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# THE RECOMPENSE: A TRUE STORY.

BY RABBI L. WEISS.

AT the time that Hungary had some royal free cities, Pecs with less than fifteen thousand inhabitants, was one of the most important commercial centers in lower Hungary. The city was noted for good schools of liberal tendencies, unlike many other and larger cities, which were too sectarian and restrictive. There was a prosperous Jewish community there of about forty families, not exactly wealthy, but each seemed to do well. They had charge of one little orphan boy, the child of a very learned man who had died poor, leaving no one to care for his child. Homes for orphans and widows there were in those days but few, and in such small places no one even gave it a thought that such an institution was necessary; hence the boy was placed in the home of a nice family. The Jewish community paid and provided for all his wants and education. The boy received the best tuition that the schools of Pecs could afford and the bright little boy had grown up an educated, talented young man. While the community still looked after him, attending to his wants, he earned a little money by teaching, during spare hours, other children, thus he saved up some money with which to obtain a higher education.

Kalman Sebund, that was his name, had a great desire to become a doctor, accordingly as soon as he graduated from his home schools he decided to go to Pesh (now Budapest) and enter the medical college. He bid farewell to his benefactors and to all friends of his in Pecs and departed for Pesh.



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In order to enter college he had to go through many formalities and pass a rigid examination, all of which he did creditably, but the great obstacle was his religion. Not that the schools had any restrictive rules, but the principal in charge was so prejudiced against Jews that he did all he could to make it as hard as possible for poor Kalman. So much more was it to his merit when in spite of all he was at last admitted. He filled all the requirements so satisfactorily that the faculty was proud to have him as a pupil.

He had many a hardship to endure and many a bitter pill to swallow on account of the intolerant head of the school, but he overcame all difficulties and at the end of four years he had passed all grades and classes with high merit and was ready to receive his diploma, but that was not to be had so easily. The fees for examination and diploma were high; although it was in the power of the principal to reduce them as low as he saw fit, he would not do it for the poor Jewish student, and Kalman had to leave the college without a diploma. Sore and sad he walked in the street pondering what he should do, when a gentleman came up to him with a friendly "how do you do." It was Herr Heller, a well-to-do merchant of Pecs. Both were glad to see each other, and the young doctor soon told of the sad plight he was in.

"Well, Kalman," said Heller, "you are a very young man, suppose you get your diploma a few years later, you still have a life-time before you,

I have a boy whom I want to give a good education. I will give you five hundred gulden (about \$200) a year and as good board and lodging as my home can afford if you take him in charge; you can save up the money, then get your diploma. Sebund could see nothing better in sight and he grasped at the offer, thinking that two years more would bring him the coveted document. Therefore, he returned with Herr Heller to Pecs.

The progress the boy made under his tuition delighted his parents, who looked forward with pleasurable anticipation of seeing him able in two years to enter the high school, while Sebund was dreaming of the golden days that would crown his efforts with the title of Dr., but, alas, fate decided it otherwise.

Josephine, the beautiful daughter of Heller, was formerly a schoolmate of Kalman. They used to play together as children, but then they were children, now Josephine had grown to be a young lady, about two years younger than Kalman. Nature



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had developed the sweetness of the child into charms of womanhood, just as the boy had grown handsome and manly, and the two became attached to each other. The charms of Josephine impressed themselves upon Kalman but his deportment, and bearing no less influenced her, and ere long their friendship ripened into love. For a while all went smoothly, but the keen eye of the father, who watched over his daughter as ever the



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apple of his eye, detected the true state of affairs and without any warning summoned Kalman to his office, addressing him as he entered sternly: "Kalman Sebund, I have engaged you to teach my boy, and I strenuously object to the attentions you pay my daughter. She is intended for something better, for some one higher in station, hence I see myself bound to dismiss you. You have been in my employ six months, here are two hundred and fifty gulden and to day you must leave my house."

Kalman received his sentence in sad silence. He had no defense to offer. It was but too true that Josephine and he were lovers and that she was the dearest object of his heart. It was a hard blow. He went to his room, packed his trunk and departed that day, not before however he had a brief talk with Josephine. She felt no less sad, and they swore faith and true love to each other, promising to wait for each other even unto all eternity.

Sebund returned to Pesh and tried once more to obtain his diploma. This was in the month of August, 1848, when the whole country began to stir with revolt and the situation was critical. The Magyars were flocking together, organizing regiments, and everybody that could bear arms enlisted, to fight for their country. Sebund was patriotic, and he joined the army of Kossuth. Had he had his diploma he could have been appointed surgeon, but as it was he was simply accepted as corporal, considering his education, with the prospect

of promotion commensurate with his abilities.

The clash came. The Magyars were taking the field of battle against the Austrians. Sebund was in the front, giving proof of efficiency and bravery, which had him soon promoted to the lieutenantancy. A few months later we find him stationed at a town not far from the fortress of Komorn. One day a sergeant came to him reporting the capture of an Austrian Purveyor and two wagon loads of cloth, describing how they came upon him and asked for orders.

"Bring the fellow in charge of the goods to me," commanded Lieutenant Sebund, and the purveyor was brought in, who, before seeing the lieutenant, became horror-struck. The man was Heller from Pecs. "Now," he thought, "my doom is surely sealed. I am in the power of the man whom I did not consider good enough for my daughter, and he will surely take summary vengeance."

Sebund was not less surprised, but he had presence of mind to conceal his emotions, giving no sign of recognition, but with official sternness he asked:

"What is your name?"

Heller's feelings were intensely miserable, thinking that Sebund avoided recognition to enable him to be all the severer. He knew what it meant to be caught by soldiers delivering goods to the enemy—it may have meant long imprisonment or even death; still, very often a good bribe could effect liberty, but here his bitter enemy had him in his hand and from



Stuart M. Samuel, M. P.  
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the way he addressed him certainly believed him to be his relentless foe. He felt the rope tightening around his neck, the very power of speech left him.

"What!" thundered the lieutenant, "can't you speak, can't you tell me who you are—what your name is?"

The prisoner was still silent, thinking that he was being mocked, as he was sure that Sebund knew him.

"Herr Lieutenant!" put in the sergeant in Magyar-like style, "a few good feelers on his back will loosen his tongue, for he can speak all right enough." This had the desired effect. In trembling voice loud enough to be audible, the purveyor managed to articulate:

"My name is Abraham Heller, merchant from Pecs."

"Give me your papers!" commanded the officer.

While Heller was taking the paper from his pocket, the lieutenant ordered the sergeant, before he had a chance to see the documents unfolded, to go out and examine the wagons, search the men and see whether there may not be found something of importance. The sergeant obediently saluted and withdrew. As soon as the lieutenant and Heller were left alone, the former softly said, depositing Heller's papers in his pocket without looking at them, and without telling him what to say:

"Why, you carry your goods to the Hungarian army, don't you?"

This was soothing to Heller. "So my enemy does not seek to destroy me," he thought, and he stammered as he took the hint gratefully, wiping from his forehead the perspiration of dread: "Oh, yes!"

"You must have been frightened, continued the lieutenant, "thinking we were Austrians, were you not?"

"Yes, yes!" sighed in relief the poor frightened man.

"Fright must be a terrible malady," said the lieutenant. "You must be ignorant not to know the difference between Austrian and Hungarian soldiers. Well, I'll send you in to Komorn with two soldiers to protect you and give you a letter along to the captain there who will receive the goods and pay for it. Then go home to your family and don't engage again in such dangerous business. Supply nobody with any goods, be it Austrians or Hungarians," and he wrote a letter, putting on the official seal, folded it and handed it to Heller, just as the sergeant reappeared, reporting that he found nothing.

"Why, of course you could not find anything," smiled the lieutenant. "This fellow is as ignorant as a goose. He knows not the difference of Austrians or Hungarians. He carries cloth to Komorn, to our friends, so his papers testify, but he took our men to be Austrians, that is the reason he wanted to flee when he saw them. Do you know, Herr Heller, that you really owe thanks to our sergeant, had he not captured you you might have fallen into the hands of Austrians and it would have fared ill for you."

Heller had now regained his pres-

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ence of mind, as he grasped the situation, seeing the favor that Sebund bestowed upon him, understanding that the idea was to keep the sergeant in ignorance and he now spoke:

"Yes, Herr Lieutenant, I understand the situation, and if the sergeant would not consider it an offense I would beg him to accept this token"—handing him a few silver pieces—"and distribute it among those men that were with him."

This had a good effect upon the sergeant, and it was a wise way to pursue in allaying his suspicion.

Two hours later, Abraham Heller pursued his journey, with his loaded wagons of cloth, towards Komorn, followed by two soldiers on horse back to protect him. They were, however, but a short distance from where they started, when six or seven Austrian cuirassiers sprung on them with a commanding "halt!" The wagons stopped. The two soldiers seeing themselves outnumbered, fled back to the Hungarian camp, the Austrians doubtless knowing that the Hungarians were so near did not follow them, but held on to their booty.

Heller related his story to the Austrians, that he originally intended the goods for the Austrians but fell into the hands of the Hungarians, where the lieutenant, an old acquaintance, spared him, etc., but the officer in charge laughed at the artful explanation, ordering the soldiers to take charge of the two wagons and bring them together with Heller to the Austrian camp. They arrived about midnight in a village where some Austrian Imperial Cavalry were quartered; there Heller was put in chains and locked up in a room that answered as a provisional jail. He begged for investigation, but the letter found in his possession from the Hungarian Lieutenant made his plea very feeble, and as Cicero said: "Law is silent during war," he had no power to fight or appeal, but had to submit to the decision of the officer there.

The following morning he was sent to Raab (or Gyor), which by that time was held by the Austrians and there put into prison to await trial. There were thousands of offenders of all kind that had to be tried, but they simply famished in the prisons waiting in vain, as judges had no time to try cases. The best lawyers could not facilitate matters, for that, after all, was of minor importance to the Austrians when compared with the war itself. They had their hands full with fighting the brave Magyars, and how Austria would have fared had not Russia come to the rescue can at this time not even be surmised; but be this time as it may, the combat was ended. Gorgey, the Hungarian general with the major part of the army, surrendered at Vilagos, and the Hungarians could not stand against two powers such as Austria and Russia. All the Magyars laid down their arms and Austria was the conqueror.

Even the impregnable fortifications of Komorn, the last to yield, surrendered on the conditions, however, that its soldiers be given freedom and no service to Austria be demanded. Consequently, Sebund, who now was in Komorn, was once more a civilian.

His first thought was of Josephine Heller, and to her he hurried. He knew the fate her father was doomed to, from the soldiers that came back

when they left Heller in the hands of the Austrians, but what became of him he did not learn. He understood, however, the severity Austrians dealt with Hungarians and felt deeply for Heller, because he was the father of his idol; but what could he do?

When he arrived at Pecs he found his beloved changed by sorrow and the hard work she had to do to maintain the family. There he learned that Heller had been sentenced to life imprisonment and his entire property in Pecs confiscated, even the Jewish congregation was fined fifty thousand gulden for having had him as a member. Such was the justice that Austria meted out to Hungarians. Every family was made to suffer more or less for Heller's offense. Poor Sebund sympathized with his benefactors, but his heart ached to see his sweet-heart Josephine ebbing away under the burden of care, hard work and grief. A litter rosy hue crept to her pale cheeks when she saw her lover at her side; though the welcome was uttered amidst sobs and tears, it was to her like a heavenly message to see him again.

"Oh, dear Josephine!" Kalman moaned, as he was wiping away her tears: "it is hard to find you in this condition, but thank God that we are together again, I will help you bear your burden."

"Why should you be burdened with our affairs," she protested, dolefully, "when you are to us no kin, no relation, no—"

"Don't say that dearest," he interrupted her, "if I am not related by blood as yet, I am related to you in that your life and mine were cast in one crucible," and the oath they had once pronounced between them stood as firm and fast that no conditions and circumstances could invalidate it.

To marry then was out of question, as their condition could not permit it, but both were young and energetic, with hope of a serene future burning in their breast, which was a source of happiness to them.

Kalman would not leave his sweet-heart, but stayed in Pecs, establishing himself as teacher, gaining the confidence of the people, Jews and Gentiles, and he relieved Josephine of many a hard ordeal, giving her a little more ease, and day by day she regained some of her former color, a little more flesh and brightness, so that she was herself again.

Sebund's mind was actively occupied with the idea how Heller could be liberated. He often dreamed of himself standing in the dissecting room, operating on some patients who afterwards had strewn flowers in his path. His greatest yearning was to have the M. D. gracing his name, yet for the present his prime thoughts were for Heller's freedom.

He reproached himself, "if I only



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had kept him altogether from delivering that cloth and sent it to Komorn with the soldiers instead! but all that is past, beyond recall, the question now is, what can be done?" Pondering and pacing the floor, suddenly an idea flashed upon his mind and he stopped, ejaculating:

"Hold on! why didn't I think of it before? That must help him! I have those papers I took from him somewhere, and if Austrian justice is not altogether dead, I'll have him out soon," and he took from his trunk a bundle of papers and letters, among which he found Heller's documents and hastened to Josephine, whom he had left but an hour ago, but that made no difference, she was not surprised, he could not come too often. He said nothing of the papers nor of the steps he was about to take, merely told her that he had decided to go to Pesh on important business.

"Oh, dear Kalman!" she moaned, "are you going to leave us again?"

"Only for a short time, darling, I must leave you now, but I may bring you back some good news."

"Then, may God bless you on your mission!" she muttered, surmising that he went in behalf of his diploma, very little thinking that it was for the sake of her father. He would not tell her of the mission for fear he might not succeed, which then would give her a hard blow. She, dear soul, offered up a silent prayer to God, that He might shield him and guide him on his way and prosper him in his undertaking.

Arrived at Pesh, Sebund consulted a good lawyer who advised him to go to Raab, where Heller was incarcerated, and lay there the matter before the officer in command, as that was a military matter. If he in any way felt inclined to be just he could release him. With this advice Sebund went to Raab, where he enlisted the services of an influential man with whom he visited the commandant, who received them courteously.

Sebund made known to him his mission and submitted to him the papers he took as lieutenant from Heller, telling him how Heller got the letter to Komorn the Hungarian officer, and begged him to be just and humane, not to let an innocent man suffer in prison—a man who gave his service to the Austrian government—whose family was now in dire distress. Then he pleaded for the congregation really not at fault, even had Heller been guilty.

"Now, gracious sir," he concluded, "I beg you to let God's truth prevail, even if I should be held accountable,

as it is through my instrumentality that he now is in prison."

The impression he made on the officer and other influences made the latter act promptly. He instituted an investigation which proved that Heller's letter was genuine and Sebund's statements correct. In a short time Sebund was informed that he could safely leave for home, that Heller would soon follow. Steps were made to recover the value of the confiscated property of Heller and the money of the congregation, all of which was successful, and Sebund returned to Pecs bearing the good tidings to the family of Heller and the congregation.

The feelings of the poor wife of Heller, of Josephine and the children can better be imagined than described when they learned that the pater familias would soon be home; but their joy knew no bounds when a few days later Heller made his appearance with the value of the property taken from him in his possession, making him again a well-to-do man. The same day a package arrived to the burgo-master, which was for the Jewish congregation, it contained the fine fifty thousand gulden refunded to them. The Jewish community of Pecs celebrated a feast of joy and gladness at which Kalman Sebund figured as the hero. None regretted the kindness that they had ever bestowed on him, on the contrary, they were proud and delighted to have him a member of their community.

Heller openly confessed his sin that he had committed against him, and feeling that he had expiated it most bitterly, he needed only to make personal amends, he said, and did that by arranging the celebration of the engagement of Sebund and Josephine.

The congregation now pressed that Sebund go to Pesh, at their expense, and procure his long yearned for diploma, which he did; and when he came back to Pecs, he found an elegant office, furnished and fixed up in fine style, with a beautiful plate adorning the entrance bearing the name:

"DR. KALMAN SEBUND."

