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The True Attitude of the Jews Toward the War

An Answer to Mr. Israel Zangwill

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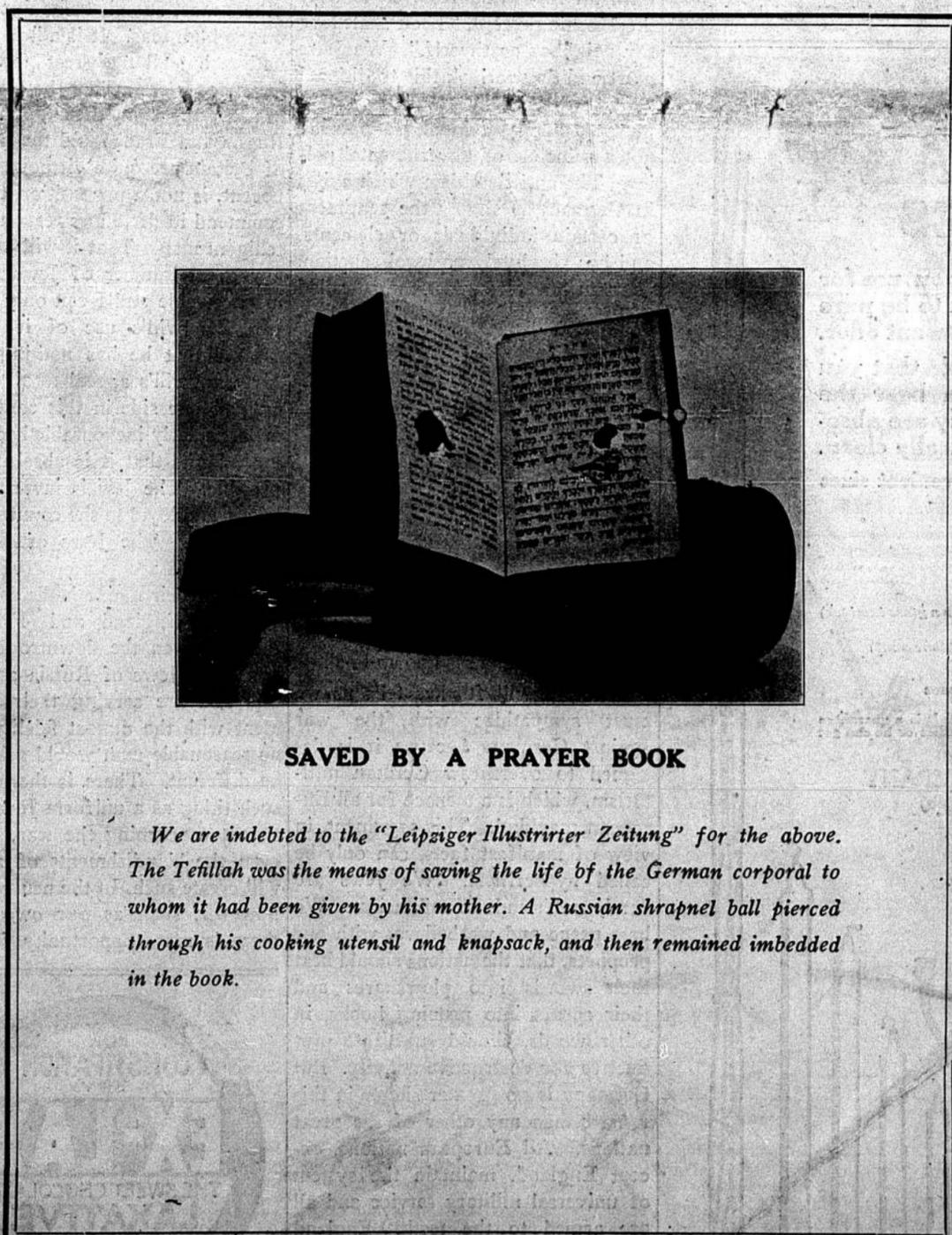
Mr. Israel Zangwill, in an interview published in a recent issue of the *Sun*, tells the Jews of the world, and in particular those of America, that they must accord their moral support to the Allies, England, France and Russia, who are now waging war against Germany and Austro-Hungary and hope for the success of their (the Allies') cause. I beg to express my entire disagreement with Mr. Zangwill and to deny the justification or the propriety of such advice to the Jewish people on his part. Mr. Zangwill is, no doubt, an able novelist; he is also a good British patriot which, since he is a native Englishman, is quite natural and to his credit; but he is not the duly constituted adviser and counselor of all Israel, and his gratuitously offered advice will be but little appreciated, but, on the contrary, warmly resented by probably the great mass of his brethren in race and faith. Indeed, no one is authorized to tender advice of this kind to the Jewish people, for reasons which are perfectly simple and obvious to anyone familiar with actual Jewish conditions. The Jewish people as such are not in any way concerned in this war. Modern Jews do not constitute a political entity, they are citizens or subjects of nearly all the nations under the sun. About 600,000 Jews are serving in the armies of the warring powers and millions of other Jews are suffering frightful misery on account of the war, but they are not so serving and suffering because they are Jews, but because they are English, French, German, Austrian or Russian subjects. It is axiomatic that the subjects or citizens of any State should be loyal to the government thereof. Judaism has always laid great stress upon the duty of loyalty and obedience to the duly constituted government even when it persecutes and mistreats its Jewish subjects. A people so scattered and dispersed as are the Jews can not possibly have a uniform policy in the case of a world tragedy like the

present war. Mr. Zangwill would like to overthrow this natural and inevitable condition. He would like to have all Jews, irrespective of na-

trian or Turkish Jews. Apparently he wants these Jews, who number over 3,000,000, to turn traitor to the nations to which they owe allegiance

than criminal. As for his advice to the American Jews, it is equally uncalled for. We should be neutral because we are citizens of a neutral

our duty, as it is the duty of all Americans, to respect his earnest admonition. We need not violently suppress the sympathy which we may feel for one side or the other, for the mind cannot be forbidden to think nor the heart to be stirred by emotion, but we should certainly not go to extremes of partizanship nor permit this terrible war which has torn asunder the chief nations of Europe to become a source of strife and dissension among the various classes of our own citizenship. We American Jews do not thank Mr. Zangwill at all for his advice to break the neutrality which it is our patriotic duty to observe, and very few of us, I think, are inclined to obey his suggestion. So much for the general merits of his plea. When we examine the arguments by which he endeavors to uphold it, we will find them equally untenable. Mr. Zangwill tells us that we should support the Allies because they are fighting for the cause of higher civilization. Such an argument is little less than an insult to our intelligence. We gladly acknowledge that England and France are liberal and cultured nations, but they have united with powers of a very different kind in order to accomplish their end of crushing Germany. They have not hesitated to invoke the aid of barbaric and tyrannical Russia, and to summon the Cossack hordes to overrun Central Europe; they have brought the semi-civilized or savage peoples of Africa, Turcos and Senegalese and Hindoos to Europe to help subjugate their own ethnic kindred. A victory of the Allies would be a victory for Russia. Can any one seriously assert that Russia stands for the high ideals of civilization, for justice, freedom and humanity? What thoughts must be roused in the heart of a Jew by the contemplation of the possibility of a Russian victory? What a horror if the millions of Jews in Germany and Austria should become subject to the power of Russia, the Russia of pogroms and discriminatory laws, of Kishineff and



SAVED BY A PRAYER BOOK

We are indebted to the "Leipziger Illustrirter Zeitung" for the above. The Tehillah was the means of saving the life of the German corporal to whom it had been given by his mother. A Russian shrapnel ball pierced through his cooking utensil and knapsack, and then remained imbedded in the book.

tional allegiance, espouse the cause of the Allies. He does not make an exception even for the German, Aus- and take sides with their enemies. Such advice is clearly absurd; if seriously meant it would be little less than a direct appeal to treason. Our President has earnestly requested all citizens to observe a strict and sincere neutrality, and it is

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better, that the result of the war will be to increase liberal sentiment in the Tsar's empire, and that, in grateful recognition of Jewish patriotism, the Russian Government will voluntarily emancipate its Jewish subjects. In answer to that I can only say that this is a prophecy, and I hardly think that we need credit Mr. Israel Zangwill with the possession of prophetic gifts. To judge by past experience he is likely to prove a false prophet. The Russian Jews are not displaying patriotism and loyalty now for the first time. They have always been good and faithful children to their stepmother country. Jewish soldiers fought heroically for Russia in the Crimean War, and in the Russo-Turkish and Russo-Japanese wars as well, but that fact did not lessen Jewish sufferings in the Russian Empire one iota. Even now, during the throes of this terrible war, with thousands of Jews giving their lives for Russia, reports from that country indicate that expulsions and persecutions are going on about the same as usual. The Russian Ambassador to America, M. Bachmatieff, has formally denied that his government has promised the Jews any better treatment. Recently a letter by one Mr. Stephen Graham appeared in the *London Times* stating that in his opinion it would be advisable for the Jews of Poland to leave the country after the war, as their presence would hinder the national development. The *Jewish Chronicle* of Lon-

don, though a strong and loyal adherent of the Allies, could not suppress an outburst of indignant protest against such a calm and deliberate expression of monstrous ingratitude. There is no reason to hope that the influence of England and France could change the traditional policy of Russia toward her Jewish subjects, especially after a successful war. The prospect of Russia's voluntary amendment of ways is not, therefore, one to stir Jewish enthusiasm for the Allies. If they wish to obtain the sympathy of Jews by this means, let them induce Russia to grant at once full and complete emancipation to her Jews and repeal all exceptional laws of every kind. Then we will believe in their and her sincerity. Mr. Zangwill tells us we should oppose Germany because there is anti-Semitism there as well as in Russia. That is, if possible, a more puerile argument even than the preceding ones. If we are to oppose every country in which any feeling against the Jews exists we would have to become enemies of more countries even than Germany is at present engaged in war with. Our own beloved America is not free from social and economic anti-Semitism. Hatred of the Jew is a feeling caused by our unfortunate history, and of which it is very difficult to free the minds of so-called Christians. It will probably not disappear until all mankind resolves to obey the Mosaic precept, "Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself." We Jews must and do overlook this traditional enmity to us as long as it is merely personal and individual, not official, not a principle of governmental policy. The anti-Semitism which exists in Germany is simply the sentiment of certain individuals or elements, and has absolutely no legal sanction. German law recognizes the so-called "Gleichstellung," that is, the absolute equality of Jew and Gentile. It would be just as unreasonable to hate Germany because of the anti-Jewish feelings of some snobbish Junkers as to hate the great American nation because the Four Hundred do not want us in their hotels and clubs. Anti-Semitism in Germany is a negligible quantity, it does not present the existence of hundreds of thousands of Jews in prosperity and comfort. Its terrible and disastrous character in Russia is known to all.

Mr. Zangwill further tells us we must sympathize with the war against Germany because it is designed to overthrow German militarism, which is a menace for all European mankind. This argument, in view of manifest facts, can only be called hypocritical. We Jews are surely no friends of militarism. We love peace and we believe, with our prophets, that the nations should beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks, in other words, should substitute productive for destructive activity. But Germany is no greater sinner in this regard than any other of the great nations. All European nations, except England, maintain the system of universal military service and all are armed to the teeth. England calmly declares that its navy must equal that of any two other nations and "rules the wave" so that all

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to contemplate objectively the questions involved in this war, there is something of a Jewish view in the matter and this, as far as I have been able to discover from the perusal of Jewish publications and by conversation with many individuals, is about as follows: Jewish sentiment, as a whole, is absolutely and unalterably opposed to the war in itself, independently of whatever motives or reasons may have caused it. We are in substantial accord that the slaughter of hundreds of thousands of human beings, the destruction of beautiful edifices and splendid cities and the wasting of countless millions of dollars are not a proper or commendable method of adjusting the disputes and differences of opinion of nations. There is no conceivable disagreement among men which, if dealt with wisely and patiently and in the spirit of peace and conciliation, can not be amicably adjusted. The war in itself is an unpardonable crime against civilization and it will be an abiding reproach to the diplomacy of the great nations of Europe that it could not find a peaceable method of adjusting the questions at issue but was forced to leave them to the savage arbitrament of shot and shell, or wholesale murder, destruction and devastation, and I can not help feeling that if Jewish prudence and love of peace had been accorded their rightful share in the councils of the world this most deplorable calamity would never have occurred. I believe also that I express correctly the views of my brethren when I say that they do not desire the downfall or destruction nor the absolute and unlimited victory of

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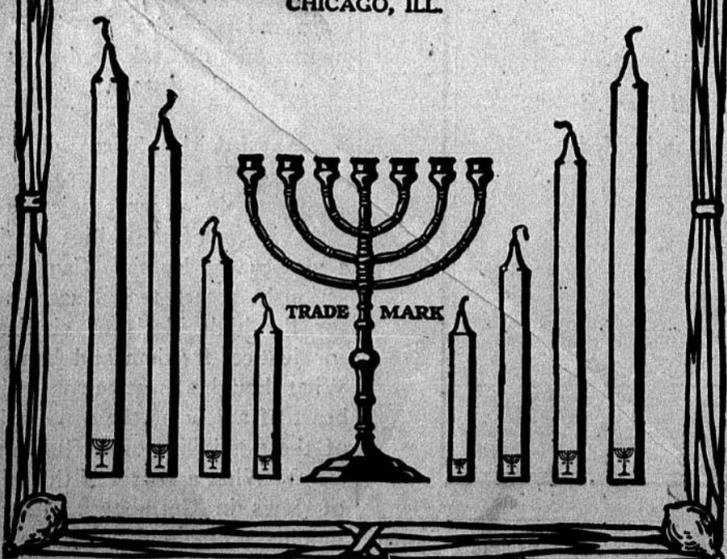
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Jewish Opinions on the Australian System of the Bible in Public Schools.

At an educational conference held in Sydney, New South Wales, Australia, in April, 1904, and attended by public school inspectors, teachers, departmental officers and prominent educationists, Mr. Cohen, B. A. (teacher, Hebrew School) said: "I believe I am the first speaker on this subject who cannot claim to be a clergyman. I am a layman, but I have had seventeen years' experience in the public schools of this city as a religious teacher, and I am very happy indeed to have the opportunity, by the kind permission of the Minister of Public Instruction, to express my satisfaction—and, of course, the satisfaction of my community—with the opportunities afforded us, such a small item in the general community, to give religious instruction from our own point of view in your noble schools. (Applause.) I am very happy, indeed, to have the opportunity of expressing our thanks to the government and the teachers for the facilities afforded us. Mr. MacIntyre said that all civic, ethic and moral teachings must be founded on Christianity. I wish to say that Christianity itself is founded on the Bible. The Old Testament teachings are fundamentally the same as those of the New. The ethical, civic and moral teachings are identical. What do we teach? We teach the love of God, the love of our fellow creatures, the love of the country that gives us protection (applause), kindness to animals, honesty and truthfulness; cleanliness of mind, food and houses; obedience to parents, teachers and the laws of our country; reverence to the aged; and never to do to others what you would not have others do to you. (Applause.) For seventeen years I have had the happiness of teaching in various schools where our children "most do congregate" in this city, and I am delighted to be able to say that my work has been rendered easy, happy and comfortable by the assistance of all you teachers. (Applause.) I am happy to say that we can confidently place any of our children under your instruction without having any of our religious susceptibilities hurt in any way. More than this, you afford us opportunities of teaching an Oriental language, which we consider necessary for the maintenance of our religion. You give us an opportunity of teaching Hebrew, in order that they may be able to read the Bible in the original and pray in the language of our fathers. There is no restriction placed upon us—you give us the opportunities and the time and the space we require, and every help in your power. What reason have I, therefore, to do otherwise than support by every means in my power your system as it stands? Still more, we have to thank this particular government, who allows us to take our children away for sometimes two hours in the week to our own synagogue schools in order to give them special instruction there.

"Some twenty years ago we had in this city a denominational school. Well, we found by experience that the system of education introduced by Sir Henry Parkes and the general facilities afforded by your public schools satisfied us more than anything we could hope to produce in our denominational school, where we had to teach every subject.

"I believe the next subject to be discussed is the syllabus, and I consider I should not be doing my duty if I took up a moment of your time from that important matter. The time is so short and the work so great that I think I

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The Minister of the Interior has decided to annul the order of the retrace of Petrograd which made it imperative on Jews to have inserted in their passports a description of their personal appearance. Large numbers of Jews whose passports did not bear this description had previously been ordered to proceed to the towns where they were registered so that the details might be inserted.

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ought to say nothing more, with perhaps one exception, and that has nothing to do with religious instruction. I hope that the conference will find it advisable to curtail, or, rather, abolish, in the primary schools the teaching of Latin grammar. The children leave at an average age of 14, and we find them with a very slight knowledge of the declensions of nouns and perhaps of the conjugation of a regular verb. I would advocate that subjects of exact science should be substituted for that. (Applause.)

"I trust, finally, that you will find it convenient and necessary for the welfare of this State to continue the system of imparting religious instruction as it now stands." (Applause.)

The above is an extract from the report issued by the New South Wales State Department of Public Instruction at Sydney.

The Rev. J. A. Bernstein, Jewish rabbi of Christchurch city, New Zealand, visited Australia, and on his return reported to the *Christchurch Press*, on June 21, 1913, as follows:—

"Speaking on the Bible in schools system in operation in New South Wales, Mr. Bernstein said he was surprised to find how splendidly the system was working. Clergymen and ministers from the different denominations or their assistants visited the schools regularly to give instruction to the children in school. The effect, he was assured, was most bene-

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Items of Interest In the Jewish World

The Brooklyn Jewish Hospital treated 5,529 patients last year.

Jewish religious teachers of Kentucky concluded a successful annual convention at Paducah on the 30th ult.

The eighth annual session of the Jewish Religious Education Association of Ohio was held in Cleveland, Ohio, last week.

Over 5,000 garments have been collected by the Philadelphia, Pa., Women's Committee for the Relief of Jewish War Sufferers.

Rabbi Frederick Cohn, of Omaha, was invited to deliver the opening prayer at the recent fifth annual convention of Nebraska farmers.

To facilitate its work the Associated Young Men's Hebrew Associations of New England have opened executive offices in Boston, Mass.

