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“The best interpreters think we are under the opening of the last seal, although, even by this calculation, the millennium cannot commence till about the year 1946. Let that pass. The present indicates that the truth will conquer, and that “the mountain of the Lord’s house shall be established in the top of the mountains, and shall be exalted above the hills; and all nations shall flow unto it.”—Dr. J. R. W. Sloane.

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## WHO WILL GO?

The work of Christ among the Hebrews needs more workers. The Board has viewed the field, and listened to the voice of conditions and events in providence. And striving to express this voice, as the very voice of our Lord and Saviour, the Board calls for a young minister, or licentiate, to enter without delay upon the work of preparation to labor in the gospel among the Jews. One hundred thousand people of Israel in this field, living in the darkness of Judaism, with but little gospel work done among them, except what is done in this mission, how can we do otherwise than plead for the enlargement of our mission? If there be any zeal in our hearts, if any love for souls, if any faith in God and His promises, if any Christian hope and courage, we will not cease to cry aloud for more help, more men, more women, more prayers, more money, for this mission, until we see the "light thereof go forth as brightness, and the salvation thereof as a lamp that burneth."

Who will go? The Church is interested in this mission; the people give their wealth for its support; devotion to it is

not wanting. The missionaries employed are zealous in its services, laboring diligently night and day, and all the days of the week; but there is vastly more than they can do. They need help. Will not we hear a response from some earnest soul, set on fire by the Holy Spirit, saying "Here am I; send me." We are longing, praying, striving to see this work grow, branch out, and become mighty in the conversion of many thousands of Israel to the Lord. The Covenanter Church most heartily upholds the mission; is so deeply interested in it that the mission can feel the beating of the mother's heart, and hear her prayers. Will there not be a speedy response by one of the sons of the Church, who will give himself to Israel, with all the enthusiasm of the prophet? We look to heaven, from whence the commission must come; and to the Church, for the gift of sons and daughters for mission work; and to the Lord Jesus to send His Spirit, Who can turn all the work into fruitful service. Surely, the young missionary that comes in the name of the Lord, like Isaiah, to enter upon this work will receive the touch of fire upon his lips, that will both take away sin, and bestow the seraphic eloquence of love and joy in the work. Who will go?

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### ONE BY ONE.

Mr. E. J. Feuersohn.

"Ye shall be gathered one by one, O ye house of Israel."  
—Isaiah xxvii, 12.

Sometimes I fancy I must tire our readers with our repeated presentation of this great field of work among Israel in Philadelphia, which lies so heavily upon my heart; but it is

only by repetition that these things will lay hold of God's children, who are largely indifferent to His work among Israel. Since our last issue of the "Hebrew Messenger" our hearts have been strengthened and encouraged by letters that have come to us with contributions for the work; money for use in personal work among our needy and worthy; also donations of clothing, new and second-hand, to be used in the mission work. But the sympathy and real interest that is becoming more and more apparent, as shown in letters received, is what encourages us in this hard field of labor. We are grateful to the Lord that He not only enables us to preach the Gospel of love to the Jews, but also that He graciously permits us to show forth that love itself by deeds of kindness to the deserving poor when they come to us in distress. Thus it is our privilege to serve the Master among His beloved people in a variety of ways, by lip and life and truth; and our prayer is that our feeble efforts may be blessed abundantly to the glory of God's name and to the salvation of Israel. We are glad to say that our work is prospering in all departments of the Mission. The Sabbath evening services are always well attended and close attention is given to the Word of God. At the close of the meetings many remain to ask questions and take tracts of all kinds to read and study out the question of their Messiah. There are some Nicodemuses who come to me privately, and many a time they say that they do not see why the Jewish nation is so against the teachings of Christ, and persecute those who are ready to accept Him as their Saviour and Messiah.

Lately we have had more inquiries about the teaching of Christ than formerly, which is evidence that the Spirit of the

Lord is working in the hearts of the Jews. One of the young men who has been attending our mission meetings asked for the privilege of attending service with me in the Christian Church, where he could worship with Christian people. Although he understands but very little English, he was pleased with the service and felt the spirit of the Lord, as he told me. The same is the case with several other young Jews, who have a desire to worship in the Christian Church (as they call it). One reason that keeps them back is on account of not understanding the English language. We specially desire you to pray definitely for these secret believers.

Our Sabbath School of Jewish girls and boys still continues to be well filled; as also the Sabbath evening services are well attended; the spirit of attention to the Word of God is increasing. We have promised to give to these scholars prizes for regular attendance and good behavior for about five months, which we will give each scholar as they fill the requirements. You will notice the picture of our Sabbath School in this issue, which represents only a part of our boys and girls, but it will give you a little idea of the Sabbath School work. It is not a small affair to handle these children with only two teachers, namely, Mrs. Feuersohn and Miss Bell, which you will see in the rear of the picture. In the centre of the picture you will notice a girl with white ribbon tied on the side of her head, in the second row, sixth from the left. She was one of our unruly girls, always attending the sewing class, to get what she could, but never willing to attend the Sabbath School, until we made it compulsory upon all the sewing class. Since that time she has become a changed girl and is now counted one of our best. She always had said that



SABBATH SCHOOL SCHOLARS

she hated Jesus, but now she is willing and ready to learn about Him. The first one (a boy) in the third row from the front, on the left side, is one of our brightest scholars, always showing rapt attention, and able to retain the teaching that is given him out of the Word of God. We believe that the seed is being sown in good ground and will grow and bear fruit in the days to come. We are still obliged to turn away many applicants from our sewing school; yet we are trying to accommodate as many as Miss Bell, the teacher of the sewing class, can handle.

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### IN THE DISPENSARY.

It may interest our readers just to have a glimpse of the kind of people and diseases that come before us. Tuesdays we have set apart for the mothers to bring the babes and children. Dr. Caldwell is very kind and patient to every mother and child, and they reverence Dr. Caldwell very much for his earnestness in his dealings with them. Saturdays are for any who need medical help, and the doctor is very faithful in attending to all.

We still continue our night school twice a week. Mrs. Feuersohn and myself are the teachers, teaching them the English language. In thus doing we are winning their friendship and breaking down their prejudice against the Christian mission and missionaries. The Lord has enabled us to bring many into the mission through the night school. We try to keep in touch with these adults, calling upon them in their homes, especially on Friday and Saturday of each week, as that is the time when they have their homes in order and ready for company. Many of our people are strict Orthodox



Jews, and do not work from Friday sunset to Saturday sunset; therefore, we are obliged to do some fast walking in order to get around in time to see many families. Mrs. Feuersohn and I are very cordially received in these homes; they show us greatest respect and kindness.

I will close with praise to God for using us in this field of labor, and for the zeal and wisdom which He has given to carry on this, His work among Israel.

“Praise God, ye servants of the Lord, even those that be of Israel’s race.

“The Lord, all ye praise, from this time forth and furthermore.”

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### ENCOURAGEMENT.

Miss May F. Bell.

Little flashes of hope and encouragement in the work that much of the time—looking at it from the human standpoint—looks hopeless and discouraging:

Once in a while something will be said that encourages us to feel that the children under our care have been thinking of the things they have been learning.

One evening recently, during the religious exercises at the close of the sewing class, while talking with the girls and explaining to them the way of salvation, I quoted the verse, “Neither is there salvation in any other; for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved.” One of the girls asked, “Where do you find that?” I replied, “In the Bible.” The question was then asked, “Who wrote the Bible?” The reply was given in the words of the catechism: “Holy men, as they were moved by the Holy

Ghost." This led to still another question: "Who is the Holy Spirit?" We explained, as clearly as we could, "The three persons of the Godhead. The talking and questioning was continued for some minutes, with interest, but just when the interest seemed greatest and we were feeling so encouraged that the girls were really anxious to find out the true way, one of the girls spoke up and said: "But we are Jews and don't care to change our religion." I replied that anything I could say could not change their hearts, neither any other human power, but that could be done only by the grace of God. Another of the girls then said: "We could not help it if God wanted to change our hearts, for He can do whatever He wants, and if He wants to change us, He will." Some of the others agreed with her in this, thus showing that their prejudice is not so strong, but that they would be willing to yield to the power and the will of God. I said: "Girls, wouldn't you like to know the real truth and have God lead you in the only way that leads to Himself—for there is only one way, and some of them said they would. Others insisted that they already knew the truth, as their fathers had taught them, and did not want to learn any other way. Quite a few of the girls, however, seem very thoughtful and earnest and just as attentive as can be to the instructions given during the half-hour at the close of each sewing session; but the home teachings have been so thoroughly impressed upon them that it is hard for them to believe or accept anything else. But as the little girl said: "God can do all His holy will." And we know that it is His will that His covenant people, Israel, should know the truth as it is in Christ Jesus. We cannot make them accept Christ as the Messiah, for whom they have been

looking and waiting these many centuries, but we can and must tell them of Him and leave the rest to God, for He alone can give light to the darkened souls and turn their hatred into love. So, then, let us not be over-much discouraged if we do not see rapid results, but let us continue to work and pray and look to God for the blessing, for we know that He will lead out into the light, those who are His own.

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### A WELCOME VISITOR.

Dr. Hughes O. Gibbons, pastor of the Old Pine Street Presbyterian Church, is a welcome visitor at the mission. He is deeply interested in the work, and in the missionaries. He comes often and takes part in the services. His words are very encouraging. He says that the Covenanters are worthy of high commendation for this good work, carried forward with so much system, and everything that gives it the appearance of strength and permanency. He also says that the Presbyterian Church should, and must, take up the work of the gospel in like manner among the Jews of this city. Dr. Gibbons' presence is like the coming of a blessing to the meetings.