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Dr. Spear in his address made a very favorable impression, speaking on the threefold duty of rabbis; he appealed to his flock for the hearty co-operation with him and then he would be sure to make this congregation an important factor in the congregations of Israel.

Rabbi Spear is about 33 years old and is a graduate of a German university, and three years ago took charge of a Brooklyn congregation. He was very successful there, and last month was called to the pulpit of Ez Chaim to succeed Dr. Spiegel.

Dr. Spear, who is the leader of the Sunday school, has secured for the school the assistance of Miss Wilma Goldmann, a pupil of the Rev. Dr. J. Leonard Levy, of Pittsburg, and Bertha Wolfinger, a graduate of a Boston high school.

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**United Austrian Hebrew Charities.**

The Young Folks League, auxiliary to the U. A. H. C. A., announce their fourth grand annual ball on Saturday evening, March 16, at Yorkville Casino, Eighty-sixth street, between Second and Third avenues.

The society trusts that its members and friends will assist in this noble cause by making the affair a success, both socially and financially.

**Brevities.**

Rabbi Gustav N. Hausmann delivered an address before the junior section of the Council of the Jewish Women of New York last Friday in the vestry of the West End Synagogue. He also spoke before the Sabbath School of the Hebrew Technical School for Girls last Sunday morning at the Purim celebration.

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# The Immigration Question.

SKETCH OF THE WORK OF THE LIBERAL IMMIGRATION LEAGUE.

Now that the Gardner-Dillingham bill has passed, with important modifications, however, a sketch of the work accomplished by the Liberal Immigration League, is appropriate.

In December, 1905, Mr. D. A. Ellis, of Boston, called attention of the Liberal Immigration League to the impending danger of restrictive immigration bills becoming enacted into law, pointing out that the Gardner bill requiring a \$40 head tax was a mere wedge for the introduction of more drastic measures.

The campaign started with the condemnation in the Twentieth Century Club of the bill of Senator Lodge and his son-in-law Gardner, for its un-American and un-Christian treatment of human beings. After the meeting, in a brief interview, the secretary of the Immigration Restriction League, Mr. Prescott F. Hall, was asked whether his advocacy of restriction was not due to the fact that the Jews occupy too prominent places in Washington street, Boston, and Broadway, New York, and he answered that this was his reason, adding, "wherever the Jews come they cause the extinction of other races. We cannot compete with them."

His attention was called to the massacres in Eastern Europe and, on the other hand, to the vast unoccupied tracts in Texas, Iowa, etc., and he answered: "They don't go there, they shun hard work, and huddle in Boston, New York and Philadelphia. The present bill will pass, and will be followed by more drastic ones till America is closed to the Hebrews."

Our brethren in Boston got earnestly to work. They organized mass meetings in Tremont Temple, and in Faneuil Hall, with Gov. Guild, the Mayor and other prominent lay and clerical speakers. The Mayor of Boston enthusiastically showed that the single State of Texas could contain over eight hundred million people, and declared that no President, Roosevelt or any other, would dare sign a restrictive bill. The Boston press was brought into line, and the agitation pressed on the restrictionists so heavily that after January 1 they modified their bill so as to require only a \$5 head-tax and the educational test.

Against these two measures the fight was resumed in New York, and on June 4, 1906, an imposing mass meeting, composed of Irish, Italians, Slavs and other nationalities and presided over by Hon. Edward Lauterbach, decided to send delegations to Washington to protest against any further restriction.

While the agitation in Boston was carried on by Jews only, in New York we united with other immigrant nationalities. The league has all along done its utmost to preserve its non-sectarian character. One of the first acts of the league was to purchase the book, "The Italians in America," and distribute it to Congressmen and prominent persons. We also spread several thousand copies of a pamphlet, "The Coming of the Italian,"

At a meeting held by the New Immigrants' Protective League on June 11, Congressman Bennet declared his forcible opposition to the head-tax and educational test, but expressed his satisfaction with the other "sound" clauses of the bill. These sound clauses, he explained to our question, referred to "low vitality or poor physique." From the writings of our adversaries, here and abroad, we at once knew that these phrases meant the Jews. The bill contained an even more obnoxious measure, the abolition of the right of appeal. Owing to the mischievous clauses concerning specially our brethren, we concluded it would be the safest policy to sell or sidetrack the bill. We caused delegations to be sent from Boston, Worcester, Philadelphia, Scranton, Pittsburg, etc., and these produced a great impression in Washington.

Gardner declared: "I thought only the Jews of Massachusetts were opposed to our bill, and I said so to the President. But all of a sudden we saw all nationalities—Italians, Irish, Poles, Germans and others—arise in opposition to us, and this took us unawares."

Up to that time the restrictionists alone had made agitation for their views, and besides passing several bills had compelled the Senate under threat of punishment to pass in May last the Dillingham-Gardner bill. The opposi-

tion had been weak and in the shade. The railroad companies and other great concerns seemed palsied. Even the Italian press did not utter a word. Now for the first time the people at large made an open protest, and the small minority in Congress took courage.

In June, 1906, the League became known to the public, with Hon. Edward Lauterbach as president, who has unremittently given time and attention to the League.

From the moment that Hon. Lauterbach's office became the home of the League, we were constantly busy with telegrams and long distance telephones, and the issuance of letters and appeals signed by our President. We started a flood of delegations to Washington from various parts of the country, and even defrayed the expenses of some delegates, and granted compensation to others.

The session was nearing its close. The press seemed to believe the bill would pass. Gardner was outspoken, and even regretted not having raised the head-tax to \$25. But our delegations bore ample fruit.

One of our delegations—that sent to Mr. Gompers of the American Federation of Labor—had a happy, though temporary result. The delegation consisted of Mr. Mark J. Katz, Mr. Joseph Baroness and another co-religionist, who was sent by Southern States to seek immigrant laborers. The interview took place after midnight. Mr. Gompers listened in silence for an hour, and was so moved that he shed tears. In conclusion he said: "I am a Jew, and my children have married in the faith. But if I should oppose the sentiment of the laborers, I would fall, and an Irishman or German would take my place, and that would do no good to the Jewish workmen."

The delegation replied that the labor element was being lined up for immigration—as a matter of fact, the Knights of Labor and a number of Jewish unions were with us—and it was only desired of him to allow the delegates to tell Speaker Cannon that Gompers would not punish the Congressmen who voted against the bill. To this Mr. Gompers agreed, and next day our delegates saw the Speaker, who was so delighted that he exclaimed, with an imprecation: "Why didn't he come out with it at once?"

Without relying on some men's promises, we continued to gain the unions, and are still doing this slowly, silently and surely.

A very material contribution to our success has been the remarkable unanimity of our brethren throughout the country in helping us at the right moment. The great Order B'nai B'rith was active all over the country, and other organizations were also in the field. Many prominent Jews took a large share in the work, while leaving to Gentiles the credit and honor of it.

In consequence of these steps, the remarkable energy of the Speaker and the unity of Israel, the bill, which had unanimously passed the Senate, was stopped in the House of Representatives. Congressman Gardner angrily declared to Bennet: "We will meet at the next session."

The vacation season was used by the League in furthering the agitation.

The League wished to take no active part in the election. Many object to such a method as dangerous, and it really is so when personal or class interests are involved. But the League is unselfish and patriotic, and decided to fight our adversaries not with bravado, but in a quiet way. As the Bible instructs us, we first offered peace to our opponents, and Mr. Mark J. Katz, in company with Judge Josiah Cohen, asked Congressman Dalseil whether he would give up his anti-immigration agitation. But he said he intended introducing even more drastic measures. We decided to fight him and other stubborn opponents.

Judge Cohen, who is a friend of Dalseil, requested us to refrain from distributing our appeals in various languages till after election, and to which we answered that our appeals were prepared specially for the election. Later Congressman Bennet similarly asked us in the name of Speaker Cannon not to distribute our literature during election time, and out of gratitude to the Speaker we at once yielded. Still

we continued our campaign against some of the adversaries of immigration in Pennsylvania and Massachusetts.

As an instance we cite our action in regard to Gardner. Very powerful and secret means were employed to counteract the popularity and wide influence of Gardner and his father-in-law, Senator Lodge. We also openly encouraged various nationalities to take part in the fight. Gardner being ill, or being supposed to be ill, we opened negotiations through Mr. Max Mitchell, of Boston, with Senator Lodge. At first Lodge was very agitated and declared, "I have devoted over twenty years of my life to this bill." At length, however, he made some attractive promises to our Bostonian friend, and also offered to obtain special privileges for the Jews. We replied that the League is strictly non-sectarian, and that we opposed any further restriction of immigration. The Senator promised for himself and Gardner not to press restrictive legislation. A number of meetings which our friends were to hold in Salem, Haverhill, etc., on that and the next day were at once given up.

At the first meeting of the National Civic Federation, Mr. Samuel Gompers opposed Oscar Straus, Andrew Carnegie and Cardinal Gibbons, boldly maintaining that immigration was noxious to the interests of American labor. At the second national meeting in June, 1906, Gompers was silent, and only John Mitchell was outspoken against immigration. The League delegated Mr. Joseph Baroness to Mr. Mitchell, who declared, however, that the oppression of foreign workmen was no reason for overlooking the interests of the American workmen. This answer was brought to Gompers. After Gompers was re-elected for the twenty-fifth time, while granting a favor to Mr. Mitchell, he communicated to him through a Jew, Mr. Herman Robinson, these words: "You know that I have devoted my whole life to the welfare of the laborers, but when I see my own flesh and blood slaughtered in Europe, I cannot insist on keeping the door closed."

At the third meeting of the American Federation of Labor, held in New York, 1906, Mitchell also was silent regarding immigration.

We are also about to publish an address delivered by our delegate, Mr. L. J. Ellis, at Jefferson City, Mo., and a pamphlet, "Figures on Immigration," by Dr. Fishberg, Mr. Bijur's address in Boston, etc.

We have arranged for the composition of monographs on the Greeks, Armenians and Slovaks, which we intend to publish. We are considering the publication of such monographs on the other races classed as undesirable immigrants, as well as a pamphlet on the history of immigration, past and present, and also brochures on other subjects pertinent to the movement. We are trying to get a sketch on Jewish immigration to England from 1880 to date.

Mrs. Florence Brooks has made an investigation and written an article for the League on the labor condition in New Jersey, which will be published in our magazine, "The Coming Americans."

As a number of friends have asked us to lend them books on immigration, we are building up a library on the subject.

The League has taken part in the Nashville Immigration Conference, where the restrictionists had five delegates and we only three, one of whom, Dr. S. M. Newman, of Washington, not only was continually cheered, but accorded an ovation. We were represented by the same delegates at the Jefferson, Mo., conference and at the convention of the Southern Cotton Association, at Birmingham, Ala.

We have invited to a symposium on the editors of the Jewish papers, as well as the public at large on the question of how to obviate immigration restriction and how to prevent congestion. Several replies have been received, some proposing the sensational scheme of closing the Northern ports as a means of relieving congestion.

This is a circular letter submitted to representative Southerners and under consideration for broadcast distribution in the South. It suggests that instead of scattering their exports through a large number of ports, Southern industrial, farming and business men should

concert to send all their products through a few stated ports, by rotation, which would induce the steamship companies to establish a regular Southern line. We are collecting answers, which we will give to the press at the proper time.

We have drafted a circular letter intended to be addressed to all steamship companies, regarding the atrocious steerage conditions on some lines.

Nothing that Senator Lodge and Samuel Gompers, in spite of their promise to refrain from urging restriction, are working hand in hand to get through the educational test, and fearing to be taken unawares by a sudden move in Congress, we petitioned the President for the appointment of an investigation commission. It is only fair that the country should be consulted, and it will give us an opportunity to push our propaganda throughout the country.

The League has from the first been successful in everything it has undertaken. All we want is time. If we can gain time, we are assured of final victory. This victory will result in a diminution of the Jewish immigration, because the Jews, unlike other peoples, are satisfied with their conditions, providing they are tolerable. Our keeping an open door will better their condition by showing that America is not unfriendly to them, and it would thus create a most favorable impression.

## Council of Jewish Women.

The New York Section of the Council of Jewish Women cordially invites its members and friends to assemble in Temple Beth El, Fifth avenue and 76th street, on Tuesday evening, March 19, at 8.15 p. m.

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- 5. The Eternal Is the God of Mercy.—(Russian).
- 6. Adon Olam—(Viennese).
- Organ solo—Mr. Charles Heinroth.

## Congregation Kehillath Israel.

The play given for the congregation at the Peoples' Theatre last week was a decided success.

The Sisterhood is very active in the work of enlisting new members and of assisting the Congregation's School in every way possible.

The subject of the sermon last Friday evening was "Parah Adannah." On Sabbath morning the sermon was on the subject of "Physical Purity."

## Jewish Centres Association.

Although the attendance in the Kindergarten is still affected by the severe weather, and also by the numerous cases of sickness among the children, it has been found necessary to arrange for an afternoon session. The Misses R. and C. Ruckeser have been kind enough to volunteer to conduct it from 1 till 3 p. m.

Every effort is being made to meet the situation, which the opening of these Jewish community would only give more liberal support to the association, and the other centre would soon be opened. The treasurer (Mr. Harry Fischel, World Building), will be glad to receive contributions and applications from new members.

The superintendent's report for the month of February shows a total attendance in the Kindergarten of 62, and in the sewing class of 42.

## Some Anglo-Jewish Notabilities.

(Text to Pictures on the Front Page.)

We introduce our readers this week to five noted Anglo-Jewish communal workers. The best known are Sir Edward Sassoon, Bart., a member of the great Sassoon family of India, and Mr. Stuart M. Samuel, nephew of Sir Samuel Montague. Among Jewish Parliamentarians, Mr. Samuel and Sir Edward Sassoon occupy high rank. Captain Jessel is a son of the great Sir George Jessel, the famous English Judge, whose decisions are still quoted to-day and who was regarded as the greatest English jurist of his day.

Sir Harry Simon Samuel is connected with the Reform Synagogue of London and was member of Parliament for the Division of Limehouse, but his espousal of the Anti-Allen bill caused his overwhelming defeat at the last general elections.

Colonel Lucas is a scion of the well-known Lucas family of which Mr. Lionel Lucas, the publicly spirited communal worker is a member.

## Mr. and Mrs. H. Fischel's Housewarming Party.

On Sunday evening last Mr. and Mrs. Harry Fischel gave a housewarming party at their new residence, 118 East Ninety-third street, to nearly three hundred ladies and gentlemen, who came to testify to the esteem in which the host and hostess are held by reason of their deep interest in all affairs concerning the Jewish community of this city.

Prayers were recited by Rabbis Margolies and Kaplan and Cantor Rotofsky sang. Speeches were made by Rabbi E. Drachman, the Rev. H. Maslansky, Dr. D. Blaustein, Dr. Rodinsky, J. H. Cohen, Albert Lucas, and Mr. Hurwitz.

The speakers all referred to the opportunities afforded to immigrants in this country as typified by the career of Mr. Fischel himself, who in the twenty-two years he has been in America has risen to high standing among his co-religionists.

## Jewish Hospital for Deformities.

Among the many benefits which make their appearance in the early Spring season, none is more deserving of the public support than that for the benefit of the Jewish Hospital for Deformities and Joint Diseases (non-sectarian), the founder of which is Dr. Henry Frauenthal. The money which is to be raised goes to the building fund. The hospital is located at Nos. 1917 and 1919 Madison avenue. When the hospital was first opened, October 7, 1905, there was only one building, 1919 Madison avenue, but the demand for admittance became so large that the Board of Directors purchased the adjoining building on November 4, 1906, and took possession on February 15, this year. The benefit is gotten up to furnish the new building with beds and medical apparatus.