Rabbi Samuel Hirschberg of Temple Emanu-El, Milwaukee (Wis.), slipped on a wet pavement last week and suffered a broken right leg.

It is reported that among the forces fighting in South Africa at present there are at least 3,000 Jews, the majority of whom are volunteers.

At the seventh annual public meeting of the United Hebrew Charities of Baltimore, Md., last Sunday Governor Goldsborough was a speaker.

The number of starving Jews in the European war zone and in Palestine is estimated at 2,200,000 by the American Jewish Relief Committee.

After a suspension for the past three months, owing to the war, Ost und West, the famous illustrated German Jewish magazine, has made its reappearance.

A number of Chicago (Ill.) Jews have opened a "penny hotel," where hungry and jobless men can obtain meals at one cent each and sleeping accommodations free.

The Temple Guild of the Congregation Gemilath Chassodim, of Alexandria, La., has become affiliated with the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

Mrs. Hannah Kosokoff, who died at the home of the Daughters of Israel in New York city last week, was 117 years old and reputed the oldest woman in the country.

In honor of her completing half a century as a member of the Order Eastern Star, local members of the order tendered a big reception to Mrs. Hannah Simon, of Chicago, last week.

Moses Berger, one of the oldest in point of service in the employ of the city of Boston, died at his home in Roxbury, Mass., last week, aged 70. Mr. Berger was a prominent fraternity man.

In memory of her late husband, Gus R. Fries, Mrs. Eugenie Fries has donated \$1,000 to the United Jewish Charities of Cincinnati, Ohio, as well as substantial donations to many other charities.

Samuel Agid, who operated a chain of Yiddish variety theatres and who was known in the profession as "The King of Jewish Varieties," died in Brooklyn last week. Mr. Agid was born in Austria fifty years ago.

Mr. Louis E. Feinzold, of Worcester, Mass., has been elected a member of the Board of Library Trustees of that city. The office is elective, the votes resting with the Board of Aldermen and the Common Council.

Prof. Raphael Meldola, who served on the Council of the British Royal Society in 1897-1898, has again been elected on the Council, and has been nominated one of the vice-presidents of the society for the ensuing year.

The Beaconsfield Club, of Chicago, Ill., which for the past twenty-five years has held a banquet on New Year's night, has decided to abandon the banquet this year and devote the money for local and Jerusalem relief work.

The first Jewish daily paper to be issued in New Jersey has appeared at Newark under the title of the New Jersey Jewish Daily News. It is issued in a district where the Jewish population is estimated at 225,000.

The Brooklyn Federation of Jewish charities reported at its annual meeting a total of 5,067 members, who contributed \$218,304 to the annual income. During the year administration expenses decreased from \$11,892 to \$7,624.

Jacob L. Cohn, who was one of the most widely-known secretaries in New York city Jewish organizations, died at his home last week at the age of seventy-three. Mr. Cohn for the past thirty-eight years was secretary of the Home for Aged and Infirm Hebrews, and was also secretary of Temple Beth-El for a number of years. He was secretary of Empire City Lodge of Masons for forty-four years and of Standard Lodge Free Sons of Israel for a similar period.

Mr. August Blum, president of the First National Bank of Chicago, Ill., and one of the best-known bank officials in the West, whose banking experience covers a period of over forty years, retired from active service on the 31st ult.

Aaron Wolf, who died at Chicago, Ill., on December 17, settled in that city in 1857. He originated the department store plan in Chicago and became a leading merchant. He was a war veteran and one of the few survivors of the Ellsworth Zouaves.

The Harvard faculty has announced the appointment of Paul J. Sachs as assistant director of the Fogg Art Museum. Mr. Sachs will resign from active business as a member of the firm of Goldman, Sachs & Co., of New York, to take up his Harvard duties.

An example of "thy seed shall multiply" is furnished in the recent death of Abraham N. Eberstein, who died in the Bronx, New York city, last month, aged 79. Mr. Eberstein is survived by fifteen children, eighty-nine grandchildren and twelve great-grandchildren.

Through the intervention of Commissioner Joseph Barondess the Public School Athletic Committee of New York city has agreed that there will be no athletic contests in the public schools on Friday nights or Jewish holidays in deference to the religious belief of the Jewish students.

A. Marcus Mayer, possibly the best known Jewish resident of Bradford, Pa., died on the 13th ult. He served one term as Councilman and several terms as a member of the executive board of the Bradford Hospital. For twenty-six out of the last thirty years he was president of Temple Beth Zion.

At the Kremlin Palace in Moscow the Czar received several delegations on last Friday. Among these were various religious associations belonging to the Orthodox faith and delegates from Jewish congregations, who paid their homage and presented 15,000 rubles (\$7,500) to be used for army needs.

The appraisal of the estate of Karl M. Wallach, recently made in New York city, shows a net value of \$78,870. This fortune was made in real estate and is somewhat remarkable, for twenty years prior to his embarkation in the real estate field Mr. Wallach eked out a living as a teacher of Hebrew and German.

During the visit of the Archbishop of Grusia to the Caucasian battlefield he made many friends among Jewish soldiers. He embraced and kissed one Jewish hero. Tributes to Jewish soldiers continue to be paid by Russian officers, who express admiration for their self-sacrifice, contempt for death and courage.

Mr. Israel Fine has addressed a letter to the Baltimore (Md.) Jewish Federated Charities in which he writes that he has been making elaborate preparations to celebrate his golden wedding on January 18, but has decided to do without the usual celebration and spread, and will instead donate \$300 to Palestine relief work.

Instead of distributing the usual Christmas gratuities among its employees as heretofore, a large Baltimore (Md.) supply house sent the sum to various charities, believing that the unemployed were more in need of financial assistance than those with good jobs. The Federated Jewish Charities received a proportionate share.

The American Jewish Historical Society has been invited by the Louisiana Historical Society to send suitable objects of historical interest relating to Jewish P. Benjamin and Judah Touro for exhibit at the centennial celebration of the Battle of New Orleans and participate in the exercises, which will take place in New Orleans January 8-10.

At the International Exposition of Safety and Sanitation held in New York last month, the American Museum of Safety awarded a gold medal to Mr. Hiram H. Hirsch, of Philadelphia, Pa., for his miners' electric safety lamp. Last April Mr. Hirsch received the Edward Longstreth Medal of Merit from the Franklin Institute for his lamp.

Notwithstanding strong opposition on the part of her parents, Miss Florence Powell, 21 years old, of No. 361 Hoyt street, Brooklyn, renounced the Catholic faith, accepted the Jewish religion, and was married on Christmas day to Dr. Alfred Lester, a physician connected with the Board of Health, who lives at No. 1219 Southern Boulevard, the Bronx.

Dr. David Starr Jordan, former president of Leland Stanford University of California, in an address before the City Club of Cincinnati recently, stated among other reasons why autonomy for Poland is not desirable, that the bitter animosity the Polish nobles and merchants have shown toward the Jews is ample evidence that the Poles are not fit to govern themselves.

Rev. H. Yood, who last year was elected to serve as rabbi of the Ahawath Achim Congregation of Atlanta, Ga., was recently elected to serve the congregation during the rest of his lifetime. This is the second instance of a minister being elected for life by an American orthodox congregation, the other being Rabbi Moses Hvasson, of the Orach Chaim Congregation of New York city.

The Russian Orthodox Union has issued a manifesto to the peasants of Galicia and Bukovina. The manifesto announces that Russian rule brought the people relief from Jewish power. In future, added the manifesto, the "Jewish father, Francis Joseph," would not reign over them, there would be no Jewish officials or judges and Jewish property would be divided among the peasants.

The Association for the Protection of Jewish Immigrants, of Philadelphia, Pa., has organized a school of naturalization for the instruction and assistance of all Jewish immigrants who have not yet declared their intention to become American citizens, or who are looking forward to getting their final certificates of naturalization. The association has also organized at its office a general information and employment bureau.

"If the Jews in the United States had 3,000,000 votes they would not have to beg in vain for decent treatment by the administration of their co-religionists in Mexico or for the denial of the use of the mails to obscene papers pouring out filth on them. The Jew does not wait for the rabbi to act nor does he hesitate, in the pursuit of justice, to use the primeval right of self-defense. How long shall we continue to submit to injustice?" -Catholic Columbian.

CORRESPONDENCE.

The Self-Taxation Stamps.

Editor HEBREW STANDARD: We have just started a very thorough campaign through which we hope to distribute our self-taxation stamps among the Jewish storekeepers and others that can be reached in this way. This effort, however, must be supplemented by an appeal to your readers.

We ask the assistance of every one in charge of the Talmud Torahs, Sunday schools, clubs, etc. It should be unnecessary to send a personal appeal to each of them. The helplessness of so many hundreds of thousands of our people and their claim upon the whole-hearted assistance of every one of us, is surely self-evident. It is all we can do.

We suggest that a campaign to obtain a weekly contribution of one cent from each child attending our Talmud Torahs, Sunday schools, etc., or a regular payment of 5 cents, 10 cents or 25 cents by the thousands of young men and women attending the literary clubs, debating societies and similar organizations of our young people in the hundreds of institutions throughout the country should be commenced. A very considerable sum could be collected in this way without unduly taxing any one.

The stamps in all denominations are on sale at:

- American Jewish Relief Committee, 174 Second avenue.
Emanu-El Brotherhood, 309-11 Sixth street.
Hebrew Free Loan Association, 108 Second avenue; branch, 69 East 116th street.
Hebrew Sheltering and Immigrant Aid Society, 229 East Broadway.
Young Men's Hebrew Association, Lexington avenue and Ninety-second street.
Young Women's Hebrew Association, 31 West 110th street.
Mr. Felix M. Warburg, Treasurer, A. J. R. C., 52 William street.
Brooklyn Jewish Institute, 666 Wiloughby avenue, Brooklyn.
Hebrew Educational Society, Hopkinson and Sutter avenues, Brooklyn.
Young Men's Hebrew Association, Croyse avenue and Bay Twenty-second street, Bath Beach.
Kindly give this publicity in your next issue.
Yours very truly, ALBERT LUCAS, Secretary.

Central Committee for the Relief of Jews Suffering Through the War, 1003 World Building, New York, Dec. 23, 1914.

Postponement of B'nai Brith Convention.

Editor Hebrew Standard, Dear Sir: The Order of B'nai Brith has issued an appeal in behalf of the sufferers of the war in Europe. The lodges have responded liberally; indeed in many instances handsomely. About \$40,000 or more have, it appears, been already transmitted to the order's branches in Europe for this purpose, and it is most likely that about \$100,000 may be raised by the order in this country.

In this connection I would submit that a quinquennial convention of the order is to be held in about May of the coming year (1915) at San Francisco, Cal., which is to be attended by delegates from the lodges from all parts of this country and a number of delegates from foreign jurisdictions. Those who are informed in matters of the order say that there is no question of importance, certainly none of vital character which requires the attention of a convention at this particular time; that, besides the routine business there is no subject touching the welfare of the order that cannot be held in abeyance.

In view of these facts, and that it would cost from \$15,000 to \$18,000 to defray the expenses of the convention, and that possibly more than \$5,000 has been collected to entertain the delegates by the lodges of California, would it not be the proper course at this time to postpone the session until 1918 and devote at least a part of these moneys to the relief fund of the order? This course, as far as a postponement of the session is concerned, is not without precedent, and there was less reason for the postponement than there is now. Very truly yours, A MEMBER OF THE ORDER.

American Jewish Relief Committee for Sufferers from the War.

The following contributions have been received by the American Jewish Relief Committee for Sufferers from the War, of which Felix M. Warburg, 52 William street, New York city, is treasurer.

Table listing contributions from various individuals and organizations, including Warsawer Sick Benevolent Society, Through M. Moskowitz, Brooklyn, Edward P. Buffet, J. C. C., etc.

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Total contributions received to and including Dec. 23, 1914... \$252,465.20

The public is warned not to recognize any solicitors for this fund who cannot present credentials by Felix M. Warburg, treasurer, and countersigned by the local committee.

The office of the American Jewish Relief Committee has been removed from 356 Second avenue to 174 Second avenue, New York city.

One hundred thousand dollars for the relief of the Jews of Russia, Poland and Galicia who are sufferers from the war was appropriated by the Executive Committee of the American Jewish Relief Committee, at its meeting Sunday, December 27. This is in addition to \$75,000 which had already been appropriated for the same purpose at a prior meeting of this body.

The Jewish Religious School Union of New York.

The annual meeting of the Jewish Religious School Union of New York will be held on Monday, January 4, 1914, at 8 p. m., in the vestry of the Temple Emanu-El, Fifth avenue and Forty-third street.

Reports will be submitted by the president and the chairman of the standing committees, the election of the officers and members of the Executive Committee for the ensuing year will take place and other business of importance will be transacted.

The chief feature of the meeting will be a stereopticon lecture on "Camping Through the Desert of Sinai to the Holy Land," by Rabbi Max J. Merritt, of Evansville, Ind. All are most cordially invited.

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FELDMAN—BERLINER.—Mr. and Mrs. I. Berliner announce the betrothal of their daughter Rose to Mr. Charles Feldman.
FOX—OSHINSKY.—Mr. and Mrs. G. Oshinsky, of 202 West 118th street, announce the engagement of their daughter Sadye to Mr. Edward Fox.
GORDON—SILVERMAN.—Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Silverman, of 801 West 130th street, announce the betrothal of their daughter Martha to Mr. Milton H. Gordon, of New York.
GREENBERG—GANZ.—Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Ganz, of 453 East 178th street, announce the engagement of their daughter Sadie to Mr. Max Greenberg. At home Sunday, January 3, 1915, from 7 to 10 p. m.
GREENMAN—SADOWSKY.—Mr. and Mrs. N. Sadowsky, of No. 1851 Seventh avenue, announce the engagement of their daughter, Rose, to Mr. Saul Greenman. Reception Sunday, January 10, 1915, from three to six, at their residence. No cards.

MAY—SIEGEL.—Mr. and Mrs. Simon Siegel, of 54 East Eighty-seventh street, announce the engagement of their daughter Lillian to Mortimer A. May.
MICHAELS—ALOVIS.—Mr. and Mrs. Morris Michaels, of 13 East 107th street, announce the engagement of their daughter, Rebecca S., to Mr. Edward G. Alovis.

MORRIS—DAVIS.—Mr. and Mrs. Aaron B. Davis, 640 Riverside Drive, announce the engagement of their daughter Selma to Mr. Lee Morris. Reception at Delmonico's, Sunday, January 10, 3 to 6 p. m.
NEUDORFER—KOMMEL.—Mrs. Bertha Kommel, 601 West 180th street, announces the engagement of her daughter Frankie to Mr. Leo Neudorfer. At home Sunday, January 3, 3 to 6 p. m.

PHILLIPS—COHEN.—Mrs. S. Cohen, of 1051 East 165th street, Bronx, announces the engagement of her daughter Minnie to Mr. Joseph H. Phillips. Reception Sunday, January 3, 1915, from 3 to 6 p. m.

PRESS—SINGER.—Mr. M. Singer, of 141 Cathedral Parkway, announces the engagement of his daughter Fannie to Mr. Harry H. Press.

RASHER—LONDON.—Mr. and Mrs. Neuman London, 541 West 113th street, announce the betrothal of their daughter Florence to Mr. Albert Rasher, of Washington, D. C.

RUBENSTEIN—BENQUIT.—Mr. and Mrs. Isaac A. Benquit, of No. 850 East 161st street, announce the engagement of their daughter Rosetta Jeanne, to Mr. Jacob M. Rubenstein, on Sunday, December 27, 1914.

SCHACHAT—LEVIN.—Mr. and Mrs. S. Levin, of 54 St. Marks place, announce the engagement of their daughter Millicent to Mr. Alfred Schachat, of New Rochelle.

SPEKTORSKY—KAUFMAN.—Mrs. Rose Anna Kaufman, of No. 1867 Seventh avenue, announces the betrothal of her daughter Ruth Vivian to Mr. Isidor Spektorsky. Miss Kaufman is the granddaughter of the late Rabbi A. Guranowsky. Notice of reception later.

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SPERO—HEILBRUN.—Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Heilbrun, 116 East Ninetieth street, announce the engagement of their daughter Carrie to Mr. Albert Spero.

MARRIAGES.

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BURGER—KELLER.—On Sunday, December 27, 1914, by Rabbi Samuel Buchler, Miss Mary C. Keller to Mr. Otto Burger.

COHEN—ROSENFELD.—On Sunday, December 27, 1914, by Rev. Dr. Isidor Reichert, Miss Florence Rosenfeld to Mr. Abraham H. Cohen.

EDELMAN—WEINGARTEN.—On Sunday, December 27, 1914, Miss Regina Weingarten to Mr. Wolf Edelman, by Rabbi Samuel Buchler.

FIBEL—POLLOCK.—Senator Henry W. Pollock, of 541 West 113th street, announces the marriage of his sister Anna to Mr. Sidney L. Fibel, on Thursday, December 24, 1914, at the Savigny. Rabbi Aaron Elseman performed the ceremony.

FLEISHER—GOLDBERG.—On Thursday, December 24, 1914, Miss Annie Goldberg to Mr. Nathan Fleisher. Rev. Joseph Segal officiated.

FUERST—STERN.—On Friday, December 25, 1914, Rose E. Stern to Charles F. Fuerst.

HEINBERG—BUCHLER.—On Sunday, December 27, 1914, Miss Rose Buchler to Mr. George Heineberg, Rabbi Samuel Buchler, brother of the bride, officiated.

LEVY—ISENBERG.—On Sunday, December 27, 1914, Miss Irene Isenberg to Mr. M. M. Levy, by Rev. Dr. Adolph Spiegel.

LIPKIN—BRUSH.—On Sunday, December 20, 1914, Miss Ray Brush to Mr. John I. Lipkin. Dr. I. Reichert officiated.

MARK—HART.—On Sunday, December 27, 1914, by Rev. Dr. Adolph Spiegel, Miss Cora Hart to Mr. Solomon Mark.

HEBREW—FIFTY ONE
NATHAN—KLEVINSKY.—Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Klevinsky announce the marriage of their daughter Cecile to Mr. Samuel Nathan, by Rev. Dr. L. Pulvermacher, on Sunday, December 27, at Bedford Mansion, Brooklyn.

