition the following prize was awarded:

The Carnegie prize of \$500 for the most meritorious oil painting in the exhibition by an American artist, portraits only excepted, the picture to be the property of the artist—To Louis Loeb, for his picture entitled "Morning."

Miss Sara Mayers, of Cincinnati, who is interested in settlement work, is visiting Dr. G. Ginsberg, of 187 Henry street.

The Auxillary of Germania Lodge, No. 58, I. O. F. S. of I., of Chicago, composed of the wives, sisters and daughters of the members, was duly instituted by the officers of the District Grand Lodge, No. 2, last Sunday evening, in Masonic Temple. About 175 ladies were enrolled as charter members.

Mt. Vernon Lodge, No. 71, will initiate its 500th member on Wednesday evening, March 29, at the Harlem Casino, Seventh avenue and 124th street. This will also be the thirtieth anniversary of the foundation of the lodge. After the exercises there will be an entertainment and dancing.

Savah Lodge, No. 5, gave a Purim Sociable on Wednesday evening, last at the Lexington Assembly Rooms.

WITH THE PREACHERS.

TEMPLE BETH-EL, Jersey City.—This (Friday) evening, Rev. A. Abelson on "Ambition."

TEMPLE EMANU-EL.—Dr. Joseph Silverman will preach Sabbath morning. Subject: "Have We Positive Knowledge of a Future Life?"

TEMPLE EZ CHAIM.—This (Friday) evening Rev. Dr. A. Spegel on "The New York Ghetto." Saturday morning, Dr. Spegel on "The Finites Quest: Why?"

EAST EIGHTY-SIXTH STREET TEMPLE.—Saturday morning, Rev. Dr. D. Davidson on "Self-Denial."

TEMPLE ISRAEL, Harlem.—This (Friday) evening, Rev. Dr. M. H. Harris on "Lessons Taught by Foes." Saturday morning, Dr. Harris on "Waters of Purification."

BETH ISRAEL BIKUR CHOLIM.—Saturday morning, Rabbi Aaron Elseman on "The Religious Training of the Young."

Y. M. H. A.—This (Friday) evening, address by Rev. R. I. Coffee.

Y. W. H. A.—This (Friday) evening, address by Mrs. J. Janowitz.

CONGREGATION EMMANUEL OF HARLEM.—Saturday morning, Rev. Dr. L. A. Alexander on "Retrospection and Prayer."

EMMANUEL BROTHERHOOD.—This (Friday) evening, Rev. G. Lipkind will preach on "The Dignity of Labor."

TEMPLE ANSCHE CHESED, 160 East 112th street.—This Sabbath at 9.30 a. m., Rev. Dr. Mandel. Theme, "Rabbi Jochanan ben Saccal." Sabbath children's service at 3 p. m. Last Sabbath Rev. Dr. R. Grossman addressed the children; this Sabbath Rev. Dr. M. H. Harris will deliver an address to the children.

ENGAGEMENTS.

FRANK-HIRSCHMAN.—Mr. and Mrs. Simon Frank, of Fifty-ninth street and New Utrecht avenue, Borough Park, Brooklyn, announce the betrothal of their daughter Etta to Mr. Joseph Hirschman, of New York. Notice of reception will be announced later.

EDELSTEIN-GELBER.—Mr. and Mrs. I. Edlstein beg to announce the engagement of their daughter Annie to Mr. Maurice Gelber. At home Sunday, March 26, 120 First street.

COHEN-GOLDSMITH.—Mr. Benhard Goldsmith announces the betrothal of his daughter, Jennie, to Harry M. Cohen. At home March 26, 1905, after 7 p. m., 93 Myrtle avenue, Brooklyn.

SHIVITZ-GROTKER.—Mr. and Mrs. Grotker announce the engagement of their daughter, Leah, to Mr. Will Shivitz. At home Sunday, March 26, 1905.

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GREENFIELD—STERN—Rabbi Samuel Greenfield, of Mount Zion Congregation and Eva E. Stern. Reception Sunday, April 2, from 3 to 6 p. m., Herrstadt, 29 West 115th street.

HOFFMANN—ROSENTHAL.—Mr. and Mrs. Louis M. Rosenthal, of 89 Avenue A, announce the betrothal of their daughter, Claudia, to Mr. Samuel Hoffmann. At home Sunday, March 26, from 3 to 6 p. m. No cards.

JACOBS—NEWMAN.—Mr. and Mrs. H. Newman announce the engagement of their daughter, Sadie, to Mr. Robert Jacobs. At home Sunday, March 26 1905, 1577 Madison avenue, New York City.

KAHN—COHEN.—Mr. and Mrs. George Cohen beg to announce the engagement of their daughter, Carrie, to Mr. Emil Kahn. At home, 223 East 113th street, March 26, 1905, from 3 to 6 p. m.

KOPPEL—BARNETT.—Mr. and Mrs. A. Barnett, of 344 West 18th street, announce the engagement of their daughter, Eva, to Mr. Vincent Koppel. At home Sunday evening, March 26. No cards.

LEVY—LINDEMANN.—Miss Frankie Levy to Manasse Lindemann, 307 West 116th street, city.

MAYER—FRANKEL.—Mr. Justian Frankel, of 57 East 86th street, announces the engagement of his daughter, Julia, to Mr. Jacob Mayer. Reception at Victoria Hall, 641 Lexington avenue, Sunday, March 26, from 3 to 6 p. m.

POLLOCK—RUDINGER.—Mr. and Mrs. Morris Rudinger, of No. 114 East 103d street, announce the engagement of their daughter, Valeria, to Mr. Isidor Pollock. At home Sunday, March 26, from 3 to 6 p. m. No cards.

RODENBERG—GOLDMAN.—Mr. and Mrs. I. Goldman announce the engagement of their niece, Lillian, to Mr. D. Rodenberg, of Buffalo. Sunday, March 26, 237 East 31st street.

SALOMAN—KAISER.—Miss Flora Kaiser to Phil A. Saloman. At home Sunday, March 26, 367 Fulton street, Jamaica, L. I. No cards.

SCHWARTZBAUM—CAMINSKY.—Mr. and Mrs. Sam Caminsky announce the engagement of their daughter, Jessie, to Mr. Gus Schwartzbaum. At home Sunday, March 26, from 3 to 6 o'clock, 115 West 114th street.

SIMON—BAYER.—Mr. and Mrs. H. Bayer, 316 East 78th street, announce the engagement of their daughter, Fannie, to Mr. M. Simon, of New York. At home after 7 p. m., Sunday, March 26, 521 East 88th street.

SUSS—ISKOWITZ.—Mr. and Mrs. M. Iskowitz announce the engagement of their daughter, Hannah, to Mr. Louis N. Suss. At home Sunday, March 26, 521 East 88th street.

TAUB—JOSEPHSON.—Mrs. Hannah Josephson announces the engagement of her daughter, Fannie, to Mr. Samuel Taub. At home, 2021 Valentine avenue, Sunday, March 26.

TURKUS—MARX.—The engagement is announced of Miss Carrie Marx to Mr. Samuel Turkus. At home, Sunday, March 26, 3 to 6, 2405 7th avenue. No cards.

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Hebrew Fraternal Guild.

Some 400 persons enjoyed themselves Wednesday of last week at the informal dance of the Hebrew Fraternal Guild given at Labor Lyceum. The Executive Committee of the Guild consists of Chas. Lenz, C. P. Lowenstein, Emanuel Singer, N. P. Herchmann, Morris Blau, Solon Weit, Joseph Brooks, E. Prage, S. Horowitz and Leo Leavy. The Entertainment Committee: Julius Meyer, Charles Levy, Sam Celsner, Samuel Aronson, Harry Sloin, Aaron Blitz, William Singer, Joseph Gras, Sig Lowenstein and Clarence Steener. The Reception Committee: Dr. Jerome Woodie, Harry Aronson, Dr. Eisenburg, Sigmund Deceman, J. Abrahams, Morris Heymann, Bert Newman, Herman May, Hermann Cersen and Leo Creven.

Endorses University Plan.

The Hebrew Educational Society has passed the following resolutions: "Resolved, That the Hebrew Educational Society of Brooklyn, heartily endorse and approve the project of Edward M. Grout, Controller of New York City, to establish a free university in the Borough of Brooklyn; and further "Resolved, That this society, by every means in its power, aid and support the Controller in the furtherance of his praiseworthy endeavor to secure for the people of Brooklyn the benefits of higher education."

Brooklyn Hebrew Orphan Asylum.

Rev. Dr. Henry Veld delivered a very interesting address to the children at the Mincha service last Sabbath on "Amalek and His Descendant Haman." The eloquent lecturer introduced into his discourse the history of Purim, and showed how the evil designs of every enemy of the children of Israel descend on his own head, under God's providence.

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Wanted—a boy who can tie too,
A boy that is trusty and true,
A boy that is good to old people
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Thursday—
A boy that is nice to the home folks
And pleasant to sister and brother,
A boy who will try when things go awry
To help his father and mother.

Friday—
These are the boys who are wanted
In the workshop, the home and the store;
The world needs such boys in its business,
For them there are places galore.

Passover Preparations.