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### A SOCIAL EVENING.

By Mrs. E. J. Feuersohn.

We desire to let you all know the results of the social given last evening (June 14th) by the Missionary Society of the Third Reformed Presbyterian Church, Philadelphia. The mission hall was well-filled with Hebrew guests, who behaved most exemplarily. The social was opened with singing the Ninety-fifth Psalm, after which Mr. Feuersohn offered prayer.

Then the young ladies of the Third Church furnished a program, which consisted of recitations in English and German, also duets and quartets in English and German. Most of our Hebrew people understand German to some extent. The program was intensely interesting to all, but especially so to our Jewish people. After we had spent an hour in being entertained, we invited all to come upstairs into our home, which is over the mission rooms, where the ladies of the Missionary Society served ice cream and cake. Then came a time of social enjoyment. The Jewish people joined in with whole-heartedness. It was a joyful gathering indeed. In closing, Mr. Feuersohn made a few remarks to our friends on the object of the social and called upon Mr. Alexander M. Adams, an elder of the Third Church, to offer the closing prayer, after which our Christian friends shook hands with all the Jewish people.

Our Hebrew friends, in saying good-night to Mr. Feuersohn and me, expressed themselves, in Yiddish, as being delighted with the social, counting it a very great privilege to have been invited to such a gathering in our home with Christian people. Surely God is working. Thus ended the social with "Israel My Glory."—(Isaiah xxxvi, 13.)

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#### IN MEMORIAM.

Rev. John Wilkinson passed into the presence of his Lord February 12th, 1907, through the gate of death, at Mildmay Road, London, England, aged 82 years.

Rev. John Wilkinson was for fifty-six years a missionary to the Jews. He founded "The Mildmay Mission to the Jews" June 1st, 1876, in London, England, and has ever since been

Director and Treasurer. The leading principle in this mission from its commencement has been faith in the Lord to support His own work. The Lord has moved His people in answer to prayer to send for general work, and special objects, all the funds needed. That the mission has never been in debt.

The Director's needs were also supplied by the voluntary offerings of the Lord's people. Surely the mode of conducting it was approved and blessed of the Lord. Among his last words in answer to a question if he were comfortable and happy, he replied: "Unspeakably happy." He has entered into that rest and joy which remain to the people of God. We mourn exceedingly for Israel's loss, especially at such a critical time as this in Russia, but for our aged brother himself we greatly rejoice, for he has merely gone home. We, too, are going home. We are marching on.

Rev. Samuel Hines Wilkinson, son of the departed missionary, has been appointed Director, to fill the vacancy, who will conduct the work on the same lines as his father.

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"Suppose all the sands on the seashore, all the flowers, herbs, leaves, twigs of trees in woods and forests, all the stars of heaven were rational creatures, and had they the wisdom and tongues of angels to speak of the loveliness, beauty, glory and excellency of Christ, they would in all their expressions stay millions of miles on this side of Jesus Christ. O the loveliness, beauty and glory of His countenance! And are we not all in a burning love, in a seraphic love, in a conjugal love? O my heart! how it is that thou art not love-sick?"

—Ambrose.



**TWO GIRLS COMING TO THE LIGHT**

Kindly permit me, dear readers, to present to you two more of our Sabbath School scholars. You also can get a glimpse of the exterior of their home, in an alley near the mission. May God keep their faces before your mind until these little lambs of His flock are brought into His fold.— (Isaiah xxxv, II.)

**HOLY DAYS FOR THE JEWS—SHEBNOTH—SHOWEIS.**

By Mrs. E. J. Feuersohn.

It may be interesting to the readers of the "Messenger" to hear about Showies, the holy day season (or holiday, as the Jews call it), which was observed May 19th and 20th. It commemorates the giving of the Ten Commandments to the Children of Israel by Moses on Mount Sinai. Services took the form, in most of the synagogues, of confirmation exercises, although in some of the strictly orthodox synagogues special services were held. It was my pleasure to attend a large confirmation class of forty-three young Jewish boys and girls in the Broad Street Temple, Reformed Jewish Synagogue, which our wealthy and educated Jews in Philadelphia attend. The services there are always in English, with the exception of the reading of the Scripture, which is read first in Hebrew, then in English. It did my heart good to see what an advance Judaism is making toward Christianity in this Reformed Synagogue. A casual observer, not knowing they were in a Jewish house of worship, might easily think it was a Christian church. The rabbi does not wear a Talis (or robs, as we might call it) or any of the Jews attending the service. Also all the men, the rabbi included, had their hats off, and the families were seated together. While in the orthodox synagogues the Jews sit down stairs, wearing the Talis, large or small, some of them scarf-like, all the men keeping on their hats, the rabbi included, while the Jewesses have seats in the galleries, separated entirely from the men. The service at this time was opened with singing a hymn (one of the Psalms). They have a large pipe organ and choir, which led the singing, all the congregation joining in it. Then each of the confirmands spoke about Israel, the history of Israel, their doctrine past and present. Several spoke about Moses receiving the Ten Commandments, each speaker taking

a different part of the subject. All of the **confirmands sat on** an enlarged pulpit platform. After all had spoken they arose together and consecrated themselves to God by repeating the last clause of the fifth verse of the ninth chapter of First Chronicles: "Who then offereth willingly to consecrate himself this day unto the Lord." At once all coupled off, and, two by two, marched around the platform with very slow and solemn step, while the organist softly played a march. The rabbi stood at the back of the platform on a small raise of two steps. Each couple stopped and stepped up one step in front of the rabbi, who, laying a hand upon each head, pronounced a blessing. These then passed on, and the next two came forward in like manner until all had received his blessing and the laying on of his hands. Nearly all were weeping, and also many in the congregation. As this was ended the **confirmands** again marched in the same manner, stopping in front of the rabbi and, taking the one step up, received each a gift from him of the Old Testament and a prayer-book, tied together with a white ribbon. After this the exercises were closed with prayer by one of the girls. While my heart did rejoice to see as much as I did of Judaism cast off, done away with, it also made my heart ache to see them groping as the blind in darkness. They are only oppressed and spoiled, and none to save (Deut. xxviii, 29). They are blind guides and both shall fall into a pit (Matt. xv, 14) unless we as God's messengers shall force upon them the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ (II Cor. iv, 4). If we walk in the light, as He is in the light, we have fellowship one with another (and with them), and the blood of Jesus Christ, His Son, will cleanse us and them for all sin (I John i, 7).



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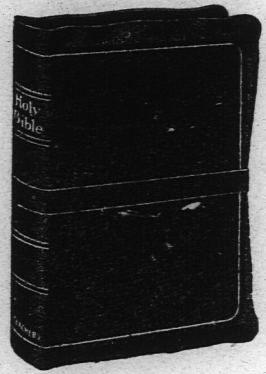
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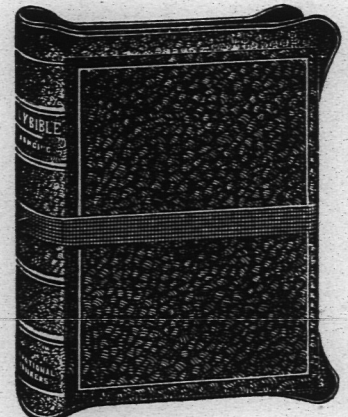
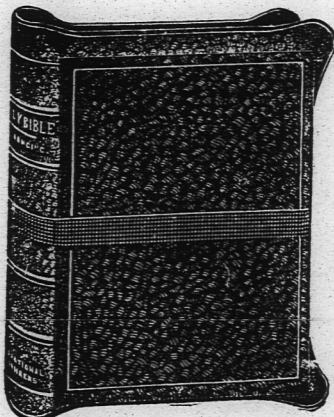
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And breathe'st still, and hold'st thy way divine.  
'Tis here, O pitying Christ, where thee I seek,  
Here where the strife is fiercest; where the sun  
Beats down upon the highway thronged with men.  
And in the raging mart. O deeper lead  
My soul into the living world of souls  
Where thou dost move!

But lead me, Man Divine,  
Where'er thou wilt, only that I may find  
At the long journey's end Thy image there,  
And grow more like to it.

—Richard Watson Gilder.

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Jesus turned the attention of His disciples to a great spiritual harvest ready to be reaped. Many people had heard the gospel from His lips, souls had been stirred, conviction was doing its blessed work; the time was at hand for the ingathering of a multitude of converts. But the disciples were gazing at the flowers by the roadside, or the rough places in the way, or other things of little consequence. Jesus would arouse them to consider the great work of life, in which they would soon be engaged, and for which they should even now gird themselves. "Lift up your eyes and look on the fields."

Does not the exhortation come to us with peculiar force in these times of gospel power and unprecedented activity in mission fields? Broad lands, in which souls seem to spring up as thick as stalks of wheat, are waiting for the gospel harvesters, waiting fully ripe in the conviction of sin, in disgust at false religion, in hope of deliverance, and in readiness for the religion of the Cross of Jesus. Will these fields be reaped for the Lord? Will these souls be gathered into His kingdom? Will enough laborers go forth to do the work?

Recently we saw a vast field of wheat. It seemed to be limited only by the sky line, and it was yellow with ripeness. But a reaper was there, which, drawn by sixteen horses, and cutting its wide swath, gave assurance that the wheat would all be garnered in due season. But what shall we say of the gospel fields of China, Japan, Korea, India, Persia, Turkey, Africa, and many other lands, with the laborers that are in number utterly out of proportion to the greatness of the work?