BIRTHS.

DANNENBERG.—December 25, to Mr. and Mrs. Bernard S. Dannenberg (nee Greger), a daughter.

LEIBOWITZ.—Dr. and Mrs. Isidor Leibowitz, of No. 70 Rivington street, announce the birth of a son on December 24, 1914.

MULLER.—To Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Muller, of 2614 Third avenue, on December 22, a son.

BAR MITZVAH.

FLEISHMAN.—Mr. and Mrs. J. Fleishman, of 605 West 151st street, announce the Bar Mitzvah of their son Julian on Saturday, January 2, 1915, at Mount Nebo Congregation, Commonwealth Hall, 2005 Amsterdam avenue.

HOROWITZ.—Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Horowitz, of 693 Union avenue, Bronx, announce the Bar Mitzvah of their son Francis, on Saturday, January 2, 1915, at Montefiore Synagogue, Hewitt and Macy place, Bronx, half past nine, a. m.

JUDIS.—Mr. and Mrs. Irving Judis, of 740 Riverside Drive, announce the Bar Mitzvah of their son Chester D., on Saturday, January 2, 1915, at 9 a. m., at Washington Heights Congregation, 510 West 161st street.

IN MEMORIAM.

FURMAN.—In memory of my beloved wife and dear mother, Mrs. Fanny Furman. Died at her home, 83 Second avenue, New York city, Tuesday, December 29, 1914.

SOCIAL NOTES.

A pretty wedding was that solemnized at the Lexington, 109 East 116th street, last Thursday, December 24, the contracting parties being Miss Anna Kram, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Kram, of No. 65 East 120th street, and Mr. Abraham Cohen. The ceremony was performed beneath a magnificent floral Chuppah, by Rev. Dr. Moses Hyamson, who was assisted by Rabbi Solomon E. Jaffe. Miss Mollie Kram was the maid of honor and Mr. Eli Cohen was his brother's best man. The bridesmaids were the Misses Augusta Rubin, Jeannette Kram, Edith Suval, Sarah Cohen and Dorothy Krivulin, and the groomsmen were Messrs. Benjamin Rosenblum, M. Schlossberg, George Kram, George Friedkin and Michael Kram. Misses Bertha and Dorothy Kram strewed roses before the bridal procession. An elaborate wedding dinner followed the ceremony. Mr. Samuel Dorf, acting as toastmaster, called upon Rabbis Hyamson and Jaffe and Congressman Goldfogle, who made appropriate remarks. Dancing followed and was kept up until early the next morning.

The Jewish Women's Relief Association will hold its ninth annual ball Sunday evening, January 10, at Delmonico's, Forty-fourth street and Fifth avenue. The Arrangement Committee consists of Mesdames I. Seydel, chairman; Mrs. E. Epstein, Mrs. M. Wolper and Mrs. W. Tager. The society's officers include: President, Mrs. H. W. Honor; vice-presidents, Mesdames M. Wolper, I. Hoffman and W. Tager; treasurer, Mrs. L. Kamalky; corresponding and recording secretary, Miss A. Rits; financial secretary, Miss R. E. Moseson.

The Emanu-El Sisterhood of Personal Service held a subscription dance at the Hotel Plaza last Thursday evening. Mrs. Adolph Lewisohn was in charge, and among the patronesses were Mrs. Sidney Borg, Mrs. Hiram Bloomingdale, Mrs. Arthur L. Cahn, Mrs. Joseph Friedlander, Mrs. Nelson Greenhut, Mrs. Ed-

gar A. Hellman, Mrs. Arthur Lehman, Mrs. Julian C. Levi, Mrs. Richard Lewisohn, Mrs. Alfred S. Rossin, Mrs. Roger S. Straus, Mrs. Jacob H. Schiff, Mrs. Joseph Sidenberg and Mrs. Felix Warburg.

Mr. and Mrs. Israel Einsohn, of No. 55 East 117th street, celebrated the twenty-fifth anniversary of their marriage last Sunday. Some of those present were Mr. and Mrs. David H. Rosenberg, Miss Florence Annette Rosenberg, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Brody, Miss Pearl Brody, Mitchel Einsohn, Mr. and Mrs. N. Jaffe and Misses Debby and Bella Jaffe.

The Ladies' Malbish Arumim Society of the Uptown Talmud Torah will give a theatre party next Tuesday evening at the Kessler Theatre. As in past years the entire proceeds will be devoted to the work of the society which, like all other societies, has had an unusual number of urgent calls this winter.

Miss Sarah Hausdorff, daughter of Mrs. Laura Hausdorff, of No. 1460 Lexington avenue, will be married Sunday afternoon, January 3, to Mr. Martin Schmidt. The ceremony, which will be performed by Rev. Dr. Ph. Klein, will take place at the bride's residence at 3 p. m.

Announcement has been made of the engagement of Miss Madeline M. Grifenhagen, daughter of Sheriff and Mrs. Max S. Grifenhagen, to Mr. Edward Fried, of Chicago, Ill. A reception will be held at Delmonico's on Sunday afternoon, January 10.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Borgenicht, of Borough Park, have announced the engagement of their daughter Sadie to Assemblyman-elect Nathan B. Finkelstein. Mr. Finkelstein is a son of Rabbi Simon F. Finkelstein.

Invitations will soon go out for the wedding of Miss Helen E. Prince, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Prince, of No. 130 West 130th street, whose engagement to Dr. Michael H. Barsky was recently announced.

Rabbi and Mrs. Aaron Robinson, who were married at Toledo (Ohio), on December 16, are now in New York. Mrs. Robinson before her marriage was Miss Stephanie Aftel.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Goldstein tendered an at home last Sunday afternoon at their residence, No. 2146 Hughes avenue, Bronx, in honor of the marriage of their daughter Gertrude to Mr. Erich Koscherek.

Announcement has been made of the engagement of Miss Rebecca S. Michaels, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Morris Michaels, of 13 East 107th street, to Mr. Edward G. Alovis.

The Beth Israel Sisterhood will hold its regular monthly meeting on Wednesday, January 6, in the vestry rooms of the synagogue. Election of officers will take place.

The Junior League of the Sanitarium for Hebrew Children will hold an informal dance at the Hotel Marselles, Thursday evening, January 14, at 8.30 o'clock.

Mr. A. L. Ullnick, of 161 West 140th street, sails on Saturday, January 2, 1915, on the S. Havana for a trip to Cuba, and will be away for about one month.

The tenth annual ball of the Roumanian Ladies' Aid Society took place last Sunday evening in the grand ball room of the Hotel Astor.

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The wedding of Miss Ruth Hochberg to Mr. Morris Folbe will be celebrated next Tuesday morning at Westminster Hall, Lenox avenue.

Mrs. Harry Goldberg and Miss Dora E. Goldberg, of Baltimore, Md., are visitors in the city. They are the guests of Mrs. J. Almer.

Miss Gertrude Lisner has returned home from Washington, D. C., where she was the guest of Mrs. Sylvan Bensiger.

Mr. I. Altman is at present in Pittsburgh, Pa., the guest of his sister, Mrs. M. Sampliner.

Mr. and Mrs. David W. Levy are visiting Mr. Levy's mother and sisters at St. Louis, Mo.

Montefiore Young Folks' League.
 The membership of the association has been constantly increasing and shows a healthy condition of affairs. The speakers who will address the association during the month of January are as follows: This (Friday) evening, Rabbi B. A. Tintner. Next Friday, Hon. Louis D. Gibbs, County Judge of the Bronx. January 15, Mr. Louis Lipsky. January 22, Mr. Samuel Strauss.

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[While we implicitly observe in spirit and letter President Wilson's admonition to the American people to maintain a strict neutrality in the present European conflict, we publish the following as a personal and subjective expression of the opinion of one of our regular contributors, and it should in no way be construed as the personal opinion of the editor of this publication, whose opinions are expressed only on the editorial page.—Ed. Hebrew Standard.]

Jewish Battalion Idea Dismissed—Jewish Recruits to Be Kept Together, However, in Sectional Companies if Desired—Chief Rabbi's Fine Message to Jewish Troops in the Field—Community's Belgian Relief Funds Growing Rapidly—Anglo-Jewish Association's Annual Report—Rubinstein's Play, "Consequences," Revived in England.

London, Dec. 11, 1914.

It looks as though the scheme for a Jewish battalion, by which was meant a battalion composed entirely of Jews, has been knocked on the head. As already indicated here, the question aroused some very contrary views in the community, and in many responsible quarters the idea of a specifically Jewish battalion was clearly disliked. It appears now that the chief of the army recruiting department refused altogether officially to sanction the establishment of such a Jewish battalion, the refusal being first given, in writing and finally repeated verbally when Dr. Eder, who has been interesting himself specially in the matter, called at the War Office to argue the matter out.

What the War Office has consented to do is to group Jewish enlistments so that Jews can be enabled to serve together, although the battalions into which they will be drafted would, of course, be mixed ones. It is, in fact, promised that in many of the battalions, if sufficient Jews come forward, there will be specific Jew-

ish sectional companies formed. This will no doubt meet both sides. In fact, it seems to form a happy medium.

With regard to the War Office refusal, one has to bear in mind that the British War Office is always open to reason and that should support come along to a degree justifying a change of view that change would no doubt be made. For example, many of the "pals" battalions which have been formed in this country were refused official recognition at first, but by their very strength and popularity secured it in the end. For instance, the War Office would have nothing to do with the Old Public School Boys and University Corps when that was first formed, and when it grew in a few weeks to over 5,000 recruits no fewer than four battalions were formed and officially recognized. These are now drilling just outside London, and, as a matter of fact, there are many Jews among them. The dispersion of Jews among other battalions, even when the small bodies are associated, would not necessarily prevent a battalion or some battalions being formed by and by, as men can always be drafted by request from one regiment to another, other things being equal.

Already in one way the government has officially recognized the number of Jews in the army by buying 5,000 copies of the new Prayer Book for Jewish soldiers and sailors which was specially prepared at the outbreak of war by Dr. Michael Adler. This book, by the way, is being bound in khaki.

There is one more point about the Jewish battalion idea. One of the leaders in the movement appears to have been Captain W. J. Webber, a soldier of many attainments, but a free lance. He originally formed a kind of general foreign legion whose help was eventually refused by the government. Whether his association with the movement helped to stop the Jewish battalion idea cannot be said, but it is well known that the British War Office looks askance at what one

might term in a romantic way "soldiers of fortune."

Dr. Hertz has issued a special message to the Jews serving with the troops. This is a most inspiring note and may well be quoted here. Says the Chief Rabbi:

"Chanukah begins on Saturday evening next. Alas, that an evil destiny has made it impossible for those of you who are on active service this year to witness the celebration of our beautiful Festival of Lights, either in home or in synagogue. But even the memory of the Maccabean festival is inspiring. Ponder over its story—it is among the noblest in the whole history of heroism—and it will fill you with high hope and indomitable courage. Like Judah Maccabee, trust in God, and invincible faith in the justice of our nation's cause will sustain you in your warfare against the powerful enemy. And like the Maccabean warriors, the Lord of Hosts will lead you and all your fellow-fighters for King and right, through glorious victory to blessed peace."

The shilling fund for the Belgian refugees organized by the *Jewish Chronicle* has now reached 26,500 shillings, or, say, \$6,625. This is only one of many funds to which Jews are contributing, but it is one that has specially attracted attention in the community by reason of its purely Jewish association.

The Anglo-Jewish Association has just published its annual report, and, of course, war is writ large over it. The question of Russian Jews crops up prominently. On this point the report says:

"The Council forbear to speak in detail about the situation of the Russian Jews. The oppression from which they have so long suffered has not yet been relaxed, but seeing that Russia is now the ally of England, and that the success of her arms is longed for by every Englishman, all painful subjects of difference and discussion must, for the time being, be overlooked. The council would, however, express the hope that just here out of the awful evils of war good may emerge. They trust that the remarkable outburst of loyalty on the part of the Russian Jews and their valor and courage in battle—both of which have already aroused the admiration of many prominent Russian personalities, and for the time have silenced some of the most vehement of the anti-Semitic politicians and publicists—may, sooner or later, and at any rate, at the close of the war, meet with recognition from the Czar and his Ministers."

And so say all of us. Jews all over Europe, and, in fact, all over the world, are putting forward their best on behalf of their adopted countries, and though they have suffered oppression in the past in many of these quarters, that is in no wise being allowed to interfere with their splendid action. They have come forward spontaneously, patriotically, with remarkable courage and pertinacity, and with no hope of any special gain. Surely out of the tremendous turmoil that is raging and from the cloud of promises that have been made them something should eventuate.

To return to the Anglo-Jewish Association's report, there are some interesting remarks about Roumania: "The great outburst of patriotism and the sacrifices made by the Jews in Roumania when the country was mobilizing for the second Balkan war, won them the sympathy of the population. This sympathy, expressed by the newspapers, had as a corollary the interviews arranged by the 'Union of Native Jews,' at which politicians and writers of the first rank and of all shades of thought declared that no grounds any longer existed for refusing to the Jews the rights of citizenship. The government itself appeared disposed to go at least so far as to ask of the Chambers the naturalization en bloc of the Jews who had been summoned to the colors. But once the enthusiasm had died down, bad impulses regained the upper hand. Politicians, and even the heads of the Liberal party, recognizing the danger to themselves of allowing a weapon which had always served them against their opponents to fall from their hands, returned to their former attitude,

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and the anti-Semites, who had kept quiet for a time, again raised their heads."

Following upon this the report gives a history of the anti-Jewish revival and especially and properly singles out for denunciation the malignant activity of the students and the league for Roumanian culture. The new Parliament refused to modify the article in the Roumanian constitution which regulates the Jewish question. The result is that although the present government is called Liberal, as opposed to a Conservative predecessor, the lot of the Jews is in no way improved. Brutal actions have been reported again and again and even in those cases where Jews are being mobilized at present in view of possible eventualities no lightening of the burden or corresponding advantages have been given them.

Dr. Israel Abrahams and Lucien Wolf have delivered addresses before the Jewish Historical Society on the philosophic origins of the war.

H. F. Rubinstein's excellent play, "Consequences," which American readers will no doubt know, has been revived in this country in Manchester with great suc-

cess during the past week and looks like having another successful run. Rubinstein's second play, which did not deal with the Jewish question at all, seems to have fallen rather flat, but his first work is a thing of joy and humor.

On December 4 Rev. Abraham Myers passed away at Los Angeles, Cal., where he had been a patient for over two years. The deceased, who was a great Talmudist, was born in Russian Poland sixty-six years ago and was descended from a family of scholars. He came to the United States in 1874.

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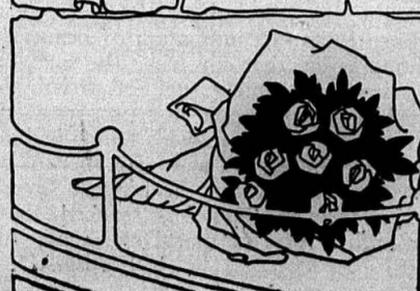
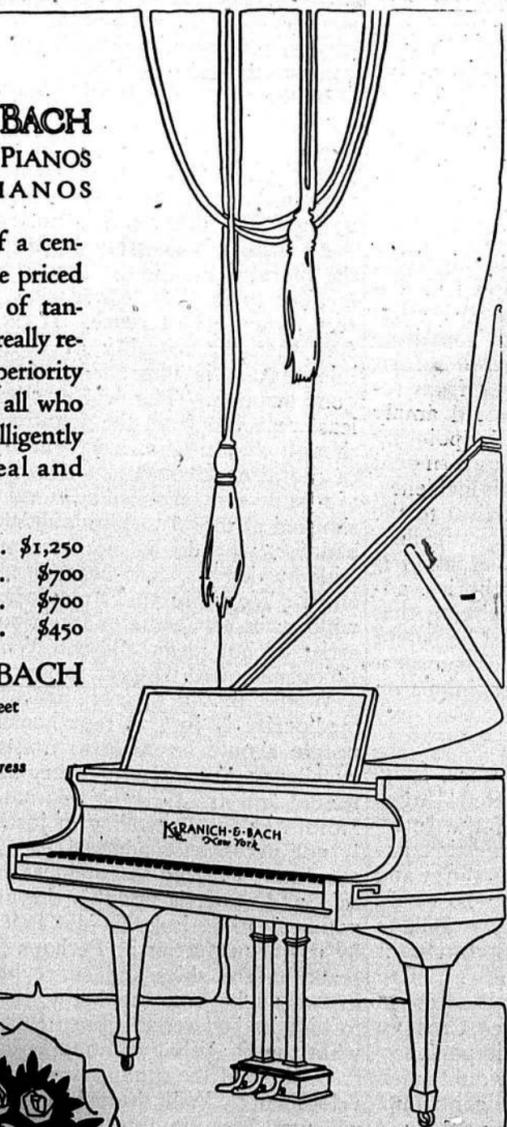
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In order to insure the insertion of communications in the current issue of THE HEBREW STANDARD they must be in this office not later than Wednesday 10 a. m. of the week in which they are to appear.

President Wilson's statement with respect to his views on the literacy test as embodied in the Burnett bill is all that the friends of the immigrant could desire. He opposes it as proving neither the character nor the quality of would-be immigrants, and thus fully redeems the promises contained in his ante-election statements on the subject. On the other hand, his refusal to commit himself on the main question, whether he will veto the bill when it reaches his desk, is ominous. He may with propriety maintain that, despite his sharp condemnation of the literacy test, he finds the bill to contain so many salutary and useful provisions that his disapproval of the measure would be neither in order nor effectual. Thus he would readily save his own consistency and, at the same time, carry out all the wishes of the most thoroughgoing of the restrictionists. Perhaps we do the President an injustice in thus commenting upon his declination "to cross the bridge before he reaches it." This shows, however, that much yeoman work still lies before those who have made the immigrants' cause their own, and that propaganda of a very direct kind is needed to achieve the final and much-to-be-desired result in this instance.