The hospital is supported by voluntary contributions and there is no discrimination as to race, creed or color. Children, as well as grown up persons, are treated.

The dispensary is one of the features of the hospital. As soon as it was opened some four hundred cases were treated in the first month, and ever since patients have been coming there increasing the percentage to one hundred a month.

Dr. Frauenthal, who has charge of the arrangements of the benefit in hand, is deserving of a great deal of credit for the maintenance of the hospital. He will be assisted by George J. Kraus in making the affair a high financial success.

The benefit will be held on Sunday evening, March 17, at the Academy of Music. The entertainment will be one of the like of which has never been seen in this city. Many of the leading stars have offered their services to aid the cause. Among some of them are M. M. Theise's entire Wine, Woman and Song Company, including Bonita and Alexander Carr. Others are Vesta Victoria, Marie Dressler, Sam Bernard, Cissy Loftus, the Roger Brothers, the Empire City Quartette, Maude Raymond, Joe Welsh, Theise's Harmonists and a host of others too numerous to mention.

## The Free Synagogue.

Dr. Emil G. Hirsch, Rabbi of Sinai Congregation of Chicago, will deliver the address Sunday morning at 11.15 at the Hudson Theatre. Dr. Hirsch will also give the address on Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock at Clinton Hall.

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Surprise Party.

A surprise party was given to Mr. Ira I. Kaplan on Saturday evening, March 9, 1907, at the residence of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. D. Kaplan, by the members of the C. C. N. Y. Athletic Association, of which he is an active member, for his untiring efforts in bringing about the recent games held at the Twenty-second Regiment. On behalf of the Executive Committee, Mr. I. Gilbert presented to him a handsome solid silver loving cup, suitably inscribed, and on behalf of his parents a very handsome gold watch, chain and charm. The recipient, who was taken completely by surprise, expressed his appreciation in feeling terms. Addresses were also made by Messrs. Morris, Frank and Malcolm Seaman. Among those present were: Mr. Bernard Marcus, Mr. Nathan Kalvin and sister, Mr. Emanuel Kaplan and Miss Jeanette Horowitz.

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JACOBS-HEITZNER. — On Sunday, March 10, by the Rev. D. Loewenthal, Fannie Heitzner to Maurice Jacobs.

OPPENHEIM-DRUCKER. — Mr. Joseph G. Oppenheim and Miss Pearl Grace Drucker were united in marriage on Monday evening, March 11, at the Hotel Knickerbocker, 42nd street and Broadway. The marriage ceremony took place in the green room, and was performed by the Rev. Dr. Aaron Eiseman, of New York City. After the services the guests partook of the wedding supper, and toasts were responded to by the minister and also Mr. Alexander Sinal, Mr. Ephraim Drucker, the father of the bride, Mr. Oppenheim, the brother of the groom. Mr. Brawl acted as toastmaster. Miss Minnie Eckstein was maid of honor and Mr. Sinal best man. The couple have journeyed to the South, where they will spend their honeymoon.

SILVER WEDDING.

One of the most enjoyable festivities of the season took place at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Breslauer on No. 37 West 127th street. The occasion was the celebration of the silver wedding of the hosts and the entire day was given up to enjoyment and gratulation.

In the afternoon midday dinner was served for the family alone and spreads were laid for forty. In the evening a reception was held when there were gathered about one hundred of the friends and relatives of the Breslausers in the parlors of their beautiful and spacious home. The presents were elaborate and costly and the many telegrams and cables of congratulation from every part of the world, including El Paso, Texas; Los Angeles, Cal., and Berlin and Breslau, testify to the esteem the couple is held in everywhere they are known; this being particularly true of their former home in the South.

At about 10 o'clock in the evening the guests were conducted to the dining hall, where an elaborate spread was laid and many formal and informal talks felicitating the couple were listened to with great delight as well as amusement. The speakers' programme was in charge of the able toastmaster, Mr. Edward A. Isaacs.

Among those attending were: Rev. Dr. B. Drachman, Mr. and Mrs. Marks Meres, Mr. and Mrs. Abe Moses, Mr. and Mrs. S. G. Flaum, Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Benjamin, Mr. and Mrs. P. Thorman, Mr. and Mrs. M. Steinberg, Mr. and Mrs. So. Briles, Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Garfumer, Mr. and Mrs. M. Garfumer, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Strauss, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Kalle, Mr. and Mrs. Goodkins, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Lubetkin, Mr. R. Strellitz, Mrs. J. Sittenfued, Mrs. B. Visanski, Misses Rosa and Lillie Moses, Miss Garfunker, Mr. S. Rittenberg, Mr. Moe Rosenthal, Mrs. M. Visanski, Dr. Livingston, Mr. A. Weiss and quite a number of others.

A beautiful affair was the commemorative of the twenty-fifth anniversary of the wedding day of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Slomon, which took place Saturday evening, March 9, at the Elmsere, W. 128th street. Rabbi D. Loewenthal, who united the couple twenty-five years ago, officiated also at this time. The tubular couple were surrounded by their children and grandchildren and a host of friends and relatives. Caterer Herrstadt took care that everyone enjoyed himself.

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The Rev. Dr. Emil G. Hirsch, of Chicago, is expected to address the school Monday morning, March 18, at 9 o'clock.

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ENGAGEMENTS.

ADELSON-HERTZBERG. — Mrs. Nettie Hertzberg announces the engagement of her daughter Byrd to Mr. Ab Adelson. At home Sunday, March 17, 3 to 6.

BERMAN-COHN. — Mr. and Mrs. Cohn, 227 West 141st street, announce the engagement of their daughter Tillie to Mr. Ab Berman. At home March 17, from 3 to 6.

BUCHLER-RICH. — Mr. and Mrs. William S. Rich announce the engagement of their daughter Pauline to Dr. Harry Buechler, both of Newark, N. J.

GEISBERG-JACOBS. — Mr. Lewis Jacobs announces the betrothal of his daughter Edith to Mr. Leopold Gelsberg, of Anderson, S. C. At home, 220 East Fifty-eighth street, Sunday, March 24, 3 to 6. No cards.

GELLER-HEINEMAN. — Mr. and Mrs. A. Heineman announce the betrothal of their daughter Adelaide to Mr. Hugo Geller. At home Sunday, March 17, 1907, 3 to 6 p. m., 100 West 139th street. No cards.

GREENBERG-DIAMOND. — Mrs. T. Diamond, of 150 Straight street, Paterson, N. J., announces the engagement of her daughter Reta to Mr. Ben Greenberg. At home Sunday, March 17.

HERTZ-COHN. — Mr. and Mrs. Israel Cohen announce the engagement of their daughter Rebecca to Mr. Ignatz Hertz at home Sunday, March 17, 12 West 115th street.

LEVY-DAVIS. — Mrs. Henrietta Davis announces the betrothal of her daughter Sarah to Mr. Louis Levy, of Philadelphia at home Sunday, March 17, after 7 p. m., 234 West 132d street.

MEYER-COHN. — Mr. and Mrs. Casel Cohen announce the engagement of their daughter Lillian to Mr. David Meyer. At home Sunday, March 17, 1907 7 to 6 p. m., at 207 West 139th street, Manhattan.

PANETH-POLLAH. — Mr. and Mrs. Pollah announce the engagement of their daughter Rose to Mr. Benjamin E Paneth. Home Sunday, March 17, 8 p. m., 1026 Park avenue.

RAPHAEL-LEVY. — Mr. Sylvester Raphael to Miss Sylvia Levy. At home, 422 Henry street, Brooklyn, N. Y., on Sunday, March 17, 1907, after 6 o'clock. No cards.

RESSLER-GIWOWSKY. — Miss Jennie Giwowsky, Wichita, Kan., Mr. Harry Ressler, New York. At home, 212 East Broadway, Sunday, March 17, 1907, 2 to 6 p. m.

SELIGMAN-LEVY. — Mr. and Mrs. Marks Levy announce the engagement of their daughter Mary to Mr. Martin Seligman. At home Sunday, March 17, 1907, 3 to 6, 73 West 113th street.

SHAPIRO-BRICK. — Mr. and Mrs. B. Brick 58 East 118th street, announce the engagement of their daughter Ray to Mr. A. Julius Shapiro.

WEISS-FRIED. — Clara Fried to Mr. Sam Weiss, of New Haven, Conn. At home Sunday, March 17, from 3 to 6, 1223 Park avenue. No cards.

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Zion Circle.

Prof. J. M. Asher, of the Jewish Theological Seminary, will speak before the "Zion Circle" on Saturday evening, March 16, at 8:30 p. m. in room 24, Educational Alliance, on "The Concept of Nationality; Is It Jewish?"

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On Sunday evening last Mr. and Mrs. Max Baron gave a reception in honor of their son Harold's Bar Mitzvah, at their residence, 15th avenue and 50th street, Borough Park, Brooklyn. Mrs. Baron was assisted by her daughter, Miss Dolly Baron, in receiving the numerous guests, who came from all parts of the country notwithstanding the snow storm.

The Bar Mitzvah boy was the recipient of many beautiful presents including sets of books from the members of Temple Emanu-El and from the pupils of the Sunday and Hebrew school.

Mr. Baron is president of the Temple, Mrs. Baron the presiding officer of the Ladies' Auxillary, and Miss Dolly Baron a teacher of the Sunday School and a leading member of the Young Folks' League.

Among those present were: Mr. and Mrs. I. Blumberg, Mr. and Mrs. D. Barzilay, Mr. and Mrs. Blankenstein, the Rev. and Mrs. I. L. Brill, Mrs. Cohen, Mr. and Mrs. E. Herbert, Mr. and Mrs. M. Goldmeyer, Mr. and Mrs. I. Marks, Mr. and Mrs. M. Marks, Counsellor and Mrs. Levin, Mr. and Mrs. Letzter, Mr. and Mrs. Opler and Miss Opler, Mr. and Mrs. A. Oettinger, Mr. and Mrs. W. Sugarman, Miss M. Sellman, Miss L. Marcus, Mr. and Mrs. J. Thaler, Miss Thaler, Mr. and Mrs. M. Silverman, Dr. and Mrs. Schapiro.

Master Abraham D. Cohn, son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Cohn, of 139 West 128th street, New York, was Bar-mitzvah at Congregation Anshe Eryeth, 146 West 131st street, on Saturday, March 2, 1907. This event was celebrated by a banquet tendered to him by his parents at the Belmonts on Sunday, March 3, 1907, the boy's uncle, J. W. Levy acting as toastmaster. During the evening Master Cohn addressed his parents as to his appreciation for their spiritual care and kindness bestowed upon him. In reply the venerable Rev. M. L. Cohn, of New York, and W. Levy, of New Haven, Conn., grandfathers, addressed the boy, explaining the essential meaning of this occasion. Following the banquet there was a musicale and dance. Many telegrams were received, one from Mr. and Mrs. Lester Cohn, uncle and aunt, regretting their absence on this joyous occasion on account of the ill-health of Mr. Cohn, who was deeply missed by all assembled. A rising toast was drunk to his speedy recovery. Master Cohn was the recipient of many presents. Among the out-of-town guests were Mr. and Mrs. W. Levy, of New Haven, Conn.; Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Levy, of Hartford, Conn.; Mr. Sam Harris, of Bridgeport, Conn.; Mrs. C. Buchman and daughters, of Jersey City, N. J.; Mr. and Mrs. A. Jaret and daughter, of Bath Beach, L. I.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Marks announce the bar mitzvah of their son Frederick Graham at the Synagogue B'nai Jeshurun, Madison avenue and Sixty-fifth street, Saturday morning, March 16, at home Sunday, March 17, 208 West 137th street, 4 to 6 p. m.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hyman announce the bar mitzvah of their son Arthur, March 16, Temple Rodeph Shalom, Lexington avenue, Sixty-third street. At home, March 17, 3 to 6. No cards.

Mr. and Mrs. Al. Ryman announce the bar mitzvah of their son, Simeon L., at Temple Ateris Zwi, No. 347 East 121st street, March 16, 1907. Reception Sunday, March 17, from 3 to 6 p. m., at their residence, No. 330 East 123d street.

Engagement of Miss Ruth Schechter.  
Mr. Samuel Goldreich, the eminent Jewish communal worker of Johannesburg, in the course of an interview with a representative of the London Jewish Chronicle, supplies the following interesting information.

Speaking of the Immigration Laws of South Africa, Mr. Goldreich said: "Oh, yes, there are many restrictions on alien immigration into South Africa. The immigrant must possess at least £20, and read and write a European language."

"This last provision was especially hard, and barred the entry of many a desirable alien. I am sure. But Mr. Maurice Alexander, a barrister and a member of the Town Council of Cape Town, after much difficulty, succeeded in getting Yiddish scheduled as a European language. This I need not say, has made an enormous difference. By the bye, Mr. Alexander is just about to proceed to New York to bring back to the colony an alien immigrant, most desirable in his eyes, for he is going to take Professor Schechter's daughter, Ruth."

Mr. Alexander is expected in this city in April.

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Y. M. H. C. — This (Friday) evening the Rev. Dr. S. Sibalman will speak.

CONG. BETH ISRAEL BIKUR CHOLIM. — "Some misapprehensions as to the Nature of Religion" will be the theme of Rev. Aaron Eiseman's sermon on Sabbath morning. At the regular children's services at 3 o'clock Rabbi Eiseman will speak on "The Story of the Girl Who Saved Her Country."

CONG. SHAAIRI ZEDEK, of Harlem. — Saturday morning Rev. Dr. A. Spiegel on "Israel and the Moon."

TEMPLE EZ CHAIM. — Saturday morning Rev. Dr. J. D. Spear on "The Influence of Women."

TEMPLE ADATH ISRAEL, BRONX. — This Friday evening Rev. Mayer Kopfstein on "A Prelude to a Sweet Song."

Young Folks' League of R. A. S.

The Young Folks' League of the Roumanian Aid Society will hold their third annual charity ball on Sunday, March 24, at the Harlem Casino, 124th street and Seventh avenue.

The Hebrew Sheltering Guardian Society Military Band will render promenade music, and Louis Fisher's full orchestra the dance music.

The Young Folks' League of R. A. S. is doing noble work assisting Roumanians and those of other nationalities in need and in distress.

Their affairs always prove socially and financially a great success and it is hoped seeing the hard and zealous work of the members giving as an illustration that out of 130 members, one, Miss R. Zinkes, sold about \$110. In tickets and ads., next in order, Miss M. Horn, about \$70 and it is needless to say that the dance will be largely attended.

The League meets every first and third Sunday afternoons at the Price Conservatory, 125th street and Seventh avenue.

The following are the officers of the society: President, Mrs. Louis Halpert; first vice-president, Miss Harriet Moreel; second vice-president, Miss Rebecca Goldbaum; recording secretary, Miss Cornelia Meyerson; treasurer, Mr. Max Flugelmann; representative to the R. A. S., Miss Rose Loebelsohn; trustees, Mr. Samuel Forester, Mr. Adolph Loebelsohn, Miss Lizzie Saphar, Miss Lizzie Zaroh.

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A NIGHT PRAYER.

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The bands of sleep fall on mine eyes,

My lids in slumber close.

O Lord our God! I pray to Thee  
To guard me in repose,

O grant that I may lay me down  
In peace at fall of night,  
And that in peace I may rise up  
To greet the day of light.

Let not my thoughts or evil dreams  
Or fancies trouble me.  
Safe in Thy ever watchful care  
My rest will perfect be.

Enlighten Thou mine eyes, O God!  
Lest I sleep the sleep of death:  
O Thou, who givest life to all,  
From Thee we draw each breath.!

A Funny Story from the Talmud.

ALTHOUGH the Talmud is a great big book, in many volumes, full of law and learning and interesting parables, it is not always serious. Some of its stories are humorous, and a very amusing one is the following, which tells of a practical joke.