Is it not time for the Church to send forth large bands of harvesters? Will not God's people look, and consider, and ponder, and pray, till the question of duty to the missions shall be answered by gifts and services beyond all precedence? Is it not time for us to lift our eyes away from the trinkets and trifles of life that have too long been holding our attention, and charming our foolish hearts? Will not the great interests of our Lord Jesus and His kingdom absorb our thoughts and fill our souls with a holy passion for sacrifice and service in the redemption of the world? Will we not hear the voice of our Lord saying "Lift up your eyes?" Oh, how the soul will take on new glory and wear a new crown of dignity when we look at the white fields of the missions, and feel responsible for the ingathering of the drooping harvest!

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### SYMPATHY AND WORK.

Mr. E. J. Feuersohn.

We should all learn how to sympathize with the work among the Jews.

The man who hears and believes the Scripture according to Romans 10: 17, "faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God," may easily learn God's attitude toward Israel. The Jew to-day, as unique as his father Abraham, will be accorded his true place by none but those who are in-



structed in the things of God. The child of God taught in the things of God will have no sympathy with those who think of the Jew as the off-scouring of earth, and criticise him and his methods.

If we have beheld Christ in His attitude toward the Jew, we will by His grace properly adjust ourselves toward His people, whose past, present and future is set forth so clearly in His wondrous Book, and will not shut up our bowels of compassion toward any who occupy such endearing relations to our Lord.

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### **REPORT OF THE MISSION WORK AMONG THE JEWS.**

We are glad to say that our mission work for the last three months has been prospering, both in attendance on the Sabbath evening services and the night school. We believe that the Spirit of the Lord is working upon the hearts of the Jewish people in our midst, and many Nicodemuses are inquiring the way of life in this Mission.

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### **FEED MY LAMBS.**

The annual outing for our Sabbath-school and Sewing class children was given in the last of July. It will be of interest to our readers to know of the great enjoyment we were permitted to give to the Jewish children in a day of pleasure in Fairmount Park. We engaged a special car, which was filled with about 70, leaving the mission at 10 A. M. and returning at 7 P. M. We arranged a long table for all to be seated while eating, and, with a blessing first asked upon the food, all of our little flock, and some of the Jewish mothers who were with us, commenced to do justice to the dinner. Mrs. Feuersohn and Miss Bell, together with Miss Henry and Mrs. Milliken, were not able to pass the sandwiches fast

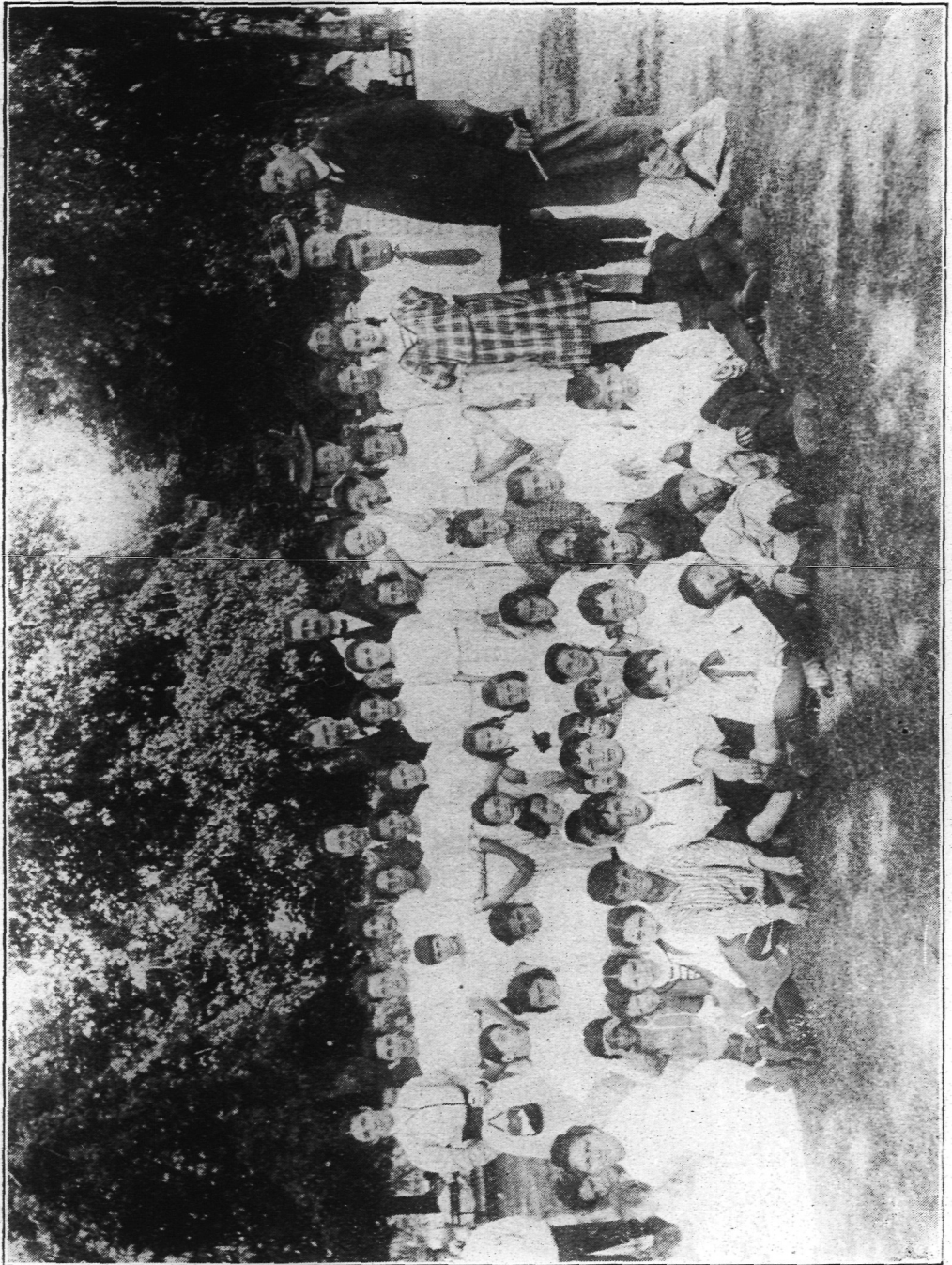
enough to fill the poor hungry mouths, as many of them have not enough to eat at home. Then games were played, and Mrs. Milliken and Dr. Caldwell kindly treated the children to a ride on the merry-go-round, which made all the children very happy. We had engaged ice cream for all of the company and before leaving the Park we had all the children sit down on the grass, and then served them bountifully with cream and cake. We surely were made more happy in being able to fill the dishes with cream for the little ones.

Our superintendent, Mr. William G. Carson, and Mrs. Carson were with us, also Dr. Caldwell and Mr. McCandless, of the Third Church, which did good work in helping to serve the ice cream. It was a sight that will never be forgotten, to watch the children calling out for more ice cream, and stretching out their little hands to the helpers so pleadingly for more. Many Christian people that were picnicking there gathered around our children to see them, and enjoyed the sight. All this was to glorify our Lord. Before leaving the grounds, we called all together, young and old, and sang several Psalms, and closed with prayer, and then marched to our car and came safely back to the mission. All were delighted with the day's pleasures and entertainment, and the children left the mission for their respective homes, with praises and thanks for the great happiness the Mission had given them.

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#### PHOTO OF OUR ANNUAL PICNIC.

The accompanying photo of our picnic we are pleased to present to the readers of our "Messenger." Our Sabbath-school and Sewing class are here represented, also some Jewish mothers and sisters of our children, sitting on the ground at the left, and some of the older Jewish sisters. Reading from left to right, at the top, we see Mrs. Feuersohn, Dr. Caldwell, Elder McCandless, Mr. Carson, Mrs. Carson, Miss Henry, Mrs. Caldwell, and Mr. Feuersohn.



THE MISSION ON A PICNIC.

There was one Jewish family present that did not want their photo taken, though we desired them very much, as their father has confessed Christ, through God's mighty work and His missionaries of this Mission.

On August 28th we began our duties for the coming days with the renewing of spirit and strength for the Lord's mission work, and we are not a bit discouraged in this His work.

The reopening of our dispensary and Sabbath-school, and Sabbath evening services, also our Sewing class, are quite encouraging. Many of the young Jewish men who are regular attendants at the Sabbath evening services, and secret inquirers also, were glad to see the missionaries again in this Mission, where they can come to hear the Word of God, and also for spiritual advice; and we are surely glad to meet every one of them in the Spirit.

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### NIGHT SCHOOL.

Our night school is divided into two classes, Mrs. Feuer-  
sohn and myself being the only teachers. There is a great  
need of another teacher. We are obliged to turn many  
young men away on account of not being able to conduct a  
third class.

Thanks to many missionary societies and individuals. We  
wish to express through the "Messenger" our thanks for  
money and boxes of clothing, also gifts for our Jewish chil-  
dren, all of which were gratefully received. May the promise  
prove true that it is more blessed to give than to receive.

"Ye being enriched in everything unto all liberality,  
which worketh through us thanksgiving to God." II Cor.  
9: 11.