MY DEAR CHILDREN:
PURIM has passed and I hope that you have had a good time and have thoroughly enjoyed the day which commemorated the deliverance of the Jews from the wicked hands of Haman. It is in order now to begin preparations for the proper observance of Pesach, the feast of the Passover which begins on Thursday, Nissan the 15th (the 20th of April) and ends on Nissan the 22nd (April 27). For eight days as you know, no consistent Jew is permitted to eat bread or to have in the house any food in which there is any leaven. This of course means of course a complete change in the household arrangements. The home has to be cleaned and scoured, new cooking utensils have to be bought, other crockery which has not been used all the year round has to be purchased and in every way there is a marked distinction between the Passover festival and the rest of the year. Of course all these preparations take time, and it is a matter of impossibility to do all these changes at a moment's notice, therefore, observant Jews begin their preparations immediately after the Purim.

All Jewish festivals are important, but the Passover has this special significance, not alone because it is the commencement of the Jewish civil year but it also marks the liberation of the Jewish people from Egyptian slavery and teaches us how the God of Israel kept His promise to His people and redeemed them from their bondage just at the time when the hour was darkest and all hope seemed to have been lost. So thousands of years ago a wicked king of Egypt, ill-treated our forefathers. They were compelled to work day and night without receiving any payment, the little Jewish baby boys were killed and everything was done by them to make the lives of the Children of Israel unbearable. At last their condition became so wretched that

they cried unto God for help, and the Almighty remembered the promise he made to Abraham and so He sent Moses and Aaron as His messengers to plead with Pharaoh the king of Egypt to set the people free. Pharaoh would not let the people go at once so God punished him, and after bringing many plagues upon himself and the Egyptian people at last he obeyed, and the Israelites went out of Egypt toward the Promised Land which they were to possess in the future. This in short is the story of the Passover.

It is the duty of every Jew to celebrate the festival and to make due preparations for its proper observance. You, my dear children, may have nothing to do with the preparations in the home, your parents will attend to that, but in your own way you can prepare for the Passover: Study the history of the Festival. Read the Hagadah containing the account of the deliverance out of Egypt, of which I will tell you next week, so that you may readily understand why the Festival is observed and be proud of what can be rightly called the "Jewish Day of Independence."

The Princess' Reply.

IT once happened that a heathen king asked one of the illustrious men of Israel: "Why did your God steal the rib from Adam?" The king's daughter overheard the question and said: "My dear father, command, I pray thee, that one of the judges who rule the people come before me." And the king said: "What hast thou to do with a judge?" Upon which the princess replied: "When the judge comes I shall ask him to imprison the thief who entered the palace last night." "Pray tell me, my daughter," said the king, "what did the thief steal?" And the princess answered: "Just as sleep was stealing over us, the man entered the palace, stole a silver goblet, leaving in its place one of gold." Amazed and astonished was the king at these, his daughter's words, and he said: "Would that many such thieves would enter the palace every night." And the maiden said: "Now let my father incline his heart to the deed of the God of the Hebrews. Behold, He indeed he took a rib from the sleeping Adam, but gave him, in its stead, a wife." Hearing his daughter's retort, the king realized that he had not spoken wisely.

Manliness of a Boy.

Several days ago I happened to board a car which was crowded. A little man—perhaps he was twelve years old—offered me his seat with a charming bow and smile. He soon found a seat, but popped up when another lady entered, pulled off his cap, which was fringed with rags, and with such a jolly, wide smile made room for the newcomer. Five times in as many minutes that smile broke over the face of the young traveler as he gave his seat again and again, and soon every one in the car was smiling in sympathy. No one thought whether his clothes were whole or ragged, but some one said: "I wish my boys enjoyed being gentlemanly as much as he does," and a fine looking gentleman remarked quite loudly to his neighbor, "That's the sort of manliness that makes the great and good men."

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Because it possesses a good constitution.

Why are washerwomen the silliest of people?
Because they put their tubs out to catch soft water, when it rains hard.

Why is a dairy maid the most happiest of women?
Because she always has her own whey.

What is the difference between a postage stamp and a lady?
One is a mail fee and the other is a female.

Why is a baby like wheat?
Because it is first cradled, then thrashed and finally becomes the flower of the family.

Why is coffee like an axe with a dull edge?
Because it must be ground before using.

What is the difference between a belle and a burglar?
One wears false locks and the other false keys.

What is that animal which has a head of a cat, the tail of a cat, the ways of a cat and yet is not a cat?
A kitten.

Why is a watch like a river?
Because it won't run along without winding.

What kind of pets are the most useful and yet the most abused?
Car-pots. They spit on them and then hire men to take them out to shake and beat them well.

What is taken from you before you get it?
Your photograph.

Why should a man always wear a watch when he travels in a desert?
Because every watch has a spring in it.

Why are pipes all humbugs?
Because the best of them are mershaums.

What is the first vegetable known?
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WITHIN the past few weeks it has been possible to hear and compare three musical settings of the mediæval hymn "Stabat Mater." At the Opera House Roesini's, at the Musical Art Society's concert that of Palestrina, and more recently the production by the Oratorio Society of Dvorak's. The smoothly flowing melodies of the "swan of Pesaro" always please the musical man on the street, for they are easily hummed, and he can think of any subject—pious or profane—while doing so. Is there the faintest suggestion of religious feeling in the popular "Cujas animam" which if you are ignorant of the text, suggests a Neapolitan troubador singing a serenade to a mandolin accompaniment. The work of Palestrina is the highest and noblest expression of faith ever penned, and whether Jew or Catholic, its chaste sublimity stirs and exalts you.

There is little of the sublime in Dvorak's music, but it is ingeniously melodious, and while lacking in salient contrasts never approaches the commonplace. The instrumentation forms a rich and solid foundation for the vocal parts, which it must be admitted are not remarkable for inventiveness or musical characterisation. Nevertheless, it was well worth hearing, and Mr. Frank Damrosch deserves credit for giving us the opportunity. On the same evening he brought out "Taillefer," Richard Strauss's setting of Uhland's ballad, wherein soloists, huge orchestra and chorus are employed, to bring about effects that may best be described as thunderous, though whether the impression created is in proportion to the means employed, I should not like to say after but one hearing.

At George Becker's testimonial concert, Mendelssohn Hall next Wednesday evening, Mrs. Hissam de Moes will sing a group of songs, the Kneisel Quartet will be heard in a quartet by Dvorak, and Messrs. Wetzler, Kneisel and Schroeder will play a Beethoven trio which is almost a novelty for it has not been heard here for many years.

The very welcome announcement is made that Sunday afternoon April 2, Mr. Rafael Joseffy will make his appearance with Mr. Walter Damrosch and the New York Symphony Orchestra at Carnegie Hall. His numbers are Liszt's A major Concerto and the E minor of Chopin.

On Thursday evening next the Lower East Side Musical School Settlement will benefit by a concert at Carnegie Hall, in which Emma Eames, M. Isaye and the N. Y. Symphony Orchestra, Walter Damrosch conducting, will take part. One notable selection is Gounod's "Ave Maria" sung by Mme. Eames, the violin obligato by Isaye accompanied by the orchestra, piano and organ. This school imparts instruction to poor children at a nominal price, and being in need of funds, the proceeds of the concert will undoubtedly enable it to continue its good work for sometime to come.

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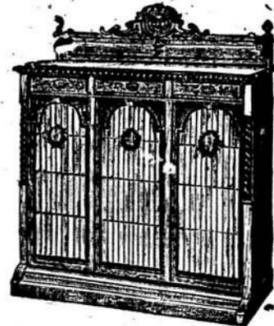
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The best thing to take people out of their own worries is to go to work and find out how other folks' worries are getting on.

Opposition, persecution, misunderstanding, have pierced the heart of Israel through all times; but it can neither eliminate nor abate the predominance of the chosen people.

There are three kinds of people in the world—the wills, the wont's and the cant's. The first accomplish everything; the second oppose everything; the third fail in everything. To which class do you belong!

God's treasury, where He keeps His children's gifts, will be like many a mother's store of relics for her children, full of things of no value to others, but precious in His eyes for the love's sake that was in them.

Whenever you can feel assured that you have been the means of creating within one human heart an inspiration, noble resolution or a generous impulse, know that you are a worker together with God.

Believe in yourself, believe in humanity, believe in the success of your undertakings. Fear nothing and no one. Love your work. Work, hope, trust. Keep in touch with to day. Teach yourself to be practical and up-to-date and sensible. You cannot fail.

The magnificent testimonial tendered by the theatrical profession to Joseph Holland, one of its members, who has been unable to go on with his work because of serious illness, and which is likely to realize at least twenty thousand dollars or more, is another evidence of this generosity and liberality of this guild. Mr. Holland comes of a family of noted players, and has himself achieved distinction upon the stage. He is worthy of this kindly outpouring, and the profession has again done itself great credit in caring for one of its worthiest members.

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It was always to be burning brightly and the flame to be rising heavenwards.

Now, that there is no longer any altar upon which to offer the sacrifices, the practices and observances of our faith have taken its place.

Deep in the hearts of the Jews there must be indelibly engraven that love for their religion which distinguishes them from the Gentile nations. Never was it more necessary to keep aglow the fire of Judaism than to-day. With so many of our people anxious to introduce the strange and variegated fires of other faiths into our synagogues and temples; when teachers have arisen who are recreant to the sacred trust reposed in them, whose only desire, it seems, it is to inculcate other principles than those which have made the Jew a shining example to the world, the fire upon the altar must continue to flame upward reaching the heavens where the God of Israel sits enthroned. Clear and bright must the flame burn and nothing should dim its brilliancy.