Rabbi Jacob S. Minkin, of Hamilton, Ontario, has issued through the Bloch Publishing Company a small brochure entitled "Benjamin Disraeli: A Character Study." This appraises the literary and political work and worth of Queen Victoria's great Jewish premier and does abundant justice to the scope and power of his visioned ideals for the glory of the British Empire. It attempts an estimate of his Jewish interest and influence, and is of course orthodox in its outlook on this phase of Beaconsfield's life. Rabbi Minkin presumably uttered his study as a discourse before he undertook to publish it as a pamphlet, for we think we note unmistakable signs of its hortatory character here and there. It has interest, moreover, at the present time in connection with the appearance at fairly stated intervals of what promises to be the standard life of Disraeli. We refer naturally to Monypenny and Buckle's "Life," the third volume of which, we note, has just made its appearance in England. Benjamin Disraeli's career is an unending source of inspiration to the ambitious Jewish lad here and elsewhere in the Occident, for did he not belong to and confess his pride in membership of that race which can do anything but fail?

Ex-President Taft, in his recent address before the Young Men's Hebrew Association of this city, sternly and emphatically voiced his condemnation of the secret societies based upon religious prejudice which attempt in any way to defeat a man because of his religious belief. He compared such, perhaps with more vehemence than delicacy, to cockroaches, for they, like these, thrive in the dark! We agree with Mr. Taft in his disapproval of this practice, not of recent origin and not imported from foreign lands, of certain men calling themselves politicians, lauding their own Americanism to the skies and insidiously raising up distinctions of sect and class in a land like ours where such should be unknown. Mr. Taft gave a general character to his remarks, refraining from mentioning any of these odious organizations by name, and we shall refrain likewise. But our readers know the associations which Mr. Taft thus properly condemns and will understand that these bodies make for ignoble ends in our public life. Of one thing we may be certain, and that is—the Jewish fraternal orders do not come in for nor merit Mr. Taft's criticism, and it is pleasant, in this connection, to recall their loyal American patriotism and their efforts to lead in all good causes for the dissemination of our traditional American and Jewish ideals.

AMERICAN JEWS, AWAKEN!

THIS community, ever since the outbreak of the European war, has been under the duty and had thrown upon it the burden of relieving the distress entailed thereby on our co-religionists in the regions affected by the fighting. Our communal leaders at once threw themselves into the breach manfully and Jewishly, and have bent and are bending all their energies to alleviate the newest addition to the great mountain of Jewish misery in Europe. They have properly organized their forces and now rightfully look to the community to second their devoted efforts by the most liberal kind of pecuniary support.

To a certain, but altogether inadequate, extent thus far the Jewry of this country has responded to the call. Perhaps the inadequacy of its response is explainable, in a measure, from the prevailing depression in business under which we, in common with all other Americans, are suffering. This plea, while weighty, has no place in the present issue; our country is blessed beyond expression by being set apart from and quite unaffected by the present devastating war, and the Jews of this country, always so generous when it comes to the succor of their brethren-in-faith who suffer anywhere and from any cause, should make the sacrifice demanded of them in this hour as a thank offering for the blessings they enjoy, if, indeed, not for the sake of the cause itself; for they live their lives in peace, and face no military privations and cruelties.

For the plight of the Jews living in the countries now weighted with the scourge of the war is truly appalling, and their misery is even more abject (if this be possible) than the pitiable condition in which Palestinian Jewry now finds itself. The Jews of Galicia, for example, are suffering untold privations of which America knows nothing, because no one has set about to describe their state with any detail. But everyone informed of the matter fully comprehends their situation, and this, bad enough in times of piping peace, is by far much worse now.

Therefore we call on our community to rouse itself from its supine lethargy, to contribute at once and in adequate measure to the relief funds now in process of collection. It makes no difference to which agency you transmit your donation: send it either to the Central Committee or to the American Jewish Relief Committee. The main and important part is to contribute in the name of *Zedokoh!* We appeal to all who read these lines NOW and generously to act upon our suggestion!

Dr. Arthur Rupp, of Palestine, a scholarly yet practical observer of Jewish conditions in the Holy Land, reports that the people residing there are even greater sufferers from the prevailing economic conditions than those in the countries actually at war. As the Jewish population of Palestine figures out to an appreciable part of the whole, it follows that our co-religionists in *Eretz Yisroel* are in a sorry plight, indeed, and that it behooves the Jewries of the Occident, especially the American community, to come to their aid in no uncertain manner. Their position is perilous in the extreme, and they require at this hour our unstinted and ungrudging assistance. Palestinian Jewry, if properly helped over this crisis, may in the course of time and with the new and improved conditions which should flow from the outcome of the present war, be in a position to help itself, to become, what all so much desire it to be, an economic entity. This will redound, of course, to the credit and advantage of Palestinian Jewry itself.

In the Senate during the debate in the Burnett immigration measure Mr. McCumber, of North Dakota, attempted to discount much of the Jewish opposition to the proposed legislation under consideration on the theory that Jews constitute only a religious community and not a race, and that, therefore, a proviso in the law to the effect that aliens fleeing from religious persecution be admitted to our country would amply cover them. Other Senators refuted his argument by pointing out that the anti-Jewish repressions of the Russian government are not religious in character, but altogether racial in incidence, and that the conversion of Russian Jews from Judaism to the Greek Catholic faith leaves them still Jews by race. Which is altogether true. The unfortunate element of the situation is that Senator McCumber has American Jewish authority, adduced in quite another connection, however, for claiming that Jewry is a religion and not a race, and hence it must be patent that our communal leaders should be more than circumspect in future in delivering themselves of *ex cathedra* opinions on the status and history of their people.

The editor of a Jewish weekly, published in Florence, Italy, makes the interesting proposal that Jews form a Red Magen David Society as their contribution to the work of the International Red Cross in the present war. The suggestion has merit, since it conforms to orthodox Jewish susceptibilities and is thus quite in line with the action of the Turks, who established a Red Crescent for a similar end during the last Balkan war. From another point of view, too, the proposition is worthy the serious consideration of the community: a Red Magen David Society may control and segregate the Jewish aid granted to the general work of relief by the Red Cross in time of war. Here is a case where names are of importance, and, while it is true that a rose by any other name would smell as sweet, and that Jews are and should be glad to contribute to humanitarian work under any guise, their distinctive aid under a distinctive rubric is not to be despised. The thought of the editor of the Italian journal has been emphatically endorsed in the columns of the Anglo-Jewish press, but we have looked in vain for an appreciative reference to it on the part of our contemporaries in this country.

MEDIOCRITY IN MORALS

ראובן בכרי אחת כחי וראשית אוני יתר שאח ויתר עו:

פחו כמים אל-תחת:

"Reuben, thou art my first-born, my might and the beginning of my strength, the excellency of dignity and the excellency of power: Unstable as water, thou shalt not excel."—(Gen. xlix, 3-4.)

JACOB, evidently takes a certain pride in Reuben. To a certain extent he mirrors himself in Reuben's personality. He says to him, "Thou art my strength and the beginning of my might;" he attributes to him "Excellency of dignity and excellency of power." Yet for all his many excellencies, Jacob sees fit to blame rather than praise his first-born. "Unstable as water thou shalt not excel!" says the dying patriarch. What excellency does Reuben lack? He lacks *Moral Excellency*. The exact misdeed he committed is barely hinted at; but I think it is not so much a definite act that calls forth this supreme rebuke, as some fatal warp in Reuben's character. No matter how gifted he may be in other directions, morally he is dwarfed, morally he is mediocre.

Here then we behold a widespread human phenomenon, namely, that physical and mental excellence oft go together with moral mediocrity. And we learn from Jacob's rebuke of Reuben that no amount of intellectual genius can compensate, atone for lack of moral genius. The Burns and the Byrons may write poetry that will live while song endures and man's heart beats rhythmically, and we shall admire them for their immortal measures; but we will not esteem them for their very mortal conduct, nor allow that *intellectual and artistic geniuses are to be judged by other than the accepted moral standards*.

This fact of *Mediocrity in Morals* is curious in many ways. The most curious aspect of moral mediocrity is that it is not easily recognized. We recognize mediocrity in intellect. We know the difference between the dunderhead and the philosopher, and we have no difficulty in perceiving the many intermediate stages between these extremes. We recognize literary and artistic excellence, and we have no difficulty in distinguishing the commercial novel from the genuinely inspired work, the daub from the masterpiece; but we do not possess equal facility in marking off the varying degrees of moral capacity. We divide the race into *sheep* and *goats*; the bad are bad, the good are good—that is all we care to know. Why?

Because intellectual genius is rare and therefore more conspicuous; hence it attracts our attention and we study closely its varying degrees. But moral capacity is not so conspicuous. For we have all learned the story how Adam ate of the tree of knowledge of good and evil; and hence we suppose that morality is the natural dower and heritage of every man and woman. Yet is it not true that there are many degrees between the freezing-point and the boiling-point of morality? To the minister who delivers the funeral oration every man is a good man and every woman a charitable soul. Yet is it not true that there is a distance as vast as between heaven and earth, between the average "good citizen," the average "charitable person," the average *hero of the funeral sermon*, and the earnest reformer, the impassioned prophet, the towering moral genius—the saint?

In the mean, mediocre sense, no doubt your average citizen is "good." But how far away is this mediocre morality from the grand heroic morality of prophet and martyr, of the supremely noble men and women that now and again are found even in the ordinary walks of life? The difference is thoroughgoing. The difference is not so much in the overt act as in the spiritual back-ground whence that act proceeds. Behind the moral genius is the fiery ethical passion, behind the moral mediocrity are law, convention, fashion. Yet we are slow to recognize this difference. If there is any proof needed of the fact that the morality of our times is degraded it lies in this that it is ungraded. Anything that is good at all is good enough. The bad are bad; but those who are in the least removed from the negative pole of moral turpitude, even though they may be very far removed from the positive pole of moral excellency, are already placed among the elect. We are, to be sure, shocked at moral turpitude; but why not equally shocked at moral torpitude? While we contrast goodness and badness, why do we not contrast moral torpitude with moral wide-awakeness, half-hearted morality with passionate morality? We chafe under mediocrity in other lines. We are not willing, in our esthetic fastidiousness, to accept a writer and artist of but mean ability. Why do we not show equal fastidiousness with respect to moral mediocrity?

Would that a prophet arose to tell the people that moral mediocrity is just as reprehensible as moral depravity! The people should be made to understand that the road to moral excellency lies open to every one! We cannot all be intellectual and artistic geniuses; but we can all make of ourselves moral geniuses, excelling in justice and mercy. Human nature is not necessarily adapted to science and art, but it is most absolutely adapted to goodness and godliness. And after all is said and done, is not this the final standard by which human nature is to be judged—not indeed by intellectual capacity but by moral perfection? Perhaps the day may come when man, scanning the skies and surveying the earth, will find that he knows all he ever can know, that the universe has yielded up to him its last secret of truth, its last intimation of beauty;—what then? What will happen on that day when the race will have reached the utmost limit of its intellectual and artistic development? Will there be no more room for progress, and will man have nothing to do? Will he fold his hands in idleness? Ah, even then moral geniuses will arise, for there is no limit to man's moral development. When the highest "excellency of dignity and excellency of power" is reached, there will yet remain the far higher level of moral excellency for man to gain.

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The Constitution of the United States permits any citizen to petition against grievances, and to protest for the due recognition of his inalienable rights. But there must be reason guiding every action. When we read of an assembly held the other day in Baltimore, engineered by an inveterate sorehead and malcontent, in fact, a fomenter of strife, and that at that meeting a Rabbi, by his presence and his benediction, gave countenance to an attack on the President of the United States, we feel not alone sorry, but experience a sense of shame at such misrepresentation. Bad enough for laymen to be participants in such an affair, but a Rabbi brings his spiritual function down to a very low ebb when he permits himself to be part and parcel of a little less than a seditious meeting, whose head and front has long been known as a crank and a constant disturber of law and order. Jews are always affected by what is said or done in their name, or by a professor of our faith. Therefore, the need of being very wary and exercising every caution in our course to avoid what the Sages have told us is worse than all—*Chilul Ha Shem*.

We would be among the last to throw cold water upon any administrative system of charity, specially that which has to do with the poor in the light of modern, improved conditions, and as a result of careful and competent investigation of their needs. But there is no rule that does not seem to admit of exceptions. It is, therefore, not merely in a fault-finding spirit that we must criticise some of our charity societies—the Jewish ones included—that persist in resorting to and continuing "red tape" methods in dealing with unfortunate petitioners. Cases have been brought to light where, for the immediate need of fuel, or provisions, or clothing, whole families of young and old, babes and aged persons, have been forced to wait days upon days, producing suffering and privation, beyond all excuse or reasonable cause. Why is it, with all the boasted progress in charity methods, that such veritable evils continue? Our readers must understand that we stand sponsor for organized charities, as the best to-day, but such sponsorship will not so cloud our vision, nor warp our sense of right to make us, like some of our newspaper neighbors, advocate for everything that is, particularly if "everything" is dominated by the men "way up."

Applause-Catchers

One of the peculiarities of the stage, and which seems to be quite general at the dropping of the curtain after each act and after applause at the raising of the curtain, is to have the whole company come from behind the scenes to receive the plaudits of the audience, which is generally intended for those of the cast who are upon the stage when the curtain drops or for the star.

It is quite ludicrous to have the whole cast, which has been disposed of in the early part of the act, wait behind the scenes till the close of the act and then come forward *en masse* to make their obeisances in answer to the applause.

The audiences are often annoyed at this, and properly so. The wonder is that the managers of theatres do not cut out this anomaly, leaving the "bows" to be given by those who end up the act.

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The Twenty-Second Annual Assembly of the Jewish Chautauqua.

The Jewish Chautauqua Society held its twenty-second assembly at Rochester from December 25 to 31. Sixty-five delegates representing every section of the country were present. The assembly began with Friday evening services at the Temple Berith Kodesh held by Rabbi Moses Abels, of Altoona, Pa. An eloquent address on "Our Right to Exist," was delivered by Rabbi Currick, of Erie, Pa. The services were well attended by the local community.

On Saturday morning Dr. Leo M. Franklin, of Detroit, Mich., delivered a sermon on "The World's Challenge to the Jew; the Jew's Challenge to the World." He took occasion to attack the Zionist position, declaring that the Jews' mission was primarily spiritual.

In the afternoon a reception was tendered the delegates by Dr. and Mrs. Horace Wolf. The Chautauqua began its official session Saturday night at the Temple Berith Kodesh, where an address of welcome was delivered by Mr. Mortimer Adler, the president of the congregation. The response was made by Dr. William Rosenau, of Baltimore, vice-chancellor of the Chautauqua; Dr. Henry Berkowitz, chancellor of the Chautauqua, welcomed the delegates in attendance. He declared that the society was entering upon the third decade of its history. "The Chautauqua idea," he said, "is the democratic idea in education. Knowledge is not to be for the chosen few, the aristocrats of learning, but is to be the possession and heritage of all." The Jewish Chautauqua Society has proven itself a valuable agency for the spread of knowledge of the history, literature and the life of the Jewish people. This society, in the effort to dispel the darkness of ignorance, became the pioneer on the pathway of educational endeavor. The speaker declared that the movement for making education popular had been challenged in recent years. Education is a failure some say because jails, penitentiaries and reformatories continue to be built in even greater numbers. The Jews, who a few years ago were rarely found there, now have their quota among the rest. In answer to this charge the speaker maintained that the fault lay in the false education which prevails. He said that mere knowledge of facts is not education. The spiritual and religious side of character must be developed to the fullest extent; the religious schools and the Sunday Schools of all denominations have largely been a joke. We must become efficient. The Chautauqua Society is helping in this work of improvement.

The session ended with an address by Miss Jeanette M. Goldberg, the field secretary, on the subject of "Jewish Education." The sole reason for this organization is education, said Miss Goldberg. She went on to point out that the young people of the country are drifting away from the faith. She said that this alienating was due to lack of knowledge of Judaism and that the Chautauqua was trying to deal with this problem of teaching the young people what heritage of the fathers means. She told of the way in which the Chautauqua gets in contact with the small Jewish community of the sparsely settled portions of the country, winning them back to Judaism. She concluded by making a strong appeal to the Jews of all wings to second the good work of the Jewish Chautauqua.

Services were held in the temple on Sunday morning, the sermon being

preached by Dr. William Rosenau. The subject was "What of American Jewry?" He pointed out that the Jews of America were playing an important part in the making of modern Jewish history; in fact, that they were becoming the leaders of the Jews of the world, that they were becoming first not only in numbers but in scholarship, religious organizations and educational work along Jewish lines. America, he declared, was the land flowing with milk and honey. Because the status of American Jews is lauded at the expense of other Jewries, let no one imagine that even the status of American Jewry is ideal, but the opportunities of Jewry in America are greater. American Jews must and will prove worthy of them.

The delegates inspected the Sunday school of the Berith Kodesh Temple before the services on Sunday morning. Mrs. Blattner, of Albany, told a beautiful story at the children's services.

In the afternoon Mr. Eugene Lehman of Yale University spoke on "Efficiency in Religious Education." He said that not more than 25 per cent. of the Sunday school teachers of the country were efficient; that they were not producing more than 25 per cent. of the results desired. He suggested as one means of increasing the efficiency of Sunday school teachers that they work out a system to measure the moral and religious growth of the children, and systemize a way which would show definitely whether any progress was being made or not. Rabbi Louis Kopald, of Buffalo, led the discussion which followed Mr. Lehman's address.

On Sunday night the visitors and delegates were tendered a reception by the Council of Jewish Women and the Sisterhood of Berith Kodesh Congregation. Miss Goldberg delivered an address on organized womanhood, in which she pointed out the great services contributed to Judaism by organized womanhood. On Monday morning Dr. Wegman, of Philadelphia, gave an excellent paper on pedagogy as applied to religious instruction. He pleaded for the introduction of more scientific methods in the Sunday school work. One of the most instructive and inspiring hours was that in which Dr. Goldstein, director of the Social Service Work of the Free Synagogue, spoke on the relation of the religious school to social service. He pointed out many ways in which the children could do their own share of social work not only by gifts of money but by gifts of personal service.

On Monday afternoon Rabbi Isaac Landman, of Philadelphia, gave an illustrated lesson on the Prophet Amos. His lesson brought out most vividly the right and the wrong ways of teaching Biblical stories.