Near Jerusalem was the city of Athina, the inhabitants of which were very jealous people. One of them paid a visit to Jerusalem, and when he returned home he told many silly stories of the sacred city and its dwellers. He made everybody in Athina believe that Jerusalem was like a big lunatic asylum.

"They are all fools and all their customs are ridiculous," he said, and when anybody in Athina wanted to call a person a fool, he said, "You must have come from Jerusalem," or "Go to Jerusalem."

The people in the Holy City did not like this, and a number of them held a meeting and decided that they must do something to punish the wicked man of Athina and teach him a lesson to behave himself and speak the truth in future. They carefully decided upon a plan, and one of their number went to Athina.

When he arrived there all the people laughed at him and asked him foolish questions about the rules of the "asylum city." But he put up with all the nonsense quietly and at length he made the acquaintance of the man who had caused the mischief. The man of Athina was delighted. He thought he would be able to have more fun. The two became friends and took a walk through the town together. While they were doing so, the man from Jerusalem said:

"I have broken the lace of my shoe. Take me to a shoemaker, please, so that I can get it repaired."

The Athina man laughed heartily, and a crowd gathered.

"What did I tell you?" he cried in great glee. "Here is a man from Jerusalem who has broken his shoe-string. He says only a shoemaker can repair it."

The Jerusalem man said nothing, but walked quietly in the midst of a laughing crowd to a shoemaker's, and

asked that the string should be repaired.!

"I will leave my shoe with you," he said, "and call for it to-morrow."

The shoemaker was astounded. He was about to say that it was not necessary to leave the shoe, or even the broken string, and that he sold new strings, but the man who had brought the visitor whispered to him that the stranger was a fool from Jerusalem. So the shoemaker shook his head sagely, and said:—

"Yes, sir, this is a most serious breakage. I shall put my best workmen to the task, and by diligent labor I hope they will finish it by to-morrow."

The next day the man from Jerusalem called again, and was shown his shoe with a new string.

"You see, sir," explained the shoemaker, "a new lace has had to be made. It was a task of great difficulty, but, as you perceive, sir, it fits exactly."

"Quite so!" replied the stranger. It is excellent. You are, indeed, a wonderful shoemaker. And what, pray you, sir, is the amount for which I am indebted to you for this profound workmanship?"

"One ducat," replied the shoemaker, winking at the crowd that had again followed the man. They all laughed because that was the price of a pair of new shoes.

"Indeed, that is amazingly cheap," said the man from Jerusalem. "I could not think of robbing so excellent a workman. I must pay you two ducats."

He did so, and the people of Athina were now fully convinced that Jerusalem was a city of idiots.

The next day the stranger broke the string of his other shoe, and he went to the shoemaker and once more paid two ducats to have it repaired.

The man who had visited Jerusalem was astonished.

"Shoes in your city," he said, "must be very expensive if you pay two ducats for laces."

"Yes," replied the stranger, "they are very dear. They sell for ten ducats a pair. If you can buy a pair for eight, or even nine ducats, they are very cheap. But that seldom happens."

"Then if I bought shoes here and sold them in Jerusalem," said the man of Athina, eagerly, "I could make a fortune very quickly."

"Even so," answered the Jerusalem man, gravely. "You could become a rich man in less than a year. And because of your great kindness to me here, I will help you if you will let me know when you are coming."

The man of Athina was overjoyed.

"I shall become a rich man because of these fools," he said, and he spent nearly all his money in shoes of all sizes and set out for Jerusalem, first informing the stranger, who had returned home, that he was coming with a caravan. The man of Jerusalem told his friends.

"Now we shall be avenged for the insults heaped upon us," they said.

They formed themselves into a procession and went to the city's gates to meet the caravan-laden with shoes.

"Greeting to you," said the one who had visited Athina to the man who brought the shoes. "We have been looking forward to your coming. But before a stranger can enter our city with merchandise for sale, he must observe its customs. First, we must shave your head and blacken your face."

The man from Athina looked surprised, but he noticed that all the men who came to meet him wore torn and shabby shoes. They had put them on purposely.

As long as I make large profits out of these fools, what does it matter?" he said to himself. So he allowed them to shave his head and blacken his face.

A big crowd waited for the caravan in the city, and when the man from Athina entered with his black face and his head shaved, they roared with laughter. They knew that this was the man who had insulted them and that they were going to make him feel sorry. He looked so funny that even the children and the beggars in the street laughed loudly.

But the man of Athina walked gravely at the head of his caravan to the market-place. There all the shoes were unpacked and spread out on the ground.

"Gather round, you good and noble people of the city of Jerusalem," cried the man with the black face.

"I will sell you shoes cheaper than any man has ever sold them here."

"How much?" asked several people.

"Ten ducats a pair," answered the man from Athina, and all the people laughed so heartily that they could hardly stop.

"I may sell for nine, but certainly not less than eight," cried the man with the black face, who did not understand the behaviour of the crowd. He had been told that they would be only too eager to buy.

"Take them home," the people shouted. "We have never paid more than a ducat a pair."

Each one seized a shoe and throw it at the man with the black face. He commenced to run. Through the streets and out of the city gates they followed him and pelted him with his own shoes. And then he understood.

"When next you visit a strange city, you will not poke fun at it," said the people. Sad, bruised and scorned, the man from Athina fled with the laughter of the crowd ringing in his ears.

The world is too apt to have a confused idea of happiness, success and dollars.

A Jewish Flying Man.

Many of the boy readers of "HEBREW STANDARD" must be keenly interested in inventions and in the endeavors of bold and clever men to make flying machines. Perhaps they do not know that a Jew took a most important part in this work not many years ago. His experiments attracted a great deal of attention, but his daring led him to take great risks and he was killed.

The man's name was Otto Lilienthal, who was born in Germany in 1848. He was an engineer, and, taking a great interest in the problem of aerial navigation, he set himself to make a flying-machine. In his experiments he was assisted by his brother. He planned an apparatus with curved wings like a bird, and people in all parts of the world were astonished to learn, in 1891, that Lilienthal had actually succeeded in

He and other scientists, however, called it "gliding." With his apparatus fastened to his body, he would jump from a very high platform and sail or glide through the air, while he moved the wings. If it was not exactly flying it was more than any other inventor had done. Lilienthal made 2,000 successful "glides," and another inventor, Pilcher, began to copy his methods.

One day, however, in August, 1896, Lilienthal, while sailing in the air, was caught by a gust of wind. His machine was overturned, he crashed to the ground and was killed. He will always be remembered as one of the martyrs of invention.

The Twin Months.

Friday, fifteenth, was the first day of the month of Adar, the funniest of all the Jewish months. Sometimes it is one month, sometimes it is two. It is the last of the twelve months, and in a leap year it comes twice! To understand this you must know that the Jewish year is counted by the moon, and not by the sun, and has only 354 days, eleven less than a year of 365 days. So when a leap year comes, it is necessary to make the moon year catch up to the sun year, and instead of an extra day, there is a whole month extra, and this is called, Ve-Adar, or the Second Adar.

Leap year in the Jewish calendar does not come once in four years, but seven times in nineteen years. It would take too long to explain why this is so, and not only children, but most grown-up people, cannot understand the complication of the Jewish calendar. It is not a leap year this year, so there is only one Adar. When there is a second Adar, the Festival of Purim occurs then. In ordinary years it takes place in Adar.

People who were born in Adar the Second in a leap year and count their birthdays according to the Jewish date, cannot understand what is happening sometimes. I knew a little boy once whose birthday wobbled about so curiously that his school teacher was quite puzzled. It seemed to be on a different date every year, and at last the schoolmaster wrote to the Jewish minister for an explanation. When he got it he was more puzzled than ever, because it made it appear that the boy could only have birthdays seven times in nineteen years! Have any readers of HEBREW STANDARD found themselves in this strange position!

The great event of the month of Adar is Purim, the jolliest of the Jewish Festivals celebrated in commemoration of the overthrow of the wicked

Haman who wanted to kill all the Jews. Purim is pantomime and carnival time with us, when everybody ought to be happy and light hearted. It is the custom to show this by sending one another presents and by entertaining the poor. The day before Purim is the Fast of Esther.

There are other events to remember in Adar. The thirteenth day, the day on which the Fast of Esther falls, used to be called Nicanor Day, the anniversary of the defeat of Nicanor by the Maccabees. And Jews in England should never forget that Cromwell allowed Jews to settle in England again in this month in the year 1656. It was also in this month in the year 1855 that Jews were re-admitted into Spain. So there are many things to make us remember the month of Adar with very great pleasure.

The March of a Rabbi-Poet.

A wonderful boy was Leo di Modena, who was born in Venice as long ago in 1571, and who died in 1648—in the same city, which was then one of the greatest in the world. Leo's grandfather was a famous doctor, and his father being a rich man, the boy received a very good education. He learnt most everything, even singing and dancing, and long before he reached his Barmitzva he showed that he was a genius.

He was only twelve years of age when he translated the poetry of Ariosto, a great Italian poet, into Hebrew, and shortly after his Barmitzva he wrote a dialogue to show the evils of gambling, which made him famous. This work of a mere boy was so wonderful that it was translated into Latin, German, French and other languages, and it did a lot of good. All who read the work were greatly impressed.

But it was very remarkable that while Leo, by his writing, prevented large numbers of people from becoming gamblers, he himself ruined his life by gaming. His life, however, was full of sorrows. When he was still a young man, his father lost his money and became poor, and Leo became a teacher and a Rabbi. He was a great orator, and his sermons in Italian made him famous. Not only Jews but Christians came to hear him, and they all said he was a wonderful man.

He was not only a preacher. His great knowledge enabled him to do many things. He was also a lawyer, a bookseller, a corrector of books; in all, he was engaged in about twenty professions. But he did not grow rich. As soon as he made any money he lost it in gambling, and some of his writings did not please the other Rabbis.

Then he had so many troubles. Poor Leo, indeed, went through life with a broken heart. His wife became insane; his eldest son, who was very clever, died at the age of 26; another son was killed; and a third, after leading a wild life, emigrated to Brazil and was never heard of again. One of his two daughters also died young, and the other became a widow not long after her marriage.

This was enough to break any man's spirit, but Leo struggled on, always writing, always doing something. His knowledge of music enabled him to help in the publication of a book of synagogue melodies, and he also wrote a book on chess, besides, of course, many very learned volumes and poems.

Some men's idea of the pursuit of happiness is to sprinkle salt on its tail.

## Musical and Dramatic Comment.

WHEN the names of Beethoven and Haydn figure exclusively on the programme of a Kneisel Quartet evening as they did last week, the listener hies to Mendelssohn Hall his mind filled with pleasurable anticipation and no fear at all that his patience and his faculty of appreciation will be subjected to any laborious or exhausting test. The quartet in E flat op. 127, belonging to the last period of Beethoven's life, is of that order of beauty which can only be described, as ethereal. Its transcendent qualities require for a perfect interpretation such transcendent skill as this organization beyond any other with which we are acquainted possesses. On the occasion under notice, a performance of surpassing loveliness was given. Less austere and sunnier in its spirit was the pianoforte trio which followed. Mr. Gabrilowitsch again proved himself a most admirable chamber-music pianist. His beautiful tone and his intellectual musicianship enabled him to preserve a perfect balance with his associates. The concert closed with Haydn's quartet in G op. 77, a work which, in spite of repeated hearings, one is always glad to listen to at least once a season.

We extend our congratulations to Mr. Heinrich Corried upon his recovery to health, and the music lovers of this community are glad to know that he is once more able to visit the Opera House, which under his administration has become one of the first lyric theatres of the world. To be sure, during the entire time of his illness, he was able to direct the affairs of the Opera. This reminds us of a story. While Baron von Dingelstedt was director of the Vienna Court Theatre, the great tragedienne Charlotte Wolter one day desired to speak to him. The actress waiting in an ante-room was told that the manager was not in. A few moments later she saw from the other side of the street, the manager's head looking out of an open window. "Ah," she exclaimed, "Herr Baron, even if you are not in the theatre, your head is always there."

The last concert of the New York Symphony Orchestra for this season, as at present organized, was given at Carnegie Hall, on Sunday afternoon. It would seem that the democratic idea, that is where the musicians themselves have a voice in managing the concerts, is not productive of the best artistic results and the generous supporters of Mr. Walter Damrosch will hereafter empower the conductor to engage the men at stated salaries. Beginning next October this orchestra of the New York Symphony Society, will be held together for continuous rehearsals and concerts for a period of at least seven months every year. The subscribers to the fund have unanimously approved plans whereby besides the eight regular Saturday evening concerts, twenty Sunday afternoon concerts will be given yearly beginning in November with an orchestra of ninety-four players.

The third and last concert of the Boston Symphony Quartet will be given in Mendelssohn Hall next Friday afternoon. The programme comprises Debussy's quartet in G minor, Schubert's trio for piano, violin and cello in B flat, and Mozart's quintet for clarinet, violins, viola and cello.

The assisting artists' will be Mme. Katherine Goodson, pianist, and Mr. George Grisez, first clarinet of the Boston Orchestra.

On Tuesday evening next the Oratorio Society will produce at Carnegie Hall, Edward Elgar's "The Apostles," and on Thursday evening "The Kingdom," by the same composer. Sir Edward will conduct on both occasions.

Miss Dora Becker, violinist, announces a recital for next Tuesday evening at Mendelssohn Hall. She will be assisted by Charles N. Granville, baritone, Gustav L. Becker, pianist, and Max Herzberg, accompanist.

Another violin recital in the same hall by Kellert, is set down for Thursday evening.

At the Metropolitan Opera House it is all Puccini for the rest of this week. At to-night's performance of "Boheme," Miss Farrar sings Mimi. At the matinee "Madame Butterfly" and in the evening "Tosca" will be sung.

J. M.

### Jewish Mothers.

MR. GEORGE R. SIMS, the eminent English novelist and playwright, in the course of one of his articles on "The Cry of the Children," in the London *Tribune*, contrasted the treatment of their children by Jewish mothers with the conduct towards their offspring of non Jewish women. The object of this article, says Mr. Sims, is "to enlist public sympathy for the tens of thousands of little children whose chances of health and happiness, of life itself, are being utterly ruined by the ignorance, carelessness or selfishness of the mothers who bore them."

Speaking of a busy district in South London, he remarks: "I entered thirty public-houses in this quarter one morning last week, and up to noon I found women and babes and children in all but three of them. Some of the children were having their share of the morning dram. From home to the pawnshop, and from the pawnshop to the public-house, is the conventional Monday morning trip of a vast number of poor married women."

Comparing the practice of motherhood among the Jewish population of the East End with that prevailing among the native population, Mr. Sims takes, as an illustration, a street in the East End, one end of which is almost inhabited by Russian and Polish Jews, while the other end is principally occupied by native families. Among the aliens, says Mr. Sims, "you will never see an unshod child, and rarely a ragged or a dirty one. Among the natives many of the children are shoeless, and very few of them, even in the depth of winter, are warmly clad. The alien children are in the street till a late hour of the night. They form always a pretty picture, dancing merrily in their gay-colored frocks and ribbons and white pinafores to the organ. The native children, ragged and unkempt, wander dejectedly in the dark courtyard or stand about outside the public-houses in which their mothers are drinking. The scene on Saturday night in this street is an object lesson in sobriety and careful motherhood, as opposed to intemperate and neglected motherhood. "The Jewish mother," continues Mr. Sims, "feeds her infant naturally, caters skilfully for her children, and does not frequent the public-houses. The sobriety is racial, and so

is the instinct of family life that is the abiding virtue of the Jewish race. It is to their sobriety and their devotion to their children that the Jewish aliens largely owe the early success in a strange land, which enables them to push on and gradually improving their condition and adding to their means, to displace and dispossess a less sober and less domesticated people. I have watched the Jewish children from the day they come here with their parents from a land of persecution. I have seen the infants and the grown children in their schools, and knowing the conditions in which many of them living in crowded tenements, I have always marvelled at their physical and mental vigor."

