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RABBI AKIBA AND HIS TIMES

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VII.

AKIBA'S LIFE IN HARMONY WITH HIS TEACHINGS.

That the study of the Law was productive of noble deeds was exemplified by R. Akiba. All the traits of his character handed down to us by tradition, all the examples afforded by his life, unite to form one harmonious picture, revealing the greatness and the nobility of his personality.

We have admired the industry and the perseverance shown by him whereby from a simple and ignorant shepherd he rose to the position of a great teacher in Israel. But when he had reached his goal his zeal was not lessened in any way. As a pupil as well as a teacher his industry was absorbing. Never on the preparatory days before Passover or on Yom Kippur was he known to interrupt a discourse by saying: "It is time to leave the schoolhouse." Indeed, even during the mortal illness of his son, he was engaged in teaching until compelled to abandon the task. To spread knowledge and to train many disciples he considered among the most sacred of duties.

His solicitude for the welfare of his scholars as well as for learned men in destitute circumstances was great. One of his scholars became ill and languished without being cared for by any one. R. Akiba visited and nursed him back to health. The convalescent gratefully exclaimed: "Rabbi, you have given me back to life." Thereupon Akiba taught the doctrine: "He who neglects to visit the sick is like one shedding blood." How he sought to aid impoverished scholars is illustrated by the following occurrence: R. Tarphon once handed him a sum of money for the purpose of purchasing land, upon which they could live together free from care. But Akiba distributed the money among a number of poor teachers. When R. Tarphon asked him whether the purchase had been made, he answered: "Cer-

tainly." Asked to show the acquired property, he pointed to the teachers. R. Tarphon imagined that the teachers had in turn purchased the property from Akiba, and asked the latter how much profit had been made. Thereupon R. Akiba answered with the verse from the Psalms: "He who scatters money abroad, who aids the needy—his virtue lasts forever."

he became known as "The Hand of the Poor."

Our great sage was distinguished also for his touching modesty. through his extraordinary learning he towered far above his predecessors, yet he always cordially respected their achievements, and always kept himself modestly in the background. Upon the attainments of his

as much as a man receives who inhales the aroma of an *Esrog*. The latter enjoys a pleasant sensation, but the fruit remains intact. Or I am like one drawing water from an arm of the sea, or lighting one candle from another."

When the sons of R. Ismael died four of the most learned sages, including R. Akiba, got together to

when his son Simon died. To the great gathering assembled at the funeral: "Brethren of the House of Israel, you have appeared here in such great numbers not because I am a learned man, for among you are men more learned, or because I am rich, for many are richer than I. To be sure, the people of the South known Akiba, but how should the people of Galilee know him? Men know him, but can it be said that the women and children present know him? But I know that great shall be your reward, for you have taken the trouble to come here in order to honor the Thora, and to perform a religious duty."

Akiba's much praised amiability enabled him to settle quarrels and to restore peace among contestants. In accordance with this lovable trait, when the quarrel between the presidents of the Sanhedrim, R. Gamliel II. and R. Joshua, had been adjusted he endeavored to have Gamliel restored to his former position. He evinced remarkable tact upon the banishment of his old teacher, R. Eleazar. None of the wise men ventured to impart the painful information to the distinguished man. Akiba offered his services: "I will go," said he, "for some unworthy person might inform him, and thereby endanger the system of the universe. Clothed in black, Akiba visited Eleazar, seating himself at some distance from him. "Why this change to-day?" asked Eleazar. R. Akiba rejoined: "It seems to me as if the colleagues remained away from you." R. Eleazar understood the answer, tore his garments, took off his shoes and sat upon the ground. Tears streamed from his eyes.

Tact and forbearance the noble rabbi exercised at all places and at all times.

In his soul dwelt an unshaken belief in God, which enabled him to bear up amidst all misfortunes. How his favorite maxim, "What God does is well done," proved true, is shown in the following occurrence: On one of his journeys he arrived at night in



New Building of Brooklyn Hebrew Educational Society

The new building of the Hebrew Educational Society will be ready about May 1 and will be a social and Jewish centre for Brownsville's large Jewish community. An outline of the society's history and a resumé of its activities is given in another column of this issue.

But Akiba's benevolence was not confined to teachers in need, for he tried to relieve all persons in distress. Sums destined for distribution handed to him for that purpose, and handed to him for that purpose, and

teachers R. Eleazar and R. Joshua he thus commented: "I am unable to impart my knowledge with a skill equaling theirs; they have made their very own a part of the great field of knowledge, but I have taken only

pay a tribute of condolence to their sorrowing colleague. It was intended that the most highly respected of the four should speak first, but Akiba at once said: "I want to be the last." And how modest was his bearing

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a strange place. He searched for a lodging in vain and was therefore compelled to spend the night in the open field. With him were an ass, a rooster and a lantern. In this disagreeable position he murmured: "What God does is well done." But a gust of wind came and extinguished the light, a wildcat stealthily approached and devoured the rooster, and finally the ass was killed by a lion. Akiba quietly bore it all and repeated his favorite motto. But the same night the town was attacked by robbers and plundered. And Akiba observed how everything had turned out for his good. Had his lantern not gone out the robbers would have seen him; the crowing of the rooster or the braying of the ass might have revealed his presence and thus put his life in the greatest danger.

Unchangeable faith in God and sincere piety conferred upon Akiba an inward power, so that to the end of his life he remained amid enmity and persecution true to himself, and he acted the part of a hero even while dying.

VIII.

AKIBA'S JOURNEYS.

R. Akiba's schoolhouse was situated in Bene Berak, a township five Roman miles distant from Jaffa. The name may be found in the Passover Haggada, where it is related that R. Akiba, together with R. Eleazar, R. Joshua, Asarja's son Eleazar and R.

Tarphon partook of the Passover meal, and that the men of learning passed the night discussing the exodus from Egypt, until the scholars came in the morning and informed them that it was time to say the morning prayers. For some time it was said that R. Akiba lived in Sifcon (the modern Zafran), not far from Hamath. His love for his native land was very great. But sometimes accompanied by other noted men of learning he undertook journeys into foreign lands, whose purpose is not altogether clear to us. Perhaps these journeys were in connection with the political movements then going on among the Jews. Certainly the sages, when in Rome, endeavored to ward off dangers threatening their co-religionists. Thereby Akiba became acquainted with foreign ideas, customs and manners and broadened his point of view. He visited various provinces of Asia Minor, Silicia, Kapadocia, Galatia; dwelt for a time in Syria and Babylon, and is even said to have reached Arabia, Africa and Ethiopia. Details concerning these journeys are very meagre. But it is quite probable that he visited many places containing large Jewish congregations. He was always actively engaged in collecting money for the poor. It is probable that many of his trips were taken for this purpose alone.

In Antioch it was his custom to visit in company with R. Eleazar and R. Joshua a certain Abba Judan, who

was glad to contribute for the benefit of destitute men of learning. In the course of time this worthy man himself became poor, and when the sages again came to his town he was very downcast and complained to his wife that he was no longer able to practice charity. But the good wife thus advised him: "We possess a field," said she, "sell one-half of it and give the proceeds to the rabbis. He acted upon her advice, and when the rabbis received the money they, well knowing of his poverty, prayed to God to bless him. When after a time Abba Judan was in the act of plowing that part of the field still belonging to him the cow suddenly stumbled and broke a leg. While trying to raise her his glance fell upon a hole in the earth, where a valuable treasure had been concealed. Deeply grateful to God, he took the treasure. When a year later the pious men again visited Antioch they inquired concerning the state of his affairs, and to their joy were told that he had again become wealthy. Abba Judan greeted them and cried: "Your prayer has brought me a rich reward." But they said to him: "Though last year others gave more than you, we will place your name at the head of our list." They felt that it is not the size of the gift which constitutes its worth, but the spirit with which it is given.

Akiba's mentality is characterized by the following story: Approaching Rome one day with his colleagues they heard at Puteoli the jubilant uproar of the capital. It aroused painful feelings in their breasts, for they noticed the contrast to Jerusalem destroyed by the Romans, and they began to weep. But Akiba was in a happy mood, and he asked the reason of their dejection. "Shall we not weep," they replied, "when we behold the heathen who bow down to idols, enjoying their lives, while the Temple of our God is reduced to dirt and ashes?" "For that very reason I am happy," said Akiba. "If the wicked are now so fortunate, what bliss awaits the pious?"

On another occasion, nearing Jerusalem, they tore their apparel, and when they reached the Temple ruins they were horrified on seeing a fox coming from the place where the Holy of Holies had been. While his friends were weeping, Akiba's mood was again joyful. Asked to explain their tears they answered: "Shall we not weep when we see wild animals in the place that no one was allowed to enter except a consecrated priest?" "That's why I am joyful," responded Akiba, "for we shall see realized Micha's prophecy: Zion will become an acre, Jerusalem a desert of stones, and the hill of the Temple the summit of the forest; Sacharja's prediction will also come true: Again shall venerable men and women sit in the streets of Jerusalem, each one carrying a staff owing to the fullness of their years; and the streets will be crowded with boys and girls playing. As long as the first prophecy was not literally fulfilled I was in doubts as to that of Sacharja. But now that Micha's words have come true, I am quite sure that the time will come when the blessings predicted by Sacharja will also be realized." "Akiba, thou hast consoled us,

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thou hast consoled us," joyously cried his companions.

In the course of his travels, Akiba came frequently into contact with Gentiles, and he obtained a knowledge of many of their laudable customs. This maxim is a notable one: For three things I praise the Medes: They cut their meat on the table (and not in the hand, whereby one is easily wounded), they kiss only the hand (and not the mouth, to protect themselves from contagion) and when they confer together they only do it in the open field (they are reminded of the proverb, 'The walls have ears')."

IX.

Akiba, the Defender of Judaism.

The point of view held by heathen nations found in Akiba an entirely unprejudiced observer, for he was able to recognize the good wherever he found it. But when it became needful to establish the sublimity of the Jewish religion, in contrast to the ideas maintained by the Gentiles, his views were advanced with courageous zeal. As is the case with his teacher, R. Joshua, we have accounts of discussions on the subject of religion, which he is said to have held with the Roman governor in Palestine, Tinneius Rufus, usually called Tyrannus Rufus. In these R. Akiba tries to overthrow, with great persuasive power, the arguments against the Jewish faith advanced by the Gentiles. Rufus once

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asked him: "Whose works are most beautiful, those of God or of men?" Akiba promptly replied: "Those of men." "Why is it possible for man to create both heaven and earth?" Akiba responded: "Do not speak of works beyond the power of men, but of such as are within the capacity of men." Rufus had expected that Akiba would say God's works are the most beautiful. And based on this answer he intended further to ask how the Jews, by the rite of circumcision, which alters a natural organ of man, dared to injure one of God's works. But Akiba shrewdly surmised the object which Rufus had in view. Therefore he had a carefully worded answer, and to show its correctness he took some ears of corn and a loaf of bread and said: "God has created the one and the other is the work of man; is not the loaf more beautiful than the corn?" Thus Akiba showed how nature only produces the raw material, while human skill shapes it and works it up according to the demands of skill and of good taste. And the rite of circumcision was also a means of

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As Rufus could not understand why the Sabbath should be holy he once asked Akiba: "What is the difference between the Sabbath and the other days of the week?" Akiba answered with another question: "What is the difference between you, the governor, and other men?" "The will of my master, the Emperor, has called me to this high position," answered Rufus. Akiba's repartee came quickly: "And the Sabbath, too, was elevated by the will of its Master, the will of God."

With the question how the prevailing misery in the world could be in accord with the goodness of God, Rufus endeavored to drive R. Akiba into a corner. Rufus asked: "If your God loves the poor, why does he not provide for them?" Akiba's answer was: "So that the practice of charity will save us from the punishment of hell." "Why, for that reason you really deserve to be punished," said Rufus. "If a King, angry at a servant, commands him to be imprisoned, and to be deprived of food, would he not be enraged at one who should visit the prisoner and give him food? And you are the servant of the Eternal, for it is said: 'For the children of Israel are my servants.'" Again Akiba was not for a moment at a loss for an answer: "If a King, angry at his son, casts him into prison and forbids him nourishment, then ascertains that his command has been violated, will he not reward him who has acted against his wishes? And we are called sons of God, for it is said: 'Sons are ye, of the Eternal, your God.'"

Of interest likewise is the discussion which Akiba had with a man called Sonin on the subject of the wonderful cures said to have been effected on those who visited the heathen temples. Asked how such cures could be explained, for no cur-

ative power dwelt in idolatrous worship, Akiba answered with this comparison: In a town there lived an honest man, who was accustomed to be entrusted with money and property, without any witnesses to the transaction being present. But there was one who was suspicious and who was always accompanied by witnesses. One day, however, he did not think of this rule, and he handed some property to the man, unwitnessed. The wife of the banker, wishing to anger the suspicious customer, said to her husband: "Let us deny that we received anything from him. But the husband, conscious of his integrity, replied: "Because that fool did not act right shall we therefore abandon our integrity?" And this applies also, according to R. Akiba's opinion, to the sufferings of humanity. The period of sickness and of recovery—all are predestined. If a person while ill chances to visit a heathen temple the predestination is not on that account suspended. It is not to be supposed that the laws of nature can be suspended by the folly of man.

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In this manner R. Akiba zealously endeavored to preserve and to defend God's law, as well as the doctrines of the Jewish religion. Against the Christianity, regarding itself as a radiator between God and men, bringing about redemption from sin, Akiba laid stress upon the direction relationship of God to the children of men, in accordance with the belief of Judaism. "Glory to you, Israelites," he cried, "before whom do ye purify yourselves, and who is it, that purifies ye? Your God in heaven! For it is said: 'I sprinkle ye with the water of purification, that ye may become clean; and furthermore, it is said: 'A ray of hope for Israel is the Eternal, as the springs purify the unclean, so God purifies Israel.'"

Akiba's zeal for the preservation of the Jewish law in all its purity is shown also in his rejection of the so-called Apokryphical writings which are not included in the Bible, for the opponents of Judaism often used them as plausible evidence in support of their opinions. At that time it had not been definitely decided which of the religious writings then in existence should be included in the Holy Book. Opinions differed greatly regarding many of them, as, for example, the holiness of the Book Koheleth and the Song of Songs. Regarding the latter R. Akiba said: "The entire world is not as valuable as the day on which it was given to Israel, and if all of these writings (the third part of the Bible) are holy the Song of Songs is doubly holy." This portion of the Bible he considered particularly significant, as the glorification of the relationship existing between God and Israel.