The purity of our domestic life, the proper observance of our faith, the strict adherence to the principles of Judaism, honesty of purpose, consistent lives and righteousness are the signs which show that the fire has not yet been extinguished. These are the offerings we can bring upon the altar of our faith and which will be acceptable to the Almighty.

For the Sake of the Children.

AMONG the potent agencies at work on the East Side are Mr. Albert Lucas' Religious Classes in which some 700 children are taught the tenets of our faith. For five years, Mr. Lucas has been zealously and unremittingly conducting this work, and the community owes him a debt of gratitude for the efficient services he has rendered and the good work which he will still continue.

The work has grown to such an extent that additional funds are imperatively needed for its continuation and the gradual enlarging of classes, and with that object in view an entertainment will be given on April 8th, at Murray Hill Lyceum.

Apart from giving the instruction to children, who would otherwise receive no religious education whatever, there is another aspect to the activities of Mr. Lucas which should not be permitted to pass unnoticed. Primarily, the classes were established as a break-water against the tidal waves of missionary efforts which threatened to engulf and sweep into the watery wastes of Christianity thousands of Jewish children whose parents are evidently either indifferent to, or unable to cope with the contemptible efforts of the surrounding hypocritical "soul stealers."

Thanks to the untiring zeal of Mr. Lucas, these classes have so developed and become so many sided that in fact they have become settlements in miniature. The teachers who give their services without any remuneration,

take a deep personal interest in the welfare of their pupils and act as their moral guides and protectors.

It is essential that the work should not only not be retarded, but every effort should be made to extend its life-giving influences. The East Side requires such organizations, and if the community will give Mr. Lucas the support he asks for, we shall have in that section of the city a number of settlements conducted on thorough Jewish lines and promoting a Jewish spirit among Jewish boys and girls.

By his devotion, zeal and singleness of purpose, Mr. Lucas has demonstrated that he knows how best to offset the missionary evil, and at the same time prevent the drifting away of the younger. Where others have failed, he has succeeded, where others have grown weak he has become strong, and the community can best testify to their appreciation of his unstinted services by liberally responding to the worthy appeal.

A Picture of Russia.

A TROUPE of Russian actors have arrived in the city for the purpose of presenting Eugene Tchirikoff's masterpiece "The Chosen People." Voluntarily exiling themselves from Russia, because the authorities arbitrarily prohibited these well-known artists from placing upon the boards a true representation of passing events, M. Orloff and Madame Nasimoff have been compelled to make a tour of those countries where it is not a crime against the governments to present a vivid picture of the real position of the Russian Jew. In London the company was well received and the English Jewish community tendered them a liberal support for what must, after all, be regarded as a sacrifice, and which we have no doubt will also be accorded them here.

We all, more or less, know what life in the Pale of Settlement is like, but Tchirikoff tells a tale of woe and suffering and bitter humiliation which must arouse our sympathies and make us feel, no matter how great the distance that separates us from the Russian Empire, that ours is the responsibility of bringing about happier conditions and the duty of making it possible for our unhappy brethren to live some where on this broad earth in peace and in liberty.

Towards Federation.

THE efforts that are now being made by the leaders of the community to bring about a Federation of Jewish charities in this city should be crowned with success. In those cities in which Federation is an accomplished fact it has been demonstrated that the communities have benefited, the poor have been better cared for, and more money has been contributed to the institutions than when there was a division of forces and a separation of energy.

Whatever obstacles there may be in the way of Federation, we trust they will be overcome, and it is to be hoped that New York will soon follow in the wake of Philadelphia, Cincinnati, St. Louis, Cleveland, Chicago, and other important Jewish communities in the country who already have successfully adopted a scheme of federation.

We are not enamored with machine made charity, the old Jewish conception of *Zedakah*, appears to us to be the best, but for many reasons federation is advisable.

A FEDERATION OF YOUNG FOLKS' LEAGUES.

By S. L. SCHMID.

THIS is an age of gigantic combinations—organizations formed to reduce the cost of production, reduce the number of employees, eliminate competition and unfortunately in some instances, for the purpose of raising prices, and in others to lower the wages of the working people.

I take the liberty of suggesting the formation of a new combination, not with bad intent but for philanthropy; not to oppress but to give comfort.

This could be effected by the amalgamation of the various young people's and young folks' leagues that have as the fundamental object as the cause of their existence—Charity.

Such an organization might be called the "Combined Young Folks' Leagues." This does not mean that each league or club would lose its individuality.

My main reasons for offering this suggestion are as follows: There are times when some of our co-religionists are in distress and when a few thousand dollars could do an immense amount of good. Take for instance, last winter when due to the coal strike, the price of coal rose so high that it was beyond the reach of the very poor. It then became necessary for charitable organizations to come to their assistance and free coal was distributed to those too poor to pay at all, and sold at cost to those who could afford to pay.

It was at the time that a "Combined Young Folks' Leagues" could have rendered some help. A ball given at Madison Square Garden and the proceeds turned over to the United Hebrew Charities or divided amongst the leading charitable organizations would have been the means of relieving a great deal of distress.

Such an affair would have been an unqualified success. How? Say that there are one hundred Young Folks Leagues in Manhattan, Bronx and Brooklyn consisting of, at the very lowest forty members each, and I know of some that have from one to two hundred members. Figuring forty members in each society would make four thousand. Each member would undoubtedly have taken a ticket at \$1.00, thereby netting \$4,000. Then each member would make it his or her special object to sell some tickets, so that I don't doubt that \$10,000 could have been realized.

In order to simulate competition and good-natured rivalry, various prizes could be offered to the different societies. The first prize to the society selling the greatest number of tickets; the second prize to the society having the greatest number of its members and friends present. This could be learned by numbering the tickets given each society by a different series. For example, the Senior League of 92nd Street Temple would be given tickets numbered "A 101" and up, while the Young Folks' League would be given "B 101" and up.

The same rules could apply to a Summernight's Festival, the proceeds of which could be devoted to sending sick mothers and their children on daily excursions, same as are conducted by the Guild of St. John's. By running two such affairs between twenty and twenty-five thousand dollars could be realized each year.

So that few of the members would be bothered with the details, two or three delegates, representing each society, could compose the Central Committee, and at the same time look after their society's interests. This

* Address delivered before "The Senior League" of Temple Ez Chaim.

honor to be a delegate would be striven for by all.

The Central Committee could meet every two or three months, elect its own officers, and in fact, conduct its meetings as though it were an independent society. They could handle the entire details of the affairs by appointing sub-committees from amongst themselves.

Now, how would you as members and how would your society be benefited by such a combination?

First.—You would be pleased at the thought you had given aid to those in distress.

Secondly.—You would undoubtedly enjoy yourselves. You go to other affairs for pleasure and you would go to these.

Thirdly.—Your society would be benefited in the following manner: You would come in contact with the members of every other young folks' club of Greater New York. Friendships would result; there would be an intermingling that would be beneficial socially for the individual members, financially for the societies.

For instance, this society as well as the Young Folks' League will give a Summernight's Festival during coming Summer in the interest of this Temple.

Each society in the combined Young Folks' Leagues could be invited and would take at the very least two tickets, which one of the members would buy—for doesn't he know Mr. or Miss of this society, and possibly other members from the same society would be present, so we would have no difficulty in disposing of tickets and our affair would be an assured success. Each society would profit in the same manner.

If the Young Folks' League of the Talmud Torah of Harlem decides to give a picnic this Summer and sends two tickets to us, don't you think that one or more of our members, knowing some of the Talmud Torah members, would undoubtedly buy the tickets sent to us? In just this way would mutual reciprocity result.

One of our local papers, I would suggest that the HEBREW STANDARD, could be made the official organ of the Combined Young Folks' League. They would be pleased to print any notices that the Secretary would find necessary to issue, which would lessen his work and be a saving of expense. These in crude form are my ideas for a combined Young Folks' Leagues. If they meet with your approval, will you take the initiative and try to bring about such an organization? It means hard work in the beginning, but it would be a labor of love.

I shall be glad if my proposal is fully discussed and steps taken to convene a preliminary conference.

The Late Mr. Meyer Guggenheim.

THE Jewish community has suffered a severe loss by the death of Mr. Meyer Guggenheim. His philanthropic spirit moved him to support every worthy endeavor and to work in behalf of the amelioration of the unfortunate poor in our midst.

A great man of business in whose mind vast schemes were evolved, Meyer Guggenheim yet found time to interest himself in the affairs of his co-religionists. The regret which his demise called forth is tempered by the knowledge that his sons have taken up the burden and will continue to act in the philanthropic spirit of their great father.

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And if you wish to be
On pleasant terms with all who pass,
Smile on them pleasantly;
Be helpful, generous, and true,
And very soon you'll find
Each face reflected back to you
An image bright and kind.

Referring to the reflections which recently appeared in the *Mirror* anent the "unreasonable orthodox" and the disturbing element by their "loud praying," Dr. Vidaver sends the following contribution which, I think, is very pertinent to the subject. I trust, my Orthodox friends will read it and abundantly profit by it.

תפלה—Prayer.

BY REV. DR. FALK VIDAVER.