On Monday night Mr. Phillip Goldstein, director of the Chautauqua work in the Jersey colonies, described the way in which he was trying to reach the children of hundreds of Jewish farmers. He described in detail the social conditions in the colonies, and pointed out most interestingly the great improvement in social and religious conditions brought by the Chautauqua. Miss Goldberg reviewed the work in the New Jersey colonies and also told of what was being done in the Dakota settlements where it is hoped to bring about the same results now attained in the Jersey colonies. She also paid a strong tribute to the Russian immigrant and declared that they were among the most desirable of all immigrants.

Tuesday morning Mr. Oliver Bachrach, of Baltimore, Md., used a group of children to illustrate a lesson on Jeremiah. The lesson was followed by a Question Box, conducted by Dr. Rosenau, of Baltimore.

Young Men's Hebrew Association. Last Saturday evening the Harmony Associates installed their officers and entertained a large number of their friends at an open meeting.

On Sunday evening, this same club arranged a social entertainment, which was thoroughly enjoyed by a very large audience.

The basketball team, in a well-played game on Sunday afternoon, were again victorious.

On Tuesday evening, the 29th, the troop of Boy Scouts connected with this association entertained their friends with a typical scout play and entertainment.

On Thursday evening, the 31st, the "Pinafore" performance was repeated to a delighted audience and a considerable sum was raised for the benefit of the Jews suffering through the war.

On Sunday evening, the Washington Irving Club will have a dialogue contest and entertainment to which the public are invited.

In the afternoon there will be two basketball games.

On Monday evening, January 4, the Evening Preparatory School commences its work for the winter term. The large enrollment promises an unusually good season.

Annual Meeting of Temple Israel Sisterhood.

The annual meeting of Temple Israel Sisterhood will take place on Monday, January 4, 1915, at 2 o'clock, in the assembly room of the temple, Lenox avenue and 120th street. The annual report will be read by the president, Mrs. William C. Solomon, who will give a review of the work accomplished the past year. The election of officers and directresses will take place. Mrs. Belle Israels Moskowitz will address the meeting.

Social Circle Eighty-Sixth Street Temple.

A meeting of the Social Circle of the East Eighty-sixth Street Temple was held last week in the vestry rooms and

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was largely attended. Routine business was disposed of and election of officers was held and which resulted as follows: Mr. Samuel S. Kogan, president; Miss Florence Ochs, vice-president; Mr. David Schaye, treasurer; Miss L. Immergut, secretary; Miss Rose Enslar, financial secretary, and Mr. Nathan Young, sergeant-at-arms. The Executive Committee is composed of Mr. Louis Israel, chairman, Mr. Irving I. Baer and Miss H. Finkelstone. The circle meets every second and fourth Thursday in the month. The circle has been formed for social, religious and charitable purposes and to assist in the work of the temple.

Israh Temple Notes.

Rabbi Samuel Greenfield's discourse of last Friday night on "Church and Synagogue" was very well received by a large audience. He maintained that both Church and Synagogue are under the ban of opponents who either wilfully or mistakenly misunderstand their objects and that on the other hand the Church and Synagogue are modern failures in not thoroughly grasping human problems and dealing with them in a human and spiritual way. And the European war of to-day involving the most civilized nations of the world is the best proof of the failure.

A pleasant little social was held the evening of Monday, December 28, when the young folks of the temple acted as hosts and entertainers to their friends at the vestry rooms.

The monthly whist of the Sisterhood will be held on Monday afternoon, January 4, at the temple vestry.

At every one of the fortnightly meetings of the congregation a number of new members become affiliated with the organization, which by its liberal policy attracts more and more accessions to its ranks.

Ohab Zedek Advanced Classes.

At a special meeting of the Ohab Zedek Talmud Torah last Monday night, it was decided to open an advanced class for boys and girls over fourteen years of age. The class will be under the personal direction of Rev. Dr. Bernard Drachman, which insures a large number of applicants, but the class will be limited to twenty-five. Sessions will be held Sunday mornings from 10 to 12 and Monday evenings from 7.30 to 9.30. Those wishing to avail themselves of this opportunity should apply at the vestry rooms of the synagogue on Sunday morning, January 3, from 10 to 12.

Young Women's Hebrew Association.

The Board of Directors has extended invitations for a reading to be given by Miss Mannheimer on Thursday afternoon, January 7, at 3 o'clock.

On Sunday evening, January 3, Platon Brounoff will give a vocal and instrumental concert in the auditorium.

A large gathering was present on Sunday evening, the 27th, and heard Mrs. Frederick Nathan give a most interesting talk on the work of the Consumers' League. After the talk there was general discussion, followed by several musical numbers by Mr. I. Piroshnikoff.



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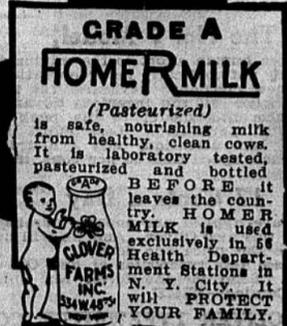
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 And lo! my mouth and teeth are wine presses;
 Sunrise and sunset have I in my plate
 Of blueberries crushed—a mass of happinesses.

The open-hearted buttercups of gold,
 The sunlike asters rippling into rays;
 The sweet and bashful violets, the bold
 Sun-seeking sunflowers make garlands of our days.

Music of hidden waters soothes and cheers,
 Bliss of silent seas forlornness break;
 Warblings of hidden hopes and fears and tears,
 A thousand strings within my heart awake.

The eye with beauty is not satisfied,
 The heart quaffs bright elixirs, craving more;
 The mind with majesty is magnified,
 The soul in rapture stands by heaven's door.

As summer-smiling ways, my footsteps tread
 And rays on golden rays on me descend,
 My heart to some enchanted pain is wed
 And beams with dreams and songs with sorrows blend.

Moriah and Sinai seek I, starry heights;
 Our spirit's never-falling golden mine;
 There, where the world would look for law and light,
 And seek a tree of life, a God, a shrine.

The heights where Moses lit a heavenly lamp
 Isaiah left a dream of love and peace,
 And Saul against the Philistines would camp,
 The hills where David's psalms would never cease.

The hills where Solomon in May would sing
 The song of songs when rose with lily vied;
 The hills Ezekiel with heaven's hosts made ring
 And Jeremiah's tears have glorified.

The hills where trees of righteousness would grow,
 The flowers of knowledge and the fruits of love;
 The heights where stars of steadfast faith would glow
 And holy was the earth as heaven above.

The hills that flowed with wine of poesy,
 With milk and honey of prophecies sublime,
 Where virtue grew like bread abundantly,
 And God was sun and moon and space and time.

The mount of olives and the vine-clad slope
 Where are the blooming Edens of the Lord,
 Where figs as green and sweet as youth and hope,
 And palms arise like saving spears and swords?

There flowers sprang from prints of prophets' feet,
 The rose and lily which in beauty vie
 With dawn and daylight. There, with singing sweet
 The nightingales have charmed the midnight sky.

And I, a wooer of law and love and God,
 Lover of melody and Holy Land,
 Lover of Israel, tread a fiery sod,
 Seeing the chains on Judah's heart and hand.

And shadows, shadows steal into my soul,
 Beholding Israel abide in vales
 Of agonies, anxieties and dole,
 Abide in earthly and in heavenly pales.
 In pales of prejudice against their God,
 Against their leaders and against their light,

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In the Heights.
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Here in the heights in heaven's heart I stand;
 Here heaven's portals daily ope and close,
 And glories fall as from enchanter's wand,
 Or dusk or dawn which fairer is—who knows?

The dawn with thousand young-eyed cherubim
 Awakes, and golden harps they play;
 A rosy grandeur glows on heaven's rim
 And myriad dreams are melting into day.

The gloried morning mists from mountains rise
 And show the paradise they erstwhile veiled;
 I see here highways leading into skies
 And homes and fields and streams with splendors trailed.

On every cottage sunrise glamors gleam,
 The heart, the lark that hails the heavens with song;
 And some in worship, some see God adream,
 The old grow young, the young in joy are old.

The birds, the birds, they sing into my heart,
 They sing as dawn were in their song and throat;
 They are in heaven as on their wings they start—
 They are a hymn in myriad lights afloat.

Sunkissed the sod and gold is every path,
 Each smiling golden glade a paradise;
 Each fairy flower a winged wooer hath,
 Each blade a winner of a pearly prize.

Pure as an infant's kiss the sky above,
 Sweet as a bride in bridal robes the earth;
 And man's a lyre tuned with hope and love,
 With youth and dream, with childlike play and mirth.

And wings that soar are soaring here still higher,
 The crawling worms some glory's border hold;
 Here nature tunes the sweetest silent lyre
 In Shelley moons and Shakespeare suns of gold.

Embattled cornfields compass me around
 And wave their banners green and gold o'er me;
 The fruitful garden speaks without a sound,
 The orchard smiles a meek felicity.

The apples bend the boughs above my head,
 Fall by my feet and give themselves away;

They give their heaven for any hellish clod,
 They change their day for any heathen night.

God's living wells for stagnant pools that blight,
 For Cossack counsel, dreams of "vodka" bred;
 For gleams of rotten wood they give heaven's light,
 God, for a passing science's Sodom bed.

In vales, in vales like wingless worms we crawl
 In mists of error and in shades of strife;
 Lost are the heights where God in strength would call
 And every breath was balm of health and life.

These happy heights are free from tyrant hand,
 A nation glad with freedom as with light
 Shines here. But Israel and Holy Land
 Are ruined fanes and flowers struck with blight.

Ah! where the hills where we and nature were,
 A page of Scripture, each in rapture wrought,
 A song of songs, a thing to love, adore,
 A joy, a hymnal angels dropt unsought.

The healing hills of Holy Land ah! where
 God's chosen dwelling, His Shekinah's shrine,
 Where earth was heaven's corridor, the fair
 Zion, the dream and fairyland divine!

Ah! where God's hills, where Judah's scions seek
 A surging spiritual strength and health,
 The fruitful fields of thought, love's flowers meek,
 The stars and dews of faith, our godly wealth?

Within our eagles' eyries owls nest,
 And dogs now kennel in our lions' lair;
 The vultures eat our nightingales with zest
 And serpents take our purest doves in snare.

My faith, I am your lark when blooms your dawn,
 And in your night I am your nightingale;
 I bleed on thorns your rosebushes have spawn—
 You are my rose of joy, my lily pale.

Your hope I sing; upon your heights you'll dwell
 Where heaven's doors are open night and day,
 And all your life but holliness will spell
 And truth will be your way and God your ray.

On hills where prophet-nightingales in light
 Will sing the dawns and dreams of days to be,
 And you will worship on a singing height
 And bear like trees your own eternity.

Nature will be your nursery book of life,
 The background grand of glories of the skies;
 The dazzling splendors that on earth are rife,
 A hint of grandeurs never seen by eyes.

"A holy glory and the sun of God"
 You will be called; the Moses of the free;
 Holy again your home, sacred your sod,
 And free from freedom's dross your heart will be.

Your love will free you from the love of lust,
 Your health will loose you from the beast of brawn;
 Your mind unbind you from the thoughts of dust,
 Your God will be your everlasting dawn.

You and your ruined holy fane, amain,
 Will be rebuilt, a beacon light for all;
 And joys like raptures on your heart will rain,
 For God will be your fortress and your wall.

Songs will you sing of suns and stars to be,
 Of loves and laws still budding in the soul;
 Of winged blisses fresh eternally,
 For God will be your glory and your goal.

A thousand cherubim will tune your lyre,
 Psalms will you sing which seraphs dream in mirth,
 And you will dream of heights and heavens higher,
 And you will be the song of all the earth.

Beneath your sun your soul in peace will dwell,
 A gallant citizen of earth and sky;
 Your faith will be all mankind's sun and spell
 Your law, the star of every wandering eye.

Your Soul will be the world's Messiah, lo!
 Loving the Lord, His light will make you shine;
 Kingdoms again for light to you will go,
 With God you will yet make the world divine!

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IN THE SYNAGOGUES.

ADATH ISRAEL (Bronx). — Rabbi Mayer Kopfstein preaches this evening on "1914."

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ARAWATH CHESED SHAAH HASHOMAYIM.—Rabbi Isaac S. Moses preaches Sabbath morning on "The Ingredients of Modern National Hatreds."

BETH EL.—Dr. Samuel Schulman preaches Sabbath morning, Sunday, at 11.15, Dr. Schulman will lecture on "Self Culture and Self Denial."

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FREE SYNAGOGUE (Carnegie Hall). —Dr. Martin A. Meyer, of San Francisco, will preach Sunday morning at 11 o'clock, on "The Unconquerable Soul."

SHAAARI ZEDEK.—Rev. Dr. Adolph Spiegel preaches Sabbath morning on "A Happy Reunion."

SINAI (Bronx).—Rabbi Max Reichler preaches this evening on "Essentials of True Charity." Sabbath morning, "The Thralldom of Names." The Sinai Literary Society will have an open meeting Sunday afternoon at the temple.

SINAI (Mt. Vernon).—Dr. J. I. Gorfinkle preaches this evening on "Wanted—Men with the Spirit of God."

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Providence—A Hanukah Sermon
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The elevation of Joseph from a prison to a throne is told in the Sedrah of this morning. That far-sighted wisdom that won for him this exalted place was utilized to husband the nation's resources against possible future famine—famine that periodically visited Egypt, when the Nile waters did not rise sufficiently high to fructify the land. Therefore, later, when he was reconciled to his brothers, he was able to say: "Ye did not send me here, but God. Ye intended it for evil, God decided it for good." A fine epitome of Providence, that. These great words might be placed side by side with those of Mordecai to Esther, in the days of Israel's woe: "For if thou altogether holdest thy peace at this time, then shall relief and deliverance arise to the Jews from another place; and who knoweth whether thou art not come to the kingdom for such a time as this?"

When the triumphant Judeans, under the leadership of Judas Maccabeus, returned to the evacuated capital, Jerusalem, and re-dedicated the purified temple, they might have said to Antiochus the words of Joseph to his brothers, you intended it for evil, God decided it for good. Prior to the persecution of this Greek Syrian monarch, the Jews were drifting into religious indifference and under the erring guidance of some worldlings were adopting Venus and Bacchanalian abominations. The attack in the law roused the conscience and the consciousness of the people. The dying embers of faith were fanned once more into fierce flame, and Hanukah emphasized less the conquest of the external enemy without, the Syrian hosts, than the internal conquest of the enemy within—religious decline.

Parallel instances where misfortune has providentially resulted in spiritual gain, abound throughout our history. A forgetfulness of Mosal traditions began to be noticed in the prosperous days of the Spanish Jewry. Then the tide turned from toleration to hostility, and in the hot fires of the Inquisition Judaism glowed again.

Babylon overthrew Judea and banished its people, but when their faith revived and deepened in the exile, one of the Prophet's intimations in all but these words of Joseph, Babylon intended it for evil, God decided it for good.

The hand of Providence is discerned, too, in that later and more complete overthrow of Judea by Rome. The dispersion of Israel through many lands made more clearly than any words ever could, the omnipresence of God. Losing the one holy city Jerusalem, the only place where animal sacrifices were permitted, animal sacrifices perforce disappeared from Jewish worship. This religious advance, therefore, we may say, was achieved for Israel by its arch enemy, Rome.

A famous Rabbinic adage runs: "When the tale of bricks is increased, then comes Moses." In other words, when our burdens are too great to be borne, deliverance arises. When the barbaric church edicts made life insupportable for Jews resident in the Spanish Peninsula, then came the Moslem. When the rest of Europe was inhospitably banishing its Jews, then Poland opened its doors. When the Monkish crusades were shutting all avenues of escape for Israel, then the redeeming Turk came.

What do we owe to the barbaric edicts of Alexander II of Russia in 1882? The trebling of the Jewish inhabitants of such enlightened lands as England and France and the transplanting of nearly two million Jews to the United States, where a great destiny awaits them, making it even a more significant exodus than that annually celebrated in the Passover.

The philosopher of history discerns the hand of Providence in many of the great events that have marked the story of mankind. The fall of corrupt Rome was the downfall of heathendom. The invasion of Goths and Huns, the preparation for a better order of things. The abuses of the popes and of some of the clergy led to that purification of the Christian Church, known as the Reformation. The tyranny of King John in England brought the Magna Charta. The abusive despotisms of Louis XIV and Louis XV brought, through revolution, the French Republic. The harrassing of the Puritans brought them to New England, where they laid the ethical foundation of its institutions. The driving forth of Roger Williams into the wilderness led to the formation of the tolerant Rhode Island. George the Third's oppressive taxation brought about the independence of the United States.

All of these instances quoted might suggest that the demonstration of Providence needs a misfortune for its background. Such is not the case. Only light is more apparent when it emerges from darkness. Quite as providential was the fact that Israel's career began in Egypt and Babylon, the most highly civilized nations of antiquity. If the patriarchs had been born in the middle of Africa or remote Tibet, the world would have had a different history. When Alexander carried his conquests East, then Greek met Jew and Christianity was born. If the Persian hosts had conquered Greece how different a European development would have been evolved.

I think we might discern the hand of Providence not only in the discovery of America, but in its discovery at what might be called, the right psychological moment. Just when the Dark Ages were being rolled away and the Renaissance was dawning. Just when the European nations were expanding and new outlets

was needed. Some might see an act providential in Columbus seeking an omen in a southern flight of birds, followed that course and settled in South America. It left North America to be settled by the more advanced and progressive English and Dutch nations and meant the highest civilization for the United States. If we do not call it providential, we certainly may call it fortunate that at the time when the American Constitution was to be written at the end of the eighteenth century, a wave of rationalism was sweeping across Europe. This directly reacted in the American Constitution, giving it a broad note and assuring the separation of Church and State, the advantage of which we still enjoy.

So often has good arisen from the apparent misfortune that some lands and movements may be said to have suffered from lack of it. I venture to say that if the followers of the Mohammedan religion had been persecuted as were those of Christianity and of Judaism, it might be a nobler faith than it is to-day. Too much prosperity is no more healthy for states and creeds than it is for individuals. The best that can happen for a political party that has been too long in power is a wholesome defeat. It is well for all at some moment in life to pass through the furnace of affliction.

III.