R. Akiba also endeavored to clarify the religious opinions of the Jews dwelling outside of Palestine. The great majority of the Jews speaking the Greek language had used for centuries the translation of Holy Writ known as the "Septuaginta." But as this version contained many errors and inaccuracies leading to some arbitrary changes in the

true interpretation of the Bible, Akiba directed his disciple Akylas—a convert to Judaism, who, according to the story, was said to have been related to the Emperor Hadrian—to prepare a new translation into Greek, which closely followed the Hebrew text. All Jews were to regard the Bible as the most precious source of their religious as well as secular culture.

Owing to the unfortunate experiences met with in the case of those eager students who became familiar with non-Jewish works, Akiba directed that the reading of other than Biblical writings be forbidden, and those violating this command be condemned to forfeit their share in an immortal life. This, of course, was intended only as a measure of precaution demanded by the conditions then prevailing, for, as regards learning, Akiba was anything but narrow-minded. For he was numbered among the men mastering the "seventy languages," acquired in the course of his travels, and which he frequently used in expounding Biblical texts. He took the good where he found it, and put it to the service of his holy mission—to labor in behalf of the law, to firmly establish it, and to surround it with a fortress, that should protect it against hostile attacks.

X.

The Roman Oppression and the Bar Kochba Insurrection.

While the Jewish sages were engaged in promoting the study of the Law and the strengthening of Judaism, the Jewish people were suffering under the oppression of the Roman domination. Domitian, who assumed the reins of government after the death of Titus, in his avarice rigorously enforced the burdensome Jewish tax, and he displayed particular enmity against those heathens who had become converted to Judaism. Not a few estimable Romans—men and women—who had abandoned the belief in the power of the heathen gods, felt drawn towards Judaism, and publicly or secretly adopted the Jewish faith. But according to Roman prejudices Jews as well as Christians were looked upon as blasphemers. In accordance with an imperial command every proselyte was deprived of his fortune, condemned to banishment or sentenced to death. During the latter part of his reign Domitian was particularly inhuman, even Flavius Clemens—a near relative—being condemned to

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ITEMS OF INTEREST IN THE JEWISH WORLD.

A new Zionist society has been formed at Lethbridge (Alta.), Canada.

A branch of the Tifereth Zion Society has been formed in Lynn, Mass.

The total Jewish immigration during 1913 to all ports of the United States was 130,137.

The aggregate attendance for 1913 at the Emanu-El Brotherhood of New York city totaled 160,685.

Senator Paul Strauss has been elected president of the French Association of Republican Journalists.

A number of Jewish youths in Springfield, Mass., have organized the Young Hebrew-American Athletic Club.

Mayor Mitchel has reappointed Mr. Nathaniel H. Levy a trustee of the Brooklyn (N. Y.) Public Library.

A B'nai B'rith lodge was organized at Kinston, N. C., last month. It will be known as Kinston Lodge, No. 631.

The Essex County (N. J.) Young Men's Hebrew Association has been organized with a charter membership of sixty-five.

A military company is being organized in connection with the Savannah (Ga.) Young Men's Hebrew Association.

The Jewish Maternity Hospital of New York city treated 1,400 cases last year and turned away over 400 for lack of room.

Contractors have begun work on the new synagogue to be erected by the Baron Hirsch Congregation of Memphis, Tenn.

Bridgeport, Conn., is to have a Young Woman's Hebrew Association to work in conjunction with the local Young Men's Hebrew Association.

A Kehillah has been formed in Cleveland, Ohio, and at the organization meeting held last week there were about 300 delegates present.

Henri Bernstein, the eminent French dramatist, is at work on a play dealing with Judith and Holofernes. Mme. Simone will play the leading part.

A mass meeting was held last week and several subscriptions received towards a Jewish institute in either Pawtucket or Central Falls, R. I.

Nearly three million persons in Russia, of whom 3.7 per cent. are Jews, are suffering from trachoma. Of the 320,000 blind people, 5,500 are Jews.

Mr. Irwin J. Krohn has been appointed chairman of the City Planning and Civic Centre Commission of the Cincinnati (Ohio) Chamber of Commerce.

Commandant Cahen, Chief of Battalion in the French Colonial Infantry, has been promoted Officer of the Legion of Honor for services in the Moroccan War.

Governor Colquitt of Texas has appointed Mrs. Ell Herzberg, of San Antonio, chairman of the Texas Commission for the Panama Pacific Exhibition.

The peasants in the villages round Lodz have uttered a protest against the order just issued prohibiting them to let their houses to Jews in the summer.

Mr. Samuel Sachs has been reappointed by the Mayor to serve for a term of seven years as one of the trustees of Bellevue and Allied Hospitals in the city of New York.

Abraham Reese, one of the prominent Jewish residents of Wilkes-Barre, Pa., and a prominent Confederate war veteran, died last month at the age of seventy-four.

The Jewish community at Knoxville, Tenn., has acquired a site for a new building and will begin the erection of a synagogue to be finished in time for the new year.

The first consignment of radium ever shipped to Cincinnati, O., has been received at the Jewish Hospital in that city. Several cancer patients will be treated with it.

Last evening the organized Jewish charities of Boston, Mass., celebrated their fiftieth anniversary. Since their existence they have disbursed over \$1,000,000 for relief.

The University of Pennsylvania has conferred the degree of Doctor of Laws upon Dr. Morris Jastrow, Jr., the distinguished Philadelphia editor, teacher, scholar and author.

The Russian Senate has considered the appeals of many Jewish exiles from villages in the province of Volhynia, and has found that the action of the local governor was so arbitrary that it could not in any way be defended. In less than half an hour the numerous Jewish appellants won in every case.

The will of Mrs. Julie Wedeles, of Chicago, Ill., filed last week, disposed of an estate aggregating \$350,000. Of this sum \$25,000 is left to various Chicago Jewish charities.

Preliminary arrangements have been made for the establishment of a Hebrew Free Loan Association in New Bedford, Mass. The new association will begin with a capital of \$25,000.

Last Sunday the new communal building at Buffalo, N. Y., was formally opened. The building will be used for social and administrative purposes and will contain a gymnasium.

A Jewish company has been formed at Wilna for the purpose of purchasing land in Palestine. Each member is pledged to invest 6,000 roubles in the course of the next eight years.

The local Y. M. H. A. and Temple B'nai Israel of Jacksonville, Fla., will co-operate in the erection of a new building to be used jointly by the association and the congregation.

It is announced that M. Emanuel Carasso will be a candidate for the Turkish Parliament to represent the Jews of Constantinople and not a candidate for the Turkish Senate, as previously reported. M. Carasso formerly represented the city of Salonika, which is now a Greek possession.

Jewish Sabbath Association Meets.

The Jewish Sabbath Association held its annual meeting last Sunday evening at the Ohab Zedek Synagogue, 172 Norfolk street. Despite the inclement weather there was a very large attendance and great interest was manifested in the reports of the president and of the other officials. The president, Rev. Dr. B. Drachman, in his report gave a general review of the activity of the society during the past year. Ten propaganda meetings were held in various parts of the city which did much to stir up Sabbath sentiment. The employment bureau was reorganized and secured the co-operation of several other societies. Several hundred applicants were placed in positions free from Sabbath desecration. The work of interviewing manufacturers and shop owners in the interest of Sabbath observance was continued with considerable success. A workmen's branch, composed of Sabbath-keeping union men, was recently organized and has already a membership of five hundred. The Young Ladies' and Men's Sabbath League also continued its good work during the year among the younger generation.

Mr. David B. Cohen, manager of the employment bureau, read his report on its work. During the seven months since its opening in July, 1913, 294 positions were secured, with previous placements, making a total of 430. The financial report of the association was then read. The following gentlemen were elected directors: Messrs. V. S. D. Aaronson, L. Borgenicht, L. Davis, Rev. Dr. Bernard Drachman, J. J. Dukas, M. Engleman, Harry Fischel, William Fischman, A. Garfunkel, M. Goldberg, Rev. Dr. M. Hyamson, Rabbi S. E. Jaffe, M. Jarmulowsky, Rev. Dr. Ph. Klein, J. Klein, A. Kimmel, Rabbi W. Margolies, Rabbi M. S. Margolies, Rev. Dr. H. P. Mendes, J. Oshinsky, N. Taylor Phillips, N. Roggen and William J. Solomon.

The president stated that a hearing in regard to the Sabbath bill will take place before the Codes Committee in Albany on the 18th inst. The society is organizing a strong delegation in which all parts of the State will be represented to go to Albany on that date. The bill this year has been introduced by Assemblyman Sufrin. A general meeting will soon be held uptown in order to acquaint the uptown community with the highly important work of the association.

The Origin of "The Melting Pot."

It is popularly supposed that Israel Zangwill coined the phrase "The Melting Pot" which has now become incorporated in English thought and speech. As a matter of fact the phrase "The Melting Pot" owes its origin to the Rev. Dr. Samuel Schulman, of New York. He originated it in a sermon entitled "Shall American Israel Surrender Its Ideals?" preached as an anti-Zionism sermon in Temple Beth El one year and a half before Zangwill wrote his now famous play of that name. His sermon was published in pamphlet form by the congregation at the time and a few weeks later reprinted in the Israelite. A reference to that issue will corroborate this. It is not anywhere stated that Mr. Zangwill makes claim to originality for this phrase. At all events, Dr. Schulman may feel some pride in having contributed so rich and comprehensive a term to our language.—American Israelite.

Plans are maturing for the second annual meeting of the United Synagogue of America. The meeting will be held at the Jewish Theological Seminary, No. 521 West 123d street, on Sunday, March 22.

SOCIAL NOTES.

The Ladies' Auxiliary of the Hebrew Sheltering Guardian Orphan Asylum will hold their annual household bazaar at the Hollywood on Tuesday, March 10. Many useful articles for the house, also groceries of all kinds received through donation will be on sale and there will be a special booth of delicious home-made cakes and tarts. Mrs. E. O. Fischer has charge of the bazaar and reports a very promising outlook for its success. A most pleasing feature of the evening will be the competitive dancing for prizes.

To raise funds for a modern hospital building for the Bronx Maternity Hospital, an exposition will be held at the Burland Casino, 801-815 Westchester avenue, during the week beginning March 29 and ending April 4. Many attractive amusement devices will be installed and interesting entertainments will be provided during the week, culminating with a grand mard gras on the final night. Valuable prizes will be awarded to those wearing the most appropriate costumes.

The second meeting of the Young Folks League, Congregation Path of Life, held at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. E. Kaufman, No. 73 East Ninety-second street, on the 25th ult., was attended by over forty people, including Rev. Dr. M. Hyamson, the honorary president, who addressed the meeting. A constitution was adopted. A third meeting was held last Wednesday night, when officers were elected and the general work of the society was outlined.

Mr. and Mrs. Morris Clark, of No. 16 East Ninety-third street, are at present enjoying a sojourn at Bermuda. They will return early in April.

Rev. Dr. and Mrs. Bernard Drachman have issued invitations for the wedding of their daughter, Beatrice Baruchda, to Mr. Siegfried Frohlich, on Monday, March 16. The ceremony will be performed at the Ohab Zedek Synagogue at 6 p. m.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles M. Butler, who were married this week, have left for Lakewood and Atlantic City, where they will spend their honeymoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Michael Erlanger will tender a reception to their friends on Tuesday evening, March 10, at the Hotel Marseilles, in celebration of their silver wedding.

Miss Mannheimer, of Cincinnati, who recently achieved success here with her recitals at The Plaza, returns to New York to give a dramatic recital accompanied by music at the Little Theatre on March 10, at 3 p. m.

The League for Political Education will give a ball in April to further subscriptions for its new building. Mrs. Charles Oppenheim has been elected chairman of the Entertainment Committee.

Mrs. A. Munberg, of 47 East Seventy-fifth street, gave a dance for her daughter Florence on Sunday afternoon.

The Junior League of the Sanitarium for Hebrew Children gave a dance on the night of February 26.

The Mt. Sinai Hospital Alliance will hold a dance at McGowan's Pass Tavern, Central Park, on Saturday night, March 14.

The golden wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Flato will be celebrated at the Wallace, No. 448 West 152d street, next Sunday evening after 8 o'clock.

The Junior Sisterhood of Temple Israel of Harlem will hold a dance at Delmonico's on Saturday evening, March 14.

Dr. and Mrs. L. S. Sobel gave a dinner last Saturday at their home, No. 77 West 118th street. A theatre party followed.

A banquet was tendered Mr. Abraham Goldberg, editor of Das Yiddish Folk, at Clinton Hall last night in honor of the appearance of his first volume of collected essays.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Oppenheimer, of No. 485 East 140th street, announce the celebration of their sixty-fifth wedding anniversary, and in honor of the event will receive their friends at the Savigny, 229 Lenox avenue, on Sunday, March 15.

Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Straus will stop in California for the next few weeks. General Nelson A. Miles is their guest.

The engagement is announced of Miss Stella Hammerslough to Mr. Michael H. Schapp, leader of the Progressive faction of the New York State Assembly.

Mrs. Leopold Goodman and daughter, of No. 555 Park avenue, are enjoying a stay at Miami, Fla.

Mr. and Mrs. Jacob H. Schiff left last week for a trip to the West Indies.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Kram, of No. 65 East 120th street, gave a reception last Sunday afternoon in honor of the engagement of their daughter, Miss Anna Kram, whose betrothal to Mr. Abraham Cohen was recently announced. Despite the unusually inclement weather, there was a steady stream of callers to offer their congratulations. A dinner to

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the immediate family was given in the evening.

The annual Purim entertainment and reception will be tendered the inmates of the I. O. B. B. Home, at Yonkers, by the Ladies' Auxiliary Society on Sunday, March 15, at 2:30 p. m.

The Hebrew Benevolent Society of Staten Island will hold a masquerade and civic ball at the German Club rooms, Stapleton, S. I., on March 10.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Benjamin, of No. 2100 Fifth avenue, will be at home to their friends on Sunday, March 15, on the occasion of the twenty-fifth anniversary of their wedding.