The Hebrew term תפלה (prayer) is derived from the word פלל, which means to think, to meditate, to reflect upon. This goes to show that true prayer must spring from the inner fountain of the soul, which is the source of thought and reflection. Hence our sages say:

תפלה בלא כונה כנוף בלא נשמה

"A prayer without meditation is like a body without a soul." Hence those who utter their prayers in loud voices and accompany them with gesticulations, fail to know the real meaning of true prayer. When Hannah prayed for a child in the presence of the high priest Eli at the Temple of Shiloh, Scripture says, וקולה לא ישמע, "Her voice was not heard." She poured out her heart in an earnest supplication which was accepted and granted by the Most High. Only such prayers which do not merely fall from the lips of the supplicator, but which emanate from the innermost recesses of his soul, find their way to God's throne and are crowned with success.

The well-known Dubnow Maggid (or preacher) gives the following very beautiful illustration of noisy prayers. There was an old illiterate expressman who made a comfortable living by driving a wagon. One day he resolved on doing something for the welfare of his soul. He entered a house of learning where pious, grey-bearded Rabbis were sitting and praying and studying the Talmud. He approached the oldest Rabbi with a proposition that he should become his partner, sharing with him the heavenly reward which he expects for his studies. He again would divide with the Rabbi his daily income from his wagon. The Rabbi was satisfied. An agreement was drawn up and signed by both parties. But before they parted from one another, the ignorant expressman suggested that henceforth he should remain in the house of learning while the Rabbi should drive the wagon.

The soul and the body have entered into a compact with each other. The former should be occupied with prayer and meditation and with devising plans for the realization of goodness and humanity. The latter, again, should engage in business and earthly acquisitions. With a great many it is just the reverse. They pray in the synagogue only with their lips and

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with their hands, while their soul is thinking of business transactions and other vanities.

Levy had succumbed to the somnolent influences of the sermon and upon awakening asked his neighbor Cohen: "How long did he lecture?" to which the latter replied: "About an hour after his ideas had given out."

The boys in most of the orthodox *schules* had a "rattling" good time during the reading of the *Megillah*, and the "unreasonable orthodox" merely shrugged their shoulders and are still wondering why the American boys stay away from the synagogue.

The latest Reform funeral novelty is to intone the *Kol Nidre* for the processional. I have not yet heard whether they are going to use the *Akdomas* or the *Aylee Zion* for the recessional. We are getting very Episcopalian "dontcher know."

Looking over a programme issued for the benefit of a Jewish charitable institution, my risibilities were affected when I noticed a Jewish butcher advertising ham for sale in a Jewish programme for the benefit of a Jewish society for the relief of the Jewish poor.

Prof. Singer, as I have before remarked, has a bad case of *Coccothes scribendi*, the "itch for writing." Of course, this disease is somewhat pardonable in one who is engaged in literary pursuits, but when he uses his pen for the sole purpose of sounding his own praises, the disease assumes a virulent form.

Brother Singer's contributions to the press are frequent and lengthy and they are stamped with the peculiarity that the introductory portion of his screed is a puff of the Jewish Encyclopedia—against which I have nothing to say—followed by a modest statement of the prodigious literary work performed by his humble self.

Dr. Capin once said, "Modest expression is a beautiful setting to the diamond of talent and genius." The learned divine had doubtless never heard of Prof. Singer when he penned the foregoing.

The erudite Professor announces to the world that he is about to publish a "great magazine," devoted to comparative religion, called *Justice*. *Punch's* advice to a person about to commit matrimony was—"don't!"

In justice to the hard earned savings of the "sweet singer in Israel," I would advise him to save his shekels for a better purpose and not give cause to his detractors to say with Job, "O that my enemy would publish—a Jewish paper!"

ASPAKLARYA.

Coney Island and the Board Walk.

In a few weeks the season of Coney Island while, it may not be opened agreeable to the calendar, will nevertheless be nearly in full blast. The desire of our people to get to the seashore for a day's recreation has been so strongly evidenced in recent times, that it is to be deprecated that the City authorities, who have been from time to time considering the improvements that ought to be made at the Island, have done but little towards bringing them to a realization.

It is more than ten years ago that the HEBREW STANDARD suggested a board walk along the sea front from the end of the concourse to Sea Gate or what was formerly called Norton's Point. The board walk now erected from Brighton Beach to the concourse should be extended so that the whole sea front might have a continuous board walk. If this were done the people who throng this resort would have a pleasant method of recreation.

Of course, so long as it is merely a benefit for the people and no corporation is to be enriched by its erection, the board walk will have to wait, as usual. It is a pity however, that so magnificent a water front should not be utilized. Coney Island with a Board walk would go far to becoming a Winter, as well as a Summer resort.

A Lesson in Charity.

THE opening of the new Home of the Daughters of Jacob on last Sunday week is a splendid demonstration of the organizing capabilities of Jewish women. Eight years ago a number of East Side ladies decided to care for the homeless, aged and infirm, and undeterred by obstacles and difficulties, they persevered until they were enabled to erect an institution which compares favorably with any similar institution in the United States. Forty thousand dollars out of the seventy thousand dollars needed have been collected, and there is still a deficit of thirty thousand dollars to be made good. Five thousand dollars per annum are required for the maintenance of the home, and in order to raise this sum, the membership must have at least three thousand instead of the twelve hundred now on the roster.

Jews have always been noted for their philanthropy, and particularly for the care of the aged. Indeed, it is a religious principle to brighten the last days of our old people. Shall it be said that the community has forgotten to practice Jewish *Zedakah*.

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The Man in the Observatory.

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MR. LOUIS R. EHRICH, who is now a dealer in antique paintings, and whose gallery of valuable paintings is located in this city, is a member of the well-known Ehrich family, who for years have conducted a department store on Eighth Avenue and now have the extensive establishment on Sixth Avenue. The business was developed from a small beginning, the parents of Mr. Ehrich having been in the millinery business.

After the death of Mr. Ehrich's father, his brother William and his mother laid the foundation and built up the business concern which became popular under the name of "Ehrich" on Eighth Avenue, and Mr. Louis Ehrich became a member of the firm.

He was born in Albany in 1849 and was educated at Dr. Dulon's School in this city, at the Hopkins' Grammar School in New Haven, Conn., and subsequently entered Yale College. In the year 1870 he took a course in the University of Berlin.

In 1878 his health was such that he was compelled to retire from the firm of Ehrich Brothers and reside in Europe, where he remained until 1885, when he left Europe and spent eight years in Colorado Springs.

During his sojourn in the latter place he wrote quite a number of articles upon economic questions which appeared in the daily press. Among the articles written by him were: "The Question of Silver"; "A Cure for Labor Troubles"; "A Religion for All Times"; "Perfection and the Democratic Party."

He also took a lively interest in the political situation. He was the only delegate from the Rocky Mountain region to the Palmer-Buckner Convention in 1896; member of National

Committee Gold Democratic Party for Colorado; member of Executive Committee, Sound Money League; member of the Executive Committee of the Anti-Imperialist League. He was also temporary chairman of the Third Party Convention held in Indianapolis, Ind., in 1900.

Mr. Ehrich now makes his home in New York. He is a man of intellectual parts, and has an excellent knowledge of the business he is now engaged in.

(For the Hebrew Standard)
A Curious Legend.

SOLOMON IBN GEBIROL, known to the Arabians as a moralist under the name of Abou Agoub Soleiman ben Ya'ya ibn Djebiroul, and to the Jews as Rabbi Salomon ben Juda ibn Gebirol, came to his death, the legend says, by the hand of an assassin who was jealous of his poetical talent.

After this dastardly act, the assassin buried his body under a fig-tree in his garden, which bore luscious fruit. The king, having eaten of the fruit, sent for the owner, and after questioning him and noticing his great embarrassment, suspected something mysterious. He thereupon ordered the earth around the tree to be dug up, and the remains were found. Obligated to confess his crime, the murderer was put to death.

This legend is not trustworthy. Moses ibn Ezra does not speak of it, and says that Gabirol died before reaching his thirtieth year.

For more than six hundred years, Arabians, Christians and Jews have enjoyed the writings of this great genius, but we do not know accurately very much concerning him. A halo of mystery surrounds him.

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eat magnificence in ancient times, unquestionably one of the finest cities of the East, completely rebuilt by Ptolemy Philadelphus, and greatly extended and beautified under Roman rule. The existing remains belong almost entirely to the latter period. The city had long colonnaded avenues, like those at Palmyra, a great vaulted conduit was built to carry the river (which later becomes the Jubbok of the Bible) under the town. A great theatre, an odeon, splendid baths, civil basilicae and beautiful Temples adorned the lower city, while a great temple and several other magnificent buildings covered the acropolis.

Many unpublished inscriptions in Latin and in Greek were found which, with those already shown, will make a considerable body of documents.

The expedition was just in time to save a considerable part of this ancient city from oblivion; for the Circassian immigrants, Moslems from the dominions of the Czar, recently introduced into Turkey, are rapidly destroying the broken fragments of old Philadelphia.

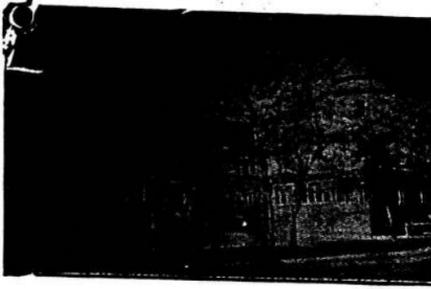
At Bosra, a still greater city of ancient times, an important centre of Nabataean civilization, the Roman capital of Arabia, and the first great town to fall into the hands of the followers of the Prophet, a similar condition was found, on a still larger scale. Numerous travelers have described the ruins in a superficial way; the Marquis de Vogue made a complete plan of the Cathedral, Dr. Porter drew a sketch plan, and more recent explorers have brought out plans and photographs of a few of the more important buildings; but a thorough survey of the city had never been attempted, the numerous colonnaded streets had not been traced, and a great mass of buildings more ruined than those which have been published, have never been mentioned at all.