In our survey of the past, then, we delight to discern the hand of Providence in all that happens, and so in our survey of the future we hopefully look forward to glorious outcome from all the woes of man. We are buoyed up with the expectation that the social evils of to-day, economic and moral, are going to bring far-reaching remedies to society. We are already prophesying the great boons that will ultimately arise from this tragic war—which are freedom, spread of democracy, disarmament and, perhaps, warfare's abolition. But let us sound a note of warning here. This comfortable philosophy must not lead us to gloss over too easily the actual ills of life. It is very easy for us to say, in this Hanukah festival, two thousand years after, that the persecution of Antiochus was a splendid thing, as it deepened and strengthened the waning faith of Israel. But we must not hard-heartedly forget the sufferings of the hour, the martyrdom that reached both old and young, from the aged Eleazer to the seven children of Hannah. It is very easy for us to say that Russian pogroms may turn out advantageously, as it is bringing many of our people to a freer, happier Western home, where there is a brighter future for their offspring. That reflection can hardly lessen the agonies of the victims from hooligan riots.

It is very easy for us, in the security of our American armchairs, to argue the ultimate good that may arise from the present war, but heaven forbid that it would lessen one iota our feeling of outrage at the unspeakable sufferings of the innocent people of devastated Belgium. For a parallel of this wasting of an entire land I think we would almost have to go back to the overthrow of Judea, 1,840 years ago. Nor must we Jews lose sight, just because the rest of the world seems likely to lose sight of the sufferings of the inhabitants of devastated Galicia, almost as tragic as that of Belgium, though far less receiving the sympathy of the world. Surely we Jews must not minimize the woe and ruin of Eastern Europe, for it is the centres of the settlements of our own unhappy people. I read that Vienna alone contains 170,000 Jewish fugitives from Galicia. That 70,000 of these are penniless, 25,000 destitute Jewish fugitives are in Moravian barracks and 70,000 more in Bohemia. That these 165,000 of our hapless brothers lack clothing, underwear, blankets and even shoes. Ah, yes, it is so easy to philosophize about the woes of other people. It will need a tremendous amount of ultimate good in the future to counterbalance this present, perhaps greatest, catastrophe, of history, a catastrophe deliberately brought upon the nations by the wantonness and hard-heartedness of man.

IV.

So in our proofs of Providence we must move slowly and realize in all humility that we face the inexplicable. The Book of Job, one of the profoundest pieces of literature in history, was written to demonstrate that the wicked do not always suffer, nor are the righteous always tangibly rewarded. The plans of the Almighty cannot be so completely laid out on any such mechanical theory. "as high as the heaven is above the earth, so are the ways of God above the ways of man."

There are many instances in Talmudic writings showing how the misfortunes of the worthy are apparent and temporary, even like the prosperity of the wicked, and that the good are always rewarded and the sinful punished in the third and final act of the drama of life. The Book of Tobit in the Apocrypha is an excellent instance of that kind of didactic writing. Its lasting value for us of all such stories is the lesson of faith they inculcated to suffering man, patiently to bear the burdens of life and to remain staunch on the path of righteousness. But they must not be taken as complete explanations of the philosophy of life. Finite man can never hope to encompass the designs of the Infinite. Well do we know that not all misfortunes have turned out advantageously. The banishment of the Moors from Granada brought no counterbalancing good any more than the driving of Jews from the country to the towns. The passing away of Greek civilization was an unredeemed loss to the world.

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The wisdom of man has finally demonstrated that the laws of the universe, if they are laws at all, must operate inexorably and inevitably, regardless of the consequence. If there is a law of gravitation, then bodies must fall. The law of expansion may sometime lead to explosion; the law of generation to the multiplication of noxious microbes. But is it not cruel to allow laws to operate that sometimes result in calamity? No. It is only through the calamity that we are taught the law at all. Most of the evils resulting from the operation of natural law are due to the ignorance of man. When he learns their secret he cannot only evade their injury, but even turn them to his advantage. When he discovers the nature of fire, it no longer

destroys, but upbuilds. And the winds are made to drive his ships and the waterfalls to turn his mills. The discovery of toxins in illness teaches the antidote of aseptic treatment to circumvent disease. No bridge need collapse if we are faithful to the mathematical rules taught by gravitation. Every evil is a warning of nature and the whole sum of these warnings become experience by which each age stands upon the shoulders of the preceding, with larger survey and with more complete wisdom to happily regulate its life.

It is man that deliberately flies in the face of Providence when he misdirects all this accumulated knowledge for injury instead of health, for death instead of life, for the destruction instead of the salvation of his fellowman. When drugs that may heal are used to poison, when the mastery of air and water in aeroplane and submarine are applied for the furtherance of destruction, when the explosive power of dynamite is not used to lay the foundations of homes, but only to raise homes to their foundations; when the marvel of electricity that, rightly applied, is verily an angel of light, is turned through warfare into a demon darkness, then instead of the thoughtless upbraiding the ways of God, should we rather turn to censure the ways of man.

God and man—we cannot separate them. Man is the highest expression of God that we can know. Man is the measure of all things. What is providential? Nothing, unless man makes it so. Providence does not mean that we can lie passive in divine hands, waiting for salvation, but that through our active and unselfish energy, salvation may come. The Joseph of our text brought it, the Maccabee of this day's festival brought it—but because one was wise and the other was brave.

My definition, then, of divine Providence is the power that God has put within us to turn all events, even evils, to advantage. Adversity is only a good school if we make it so. Prosperity is not a temptation, but an advantage, to a nature that is strong and fine. Alas, if it were otherwise. Opportunity is not objective, but subjective. It depends not upon stars, but upon you.

Let us learn, furthermore, in things that are beyond us, let us learn to see the provident hand of God in the normal facts of life, in those counterbalancing laws of nature that keep the worlds in balance and assure their perpetuation. Why should my child die? asks the weeping mother. Alas, that she should suffer! But let us remember side by side with that sad fact the further fact that fifteen billion human beings are kept alive in each successive generation.

We could not make the world other than it is, nor in final reflection, would we, if we could. All hardships seem to be needed to build up the man. We are what we are because of the thousand ills that are part of our inheritance. Poverty strengthens character. The weakness of some awakens the helpfulness of others.

Sorrow has created compassion, danger heroism, bigotry martyrdom. The difficulties inherent in human existence have evolved the world as we find it now and all the hardships of man are ultimately assuring his salvation. We see even how the sins of Joseph's brothers and the wickedness of King Antiochus were utilized, through bravery and fidelity, into human betterments, so that we well might say, in our final epitome of the philosophy of life, as Joseph said to his brothers, "Ye may have meant it for evil, God, through me, has decided it for good."

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The Time for Action Has Come
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In a letter of mine on "Israel, Awake and Take Heed," published in the *Jewish Chronicle*, August 28, 1914, and also in four leading Jewish American journals, I reminded our people that we Jews must not in these tumultuous times forget our God and the treaty which binds us to the millions of our suffering brethren, and I concluded with the words: The Jews of England and America must unite in one single army ready to plead the Jewish cause in such a way as it has never been done before. Woe unto Israel if he will not make true use of the coming opportunity! I am happy to think that there are already echoes to my call. Mr. Zangwill wrote to the Foreign Office re the emancipation of the Russian Jews, and has been favored with a sympathetic reply from Sir Edward Grey, who said he will neglect no opportunity to encourage it. My friend, Mr. Louis Kletz, of Manchester, in a striking letter to the *Jewish Chronicle*, November 13, on the Jewish position, suggests the formation of a representative Jewish committee to consider and devise the means best calculated to lead to a final and definite settlement of the Jewish question, to which the *Jewish Chronicle* seems to give its unmistakable support. "We cannot," says the editor, "press forward Jewish interests in the thick of the battle. But we can prepare to do so when war is over and the hour of settlement strikes. Otherwise we shall not be 'bidden to the feast,' for all the Jewish blood that is being shed." This gives us the nucleus for our discussion this evening. My friends, let me tell you that every Jew is bound spiritually and morally to two treaties. The first and foremost is the treaty which binds him to Judaism, and which was first signed by our Father Abraham and ever since by every individual Jew eight days after he is born; therefore the Jew must always be Jew first, and Englishman, Frenchman, German and so on, as the case may be, after. It is undoubtedly the keeping of this treaty that has preserved the Jewish race throughout the ages. Ah, would to God the belligerent nations would be true Christians first and Germans, French, English and so on after! What saving in life and property there would have been, for this horrible war would never have taken place, "the ponderous chains which bind in woe the nations of the earth" would have been broken, Israel would have come to his own long ago, and the world would have been ever so much happier for it.

Now, the second treaty is the treaty which binds the Jew to humanity at large. He was told on Mount Sinai: "Love thy neighbor as thyself" indiscriminately. This treaty, I must say emphatically, the Jew kept to the letter throughout the centuries of his precarious existence. "Here I am!" cried the Jew when there was a duty to perform to whichever country he might belong. There is hardly a country in the world for whose welfare and benefit Jewish blood has not been shed. "Here I am!" was always the watchword of the Jew. But for all that the history of how he was treated by the Gentile world throughout the ages is very dark indeed. As I wrote in an article in the *Western Mail*, December 26, 1911, on the passport question: "Judaphobia" is still "l'idee fixe" of the most civilized nations of the world. These nations generally proceed with any question concerning the Jews recklessly, disorderly and always showing a confused and indistinct object in view. Some of them have given to the Jews liberty, equality and fraternity, and still they have never been considered as all-around citizens. The cry "Judaphobia" is often heard in Parliaments, in courts of law and in the press. Treaties with foreign powers are made to protect every subject, every shade of citizen except the Jewish citizen. Here we have come to the exact position of the Jew in this modern world of ours. There are Jews who live in a fool's Paradise and think that as soon as Russia and Roumania give equal rights to the Jews the Jew will be a free man. This is quite a mistaken notion. Of course, it is the bounden duty of every thinking individual, Jew or Gentile, to hope and strive for the liberty of man, independently of race, religion and nationality, and if the Russian Jews are given their full rights, humanity at large will undoubtedly benefit by it, but the Jew as a Jew will never gain the respect which is due to him until he has a territorial distinction in the world. But where is the territory? The answer is—Palestine. Why Palestine? Because Palestine is the only land in the wide world to which the Jew has a claim. Is it the opportune time now for the Jews to put forth their claim for Palestine, and if so, what means and methods should be adopted? That is just the question!

I give an emphatic answer to the first question. Now is the time, and never before throughout his long checkered career had the Jew a better opportunity to bring the Jewish question before the world with a hope of settlement than he has now. I will relate here an historical fact of which I spoke some time ago.

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The Time for Action Has Come

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At the time of the Crimean War, in the year 1854, there was still no kingdom of Italy. Italy was torn and tattered into shreds. It was divided into six states, including that of the Papacy, but the passionate longing for freedom, as history plainly tells us, had not been banished from the hearts of the Italians, and the cry of "Italy a Nation" sounded from north to south. Count Cavour, a shrewd, sensible statesman, who strove with untiring zeal for the cause of Italian unity, looked around to find where he could obtain help. This was in his mind when he sent troops to assist France and Britain against Russia. Cavour had nothing to seek in the Crimea. Yet he sacrificed the lives of thousands of Italians and contracted huge debts. For what purpose? Cavour knew the war would be followed by peace, by European congress, and the only way to raise effectively the question of Italian unity would be by having taken part in the war. This plan proved a complete success. Italy took part in the war and consequently obtained a commanding voice in the peace council.

To gain a footing which would permit the Jews to sit together with other powers at the table of the nations the Jews must be united, organized and have their Cavour ready to plead their cause when the right hour will arrive. Now is the time! We must prepare ourselves. But how should this be done, and where is our Cavour? Ah, we Jews are a peculiar people, and our ways are evidently not the ways of the world. We have sent our troops before creating a Cavour. We have got so many units, each strange in its way, such as *Alliance Israelite, Hilfsverein der Deutschen Juden, Anglo-Jewish Association, the Ica, the Board of Deputies, the Ito, American Jewish Committee, the Zionist Organization*, and so on, each trying to cure in its own way the landless Israel, who is almost consumed by the gnawing tortures of unjustly imposed woes through all those relentless centuries. But when so many doctors treat a patient with so many different remedies at the same time, then woe betide the patient! It is the doctor's conformity with the treatment that saves the patient. We must see that our separate units should unite in one single army ready to plead the Jewish cause in such a way as it has never been done before. But what method should be adopted to move these Jewish bodies to unite? My answer is—appoint a leader and place all confidence and trust in him! Where is the leader to be found? you will no doubt ask. Ah, there is the rub! as the saying goes. Still, I will venture to point out one personality whose doings and utterings I have followed for some time through my private telescope, and that man is no other than the famous American lawyer, Louis D. Brandeis, of Boston, now chairman of the Provisional Committee for General Zionist Affairs. I always admired his stern decision, his calm strength, his resolute heroism, his inflexible honesty, and, above all, his earnest advocacy of Jewish nationalism. I say here is a man who, like Milton's angel, "will not swerve from truth or change his constant mind." I say again—Brandeis is the man who, if entirely trusted and supported, will, with God's help, lead the Jews to victory and glory.

In the barracks at Ruhleben, where over 4,000 prisoners of war are concentrated, permission was given by the German authorities to the Jews to supply kosher dinners to the many Jewish prisoners found there, who are anxious to observe the dietary laws. All the Jews, numbering about 170, were for this purpose placed in one barrack and food is brought there every day in an automobile from Berlin. The supervision of this work is in the hands of a women's organization, a branch of the orthodox society.

The Federation of American Zionists has received a cablegram from Copenhagen saying that Dr. Yechiel Tschlenow and Nahum Sokolow, members of the Executive Committee of the International Zionist organization, will arrive in this country about January 4, leaving Europe by way of London. Dr. Tschlenow was a physician in Moscow when he was elected to his position in the Zionist organization by the Vienna Zionist Congress. Mr. Sokolow is a well-known Hebrew publicist and speaker. He toured the United States in 1913 in the interests of Zionism.

A striking letter appeared recently in the *Retch* from one who styled himself "A Fighting General." From abroad he sent a message to the famous millionaire, M. Shachov, of Moscow, in which he commended the latter's appeal on behalf of the Polish Jews who were fighting for the empire and were totally ruined by the war. The General deprecated the anti-Jewish restrictions and joined M. Shachov in hoping that the day was near when the Jews would enjoy better times in Russia and instead of being step-children they would become the real sons of the country for which they were shedding their blood.

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For the benefit of the Edward MacDowell Memorial Association at Peterborough, N. H., Mr. Leopold Stokowski's Philadelphia Symphony Orchestra will give a concert at Carnegie Hall next Monday afternoon at 8. Miss Olga Samaroff will be the assisting artist and the following programme will be given:

- 1. Vivaldi... Concerto in A Minor for String Orchestra (1676-1743)
2. Beethoven... Concerto No. 5, in B Flat Major (Emperor) for Piano and Orchestra, op. 73
3. MacDowell... Dirge from the 2d ("Indian") Suite, op. 48 (In Memoriam)
4. Tschalkowsky... Symphony No. 4 in F Minor

Walter Damrosch, conductor of the Symphony Society of New York, more than upholds his reputation as a maker of programmes by the unusually interesting array of works to be performed in the second subscription series of eight Sunday afternoon concerts at Aeolian Hall, beginning Sunday, January 3, at 3 o'clock. The programme for the concert of January 3 will present George Barrere, flutist, and Arkady Bourstein, violinist, as soloists. The complete programme is as follows:

- Overture to a Comedy... Smetana
Suite Op. 39 (first time in New York)... Dvorak
Concerto for Violin with Orchestra in B minor... Sanit-Saens
Solo for Flute with Orchestra... Mr. George Barrere
Scherzo Fantastique, "A Fairy Tale" (first time in New York)...

The third concert of the Kneisel Quartet will be given at Aeolian Hall on Tuesday evening, January 12, with Alexander Lambert as the assisting artist. The programme will consist of the quartet in F major by V. Tommasini, a young Italian composer, which will be played for the first time in New York; the Beethoven Quartet in C major, Op. 59, No. 3, and the Brahms Quintet in F minor, for pianoforte and strings.

Ossip Gabrilowitsch will be heard in recital in Aeolian Hall Monday afternoon, January 4. The Russian pianist will play the following programme: Sonata in A major, Op. 2, No. 2... Beethoven
Variations and Fugue on a Theme by Handel, Op. 24... Brahms
Six Etudes, Op. 10 and 25... Chopin
Humoresque, Op. 18... Tscherepnin
Dance of the Elves... Sapelnikoff
Etude de Concert, G-flat major, Moszkowski

Pablo Casals, the Spanish 'cellist, will give a joint recital with Harold Bauer in Aeolian Hall Monday afternoon, January 18. The programme will include the Brahms Sonata in F major, and the Beethoven Sonata in A major, for pianoforte and violoncello, and the Bach suite in G major, for 'cello alone.

Julia Culp, the noted Dutch mezzo-soprano, has at last recovered from her cold and will soon start for the South, where she is to be heard in a number of concerts. Mme. Culp is meeting with even more success than when she first appeared in this country, and in spite of the much heralded hard-times, she has no trouble in booking concerts. Her first recital in New York will take place in Carnegie Hall, on the afternoon of January 5. Her programme will consist of German lieder, and also a group of English songs. Coenraad Bos, the famous accompanist, will be at the piano. After a most successful tour in Chicago and the Middle West, Albert Spalding,

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the young American violinist, has returned to New York and is preparing to give a couple of concerts in Aeolian Hall, on January 14 and 22. Mr. Spalding has already been heard in New York this season, after a triumphal tour in Europe.

The fifth Sunday evening concert will take place at the Straus Auditorium of the Educational Alliance on Sunday evening, January 3, at 8.15. The programme is an all-Tschalkowsky one and includes two movements of the String Quartette, op. 11, the trio for piano, violin and 'cello, and the E flat minor quartette, op. 30.