**THE COLLECTION.**

The Third Sabbath of October has been appointed by Synod for the collection of \$3500 for the Jewish Mission. The collection presents an opportunity to every one in the Covenanter Church to take part in the good work of bringing back the Hebrew people to the Lord, from whom they have so long been in revolt. And as the gift shall be offered by small hands, and by larger, we ask that all hearts pour forth earnest prayer on behalf of these misguided people, to whom even yet pertain the promises. And as the incense shall arise as a cloud before the throne of Him whom they pierced, may we not expect a great shower of the Holy Spirit to fall upon them, in conviction, and conversion, even unto their public acknowledging of the truth, and the placing of the crown of their salvation on the head of the risen Lord? We expect the Lord to make this Mission, like Jordan, to overflow all its banks this year, and all the promised aid will be needed. We are confident that the gracious Lord, and a faithful church, will supply the funds.

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**THE TREASURER.**

Dr. S. A. S. Metheny, 617 North Forty-third street, Philadelphia, has been appointed, by Synod, treasurer of the Jewish Mission. To him all remittances should be sent.

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**AGAIN AT WORK.**

The missionaries, after a brief vacation, are again in the harness, and hard at work. Miss Mary Bell was in a railroad wreck in her outing, and though escaping serious injury, suf-

ferred a severe shock. The gracious Lord has spared her for more service among his people.

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### MINISTERING.

Mrs. E. J. Feuersohn.

Dear readers of "The Messenger," I wish I could picture in brief to you, and put you in touch with our Jewish people, that we meet in our daily routine missionary work. I know you read about them in this country, and of their creeds. But meeting the people and realizing their condition, makes it a thousand times more real to us than it can to you. The powers of darkness seem to be hiding in the very atmosphere. The air, the atmosphere, the very heat, penetrates into our spiritual as well as physical nature, and would lay us low soon if God did not undertake for us. According to God's promise we shall reap in due time; His sheep shall hear His voice and follow Him, no matter how dull and slow they seem now. God is giving us the privilege of winning a few souls for Him. Oh! if it might be many! Pray that this may be granted us who live here among Israel to the praise of His glory. Eph. 1: 12.

Distributing Free Ice Tickets, Milk and Flowers.—I wish to acknowledge through "The Messenger" the receipt of \$20 in cash, also some free ice tickets, from the Philadelphia Flower, Fruit and Ice Mission, located in the Church of St. Luke and the Epiphany, Thirteenth street below Spruce. This money was used to give free milk and ice to our sick and needy Jewish women. It truly was made a great blessing to them, through the heated term, in their crowded rooms and

destitute condition. Also the same society has given us flowers from May to October, which I go weekly after, and distribute to our hospital sick, and the sick in homes; and also give out to those who live in our immediate neighborhood that have been prejudiced against the missionaries and mission. Mothers and fathers come to our door on the day that I bring the flowers and plead for the flowers. When we give out to some there are always many other hands uplifted to take them instead of the ones we designed them for. Some go away crying when not receiving even one bloom, as they call them.

Dear friends, may we not have believing prayer that the flowers will be as a drink of water, spoken of in Matthew 10: 42? May they not be a sweet service rendered, which will recall the words: "Inasmuch as ye did it unto one of these my brethren, even these least, ye did it unto me," Matthew 25: 40?

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#### AN ELECTRIC FAN.

The liberty has been given to tell our readers of a great need for our Mission chapel. It is an electric fan. The Mission walls are very low, and on a hot summer night, with the thermometer at 90 or more, and the gas lit, the air is stifling, and for the missionary during the preaching service it means real suffering. I would especially appeal to God's children who for the present are doing nothing for the cause of Israel, or others who would like to help, that this object, truly a necessity, may be realized before another summer is upon us. II Cor. 8: 7, 8.

As we go to press we are right in the midst of the Jewish holidays, Rush Hashannah and Yum Kippur, finishing with the Succoth Feast, October 23 to 29 and 30, ending with the Simcharth Torah. If the Lord will I shall give you an account of the Succoth in the next issue.

“O Israel, return, Thy God is pleading yet,  
Behold in Christ, the spotless Lamb,  
Whose blood hath paid thy debt.”

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#### **SITTING IN DARKNESS.**

The Hebrew race for many centuries were the custodians of the Old Testament. Even to the present day they claim to have a high degree of reverence for this part of our Bible, which they call their own. And yet, if the facts are according to recent reports, they are lamentably destitute of this portion of the Word of God. It is said of the 900,000 Jews in Greater New York, less than 28,000 are connected with any synagogue or place of worship. Thus they sit in darkness, and in the shadow of death.

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#### **CROWDS.**

The room in one of the public schools of Philadelphia where a friend of the Mission teaches is so full of Jewish boys that on their holidays, which they zealously observe, not more than one or two pupils will sometimes be in attendance. This is merely one illustration of the way they are overrunning parts of this city.



**THE CHILDREN'S OPPORTUNITY.**

One or more of the children in each congregation can do a good work for the mission, by placing the "Hebrew Messenger" in the homes of our people. Surely no one will refuse to take this cup of cold water from the hand of a child whose heart is beating with the new joy of service, and whose face is beaming with expectation. We hope the children will get a taste of mission work in this field, and grow strong in the love of it, for upon them will fall the responsibility when the work expands into the splendid proportions of the prophetic times we are fast approaching. To encourage the children we offer a precious premium. How many will send us a list and get a premium?

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**A CLASS OF SIX.**

One Sabbath-school teacher has written that she has six little girls, whom she is trying to bring to Jesus, and to train them in His service. At her request they have begun the work of circulating the news of the Jewish Mission work by getting subscribers for the "Hebrew Messenger." One of the girls has already earned a premium, and has received her Bible. We expect to hear from every one of the six in the near future. And will not other teachers do likewise and increase the joys of the little hearts by making them feel that they are useful in a new way? The spreading of mission news is a blessing to the mission.

**OUR WORK.**

Mary F. Bell.

Our Sewing school was reopened September 7th, with interest and enthusiasm, as was manifested by the bright, earnest faces of the little girls, and the eagerness with which they entered into the work. They were on hand and all ready for work at least an hour and a half or two hours before we were ready for them. The attendance, too, has been very good, considering that so many of the Jewish holidays have fallen in September this year. Many of the girls who were with us last year are with us again this year, as well as quite a number of new ones. And, as heretofore, we have been compelled to turn away many girls who applied for admission. This we are always sorry to do, for it seems, each time we are compelled to do so, that we are shutting, in the faces of the little ones, a door through which, by the blessing of God, they might find an entrance into the light. Of course, we know well that at the present time it is not the light of Christianity they are seeking when they enter the mission; yet it is encouraging to see the way they study—memorizing whole chapters of the Bible—and we are told in Hebrews that “The word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.” And, while the children think they are simply memorizing the words, there are words that many of them will never forget, and as they grow older, and think of the things they have learned, we trust that the Holy Spirit will cause the seed that has been sown to take root, and grow, and bring forth fruit, in after years.

That this race of people are groping in deepest darkness cannot be denied. This I realized more than ever as I sat for more than two hours in one of the Jewish Synagogues the day before the Atonement. It was, indeed, a pitiful sight to see the swaying bodies of those strong men and women, as they smote upon their breasts and filled the house with their wailing cries. To us it seemed that they were pleading for mercy and forgiveness, although with many it is simply the carrying out of a custom that they have always observed, and they do not know why. In connection with this mourning for sins, they have twenty-four hours of fasting—from sundown to sundown—followed by a great feast. In passing through the Ghetto in the afternoon of Atonement Day, I could not help observing the haggard faces, some of them looking faint and sick, from their long fasting. Yet all this mourning, humiliation, and fasting, can be of no avail, since they ignore the only One through whom they can have access to the Father. "No man cometh unto the Father but by me."

One of the little girls in the sewing class said to me the other day: "My mother believes in the New Testament and in Christ, and that if others would confess Him she would, too, but that she could not do so alone." They are a great people for clinging together, and following one another, and I believe that if some of them would have the courage to confess Christ publicly, as they do secretly, the time would not be far distant when, as is intimated in the Bible, a nation shall be born in a day. "The people that walked in darkness have seen a great light; they that dwell in the land of the shadow of death, upon them hath the light shined."

### A HEBREW SCHOOL.

Dr. Thomas M. Chalmers, of New York City, has become, in the hand of the Lord, the founder of a school for the specific education of missionaries and gospel workers among the Jews. He writes concerning this enterprise of grace in a very spiritual and optimistic mode, as follows:

“It was clearly felt that God was back of the new enterprise, yet He permitted a delay in the opening, for some wise purpose. We finally opened the school with a prayer meeting, on November 7, 1906. It was a day to which we had long looked forward, and it is with a deep sense of thankfulness to our heavenly Father that we record this opening. Although the delay tried our hearts, yet the months since have only deepened the conviction that this was God’s work for us and was the right time for its commencement. The school has passed through severe trials, but it has been a time of gaining very necessary experience and of laying foundations on which to build in the years to come.”

We recommend the school to all God’s people for prayer and support, and hope to see it well filled with students.

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### GLEANINGS FROM JEWISH FIELDS.

While every province in Turkey has been steadily retrograding during the last few years, Palestine alone has been rapidly developing in agricultural and material prosperity.

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The number of Jews in New York exceeds 725,000, most of whom have come there within the last twenty years. Two-thirds of the wealth of New York is reported to be in Jewish hands.

In Germany nearly one-half of all the rich people are Jews, and at the back of the cartels formed to consolidate industries and help foreign trade are generally Jewish financiers. Six-sevenths of all bankers in Prussia are Jews, while only one in five hundred and eighty-six is a day laborer.

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For several years past God has been doing a work among the Jews which He has never done before. Until recently there was no New Testament in Hebrew. In 1885 the first copies appeared. The demand for this has been so great that 600,000 copies have been printed.