There was much more material to work upon here than at Amman, and the conditions for investigation were more difficult; for the ruins are in the midst of a thriving modern village, and most of them are inhabited. Thus for instance, one of the great baths accommodates five families with their horses, their camels, their cattle and their herds; walls have been constructed to separate the different domiciles, and direct access from one to the other is impossible. The theatre was built into an Arabic castle in the thirteenth century, and six mosques were constructed during the Middle Ages, upon the ruins and out of the fragments of ancient buildings, and the difficulty of extricating the ancient from the more recent construction is great indeed.

Two weeks were spent in collecting material for the reconstruction of the ancient city. Nearly one hundred inscriptions were found in course of the expedition's work, most of them heretofore unknown, and among them a number of inscriptions of Nabataean script. Here, too, the first details of Nabataean architecture were encountered. The architecture has been called Nabataean because it shows no influence of Greek or of Roman art, and because fragments of it have been found with Nabataean inscriptions upon them.

From Bosra, through the Hanran, the expedition is devoting its researches chiefly to the study of the ancient Nabataean civilization about which so little is known. This people had their capital in Petra as early as the fourth century B. C. E. Two centuries later they had defeated the Greek successor of Alexander the Great in Syria, and began to press northward. In the first century B. C. E. they were in possession of the Hauran, and in the first century they took Damascus.

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The expedition will expend the next three months in following up this same line of work, exploring the Dyche Hanra and the country south of it, with the hope of collecting sufficient material to aid in giving the ancient Nabataeans their place in the history of civilization, after which the expedition will move to Northern Syria to extend the work of the American Archaeological Expedition of 1899-1900, two of whose members, Doctor Littiman and Mr. Butler, are members of the present expedition.—Philadelphia Ledger.

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Abraham Lodge, No. 2, celebrated its 35th anniversary at Westminster Hall on Sunday last. There were initiated 10 young men under the age of 28 and then and there they received five propositions of young men between 21 and 24. The

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affair was a delightful one. The public installation of officers and initiation has had its effect to awaken the members from their long sleep.

On Thursday night the General Committee visited Amity Lodge No. 92. Grand Master Tausig, Deputy Grand Master Baer, Chairman of State of the District Louis Hess, Chairman of the Finance Committee, the only reliable Dan Krause. Speeches were made and the result was positive promises of 3 propositions by next meeting.

Tickets are out for the 29th of March, an open meeting and entertainment of Mount Vernon Lodge, 71, which on this occasion will publicly install its 500th member. At last report, Dec. 31, it had 468 and is in competition for the standard-bearer of the order with Aryeh, 6, who on Dec. 31 had 510.

On Tuesday evening Grand Master Tausig addressed on invitation Sebulon Lodge. At same time initiated two new candidates. U. S. Grand Master Stern was present and said a few words. Sebulon Lodge has inaugurated the system of inviting members of the Executive and General Committees to address the lodge. M. J. Lichtenberg addressed the members on the 5th of January. Bro. Harry Jacobs, of the Executive Committee, was invited and addressed the lodge on the third Tuesday in February. Quite a goodly number of members attend these meetings and it appears to have had a good effect in bringing life and renewed vigor among the members. The two initiations and five propositions are the result.

Last week the General Committee of the order went to Independence Lodge of Newark. Grand Master Stern of the U. S. G. L. greeted the assemblage, Grand Master Tausig, First Deputy Grand Master Baer, Daniel Krause, Chairman of Finance; Solon Libeskind, Chairman of Laws; Louis Hess, Chairman of State of District, and Abram Hufer, Grand Sec., did their turns at talking. District Deputy Larry Wolf installed the officers and the Rev. Dr. Foster was initiated. The hall was well filled with the members and their friends, it being a public meeting.

The Board of District Deputies, of which Bro. Mort J. Lichtenberg is the president, organized last Wednesday night, and good work will be done by them from time to time.
Metropolitan Lodge, No. 60, celebrated its thirty-second anniversary at Harlem Casino in conjunction with its adjunct on Wednesday evening last, and though the weather was very inclement a large number of guests were present. The entertainment which preceded the dance was specially arranged by Brother David

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Keith, and met, with much praise, all numbers being encored. Miss Hulda Horwitz, the only amateur, who, by special invitation of the lodge, rendered several violin solos, was the recipient of floral offerings and also with a diamond ring in recognition of her services. After the entertainment a number of young ladies and gentlemen took possession of the stage, with Bro. Past President Jacob Klein, who introduced Mr. Morris Rendsberg, of the Adjunct, to the assemblage. Mr. Rendsberg appointed a committee to escort Bro. Mort J. Lichtenberg to the platform, and in well chosen words spoke of the manifested interest and earnest endeavors of Bro. Lichtenberg on behalf of the Adjunct and presented the Brother with a gold emblem of the order surmounted on a five-pointed star suitably engraved. Taken by surprise, Brother Lichtenberg thanked the committee in tones so low, swallowing the emotion which choked his delivery; but when the audience, with much applause, called "Louder" he regained his natural self, and in his usual effective style did credit to himself and the lodge. Speaking of the Adjunct and its inception, its preamble and what was expected of the members, composed of young men and women between the ages of 18 and 23, his words awakened, it seemed, the hearts of his listeners to a profusion of bravos, and when his likeness was spread forth, with the simple words "Our Member," the spontaneous applause re-echoed through the hall. Truly it must be said "Our Member" is all that can be expected in an honorable man.
Dancing followed the entertainment, and the floor was uncomfortably crowded with the young people of the Adjunct, which numbers 120, their friends and the members, their families and friends of Metropolitan Lodge. The affair will be a memorable one in the annals of the Lodge. Among those present were U. S. Grand Master M. S. Stern and sisters; District Grand Master Emil Tausig and sisters; U. S. First Deputy Grand Master Finkenberg; District First Deputy Grand Master Isaac Baer, District Second Deputy Grand Master Eugene Klein and wife, Grand Secretary Abraham Hoffer—in fact, all the General Committee and members of the Executive Committee. Bro. Carl Horwitz, as chairman of the Committee of Arrangements, was a hard-worked man, Mrs. Horwitz being looked after by her friends. The president, Mr. Hyams, Secretary Isidor Finkel, wife and daughter, Hortense; Past President Mort. J. Lichtenberg, with Mrs. Lichtenberg, Chester A. A. Lichtenberg, Miss Hortense C. Lichtenberg, Robert Lamb and Mrs. Lamb, chairman of the Floor Committee, and others too numerous to specify.

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The Expedition in Syria.

THE Princeton University archaeological expedition to Syria, composed of three departments, one for the study of art and archaeology, one for epigraphy and one for topography and surveying, started from Jerusalem early in October. The department of archaeology, devoted chiefly to the history of architecture and sculpture, is in charge of Howard Grosby Butler, lecturer in architecture in Princeton University; the epigraphical department, for the collection of inscriptions in Greek, Latin and in several Semitic languages, is in the hands of Dr. Enno Littman, lecturer in Oriental languages at Princeton; the engineering work in charge of Frederick A. Norris, of New York, a graduate of Princeton, in the class of 1895.

The expedition crossed the Jordan at once, and proceeded to its first working station at Arak-il-Emir, a great ruin in the mountains east of Jordan. The great ruined building here, with its gigantic building stones, measuring often 25x12x4 feet, and with its prize of colossal lions, has been variously described by occasional travelers as a palace and as a late Roman building of unknown purpose, its usual title being the "Palace of Hyrcanos," and it has generally been assigned, in this connection, to the Maccabean period of Jewish history.

A week was passed by the expedition at this place, a complete survey was made of the site, and the great building and several smaller ones were carefully measured and photographed. The chief ruin was found to be a temple in Greco-Persian style, surrounded by high terraces, and a large artificial lake. The importance of the ruin lies in the fact that it is pre-Roman, and illustrates a mixture of the Ptolemaic Greek influences from the West and the Persian influences from the East that meet in this Ammonite country. There are so few pre Roman buildings, existing in Syria that the interest of this is greatly increased. It is a monument of distinct importance to the history of architecture. If Hyrcanos ever had a palace here he made use of an ancient temple; but there is no evidence that the temple was ever made habitable, though it is probable that the sanctuary was deserted at an early period; for there are no traces of Roman work here, which alone makes the monument unique among the ruins of Syria.

On the journey from Arak-il-Emir to Amman a number of smaller unpublished monuments of considerable importance were studied. The second station for prolonged work was made at Amman—the Rabboth Ammon of Scripture, and Philadelphia of Ptolemaic and Roman times. This is one of the most splendid of Syria's ruined cities; it has been visited and written about from time to time.

Laborde, in the first half of the nineteenth century, made a plan of the great theatre, one of the largest and best preserved of all Roman theatres, and various other scholars have published some of the larger buildings; but no complete publication of the city, with all its buildings, has ever been attempted.