The Philharmonic Society's concert under Josef Stransky Sunday afternoon at Carnegie Hall, at 3 o'clock, will be a request programme, containing Tschalkowsky's Fourth Symphony, "Dreams" and the "Forest Voices" (Siegfried) of Wagner, Liszt's ever popular symphonic poem "Les Preludes," and the delightful suite from Delibes' ballet, "Sylvia"—one of the finest ballets that was ever written. The programme for Friday afternoon will contain an unusually interesting quasi-novelty, Germaine Schnitzer, the pianist, Maximilian Pizer, violinist, and Leo Schulz, cellist, in conjunction with the orchestra will play Beethoven's triple concerto, one of the lesser known works of the great master. Its comparative obscurity is not on account of its lack of musical interest, but on account of the difficulty of associating three artists of the necessary ability. Other numbers by Beethoven are the Coriolanus and Leonore overtures, true symphonic poems, like all the best of Beethoven's overtures. The concert concludes with Schumann's "Spring" symphony.

"Kitty Mackay," the refreshing and merry dramatic romance, will be the attraction at the Grand Opera House, New York, during the week commencing Monday, January 4. The story opens in the Highlands of Scotland, and quickly shifts to aristocratic London, where pride of place, prejudice of birth, the pomp of power, the stalking ghost of a buried wrong, and the romantic adventures of a pair of Puritanical consciences far from home, combine only to form a varying and a perpetually interesting surrounding for the romance of two human beings, whom love trips of every difference in ancestry and social position. The production to be seen at the Grand Opera House will be identical in every respect with the Comedy Theatre success, and will be headed by Irene Haisman, a dainty little Dutch actress, and in her support will be Miss Agnes Kelly, Blanche Moulton, Margaret Calvert, Elizabeth Merson, Bertha Kent, Reginald Denny, Jock McGraw, R. Henderson Bland, Walter Grey, John F. Glancy and Robert Ireland.

A. H. Woods will present another excellent attraction at the Standard Theatre, Broadway at Ninetieth street, next week, when Lew Fields will appear in one of the happiest roles of his long and varied career, that of Ludwig Klinker in "The High Cost of Loving," a highly amusing farce adapted from the German by Frank Mandel. The company supporting Mr. Fields will include Alice Fischer, Grace Meliken, Charlotte Ives, Helen Tracy, James Lackaye, George Russell, Ernest Lambert, Wilfred Clarke and others of the original cast from the Republic Theatre. The usual Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday matinees will be played.

"Under Cover," Roi Cooper Megrue's melodramatic mystery play, will begin the sixth month of its successful engagement at the Cort Theatre to-morrow night. William Courtenay and the entire original cast remain, including Lily Cahill, Lucille Watson, Kate Selwyn, Phoebe Foster, Lou Platt, De Witt C. Jennings, Walter Dreyfus, Ralph Morgan, Harry Crosby, John May and George Stephens.

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Newport News, Va.

Great interest is being taken in everything Jewish since our new rabbi, Rev. Dr. M. Speier, has been with us. Our community, which consists of 250 Jewish families, has been organized into a large modern orthodox congregation. People who formerly went to the synagogue but once or twice a year are regular now in attending Divine services on the Sabbath and are full of enthusiasm for our holy faith and our people.

Our rabbi conducts a modern daily Hebrew school attended by 100 children, a Sunday school with an attendance of 165 pupils, including the kindergarten classes, and an elementary and advanced class in Hebrew for ladies. He also delivers lectures on the Psalms once a week.

The Kashruth has been regulated in such a way that the meat is now strictly ritual and inspected by a supervisor.

Our recent Chanukah entertainment, which included a play, was very interesting and inspiring. Many people of Hampton, Phoebus and Norfolk were also present.

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The First New Sandez Society will celebrate its twenty-sixth anniversary at a reception and ball to be held Sunday evening, January 3, 1915, at Central Opera House, Sixty-seventh street and Third Avenue.

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Handsome prizes will be given to the dancers, and the public is cordially invited to attend.

All Week Celebrations at the Downtown Talmud Torah.

During the week of Chanukah a series of festivals was held at the Downtown Talmud Torah. There were three celebrations for the boys, two for the girls and several for the clubs who meet in the building.

The grand finale took place Saturday evening, December 19, at the Central Opera House, for the members and parents. An elaborate concert was given, and the seventy pupils who participated in the performance of the Chanukah play received ovations. Cantor Rosenblatt blessed the candles.

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Hebrew Educational Society.
Rabbi Lewis B. Michaelson will be the speaker this (Friday) evening, January 1. His subject is "Aladdin's Lamp." "Resolved, That Zionism Is the Solution of the Jewish Problem" will be the subject of a senior debate on Sunday afternoon, January 3, between the Macabean Club and the London Literary Club.

Dr. Irving D. Steinhart will begin a series of weekly "Sex Talks to Boys" and Thursday evening, January 7. Dr. Steinhart recently completed a series of talks to girls. The large attendance will doubtless be duplicated in the forthcoming series.

The chorus of the Hebrew Educational Society, which is called the Brooklyn People's Choral Society, will give its first public recital of the season on Sunday evening, January 17.

The series of Sunday afternoon talks by Rev. Dr. Nathan Krass will begin on Sunday afternoon, January 31, with a lecture entitled, "The Wandering Jews." Beginning with January, 1915, a new religious activity will be inaugurated at the Hebrew Educational Society in Brownsville. It has been felt by the directors of the institution that the young people who come to the Hebrew Educational Society for club work and for the other activities ought also to find in this building religious inspiration. The question of establishing a synagogue was thoroughly considered and it was found to be impracticable because the form of worship could not be arranged satisfactorily to suit all classes of Jews. To obviate this difficulty the Board of Directors decided that on Sunday afternoons it would be a very feasible plan to have Jewish sermons preached to the young people. The object of these sermons will be to inspire the young men and young women with a love and a loyalty for Judaism and with an understanding of the value of their faith here in America at the present time. The sermons will not be doctrinal, and questions of orthodoxy, conservatism and reform will not be considered. Only Jewish ideals as applied to modern life, and other subjects that will serve to inform the people wherein Judaism differs essentially from the other great religions, and what our attitude should be as Jews to those religions, will be discussed. The hope is entertained that the young men and women, as well as the older people, will avail themselves of this opportunity to come and hear these sermons on Sunday afternoons. Dr. Nathan Krass, rabbi of Temple Israel of Brooklyn, will have charge of this work personally. The subject of his sermons will be regularly announced. There will be no charge for admission, but as the space in the auditorium is limited, admission will be restricted to those of maturer age.

Putnam Avenue Temple.
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ages of fifteen to eighteen. The object of the new society is social and intellectual. A goodly number of young people has responded to the call. The next meeting of the club will be held this Saturday evening at Dr. Rabin's home. Miss Hedwig Liebeskind is the temporary president of the club and Miss Yetta Towbin is the secretary. Preparations are in full progress for the "Evening of Jewish Music," which is to be given at the temple on Tuesday evening, January 19, for the benefit of the European war sufferers. The Cantors' Association, which is to give the concert, is holding weekly rehearsals. Mr. Alexander Bloch, the well known violinist, will render a number of choice selections, as will also his wife, who is a noted pianist.

The members and officers of the Brooklyn Hebrew Home for the Aged have arranged for a reception and ball at the Thirteenth Regiment Armory on the evening of January 16. The proceeds of the affair will go to the home.

One of the best all round burlesque shows on the circuit is scheduled for the Star Theatre next week, and it will include such favorites as Hazel Ford, Mile. Babette, Marie Fisher, Claire Evans, Sam Watson, Mark Dea, together with twenty-five of the hand-somest girls ever assembled in a burlesque chorus. Eva Tanguay, Joe Welsh and Nat Wills and other stars are mimicked, and the show has all the elements of a two dollar review. The usual Sunday concerts will be given, and on Thursday night two good wrestling bouts are scheduled under the direction of George Bothner.

Week End at the Lakewood Hotel.
The Lakewood Hotel witnessed the largest crowd in its history last week, when upwards of 800 guests spent a joyous vacation inside of the huge hotel. Every room was taken and cots lined most of the halls. The hotel, however, easily accommodated the vast crowd and afforded pleasures for other parties in Lakewood. As usual, dancing was the feature, and the ballroom every evening was crowded to capacity. Saturday night was the climax of affairs, when a full dress ball was held. The gowns of the ladies with their costly jewels were most gorgeous, and it was a late hour when the affair finally broke up. Afternoon teas and numerous card parties were other features.

The cold snap of the past few days made the lake just right for skating, and this brought quite a crowd of crack amateur skaters to the Pine City.

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CHILDREN'S PAGE

FOUR QUALITIES OF MEN

Dear Children:

There are four distinctive qualities of men. One says, 'What is mine is mine, and what is thine is thine'—such is the average quality of men. Others assert this is distinctive (of the men) of Sodom. Another says, 'What is thine is mine, and what is mine is thine'—this is characteristic of the men of the world. A third says, 'What is mine is thine, and what is thine is mine'—he is truly pious. And a fourth says, 'What is thine is mine, and what is mine is my own'—such are the sentiments of the wicked."

Now let us try to understand this. The one who says, "What is mine is mine, and what is thine is thine"—that is, says Rabbi Naphthali Hertz Wessly of blessed memory, a man who is of the opinion that every creature was allotted its portion from heaven, be it little or much; and one is not required to squander his portion in order to help his fellow man, and therefore he says, "What I possess is my portion and why shall I give it to another, and what you possess is your portion and why should you help me with your portion?" This is an average quality; it is neither piety nor wickedness. He does not grant favors nor ask for favors, but it is a very harsh quality, inclining more to cruelty than to kindness. Where men are ruled by such a quality there can be no love, no brotherhood; the very existence of human fellowship must cease. In fact, there are those who say that this was the character possessed by the men of Sodom who passed laws against immigration. They did not desire to profit by the coming of a stranger to their shores, nor did they wish to have a stranger or enjoy aught of their prosperity. Their exclusiveness and their wicked laws to enforce it, aroused the anger of the Almighty against them and they were destroyed, together with their prosperous country. This is therefore a quality of men that you should avoid, dear children, as starting, as it does, from a seemingly reasonable viewpoint, and although it may not at first prevent one from even giving charity to the poor, it is sure to imbue one with a misanthropic spirit and in the end will cause him to be cruel even to the poor, although he cannot say to them "What is thine is thine," since they possess nothing; yet will he act toward them in the same manner as the wicked men of Sodom, of whom I have told you some time ago.

"What is mine is mine, and what is thine is mine," does not mean to give your neighbor everything you possess and take away from him everything that he possesses—that is unreasonable. It means the great principle of reciprocity which governs the relations of human beings in civilized life. This is the quality of the men of the world who rule by the principle that one good turn deserves another. However, this is very worldly minded, as it leads to the conclusion that if one has not done you a favor you need not do any favor for him.

"What is mine is mine, and what is thine is thine" does not mean that one should give away his entire fortune for charity, for the sages have taught us that the most liberal disposer of his fortune should not dispose of more than one-fifth thereof. But it characterizes the one who lends his money or other commodities to poor and rich alike, also personally labors in their interest and has his servants work in their behalf, doing all this in the spirit that what he does is entirely disinterested, a feeling that is represented by the principle "Mine is thine, even though thine is mine." In other words, he does not do the favor with the view of having it reciprocated. The man possessing such a quality is truly pious.

"What is thine is mine, and what is mine is my own." He does not wish to act kindly toward any one, but expects others to act kindly toward him, both with money and personal services, and is angry if they do not act thus. Such a one is a wicked man, inasmuch as his character is opposed to the opinions of mankind; for if it is his opinion that no one is obliged to act kindly toward his fellow creatures, why does he expect his fellow man to do him favors? And if he does believe that it devolves upon a person to be kind to his neighbor, why does he withhold his kindness from all people, even if they have it in their power to repay him for his kindness? Hence the one possessing that quality is wicked and a menace to society.

The conclusion of this diversity in the qualities of men leads us to point to the disinterested lover of mankind as the pious man whose quality we should emulate, and who alone will receive the reward of heaven for his kindness.

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Why does a preacher have an easier time than a doctor or lawyer?
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What is the best thing to put into pies?
Your teeth.
Why is a slanderer like a bedbug?
He is a backbiter.
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It holds a gal'on.
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ADLER, LOUIS.—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 Louis Adler, late of the County of New York, deceased, to present the same with vouchers thereof to the subscriber at her place of transacting business at the office of her attorneys, 35 Nassau Street, Borough of Manhattan, New York City, on or before the 15th day of April next.

JENNIE ADLER, Executrix.
BERNHAIM & LOEWENTHAL, Attorneys for Executrix, 35 Nassau Street, Borough of Manhattan, New York City.

ROSENTHAL, HERMAN.—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 Herman Rosenthal, 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, Bandler & Haas, No. 42 Broadway, in the City of New York, on or before the 10th day of March next.

Dated New York the 4th day of September, 1914.
FANNY ROSENTHAL, SIDNEY H. ROSENTHAL, Executors.
BANDLER & HAAS, Attorneys for Executors, 42 Broadway, New York City.

RUBENS, SIMON.—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 Simon Rubens, late of the County of New York, deceased, to present the same, with vouchers thereof, to the subscriber, at his place of transacting business, at the office of Louis W. Osterweis, No. 200 Fifth Avenue, Borough of Manhattan, New York City, on or before the 10th day of May, 1915.

Dated New York, the 2d day of November, 1914.
ISAAC STARK, Executor.
LOUIS W. OSTERWEIS, Attorney for Executor, 200 Fifth Avenue, Borough of Manhattan, New York City.

OPPENHEIMER, MANNASSES.—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 Mannasses Oppenheimer, 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, Isadore M. Levy, No. 233 Broadway, Borough of Manhattan, City of New York, on or before the 18th day of January next.

Dated, New York the 13th day of July, 1914.
BERNARD LICHTENSTEIN, DAVID OPPENHEIMER, Executors.
ISADORE M. LEVY, Attorney for Executors, 233 Broadway, Borough of Manhattan, City of New York.

SIEGEL, FREDERICK A.—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 Frederick A. Siegel, late of the County of New York, deceased, to present the same with vouchers thereof to the subscriber, at her place of transacting business, at the office of Isadore M. Levy, No. 233 Broadway, Borough of Manhattan, City of New York, on or before the 1st day of March, next.

Dated, New York, the 21st day of August, 1914.
CLARA LOUISE SIEGEL, Administratrix.
ISADORE M. LEVY, Attorney for Administratrix, 233 Broadway, Manhattan Borough, New York City.

KAUFMANN, JOSEPH.—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 Joseph Kaufmann, late of the County of New York, deceased, to present the same with vouchers thereof to the subscriber, at his place of transacting business, at the office of Harry C. Adams, No. 220 Broadway, in the Borough of Manhattan, City of New York, on or before the 3rd day of April next.

Dated New York, the 15th day of September, 1914.
OTTO KAUFMANN, Administrator.
HARRY C. ADAMS, Attorney for Administrator, 220 Broadway, Borough of Manhattan, New York, N. Y.

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OPPENHEIMER, IRMA J. S.—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 Irma J. S. Oppenheimer, late of the County of New York, deceased, to present the same with vouchers thereof to the subscriber, at his place of transacting business, at the office of Maurice Marks, Woolworth Building, No. 233 Broadway, Manhattan, in the City of New York, on or before the 11th day of January next.

Dated, New York, the 30th day of June, 1914.
HERBERT D. OPPENHEIMER, Administrator.
MAURICE MARKS, Attorney for Administrator, Woolworth Building, 233 Broadway, Manhattan, New York City.

MORGENSTERN, HANS.—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 Hans Morgenstern, late of the County of New York, deceased, to present the same with vouchers thereof, to the subscriber, at her place of transacting business, at the office of Leo Levy, No. 92 Wall Street, in the City of New York, on or before the 4th day of January next.

Dated, New York, the 1st day of July, 1914.
ROSE G. MORGENSTERN, Executrix.
LEO LEVY, Attorney for Executrix, 92 Wall Street, New York City.

GRUENING, EMIL.—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 Emil Gruening, 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 M. S. & I. S. Isaacs, No. 52 William Street, in the Borough of Manhattan, City of New York, on or before the 20th day of January, next.

Dated New York, the 10th day of July, 1914.
PHEBE GRUENING, ROSE B. GRUENING, ERNEST H. GRUENING, Executors.
M. S. & I. S. ISAACS, Attorneys for Executors, 52 William Street, Borough of Manhattan, New York City.

GOLDSCHMIDT, NATHAN.—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 Nathan Goldschmidt, late of the County of New York, deceased, to present the same with vouchers thereof to the subscriber, at his place of transacting business, at the office of David B. Baum, Attorney, No. 35 Nassau Street, in the City of New York, on or before the 15th day of January next.

Dated, New York, the 1st day of July, 1914.
HERMAN GOLDSCHMIDT, Executor.
DAVID B. BAUM, Attorney for Executor, 35 Nassau Street, Manhattan, New York City.

FRANK, SARAH.—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 Sarah Frank, 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 Duer, Strong & Whitehead, No. 43 Wall Street, in the City of New York, on or before the 15th day of January next.

Dated New York, the 26th day of June, 1914.
MILTON L. FRANK, JOSEPH G. MAYER, EDWARD G. WEITZ, Executors.
DUER, STRONG & WHITEHEAD, Attorneys for Executors, No. 43 Wall Street, Borough of Manhattan, New York City.

STRAUS, MAX H.—In pursuance of an order of Honorable John P. Cohalan, a Surrogate of the County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against Max H. Straus, 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 Leventritt, Cook & Nathan, their attorneys, No. 111 Broadway (Manhattan), in the City of New York, on or before the 21st day of June next.

Dated New York, the 11th day of December, 1914.
JOSE B. STRAUS, DEWITT B. STRAUS, HUGO S. BARON, Executors.
LEVENTRITT, COOK & NATHAN, Attorneys for Executors, 111 Broadway, Borough of Manhattan, New York City.

ROTHSCHILD, SAMUEL.—In pursuance of an order of Honorable Robert Ludlow Fowler, a Surrogate of the County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against Samuel Rothschild, 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, Feiner & Maass, No. 100 Broadway, Borough of Manhattan, in the City of New York, on or before the 25th day of July, next.

Dated New York the 14th day of December, 1914.
HENRY L. PRAGER, ETHEL R. PRAGER, Administrators.
FEINER & MAASS, Attorneys for Administrators, 100 Broadway, Borough of Manhattan, City of New York.