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One Jewish banking house is estimated to control \$30,000,000,000. The Rothschilds in ten years loaned \$482,000,000. Nearly one-half of the gold coined, of the entire world, is said to be in Jewish hands. In the last half century these people have come to the front, until now they largely rule in finances.

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Jewish leadership is seen in the extensive control of the press, which is largely in Jewish hands and produced from Jewish brains. Mr. William Singer, a Jew editor of the "Wiener Tageblatt," is the president of the Continental Journalistic Congress. Four papers in the United States, among those having the largest circulation, are owned by Hebrews.

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In Germany, although they form but 2 per cent. of the population, they hold one hundred and four professors' chairs

in the universities of that land. Of the 3609 students recently at Berlin University 1302 were Jews. Nearly 10 per cent. of the judges are Jews. At the highest law court of Germany, at Leipsic, there are ten Jewish judges out of the total of seventy-nine. In single towns the proportion is greater.

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In Lower Austria, out of 59,122 merchants 30,012 are returned as Jews. In France the Jews are but a fraction of the population (72,000 out of 38,000,000), yet they control the finances. When M. Loubet took the presidency of France, the government stocks began to fall, and dropped a little every day until the situation became serious. The Jews declared the stocks would continue to fall until the country was ruined, unless Dreyfus received justice.

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### THEY ARE WAITING.

They are waiting everywhere—  
 Where the fields of earth are fair,  
 Where the rivers nobly run,  
 Where the blossoms seek the sun,  
 Where the hills rise, high and grand  
 Looking proudly o'er the land—  
 Waiting! Waiting!

For the happy beam of day  
 That shall chase their gloom away,  
 For the news so glad and blest,  
 That shall set their hearts at rest;  
 For the peace we know and prize,  
 For the hope beyond the skies—  
 Waiting! Waiting!

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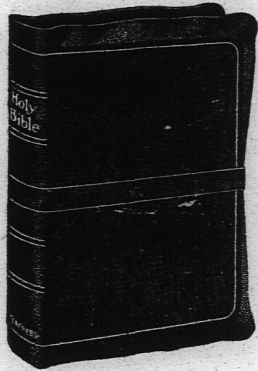
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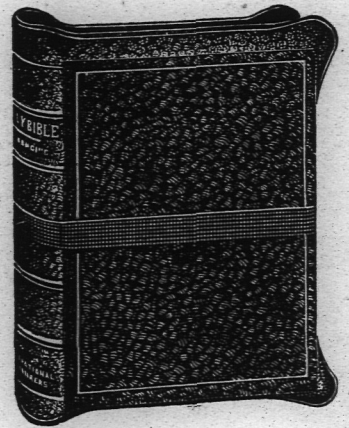


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**NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHT.**

A New Year's greeting of joy to all our readers! May the incoming year bring on the broad white wings of each morning blessings of peace and love from our covenant Lord for every one of you, and all the Israel of God. May every day have for your inner life a rosy sunset, every cloud a rainbow, every night a morning star, every service a hidden reward, every sorrow a cup of consolation, in Christ Jesus our all-gracious and exalted Saviour. Enriched with God's bounteous blessings during the past year, and entrusted with increasing responsibilities; standing nearer than ever to the great white throne of our Judge, and feeling holy life pulsating more freely through our veins, should not we ask our own hearts some pointed questions regarding an advance all along the line of duty? How becoming that we take a step ahead of ourselves in every service pertaining to our Lord, and His glory?

Will we not seek to have our faith in God increased? that faith that brings pardon, peace, strength, wisdom, holiness and power, as easily and as certainly as the summer brings flowers and harvests. Will we not try to have a larger view of God's kingdom, and therefore new prayers, new aspirations and love,

new willingness to make sacrifices for Christ's name? Will we not plan, in accordance with His Word, some service for ourselves above all we have yet done? add to the gifts we have hitherto given? exert a personal influence upon others for Christ in degree and extent beyond our best endeavors up to this day? The river is deeper, broader, fuller, at a point 365 miles down the banks, unless it be flowing through a desert. The tree has added a new circle to its size in the past year, unless it be dead. The child is larger, heavier, more active than a year ago, unless it be diseased.

Like the tree planted beside the river, let us be growing, downward in humility, upward in heavenly desires, inward in holiness, and outward in usefulness, having all our powers renewed by the Holy Spirit, and our souls filled with the life that is in Christ.

Will we all try to get beyond last year's mark in devotion to our Lord, in this Mission of the Covenant to Israel? Will we not go beyond our past record in our prayers, offerings, thankfulness, zeal, hope and praise? And who can tell what the year will bring forth for the mission, and for you?

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#### THE DEATH OF DR. ALEXANDER CALDWELL.

Dr. Alexander Caldwell, the physician in charge of the mission dispensary, died at his home in Philadelphia, November 2, 1907. His last illness, acute indigestion, was brief; the end came with a hemorrhage of the brain. Dr. Caldwell was born in County Tyrone, Ireland, July 14, 1844, of Covenanter parents. He came to Philadelphia in 1851, and early in life made a public profession of his faith in the Lord Jesus by uniting with the Fourth Church of the Covenanters, under Rev. David McKee. In 1860 he removed to St. Louis, Mo. The nation was then being convulsed with the Civil war. Residing in a border State, and in a city where the hostile forces were

constantly clashing, his youthful spirit was fired with patriotism, and he entered the army while yet in his teens. He served under Captain Todd, then a Covenanter minister, and was with General Grant in his campaign in the West. He received a severe wound in the left elbow in the battle at Jackson, Miss., was captured there, and marched to Libbey Prison, enduring the trials of that infamous place for six weeks without having the ball extracted from his elbow, or his wound dressed, while gangrene was beginning its work. He was paroled. He returned to Philadelphia after serving three years in the army.

He next took up the study of medicine in Jefferson College, and graduated from that institution in 1869, from which date he was a faithful and much respected physician in the city of Philadelphia.

Dr. Caldwell was a member of the Second Church of the Covenanters, greatly beloved for his mildness, constancy and service. For many years he was a member of the Board of Trustees, doing his part with devotion to his Lord and his church. The Board has very properly recognized the value of his services by adopting suitable resolutions regarding his death.

Dr. Caldwell was a genuine missionary, both in spirit and service. He was the physician in charge of the dispensary in the Mission of the Covenant to Israel. Shortly before his death he had been planning to give a contribution to Synod's Semi-Centennial Memorial Fund. His gift of \$100 is now in the Treasury of the Foreign Missions.

With regularity, like the succession of the weeks, he was in his place, among the sick who came to the Jewish mission in large numbers for help from his hand and heart. He was in this service thirteen years, all the while donating his time to the mission.

His patience won his patients, and his tender care drew them to his soul. Their sorrow in his death is great. One aged Jewess said a few weeks ago that she hoped she would die before this good Christian doctor, for she did not want to live if he were gone.



DR. ALEXANDER CALDWELL.

The doctor was a member of the Board of the Jewish Mission. His life reached across a large area of human interests and sympathies, and his death leaves a wide vacancy. Many hearts are in sorrow, but their sorrow is radiant with the Christian's hope. He has left a fragrant memory. The testimony of his life is with God. His memorial shall never perish. The greatest loss falls to a beloved sister, who for many years shared in the happiness of his pleasant home and brotherly fellowship. The Lord will give her comfort and strength.

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Minute on the Death of

**DR. ALEXANDER CALDWELL.**

By the Board of the Jewish Mission.

In the death of Dr. Alexander Caldwell, which occurred at his home, November 2nd, 1907, we bow, with much sorrow, in humble submission to the will of God.

We recognize the sovereignty of our Lord and Saviour, whose unchallenged right it is to employ in his service whomsoever he will, and give them rest from their labors at his own appointed time.

We thank our Lord for the long and valuable service Dr. Caldwell was enabled to render to the Mission of the Covenant to Israel, as the physician in charge of the dispensary for thirteen years. This work he cheerfully donated as his contribution to the cause of the Gospel among the Jews of our city. In his untiring devotion to the mission, his life became, according to the promise given to Abraham, a blessing of great value, and many of the afflicted children of Jacob sat in his presence from week to week, where the light of the Gospel fell on their souls, while he ministered relief to their bodies.

We delight in the remembrance of Dr. Caldwell, as a man

in whom many virtues and moral excellencies were ever in evidence, distinguishing him as a chosen vessel of God. He was a humble Christian, modest, constant, unwearied in well-doing, trusting in the Lord and abounding in good works. We will remember him as our companion and brother, in the Lord's work, wise, genial, earnest, trustworthy, ever radiating the light of his inner life.

We have great pleasure in expressing the good will in which he was held as the beloved physician of the mission, in the large community where his beneficent services were gratuitously bestowed and gratefully appreciated.

We mourn our loss, and the loss which the mission has sustained in the death of this servant of the Lord, and look to our Covenant God, with prayer and confidence, to fill the vacancy, by bringing into this department of his service another physician, whom he shall qualify abundantly with the gift of the Holy Spirit.

We tender his sister our affectionate sympathy in this painful bereavement and commend her to the loving kindness of the Lord her God, who doeth all things well, and whose mercy endures forever.

Adopted November 19th, 1907.

J. C. McFEETERS, President.

T. P. STEVENSON, Secretary.

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### ANOTHER PHYSICIAN.