Finding Armstrong's plan inadequate this expedition undertook to make a new survey of the acropolis, to trace the ancient streets and so locate every ancient building, making plans, drawings and photographs, in extenso and in detail, for a complete publication of ancient Philadelphia, and, so far as possible, a restoration of each of the buildings of which there are any remains.

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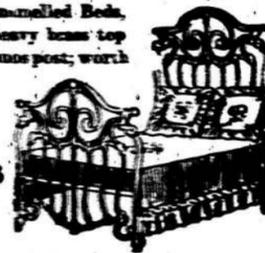
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Musical Notes.

Thomas Q. Seabrooke, the well-known comedian, is booked for a starring tour in vaudiville for a number of weeks, and will play the principal Eastern houses. He will make a special feature of a new song by Benjamin Haggood Burt, entitled "An Irishman," a novelty song which is just suited to Mr. Seabrooke's style of comedy. Published by Jos. W. Stern & Co.

As has been the case in a number of English musical comedies produced in the United States, an interpolated song entitled "Daisy is Crazy," gives promise of being the big success in the

"Earl and the Girl," which was presented recently in Chicago and will open shortly at the Garrick Theatre, New York. It is written by Mr. Dick Temple, who is one of the stars in the production and author of "Any Old Tree." Mr. Alec Clarke, the principal comedian, will also introduce Benj. H. Burt's "A Thousand Miles from Land" in the same production. Published by Jos. W. Stern & Co.

Mr. H. W. Peattie's new ballad "My Heart's To-night in Tennessee" gives promise of being the greatest ballad success he has ever written, by present indications, although it will be difficult for it to surpass the success of his last hit, "When the Sunset Turns the Ocean's Blue to Gold." The new ballad is of a

sweetly sentimental character, and has already been called a second "Swanee River." Published by Jos. W. Stern & Co.

The Four Connelleys, who are a feature this season with Fred Irwin's Burlesquers, are having immense success singing "The Banana Man," and "That's How Love Speaks." Published by Jos. W. Stern & Co.

The popular singing and dancing comedian, Mr. Harry Brown, made an immense hit recently at Keeney's Theatre, Brooklyn, singing his own songs, entitled "Shame On You," "Dat Ain't the Kind of Grub I've Been Getting Down Home," and "Dinner Bells." Mr. Brown's successes as a composer is assured by the above hits which he has written. Published by Jos. W. Stern & Co.

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(From Our Special Correspondent).
B'nai B'rith Convention.

New Orleans, La., Monday.

The quinquennial convention of the Constitution Grand Lodge of the Independent Order B'nai B'rith opened yesterday in New Orleans and dealt with the following matters:

First—Enlarging of the Executive Committee.
Second—Some important changes in the Constitution so as to make the executive branch more efficient.
Third—A recommendation for the consolidation of lodges in cities where two or three exist, to the end that one lodge can do more effective work.

Fourth—Either an abolition of the ritual in its entirety, or to add interesting and instructive features thereto.
Fifth—A discussion from a national and international standpoint on the great problems of immigration from countries where Jews are persecuted and their distribution in this country to aid the congested conditions existing in seaport cities.

Sixth—To recommend a more stringent naturalization law and to bring it within Federal instead of State jurisdiction.
Seventh—A plan to formulate and stimulate Jewish communion interest throughout the world to the end of doing more effective work by united instead of divided effort.

Eighth—The possible increase of the per capita tax in favor of the National Jewish Hospital for Consumptives at Denver.
Ninth—Some action recognizing the great services of the late Leo N. Levi, either by a memorial perpetuating his name and fame, or by publishing in book form his addresses and speeches as a memorial volume.

Tenth—The abolition of the office of Chancellor, and to stimulate and consolidate the executive work of the Order at home and abroad as it was prior to 1900.
The attendance and the sessions was very large and the interest displayed showed the importance which the delegates and the visitors placed upon the deliberation of the convention. Regret was expressed that Mr. Bergel of Berlin, Germany, and Dr. Stern of Bucharest, Roumania, were unable to be present.

The sessions were held in the Grand Lodge room of the Masonic Temple, and when President Simon Wolf called the convention to order on Sunday morning the scene was very animated. Rabbi Anspacher, of District No. 3, delivered the opening prayer and the roll call showed that all the districts, with the exception of 4 and 8, were represented.
Addresses of welcome were delivered by Gov. Blanchard, who spoke in high praise of the American Jews; Mr. J. P. C. Waldo, representing the Mayor of New Orleans, and the Hon. Charles S. Buck, on behalf of the Grand Master of the Order of Free Masons.

Joseph Hirsch of Vicksburg was unanimously elected temporary chairman and his speech on assuming the chair was very eloquent. Emanuel Hertz, of New York, was appointed temporary secretary, and the Committee of Credentials consisted of Chas. Hartman, Meyer Friedman, J. D. Coons, S. Salabe, M. H. Hirsch, Henry Handler, Sol Weil and F. A. Maxelbaum.

In the afternoon the permanent officers of the convention were elected, the permanent chairman being G. Godchaux; A. Levi, of Victoria, Texas, brother of the late Leo N. Levi, and permanent secretary, Emanuel Hertz, of New York.

A protracted discussion followed the presentation of the report of the Committee on Credentials. The Roumanian delegates, who are American citizens, were duly appointed by the lodges they represented. The Austrian delegates were chosen by the chancellor of the Order, to whom that power had been delegated by the foreign lodges. Objection was made that under the constitution such authority could not be delegated, and that while the representatives thus chosen might have a voice in the convention, they were not entitled to vote.

The matter elicited considerable debate, but was finally settled by the adoption of a substitute offered by Mr. Wolf, substantially adopting the committee report, with slight modifications.

The following vice presidents were chosen: J. B. Klein, District No. 1; Nathan Drucker, District No. 2; Isidore Rosenthal, District No. 3; E. N. Calesch, District No. 5; Samuel Foltz, District No. 6; Jacques Leob, District No. 7.
Telegrams of greeting and sympathy were ordered sent to Mrs. Leo N. Levi, of New York, and Julius Bien, the virtual founder of the Constitution Grand Lodge, also a resident of that city.

A resolution of thanks was voted to Temporary President Hirsch for his able and impartial service as presiding officer. Invitations extending courtesies from the Harmony Club, Young Men's Gymnastic Club and Touro Infirmary were read and accepted with thanks.

A score of telegrams were read from lodges in other cities conveying greetings.
The following committee was appointed on rules: Hon. H. M. Goldfogel, First District; Alt. Muller, Second District; Oscar Rosenthal, Third District; Lewis G. Levy, Fifth District; Sig. Livingston, Sixth District; Chas. Frenkel, Seventh District.

On Sunday evening a special service was held at Temple B'nai, which was crowded to its utmost capacity. The musical programme was especially attractive, and President Wolf's oration gave every satisfaction. The introduc-

tory was delivered by the Rev. Dr. Max Heller.

The local committee are doing everything for the comfort of the delegates. The various committees in charge of the arrangements and entertainments are as follows:

Archibald A. Marx, chairman; Isidore Newman, Gabe Kahn, Maurice Stern, Jos. Magner.
Committee on Entertainment—Max Dinkelspiel, chairman; Solomon Marx, Sam Blum, Joseph Trautman, Bus Lehman, Jr.; E. I. Kirscheidt, Hart D. Newman, N. I. Schwartz, Sim Weis, J. Brenner, Albert Godchaux, D. M. Lichtenstein, Charles Rosen, Emilie Weil, A. Heldenheim and Nat Strausa.
Ladies' Reception Committee—Mrs. S. F. Worms, chairman; Mrs. Maurice Stern, Mrs. Albert Mayer, Mrs. Jos. Trautman, Mrs. Charles Rosen, Mrs. Marks Isaacs, Mrs. Gus Lehman, Sr.; Mrs. Sol. Marx, Mrs. Wm. Adler, Mrs. Cora Moses, Mrs. Gabe Kahn, Mrs. Albert Godchaux, Mrs. Paul Godchaux and Mrs. Sol. Wolf.

The Young Ladies' League of District No. 1 will hold a public meeting and entertainment in Temple Beth-El on Sunday, April 30, 1905, at 3:30 p. m. Details for the affair will be perfected by the league at its meeting next Sunday, at which time it is also to choose its officers for the first year.

No detailed statement can be made at the time of going to press of the work of the convention at New Orleans. The liveliest interest is manifested on all sides, both in and out of the fraternity in the proceedings of the convention, which at the time of writing has not finished its sessions. A noteworthy feature of the present convention is the actual representation by a delegate chosen at home, of the European districts, who heretofore have been represented by proxies only.

Enthusiasts for the Home, often styled "The Pride of District No. 1," abound on all sides. The prediction was made by one of these last week that the action of the late Mr. Leiter, of Syracuse, in leaving a very substantial legacy to the Home, will be followed by others. With the approach of the bright days of spring the various lodges will visit the institution as is their custom, providing entertainment for the inmates. The Ladies' Auxiliary Society of the Home on Tuesday gave the inmates just such an occasion to commemorate Purim.

BAR MITZVAH.

Mr. and Mrs. Simon Blumauer announce the bar mitzvah of their son Jerome on Saturday, March 25, at Temple Rodeph Scholom, 63d street and Lexington avenue. At home March 26, from 3 to 6 p. m., 152 East 63d street.