RICH, ALBERT.—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 Albert Rich, 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 Maurice S. Cohen, his attorney, No. 64 Wall Street, Borough of Manhattan, in the City of New York, on or before the 6th day of April next.

Dated New York, the 8th day of September, 1914.
BENNO LEWINSON, WILLIAM HENRY, RICHARD KUNO, Executors.

LOWENFELD, PINCUS.—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 Pincus Lowenfeld, late of the County of New York, deceased, to present the same, with the vouchers thereof, to the subscribers, at their place of transacting business, Room 401, No. 48 Cedar Street, in the Borough of Manhattan, New York City, on or before May 1st, 1915.

Dated New York, October 20th, 1914.
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ALFRED D. LIND, Attorney for Executors, 48 Cedar Street, New York City.

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Dated, New York, the 29th day of October, 1914.
ELLA MANDELBAUM, BEATRICE STERN, LEASER RUBIN, Executors.
COHEN & COHEN, Attorneys for Executors, 74 Broadway, New York City.

LOWENBEIN, DAVID.—In pursuance of an order of Honorable Robert Ludlow Fowler, a Surrogate of the County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against David Lowenbein, 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 Rose & Paskus, No. 128 Broadway, Borough of Manhattan, in the City of New York, on or before the 10th day of May next.

Dated, New York, the 30th day of October, 1914.
RALPH LOWENBEIN, EDNA NORDLINGER, Executors.
ROSE & PASKUS, Attorneys for Executors, 128 Broadway, Borough of Manhattan, New York City.

FISHER, BELLA.—In pursuance of an order of Honorable John P. Cohalan, a Surrogate of the County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against Bella Fisher, late of the County of New York, deceased, to present the same, with vouchers thereof, to the subscribers at their place of transacting business, No. 35 Nassau Street, in the City of New York, on or before the 17th day of May, 1915, next.

Dated, New York, the 11th day of November, 1914.
ERNA FISHER, HILDA B. STRAUS, EDWARD P. FISHER, Executors.
MAURICE B. AND DAN'L W. BLUMENTHAL, Attorneys for Executors, 35 Nassau Street, Borough of Manhattan, New York City.

HARGER, ANNIE C.—In pursuance of an order of Honorable Robert Ludlow Fowler, a Surrogate of the County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against Annie C. Harger, late of the County of New York, deceased, to present the same with vouchers thereof to the subscriber, at his place of transacting business at the office of Mayer C. Goldman, No. 5 Beekman Street, in the City of New York, on or before the 8th day of May next.

Dated New York, the 24th day of October, 1914.
BENJAMIN O. DAVIS, Administrator.
MAYER C. GOLDMAN, Attorney for Administrator, 5 Beekman Street, New York City.

GOLDMAN, MATTHEW.—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 Matthew Goldman, late of the County of New York, deceased, to present the same with vouchers thereof to the subscribers at their place of transacting business, at the office of Samuel Greenberg, their attorney, No. 910 Brook Avenue, in the City of New York, on or before the 31st day of May, 1915.

Dated New York, the 16th day of November, 1914.
ROSIE GOLDMAN, RAE GOLDMAN, Executrices.
SAMUEL GREENBERG, Attorney for Executrices, 910 Brook Avenue, Borough of the Bronx, City of New York.

LOUCHHEIM, SOPHIA.—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 Sophia Louchheim, late of the County of New York, deceased, to present the same, with vouchers thereof, to the subscriber, at his place of transacting business, at the office of Maurice S. Cohen, his attorney, No. 64 Wall Street, Borough of Manhattan, in the City of New York, on or before the 6th day of April next.

Dated New York, the 17th day of September, 1914.
AARON B. SELDNER, Executor.
MAURICE S. COHEN, Attorney for Executor, 64 Wall Street, Borough of Manhattan, New York City.

SCHIFFER, SAMUEL.—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 Samuel Schiffer, late of the County of New York, deceased, to present the same with vouchers thereof to the subscriber, at her place of transacting business, at the office of Messrs. Hirsch, Scheuerman & Limburg, counsellors at law, No. 160 Broadway, in the City of New York, Borough of Manhattan, on or before the 10th day of February next.

Dated, New York, the 4th day of August, 1914.
REBECCA FORSCH, Administratrix of Samuel Schiffer, deceased.
HIRSCH, SCHEUERMAN & LIMBURG, Attorneys for Administratrix, 160 Broadway, New York City.

WERTHEIMER, LOUIS.—In pursuance of an order of Honorable Robert Ludlow Fowler, a Surrogate of the County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against Louis Wertheimer, late of the County of New York, deceased, to present the same with vouchers thereof to the subscriber, at her place of transacting business, No. 302 Broadway, in the City of New York, on or before the 30th day of June next.

Dated, New York, the 16th day of December, 1914.
RACHEL WERTHEIMER, Executrix.
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FRANKENSTEIN, ALEXANDER.—In pursuance of an order of Honorable John P. Cohalan, a Surrogate of the County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against Alexander Frankenstein, late of the County of New York, deceased, to present the same with vouchers thereof to the subscriber, at her place of transacting business, at the office of her attorney, Samuel Sturtz, No. 198 Broadway, in the City of New York, on or before the 1st day of June next.

Dated New York the 24th day of November, 1914.
DORA FRANKENSTEIN, Administratrix.
SAMUEL STURTZ, Attorney for Administratrix, 198 Broadway, New York City.

BITTKER, ISAAC.—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 ISAAC BITTKER, late of the County of New York, deceased, to present the same, with vouchers thereof, to the subscriber, at her place of transacting business, at the office of Moses H. Rothstein, No. 132 Nassau Street, Borough of Manhattan, City of New York, on or before the 31st day of May, next.

Dated, New York, the 20th day of November, 1914.
EVA BITTKER, Executrix.
MOSES H. ROTHSTEIN, Attorney for Executrix, 132 Nassau Street, Borough of Manhattan, City of New York.

STEININGER, SIMON 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 Simon E. Steininger, 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 Maurice B. and Dan'l W. Blumenthal, No. 35 Nassau Street, in the City of New York, on or before the 29th day of May next.

Dated New York, the 16th day of November, 1914.
CARRIE STEININGER, ISRAEL DE KEYSER, Executors named in will.
MAURICE B. AND DAN'L W. BLUMENTHAL, Attorneys, etc., 35 Nassau Street, Borough of Manhattan, New York City.

SCHIFFER, SAMUEL.—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 Samuel Schiffer, late of the County of New York, deceased, to present the same with vouchers thereof to the subscriber, at her place of transacting business, at the office of Messrs. Hirsch, Scheuerman & Limburg, counsellors at law, No. 160 Broadway, in the City of New York, Borough of Manhattan, on or before the 10th day of February next.

Dated, New York, the 4th day of August, 1914.
REBECCA FORSCH, Administratrix of Samuel Schiffer, deceased.
HIRSCH, SCHEUERMAN & LIMBURG, Attorneys for Administratrix, 160 Broadway, New York City.

WERTHEIMER, LOUIS.—In pursuance of an order of Honorable Robert Ludlow Fowler, a Surrogate of the County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against Louis Wertheimer, late of the County of New York, deceased, to present the same with vouchers thereof to the subscriber, at her place of transacting business, No. 302 Broadway, in the City of New York, on or before the 30th day of June next.

Dated, New York, the 16th day of December, 1914.
RACHEL WERTHEIMER, Executrix.
ROUDIN & LIEBMAN, Attorneys for Executrix, 302 Broadway, Manhattan Borough, New York City.

JENNIE BLOCK, Administratrix.
ALEXANDER, COHN & SONDEHEIM, Attorneys for Administratrix, 51 Chambers Street, N. Y. City.

MAYER LEOPOLD.—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 the estate of Leopold Mayer, 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 Messrs. Kantrowitz and Esberg, No. 355 Broadway, in the City of New York, on or before the 1st day of April next.

Dated New York the 24th day of September, 1914.
WILLIAM GOLDSTONE and CHARLES MAYER, Executors.
KANTROWITZ & ESBERG, Attorneys for Executors, No. 355 Broadway, New York City.

SCHLESINGER, ISAAC.—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 Isaac Schlesinger, 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 Riegsman & Bach, No. 44 Cedar Street, in the City of New York, on or before the 20th day of March next.

Dated New York, the 11th day of September, 1914.
LEO SCHLESINGER, MOSES SCHLESINGER, BALDWIN SCHLESINGER, Executors.
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Dated New York, the 15th day of December, 1914.
FREDERICK WEIS, Executor.
HENRY E. VON PEIN, Attorney for Executor, 35 Nassau Street, Borough of Manhattan, New York City.

KAHN, BERTHA.—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 Bertha Kahn, late of the County of New York, deceased, to present the same, with vouchers thereof, to the subscriber, at his place of transacting business, at the office of Emanuel Jacobus, No. 74 Broadway, Borough of Manhattan, in the City of New York, on or before the 25th day of March, next.

Dated New York, September 11th, 1914.
SOLOMON E. KAHN, Administrator.
EMANUEL J. COHEN, Attorney for Administrator, 74 Broadway, Borough of Manhattan, City of New York.

KALMANOWITZ, MEYER.—In pursuance of an order of Honorable Robert Ludlow Fowler, a Surrogate of the County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against Meyer Kalmanowitz, late of the County of New York, deceased, to present the same with vouchers thereof, to the subscriber, at her place of transacting business, at the office of Harry A. Gordon, No. 320 Broadway, in the Borough of Manhattan, the City of New York, on or before the 1st day of May next.

Dated New York, the 27th day of October, 1914.
IDA KALMANOWITZ, Administratrix.
HARRY A. GORDON, Attorney for Administratrix, 320 Broadway, New York City.

WORMS, BERTHA.—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 Bertha Worms, late of the County of New York, deceased, to present the same with vouchers thereof to the subscriber, at his place of transacting business, at the office of Spitz, Bromberger & Scheuer, No. 35 Nassau Street, Manhattan, Borough of New York City, on or before the 17th day of February, next.

Dated New York, the 24th day of July, 1914.
ISRAEL SCHNEITZACHER, Executor.
SPITZ, BROMBERGER & SCHEUER, Attorneys for Executor, 35 Nassau Street, Borough of Manhattan, New York City.

BLOCK, SIMON.—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 Simon Block, late of the County of New York, deceased, to present the same with vouchers thereof to the subscriber, at her place of transacting business at the office of Alexander. Cohn & Sondheim, No. 51 Chambers Street, in the City of New York, on or before the 23d day of February, next.

Dated New York, the 14th day of August, 1914.
JENNIE BLOCK, Administratrix.
ALEXANDER, COHN & SONDEHEIM, Attorneys for Administratrix, 51 Chambers Street, N. Y. City.

MAYER LEOPOLD.—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 the estate of Leopold Mayer, 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 Messrs. Kantrowitz and Esberg, No. 355 Broadway, in the City of New York, on or before the 1st day of April next.

Dated New York the 24th day of September, 1914.
WILLIAM GOLDSTONE and CHARLES MAYER, Executors.
KANTROWITZ & ESBERG, Attorneys for Executors, No. 355 Broadway, New York City.

SCHLESINGER, ISAAC.—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 Isaac Schlesinger, 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 Riegsman & Bach, No. 44 Cedar Street, in the City of New York, on or before the 20th day of March next.

Dated New York, the 11th day of September, 1914.
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WOLLSTEIN, MINNA.—The People of the State of New York, by the Grace of God, Free and Independent, to Martha Wollstein and Samuel Fleischman, named as executors of the last will and testament of Louis Wollstein, deceased, Martha Wollstein and Helene Baum, daughters of Minna Wollstein, deceased, Isaac Wollstein, a son of Minna Wollstein, deceased, Rosalie Wollstein Lichtenfels, a granddaughter of Minna Wollstein, deceased, Adolph Wollstein, who, if living, is a son of said Minna Wollstein, deceased, and, if said Adolph Wollstein be dead, his heirs and next of kin, if any, whose names and addresses are unknown and cannot with due diligence be ascertained, and Edward Wollstein, who, if living, is a son of said Minna Wollstein, deceased, and, if said Edward Wollstein be dead, his heirs and next of kin, if any, whose names and addresses are unknown and cannot with due diligence be ascertained, and the heirs and next of kin of Minna Wollstein, deceased, send greeting:

Whereas, Martha Wollstein, who resides at No. 325 Central Park West, Borough of Manhattan, in the City of New York, has lately applied to the Surrogate's Court of our County of New York to have certain instrument in writing, dated April 4, 1899, relating to both real and personal property, duly proved as the last Will and Testament of Minna Wollstein, who was at the time of her death a resident of the County of New York, deceased.

Therefore, you and each of you are cited to show cause before the Surrogate's Court of our County of New York at the Hall of Records, in the County of New York, on the 15th day of January, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, at half-past ten o'clock in the forenoon of that day, why the said will and testament should not be admitted to probate as a will of real and personal property.

In testimony whereof, we have caused the seal of the Surrogate's Court of the said County of New York to be hereunto affixed.

Witness, Hon. Robert Ludlow Fowler, a Surrogate of our said County of New York, at said County, the 9th day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and fourteen.

DANIEL J. DOWNEY, Clerk of the Surrogate's Court.

JOSEPHY, WILLIAM.—In pursuance of an order of Honorable Robert Ludlow Fowler, a Surrogate of the County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against William Josephy, late of the County of New York, deceased, to present the same with vouchers thereof to the subscribers, at their place of transacting business, No. 44 Cedar street, in the City of New York, on or before the 1st day of July, next.

Dated, New York, the 28th day of December, 1914.

HUGO JOSEPHY, WILLIAM HENRY, CHARLES A. BRODEK, MYER HECHT, Executors.

CHARLES A. BRODEK, Attorney for Executors, 44 Cedar street, Borough of Manhattan.

WEINGART, SAMUEL.—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 Samuel Weingart, late of the County of New York, deceased, to present the same with vouchers thereof to the subscribers, at their place of transacting business, No. 43 Edgecombe avenue, in the City of New York, on or before the 1st day of June, next.

Dated New York, the 17th day of November, 1914.

LENA B. WEINGART, HENRY SCOTTSBERG, ROBERT SCHWAB, Executors.

CELNIK, HERSZ.—The People of the State of New York, by the Grace of God, Free and Independent, to Schlome Celnik, Elihu Celnik, Rachel Blumekop, Taube Kelmanson, Isaac Joseph Silvermintz, Edal Simon, Deborah Simon, Joseph Celnik, Fage Celnik, Brocha Celnik, Lache (or Lena) Celnik, Talmud Torah Izchad Elkanan of New York City, Talmud Torah Jacob Joseph of New York City, Talmud Torah Etz Chaim of Jerusalem, Palestine, Chesco Schanin, Talmud Torah Mezirich of Shedlitz, Poland, and to all persons interested as creditors, legatees, next of kin or otherwise, in the Estate of HERSZ CELNIK, deceased, who at the time of his death resided at New York County, Send Greeting:

Upon the petition of Harris Rosenthal and Yudel David Eisenstein, residing at 11 West 111th Street, and 121 Canal Street, New York City, respectively, you and each of you are hereby cited to show cause before our Surrogate's Court of the County of New York, at the Surrogate's Court of said County, held at the Hall of Records, in the County of New York, on the 29th day of January, 1915, at half-past ten o'clock in the forenoon of that day, why the account of Harris Rosenthal and Yudel David Eisenstein as Executors of the Last Will and Testament of said deceased, should not be judicially settled.

In Testimony Whereof, we have caused the Seal of the Surrogate's Court of the said County of New York to be hereunto affixed.

B. P. H. Witness, Honorable Robert Ludlow [L. S.] Fowler, a Surrogate of our said County at the County of New York, the 22d day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and fourteen.

DANIEL J. DOWNEY, Clerk of the Surrogate's Court.

ROSCOVER, FANNY.—The People of the State of New York, by the Grace of God, Free and Independent, to Mary Rosenbaum, Lena Rosenbergs, Rosa Wagner, Jacob Wagner, Bettie Cohen, Mary Böninger, Adale Weintal, Hannah Wolf, Ricka Osterweil, Louis Wagner, the heirs and next of kin of Fanny Roscover, deceased, send greeting:

WHERBAS, Ella Kaufman, who resides at 220 St. Nicholas avenue, in the Borough of Manhattan, in the City of New York, has lately applied to the Surrogate's Court of our County of New York, to have a certain instrument in writing relating to both real and personal property, duly proved as the last Will and Testament of Fanny Roscover, who was at the time of her death a resident of the Borough of Manhattan, City of New York, in the County of New York, deceased.

Therefore, you and each of you are cited to show cause before the Surrogate's Court of our County of New York at the Hall of Records, in the County of New York, on the 22d day of January, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, at half-past ten o'clock in the forenoon of that day, why the said Will and Testament should not be admitted to probate as a Will of real and personal property.

In testimony whereof we have caused the seal of the Surrogate's Court of the said County of New York to be hereunto affixed.

Witness, Hon. ROBERT LUDLOW FOWLER, a Surrogate of our said County of New York, at said County, (L. S.) the 11th day of December, in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and fourteen.

DANIEL J. DOWNEY, Clerk of the Surrogate's Court. PAUL R. GORDON, Attorney for Executrix, 148 Broadway, New York.

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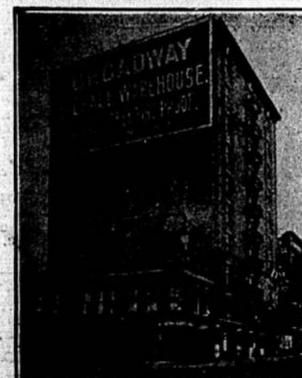
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Dated New York, the 24th day of November, 1914.

EDWARD H. MYERS, LAWRENCE MYERS, Executors.
ENGELHARD & POLLAK, Attorneys for Executors, 111 Broadway, Manhattan, New York City.

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Dated New York, this 6th day of October, 1914.

STELLA M. NEUBERGER, Executrix; EDWIN MAYER and THEODORE WERNER, Executors.
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Dated New York, the 23d day of November, 1914.

ELIZABETH KATZ, Executrix.
ARNSTEIN & LEVY, Attorneys for Executrix, 128 Broadway, Borough of Manhattan, New York City.



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