The Religious School of Temple Israel of Harlem will give a Purim entertainment on Sunday morning, March 8. "Tommy's Wife" will be given by one of the clubs of the Federation Settlement. In the afternoon another entertainment will be held for the East Side School in Temple Israel Assembly Hall.

A benefit performance in aid of the Congregation Mt. Zion will be given on Monday evening, March 9, at the West End Theatre, when "Things That Count" will be presented.

A charity ball will be given at the Hotel Gotham, Fifty-fifth street and Fifth avenue, on Saturday night, March 14, the proceeds of which will be given to aiding the poor during the week of Passover. The affair is being managed by Misses Florence H. Bayer, Mildred Cohen, Ethel and Belle Shapiro and Estelle Weiss, and Messrs. Oscar Hammerstein, Lee Shubert and Marcus Loew will supply the talent. Nathan Franko's orchestra will furnish the music.

The Social Welfare Circle of Congregation Kehilath Jeshurun announces that the Purim dance to be given under its auspices will take place tomorrow (Saturday) evening, March 7, at the Hotel Biltmore. The proceeds of the dance will be devoted in part to the Yorkville Talmud Torah, soon to be erected, and the remainder towards the maintenance of the various activities conducted under the auspices of the Social Welfare Circle.

CORRESPONDENCE.

An Appeal to the Public.

Editor HEBREW STANDARD.
The Council of Communal Jewish Institutions, having indorsed the work of the Widowed Mothers' Fund Association in most laudatory terms and made this organization a member of its body, the Board of Managers feels assured that the general public, taking this commendation as sufficient warranty, will hasten to the assistance of the association at this particularly trying time.

The winter has been an extremely hard one for the poor; food prices have been high, and sufficient coal for warmth almost impossible to them; clothing, too, has been lacking. The association has strained all its resources, and its coffers are now empty, while suffering is at its greatest.

The association therefore makes this appeal for subscriptions, and above all, for new members, so that it cannot only continue but increase its work of ministering to those most unfortunate members of society, the widow and the fatherless.

We trust there will be generous hearts ready and willing to heed our cry of distress and charitable hands ready to relieve it. It is in this faith our appeal is made.

Subscriptions and names for membership may be sent to the undersigned, or to the office of the Widowed Mothers' Fund Association, 190-194 Bowery.

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MRS. WILLIAM EINSTEIN,
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I. O. B. B. Lodge Give Surplus to Charity.

Washington Lodge, No. 19, Independent Order B'nai B'rith, which recently celebrated its sixtieth anniversary at the Hotel Ansonia by a musicale, dance and supper, found that it had a surplus of over \$300 in its anniversary fund, which was made up from voluntary contributions from its members, each one of whom attended the festivities. The Charity Committee, under the leadership of Henry Meyers, decided that this surplus should be distributed among a number of Jewish institutions instead of reverting to the lodge treasury. Each contributing member was allowed to vote as to which institutions should receive the surplus, having one vote for each dollar which he contributed.

ENGAGEMENTS.

CLARK—NATHAN.—Mr. and Mrs. Morris Clark, of 16 East 93d st., announce the engagement of their daughter Birdie to Mr. A. L. Nathan. Date of reception to be announced later.

COHEN—ARNSTAM.—Mrs. Sophia Arnstam announces the engagement of her daughter, Selma, to Mr. Murray Cohen. At home March 8, from 3 to 6, 530 West 144th street.

COHEN—JACOBS.—Mr. and Mrs. David Jacobs, 2076 Daly avenue, Bronx, announce the engagement of their daughter, Rae, to Mr. Joseph Cohn. Reception Sunday, March 8, after 8 p. m., at the Savigny, 229 Lenox avenue.

DANNENBERG—KURNICKI.—Mr. and Mrs. James Kurnicki, 600 West 157th street, announce the engagement of their daughter, Blanche, to Mr. Harry Dannenberg. Reception Sunday, March 8, 1914, at Hotel Savoy, after 8.

DON—HAUPT.—Mr. and Mrs. J. Louis Haupt, of 1884 Belmont avenue, Bronx, announce the engagement of their daughter, Selma, to Mr. David Don.

EISNER—BERNSTEIN.—Mr. and Mrs. S. Bernstein, of 404 West 139th street, announce the engagement of their daughter, Maud, to Mr. Albert Eisner. At home Sunday, March 8, 3 to 6 p. m.

FEINBURG—KODZIESEN.—Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Kodziesen, of 545 West 111th street, announce the engagement of their daughter, Ruth, to Mr. David Feinburg. Reception at Delmonico's, Sunday, March 8, 3 to 6 p. m.

FIRST—HOLZMAN.—Mr. and Mrs. Leopold Holzman, of 605 West 151st street, announce the engagement of their daughter, Josephine, to Mr. Charles S. M. First.

HOFFMAN—BARKSKY.—Dr. and Mrs. J. Barsky, of 206 Hewes street, Brooklyn, announce the betrothal of their daughter, Estelle, to Dr. Isaiah L. Hoffman, of Manhattan.

KASSEL—SILBERBERG.—Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Silberberg, of 64 East Ninety-first street, announce the engagement of their daughter, Pauline, to Mr. David C. Kassel. At home Sunday, March 15, from 3 to 6 p. m. No cards.

KEMP—FISCHER.—Mr. and Mrs. Sigmund C. Fischer announce the betrothal of their daughter, Frieda, to Mr. Elias W. Kemp, son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Kemp.

KITIAS—MONDSCHHEIN.—Mr. and Mrs. Morris Mondschein, of 976 Kelly street, Bronx, announce the betrothal of their daughter, Minnie, to Mr. George J. Kitias.

LOEB—JANKAUER.—Mr. and Mrs. I. Jankauer, 508 West 158th street, announce the betrothal of their daughter, Helen, to Mr. Julian M. Loeb, of Brooklyn.

MAN—ISAACS.—Mr. and Mrs. M. Isaacs, of 410 West 148th street, announce the engagement of their daughter, Hilda, to Dr. Albert E. Man, U. S. N.

MARKS—PHILLIPS.—Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Phillips, 223 Henry street, beg to announce the engagement of their daughter, Ida, to Dr. Edward A. Marks, of Brooklyn.

NAGEL—DAVIS.—Mr. and Mrs. Aaron B. Davis, of 523 West 111th street, announce the engagement of their daughter, Corinne, to Mr. Morris Nagel, of New York.

SCHLESINGER—LEINKRAM.—Mrs. R. Leinkram, of 600 West 133d street, announces the engagement of her daughter, Jennie, to Mr. David Schlesinger.

SINGER—BACHRACH.—Mrs. M. Singer, of 35 West 110th street, announces the engagement of her daughter Heimina to Mr. Harry Bachrach, of 24 West 113th street.

MARRIAGES.

BAEDER—SPRING—Sunday, February 22, at Delmonico's by Dr. Rudolph Grossman. Miss Selma Baeder to Mr. Harry Spring.

BAUER—FLEISCHMAN.—On February 25, 1914, by Rabbi Samuel Buchler. Miss Julia Fleischman to Mr. Max Bauer.

BAUM—HURWITZ.—Miss Hortense Baum, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob S. Baum, of No. 1270 Madison avenue, to Mr. William Morris Hurwitz, on Thursday, February 26, 1914, by Rev. Dr. Rudolph Grossman, at the Hotel Bon Ray, Madison avenue and 92d street.

BUTLER—NEWMAN.—Mr. and Mrs. William Newman, of No. 1229 Park avenue, announce the marriage of their daughter Mildred to Mr. Charles M. Butler, at their residence. Rabbis M. S. Margolies and M. M. Kaplan officiating.

DECKINGER—GOTTFRIED.—Mr. and Mrs. Herman Gottfried, of 1042 Lafayette avenue, Brooklyn, announce the marriage of their daughter, Hannah, to Mr. Herbert Deckinger on Monday evening, March 2, 1914, at the Carlton. Rabbi Aaron Eisenman performed the ceremony.

FRIEDMAN—KLENERT.—February 26, Essie Klenert to Isidor Walter Friedman.

HAYS—AUERRACH.—On Tuesday, March 3, 1914, Helen Hays, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel P. Hays, to Mr. Irvin Harold Auerrach at Temple Israel of Harlem. Rev. Dr. M. H. Harist officiating.

KIRSCHNER—BODENSTEIN.—Mr. Louis Kirschner to Miss Tillie Bodenstern at the synagogue of the Congregation Kehilath Jeshurun, Sunday, February 22, 1914.

LEVY—WEISBERG.—On Sunday, March 1, 1914, by Rev. Dr. Adolph Siegel. Miss Fannie Weisberg to Dr. Jacob Levy.

NEW—GROSS.—On Sunday, March 1, 1914, Miss Fannie Gross to Mr. Julius New. Rabbi Samuel Buchler officiated.



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death, because of his inclination towards Judaism. Bearing upon this occurrence is the story of the Roman Senator, who sacrificed his life in his endeavor to save the Jews, when the Emperor forced the Senate to adopt a law whereby all the Jews residing in his dominions were within thirty days condemned to death. Upon hearing the news of this threatened horror, R. Gamliel II, President of the Sanhedrin, R. Eleazer ben Asarya, R. Joshua and R. Akiba at once proceeded to Rome in the fall of the year, and without waiting for a time propitious to a sea voyage. In Rome they consulted a senator who took an interest in Judaism, and whose wife, who also favored the Jews, induced her husband to sacrifice himself for their benefit. In order to understand this we must inform the reader that it was then a Roman custom whereby a law of the Senate could not be carried out should one of the senators die suddenly. Advised by his wife, the senator took of the poison which all Roman grandees carried in their seal rings and died. Before his death he had become an Israelite. It is also related that he bequeathed his fortune to R. Akiba and the latter's associates.

For a very brief period under the reign of the gentle and wise Emperor Nerva, there was some improvement in the situation; the Jewish taxes were collected in an indulgent way, and there were no obstacles placed in the way of any one desirous of embracing Judaism. But after a reign of only sixteen months, Nerva died, and Tryan, his successor, followed in the footsteps of Domitian. The latter's favorite project was to extend the Roman Empire in Asia as much as possible, like the advance of Alexander the Great. But in the Parthian countries the Jews, who populated entire towns and enjoyed a certain amount of political independence, valiantly opposed him. At the same time there took place uprisings on

the part of the Jews of Egypt, Cyrene, Lybia and the Island of Cyprus. There arose sanguinary conflicts, in which it was shown that the power of the Jews had not been weakened, or their courage impaired. It seems that the Jews of Palestine also took part in the rebellion. The arrogance of the Roman officials provoked them into attempting to shake off the hated yoke, but their opponents were far too powerful. In Babylon the Moorish Prince Lusius Quietus, a general of the Roman army, acted as commander-in-chief, and so successfully and cruelly did he carry out the Emperor's order to annihilate the Jews, that he was rewarded by being appointed Vice-Roy of Palestine.

The rebellion going on during the last year of the reign of Trajan (117) continued under that of his successor Hadrian. In Palestine Quietus was a ruthless tyrant, and consequently a war of destruction against the Jews was feared. Suddenly the powerful viceroy lost the favor of his master. He was about to order the execution of Julianus and Pappus, two of the leaders of the insurrection in Laodicea. As they were being led to the place of execution he cried out sneeringly: "If your God is as powerful as you claim he may still save you." They calmly replied: "You are not worth while that God should perform a wonder on your account—you are only the inferior to one higher in power." The decree dismissing Quietus, coming at that moment, the two leaders were set at liberty and the Synhedrim directed that in commemoration of the event the twelfth of Adar be celebrated as a half holiday.

At the beginning of his reign Hadrian seemed to be favorably disposed towards the Jews. The removal of the hated Quietus was looked upon as a good sign, and the hope was being indulged that Hadrian would permit the restoration of Jerusalem and the erection of a new temple. But very soon these expectations were disappointed. Hadrian permitted himself to be influenced by the Samaritans, who were inimical to the Jews, and while he decided to rebuild Jerusalem, it was to be changed into a heathen city, and on the site of the temple an altar to the Capitoline Jupiter was to be erected.

Naturally these plans of the emperor aroused bitter enmity among the Jews of Palestine, and an outbreak would have taken place at once had not the peace-loving called attention to the danger of an uprising under the then prevailing circumstances. R. Joshua, who, after the death of R. Gamliel II had become President of the Synhedrim—now removed to Uscha—contributed greatly to the pacification of the people. He sought to make plain his views to the assembled multitude by this fable: "A lion has devoured another animal, and one of the bones stuck fast in his throat. He therefore gave out this notice: 'Whoever shall remove the bone will be liberally rewarded.' A crane came along, stuck his long neck down the lion's throat, and when he had drawn out the bone demanded his reward. The lion sarcastically exclaimed: 'Go your way and rejoice that you ex-

tricated unharmed your head out of the lion's jaw.'" Even so, concluded R. Joshua, we should rejoice that we can live in peace amid the Roman Empire.

Nevertheless those inclined to rebel secretly prepared for warfare; in the chalk hills of Judea they constructed subterranean roads, and the many caverns served them as arsenals. At last, in the year 132, the insurrection, led by Simon bar Kosiba, a man of great courage, broke out. The name of the hero was probably derived from the place of his birth. When R. Akiba first laid eyes upon him he became so impressed by his personal appearance that like many others he regarded him as the Messiah, predicted by the Prophets as the liberator from oppression and servitude. To him he applied the line from Holy Writ: "A star has arisen in Jacob." In accordance with the Aramaic designation of "star," the hero thenceforth bore the symbolical name Bar Kochba. Akiba's hopes were not shared by all. Jochanan ben Torta said to him doubtfully: "Grass will for a long time have grown over your grave and the Messiah will not have appeared." But recognized by a man like Akiba, Bar Kochba was looked upon by the masses as a saviour sent by God, and they readily obeyed his orders.