Mr. Sims mentions a visit which he paid recently to the Buckle Street Infants' School, and states that it is with something like patriotic misgiving that he contemplates the meeting of the children in the school with the native born of their own class in the great battle in which the fittest are the conquerors. In the Jewish quarters, he points out, the birth-rate is high and the death-rate low. Among the native population the birth-rate is decreasing and the rate of infant mortality is increasing. "Slowly and surely the sober race is ousting the intemperate race." Mr. Sims goes on to say:—

"I have watched the process for years, and not only in the East End but in certain quarters of the West, and as an Englishman loving my own land and my own people, I cannot—while greatly honouring all that is splendid in the sobriety, the motherhood, and the family life of the alien people—recognise without a pang of shame that two of the great causes of the displacement of the native are to be found in the greater devotion to motherhood of the Jewish woman, and the greater sobriety of the Jewish toiler. The housing conditions, the external environment of the alien people in the congested areas of the East End are in no way superior to those of the native population. But the alien children thrive where the native born perish. There is no need to raise the cry for the Jewish children, "Out of the Dram Shop!" and "Back to the Breast!" The little ones are never taken into the former, or denied the latter. In the four divisions of the Borough of Stepney the rate of infant mortality was in 1905 as follows:—In Limehouse, 163 per 1,000; in St. George's, 157.1; in Mile End, 140.9; in Whitechapel, 119.3. There are very few Jewish families in Limehouse. Whitechapel is densely crowded with them. The lowest rate of infant mortality in Manchester is in the Jewish quarter. The rate of infant mortality in the wretched wards in East Side, inhabited by poor Russian Jews, is lower than for all New York.

Good motherhood, he concludes, triumphs over all external conditions. Bad motherhood is the first great cause of our appalling infant mortality.

The usually well-informed Morgen Post is responsible for the statement that the Countess Augusta, second daughter of Prince Philipp zu Eulenburg, has contracted a love marriage with a Roumanian Jew—a still professing Jew—of the name of Torallinek. The new son-in-law of the Prince was his private secretary and assisted him in his favorite theological studies. The Prince is one of the most intimate friends of the Emperor.

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FROM all accounts it is apparent that Purim is more generally celebrated.

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THERE will be a Seder at the Y. W. H. A. on the 29th inst.,—free to all deserving women and children.

ROCHESTER, N. Y., follows in the wake of Paterson, N. J., in engaging in a Rabbonim squabble. Such action can only tend to bring orthodox Judaism into disrepute.

THE statement is made that a certain actress who is engaged to be married to a Jewish *jeune dame* is to embrace Judaism. We can't say that any honor will be conferred upon us.

"WHAT has the world done for the Jew? It has done a great deal for nothing does so much for a race or an individual as oppression"—Rabbi S. Schulman—Can't see it in that light. We always were under the impression that religion preserved the Jewish people.

"I AM perfectly willing to give my body after death to any reputable medical college for dissection," said Dr. Emil G. Hirsch, the noted rabbi and scholar, before the Legislative Committee. He was arguing against an attempt to cripple the clinics in the large medical schools in Chicago.—Press Despatch.

We shall then perhaps learn why Rabbi Hirsch sometimes preached orthodox and at other times reform sermons.

TEMPLE Beth-El should be crowded to overflowing on Tuesday evening, March 19, when, under the auspices of the New York Section of the Council of Jewish Women, the Musical Cantors' Association of America numbering one hundred and fifty voices will present some traditional Synagogue music. The programme is a most unique one and the audience will certainly be recompensed for the time they will spend in the Temple. The Rev. Dr. S. Schulman will make the introductory remarks.

SPEAKING at the Missionary Convention of the Methodists of Western Pennsylvania, Eastern Ohio and West Virginia held recently in Pittsburg, Pa., the Rev. Dr. C. W. Blodgett, of Allegheny, said: "The United States soon would have 5,000,000 Hebrews, or one-half of the Jewish population of the world, that the Hebrews were intent in the pursuit of wealth and had much to do with breaking down Sabbath observance. He approved the erection of large churches, as he claims they awe the foreign population." Dr. Blodgett is right; large churches are needed not for the foreigners, but for such men as he to teach them tolerance and the importance of truth. He requires a missionary all to himself alone. A lesson in true religion would do him some good.

DR. SCHREIBER, writing in the *Jewish Outlook* (Denver) says:

"What has become of the big conservative wave which, according to some Eastern papers a few years ago, was about to sweep away Reform Judaism? If it ever existed outside the imagination of those writers, whose wish was father to the thought, it must have vanished, been side-tracked. Not even a wavelet is noticeable on the wide ocean of Judaism. The Eastern Press maintains a most eloquent silence on this subject. And this is a reassuring sign of the times. Our reactionaries who are used to making a mountain of a mole hill certainly would have said a word or two on the subject had they had the least chance to do so. But there is none. The contrary is the case. Reform Judaism is gaining ground in the United States. The vast influx of Russian Jews, far from retarding, will accelerate its rapid progress."

It is evident that Dr. Schreiber's "wish is father to the thought." Conservatism is gaining steadily all over the country.

There is the Trouble.

A gentleman upon being asked to join the congregation of the district in which he lived volunteered the interesting information that he had not attended services in a synagogue for a period of twenty-two years. In explanation thereof he told the following story. The first year of his settlement in this country he went to well known East Side Synagogue on the Roeb Hasbounch and not having a ticket, although he explained that his means were so meagre that he barely had the wherewithal for a square meal, an official ordered him to leave the house of worship. He had for this reason left the building and since then has never been inside a synagogue for the purpose of praying.

This is by no means an isolated instance, and all the greater the pity.

Synagogues and temples, congregations and chevras are so imbued with the spirit of materialism that the cause of true religion is bound to suffer.

What do our synagogues do to check the decay of Judaism? Absolutely nothing! Our orthodox houses of worship take no account of the necessities and the requirements of the growing generation, and in our radical reform temples a spiritless, soulless Judaism is taught.

Between the two the young are drifting toward agnosticism at a very rapid pace.

Of course, synagogues and temples have to be maintained, salaries have to be paid, mortgages lifted, but the business spirit should not be of greater importance than the spiritual object to which the building has been dedicated.

In the Right Direction.

AT the last meeting of the Board of Executives of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations a board of delegates on Civil Rights, consisting of fifty-four members, was elected.

We commend those who so loudly heralded the precious Committee of 15-15-60, which has the impudence to call itself "representative," and judge for themselves which is the more representative of the two.

The members of the Board on Civil Rights are elected, and not appointed, and are responsible to another representative organization.

This is a step in the right direction, and it would be advisable if the Union of American Hebrew Congregations would seize the opportunity of transforming the Board of Delegates on Civil Rights into a really National Organization. The Union has the nucleus of such a body, and its enlargement would be an easy matter.

This should not be a matter of orthodoxy or reform, but should be considered from the broader Jewish standpoint. The civil interests of both wings of Judaism are identical and theology should not stand in the way of united efforts in the work affecting the common welfare of all the Jews in America.

Brooklyn Needs Money.

THERE are two institutions in the Borough across the Bridge which are in need of funds. One is the Jewish Hospital at Classon and St. Mark's Avenues and Prospect Place, and the other is the Young Men's Hebrew Association.

The hospital has a capacity of two hundred beds, but on account of lack of means only one hundred patients are being admitted at a time.

The Young Men's Hebrew Association is in urgent need of a building. The work of its organization is increasing tremendously and the present quarters at 472 Fifth Avenue are by far too small.

Brooklyn needs money and Brooklyn should supply money. The quarter of a million of Jews living in the Borough should be able to maintain their own institution. It is positively disgraceful to see the few very rich men in the community give, and the great mass of middle class people contribute next to nothing. The millionaires in our midst are few, and it is manifestly unfair to appeal to them continually. It were time that the men making from two to five thousand dollars per annum put their hands into their pockets and did their duty to the community.

It is a shame that one hundred beds should but be used when there is so much sickness around us and it does not redound to the credit of Brooklyn Jews that that the Young Men's Hebrew Association is compelled to carry on its work in two small rooms.

The Jews of Brooklyn are in duty bound to carry their own burdens and we hope that both Hospital and the Young Men's Hebrew Association will soon have all the funds necessary to enable them to carry out the objects for which they were founded.

The Valley of Misery.

THE article on "The Jews of Wilna," printed in another column of this issue, together with the addresses of Aladyin, Lewin and others, give a lurid picture of the terrible conditions prevailing in Russia.

While all hearts must go out in sympathy to the Russian people irrespective of creed or race, still we, as Jews, are especially concerned with the fate of our brethren in that unfortunate country.

The last Duma accomplished nought and the present so-called representative chamber will do to nothing and those optimists who put their faith to the duma will be sadly mistaken.

For the Jews of Russia the outlook is indeed dark and they may well cry out in their anguish, "Whence cometh our help?"

When we carefully consider the whole Russo-Jewish Question, we are compelled to admit that the blame must rest upon our own shoulders. For a quarter of a century we have been masterly inactive, always deluding ourselves that on the morrow the cloud will disappear, but alas, that to-morrow never came and never will arrive until we adopt measures for the permanent relief of our people.

The sufferings of the 5,000,000 of Jews in Russia are more terrible than the hardships and tribulations our people had to undergo in ancient Egypt. It is a mockery to rejoice at the liberation of the children of Israel from the yoke of Pharaoh so long as the hand of the Romanoffs continues to oppress our brethren.

We may arrange mass-meetings, give dinners to Duma leaders and wax enthusiastic at gatherings. All this amounts to nothing. Moses, Hess, Pinsker, Kalisher, Herzl counselled the only remedy. The Russo-Jewish Question can only be solved outside of Russia and by what Mr. Cyrus L. Sulzberger once rightly termed "the collective wisdom of the Jewish brethren."

The Acceptable Sacrifice.

וכחו וכחו צדק וכחמו אדר

"Speak to the children of Israel and tell them: if any of you shall offer a sacrifice unto the Lord, from the cattle, either from the herd or the flock shall ye bring your offering."—Leviticus 1, 2.

MAN is born frail and prone to be turned away from the proper path by the many temptations that are lurking in the ways and avenues of life. Some question, why did the good God so design it, why did He not make man pure and invulnerable to vice and unconquerable by corruption? But they do not consider that if men were all so perfect from birth what merit would there be in virtue, what need in the higher qualities of manhood and womanhood? But just as there are medicaments for physical ailments and maladies, so means of propitiation to the erring mortal have been given.

The tabernacle in the wilderness was to be the schoolhouse where Israel was taught the ways of virtue, how to pursue them and how to eschew the evil paths, like our synagogues are to day, but if in spite of all the teachings and moral persuasion one would sin or in any way err, then he felt he must atone for his iniquity, the sacrificial laws were enacted and the sinner brought his sacrifices to God's altar. The offerings were brought from the herd or the flock, why? because that was what the people possessed; and if we had a sacrificial law to-day and we could enforce it, it would have a salutary effect upon religious affairs. As our possessions to day consist of pecuniary means, each offender would have to bring the equivalent of herds and flocks, people would take better care not to sin because they would not want to touch their treasury every time they did wrong; and that was just exactly the intention of the sacrifices. It was not God's will and command that sacrifices be brought. The Lord did not say, "ye shall offer up sacrifices unto me," but he bid Moses to tell the children of Israel, "if any of you shall offer a sacrifice unto the Lord, either of the herd or the flock shall ye bring your offering."

The Talmud gives us a beautiful illustration bearing on the subject why Israel was given at all the sacrificial laws. It relates:

"A certain king's son assumed the habit of eating and drinking outside of his father's house which was liable to cause him to become immoderate, the father said to his son: 'Eat, I pray thee, and drink all thou desirest, but do it my house.'"

Thus it was with Israel. They were accustomed to see the Egyptians and other nations offering sacrifices to their deities and longed to emulate them; the Lord then said, let them do so, but let their sacrifices be to me. Thus the sacrifices were instituted according to the drift of the age; but the prophets and the great men in Israel never believed that these sacrifices were essential, or the chief import of religion. Samuel already said to Saul when he disobeyed God's direction in war with the Amalekites, "Obedience is better than sacrifices."—I. Sam. xv, 22, and David, singing praises unto God in Psalmody, raised his voice in beautiful monition: "Offer ye the sacrifices of righteousness, and

put your trust in the Lord."—Ps. iv. 6. Again he sings, as if the Lord hath spoken: "Do I eat the flesh of fatted bulls, or drink the blood of goats? The sacrifice to Elohim is thanksgiving . . . sacrifices of thanksgiving shall glorify me."—ib. 1, 13-23. This sentiment runs through all the writings of David. Isaiah cries out against bloody sacrifices, which, of course, had been abused, and those sacrifices of old have ceased, never to be resumed.

We are advanced in the knowledge of God to know to keep from sin and wickedness; still, as humanity is frail and prone, liable to err and make mistakes, then we believe with Solomon, who said: "To practice righteousness and justice is more acceptable to the Lord than sacrifice."

In ancient times the sacrifices were intended to uplift humanity and bring them nearer to God, to the source whence the soul, the purity, the intellect of man emanates, as the other nations sank low in their sacrificial rites, offering their devotion and sacrifices to heinous idols. Israel was brought out of that degraded state and made to offer to God devotions and sacrifices; but as we have outgrown the dark ages, our light shines lighter, our knowledge of God is brighter, and the glory of God shines upon Israel lustrotrously, we have to offer sacrifices of righteousness and trust to the Lord. If we do that, He will love us, He will bless us.

Engagement Presents.

IT is only amongst our people that such things as giving engagement presents by the friends of a lady who has become affianced obtains. The custom is an old one and for many years, the present consisted of a trifle or a bunch of flowers.

It then graduated into gifts of a substantial character and of goodly intrinsic value, and as years went by the gift at an engagement, equalled in value and cost the one given as a wedding present.

Now these things are a positive abuse, and an imposition upon many who are either not able or willing to tax themselves doubly for these occasions, but are compelled to because "others do it."

There are any number of people who upon buying these engagement presents have made the remark, "I begrudge myself the purchase of such an article, but I go and buy it for another." Many of their engagement presents are given unwillingly and perforce of circumstances. A wedding present should suffice.

Nearly every engagement is announced in the public press. Won't some sensible girl step forward and add to the announcement, "Omit engagement presents," or "presents other than flowers will positively be rejected," and thus win the approbation of an unwillingly taxed part of the Jewish community.

I am sure if the true feelings of the donors on these occasions could find expression attending the gifts that many of the donors would be just as pleased not to have these forced presents.

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Reflections on Bar-Mitzvah.

"Who gave Jacob for spoil and Israel to the robbers? did not the Lord, He against whom we have sinned? for they would not walk in His ways, neither were they obedient to His laws."  
Isaiah xliii, 24.

COMMENTING upon it homiletically, the Talmud relates, how Rabbi Joshua, the son of Hananiah, put this as a test to a handsome and goodly looking youth, who was an inmate of a Roman prison, using the first passage as a means of examining the culprit's mental development, his moral standing and his religious education. Whereupon, the prisoner, with chagrin and reluctance, found refuge in the succeeding phrases of the quoted verse, submissively enduring his tribulations, trials and troubles.

The Rabbi, thereupon, vowed to have the youngster released at any ransom, prophesying an illustrious future for him.

It goes without saying, that the youth was certainly liberated through the rabbi's intercession, and, in the course of a short time, he became a light in Israel (*Gittin f. 58 a*).

It must be borne in mind, that the process of alluding to Biblical sentences, as illustrations and interpretations of past events, contemporaneous incidents and coming occurrences, has been continually in vogue with Jews of the Talmudic periods. The seven sons of the saintly Hannah, who inflexibly refused to deify the Heathen gods, the tyrannical Emperor's torture notwithstanding, based their obstinate refusals upon fundamental doctrines of Scripture (*ibid f. 57 b*).