Dr. Arthur R. Dray, having received an appointment by the Board as the successor of Dr. Alexander Caldwell in the medical department of the mission, has accepted and entered upon the work. Dr. Dray is a practitioner in Philadelphia, both as a physician and a dentist, and is well qualified to render a great service to the mission. Like Dr. Caldwell, he gives his time and service without compensation—a free will offering



to the Lord, for the sake of Israel, His people. We thank our Lord for keeping this channel of His love open, that the blessings of the Gospel may come to many souls through this ministry of healing. Dr. Dray is a member of the Covenanter Church, and deeply interested in her missions. We ask for him in this work the prayers of our people.

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### THE WORK.

By E. J. Feuersohn.

The year of 1907 closed with perhaps greater interest and awakening among the Jewish people in the United States with reference to Christ, the Messiah, and their relation to Him than ever before.

The opposition to Christian exercises in the public schools by many of the Jews in New York, followed, as it was, in other cities, shows how they have been stirred by realizing the effect the teachings of the life of Christ have upon their kinsfolk. But it is encouraging to Christians to know that some prominent Jews have taken a stand against the opposition, and side with the Christian sentiment.

Another interesting feature is that many of the leading rabbis of the United States have spent time and energy preaching sermons against Christian missions to the Jews, which shows they are becoming alarmed because of the success of these missions in reaching many Jews with the gospel of Christ.

There is a Jewish daily paper published in New York city, called the "Tage Blatt." The editor of that paper is very bitter against Christian churches and missions. He is always warning the Jewish people about going or permitting their children to go to any Christian church or mission services, thus showing how they are aroused to the fact that the Christian people are winning the Jews to

Christianity. But there is another Jewish daily paper, called the "Warheit," which is very liberal and friendly to Christianity. This paper advises the Jewish people not to be against Christianity, as they and their children can learn much to their advantage by associating with the American Christians, and that the Christian missions are only trying to do the people good.

Oftentimes I have found articles in this paper about the Apostle Paul, also about our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, stating that if the Jewish people would only follow the teaching of Christ they would find that it would be for the improvement of all the people of Israel. The reporter of this paper is a personal friend of mine and also of this mission, he and his family often visiting us. He said to me that he wished the time would come when all mankind would be united in the Christian religion. We, as workers among the Jews, find that the prejudice is being broken down from day to day. Many a Jew has confessed that the Christians are better than the Jews in many ways, and that the Christians must have something in their religion to bring this about. Shall we not pray to the Lord that our Jewish people will "turn away from evil and do good. Let him seek peace and pursue it"? Then we will have the blessing of our Lord, who said, "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called the children of God."

#### **DR. ALEXANDER CALDWELL.**

Our mission has suffered a great loss in the death of Dr. Caldwell. He worked on dispensary days, twice a week, among our poor Jews, who came to this mission for medical help. His quiet ways and ever-patient spirit endeared him to all he came in contact with in their suffering. He was always to be depended upon, even when affliction had entered his home and took away loved ones. He was faithful to his trust, being at the mission and filling his

chair on dispensary day always when health permitted. Dr. Caldwell was very humble—a man of an even disposition. The poor Jewish men and women, who have known him as the medical missionary, are lamenting his death and saying, “Oh, such a good Christian doctor we will never find again!” Some have been weeping, and we missionaries, who have worked together in perfect harmony, have a sad vacancy in our hearts and in the mission that only time will fill.

### **THE GOOD WORK OF THE LORD.**

Our Sabbath evening services are well attended; the majority of those who come are regular attendants. We believe that the Spirit of the Lord is working in our midst by seeing how those young Jewish men and women are giving such close attention to the preaching of the Word of our Lord.

### **SEWING CLASS AND SABBATH SCHOOL.**

Our readers will remember that we had made it compulsory upon all the sewing class scholars to join the Sabbath school in order to have the privilege of the sewing class; and this plan, which we had longed to see carried out, has proved very satisfactory indeed, and now we have more in our Sabbath school than in the sewing school. The sewing school, under the care of Miss Mary Bell, is well attended. The Sabbath school contains only Jewish girls and boys, and is divided into two classes. Mrs. Feuersohn has one, and Miss Bell the other. We try to correct all their misbehavior, and now have their respect. If one does not behave, the same cannot remain unless by asking forgiveness of the teacher. This they do, and the result is seen in the respect shown us and our work.

**VISITING.**

In our visitation among the Jews we are glad to say that we are cordially received. We have some well-to-do families which we visit. There is, also, a class of poor ones, whom, many a time, we find suffering for want of necessary clothing and shoes to keep them warm. Therefore, we would ask our Christian friends, if they have second-hand clothing or shoes, that they would remember our poor by sending them to us for distribution among them. Some friends of this mission have sent us clothing and shoes within the last year, for which we are very thankful. We have found places where we can use more. We trust that others will also send donations in the coming days. There is also a great need of new cloth for the sewing school. It is best for the cloth to be sent uncut, as we are better able to divide the cloth according to the several needs and cut the right sized garments for each of the children of the sewing class and Sabbath school.

May the Lord help us that we be not weary in well doing. May you all be enriched in everything unto all liberality which worketh through us thanksgiving to God. For the ministration of this service not only filleth up the measure of the wants of the saints, but aboundeth also through many in thanksgiving unto God. Your brother in Christ.

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**INFORMATION.**

By Mary F. Bell.

Several missionary societies have asked for information concerning the goods we use in our mission sewing class. I have great pleasure in replying: We use, mostly, outing flannel, muslin (unbleached preferred) and dress or apron gingham. It is best to send the goods uncut, as the garments can then be cut to fit the children. We have about

30 in the class now, and, with so many little nimble fingers at work, we need a good quantity of cloth. It is surprising to see the neat little garments made by these children, some of them but seven years old. The children get the garments they work on, and at the same time they take home much of gospel truth, which, we trust, will bring them to Christ. They are now preparing for the annual entertainment with much pleasure.

I wish to acknowledge a box sent by the Junior Society of Winchester, Kansas, and two cash donations from "Friends of the Mission," which have helped us in the work. We appreciate this kindness. May the givers and the receivers be all blessed.

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#### INCIDENTS IN THE WORK:

Mrs. E. J. Feuersohn.

We desire to commence our report with an expression of praise and thanksgiving to God for all His goodness and mercy to us during the year 1907. We are thankful for extended opportunities and privileged service amongst the Lord's people. We present to our readers an illustration of our work among the immigrants on board the "Noordland." Mr. Feuersohn is standing at the right of the ship's nurse. I am sitting on the floor, directly in front of him. This picture on deck represents the better class of the steerage passengers. None of those around us are able to understand even one word of English. Mr. Feuersohn conversed with them in their native tongue, while I distributed tracts printed in the different languages. The nurse told us a fine, healthy babe was born of a Jewish mother on the way over. It was named "Noordland," after the ship. This is a common occurrence among the immigrants. It is the noon hour; many have landed, and now a pause is taken to permit the officers (and, incidentally, the immi-



JEWISH IMMIGRANTS ON THE "NOORDLAND."

grants) to partake of their lunch. During this time we had the opportunity of going over the ship. It has only two classes—the first and second. The second is far better than the third class, which most of the ships have. Their dining room was very much overcrowded. Some were eating with heavy overcoats and fur caps on; many women and children with their winter clothing on, ready to land at the word. When the word is given the officers in charge hurry them off by driving them along like cattle (so it seemed to me).

The Jewish societies of Philadelphia employ a Jewess at the receiving station—Washington Avenue Wharf—who meets all immigrants as they land and distributes the Jewish literature. She was allowed to stand by the gates with the officers and deal with the people as they passed through, and afterwards to mingle with them in a large room, where they were in waiting, while we were told to do our missionary work in a room where only a few were detained for some special cause. The detention boarding house is in charge of a Jew, and there we were refused admittance. The Methodist society employs a deaconess, and the Philadelphia Bible Society distributes portions of the Bible. But you can readily see the Jew has the right of way, and they try to do all they can to break up any Christian influence. Mrs. M. B. Wilson, the National W. C. T. U. Superintendent of work among foreigners, tells us she expects a missionary to be stationed there to work under the N. W. C. T. U. We thank God for this proposed advance step in the work of our sisters of the W. C. T. U.

Beloved, we ask your prayers how to touch the dull souls, burned into superstition, or hardened into bitterness, by false religions—how to touch them with the comforting light of the gospel—how to draw them to church and to fine usefulness. These are necessities alike for the salvation of these newcomers and the safety of our land. “For by wise guidance thou shalt make thy war; and in the multitude of counsellors there is safety.”

**THE SUCCOTH FESTIVAL.**

Mrs. E. J. Feuersohn.