The soul of the people was fired by a desire for liberty, and a multitude came together for the purpose of enlisting in Bar Kochba's army. Jews from other lands also came to Palestine and joined the hero's forces, even Samaritans and Gentiles anxious to throw off the yoke of Roman tyranny took part in the war of liberation. And surprisingly successful was Bar Kochba and his army. In the course of a year Samaria Galilee and almost the whole of Judea was conquered, the intrepid commander regarded himself as the master of the country, and as a mark of independence caused coins to be issued, many of which bore his name "Simon" on one side, while the reverse bore the words: "To the liberation of Jerusalem." The Roman Viceroy Tinneneus Rufus was powerless against the mighty uprising, and the numerous battalions sent to reinforce the Roman troops by Hadrian were equally unsuccessful. Finally Julius Severus, the most distinguished Roman commander of that period, who had won laurels in Britannia, was ordered to Palestine, where the rebellion had lasted two years. Severus avoided open battles, but sought by means of many unexpected attacks to weaken his adversaries. By that method he gradually took one fortress after the other, and succeeded until there was left to the rebels only the fortress of Bethar, into which they were compelled to retire. Here they offered heroic resistance for over a year, the subterranean roads alluded to above enabling them to obtain the necessary means of subsistence. Finally, on the 9th of Ab 135, Berrat, owing to treason, fell into the hands of the Romans who subjected their prisoners to a horrible massacre. A half a million Jews are said to have lost their lives, many of them were fearfully tortured or sold as slaves. Bar Kochba also lost his life. It had for some time been recognized that he was not the longed-for Messiah, especially as he one day attacked a pious man, who, falsely suspecting him of calumny, he killed with his own hand.

The heroic rebellion had thus been in vain, and indeed only served to aggravate the lot of the Jews. The entire country was laid desolate, the plow was drawn over Jerusalem, and to the newly-built heathen city, called Aelia Capitolina, entrance was denied to Jews.

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The new building will contain an auditorium and gallery, having a capacity for 500 persons, to be used for meetings, debates, lectures, concerts and dances; a gymnasium and a roof garden, which will be available for dances and concerts, as well as for recreation and play.

The main portion of the building fronting on Hopkinson avenue will include club rooms social rooms, manual training, domestic art, music and Hebrew class rooms, reading rooms and the administration offices. All the rooms will be available on Saturday mornings for the Sabbath School. The social rooms will be used in the afternoons as game and study rooms. There is ground available which may be utilized for a school garden and recreation work.

The society has been developing as a Jewish social centre for the Brownsville section, endeavoring to reach all elements of the population, including the younger children, the growing up youth and young women, as well as the adults. With the inauguration of its activities in the new building an impetus will undoubtedly be given to its work and it will be enabled to emphasize its influence along educational, social and physical, as well as distinctly Jewish, lines.

The scope of the society's work at present is indicated by the following: Jewish Forum consists of Friday evening lectures on subjects of Jewish interests; Brownsville Forum—addresses on Sunday evenings on subjects of public and neighborhood interests; Yiddish lectures of general interest on occasional Saturday evenings and on subjects

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The society co-operates with the Council of Jewish Women, Brooklyn section; United Jewish Aid Societies, probation officer Kings County Children's Court, Public School District No. 39, Board of Health district nurses, milk station nurses and dispensaries; District Nursing Committee, Committee on Prevention of Tuberculosis, Tenement House Committee, Brooklyn Bureau of Charities, National Desertion Bureau, Parks and Playgrounds Association, sanitarium for Hebrew children, Brooklyn Children's Aid Society.

The officers of the society are: Mr. Adolph Feldbaum, president; Mr. David N. Zeman, vice-president; Mr. Aaron William Levy, treasurer, and Mr. Martin H. Latner, secretary. The superintendent is Dr. Charles S. Bernheimer. The architect of the new building is Mr. Simeon B. Eisendrath.

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Fresh Horrors from Russia—King George to Visit the Czar—Movements of Mendel Beiliss—Jewish Board of Deputies Surveys the World—Manchester Community Movements—Zangwill Talks to Authors—Spain for Jewish Resettlement—Sir Frederick Cowen and the Maccabaeans—Bergson and the French Academy—Claude Montefiore III—Palestine Colony Developments.

London, Feb. 13, 1914.
Russia is not allowed to cease troubling the Jewish community in this country for long together. Lately there has come news of revivals of the infamous ritual murder charges and the ground appears to be laid for some second edition of the old horrible persecution. From information received in London a very critical position exists in Russia for the great Jewish community there.

The boycott of Jews in the Vistula provinces not only shows no signs of abatement, but is becoming daily more rigorous and harassing. The Utro Rossi states that in the government of Petrikau the boycott has lately resulted in the expulsion of 200 Jewish families from the village commune of Dombrovo, 200 from Strezemierzycze, 40 from Grabczin, 80 from Niemetz, 70 from Zombkowitz, 15 from Ujast, 15 from Wyssoka, 40 from Klimontoff, 40 from Lazy and 100 from Nowki. These 750 expelled families aggregate 3,750 souls. In all the village communes mentioned the Jews have hitherto enjoyed the right of domicile. The Polish boycotters profess that their object is the nationalization of Polish trade and commerce, which they allege the Jews are endeavoring to monopolize and exploit. Hence their anti-Jewish campaign is benevolently regarded by the Russian authorities.

In view of these facts and the general increasingly anti-Jewish attitude of the Russian Government the approaching visit of King George to the Czar is being much discussed here. It is held that a friendly visit at a time when blood libels are being concocted would be a lasting shame and a deep discredit to this country.

The annual meeting of the Jewish Board of Deputies was held on February 8, the president, D. L. Alexander, K. C., occupying the chair. Included among the large number of London and provincial delegates present were Albert H. Jessel, D. C.; Isidore Salmon, who is a member of the London County Council; J. H. Levy, H. S. Q. Henriques, B. S. Straus, Dr. Alfred Eichholz and Gustave Tuck. The meeting is always notable by reason of the comprehensive survey made by the president of the condition of Jews throughout the world, and, though the address on February 8 was shorter than usual, it was none the less full of interest. Mr. Alexander said that, with regard to the foreign branch of the board's work, the year 1913 was a very busy and trying one, and they had had to deal with a number of weighty matters which are exceptionally difficult in themselves, and rendered still more so by reason of their touching international relations affected by the Triple Alliance and the Triple Entente.

Two subjects have been in the forefront of the committee's activities: (1) The political situation created by the transference of large areas of territory as the result of the Balkan wars, and (2) the persistent failure of Roumania to fulfill the conditions of the Berlin Treaty, under which she obtained her independence. In regard to the first of these the efforts of the committee had been directed to secure full civil and religious rights for the Jewish inhabitants of the transferred districts, including the territory passing to the kingdom of Roumania; as to the other, the committee have urged, and are still pressing his Majesty's Government, to withhold their assent to any enlargement of the frontiers of Roumania, unless and until proper and sufficient guarantees are given by the government of that country for the fulfillment of its obligations under the Treaty of Berlin. Judging from the tone of the letters received from the Foreign Office, there would seem to be genuine reason for hoping that the claims put forward by the committee on behalf of their co-religionists in Roumania will at least receive the active support of his Majesty's Government, but a great deal will depend on the attitude of the other signatory Powers to the Berlin Treaty, as to which no accurate forecast can at present be made. As to the Russo-Jewish question, it was his painful duty to report that the persecution by Russia of her Jewish subjects is being continued with unabated vigor, and that their position grows from year to year increasingly critical and precarious. It is hard, indeed, to realize how it is that the conscience of the civilized world has so long tolerated the ill-treatment and persecution of their Russian co-religionists, which is nothing short of an outrage on humanity and justice.

Other matters with which Mr. Alexander's address dealt were the question of Shechita (slaughter of animals),

alien immigration, naturalization, and the old age pensions act. A discussion, in which many delegates took part, followed.

The Great Synagogue of the Manchester Old Hebrew Congregation in Cheetham Hill road was opened again on February 8, after being closed for a month for improvements. The Great Synagogue was originally opened for worship in 1858, and was then the only synagogue in Manchester, with the exception of the Reform. To-day there are eight important congregations, while the number of minor synagogues and chevras is not much less than thirty. It has been singularly fortunate in its workers. Since its foundation it has only known two ministers—the late Professor Dr. Meyer Isaacs and its present spiritual head, Rabbi Dr. B. Salomon, who has for many years been the spokesman and the representative of the community in general to the outside world.

The spirit of the prophets lay heavy upon Mr. Zangwill on February 11 when he presided over the handful of writing men and women who met at the Lyceum Club to consider—of all the forlorn subjects—"How Authorship May Be Improved as a Profession." Such optimism apparently depressed him. He was at great pains to remind his hearers that literature was in a bad way and that it would never be in a better way until the public took more trouble to insist upon authors producing good work. Nothing would improve the author's lot so long as literary standards remained lax. Thus there was the case of his own new play—its first night sandwiched between a Shakespeare revival and a new Gaiety production—which led Mr. Zangwill to enumerate with some heat the various "Girls," whose doings occupy the London theatres just now. Accordingly he poured cisterns of cold water on the various suggestions that were made in the course of the discussion. And it cannot be said that they showed much originality—except the ingenious notion of Albert Kinross, who thinks there should be a bank for authors, presumably to advance needed moneys in respect of accepted contributions that lie interred for months in publishers' desks. Silas Hocking, speaking with the breeziness of a man whose books sell by the million, was all for putting an end to the sweating of authors. There was a healthy Philistinism about his remarks that was good to listen to. He was prepared to defend the "toshy" book against all comers. For he asked: Is a "toshy" book that is read by many not more useful than a good book that is read by nobody?

Sir Frederick Cowen is unable to accept the offer of presidency of the Maccabaeans for want of time.

An interview here with Hermand Landau suggests Spain as a land for Jewish settlement or resettlement. Landau has recently been to Spain and declared the country greatly in need of a Jewish element to relieve the present stagnation. In Spain at present nothing hardly is expanding owing to lack of native enterprise and energy. The middle and commercial classes perhaps would not especially welcome the Jews, but the better educated element want them. Landau referred to the colonies of Spanish Jews in other parts of the world who speak the old dialect and maintain the old traditions. Five hundred years of exile have not destroyed their original atmosphere. A synagogue exists in Madrid, but it is a poor sort of one.

That's good news about the election of M. Bergson to membership in the French Academy, that famous Paris assembly of "immortals" drawn from every department of science and art. He is the first Jew to receive the honor.

Claude Montefiore has been recently suffering from severe ear trouble, but is now getting better.

News comes that at last the Jewish National Fund has been able to carry out the wishes of the Federation of Canadian Zionists who sent \$10,000 a few years ago for an estate in Palestine. An area of land has been bought from the Odessa committee, with buildings and plantations and it has been placed in the hereditary tenure of the laborers. A planting company has loaned \$2,000 for outfit and it is believed that the National Jewish Fund has created in this colony a new type of co-operative labor society, the family life being domestic and private, while the cultivation work is done in common.

The two largest elements among the 3,747,844 persons of foreign white stock in New York city in 1910 were the English and Celtic group and the Yiddish



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and Hebrew, according to the mother tongue bulletin which has been issued recently by Director William J. Harris of the bureau of the census, Department of Commerce. While the Yiddish and Hebrew, with a total of 861,980 persons enumerated, was the largest foreign white stock in the population of the city, with the exception of the English and Celtic group, in Manhattan borough alone it contributed, a still larger proportion of the population, or about one-third of the total foreign born white and nearly one-fourth of the total white population. It was more than twice as large as any other foreign born element of that borough except the English and Celtic and the Italian.

The French Cabinet has decided to maintain, for the present, in his command, General Valabregue, commander-in-chief of the Third Army Corps at Rouen. The gallant general would actually now be chief of the general staff of France if, when the matter was mentioned to Russia, it had not showed hostility to the appointment. And as in the present state of Franco-Russian relations the chiefs of the general staffs of the two armies are in frequent and close relations, the government of the republic was obliged to renounce its intention. It is noteworthy that General Valabregue has as his chief of the staff a Jew, Lieut.-Col. Geismar, and that one of the regiments in his command has at its head his brother, Colonel Valabregue of the artillery.

The Commissioner of Police at Yaroslavl, M. Dolivo-Dobrovolsky, who was recently transferred to that district from Odessa has just ordered the expulsion of an infirm Jewess, aged eighty, who has resided in the locality for the last sixty years and has been maintained by her daughter. He has also expelled a Jewish sausage-maker on the extraordinary ground that he has not confined his activity to the preparation of sausages, but has also been in the habit of purchasing meat for their manufacture.

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In order to insure the insertion of communications in the current issue of THE HEBREW STANDARD they must be in this office not later than Wednesday 10 a. m. of the week in which they are to appear.

The Socialists of Posen have entered an energetic protest against the Polish boycott of the Jews. This is as it should be, and shows that German Socialists still sustain that idealistic love of the Jews, in keeping with the traditions of their faction.

Professor Henri Bergson is the first Jew to be an "Immortal." The new member of the French Academy well deserves this great and signal honor. M. Bergson has always maintained some sort of connection with the Liberal Jewish Synagogue of Paris, and thus, indeed, qualifies for his new title.

When we read of open violations of the dietary laws the guilty ones are usually of the male persuasion, and so we were rather surprised to glean from the Mt. Carmel (Pa.) Item that "The Ladies' Hebrew Aid Society, of Mount Carmel, held a Hassenpfeffer and dance in Odd Fellows' Hall on February 24."

We think that the formation of an American Jewish Press Association, recently consummated under favorable auspices in this city, does not imply (as our contemporary, *The Jewish World*, would believe) that American Jewry is becoming a power in the land. This signifies, to our notion, that American Jewry has become such a power, for the press not only creates an enlightened public opinion, but follows it also, to an appreciable extent.

If ever a scholar was entitled to be honored by the degree of LL.D. from a recognized American institution of higher learning, it was Professor Morris Jastrow, Jr., of Philadelphia, whom the University of Pennsylvania so distinguished. Dr. Jastrow is probably *primus inter pares* on the subject of the religion of Babylonia and Assyria, the bearer of a great name in the history of Judaism in America, and thus doubly deserving of his recent distinction.

The Boston (Mass.) *Transcript* has the following to say anent the Paderewski "boycott" which has unnerved the famous Polish pianist and caused him to abandon his Western tour and seek absolute rest in a California bungalow.