Similarly, when Rabbi Johanan prepared to Samuel, his superior, he consulted an approaching youngster as to ascertain the welfare of his host. Unconscious of his great mission, the lad in question, unhesitatingly produced the subsequent dust of "Samuel died" from the prophetic book (*xxv, 1*), which declaration innocently as it was, resulted, however, in changing the Rabbi's plans and discontinuing the proposed journey (*Hulin f. 95 b*).

Now, then, what caused Rabbi Joshua's amazement on hearing the imprisoned boy merely ending his own unfinished Biblical verse?

Moreover, one fails to see in an utterance of a few Scriptural verses a prelude for an eminent career. The reason, however, is obvious.

There is nothing new under the sun.

Just the same as now-a-days, in times of yore, likewise, after the age of 13, when the Bar Mitzvah had passed and the paternal blessing of "Blessed be He, who released me from the punishments of this one" was publicly announced, the imparting of Hebrew ceased, the instruction of religion stopped and the perusal of the Holy Writ discontinued confronted with a Biblical quotation, the adolescent never knew its continuation; and examined in theoretical truths one's ignorance was apparent. The learned youth represented, nevertheless, a phenomenal exception and produced a deviation from the general course of events. He, as a

matter of record, remorsefully implicated both, children and parents.

With the great prophet he confesses the children's disinclination towards law, lore and learning, saying as he does, "we have sinned," while the consequent sequel of "they would not walk in His ways," admonishes the parents, taking them to task for misinterpreting the *Maphtir*.

"Maphtir" does not imply release, as some individuals, spontaneously or supinely, are prone to grant it. "Maphtir" signifies a beginner, for, as a matter of fact, the Bar Mitzvah celebrant is ordered "at thirteen to observe the precepts" (*Ethics v 36*), to which the parents must urge him, inasmuch as the commandment "Thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children" (*Deut. vi, 7*), is not limited to any age, neither bracketed by any stage.

"This book of the law shalt not depart out of thy mouth, but thou shalt meditate therein day and night, that thou mayest observe to do all that is written therein; for then thou shalt make thy way prosperous, and then shalt have good success" (*Joshua i, 8*).

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Self-respecting Jewish Masons.  
Editor, HEBREW STANDARD:

I read with much satisfaction the editorial in your issue of March 1st, denouncing the remarks made by the Worshipful Master of Civic Lodge, F. & A. M., with reference to celebrating their anniversary by a public ball to be given on the Jewish Sabbath.

Such an affair would naturally tend to bring the Jewish community into well-deserved contempt.

The proposed offense seems the more glaring, and the insult more pronounced, when it is understood that there is no actual necessity for the desecration of the Jewish Sabbath, as the anniversary can just as well be celebrated the evening of the 16th or 18th.

The Wor. Master in his individual capacity is certainly entitled to his own views, but he should hesitate in having his Lodge, composed of Jews, fly in the face of well-known Jewish religious sentiment and lower themselves in the estimation of their Christian neighbors.

No Masonic Lodge would give a social function of any character on the Christian Sabbath, even St. Patrick's Day this year will not be celebrated on the traditional 17th of March.

It is not too late for the Wor. Master to recede from his untenable position, and not bring Civic Lodge into disrepute with all self-respecting Jewish Masons.

HIRAYA A. BIV.

The Grand Chaplain Should Act.  
Editor, HEBREW STANDARD:

Of the four Grand Chaplains appointed by the Grand Master of this State, one is an Israelite, and presumably designated to see that the religious rights of his Jewish brethren are not infringed upon.

The Rev. Dr. Joseph Silverman is the present incumbent of that distinguished office, and needless to state that in the discharge of his duties, however perfunctory they may be, and on account of his position in Jewish-ministerial circles, he "is held in high veneration by the Craft."

I think his duties should not be limited to the exercises of the Grand Lodge; they should go further—he should see that his Jewish Masonic brethren should be protected from insult.

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# THE JEWS OF WILNA.

[The following extracts are taken from a "confidential" document which was prepared by the former governor of Wilna, Paleno, and submitted to von Plehve. The document contains much valuable material for the study of the Russian Jewish question, and the fact that the former governor of Wilna, voicing the opinion of many of the highest government officials, was compelled to admit the abnormality of the condition of the Jews in Russia, is regarded as particularly significant.)

UNDER the heading, "A Historical Review of the Economic Condition of the Jews in Russia and Poland," the governor says: "In old Poland the Jews occupied the position of not only separate religious racial group, but also of a distinct economic class—a commercial and industrial class. The Jews constituted an exclusive group, hedged off from the rest of the population, by natural causes, such as religious and national customs and peculiarities, as well as by artificial causes, such as their exclusive legal position and special privileges. So long as the Jews had no competitors as pioneers of commercial and industrial activity, the government valued and protected them in every way. But with the growth of the Christian element in the Polish cities during the sixteenth century (first came the Germans, then the Polish mechanics and tradesmen), the attitude of the government toward the Jews was changed. The Christian merchants and mechanics tried their utmost to restrict the activity of their competitors, the Jews. The Catholic clergy, hostile to the Jews, were instrumental in turning the economic rivalry into an ominous form of religious hatred. The blending of these motives frequently led to unfortunate conflicts and general attacks upon the Jews.

"Since then the economic decline of the Jews in Poland has been rapid. The Jewish masses, huddled together in a certain limited territory, grew poorer and poorer. The economic condition of the Jews was not improved by their becoming Russian subjects, for they remained in the same narrow pale of settlement with no exit to the internal provinces of Russia. Though urged on and encouraged by the government since the reign of Alexander I, the Jews were not very successful as agricultural people, because of the extreme difficulty of transforming immemorial town-dwellers into tillers of the soil. And yet the Jews were gradually attracted toward agriculture and would have proved successful to a certain extent even to-day if not for the insurmountable obstacles in the form of the 'temporary laws' of 1882, prohibiting the settlement of Jews in villages even if they wanted to till the soil.

"The impoverishment of the Jewish masses became particularly noticeable since the introduction of the wine monopoly in the provinces of the pale of Jewish settlement (1896). Tens of thousands of families thus deprived of their means of subsistence, turned to the large cities of the 'pale' (Odessa, Kishineff, Yekaterinograd, Wilna, Warsaw, Homel and others) and they were formed a formidable proletariat whose woeeful condition has frequently been described in official reports. \* \* \*

According to the figures given by

the governor, the number of well-to-do Jews constitute 7 per cent. of the entire Jewish population of Wilna. There are 13 bankers, 2,464 manufacturers and owners of printing plants, 20 lumber merchants, 30 contractors, 160 professional people and about 200 of the storekeepers—in all, 2,887 people. Figuring that the average family consists of five souls, it would thus represent 14,435 souls, or 8 per cent of the Jewish population.

"Of all the occupations of the Jews that of the petty storekeeper holds first place. "Such stores," writes the governor of Wilna, "are opened mostly by the poorer Jews with a capital of 100 to 1,000 rubles. Under these circumstances competition is most intense, and notwithstanding the out-of-town element that makes its purchases in the city, there are not enough buyers to maintain such a vast number of storekeepers.

"Besides, the Jewish stores are closed both on Saturdays and Sundays, on Christian holidays as well as on Jewish holidays—which means that the Jewish business year, as compared with the business year of the Christians, is shorter by about 100 days. During the past few years there has arisen an unprecedented competition between the representatives of various large Christian corporations and the Jews in almost all lines of business and industry. In order to hold out in the desperate struggle the Jewish storekeepers are forced to lower their prices and to satisfy themselves with a profit of 4 per cent, and sometimes to retain their customers they even sell their goods below cost price, which leads to frequent bankruptcies and thus all commercial enterprise is thwarted.

"Three-eighths of the entire Jewish population live by physical labor. The earnings of the Jewish artisan and the laborer are extremely meager. \* \* \* A factory hand makes from 60 to 300 rubles a year. And the wages of the women and girls who work in

the factories are still smaller. Thus, for instance, during my visits at a stocking factory where women were employed, I learned that the average pay did not exceed 1 ruble 40 kopeks (or 70 cents) per week, while the lowest pay was 70 kopeks (or 35 cents) per week.

"With such small earnings, which can hardly cover the most economical housekeeper's budget, there can be no question of putting something aside for a rainy day. The slightest change, such as sickness, old age of the head of the family, or the cessation of work in the factory, or some trouble that may befall the employer, throws the family into a state of poverty and starvation. Of course, similar misfortunes may befall the Christian laborer as well, but the Christian laborer can find a way out of his dilemma by moving away to the village or to the central provinces, whereas the Jewish proletariat is confined within their narrow sphere by the law.

"It is true that a great number of Jewish charitable institutions come to the aid of the unfortunate Jewish proletariat. Thus, in Wilna, the Jewish free kitchen spends 11,000 rubles a year, giving away 178,278 meals per year; the Home for Feeble and Aged, caring for about 226 Jews of both sexes, spends 20,270 rubles a year; the Jewish Hospital, 25,100 a year; the Society for the Aid of Sick Jews, 12,000 rubles a year; the society aiding the poor Jews before Passover and Succoth, about 50,000 rubles; the orphan asylum and the Talmud Torah where a hundred orphans and children of the poor are kept and taught, 15,000 rubles a year; a home for girl orphans, 6,000 rubles; the society for the aid of poor Jews desiring to learn a trade, 3,000 rubles. Thus the various charitable institutions in Wilna spend annually the sum of 142,000 rubles, aside from the great amount of money given by the Jews to the poor that stretch out their hands for help.

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cannot be helped for lack of money. And the charitable institutions, owing to the enormous demand made upon them, close their annual accounts with deficits. The fact that the Jewish community had to help 4,956 families with food for Passover in 1906 may serve as an indication of the number of poor Jews in Wilna.

"From the above figures, it will be seen that the critical condition of the Jews in the government of Wilna has become still worse, especially since 1882. The expulsion of tens of thousands of Jewish families from the villages, which tore them away from their customary work there, from their fruit orchards, their vegetable gardens, their mills, their dairies and small factories, where they made a comfortable living, ruined them and reduced them to the direst poverty. Compelled to settle in the towns and seek for subsistence there, they increased the great number of the Jewish proletariat, which makes itself overwhelmingly felt in Wilna.

"With the expulsion of the Jews from the villages, and later from the central provinces of the empire, the congestion and the competition grew unceasingly, and the impoverishment of the Jewish population in the cities followed. The officials that conducted the census, accustomed from childhood to the idea that the Jews are exploiters, were actually dumbfounded when they saw the surroundings amidst which the majority of the Jews lived. The terrible congestion, the poverty, the great number of paupers and of people without any definite occupations, startled them. They saw half-starved people huddled together in cellars. A family of five frequently subsists there on four pounds of bread and one herring for twenty-four hours; all are barefooted, in rags. The children, almost without exceptions, are thin, yellow, show symptoms of tuberculosis—and Wilna alone has 90,000 of such barefooted, ragged and hungry human beings, or one-fourth of the entire Jewish population.

"The emigration of the Jews instead of relieving the condition of those that remain at home, has aggravated it all the more. The more progressing and enterprising people emigrate to other lands, leaving behind their old parents, helpless wives and young children, as well as the poor relatives

they had helped—a burden upon the shoulders of the impoverished Jewish community which is taxed to the utmost. The abnormal economic condition, and the 'temporary' laws for the Jews have been instrumental in spreading among them all sorts of political discontent. \* \* \* Foreseeing the opposition on the part of the rabbis, the preachers and the parents, and fearing their religious influence upon the Jewish working youth, the agitators of the bund are gradually undermining the authority of religion and clergy. At the same time the agitators of the bund stood up in arms against Zionism. The bund despises the idea of nationalism even as it despises religion; and Zionism appears as the champion of Jewish nationalist interests and as such it regards the bund as an enemy.

"Zionism, like the bund, is a product of the abnormal condition of the Jews in Russia. Some seven or eight years ago there was not the slightest sign of it in this part of the country. Even the Palestine movement which preceded Zionism appeared in the beginning of the eighties.

"During the short period of its existence Zionism has found in Russia a great number of followers. According to the number of shekel players, there were about 100,000 Zionists in Russia in 1908.

"There are several currents in the Zionist movement: 1. Purely political Zionists, adhering closely to the program of their late leader, Dr. Herzl. These are striving exclusively toward political autonomy in Palestine, and do not care to know anything about any ways of relieving the economic, educational or religious condition of the Jews in Russia. 2. Cultured Zionists, whose program is to uplift the culture of the Jews in Russia. 3. The Mizrahi Zionists, the orthodox Jews, who joined the ranks of the Zionists with the intention of giving it a religious character. These strive to influence the Zionists from a religious point of view, claiming that the essence of Judaism consists not so much of national individualism as of its religion; they insist that Zionists should be first of all Jews by faith. 4. Paole Zionists—that is, Zionist working people. They claim that Zionists, striving toward political autonomy in Palestine, as toward their final goal, cannot remain indifferent to the fate of the Jewish laboring classes, but, on the contrary, are obliged to help them improve their material condition in order to save them from the fatal influence of the bund's propaganda. These are the most active opponents of the bund." —Washington Star.

### The Transvaal Election.

Mr. Max Langermann has been nominated by Lord Selborne a member of the Upper House. Mr. Langermann does not share the political views of the Progressives. He was born at Floss, Bavaria, in 1859, and went to South Africa at the age of 20. He took part in the Moirois and Basuto campaigns of 1879-1880. He was one of the earliest pioneers of the Rand Goldfields, and was a member of the Reform Committee at the time of the Jameson Raid in 1895, being condemned to two years' imprisonment, a fine, and two years' banishment. Mr. Langermann was for several years president of the Jewish School in Johannesburg, and was first president of the Witwatersrand Old Hebrew Congregation and president of the Jewish Board of Deputies for the Transvaal and Natal. He is a member of the Johannesburg Town Council. Mr. Langermann married, in 1894, the daughter of Dr. Samuel Schidrowitz, of London.

In the Ferreira district of Johannesburg, Mr. Harry Solomon (Nationalist), has been elected a member of the Lower House. Mr. Solomon was a member of the nominated Legislative Council, which has now ceased to exist.

## From Across the Sea.

With the view of checking the extensive removals of Jews from Hebron, the heads of the community have prevailed on the committee of the Moshav Z. S. Einim (Home for Aged Jews) in Jerusalem to establish a branch in the first-named town.

Madame Edouard Kahn, of Paris, has given 25,000 francs to create a Nelly Beer Fund, the interest of which will be applied annually in sending children, irrespective of religion, to the country during the summer vacation. The gift is intended to commemorate the approaching marriage of her granddaughter, Mile. Beer, to Baron Robert de Rothschild.

The Swedish Government has refused to extradite a Russian Jew who had been arrested at Stockholm, because the Russian Government would not give a pledge that the man should be tried, not by court-martial, but by a civil court, and then only for the offense for which his extradition was desired. He was liberated, but ordered to leave Sweden within twenty-four hours of his release.

A Jewish workmen's club has been established at Jaffa, Palestine. The members meet every evening for friendly conversation and to read the Jewish papers. It is intended to arrange a series of lectures on scientific and popular subjects. The working classes are going still farther, for they hope to be in a position to build cheap dwellings and restaurants, and free libraries and reading-rooms in various parts of Palestine.