Mr. and Mrs. I. Millhauser, of 62 West 118th street, announce the bar mitzvah of their son, Bertram, at Temple Israel, 125th street and 5th avenue, Saturday March 25. At home Sunday evening, March 26.

MARRIAGES

COHEN—ARONSON.—On March 15, at Hotel Savoy, by the Rev. Dr. H. P. Mendes, Sadie Beatrice, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Aronson, to Clarence M. Cohen.

FLASHNER—IRVING.—On Sunday, March 12, at Hotel Savoy, by the Rev. Dr. I. Moses, Joseph Flashner to Margaret Ruth Irving.

ATKINS—FISHMAN.—On March 9, in New York, Mr. Philip Atkins, of Hunter, N. Y., to Fanny Fishman, of Philadelphia, Pa. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Benjamin Gross and only the immediate relatives of the contracting parties were present.

OBITUARY.

Death of William Vogel.

William Vogel, senior member of the clothing firm of William Vogel & Son, died on Sunday at his home, 73 East Eightieth street. He was born in Germany March 21, 1839. In September, 1856, he came to this country and opened a small tailoring shop in Boston, but in this business he did not learn the language as fast as he wished, so resorted to peddling. One year at this and he had learned the language and accumulated several hundred dollars, with which he came to New York in 1857 and started in the retail clothing business in the old Compton House, Third avenue and Twenty-fourth street. Soon afterward he brought his brothers and parents from Germany to New York. Just before the Civil War he accumulated a large stock of woolen cloth, which yielded him a fortune and enabled him to greatly enlarge his business interests. In 1876, in addition to his retail store, he went into the wholesale business with his brothers at 8 and 10 White street. In 1893 he established the present firm at Broadway and Houston street, taking into partnership his three sons and turning over his affairs to them.

Mr. Vogel was for ten years a director of the Mount Sinai Hospital and of the Young Men's Hebrew Association, and was a generous contributor to other charitable institutions.

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IN THE THEATRES.

At last the Irving Place Theatre has its great comedy success, a result upon which the author and the actors may alike be congratulated. In "Der Familientag" (A Family Reunion) Gustav Kadelburg hits off most felicitously the various grades of nobility existing in one Prussian "high-born" family, and his very bright and very amusing little play contains so many resemblances to social conditions as they actually exist, that even as one laughs—and one laughs nearly all the time—the sense of actuality does not disappear. This impression is heightened by the rattling and verveful performance of the regular company reinforced by the Herren Bonn, Christians and Walden, the latter imparting distinction to a minor part. The good-hearted and bibulous landed-proprietor finds in Herr Bonn a remarkably life-like and humorous interpreter, alike natural in make-up, action and mimetic by-play. The scene in which he finds the Ruschke, his former valet, is the adopted father of the girl whom his nephew desires to marry was played with irresistible humor. Graceful, elegant, and more than ordinarily convincing was Herr Christians as an impoverished young nobleman to whom wealth comes unexpectedly. On a par with these stars was the work of nearly every one else concerned.

"Der Familientag" remains the bill for this and next week, and will probably be on view as long as Mr. Conried cares to. A more entertaining play has not been given in several years.

"Peggy from Paris," the popular musical play by George Ade, will be at the West End Theatre next week, and will be strongly presented to appreciative audiences.

There will be "A Hot Old Time" at the Murray Hill Theatre next week. A big company, good singing and everything else that is consistent with the title will be seen.

"Fantana," which remains at the Lyric, has been in town longer than any other musical comedy being presented on Broadway. It had its first metropolitan performance on January 14, and continues to attract exceedingly large audiences. Matinees Wednesdays and Saturdays.

The Princess is closed this week.

Metropolis Theatre next week. The management of this house who always exercise the greatest care in catering to the wants of their patrons, have indeed succeeded in their selection for the week of March 27th in securing the great A. H. Woods melodramatic success, "The Confessions of a Wife."

With Henry Woodruff as leading man, the stock company at Proctor's Fifth Avenue Theatre will produce, during the week of March 27th, "Anna Karenina," A. E. Lancaster's four-act drama, adapted from Leo Tolstol's powerful story of the same name.

A strong vaudeville bill is offered at Proctor's Twenty-third Street during the week of March 27th, the headliners being the Irish band, "Ireland's Own Band," of forty people, introducing new specialties and solos. Other interesting features on the bill will be: Adgie's lions, in a big animal act; Edith Helena, soprano singer; Frederic Bond and company, in a new comedy sketch, entitled "Handkerchief Number Fifteen."

During the week of March 27th the stock company at Proctor's Fifth Avenue Theatre will offer an exceptionally good revival of Marie Corelli's masterpiece, "The Vendetta." This famous play, when first produced, received much enthusiastic praise from the critics and the public, and at this revival special arrangements have been made for elaborate scenery and high class music.

"The Wife," a great success when produced at the Lyceum Theatre, and

setting forth to the fullest extent the artistic ability of David Belasco and H. C. De Mille, will be presented at the One Hundred and Twenty-fifth Street Theatre during the week of March 27th, with elaborate scenery and accessories. The cast will be headed by Miss Beatrice Morgan, and will include Riley Chamberlin, George Howell and other favorites.

"Peggy from Paris" is coming to the West End Theatre next week; therefore smile and look happy and assume an expression of pleased expectancy. "Peggy from Paris" is the most successful musical play that was written by the famous humorist, George Ade, whose stories and "Fables in Slang" have delighted untold thousands.

At the New Star Theatre, "In the Shadow of Darkness" will shed much light, merriment and real dramatic inspiration for the entire week beginning next Monday.

THE SITUATION UNCHANGED.

Appealing in behalf of the Jews, according to the London Times, the Russ, an influential paper in St. Petersburg, devoted several columns of its issue of Monday last to the claims of the Tartars and the Jews, warmly supporting the appeal of the latter for the removal of their disabilities.

It declares that the whole Government of Russia and the whole Russian nation are demoralized by the relentless persecution which is driving thousands to leave the country, and is herding 4,000,000 in towns, where they pay 90 per cent, of the taxes and yet have no share in the municipal government.

Witte and the Jewish Petition.

A St. Petersburg dispatch dated March 20 says: It was announced last night that the request recently presented to M. Witte, president of the council of ministers, asking on behalf of the 30,000 Jews in Siberia that the regulation forbidding them to leave their settlements under any excuse whatsoever be set aside, had been refused.

The government believed that such action was not wise under present conditions.

Jews Demand Equality.

A Berlin cable says: A local newspaper prints a petition, signed by 650 Jews, which has been submitted to the Russian government. It says:

"At the present moment, when Russia resounds with burning questions, the Jewish ones should also be considered. They are unforgotten, in fact, always kept in the foreground by persecutions and uninterrupted degradations. Education is denied Jews, and the Jewish masses are herded in overpopulated cities and vil-

lages. We therefore make it known that the Jewish population is not satisfied by partial concessions. We demand equality before the law. We demand such not because our brothers are spilling their blood in Manchuria, but before the law as men, as conscious citizens of the State we demand the destruction of all restrictions in the name of our rights."

The main petition came from twenty-two Russian cities.

Perez Arrested.

A Berlin press dispatch of March 21 states:

The celebrated Jewish writer, Perez, has been arrested in Warsaw on suspicion of being engaged in fomenting a revolutionary conspiracy. He had summoned a meeting of Jewish authors to be held at his house to discuss the position of the Jewish press.

Isaac L. Perez is one of the best known Jewish writers in the world. He came originally from Warsaw and is about forty-five years old. Perez is best known as a writer of essays and short sketches dealing with the peasant life of his country. He is regarded as probably the ablest defender of the poor. His writings have been directed against the methods of the Russian Government in dealing with peasants, and he has voiced eloquently and forcibly in numerous sketches the claims of the latter for redress of their grievances.

Jews Arm.

It is announced from Borisoff that three squadrons of dragoons have started for Berezina, where armed Hebrews are reported to have killed the Chief of Police and a number of his assistants.

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SPORTING NOTES.

Almost all of the major league baseball teams are now in southern training camps preparing for the coming season.

The Automobile Club of France has presented a medal to Messrs. de Dietrich as a recognition of their having been awarded the galkwar of Baroda's cup.

Glory, 2:11 1/2, by Sir Walter, Jr., 2:18 1/2, dam Harebell, 2:30 1/2, by Harbinger, 2:40, has been giving a good account of himself this winter. He beat the pacer Frank Wilson, 2:06 1/2, to sleigh at Pittsburg not long ago.

The Turin Automobile club is no longer to be regarded as Italy's representative organization in motoring, as at a recent meeting of automobilists delegated by Italian clubs it was resolved to found an Automobile Club of Italy.

There is a promising market in Sweden for small gasoline motors suitable for installing in rowboats, according to Robert Bergh, consul at Gothenburg. They must be cheap, as otherwise the readiest purchasers could not afford the outlay.

GOWN GOSSIP.

A great many linen gowns are being made with short boleros, or sleeveless jackets.

Very simple gowns of handkerchief linen very fine and sheer are embroidered freely on both skirt and waist.

The French blouses buttoned in the back and more or less elaborate are bound to be popular this year, as they were last.

The new model linen shirt waists are made with broad tucks running from shoulder to waist, sometimes with smaller tucks between.

A characteristic feature of the new hats is the extremely high bandeau. All hats sit high on the head. This is trying to some faces, but decidedly becoming to others.