Mme. Paderewski claims that her husband had no knowledge of the anti-Semitic tendencies of the paper in question at the time he made the contribution, but regarded it as purely a patriotic Polish periodical. However, it need hardly be added that through France, Germany and Russia, "patriotic" is almost synonymous with "anti-Semitic," and the connection could doubtless have been easily inferred. And when one recalls the helplessness of the Jews everywhere in Russian domains it is not surprising that the race should use every weapon in its power in free America.

The elections to the new Turkish Parliament are proceeding, and give evidence how favorably disposed this Mohammedan land, with its supposed crass prejudice against the Jews, is toward our people. Many a country, the head of which is hailed as "Apostolic King," or "His Most Christian Majesty," etc., could take a leaf out of this book of the Turkish practice. And the Turkish Jews *qua* Turks deserve this favor. In the dark days of the recent Balkan conflict they did their full and entire duty as subjects of the Sultan—just as the Jews everywhere throughout the lands of the Diaspora supported and support the duly-constituted authorities of the State.

The twenty-second annual meeting of the American Jewish Historical Society at Philadelphia seems to have been a most interesting function. From the news reports we gather that the sessions were well attended, and that those present were repaid for their efforts by the value and interest of the various papers presented. The society appears to have accepted "a large order" for itself by announcing its intention of dealing with the suggested Jewish origin of Christopher Columbus. If the result be that Columbus' affiliation with the House of Israel is proved beyond the shadow of a doubt, the society may indeed plume itself upon its work. But, leaving the more spectacular phases of the Society's activity for the less sensational and more steady portions of its research, we are pleased to observe the growth of popular interest in the organization step by step with the increase of its scholarly significance.

THE DEARTH OF WORKERS

HERE must be something radically wrong with our communal economy when the weekly organs of Jewry, all the Anglo-Saxon world over, lament the present dearth of workers in social, charitable and educational activities among our people. For a long number of years this journal has dealt with this condition, and has pointed out how in the case of our own community the intolerance and monopolistic tendencies of self-constituted "leaders" have brought about this state of affairs.

Here, however, giving new force and point to our remarks is *The Jewish Chronicle*, whose "Mentor" strikes the same note in a recent issue, confining himself as he does to London's Jewry. There we read: "..... Instance after instance must come to the mind of the merest tyro where men have offered their services to communal institutions and because they did not feel disposed to say 'Amen' as well as 'Hallelujah'—and a loud resounding one at that—to all that those who were for the time being in power at the respective institutions said, did, thought, suffered harassment, snubbing, and despicement for their pains....." And again: "..... Only at the call of death, which they cannot withstand, will they yield up the positions of honorary office in which they have once been placed. As a matter of fact, there was never a man born who, having been in honorary office for three years, had not given the best that he could for the time being give to the institution over which he presided. After that, in any continuous service in office he performs, all he gives is the minimum of his best and the maximum of his worst....." If the foregoing had in the first instance appeared in our columns it would have applied with equal validity to conditions in our community as it presumably does to those in London's.

And the result of the matter? What *novus homo* cares to take up a fight against the members of what is, after all, an American Jewish communal trust? For him, standing alone, with his daily bread to acquire in the sweat of his face, the "game is not worth the candle." So he lets the old order of things continue to prevail. And every now and then, at the demise of one or the other of these "great" men, the magnates raise the *startling* cry that they have none to succeed them, that their work cannot live for the want of workers! Naturally!

Does Spain wish Jews to resettle within her borders? The testimony of the most enlightened statesmen in the Iberian peninsula runs to the effect that she does. It would seem, however, that those Jews who would be most cordially welcomed in the country are the descendants of the *Sephardim*, who were driven out of it in 1492; in other words, whose use of Ladino stamps them as the posterity of the people who were the victims of Ferdinand and Isabella's cruel rapacity. Then, too, the Spanish Jesuits are thought to be rather inimical to the return of the Jews to Spain, although on this point there is little if any positive evidence. On the whole, for the sake of our brethren-in-faith, for the sake of the glorious history of our faith in Spain, we trust the return "will be accomplished speedily and in our days."

The coming to this country of Dr. Franz Oppenheimer is the present subject of interest in local communal circles. Dr. Oppenheimer is an economist and teacher of economics of attainments and reputation. He fills a recognized position in the faculties of the University of Berlin and is one of the intellectual leaders of German Jewry. Furthermore, he is a Zionist and distinctly interested in the development of the Palestine colonies in an agrarian-co-operative sort of way. On the last subject he has made known some very positive theories of his own, theories, moreover, which their author can best detail and defend. We give Dr. Oppenheimer a glad some greeting, and say to him in consonance with the good old Jewish practice, heartily, *Boruch Habo!*

The Russian ministry of trade and industry is about to ask the Duma to amend the law governing emigration from the empire. The feature of the bill as this now stands is that emigrants leaving Russian by a Russian port will have certain advantages as to passports, and official fees, over those passing through Germany and other countries for the Western world. But, as with all that emanates from Russian officialdom and affects the Jews, there is a fly in the ointment. In the case of Russian Jews, possessing relatives who have escaped military duty, highly exorbitant fees will continue to be exacted, and the direct route from Russia to New York with its old-fashioned, unsanitary and unsafe vessels favored. Truly, the bear never changes his coat.

Roumanian Jewry is now confronted with a pretty educational problem of its own. For many years the Jews of the country have been maintaining and conducting their own secular schools, and in some of these non-Jewish teachers have foolishly been permitted to serve. Foolishly, because in several instances these persons combine a remarkable anti-Semitic activity with their vocations of Jewish youth and the responsible heads of the schools have not the grit to summarily end this *tohu va-bohu*.

The valuable address delivered by Jacob Rosenheim, of Frankfort-on-the-Main, at the Kattowitz Conference on the 12th Sivan, 5672, has now been given English form and appears in a neatly printed pamphlet under the title, "What Does the *Agudas Israel* Aim At?" This document, upon which we commented at due length at the time of its first appearance in the original German, plainly sets forth the purposes of this important union in behalf of traditional Judaism. In translated form it should have a wide dissemination among the Jews of this country.

PERMANENCE

להעלת נר תמיד:

"..... Cause the lamp to burn always." (Ex. xxvii, 20.)

MAN desires above all precious things—Permanence. He is transitory; his days are as a dream; his end cometh swift as an arrow; yet for all this his heart yearns for that which nature has refused him—Permanence. His little lamp has so many drops of oil, and no more; so much wick, and no more; yet his mightiest aspiration is "to cause the lamp to burn always." His heart has so many throbs, and no more, yet he would fain cause the echo of his heartbeats to blend with the music of the ages. His brains can contain so many thoughts, and no more; yet he would fain commingle his thoughts with the air that posterity would breathe. God, some one said, is the everlasting Present. Man, I say, is the everlasting Future.

In his craving for Permanence, he is most human. Butterflies have their little day and die. They have no thought for the morrow, no anxiety for the future. They bask in the sunshine, flit from flower to flower, enjoy their spasm of life and love, and then pass on to nothingness on the very wings that had carried them into existence. No animal has ever heard the song of the future. No dying lion has ever been disturbed by the vision of a living dog feeding on his carcass. And though the eagle soar above the loftiest peak, and stare the sun out of countenance, it has never lifted up its eye to the Sun of Righteousness nor touched with the tip of its wings the summit of eternity. Man alone of all beings is not satisfied with what the day brings, but, transcending himself in thought and aspiration, looks down from his vantage point upon the endless vista of Time, knowing that his destiny, too, is endless; that his soul will keep step with the marching centuries; that should the goal ever be reached and the roll of men and nations called, he will be there at the other end in the company of fellow pilgrims, his oil still unspent, his wick still burning, his light still shining.

Pathos is undivorcably wedded unto matters human, and there is deep pathos in this hankering after permanence. That the perishing heart should lay hold on the imperishable; that the mortal mind should think immortal thoughts; that the dissolving clay should tenement an *inner man* not subject to dissolution, is a paradox which nothing in nature can equal, let alone explain. It is distinctly part and parcel of the world of man, part and parcel of those poignant spiritual experiences which make for all that is both pitiable and magnificent in human life and human effort. It is pitiable that man's life is so short; it is magnificent that he is able to borrow from the future and add days that will be to the days that are. It is pitiable that he is hedged in by limitations; it is magnificent that he can transcend them. It is pitiable that he is weak; it is magnificent that he can turn his weakness into strength. His reach is ever longer than his arm. His vision is longer than his sight. His light is stronger than his lamp.

How shall he cause his lamp to burn *always*? How shall he attain unto permanence? Through his works? The road of human achievement leads but very few exceptional men to immortal fame. Of all the pictures ever painted how many fill mankind's gallery? Of all the books ever written how many are read? Of all the names once revered how many have come adown the ages? They are soon told off by any schoolboy. It is a curious commentary upon the limits of human work and worth, that while mankind has spawned forth out of its pain-racked body millions and millions of human beings that for ages have overspread the earth, striving, battling, yearning always for the far-away—yet but a bare handful have succeeded in blunting the sting of death and achieving immortality here on earth. But while obviously the lamp of genius alone *burns always*; the desire for permanence is present in the common heart. What shall be done for the average man and woman who, following the everyday march of the humdrum toiler, yet dreams of that march leading not to the land of eternal shadow but to the land of eternal light?

Immortality, if it is to satisfy a deep-seated human need, must be within the reach of all. Heaven must not be aristocratic. Paradise is not a magnates' club. Here is the great argument for religion. Religion alone holds forth to every child of God the hope of permanence. Religion alone points with certitude to the endless destiny of every man, be he never so humble of station. Religion alone, therefore, can answer to the human desire for permanence. There is nothing else that can fully gratify this widespread desire than religion. Art, idealizing the harsh outlines of material forms, cannot open the gates of heaven, though for a moment it may lift us out of ourselves and grant a brief spell of delight to eyes that are weary from beholding the ugliness that lurks even in the cup of the crimson rose. Black-visioned Schopenhauer fled from God's Creation to man's creations and sought freedom from the bondage of matter in the realm of art. But who would really care for a painted paradise, a heaven hewn into stone? Nor can Science open the gates of an existence which it disbelieves. Huxley and Haeckel have indeed achieved immortality by denying it; but you and I can only achieve immortality by affirming it. Therefore must you and I kindle, even as the text tells us, the light of faith in the inner sanctuary of our heart, thus—and thus alone—causing our little lamp to *burn always*. That light is a permanent light, for it alone secures permanence for us. Touch then with the tip of aspiration's wing the high peak of eternity. Think thoughts of immortality and you will share in the bliss of immortality.

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TABLE TALK

Victory for Hebrew! The *Hilfsverein der Deutschen Juden* has rescinded the policy with reference to the Haifa Technicum. Shooting Niagara; and after? The Preparatory School, which is to act as a feeder to the Technicum is to be handed over at once to the Zionist organization, and thus the entire curriculum of instruction in that institution will be Hebraic; also in the Technicum itself, it is announced by cable, the classes in Mathematics and Physics will be conducted in Hebrew, while in the other Scientific Departments the instructors will be given four years in which to arrange the instruction in Hebrew. At the end of that period all the instruction will be in Hebrew. A veritable *tour de force!* However, the victors of the moment are confident that the wonderful feat will be performed successfully. But the question suggests itself: "And after?" Of what value will be to a graduate a Diploma from the Technicum? We are told that all new teachers engaged will be required to prepare themselves to teach their specialties in Hebrew *within four years*. What would happen in case of one or several of the specialists becoming incapacitated? The financial resources of the Technicum are not large enough to pay a permanent staff of reserve teachers, lecturers or "Professors." What will the Curatorium do in the case of an emergency. The supply of competent specialists, even in America, is not abundant. Amherst College, for instance, has received a gift of \$100,000 to found the "George Daniel Olde Professorship in Economics and Social Institutions," and President Alexander Meiklejohn finds it no easy matter to discover a disengaged man who knows enough about social institutions. Men of the calibre of a Westermarck, a Hobhouse or a Seligman, are not easily picked up. Nevertheless President Meiklejohn, perhaps, will be able to tempt away some man from another institution by offering a higher salary. Whence will the Curatorium of the Technicum draw a supply of new teachers? The Technicum is like the solitary swallow of the adage. It therefore seems to be most hazardous to saddle the institution with the language difficulty. Possibly miracles are anticipated, and instead of the Technicum becoming a monopoly for the first batch of teachers, who might form a Mutual Admiration Society amongst themselves, which would eliminate fear of Inspectors' or Examiners' Reports by outsiders who have not qualified to teach Science through the medium of Hebrew, the Technicum, will produce alumni capable of earning a livelihood with the knowledge acquired at the Haifa Technicum. For this consolatory hope it is gratifying to know that the American Directors have been successful in establishing peace, by the reversal of the former decision to restrict the use of Hebrew as a

teaching medium. Peace at any price is ever the Jewish motto. What will it matter to present-day philanthropists if a Diploma emanating from the Technicum will not be recognized by Societies of Physicians, Pharmacists or Engineers outside Palestine. At all events, let us have peace for the next decade of years!

Jewish Protectors School.

A bolt from the blue! The Jewish Protectors School at Hawthorn, Westchester County, is to be handed over to the Department of Education, and the first intimation of the "arrangement" was given to the public on Sunday last by Mr. Mortimer L. Schiff, the president of the Jewish Protectors and Aid Society, at the society's seventh annual meeting, which was held in Temple Emanu-El. Not the slightest inkling of the impending change had been allowed to transpire before the "arrangement" was completed, and the great Jewish public of New York is naturally surprised. No doubt the directors are actuated by the best of motives and perhaps there are cogent reasons why the change is being made; but the secularizing of a Jewish school is a matter of deep concern to the whole community, and the matter ought to have been made public before it was too late for criticism. Judging from the facts and figures supplied by the president the institution has rendered excellent services to the community under the old regime. Why, then, the sudden change? Some 300 boys were provided for during the year, while for sixty-five boys self-supporting positions were found. It is also gratifying to find that the number of delinquent Jewish children is not excessive in proportion to the whole of the population. The records of the Children's Court of Manhattan show that 7,831 boys were arraigned there during the year, of whom 1,558 were Jewish boys, or about 20 per cent. Of these 107 were sent to the school at Hawthorn, 437 were paroled, 440 discharged, 235 fined, 211 released on suspended sentences, and others sent to various institutions. Considering the barracks life without the discipline of barracks and the many opportunities for Picaresque pranks in the congested districts of New York, it is really remarkable that the percentage of delinquent children is not larger than shown by the figures supplied. What does the average boy in the congested districts of New York know of the real joys of childhood? He has not any home comforts; he has not the use of a proper playground; he is often driven at a tender age into the streets to sell newspapers and to pick up pennies in many other ways. He grows up a morose, angry "youthful street merchant," and his amusements are questionable picture shows, playing crap and cigarette smoking. Is it to be wondered that such boys, whose intelligence often is in advance of their education, come early in life into conflict with the law? Juvenile criminality in New York could be reduced largely by providing better dwellings for the poor at low rentals and by introducing all the improvements which are at present only the dreams of social reformers. And, now after the above digression, it may be asked why have the directors of the Protectors School at Hawthorn relinquished control and handed over the secular education to the Department of Education? Complaint has been made recently against the Education Department in connection with certain rules which are subversive of Jewish observances. The complaint was made against the management of the Clinton Street High School, situated in the very heart of a Jewish section. What will be the attitude of the Education Department towards the Jewish Protectors School at Hawthorn, whence no complaint can reach the Jewish public? The deed is done; the Jewish Protectors School is to be secularized. Will Mr. Mortimer L. Schiff now give out a statement for publication in the Jewish press as to what are the details of the "arrangement" with the Department of Education?