Joseph Moritz Bielefeld, the doyen and one of the most active and zealous members in Germany of the Alliance Israelite Universelle, celebrates his ninety-third birthday on the 27th ult., writes the Berlin correspondent of the London Jewish Chronicle. In the enjoyment of excellent health, in full possession of all his faculties, the veteran still takes the keenest interest in all social and political affairs; his sympathies are as strongly roused as at any period of his long and honorable life by tales of wrong to his coreligionists, and equally bounteous is the assistance he renders. A true-hearted Jew, he has proved himself a loyal and devoted German patriot. He has won the esteem of every class and creed, and now, in the winter of his life, he reaps the harvest of love and reverence. In his native town, and, indeed, in the whole Grand Duchy of Baden, there is not a more popular man. Herr Bielefeld, the son of opulent parents, was born at Karlsruhe on February 27, 1814. Quite early in life he displayed extraordinary energy, enterprise and public spirit. Having traveled throughout Europe for several years as representative of a great Paris leather firm, he established a leather business in Mannheim in 1842. The business prospered and he soon attained a leading position in town and country, also taking a distinguished part in communal and municipal affairs. Always lavish and catholic in his charities, he especially earned the gratitude of the country during the famine year of 1847 by his untiring efforts to alleviate the prevailing distress and by the various relief distribution associations which he called into being. His capacity, his engaging and sympathetic manners gained him the respect of Christians as well as Jews. In the historical year of 1848 he joined the ranks of the fighters for emancipation and constitutional government, and in every record of the Grand Duchy of Baden dealing with that period his name is honorably mentioned. In 1852 Herr Bielefeld transferred his residence to Havre, where some years previously he had founded the still flourishing emigrant transport service of that port. He continued his social and philanthropic labors in his new home, and his merits were soon recognized and appreciated. He was elected president of the congregation, and his presidentship was marked by the building of a new synagogue and the rearrangement of the service. He was the first to intal a provincial committee of the Alliance Israelite and, with such men as Cremeux, Baron Hirsch and Charles Netter, whose intimate friendship he enjoyed, he worked for the benefit of his brethren in every part of the world. On account of the Franco-Prussian war of 1870-71, he was compelled to leave France. With every manifestation of delight the town of Mannheim greeted him on his return, and he was at once reinstated into the offices he had formerly held. The citizens of Mannheim claim the noble old man as their very own, but their felicitations on his birthday will find an echo throughout the land.

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Despite the snow storm which prevailed last Sunday night, Jefferson Hall, 4 Court Square, known as the Kings County Democratic Headquarters, was crowded to the doors.  
By courtesy of Senator McCarren and the popular leader, Michael E. Butler, permission was granted to give a Purim entertainment by the Sunday School of Congregation Baitb Israel, which occupies the edifice fronting on Harrison street, corner of Tompkins place.  
The Purim entertainment was in charge of the following committee: Simon Abrahamson, chairman; Miss Matilda Davidson, Harry G. Anderson, Miss Beatrice Jacobson, Rev. Israel Goldfarb. A neat programme was carried out with the following numbers: Overture, Baitb Israel Sunday School Orchestra under the direction of Leon S. Pelz, assisted by Ralph Copland; Juvenile Minstrelsy, interlucator, Mr. Joseph Phillips; tambourine, Miss Pearl Schlang; bones, Master Jesse Phillips; Company, Misses Mae Hartman, Lillie Schlanske, Fanny Rosenberg, Rosella Norden, Messrs. Louis Kronman, Norman Salt, Robert Barko, Robert Goodman, who rendered the following numbers: Entry march, "Fare Thee Well, My Old Kentucky," "Bill Simmons," by the entire company; "Let It Alone," Master Jesse Phillips; "He's a Cousin of Mine," Miss Mae Hartman; "Won't You Come Over to My House?" Master Robert Goodman; "If the Man in the Moon Were a Coon," Miss Pearl Schlang; "I'd Like to Know Your Address and Your Name," Joseph Phillips; grand finale—"The Good Old U. S. A.," by the entire company; The Travesty Stars, William Koeppel and Joe Dreisen, "The Band Wagon"; the twentieth century marvel, Master Aaron Copland, juvenile comedian in his latest compositions; the inimitable representative of colored musical airs, Edward Lane, in the latest coon songs; Abrahamson Sisters; monologue, by Martha Abrahamson; vocal selection, by Nettie Abrahamson; the German Senator, Victor Caro, world famed for his originality and cleverness; a Little Bit of Nonsense by Fred. Feldblum, a king of monologue, assisted by Miss E. Marks; "The Lost Hand," one act tragic sketch; "Isaac Weinstein," Mr. Joseph Rosenberg; Sam, his son, Master Jesse Phillips; Joseph Blicke, superintendent of the Eastern Milling Company, Mr. Joseph Phillips; Moe, his colored porter, Marcy Schor.  
Mrs. Prof. Albert Paulet staged the children, and the Juvenile Minstrelsy, conducted by Mr. Jos. Phillips, was a feature of the entertainment.  
The performers for the Purim Entertainment of Congregation Baitb Israel were selected with great care by the committee, and semi-professional talent caused a great deal of merriment. Those particularly encored were Abraham Sisters, Victor Caro, the German Senator; Fred. Feldblum, king of monologue, and little Aaron Copland, a six-year-old child, who made a "hit." The tambu, Miss Pearl Schlang, and bones, Mr. Jesse Phillips, kept the audience in continual laughter. The "local hits" elicited much applause.  
Those occupying front seats were Michael Salt, president, and H. M. Copland, treasurer, of the congregation; Dr. Israel Goldfarb, Rabbi, and Trustee L. Summer.  
Harry G. Anderson, assistant superintendent of the Sunday School, made a brief address toward the close of the performance. He outlined the work of the Sunday School, showed its many benefits to the children and moral and spiritual training and called the attention of parents to the advantages obtained by having their children attend. The Sunday School of Congregation Baitb Israel is the largest in South Brooklyn. It has done more to promote fraternalism and Jewish work than any other in Brooklyn. Mr. Anderson is a senior student in New York University and president of his class club. His powers as a debater and speaker were well shown by his address and his eloquence brought forth tremendous applause.  
The officers of the Sunday School are: Nat. N. Tuck, superintendent; Harry G. Anderson, assistant superintendent; Miss Rae Levy, secretary; Miss Rose Hartman, librarian; Miss K. R. Goldman, treasurer; Miss Mollie Kronman, assistant secretary; Rev. Israel Goldfarb, principal. The staff of teachers comprises: Misses Olga J. Cohen, Beatrice Jacobson, Sylvia Levy, Hattie Schlanske, Matilda Davidson, Ada Kaplan, Anna Messner, Jeannette Tuck, Nettie Good-

man, Rebecca Kabatchnick, Alice Rice, Messrs. Simon Abrahamson, Joseph Stock and Leo Well.  
This work has fallen upon Nat. N. Tuck, superintendent, who has been highly successful since he accepted the position. He has the assistance in Sunday School work of Dr. Israel Goldfarb, rabbi of the congregation, and there is no reason why Congregation Baitb Israel with its Sunday School should not be the religious home and leading house of worship for all Hebrews of South Brooklyn. Michael Salt, president of the congregation, and H. M. Copland, treasurer, are the moving spirits of the congregation, and they have the valued assistance of Maurice Pelz, H. Sonnenstrahl, Moss Cohen, S. Brooks, C. Levin, S. Rice, L. Summer, H. Alexander, I. Applebaum, H. Goldsmith, H. Gottlieb and J. Silver.  
Prominent public men of Brooklyn are speakers every Sunday morning to the children of the Sunday School prior to the close of each session. On Sunday, March 17, Hon. Arthur H. Cameron will speak; 24th, Hon. J. Grattan MacMahon; April 7th, Magistrate Alexander H. Geismar.  
On Sunday evening, March 24, the synogogue will be thrown open to the public for an evening of good fellowship. The Hebrew Orphan Asylum Band will furnish the music and several prominent men will speak. Every person interested in Hebrew work should come. The synogogue seats over 2,000 people and every one will be welcome.

**Surprise Party.**  
The sons and daughters of a number of prominent Williamsburg folks assembled Sunday night, February 24, at the home of Miss Birdie Cohen, 483 Grand street, and from there proceeded to 181 Ainslie street, the home of Miss Selma Wohl, in whose honor a surprise party was given.  
Despite the storm without, not a guest was missing when the final shout of "surprise" greeted the entrance of Miss Selma Wohl into the prettily decorated parlor. The guests whiled away the evening with games and songs and dances. Among the talent were Miss Birdie Cohen, who played an opera; Miss Anna Brodie, a noted elocutionist, who recited a dramatic recitation; Miss Gertrude Levy, who delivered a vocal solo, and Mr. Samuel Opler, who rendered some pretty popular airs with his usual talent. At 9.30 a march was played by Miss Mary Shookoff and the Jolly procession repaired to the dining room where a table heaped with all sorts of dainties awaited them. Mr. Louis Lazarowitz acted as toastmaster and many interesting toasts were offered to the hostess. Among the guests of the evening were all the members of the society known as the Junior Sisterhood of the B. J. A. S.; the Misses Birdie Cohen, Frances Mayer, Selma Brodie, Ray Levy, Pearl Meitner, Selma Kleinberg, Rebecca Harris, B. Weinstein, Sadie Rich, Pauline Zwiren, "Sadie Wohl, Rebecca Langfur, Mary Shookoff and Gertrude Levy; the Messrs. Sam and Sydney Opler, Louis and David Lazarowitz, Jacob Langfur, Mortimer and Joseph Wohl, Alfred Gluck, Jack Urdang, Irving Zolotoff, Samuel Shookoff and J. Miller.  
Much thanks is due Miss Birdie Cohen who had the affair in hand and was quite the popular female guest of the evening.

**Kingston Earthquake.**  
The whist at the Waldorf-Astoria on Tuesday evening, March 26, seems likely to prove a great success. The committee in charge have received a very liberal response to their appeals for donations in the shape of prizes. Many theatre tickets, pieces of cut glass, ornaments, besides a host of minor fancy articles have already been received.

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**BOROUGH OF RICHMOND.**  
Mr. Barnett Levy, a builder of thirty years' standing, has moved to Staten Island, taking a house on Madison avenue, New Brighton. They are coming, the good people, and the sooner the better.  
Mr. and Mrs. Morris Mord entertained the members of the Hebrew Benevolent Society on Purim evening most charmingly. The beautiful rooms in their new house were tastefully decorated, and the table—why, it was just groaning with the good things that tickle the palate.  
The eleventh annual entertainment of the Hebrew Benevolent Society was a rip-roaring success. What a splendid gathering of men and women. What an atmosphere of refinement in the big hall! No wonder all local papers speak in the highest terms of the affair, calling it the foremost event in the winter's social entertainments. Try as you may, you can't beat the men and women who compose this grand society.  
We heartily congratulate Mr. and Mrs. Louis Berg upon the occasion of the fortieth wedding anniversary. The event was celebrated at the residence of their son-in-law, Mr. S. R. Schwartz, at 143 Bement avenue, West Brighton.  
Mrs. Sigmund Weiss, of Hatfield avenue, Port Richmond, the accomplished wife of the financial secretary of Temple Emanuel of Staten Island, gave an enjoyable Kaffee Klatsch last Friday afternoon.  
The wedding of Miss Lingmann, of Mariners' Harbor, to Mr. Julius Rose, of Bayonne, with take place on March 24. We wish the charming bride-elect a happy and prosperous union.  
And now excavations will be begun for the Temple to be erected by the Congregation Emanuel of Staten Island. It will be a day of rejoicing and a day of glory for the loyal, faithful members of the Temple.  
W. L. Bodine and Jacques Mord deserve the plaudits of all for their splendid work in handling the crowds at the Hebrew Benevolent affair, and Gus Strauss, he blossomed out as a clever manager of supper marches.

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Dated New York, the first day of February, 1907.  
SAMUEL H. JACOBS, EVA A. TRAGER, Executors.  
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IN THE THEATRES.

Mohammed Oras, a native of Nequibas, Morocco, and a former member of the band of brigands under the command of Raisul, who captured Ion Perdicaris and held him for ransom, is now appearing at the New York Hippodrome with the band of twenty-four Bedouin Arabs, who have just arrived in this country. The Arabs were all collected in the vicinity of Mogador and Tangier. Mohammed Oras is the only member of the band who will admit that he served under Raisul. Mohammed Oras is an acrobatic man of about thirty, very swarthy and very fierce looking. All the rest of the band at the Hippodrome are afraid of him. This band of Arabs, with eight camels and queer native costumes and guns, will be at the Hippodrome the rest of the season. They have attracted much attention along Broadway, as they wear their native costumes all the time.

Louis Mann in "The White Hen" is now in his sixth week of success at the Casino, and will remain at this playhouse for a long time to come. Mr. Mann as Hensie Blindner is the most diverting characterization seen on Broadway in many a day. Like all his impersonations, this one makes for laughter of the rollicking and hearty sort. "The White Hen" is provided with a capital story, very many side-splitting situations, and numerous lyrics which are merry and captivating. Mr. Mann is surrounded by an admirable supporting company, notably so as to Louise Gunning, Lotta Faust and R. C. Herz, Miss Gunning's songs particularly are a delightful feature of the entertainment. The costuming of the play is novel and attractive.

The 20th performance of "The Great Divide" was played by Margaret Anglin and Henry Miller and their fine company at the Princess Theatre last Monday evening. Seats are on sale for this brilliant American play up to May 1. As the Henry Miller Co.'s lease of the Princess expires at that time, "The Great Divide" will be transferred to another Broadway playhouse, where its run will be continued indefinitely.

"In Old Kentucky," the play that never grows old, will return to Harlem next week, opening at the West End Theatre on Monday afternoon for a week's stay. Other matinees are announced for Wednesday and Saturday. There is one fact connected with the presentation of "In Old Kentucky" that no doubt has something to do with its phenomenal success. Wherever it is presented, it is presented right. The best players available, the most complete scenic equipment possible and the most comical and clever score of pickaninnies obtainable are furnished for the play.

Never in the history of Keith & Proctor's 125th Street Theatre has this house enjoyed such prosperity than at the present time. Folks who have never visited this house before are flocking there afternoon and evening, and it is nothing unusual to see the "standing room only" sign displayed in a conspicuous place outside the building. Next week's bill is undoubtedly the most attractive arranged in weeks. The leading feature will be the new European act, "The Stunning Grenadiers."

A minute perusal of the bill arranged for Keith & Proctor's Twenty-third Street Theatre speedily discloses it to be one of the strongest at this popular house in some time. Novelties vie with each other for public approval and those who elect to attend the performances ought to be immeasurably compensated. George Fuller Golden, whose quaint philosophy and wholesome wit has won for him an enviable position in vaudeville, heads the list.

Even a misanthrope could scarcely pick a flaw in the bill at Keith & Proctor's Fifty-eighth Street Theatre next week. Headliners predominate throughout the programme, and if the patrons of this popular East Side vaudeville resort are not thoroughly entertained the fault cannot be laid at the door of the management. A novelty that should succeed in winning instant approval is Genova's Venetian Band. In this act old Venice is translated to a modern stage with religious fidelity and picturesque detail. The band is composed of twenty-two talented musicians who make their entrance on gondolas striding love songs with mandolin accompaniment.

When it is considered that there is a change of programme at Keith & Proctor's Fifth Avenue Theatre every week, and that two performances are given daily, the estimable work of the stock company in interpreting the latest popular dramatic successes in a manner more than consistent with the original production must needs be commended. Next week this capable company will have another opportunity to demonstrate its efficiency and versatility, when "Raffles," in which Kyrle Bellew starred for many seasons, will have its first Broadway presentation at low prices.

At the Kalich Theatre is presented a new play, entitled "The Convert," written by I. Zalatorewsky. The plot is based upon the theme of a Jewess in love with a Christian, and the usual resulting complication of incidents. The scene at first is laid in Russia, depicting the lives of the peasants, their dances, songs and happy simplicity. The revelation of the love of Fania, the Jewess, for the Christian peasant, Mikola, causes the change of residence to America on the part of Fania's people. Mikola follows later, and becomes a convert to the Jewish faith in order to win his Fania. Fania, though loving him, to please her parents, becomes engaged to a Jewish young man, who, posing as a doctor, is in reality a gambler. The schemes of this swindler, with the assistance of his father, furnish the major part of the comedy and drama in the play, and their conscienceless trickery is in fitting comparison to the nobility of character of the Christian, Akim, the father of Mikola.