For the past two years I have been privileged to attend the Succoth Festival (Sept. 15th to 26th) in one of our large Synagogues in Philadelphia. It is to commemorate the wanderings of the children of Israel in the wilderness, when they dwelt in booths (or huts, as we would call them). This Succoth Festival continues one week. The first two and last two days only are observed. (Read Lev. 23: 33, 42, 43.) At the close of their religious exercises I have been permitted to go in with the Jewish people into the large succoth, which was built on the adjacent grounds. The decorations were quite elaborate. Evergreens, fruit and red peppers, prettily festooned overhead and on the sides, together with the hundreds of very little electric lights, all lit, made the place a bower of beauty. There were two long tables, seating about three hundred (at a guess). The refreshments consisted of whisky, all kinds of fruit, braided bread, made the size of a large biscuit, called in Jewish *kurlich*, and assortment of cakes. The spaces between the tables and back of them was packed with Jews and Jewesses, like sardines in a box (only more so). A blessing was asked by the rabbi, but there was so much noise we could not hear it, after which each Jew helped himself to a little of the whisky, as a religious observance. What authority they have for this, I have not been able to find out. The women are not expected to taste it, and did not, so far as I could see. Then each person standing, together with those sitting, commenced to reach, grab and snatch from the table fruit, bread and cake. All this was done in much disorder and confusion. Everybody was talking and laughing, and each one trying to get the most. After all the refreshments were eaten the rabbi intoned a prayer, after which the doors were unlocked (they had been fastened after entering) and all departed. The Jews attending this synagogue are, most of them, well to



do, with some education, not like the poor, ignorant ones in the Ghetto, where our mission is located. You, who are not familiar with the Jewish disorder, tumult and pell-mell havoc at nearly all of their special days of religious observance, cannot realize what God hath wrought in our mission work. Those attending our preaching services, together with our Sabbath school scholars, are quiet, orderly and attentive, as in any Christian church. Ought we not to offer unto God praise and thanksgiving that this work is wrought out of our God? How can the hearts of these people be reached, if you do not stand by us in prayer? Sometimes we feel the lift of Jesus' love in our hearts in a special way. And then it is a delight to tell the message to unresponsive hearts, because somebody is holding up our hands. The one praying somewhere is doing much the greater service. Beloved, is that one you? We are now training our Sabbath school scholars for their Christmas entertainment. We have more wanting to take part than we can place on our programme. This is an encouraging feature in our Sabbath school.

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SAMUEL RUTHERFORD.

Christ hath come and run away to heaven with my heart and my love, so that neither heart nor love is mine.

I would not exchange Christ for ten thousand worlds! Nay, if the comparison could stand, I would not exchange Christ for heaven.

How sweet is the wind that bloweth out of the quarter where Christ is!

Every day we see some new thing in Christ: His love hath neither brim nor bottom. Oh, that I had help to praise Him!

There is nothing that will make you a Christian but a taste of the sweetness of Christ. Oh, His worth, His sweetness, His overpassing beauty!

Oh, how little of Him do I see! Yet I think I would drink a sea-full of Christ's love ere I would let the cup go from my head.

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Farewell brethren, farewell sisters; farewell Christian acquaintances; farewell sun, moon and stars. And now welcome my lovely and heartsome Christ Jesus, into whose hands I commit my spirit throughout all eternity.”—Marion Harvie, a martyr, twenty years of age.

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### HOW MUCH OWEST THOU ?

“Mother, how much do you think I owe you?” The question came from a middle-aged man, with countenance and manners indicating strength and thoughtfulness. He stood on the porch of his beautiful home, his eyes wandering over the green fields, then resting on his frail mother, who sat in her easy rocker nearby, breathing in the sweet summer air, and gazing at the rich sunset. She looked up into the face of her son with a smile that betokened a wave of deep pleasure passing over her soul.

“While at work in the field I was thinking of my indebtedness to you, my mother, all day long, and I am amazed. You watched over me when I was an infant, fed me, clothed me, taught me, protected me, nursed me when sick, comforted me when sad, counselled me when foolish, loved me when faulty, led me to God in prayer, walked with me to church, read to me the Bible, impressed me with your fear of God. Oh, I cannot count it up. This is only a little of the great debt I owe

you, my dear mother. Nor can I ever pay you back. But you shall have my gratitude, and all the deeds of kindness I can render."

May not the Church of Christ to-day look upon the Jewish people much in the same spirit as this son looked upon his mother? The Hebrew race is truly the poor old mother of the gospel Church, sitting weary, cheerless and infirm, gazing pensively upon the green fields of her own wealthy heir, and at the setting sun wondering if there will be a new and brighter day to follow. Sadly she waits for her strong, great-hearted son to come and acknowledge his indebtedness to her, and speak the words of tenderness and inspiring gratitude, that will make her pulse throb with new life, and her heart leap for joy. "And their debtors they are." The debt we owe to the Jewish race may be acknowledged, but it can never be paid. Yet though payment cannot be made, will not Christian people have the goodness to fill the world with the sweet odors of gratitude, and deeds of kindness toward the aged mother, for the reviving of her life?

A little consideration will quickly reveal the vastness of our indebtedness to the Hebrew nation.

From this people we have received our Bible through the providence of God. This blessed book which shines in life like the sun in the sky, has come to us from the hands of Hebrew penmen.

From this race, by the grace of God, we have received our Psalter, the only book of praise that has the divine warrant, suitable for worship in all ages, and in all lands, fresh as the morning dew, fragrant as a garden of lilies, rich as mines of diamonds, sublime as the "everlasting hills."



From the Hebrews we have received the moral law, the perfect standard of duty, the ideal of God for human life, the moral measurement toward which every man and nation ought to aspire.

From this people we, in the kindness of God, have inherited the ordinance of Public Covenanting. The covenant transactions, accompanied with awe-striking proofs of God's presence and favor, have been preserved on record, revealing the open path leading up into this holy relation with the Almighty. From this race we have a legacy of the noblest examples of consecrated life, men and women who, while subject to weakness, infirmities and sins, were touched and thrilled with the Spirit of God; they flamed with his love, felt his energy, and wrought for mankind with courage and self-sacrifice, sufficient to inspire all ages to come. From this nation we have received our Saviour, Jesus Christ, as concerning the flesh, born of a Hebrew virgin, and nurtured in a Jewish home. And with Jesus, all the inspiration arising from His example as the Greatest Missionary, and the example of His disciples, as the first missionaries sent into the world. With Jesus Christ, as of Jewish descent, we have peace with God, the hope of heaven, the victory of faith, the life of service, the happy eventide, the bright eternal day. Will we ever be able to reimburse the Jew for his gifts to us? Who can compute the great debt? Will not we, at least, be grateful to our poor, old, withered mother, and show her all the kindness in our power? Perhaps a prayer, a contribution, or a tender word will make the old heart throb with new life.

**THE MISSION WORK AMONG THE HEBREWS.**

By E. J. FEUERSOHN.

“Go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.” These words were addressed by the Lord Jesus as instructions to His disciples in their ministry in the land of Israel.

Here, too, we find our commission to evangelize the Jews of the present day, who are vastly more in number, and more widely scattered now than then. With the veil still upon their heart when Moses is read, the Jews are to Christians what their forefathers were to Christ—“the lost sheep of the house of Israel.”

Our work in the various departments of this mission abundantly demonstrates that much blessing has followed our labors during the last quarter. Some of our Jewish brothers who attend our Mission Gospel meetings, have had grace given from on high to confess Christ. To others sufficient courage has not been imparted to take this decided step. Loss of friends, loss of employment, social ostracism and possibly starvation, have deterred them from an open confession of their faith and belief in Christ as the Son of God and Saviour of the world.

“The Lord knoweth them that are His.”

We believe our readers of the *Hebrew Messenger* would like to hear about our Christmas entertainment at the mission which was held this time, December 19, 1907.

Mrs. Feuersohn and Miss Bell drilled 31 of our Sabbath-school and sewing class scholars to take part in singing and recitations. Therefore the programme was given entirely by our Jewish boys and girls. We can assure you that they did credit to our work. After the exercises we gave each scholar

a half-pound box of candy, also to the little girls each a doll, dressed, to the small boys picture books and toys, and to the large boys and girls each an article of clothing most needed, such as rubbers, gloves, underclothes, shirts and writing paper. Our Covenanter friends had kindly donated some of these articles (the rest we purchased). Thus it was possible for us to be used as a channel to supply their need and make them happy. It was a very joyous occasion. We had with us that night representatives from the First, Second and Third Covenanter Churches of Philadelphia, who said they could not remember the time when they had attended such an enjoyable entertainment. It took them back to their own childhood days.

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### SABBATH SCHOOL.

We have a very interesting and attentive Sabbath-school, but not as large as we desire to have. Especially is this very noticeable, since we have begun New Testament lessons in our Sabbath-school quarterlies. A few have dropped out. This shows how necessary it is even in the children, to break down the prejudice. Some of the Sabbath-school scholars asked if we would not teach them about Jacob instead of the regular lesson. We explained to them that this could not now be done, for we are to teach the New Testament at this time. But, on the other hand, also, we have some very encouraging facts. Two of our Jewish Sabbath-school girls confessed before the class that they believed Christ is the Son of God. This confession came to us very unexpectedly from these two girls. We praise God for giving them courage to confess Christ before their associates.

**SEWING SCHOOL.**

Our sewing class girls have greatly improved, especially in their behavior. The attendance has been smaller than it was two years ago for lack of help; but we believe better work has been done. Both teacher and scholars have come into closer touch with each other. We still hold to the rule we adopted one year ago, namely, that no girl can have the privileges of the sewing class without becoming a member of our Sabbath-school, which has worked admirably so far.

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**VISITATION**

There is a systematic visitation of our Jewish people by Mrs. Feuersohn and myself. We strive to deal with them in the matter of relief under the same system of investigation as our Christian brethren. We find many in the present crisis out of work and unable to secure any. They are suffering for want of bread and coal to keep them alive. There are other places we visit that have the wherewithall to make them comfortable. These are of the better class in our Ghetto. We visit them regularly and are always kindly received and urged to come again. Many questions are asked and answered in these homes about the teachings of Christ.