MAURICE BRODZKY.

THE LITERACY TEST

The insistence of the insertion of a literacy test into the provisions of

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If a test of this nature had been in force in the earlier period of the life of this country, it may be said with safe assurance that thousands of sturdy immigrants who helped to build up the country and were a credit to it could never have entered these ports, and thousands of their offspring who have become splendid citizens, would have been lost to the nation.

It is safe to say that the ancestors of at least one of the presidents, and men high in official station in Washington, including members of Congress, could never have stood the test that is attempted to be applied at the present time. ***

To what good is the literacy test? It wouldn't keep out the bad socialist, the anarchist, the scum of the

European world, the criminal—all of whom could pass; but it would keep out thousands of men of brawn and muscle, and inventive brain power, who would be splendid upbuilders for the country and who are needed

Some years ago the Civil Service authorities were making an examination of porters for the appraisers' department for the Custom House in this city—a class which was to open cases for the examination and appraisal of merchandise, and then close the cases by driving in the nails. One of the porters—who was in the department—was asked by one of the examiners: "Where is Kamchatka?" He stood mute for a moment and then answered characteristically: "I don't know where Kamchatka is or what it is, but I can tell you the price of nails and the price of hammers, and I can beat any of 'yous' in driving nails. What in h—l has Kamchatka to do with closing a case?"

The porter was right. What has the location of a geographical peninsula in the North East of Asia along the 56th parallel of latitude to do with a knowledge of knowing how to open and close cases?

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The Rabbinical Seminary of America.

(Communicated.)

The Rabbinical Seminary of America, which was incorporated during January at Baltimore, Md., has organized and elected officers for the ensuing year. Rev. Dr. S. Schaffer is the Dean of the Seminary. The officers of its Board of Directors are: Leon Strauss, president; Nathan Adler, vice-president; Myer Strauss, treasurer, and Israel Goodman, secretary. These officers, together with Messrs. B. Z. Rosenbaum, Dr. D. I. Macht, S. H. Rauneker and Jacob Miller, comprise the Executive Committee.

There has been a long felt want throughout the United States for English-speaking Orthodox rabbis who have acquired that thorough knowledge of the Talmud and Poskim and Jewish history and literature to entitle them to the degree of Hatoras Harosh, that degree which gives them authority to decide questions of Jewish law. Rev. Dr. S. Schaffer conceived the idea of establishing a seminary in Baltimore, equipped to produce such rabbis. He has consented to accept the Deanship of this institution with all its arduous duties, purely and solely for the sake of the cause. He also has been to see a number of Baltimoreans in an effort to enlist their support.

There are now attending the seminary six students, and courses of instruction are being given in the temporary quarters in the vestry rooms of the Shearith Israel Congregation. There are a number of applicants for instruction, but owing to the present congested facilities, the increase in the student body must be postponed.

The seminary will be dependent for support upon subscription, and a number of public-spirited citizens have already pledged annual subscriptions. As soon as sufficient funds are donated it is the intention of the Board of Directors to select permanent quarters and to augment the force of teachers. The school is unique in the fact that there are absolutely no charges made for tuition to any of the prospective rabbis; in fact, worthy young men are being paid a stipend during their attendance at the Seminary.

The course of instruction will continue over a period of seven years, and during the time of attendance at the seminary, students will also be required to attend the Johns Hopkins University, and there to acquire the degree of Doctor of Philosophy, before the rabbinical degree will be conferred upon them. After graduation the rabbis will be expected to seek and to accept positions with Orthodox Hebrew congregations

only. In this respect the Rabbinical Seminary of America is the only institution of its kind in the United States; in fact in any English-speaking country, which thus qualifies its work.

Jewish Protectors Society Meets

Inclement weather played sad havoc with the attendance at the seventh annual meeting of the Jewish Protectors and Aid Society at Temple Emanu-El last Sunday afternoon. The meeting was largely given over to the report of the president, Mr. Mortimer M. Schiff, from which the following is excerpted:

"At Hawthorne during the year 461 boys were received, and on December 31, 309 of them were still there. One hundred and sixty-four boys were committed to the institution for the following reasons: Ungovernable, 28; improper guardianship, 49; disorderly conduct, 29; petit larceny, 38; juvenile delinquency, 18; burglary, 2.

"One hundred and fifty-eight boys were discharged, and of these 65 are working, 61 are attending school, 14 are unemployed, 2 have disappeared from the ken of the society, 12 were returned for violation of parole and 4 were committed to other institutions.

"This makes a total of 652 boys paroled since the opening of the school, of whom 339 are doing well, 30 are doing fairly well, 31 have been rearrested and committed to other institutions, the conduct of 32 has been unsatisfactory, 36 have disappeared—whereabouts unknown—23 have had to be returned to the school for violation of parole and 170 were dropped from parole. Including those dropped from parole, who are all over twenty-one years of age and of whom we no longer keep records, there are therefore 364 boys out of 482 where we may feel justified to believe we have accomplished definite results, or about 75 per cent., to which record we point with some pride.

"We have also employed a large number of boys on the farm and dairy," the report says, "and have thus tried to instill in our wards a love for the land and encourage those suited for it to seek their future in the country rather than in the city. It is a regrettable fact that our boys do not, as a rule, take to farming as a vocation, and many of them are physically unequal to the hard work."

"Religious instruction has been given and the boys in the home, have been under the influence of some of the ablest of Jewish divines."

At the end of the year the society had a total of \$21,945 of annual membership fees, an increase of \$805 over 1912. Despite this there was a deficit of \$11,507.15 for the year. Loans by directors, without interest, increased \$15,000 during the year, making a total of \$42,498.75.

At the close of the meeting the following directors were elected to serve until 1917: Julius M. Mayer, Sidney C. Borg, Samuel B. Hamburger, the Rev. M. H. Harris, Dr. Charles Schram, George L. Beer, Jacob Wertheim, C. I. Stralem, I. E. Goldwasser and Arthur Levy.

Professor Ladenburg.

Recently there has appeared in the Journal of the English Chemical Society (November, 1913) an extensive biographical notice of the late Professor Ladenburg, the distinguished chemist. The author of this memoir, Professor Stanley Kipping, supplies several interesting details.

It now appears beyond question that not only was Ladenburg of Jewish descent but neither his father nor mother ever left the Jewish fold. Ladenburg himself, however, was baptized, and, with this ceremony over, the road to success became easy. He studied in Heidelberg—the famous Heidelberg of the Bunsen and Kirchhoff days—and in 1863, at the age of 21, obtained his doctorate summa cum laude, having presented physics and mathematics as his two minor subjects. The succeeding years were wanderjahre. He was initiated into the methods of organic anal-

ysis—then a new art—by Carius; he absorbed some fruitful ideas on the theory of the benzene ring from Kekulé in Ghent; he made a careful study of Frankland's methods of work in London; and finally he went to Paris, where he did research work with Wurtz till an explosion, from which he barely escaped with his life, disabled him.

Returning to Germany, he was made private docent at Heidelberg. Here he delivered a series of lectures on the history of chemistry, and this became the nucleus of a book on the subject.

Four years after his return to Heidelberg he was made extraordinary professor. By this time his fame as a lecturer, author and discoverer had spread throughout Europe, and in the same year that he was raised to the professorial grade he was invited to fill the chair of chemistry at the University of Kiel. In Kiel he began that monumental work, his Handwörterbuch der Chemie, which was later published in thirteen volumes. Till ten or twelve years ago it still ranked as the most authoritative and reliable reference book on chemistry in any language.

In 1889 he was made professor of chemistry and director of the chemical institute at the University of Breslau, and this position he retained until his death.

Professor Ladenburg's research work was marked by brilliancy of thought and fertility of ideas. His contributions to the theory of the benzene ring are inferior only to those of Kekulé, the father of modern organic chemistry. His beautiful syntheses of those very complex compounds, the vegetable alkaloids, particularly coniine, stamp him as an experimentalist of the type of Emil Fischer or of Richard Willstätter—to my mind the two foremost chemists now living.

Ladenburg's later years were anything but happy. He was never very robust, and during the last years of his life was little better than an invalid. Add to this his many family afflictions, and this great Jew-Christian, the idol of the world of science, was hardly a person to be envied.

B. H.

The Question of the Day of Rest in Jewish Business Houses. Discussion in Russian Reichstag.

As reported by the Zionist Gazette of January 15 the German Reichstag discussed the question of the day of rest for Jewish business houses. Paragraph 3 of the bill submitted to the Reichstag allows the Jews who wish to keep the Sabbath to work in their offices on Sunday, and the majority of the mem-

bers agreed to the acceptance of this paragraph. Herr Erzbereger, who spoke in the name of the Catholic party, declared that he and his followers were in favor of granting the request of the Sabbath-keeping Jews.

The National-Liberal Member Herr List spoke to the same effect for his party. The only opposition to this motion came from the Liberal Member Herr Günsler, who declared it as his opinion that if this law came into effect it would excite anti-Semitic feeling, as it would be a special law for the Jews. It was thought strange that a Liberal Member of the Jewish community should be opposed to the wishes of the Jews and to bring forward as a ground for the same the protecting of the Jews against anti-Semitism, while the National-Liberal and Catholic parties declared themselves in favor of the wishes of the Jews.

Tragedies in Brief.

1. A Jewish merchant, named Barishansky, was informed last week that his petition for the annulment of his expulsion from a village near Minsk had been rejected. The shock brought about his death. 2. An officer, who had made it a practice to blackmail Jews, threatened certain of our people with expulsion. The miscreant's search for Jews caused an old Jewess who lived on the premises to die from fright. Comment is needless.—Jewish World.

The Russian Minister of Justice has announced to the Cabinet of Ministers his intention of preparing a bill prohibiting the Jewish method of slaughtering animals. M. Kokovtsoff and the Auditor-General have expressed their agreement with the principle of the bill, while pointing out the necessity of working out its details carefully, as the abolition of the "basket tax" on meat slaughtered according to Jewish rites would involve a considerable financial outlay from other sources.

The Prefect of St. Petersburg, Major-General D. V. Dratchevsky, has instructed the police of the capital that the order dated October 9, 1908, on the issue of trade certificates to Jews has been modified in accordance with the latest interpretation of the Senate. The Governing Senate has ruled that Jewish chemists and doctors' assistants, dentists, and midwives can only retain their right of residence outside the Pale of Settlement so long as they exercise their special calling.

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Editor HEBREW STANDARD:—
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bership of seventy-five, have never had an affair on Saturday night and our dinners are always strictly kosher.

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President Y. M. H. A.
Asbury Park, N. J., Feb. 16, 1914.

Last week the body of the late Privy Councillor Poliakov was brought to Moscow, and was met at the station by thousands of Jews and Christians, all of them anxious to pay their last tribute to the "Grand Old Man" who held the Ministerial rank, who constantly demanded rights for the Jews, and whose extreme anxiety was that his children and grandchildren should remain Jews. Many banks, Jewish communities and institutions sent special deputations to the funeral, which was also attended by the brother of the premier and the prefect of Moscow. Among the three hundred wreaths was one from the premier addressed to the "most humane man." Rabbi Maze delivered a stirring address at the grave.

Jews in Italy constitute only 1 1/4 per thousand of the population, although between the census of 1901 and that of 1911, the return of which has only just been completed, they have increased 33 1-3 per cent., largely owing to immigration from Turkey, from the Balkans, and from Poland. All told, however, they number under 50,000, and the Kingdom contains a large number who return themselves as Atheists.

Mr. Mark Goldstein, a member of the teaching staff of the Gravel Lane Council School, has been appointed headmaster of the Betts Street Council School, London. Jewish appointments of this description in elementary County Council schools are of somewhat rare occurrence, so that the present appointment is regarded with much general satisfaction by the large band of Jewish teachers.

In consequence of the deaths of Baron Josef Hatvany-Deutsch, president of the council of administration of the Rabbinical Seminary at Budapest, and of Professor Dr. Wilhelm Bacher (the rector) the council has held a meeting, at which they elected Dr. Franz Mezey as president, and Professor Dr. Ludwig Blau (formerly deputy rector) as rector.

Among those selected by Andrew Carnegie as trustees of the two million dollars which he recently contributed to establish a "Peace Fund" are Borough President Marcus M. Marks, of New York city, and Rev. Dr. Emil G. Hirsch, of Chicago.

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Negotiations are being carried on by a few Jewish communal leaders and the well known Christian benefactor of many Russo-Jewish students, M. Shachov, with universities in Switzerland and in the South of Germany with the view of providing ample accommodation for Russo-Jewish students in one of the universities on condition that means should be found for enlarging the institution.

An application for a certificate of incorporation for the Harlem Home of the Daughters of Israel of New York city has been opposed before the New York State Board of Charities by the Home of the Daughters of Jacob, who are about to build a large home and who allege that the new institution would simply mean a duplication of their work.

The Albany, N. Y., Jewish community is mourning the death of Mrs. Joseph Lewi, who died last month at the age of 86. She contributed widely to charity and up to the time of her death was interested in affairs of public interest. She was the last survivor of the group who organized the first Jewish reform congregation in Albany in 1852.