The work of Miss Fernanda Eliscu, as Fania, is of the same high standard. Her performances on Broadway, in the English productions of "Marta of the Lowlands," and Mrs. Fiske's "Light of St. Agnes," are well known to many audiences, but in this new field she is winning great popularity because of her intelligent and sympathetic delineation of the characters she portrays. Her Yiddish is good, well spoken in a clear, pleasing voice. Mr. Youveller, as Mikola; Mr. Cohen, as Dave, the fake Doctor, and Mr. Blank, as Akim, Mikola's father, deserve favorable mention.

**Young Women's Hebrew Association.**  
The first open meeting of the Jewish Chautauqua Circle will take place on Sunday evening, March 17, at 8 p. m. Special papers have been prepared which will be read by members of the circle. A few introductory remarks will also be made by the leader, Mrs. C. H. Hahn. A special musical programme has also been prepared.

Everybody is cordially invited to be present at this meeting.  
The second open meeting of the Junior Social Club will take place on Sunday afternoon, March 24, at 3 o'clock. The talk this month will be on the Life of Chopin. The composition of this composer will also be performed and comparisons made with the work of other composers. Vocal selections will be rendered. Every one is also cordially invited to attend this meeting.

The dormitory now accommodates its guests with breakfast and dinner and three meals on Sunday at a nominal rate. Full particulars will be given at the association rooms.

The library, a department which is just being reopened, will circulate its books on Monday and Wednesday evenings. Any member of the association has the privilege of taking out books.

The first meeting of the Mother's Club was most successful in spite of the weather. Essays prepared by the children were read and musical numbers were performed by the children of the piano class.

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The R. B. Mantell Dramatic Society of Hudson County will present "The Master of Dreams" at Liberty Hall, West Hoboken, on March 17, 1907. The cast will include Mr. M. Kaplan, as "Joseph"; Mr. Charles Stoller, as "Pharaoh"; and thirty others. The cast is very strong and the performance bids fair to succeed under the personal direction of Mr. Morris M. Turner. Tickets may be had by addressing Mr. H. A. Bernbaum, 175 Summit avenue, West Hoboken; Mr. M. Arent, 386 Central avenue, Jersey City; Mr. Michael Aaronson, 314 Congress street, Jersey City.

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YOUNG LADIES' LEAGUE.

This society will give its second annual dance at the Tuxedo, Fifty-ninth street and Madison avenue, this Saturday evening at 9 o'clock. The affair has been under the guidance of a very energetic committee, who have labored incessantly to make it a success.

The net proceeds will, as usual, be devoted to charitable purposes. The league has already been heard from in the way of substantial contributions to worthy causes. A number of the lodges of the First District of B'nai B'rith will be represented on the occasion.

Young Men's Hebrew Association.

On Sunday evening, March 17, the thirty-third anniversary exercises will be held in the auditorium. The address will be delivered by Rev. Dr. Emil G. Hirsch, who will speak on "Jewish Opportunities."

On Sunday evening, March 31, the Sinsheimer Quartette, assisted by prominent artists, will give their second concert of the season in the auditorium. The quartette consists of Bernard Sinsheimer, first violin; Christian Kriens, second violin; Jacob Altshuler, viola; Modest Altschuler, 'cello. Reserved seat tickets, 25 cents each, may be obtained at the rooms of the association, or at the door on the evening of the performance.

In the basketball tournament of the Amateur Athletic Union, which is being held in the gymnasium of the Y. M. H. A., quite a number of Jewish boys are playing on the various teams. The association has two teams representing it in the tournament.

The Union of American Hebrew Congregations.

The receipts for The Isaac M. Wise Memorial Fund to February 23, 1907, amounted to \$326,133.10.

The adjourned meeting of the Executive Board was held last Sunday at the Phoenix club in Cincinnati, with a very good attendance. All the resident members were present, as well as some non-resident members. The Board organized by electing Mr. Louis J. Goldman, of Cincinnati, as president; Mr. Harry Hart, of Chicago, vice-president; Mr. Louis Krohn, Cincinnati (re-elected), treasurer; Mr. Lipman Levy, of Cincinnati (re-elected), secretary.

Mr. Marcus Rauh, of Pittsburgh, was elected a member of the Executive Board. The following congregations were reported as having become members of the Union since the previous meeting: Temple Beth Israel, Portland, Ore.; Beth El, Lincoln, Ill.

The board of managers of Synagogue and School Extension reported that they entered into a contract with Mr. S. M. Goldsmith, of Detroit, Mich., for the weekly publication of a journal devoted to religious schools and teachers, and the contract was approved. The first number of the new journal will, probably, not be issued until the beginning of the next school year.

A board of delegates on Civil Rights, consisting of fifty-four members, was elected. The following gentlemen constitute the board:

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Dated New York, the 15th day of March, 1907.  
GEORGE SCHADE, Executor.  
PINCH & COLEMAN, Attorneys for Executor, 32 Nassau Street, New York City.

Heinemann, Detroit, Mich.; Joseph Hirsch, Vicksburg, Miss.; Morris Horckheimer, Wheeling, W. Va.; Adolf Kraus, Chicago, Ill.; Emil Lesser, Birmingham, Ala.; Rev. B. L. Levinthal, Philadelphia, Pa.; Philip N. Lillenthal, San Francisco, Cal.; Moritz Lohr, Cincinnati, O.; Judge Julian W. Mack, Chicago, Ill.; Rev. David Marx, Atlanta, Ga.; T. M. Morehead, Charleston, S. C.; Isidore Newman, New Orleans, La.; Judge M. Warley Platzeck, New York City; Simon W. Rosendale, Albany, N. Y.; David Rothschild, Davenport, Ia.; Lewis Seansongood, Cincinnati, O.; Alfred Scullman, Louisville, Ky.; Rev. Abram Simon, Washington, D. C.; Lucius L. Solomons, San Francisco, Cal.; Samuel Ullman, Birmingham, Ala.; Henry Wallenstein, Wichita, Kans.; James Welch, Minneapolis, Minn.; Sol. Weil, Goldsboro, N. C.; Eugene F. Westheimer, St. Joseph, Mo.; Leo Wise, Cincinnati, O.; Edwin Wolf, Philadelphia, Pa.; Simon Wolf, chairman of the Board, D. C.; Adolphe Wolfe, Portland, Ore.; Samuel Woolner, Peoria, Ill.

Mr. Simon Wolf, of Washington, D. C., was elected as chairman of the Board of Delegates, the seat of which is in Washington, D. C. The Committee on New Buildings for the Hebrew Union College was re-appointed, and the president was authorized to add to the committee whenever he might deem it expedient to do so. A committee was appointed to confer with a committee from the Independent Order of B'nai B'rith for the purpose of enabling both organizations to act jointly on subjects of common interest.

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**CO-PARTNERSHIP NOTICES.**  
**HERRICK, HICKS & COLBY.**  
**CERTIFICATE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED PARTNERSHIP.**  
 The undersigned persons, all being of full age and desirous of forming a Limited Partnership in the County of New York, DO HEREBY CERTIFY as follows:  
 1. The name of the firm under which said Partnership is to be conducted is HERRICK, HICKS & COLBY, and the County wherein the principal place of business is to be located is the County of New York, in the State of New York.  
 2. The general nature of the business intended to be transacted by the partnership is that of Stock Brokers in buying and selling in stocks, bonds and securities of all kinds, as principals or agents, and such other business as may be properly incidental thereto.  
 3. The names of all the general and special partners therein and their respective places of residence are as follows:  
 E. Hicks Herrick, of full age, a general partner, residing at No. 38 East 56th Street, in the Borough of Manhattan, in the City, County and State of New York;  
 Frederick C. Hicks, of full age, a general partner, residing in Port Washington, County of Nassau, State of New York;  
 Everett Colby, of full age, a general partner, residing in the Town of West Orange, County of Essex, State of New Jersey.  
 4. The amount of capital which the said Everett Colby, the special partner, has contributed to the common stock of the Partnership is One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000).  
 5. The time at which the Partnership is to begin is the first day of February, 1907; and the term of said Partnership is to end on the thirty-first day of January, 1908.  
 WITNESS our hands and seals this 30th day of January, 1907.  
 E. HICKS HERRICK. [I. S.]  
 FREDERICK C. HICKS. [I. S.]  
 EVERETT COLBY. [I. S.]  
 In the presence of:  
 J. PHALEN, Notary Public, N. Y. State of New York,  
 COUNTY OF NEW YORK,  
 On this 30th day of January, 1907, before me personally came E. HICKS HERRICK and FREDERICK C. HICKS, the County of Atlantic do hereby certify that the said persons known and known to me to be two of the individuals described in and who executed the foregoing certificate and severally duly acknowledged to me that they executed the same. [Notarial Seal.] Notary Public, No. 28, New York County.

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**FRANK SMATHERS,**  
 Notary Public, N. Y. State of New Jersey,  
 COUNTY OF ATLANTIC,  
 I, LEWIS P. SCOTT, Clerk of the Inferior Court of the County of Atlantic, do hereby certify that Frank Smathers, whose signature to the foregoing certificate I believe to be genuine, and who executed the same, is a duly commissioned and sworn to, and ought to be given as well as in Courts of this State as elsewhere.  
 [Clerk's Seal of Atlantic County, New Jersey.]  
 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and the seal of said Court of Atlantic, this 30th day of January, 1907.  
 By Albert C. Abbott, Deputy Clerk.  
 STATE OF NEW YORK,  
 COUNTY OF NEW YORK,  
 E. HICKS HERRICK being duly sworn deposes and says:  
 That he is a general partner in the firm of Herrick, Hicks & Colby, as set forth in the Certificate of Formation of Limited Partnership bearing date the 30th day of January, 1907, hereto attached, and which is filed in the said Certificate to have been contributed to the common stock of said partnership by Everett Colby, the special partner therein, to wit, the sum of One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000), has been actually and in good faith paid in cash.  
 I Sworn to before me this 31st day of January, 1907.  
 B. I. PHALEN,  
 Notary Public, No. 28,  
 New York County.  
 [Notarial Seal.]

**C. SCHUMACHER & CO.—Certificate of renewal and continuance of the limited partnership of C. Schumacher & Co.**  
 The undersigned hereby certify, that the limited partnership of C. Schumacher & Co., heretofore formed and continued in the County of the State of New York, which said limited partnership, by the terms of the articles of co-partnership of said firm and of the certificate of formation thereof, is to expire at the close of business on the first day of February, 1907, heretofore renewed and continued in the County of New York, in compliance with the provisions of the laws of the State of New York; and  
 The undersigned hereby further certify as follows:  
 FIRST: The name under which and the firm by which the said limited partnership when renewed and continued is to be conducted is C. Schumacher & Co.  
 SECOND: The County wherein the principal place of business of said limited partnership when renewed and continued is to be located is the County of New York in the State of New York.  
 THIRD: The general nature of the business intended to be transacted by said limited partnership when renewed and continued is to carry on the business of general brokers in stocks, bonds and securities, and to engage in foreign exchange.  
 FOURTH: The names of all the general and special partners interested in the said limited partnership and to be interested therein when renewed and continued are as follows:  
 The General Partners are Frederick D. Holder, who resides at Alhambra in the State of New Jersey, and Joseph D. Forbes, who resides at No. 54 West 54th Street, in the Borough of Manhattan, City, County and State of New York.  
 The Special Partner is Suzanne H. Schumacher, who resides in the Town of Short Hills in the State of New Jersey.  
 FIFTH: The special partner, Suzanne H. Schumacher, has contributed to the common stock of capital of said limited partnership the same to remain a part thereof until the expiration of the term of said limited partnership as hereby renewed and continued in the sum of forty-five thousand dollars (\$45,000) in cash.  
 SIXTH: The time for which said limited partnership is to be renewed and continued is for one year to begin on the first day of February, 1907, and to end on the first day of February, 1908.  
 Dated January 30th, 1907.  
 FREDERICK D. HOLDER. [I. S.]  
 JOSEPH D. FORBES. [I. S.]  
 SUZANNE H. SCHUMACHER. [I. S.]  
 STATE OF NEW YORK, COUNTY OF NEW YORK.  
 I, H. M. CARPENTER, a Notary Public of the State of New York, certificate filed in the

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County of New York wherein I have my office do hereby certify that Frederick D. Holder and Suzanne H. Schumacher, to me known and known to me to be two of the persons described in and who executed the foregoing instrument, appeared before me this day in person to be signed, sealed and delivered the said instrument as their and each of their free and voluntary act and deed for the uses and purposes therein set forth.  
 Given under my hand and official seal this 30th day of January, 1907.  
 [SEAL.]  
 H. M. CARPENTER,  
 Notary Public, Kings County.  
 Certificate filed in New York County.  
 STATE OF NEW YORK, COUNTY OF NEW YORK, ss.:  
 I, H. M. Carpenter, a Notary Public in the County of New York, certificate filed in the County of New York wherein I have my office do hereby certify that Joseph D. Forbes, to me known and known to me to be one of the persons described in and who executed the foregoing instrument appeared before me this day in person in the County of New York and acknowledged that he made, signed, sealed and delivered the said instrument as his free and voluntary act and deed for the uses and purposes therein set forth.  
 Given under my hand and official seal this 31st day of January, 1907.  
 [SEAL.]  
 H. M. CARPENTER,  
 Notary Public, Kings County.  
 Certificate filed in New York County.  
 CLERK'S OFFICE, COUNTY OF NEW YORK.  
 LET the terms of the foregoing Limited Partnership be published once a week for a successive period of three weeks in the New York Herald and Standard, two papers for publication and having a circulation in the County of New York.  
 New York, 31st January, 1907.  
 PETER J. DOOLING, Clerk.

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CO-PARTNERSHIP NOTICES.

LEE, KRETSCHMAR & CO.—Certificate of the formation of a limited partnership...

STATE OF NEW YORK, COUNTY OF NEW YORK, ss: On the first day of February, 1907...

JOHN BOWERS LEE, being duly sworn, deposes and says: That in the foregoing certificate for the formation of limited partnership...

Notary Public, New York County, CITY, COUNTY AND STATE OF NEW YORK.

THE undersigned, being persons of full age, desiring to form a limited partnership under the laws of the State of New York...

Notary Public, New York County, CITY, COUNTY AND STATE OF NEW YORK.

On this 2nd day of February, 1907, before me personally came George F. Secor, Burrows McNeil, Julian N. Henriques, and Ralph S. Hull...

Notary Public, Kings County, CITY, COUNTY AND STATE OF NEW YORK.

HAAG, CHARLES.—In pursuance of an order of Hon. Frank T. Fitzgerald, a Surrogate of the County of New York...

Notary Public, Kings County, CITY, COUNTY AND STATE OF NEW YORK.

LEVI, JACOB.—In pursuance of an order of Honorable Abner C. Thomas, a Surrogate of the County of New York...

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BENNO LEVISON, LAZARUS B. RAPELSON, Administrators. GOLDFINGER, Attorney for Executors, 220 Broadway, Manhattan Borough, New York City.

SCULZE, THEODORE.—In pursuance of an order of Hon. Abner C. Thomas, a Surrogate of the County of New York...

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LAURA CECILIA DUCKER, Executrix. ALBR. A. SILBERBERG, Atty. for Executrix, 225 Broadway, Borough of Manhattan, City of New York.

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MYERS & GOLDBEETH, Attorneys for Executrix (Manhattan), 309 Broadway, N. Y. City.

OBERFELDER, FANNY (also called and known as Fannie and as Fan). In pursuance of an order of Hon. Frank T. Fitzgerald...

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