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**DONATIONS RECEIVED.**

We wish to acknowledge the receipt of two barrels of goods (new and second hand) from the Young People's Society

of the Third Reformed Presbyterian Church, New York City, also one box of goods (new and second-hand) from W. M. S. Eighth Street Reformed Presbyterian Church, Pittsburg, Pa., and others. Many a time we have delayed acknowledging the receipt on account of no name and street given. Will our friends please take notice of this, and send us the name of the society and street, when you send goods to our mission. We received a donation of new shoes from Mr. W. C. McLeoud, of the Second Church of the Covenanters of Philadelphia, for use in the mission work, also second-hand clothing from Mrs. Henry (Second Church), and from Mrs. K. L. Milliken, Dr. Caldwell's sister, a donation of medicine from Dr. Caldwell's office, to be used in our dispensary work; all of which was most thankfully received. We also received from W. J. Sanderson, through Dr. Metheny, \$5.00 from the Cedarville Covenanter Mission Band, to be used towards furnishing an electric fan for our mission building, which request was published in our October issue of 1907. This is the first response. We thank the Mission Band and trust that this will lead others to contribute the balance, about \$15. We can then have it put in before the hot weather comes. We trust the readers of the Covenanter Church will lay this mission work to heart, and remember it in their prayers. "Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, and prove me now herewith, if I will not pour you out a blessing that there shall not be room enough to receive it."

**VISITORS**

We were lately delighted to have with us Mr. James Patterson on a Sabbath evening meeting. Rev. T. P. Stevenson and Mrs. Stevenson, also Mr. McIlhatten, from First Church, and the Rev. J. C. McFeeters and Philip McFeeters. Our Jewish friends, were pleased to meet them. It was an expression to them of our Covenanter friends' interest in their welfare. We wish others also would encourage us by visiting the Mission.

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**NIGHT SCHOOL.**

The educational classes have gone on satisfactorily twice a week, divided in two classes, composed of adult Jewish men and women, who are most attentive and respectful to Mrs. Feuersohn and myself as their teachers. We gain access to their homes through the night school, and thus the night school paves the way to present Christ to some who would not otherwise come to the mission.

But after attending the school their prejudice is broken down and they are willing to attend our Gospel meetings. The photo of our classes is only a part of those who attend, as some were fearful that the picture might be put in our daily papers and they be prevented for attending our Mission School. Yet it will give our readers a very good idea of this line of our mission work, which we consider quite necessary in Jewish missions.



SCHOLARS OF THE NIGHT SCHOOL.

## THE MASTER'S QUESTIONS

John 15: 14.

In vision I saw before me a form of exquisite grace,  
With a look of tenderest interest and a smile upon His face.  
"My Lord."

"My Master!" and bending nearer He asked, as I bowed my  
head,  
"My child, do you love me dearly?" and, with tears in my eyes,  
I said—  
"Yes, Lord."

"And do you love my commandments and study them day by  
day,  
Seeking to know them fully, and then with joy obey?"  
"Yes, Lord."

"Do you visit my sick and lonely, and minister to their pain,  
With patience that grows not weary, and love that is never  
vain?"  
"Yes, Lord."

"Do you tell them of my salvation, and their unspeakable loss,  
Unless all their sin and sorrow are brought to my blood-bathed  
cross?"  
"Yes, Lord."

"Do you send to my many millions in far-away heathen lands,  
Who are hungering for my Gospel, with fettered and out-  
stretched hands?"  
"Yes, Lord."



“Are you giving my gifts of money, of time, of talent, and  
health,  
Ungrudgingly to my service, not seeking for fame or wealth?”  
“Yes, Lord.”

He paused and I looked up quickly, meeting His marvelous  
eyes—  
They were searching, and oh, so wistful—I faltered in strange  
surprise—  
“Yes, Lord.”

“Do you seek my sheep who are scattered, my wandering Israel  
lost,  
And yet redeemed, and beloved beyond all account of the cost?”  
“No, Lord.”

“*My own!* and you knew that I bade you, and knew that I loved  
them so—  
I, your Lord and theirs—who change not—and with all you  
did not go?”  
“No, Lord.”

“Do you help my faithful shepherds, who follow and find them  
out,  
With message of hope and pardon to remove their fear and  
doubt?”  
“No, Lord.”

“Do you pray in your silent chamber, earnestly every day,  
That these lost ones may soon be gathered—ah, *surely you  
often pray?*”  
“No, Lord.”

In a passion of shame and sorrow, I sank at His feet and wept,  
To think of the years I had grieved Him with this great com-  
mand unkept.

“Dear Lord.”

“*Forgive me*—and many others—awaken Thy Church to pray;  
“Thy biddings are all enablings, to each may we ever say—

‘Yes, Lord.’”

M. E. SEARLE.

## SELECTIONS.

### The Power of Intercession

A well-known and intimate friend of Mrs. Stowe has given to the public an incident so pathetic and instructive that it ought to have widest currency; and though many of our readers may be familiar with it, we here put it on record for the sake of a much larger number who need its inspiration.

During the latter part of her life Mrs. Stowe's consecration took high forms. She put great faith in prayer, and gave herself to the kind of dedication which exercises and cultivates it. One, very dear to her, seemed sinking away from the faith in which she trusted, and to which life and sorrow had taught her to cling as only those who have suffered and doubted and accepted can.

This prospect was a crushing grief, and she set herself resolutely to avert the calamity. Letter after letter—some thirty pages long—found its way from her pen to the foreign town in which German rationalism was doing its worst for the soul she loved. She set the full force of her intellect intelligently to work. She reasoned, wrote, argued, pleaded. Months passed in what seemed a vain effort.

Then she laid aside her pen, and as Christmas day approached shut herself from all but God, and prayed as only such a woman can. As she had set the full force of her intellect, so now she set the full power of her faith, to work upon her soul's desire. One may not dwell in words upon that sacred battle.

But the beautiful part of the story is that a few weeks after this a letter reached her, saying only: "At Christmas time a light came to me. I see things differently now. I see my way to accept the faith of my fathers; and the belief in Christianity, which is everything to you, has become reasonable and possible to me at last."

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#### **Seven Ways of Giving**

1. The careless way. To give something to every cause that is presented, without inquiring into its merits.
2. The impulsive way. To give from impulse—as much and as often as love and pity and sensibility prompt.
3. The lazy way. To make a special effort to earn money for benevolent objects by fairs, festivals, etc.
4. The self-denying way. To save the cost of luxuries and apply it to purposes of religion and charity. This may lead to asceticism and self-complacency.
5. The systematic way. To lay aside as an offering to God, a definite portion of our gains—one-tenth, one-fifth, one-third, or one-half. This is adapted to all, whether poor or rich; and gifts would be largely increased if it were generally practiced.

6. The equal way. To give God and the needy just as much as we spend on ourselves, balancing our personal expenditure by our gifts.

7. The heroic way. To limit our own expenditure to a certain sum, and give away all the rest of our income.

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### **Christianity and the Jews**

The Rev. J. F. de le Roi, a well-known statistician, is authority for the statement that in the century lately closed 224,000 Jews were baptized in missions—a very good percentage in a total of 10,000,000. The percentage is 1 to 40, whereas that of heathen converts is 1 in 300.

In England, on the continent of Europe and in the United States, 750 Hebrews are now preaching the Gospel to Christian congregations, these congregations themselves having once been of the “ancient faith.” In the year 1800 there was not a single Jewish-Christian mission in existence. To-day there are 32 in America, with some 80 workers; 28 in Great Britain, with 481 workers; 20 elsewhere in Europe, with 40 workers, and 9 in other lands, with 47 workers—truly a remarkable showing as the growth of a single century.

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### **Jewish Immigration**

Since 1881, according to Jewish papers, 1,750,000 Jews emigrated from the countries in which they dwelt, from Russia alone 1,300,000. Of this number 85 per cent. came to America, 10 per cent. to Great Britain, and the rest to South Africa, Aus-

tralia, etc. The number of Jewish immigrants to the United States, according to the Bureau at New York was 129,507 in 1905. Of these 65 per cent. declared their purpose to remain in the State of New York. The money brought by the Jewish immigrants was only \$14.8 per head, while other immigrants had \$24.5 per head. It has been stated that in Germany one person out of 2040 becomes an emigrant, in Austria-Hungary one out of 313, but of the Jews in all lands, one in 103 succumbs to the impulse of migration. Thus the Jews are truly a wandering people to-day.

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#### **Bibles for Foreigners**

The New York Bible Society makes an interesting appeal for its work. New York City is now adding 316 people every day to its population. There are, or were, when the appeal was sent to the printer, 1,524,000 foreign-born and 1,687,000 born of foreign parents, leaving less than 1,000,000 of the population as Americans of the second generation. There are now 978 Protestant churches, with sittings for 675,000 people. Compared with three years ago, Manhattan has two fewer Protestant churches, five more Roman Catholic, and 18 more Jewish synagogues.

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#### **The Bible for the World**

The British and Foreign Bible Society has promoted the issue of the Word of God in 409 different tongues. Three-fourths of the volumes issued go to the mission fields. More than 1,000,000 copies were circulated in China last year; in India, 693,000, and in Russia, 510,000. The circulation in Japan was more than double that of the previous year. Nine hundred native Christians are employed as colporteurs in the

various countries. Eight new languages have been added last year to the Society's list of versions.

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### Some of the World's Dreamers

Carey was a cobbler, but he had a map of the world on his shop wall, and outdid Alexander the Great in dreaming and doing. Many a tinker, and weaver, and stonemason, and handworker has had open windows and a sky and a mind with wings. What thoughts were in the mind of Jesus at his workbench? One of them was that the kingdoms of this world should become the kingdom of God—at any cost!

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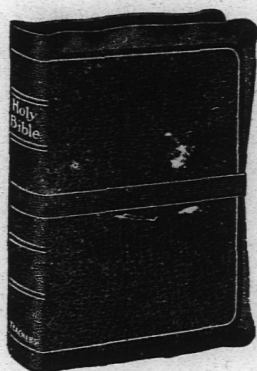
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