The Czar himself has delighted the anti-Semites with a special order totally prohibiting the admission of Jews into the Zhitomir gymnasium, and into the higher elementary schools of Lisiansko and Kortzo, despite the renewed appeal of the leading commercial circles that all schools should be opened to the Jews.

Efforts are being made to induce ex-Mayor Nathan, of Rome, Italy, to act as Italian commissioner to the Panama-Pacific Exposition at San Francisco. It is understood that he has intimated his willingness to accept the post, even if in the meantime he should be elected a deputy, as projected by his followers.

The senate of Edinburgh (Scotland) University has awarded Dr. Ehrlich the Cameron prize in recognition of his discovery of salvarsan and other researches. The Cameron prize is given for "highly important and valuable additions to practical therapeutics."

Bernard J. Salomon, who died in New York city last month enjoyed the distinction of being the first merchant to introduce colored leather in the United States, having imported the first colored kid leather from St. Petersburg over thirty years ago.

The new German naturalization law which was supposed to be of great advantage to the foreign Jews who reside in Germany, seems in practise to make the naturalization of foreign Jews absolutely impossible. During the last twelve months, hundreds of foreign Jews who have resided in Germany more than

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twenty years, approached the Government with the view to being naturalized, but nearly all the applications were rejected.

The Right in the Duma is drafting a bill providing that the privileges, as regards the domicile and admission into educational institutions, of converted Jews shall be restricted for the first five years after their renunciation of their faith.

The death is announced in her forty-third year, after a brief illness, of Mme. Cecile de Bodinsky (nee Elieson), one of London's foremost violinists. Since her marriage she had appeared in public only for charitable purposes.

The Jewish population in Western Canada has increased so rapidly of late that a monthly magazine devoted to their interests is soon to be issued at Calgary. It will be called "The Canadian Western Jewish Times."

The Nationalists are drafting bills to be considered by their coming conference, the object of which is to limit still further the admission of Jews into schools, and to Russify the commerce of the empire.

A Hebrew Orphans' Protective Association has been established at Yonkers, N. Y. The society has arranged with the Hebrew Sheltering Guardian Society, at Pleasantville, to care for its wards.

M. Auscher, Engineer-in-Chief of Naval Engineering, has been appointed Director of that department, and designated Director of Naval Construction at the military port of Rochefort.

Mrs. Levi White, prominent in Portland, O., charity circles, died last month at the age of 65. Mrs. White was a board member of five different charity organizations, Jewish and non-Jewish.

Proposition Number One.

STATE OF NEW YORK.

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE.

Albany, January 26, 1914.

Pursuant to the provisions of section two of article fourteen of the Constitution of the state of New York, and section two hundred and ninety-five of the Election Law, and of section one of chapter eight hundred and nineteen of the Laws of nineteen hundred and thirteen, notice is hereby given that chapter eight hundred and nineteen of the Laws of nineteen hundred and thirteen, of which the following is a copy, will be submitted to the people for the purpose of voting thereon at the special election in this State, to be held on the seventh day of April, nineteen hundred and fourteen.

MITCHELL MAY,
Secretary of State.

CHAPTER 819.

AN ACT to provide for submitting to the people the question "Shall there be a convention to revise the constitution and amend the same?" and to provide for such convention, if a majority of the electors shall decide that such convention be held.

Became a law December 17, 1913, with the approval of the Governor. Passed, three-fifths being present.

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

Section 1. A special election shall be held throughout the state on the first Tuesday in April, in the year nineteen hundred and fourteen, at which there shall be submitted to the electors of the state to be decided by them the question "Shall there be a convention to revise the constitution and amend the same?" Every person qualified at that time to vote for members of the legislature, may vote upon such question at the special election hereby appointed to be held. Such question shall be submitted in the manner provided by law for the submission of constitutional amendments. Such election shall be conducted by the same officers and in the same manner, and ballots, booths and election supplies furnished therefor, as a special election called by the governor, except as otherwise provided herein. The ballots shall be in the form prescribed by section three hundred and thirty-two of the election law and where voting machines are in use, by article eleven of such law. All provisions of the election law regulating the taking of a vote of the people upon a constitutional amendment or other question submitted at a special election shall apply to the election to be held under this section, excepting that the board of elections may destroy all ballots not given or protested cast at this election after sixty days, unless otherwise directed by a committee of the legislature, the district attorney of the county or a competent court of record. Inspectors of election of the various election districts shall meet in their respective districts at the place designated therefor, on the second Saturday preceding such election, from eight o'clock in the forenoon to ten o'clock in the evening, for the purpose of revising and correcting the regis-

ter of voters in the manner provided by the election law for ascertaining electors qualified to vote at a special election. If a majority of the electors voting on such question are in favor of the affirmative, the affirmative upon such question, as shall appear from the returns of county boards of canvassers to the state board of canvassers and by its canvass of such returns, such convention shall be held and shall be deemed duly called thereby, and delegates therefor shall be elected as provided in section two of article fourteen of the constitution.

§ 2. If, at the election held pursuant to the provisions of section one of this act, such question be decided in the affirmative, delegates to such convention to revise and amend the constitution shall be elected at the general election to be held on the first Tuesday after the first Monday of November, in the year nineteen hundred and fourteen. At such general election, three delegates shall be elected from each senate district of the state, as such districts were organized at the time of such special election, and fifteen delegates-at-large.

§ 3. Candidates for delegates from a senatorial district shall be nominated in the manner provided in the election law for the nomination of candidates for the office of state senator, and may be designated in the same manner as candidates for the office of state senator. Candidates for delegates-at-large may be nominated by independent certificates or by parties, in the manner provided in the election law for the nomination of candidates to be voted for by all the electors of the state. A separate and additional official ballot shall be provided for voting for delegates-at-large and district delegates, which shall be in the form provided by law for voting for presidential electors, so far as practicable. Any disqualification now imposed by law upon any person holding any other office is hereby removed, so far as the right to be a delegate to such convention is concerned.

§ 4. All laws, not inconsistent with this act, governing the election of public officers at general elections shall be applicable to the election of delegates to such constitutional convention. Where voting machines shall be used, the names of the fifteen delegates-at-large may be placed upon one ballot in each party column or row containing only the words "constitutional delegates-at-large," preceded by the party name and party emblem. A vote for such ballots shall operate as a vote for all of the candidates of such party for delegates-at-large and shall be counted as such. But suitable provision must also be made where voting machines are used, to enable the voter to cast his vote for any one or more of the fifteen delegates-at-large for whom he desires to vote.

§ 5. In case of a vacancy by death, resignation or other cause, of any district delegate elected to the convention, such vacancy shall be filled by a vote of the remaining delegates representing the district in which such vacancy occurs. If such vacancy occurs in the office of a delegate-at-large, such vacancy shall be filled by a vote of the remaining delegates-at-large.

§ 6. It shall be the duty of the secretary of state to call the convention to order, and preside at all meetings thereof until a temporary chairman, president or other presiding officer, either temporary or permanent, shall have been elected by such convention, and shall have taken his seat, but the secretary of state shall have no vote therein unless he is a duly elected delegate to such convention. All public officers, boards and commissions shall promptly furnish such convention or any committee thereof, with all such information, papers, statements, books or other public documents in their possession as the convention or such committee shall order or require for use at any time during the session of the convention. It shall be the duty of the secretary of state, the attorney-general, and the comptroller, who shall be in office on the tenth day of January, in the year nineteen hundred and fifteen, to cause to be prepared and ready for such convention a suitable manual, two copies of which shall be furnished to each member and officer of the convention, and the expense of which shall be paid by the treasurer upon the warrant of the comptroller.

§ 7. Every delegate to the convention shall be privileged from arrest on civil process during his attendance at the session of the convention except on process issued in any suit brought against him for any forfeiture, misdemeanor or breach of trust in office or place of public trust held by him. Each delegate shall enjoy the like privilege for the space of fourteen days before and after any such session, and during adjournments thereof, when absent with leave of the convention. No officer of the convention, while in actual attendance upon the same, shall be liable to arrest on civil process. For any speech or debate in the convention, the delegates shall not be questioned in any other place. The convention shall have the power to expel any of its members and to punish its members and officers for any disorderly behavior, by imprisonment or otherwise, but no member shall be expelled until the report of a committee appointed to inquire into the facts alleged as the ground for such expulsion. The convention shall have the power to punish as a contempt and by imprisonment or otherwise, a breach of its privileges or of the privileges of its members, but such powers shall not be exercised except against persons guilty of one or more of the following offenses:

1. The offense of arresting a member or officer of the convention in violation of his privilege from arrest, as hereinbefore declared.

2. The offense of disorderly conduct in the immediate view and presence of the convention and directly tending to interrupt and disturb its proceedings.

3. The offense of publishing any false and malicious report of the proceedings of the convention or of the conduct of an officer or delegate in his official capacity.

4. That of refusing to attend or be examined as a witness or to produce papers and documents called for by subpoena either before the convention or a committee thereof, or before any person authorized by the convention or by a committee thereof to take testimony in the proceedings of the convention.

5. That of giving or offering a bribe to any member or of attempting by menace or other corrupt means, or inducement or device, directly or indirectly, to control or influence a member in his vote or other official conduct in or in relation to the convention.

In any case in which the convention shall punish any person by imprisonment, such imprisonment shall not extend beyond the session of the convention.

§ 8. The secretary of state shall, as soon as practicable after this act takes effect, transmit a printed copy thereof to the board of election of each county of the state and to the board of elections of the city of New York.

§ 9. This act shall take effect immediately

State of New York, ss:

Office of the Secretary of State, ss:
I have compared the preceding with the original law on file in this office, and do hereby certify that the same is a correct transcript therefrom, and of the whole of said original law.

Given under my hand and the seal of office of the Secretary of State, at the city of Albany, this twenty-sixth day of January, in the year one thousand nine hundred and fourteen.

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FORM FOR SUBMISSION OF PROPOSITION NUMBER ONE.

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MUSIC AND DRAMA.

Monday evening, March 9, will mark the close of the Flonzaley Quartette's Aeolian Hall subscription series. On this occasion Messrs. Botti, Pochon, d'Archaumont and Ara will play the Dvorak Quartette in C major, the Bach Suite in C major and the Beethoven Quartette in E minor.

The last concert of the Beethoven Festival series given by the Symphony Society of New York, Walter Damrosch, conductor, will be given on Saturday evening, March 7, in Carnegie Hall. Selections from Beethoven's Opera Fidelio and the ninth or choral symphony will be given. The orchestra will be assisted in the ninth symphony by the chorus of the Oratorio Society of New York, Louis Koemmerich, conductor, and by four soloists, Mme. Jeanne Jomelli, Christine Miller, Reed Miller and Arthur Middleton. The selections from Fidelio include the overture—Leonora No. 2, the air "Abscheulicher," sung by Leonora in the first act; and the quartette, "Mir ist so wunderbar."

At the concert of the Philharmonic Society in Carnegie Hall on Sunday af-

ternoon, March 8, the assisting soloist will be Leo Schulz, the well-known violoncello soloist and principal of the cello choir of the Philharmonic Society. He will be heard to exceptional advantage in the rendition of Mollique's Andante from concerto, op. 45 for violoncello and orchestra, and the Popper "Elfentanz." Under Stransky's baton the orchestra will play the Goldmark Overture, "Spring," Saint-Saens' Symphonic Poem, "Dance Macabre," op. 40, and Tchaikowsky's Symphony "Pathe-tique" and Marche Slave.

William A. Brady finds himself in a perplexing position as to the immediate future. Recently he produced, with Grace George as star, a new play called "Jim's Marriage," designed for early opening in New York at The Playhouse. The new comedy drama registered an immediate success in the cities where it was presented, and meanwhile "The Things That Count," which had been growing gradually but surely in strength at The Playhouse, took on a sudden upward spurt and began taxing the capacity of the edifice. Of course, the manager could not throw this piece out upon the road under these circumstances, and Mr. Brady at once began trying to find another suitable New York theatre into which to remove it so as to open The Playhouse to Miss George. To be sure, there are theatres in New York that Mr. Brady could get into, but none just now that fits the requirements of the occasion, so this community must forego "Jim's Marriage" until some current attraction desirably situated is removed from Broadway, providing a new abode for "The Things That Count."

A real comic opera with real music and a singing actress in the title role comes to the Grand Opera House, New York City, commencing Monday night. The star is Ann Swinburne and the opera "The Madcap Duchess," Victor Herbert's latest contribution to the stage. As a special added attraction Mr. Herbert is to conduct a special orchestra of thirty picked musicians on the opening night at the Grand. Mr. Herbert's appearance in the conductor's chair is always a treat, for he is undoubtedly the most distinguished writer of light opera in this country. "The Madcap Duchess," which has recently closed a long and successful engagement at the Globe Theatre, is full of romance, adventure, moonlight and love music.

At the Princess Theatre, beginning Monday night, Holbrook Blinn and his associate players, including Emelie Polini, May Buckley, Miss Lindsey, Harry Mestayer, Lewis Edwards, Vaughn Trevor, William J. O'Neil, Charles Mather and Langdon Gillet, will begin the sixth week of their engagement in the five one-act plays of comedy and drama. The playlets presented are entitled "The Neglected Lady," "The Hard Man," "The Fountain," "It Can Be Done," and that heart-throbbing drama, "The Kiss in the Dark." Capacity audiences are attracted at every performance, and the end of the run is nowhere in sight.

Molly McIntyre will begin the tenth consecutive week of her successful engagement in William Elliott's production of Catherine Chisholm Cushing's charming comedy, "Kitty MacKay," at the Comedy Theatre on Monday night. The same excellent cast includes Margaret Nyblom, Eugene O'Brien, Carrie Lee Steyle, Ernest Stallard, Carl Lyle and others.

Laurette Taylor will enter upon the sixty-fifth consecutive week of the engagement in Oliver Morosco's production of J. Hartley Manners' comedy of youth, "Peg o' My Heart," at the Cort Theatre on Monday night.