Some heavy linen shirt waist suits are made with low, round necks and short puffed sleeves to wear over a gumpie and sleeves of thin linen embroidered or lace trimmed. This is a pretty fashion also for pongee and foulard silks.—New York Post.

CURIOUS CULLINGS.

An Italian nobleman who also belongs to the Austrian nobility has for several years been making a living as a crossing sweeper in Vienna.

A South Dover Mills (Me.) correspondent of the Piscataquis Observer claims that his town boasts a man sixty-eight years old who never ate a banana or a dish of ice cream.

On her latest trip from the orient to San Francisco the steamer Alcoa encountered seas that kept one watch down in her engine room two days. The men could not come up and none could go down to relieve them.

An aged woman died in Dover, England, the other day in a room which no one but she had entered for thirteen years. It was found so full of medicine bottles and pill boxes that a clearance had to be made before the corpse could be removed.

COLLEGE AND SCHOOL.

In Germany policemen on duty can stop children in the street in school hours and ask them why they are not at school.

Professor J. H. Carfield of Columbia believes urban universities wield more influence in modern life than those in small towns.

Dr. Ludwig Boltzmann, professor of theoretical physics at the University of Vienna, will be a member of the teaching staff at the University of California Summer school.

Miss Emma Cowles, head of the mathematical department at the Milwaukee-Downer college, is the first member of the college faculty to benefit by the Sabbatical year ruling adopted last June, whereby an instructor who has served the college for six years is to receive six months' absence with salary.

SCRAPS OF SCIENCE.

The so called canals of Mars have been reproduced by M. A. Baumann of Zurich, the cracks and fissures appearing in cylinders and spheres subjected to great pressure.

Admiral Fournier has just discovered a formula, says the Paris Matin, which, given the lines and dimensions of any vessel, will render it possible to tell beforehand what power will be required to steam at a given speed.

Dr. Morse, professor of inorganic chemistry at the Johns Hopkins university, and his Carnegie assistant, Dr. Frazer, have succeeded, after years of experimenting, in making a porous cell which has the extraordinary strength necessary to measure the osmotic or diffusive pressure of a normal solution.

INDUSTRIAL ITEMS.

Birmingham manufacturers of coffin furnishings complain that American competition is injuring them.

Several mining companies have started work in Honduras, Central America. The principal deposits are gold and silver.

It has been found in California that peach stones burn as well as the best coal and give out more heat for their weight. The big canneries now save the stones and sell them for fuel.

In the last twenty-five years Chile realized about \$300,000,000 from her nitrate mines. Senor Valdez Vergara calculates that in the next twenty years the output of the nitrate mines will exceed \$450,000,000 in value.

PLAYS AND PLAYERS.

Mary Marble appears as Nancy Brown in the musical comedy of that name.

A play dealing with life during the civil war, "My Old Kentucky Home," is now on tour.

J. H. Stoddart, the veteran actor, says he is going to retire permanently from the stage after this season.

D'Annunzio, the Italian playwright, when he sits down to write puts on special suits and wears special ties.

Fred Niblo, who has been business manager of the four Cohans during the last four years, is now being heard in monologue in vaudeville.

The Shuberts recently issued the first daily newspaper ever published exclusively in the interests of a firm of theatrical managers. It was called the New York Evening Trumpet, and was put out through the regular channels.

Manager Tree is trying the experiment in London of cutting down the traditional admission prices. He is making the experiment at His Majesty's theater of charging 7s. 6d. instead of 10s. 6d. for a certain number of stalls.

Maude Adams' curtain raiser to "The Little Minister" is an English playlet called "Op o' Me Thump." The principal character is that of a London drudge who, after escaping from the workhouse, obtains employment in a laundry office.

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THE WRITERS.

Jules Verne, who will soon be seventy years old, is still pouring forth fantastic wonder tales.

A private letter recently written by Sienkiewicz, the Polish author, shows that he has become a convert to the revolutionary party.

When Percival Landon, author of "The Opening of Tibet," accompanied Colonel Younghusband to Lassa it was in the capacity of the correspondent of the London Times.

Mark Twain has evolved another definition. "A buffoon," Mr. Clemens is credited with saying, "is a professional fool, whereas a wag is only an amateur fool. What am I? Why, a serious philosopher, of course. I never pretended to be anything more worthy."

IRRIGATION.

The plan to build the Okanogan Irrigation works in Washington has been abandoned by the government engineers. There is not enough land to pay the cost.

It is predicted that the greatest agricultural development in the next ten years will be the irrigated lands of the west and that in time to come there will be the highest type of civilization on this continent.

Irrigation plans already outlined in California, Oregon and the Dakotas will involve the expenditure in round numbers of \$27,000,000 and reclaim 1,000,000 acres of land, capable of supporting a population of 500,000.—Maxwell's Tallsman.

SIRES AND SONS.

By the death of ex-Governor Boutwell, ex-Secretary John D. Long is now the senior ex-governor of Massachusetts.

Edward L. Loyet of St. Louis is an authority on fancy fish, and in his aquariums he has more than 20,000 specimens of the finny tribe.

Rear Admiral James H. Sands is to succeed Captain W. H. Brownson as superintendent of the Naval academy at Annapolis. The change will be made in June or July.

Charles Lindley Wood, second Viscount Halifax, will visit this country next fall. Lord Halifax is about the most widely known layman in the Church of England.

Samuel H. Elrod, the new governor of South Dakota, is an attorney and self made man. He was born in Indiana in 1856, his father being a pioneer Indiana farmer. He was brought up on the farm.

Norman Libby of Bridgton, Me., recently made the ascent of Mount Washington and accomplished the descent to the base on skis without mishap, being the first man who ever successfully made the attempt.

There is no more attentive and patient listener in the senate than Mr. Gorman. His attitude whenever he takes his seat on the minority side of the chamber is involuntarily that of attention to what is going on.

John Smith, a Tacoma character, died in that city recently carrying a secret with him. Every summer for many years he had disappeared into the Cascade mountains for a few weeks and returned with about \$2,000 worth of gold dust. He was trying to tell a friend where it was when he died.

Lynedoch, the title chosen by Graham Murray, the new British peer, was first borne by Thomas Graham, a famous British general of the Wellington period, who was born in 1748, the son of the laird of Balgowan, in Perthshire, and he raised in 1793 the Ninetieth regiment of foot and served with it at Quiberon and Isle Dieu.

CURRENT COMMENT.

Japan is a small, remote, bony country, but as a nation Japan is now one of the stars of the first magnitude.—Galveston News.

Posterity will regard the Monroe doctrine and the Panama canal as two essential parts of an indispensable whole.—Philadelphia Inquirer.

New York is discussing a proposition to license gambling houses, with the idea that it would be better to have the city instead of the police force get the rakeoff.—Washington Post.

Bombs and bullets seem to be the only alternative to government by the ballot, but it is taking royalty in Russia a long time to come to the realization of this truth.—Toledo Times.

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GIRLS' OCCUPATIONS.

Uses to Which Radcliffe Graduates Put Their Education.

Light is thrown on the way girls put a college education to use nowadays by an examination recently made of the records of graduates of Radcliffe college, the women's institution affiliated with Harvard. Naturally it would be expected that young women trained as they are at Radcliffe, where the courses, teachers, examinations and general requirements for degrees are exactly similar to those of the men's big universities, would go into teaching or other professional work almost exclusively.

While it is true that a large proportion of the graduates still do this, there is nevertheless a considerable number who take up occupations of a very different sort. Most prominent of these, perhaps, are the former Radcliffe girls, who carry on a good share of the charitable work of great cities. The successor of Mrs. Rebecca Foster, for many years the "Tombs angel" in New York, is Miss Ada Elliot, not long ago a student at the women's college at Cambridge. One graduate of Radcliffe is head worker at Hartley House, in New York city; another holds a similar position in the Neighborhood settlement carried on by students and teachers of Pratt Institute, in Brooklyn; a third, who was graduated in 1895, is assistant secretary of the State Charitable Aid Association of New York, which has a kind of advisory oversight of all charitable and penal institutions on the continent; still another is at the head of the Friendly Aid House maintained by All Souls' church in the metropolis.

There are also a few trained nurses among Radcliffe graduates, and some of the girls who have taken up secretarial work have shown marked ability. As a rule, commercial life does not seem to make a strong appeal to these college graduates. In fact, only one downright business undertaking appears in the records. That is a partnership between a former Radcliffe student and a girl friend from the same town in the south who started in Boston a laboratory kitchen where, at a beginning, scientific baking was done. This start has now developed into two very successful restaurants in the New England capital.

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Her Relationship. Asked to explain her relationship to a woman on whose body an inquest was being held, a witness said to a London coroner: "She was my step-daughter and daughter-in-law. My husband was her brother, and her husband was my father."

Tea Leaf Poultice. Try a poultice of tea leaves as a cure for burns and scalds. Pour boiling water over the tea, and as soon as the leaves are soft and after they have cooled off a little form a poultice of them over the burn and cover with cotton. The pain, it is said, will stop immediately.

California's Climatic Belts. Climate in California is not determined by the distance north and south, but by the distance east and west, altitude and distance from the coast. So California's climatic belts are officially known as mountain, valley and coastal.

Blowing Out a Candle. There is one small fact in domestic economy which is not generally known, but which is useful in saving time, trouble and temper. If a candle be blown out while holding it above you the wick will not smolder down and may therefore be easily lighted again, but if blown downward the contrary is the case.

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