Next week's peculiarly attractive bill at B. F. Keith's Palace Theatre is headed by the incomparable Anna Held, beautiful in face and form and bewildering in apparel, who will give some new songs and her perennial "Won't You Come and Play with Me?" Mercedes, the perplexing monarch of mystery, will transfer through no apparent medium every thought to his assistant, Mile, Santone, who, without visible communication, will instantly play any musical selection, grand or light opera or ragtime, asked for. Harry Fox and Jenny Dolly and Maude Lambert and Ernest Ball are sure fire entertainers and the remainder of the bill includes George Hanlon's "Fun in the Movies," Emily Darrell and Charles Conway, Lysa Graham and Prella's animals.

Commencing Monday, March 9, the New Era Producing Company, Joseph P. Bickerton, Jr., managing director,

will bring "Adele" to the Bronx Opera House for a week's engagement, including regular matinees, the biggest musical comedy success of the current season, with the original New York, Harris Theatre cast and production. The book and music is by Paul Herve and Jean Briquet, adapted for the English stage by Edward A. Paulton and Adolph Philipp. Natalie Alt sings the title role, Georgia Caine plays Myrienne, Hal Forde the Baron de Chantilly, Crauford Kent as Robert Frieber, Henri Parmaceau, Will Danforth, and Alfred Frieber by Dallas Welford.

"London," that most complex and wonderful of cities, will be the topic of the first of E. M. Newman's new series of illustrated travel talks on the great cities of Europe, and will be presented at Carnegie Hall next Sunday evening and at the New Amsterdam Theatre Monday afternoon at 3, March 8 and 9. With new pictures and new impressions of the world's metropolis as it is today, Mr. Newman will guide his fellow-travelers through the city from West to East End, stopping at all the familiar places and viewing world-renowned buildings.

Only five composers are represented on the programme which Harold Bauer will play at his next Aeolian Hall recital Saturday afternoon, March 21, but the programme is one which the pianist believes will appeal both to piano students and to the general public. Among the numbers represented are the Brahms ballad in D minor, the Mozart Fantasia in C minor and the Cesar Franck Prelude, choral and Fugue.

The return to America of Mme. Clara Butt and Mr. Kennerley Rumford is being duly celebrated on the Pacific coast, with a series of appearances of an unusual successful character. The English contralto and her husband have given three concerts in San Francisco, and other appearances in Los Angeles and cities on the coast. They are now in the Northwest prior to filling a series of ten engagements in Canada. Mme. Butt and Mr. Rumford are announced for a joint recital in Carnegie Hall Tuesday afternoon, March 21.

The advent of the Lenten season seems not to have lessened the dancing vogue of this popular place where the long list of entertainers remains practically the same. Mons. Carlos Sebastian who recently won such popularity here has returned for an indefinite season. He has as one of his dancing partners a young and beautiful Chicago society girl who never before has appeared in public as a professional. Mr. Clifton Webb, who is a newcomer at the Jardin, has established himself as a dancer of ability and personality as a partner of Miss Janet McIlwaine. Next Thursday will be the occasion for another "Frolic Night" on the roof.

Young Men's Hebrew Association. On Saturday evening, March 7, will occur the third directors' reception, at which Messrs. Henry M. Toch and Cecil B. Ruskay of the Board of Directors will be hosts. Addresses will be delivered by both gentlemen. After the meeting refreshments will be served. These meetings are specially intended to give the members of the Board of Directors an opportunity of becoming more intimately acquainted with our young men members.

On Sunday evening, March 8, in the Auditorium Mr. F. C. Henderschoot of the New York Edison Company will deliver an illustrated lecture showing what is being done to promote the efficiency of employees. He will review the efficiency movement from the standpoint of the individual, of industry and of society, and show how, by proper industrial education and due regard for the welfare of American working men, the United States can gain and hold commercial supremacy. The general public will be cordially welcome.

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BROOKLYN NOTES.

Bayside Y. M. H. A. Mass Meeting. The Young Men's Hebrew Association of Bayside held a very enthusiastic mass meeting on Wednesday, February 25, at Belmont Hall, Bath Beach.

The coming affair of the society to be held in Belmont Hall on Saturday, March 21, promises to be a huge success and the entire proceeds will go to the society's building fund.

Congregation Baith Israel Anshei Emes.

The annual members' reunion and banquet of Congregation Baith Israel Anshei Emes will be held in the Sunday-school rooms on Harrison street, near Court street, on Sunday evening, March 8.

Far Rockaway Congregation to Build.

The Congregation Shaaray Tefila of Far Rockaway, which holds its services at the local Masonic Temple, has just purchased a beautiful plot of ground for a building site, 200x100 feet, on Central avenue and will soon begin the erection of a home of worship.

The Civic Forum.

The Civic Forum, which meets at the auditorium of the Kaplan School, 1731 Pitkin avenue, announce the following lectures for the current month: March 8, Dr. Henry Frank on "Tolstoi: Man, Artist, Mystic."

On Sunday afternoon, March 1, the Washington Irving Club held an afternoon dance at the vestry rooms of Baith Israel Sunday school, Harrison and Court street, Brooklyn.

On Sunday evening, March 8, the monthly social at the Williamsburg Young Men's Hebrew Association will take place.

A Boy Scout brigade is about to be organized at the Young Men's Hebrew Association of South Brooklyn.

The Brooklyn Council of Jewish Women Juniors is at work preparing for a musicale to be held at Temple Beth Elohim March 25.

The Brooklyn Yeshibah, which was organized five years ago, announces the purchase of three lots on Park avenue, between Throop and Sumner avenues.

In aid of the Hebrew Free School, of Brownsville, there will be a masquerade and Purim ball on Saturday evening, March 7, at the Brownsville Labor Lyceum.

The season's most important event in Brooklyn from a theatrical standpoint will be the engagement at the Montauk Theatre of David Warfield, whom David Belasco will present there for a week's engagement beginning Monday.

who were in the original production twelve years ago. Marie Bates will again be seen in her role of Mrs. Eagan, while other familiar names are Janet Dunbar, Helena Phillips, Marie Reichardt, Charlotte Leslay, Louis Hendricks, George Le Guerre, Harry Rogers, Horace James, Frank Nelson, Harry Lewellyn, Ethel Marie Sasse, Margaret Johnson, Esther Sacheroff and Tony Bevan.

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At a meeting of the General Committee of District Grand Lodge, No. 1, of the Independent Order of Free Sons of Israel, held February 17, 1914, the following preamble and resolution were unanimously adopted:

"Whereas, the members of the General Committee of District Grand Lodge, No. 1, of the Independent Order Free Sons of Israel, have learned that the Burnett immigration bill will within a very short time be presented to the United States Senate for final action, and should it pass that honorable body be thereafter presented to the President of the United States, the Hon. Woodrow Wilson; and

"Whereas, the General Committee of District Grand Lodge, No. 1, of the Independent Order, Free Sons of Israel, in the name of 70,000 representative Hebrews, emphatically protest against the passage of the Burnett literacy test, because in its opinion it is a measure that would militate against the admission into this great and glorious republic men and women who would make desirable American citizens; and

"Whereas, such form of legislation would have undoubtedly excluded many of the Pilgrim Fathers who laid the foundation of this grand republic—and lessons of the past are to be heeded—and

"Resolved, that we, the General Committee of District Grand Lodge, No. 1, of the Independent Order Free Sons of Israel, respectfully request the members of the United States Senate representing the States of New York, New Jersey, Massachusetts, Connecticut, Rhode Island and Pennsylvania, in which States lodges in our district exist, to vote against the Burnett bill, and respectfully petition the President of the United States to veto the measure should it be passed by the United States Senate."

Most respectfully submitted, ISRAEL L. FEINBERG, Grand Master. ABRAHAM HAFER, Grand Secretary.

The snowstorm on Sunday, March 1, did not in any way interfere with the members of Benjamin Lodge, No. 15, who came in goodly numbers to greet and congratulate their brother, A. M. Krakowitz, who was recently elevated to the office of first deputy grand master of District Grand Lodge, No. 1. The lodge room was gorgeously decorated for the occasion.

Benjamin Lodge is known for its activity in adding new and young material to the institution. Three young men were initiated, and it appears that 1914 will be their banner year.

The next meeting of the Chovevel Ibrith will take place at the Zerrubabel School, at 2 W. 114th st., on Saturday evening, at 8 o'clock. Rev. Dr. Bernard Drachman will lecture on "Has Judaism a future in this Country?" Discussion will follow and all who understand Hebrew are cordially invited to attend.

Dr. Peters to Repeat Lecture. Dr. Madison C. Peters will repeat his lecture on "Jews in the Making of America" at the Regent Theatre, 116th street and Seventh avenue, Sunday morning, March 8, at 11 a. m. The lecture will be profusely illustrated with lantern slides.

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Young Women's Hebrew Association. Owing to the storm on Sunday evening the lecture on "Shade Trees in Cities and Parks" by Mr. Samuel Salpeter was postponed until Sunday evening, April 5.

Bronx Y. M. H. A. A membership meeting will be held to-morrow (Saturday) evening for the purpose of electing house councilors. The invincible Judeans will hold an open Purim meeting on Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock, March 15.

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CHILDREN'S PAGE.

The Wind in Nature and the Spirit in Man

Dear Children:

Rabbi Levitas of Jabneh, said: "Be exceedingly humble in spirit, for the hope of a man is worms."

This maxim is explained by Rabbi Naphtali Hertz Wesley as follows:—

"Contemplate everything that is to be found under the heavens, and you will find that all nature is in a state of tranquil repose, each thing maintains its position and does not overstep its boundary and expand, except the wind, which not alone expands itself, but causes everything else to expand; the earth, its stones and metals are all in a state of tranquil repose, all vegetation after they have attained their natural growth are all in a state of tranquil repose, the waters are in a state of tranquil repose, the air is in a state of tranquil repose, but the wind, when it goes forth, it expands on all sides and expands everything with which it comes in contact; when it blows upon the ground it raises the earth and dust and whirls them around upon all sides, the trees shed their leaves and sway to and fro; when the wind blows upon the water the waves rise and fall and the waters rush with great impetuosity, the clouds too are scattered and driven away by the force of the wind and thus it is with everything.

"Man is the world in miniature—his physical and mental qualities embraces all the powers and properties of nature; these powers of man, too, remain in a state of tranquil repose, they do not overstep their boundaries nor do they expand in the heart in the least degree so long as the 'wind' does not blow upon them; the 'wind,' that is the spirit in man, is the great power of the soul where-with man thinks his thoughts. Imagine for a moment that a man is sitting without thinking of anything at all—he is entirely insensible to the powers of his soul—he feels neither love nor hate, neither courage nor fear, neither generosity nor miserliness, neither compassion nor cruelty, until one of those moods is aroused by his spirit; for instance, when he will begin to think of his wealth, or of his great talents, his spirit will expand the feeling of pride which had lain dormant in his mental consciousness and will cause it to spread in his heart and control it and the spirit of pride will take entire possession of him until all his thoughts will be full of pride; or, for instance, a feeling of jealousy will come upon him through the thought of some fancied wrong and will so dominate his mental faculties

that it will lead him to action; thus with all things whether good or evil for as the wind is in nature so is the spirit in man; sometimes the wind is strong, even tempestuous, at other times it is mild, even balmy and all creatures enjoy it; thus it is with me spirit in man—sometimes it is terrible in its violence, sometimes it is a blessing in its nobility—the noble spirit is like a valiant hero who, with sword in hand, stands firmly on the defensive against the evil passions which would exalt themselves and create ravages in the soul; as for, instance, something occurs to cause a man's anger to rise and it is about to break forth, but the noble spirit with the weapons of intelligence and understanding stands against it and quiets it—at other times, a feeling of despair would overpower him—he conquers it with the spirit of intelligence and thus it is with everything.

"And just as the wind in nature is controlled by the Creator as it is written 'the storm-wind that fulfills his word'—so must man control the spirit within him otherwise he is, in the words of King Solomon, 'Like a city that is broken in, and is without walls, so is the man that hath no control over his spirit,' for no wind that blows is the mere result of accident, but is according to his wisdom, so must man, who is a miniature world, make a measure for his spirit and control it according to the Divine wisdom that he is endowed with." This control of spirit is designated by Rabbi Levitas the "humbling of the spirit"—"For the hope of man is worms." Dear children, the Hebrew word for man in this instance is "Enosh," which denotes a man that is morally weak, one who cannot control his passions. What are the hopes of such a man? What are his aspirations? Of the earth—earthly of that which is perishable—of that which becomes food for worms."

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MOSES, DARIUS V.-In pursuance of an order of Hon. Robert Ludlow Fowler, a Surrogate of the County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against Darius V. Moses, late of the County of New York, deceased, to present the same, with vouchers thereof, to the subscribers, at their place of transacting business, at the office of Henry S. Mansfield, 27 Cedar Street, Borough of Manhattan, New York City, on or before the 16th day of March, 1914.

HENRY S. MANSFIELD, Attorney for Executors, 27 Cedar Street, Borough of Manhattan, New York City.

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ALBERT LUCAS, Executor. HYMES, WOYTISEK & SCHAAP, Attorneys for Executor, 55 Liberty Street, New York City.

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WILLIAM G. GEGENHEIM, FRANCIS WERTHEIMER, Executors. HORWITZ & ROSENSTEIN, Attorneys for Executors, 346 Broadway, Borough of Manhattan, New York City.

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ROSENHEIM, LEAH.-In pursuance of an order of Hon. John P. Cohalan, a Surrogate of the County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against Leah Rosenheim, late of the County of New York, deceased, to present the same with vouchers thereof to the subscribers, at their place of transacting business at the office of Arthur L. Davis, No. 291 Broadway, in the City of New York, on or before the first day of May, 1914.

BERNHEIMER, MAX E.-In pursuance of an order of Hon. John P. Cohalan, a Surrogate of the County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against Max E. Bernheimer, late of the County of New York, deceased, to present the same with vouchers thereof to the subscribers, at their place of transacting business, at the office of their attorneys, Rose & Paskus, No. 128 Broadway, Borough of Manhattan, in the City of New York, on or before the 15th day of May, next.

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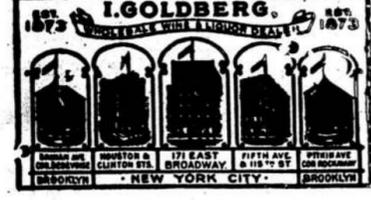
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