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"Jacob whom I have chosen, the seed of Abraham my friend. I have chosen thee, and not cast thee away.—ISA. xli: 8, 9.

"We go to salute the children of the king."

II Kings, x: 13.

DEAR FRIENDS :

"God be merciful unto us and bless us," and cause us all who are companions with one another in the Kingdom of Jesus Christ to realize that we are "Children of the King," and that we may not be slothful in our King's business which requires haste, and may we consider Esther ix: 3: "Those that did the King's business helped the Jews." Amen!

Oh for the possession of grace to fill our hearts with feelings of the sweetness of the Kingdom of God. Then we would not pray with our lips only, but with body, spirit, and soul, "Thy Kingdom come." God's word instructs us plainly that His Kingdom will be brought in through the conversion of the Jews. And how, Oh how can an enlightened soul, the Lord's remembrancer keep silence or give Him rest until He make Jerusalem a praise in the earth!

IN SPITE OF SICKNESS.

With all my heart I do thank God that He called me to preach the good tidings to His chosen people the Jews. He gave me a burning desire in my heart to watch over the ruined walls of Jerusalem. In spite of sickness, in spite of bodily pains which I have suffered for the last few months, and notwithstanding the fact that physicians have ascribed my weakness to overwork and have advised me to desist from mental labor, I have been enabled by the mercy of God to hold all the meetings in both missions, and the fact that many have been convinced through the preaching of His word gives me more and more assurance that it is His own blessed cause, and I cannot but pray, "Do good in thy good pleasure unto Zion!" I therefore cannot be persuaded to close upon them the door which the Lord Himself has opened. Oh, pray dear friends, that He who is strong will make His strength perfect in my weakness, that I may by His power continue untiringly the work of the Lord.

OH HOW CAN IT BE ?

Laboring as I do under hardships and difficulties, trying to do all I can, though single-handed, to bring some of my Jewish brethren to Christ, I often plead with God and ask within my broken heart, how can it be that so many with the Bible in their hands reject the Jews of whom God says, "Yea I have loved thee with an everlasting love." How can it be that people are indifferent towards the Jews since God says, "I am very sore displeased with the nations that

are at ease" (concerning Jerusalem)? How can it be that there are so many missions and so many workers among all different nationalities, and almost none to the Jews? How can it be that so many tracts have been published in hundreds of tongues and next to nothing in the Jewish language? But all these things have happened in order that prophecy might be fulfilled in your ears. "There is none to plead thy (the Jews) cause. I will restore health unto thee (the Jews) because they called thee an outcast, saying, 'This is Zion, whom no man seeketh after,'" Jer. xxx: 13-17. Dear friends, it is God's holy will that we plead the cause of His chosen people, both with God and with men. Though we may probably be a few so that it may almost be said, no man seeketh after Zion, yet let us not be discouraged, for this is but an illustration of our Lord's holy words, "for many be called, but few chosen." Matt. xx: 16.

THE PROGRESS OF THE WORK.

Only those who are engaged in Jewish mission work and know their mercurial nature could see the progress of the work of both these missions in Brownsville and in Williamsburg. The absolute quietness and the great attention are remarkable. Most of the audiences are regular attendants ever since the missions have commenced. Strangers come in very rarely, as there is no means to advertise the meetings. Thus, nearly all present have heard already the same old story of the cross over and over from the same lips hundreds of times, and yet they come and listen with greater interest than ever before. I am also thankful to God for His blessing on the work among the children. The Gospel is preached to them, and there is every reason to hope for a bright future. I am praying to God for means to give them a day's outing. (See last page).

NOT UNTIL SEPTEMBER.

As already agreed, I shall not publish THE CHOSEN PEOPLE until September. As many of our readers will soon resort for a much needed rest to the country, it would be useless to issue any number during this time of vacation. Dear reader, "The Lord bless thee and keep thee; the Lord make His face shine upon thee and be gracious unto thee; the Lord lift up His countenance upon thee and give thee peace." Please remember me when on your knees before the mercy-seat. Yours very truly, in His blessed service.

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Extracts From Letters.

Very often we receive letters of encouragement concerning THE CHOSEN PEOPLE. There is not room enough in our limited space to publish them all, so we quote a few sentences extracted from some of the letters which have been sent to us from time to time.

"I wish I had known of it before, as I like it very much."

"I am 72 years of age and have always been praying for the conversion of the Jews. Now I thank God He has answered my prayers. Your paper—THE CHOSEN PEOPLE—is very interesting."

Another writes as follows: "Do not fail to send the paper to my new address. I would miss it very much. It is of great importance to me."

Something You Can Do.

You can easily secure a subscriber for THE CHOSEN PEOPLE if you desire to aid this cause. We believe every reader has some friend, and if you only call their attention to our paper, it will no doubt recommend itself. It may seem a simple thing to you, dear reader, but it will be a great help to us. Won't you try?

Don't Lose the Opportunity.

God has sent so many Jews to America, and chiefly to New York and Brooklyn, in order that it may be convenient for Christians to preach the Gospel to them. Now there is a great stir among them concerning their settlement in Palestine. Several large mass meetings have been held for the Jews during this month to consider, as one speaker said, their beautiful home, Jerusalem, which is being rented by others, while the owners of it are lodging in very common lodgings. Dear Christians! before you will be aware, the Jews will be gone out of your midst. Do not lose the opportunity, and do all you can now, while they are here. Do your duty of love and give them the Gospel of our Saviour.

BROWNSVILLE JEWISH MISSION,

At 530 Rockaway Avenue.

Chief Meetings—Thursday and Saturdays,
3 to 5 P. M.

Greene Avenue Baptist Church.

Several of the sewing school teachers have come from the above church. They have fully realized the great importance of this work and have plead its cause with their sisters of the same church. The result was that the Woman's Home Mission Society, of the Greene Avenue Baptist Church, decided to send clothing to the poor Jews in their own city, instead of outside, as they have heretofore done.

The articles sent us were highly appreciated and distributed. These dear ladies have aimed at God's own idea, "God shall bless us (the Jews) and all the ends of the earth shall fear Him. God shall cause His face to shine upon us (Jews) that Thy way may be known upon earth. Thy saving health among all nations," Ps. 67, 1-2-7. Oh that many may consider this truth, that it is through the conversion of the Jews that the nations will fear Him and know His saving health.

Edinburgh and Brooklyn.

There are about 2,000 Jews in Edinburgh, Scotland. The free church has commenced mission work among them and has engaged a devoted Hebrew-Christian for the purpose. Brooklyn has 100,000 Jews. How many missionaries has Brooklyn engaged to this larger number of Jews?

Something to Think About.

Some time ago, when we preached to the Jews on the text "We are members of His body," a Jew, who believes in Christ, told us that he found himself to belong to the eyes of Christ, who wept over Jerusalem, Luke 19: 41, because he cannot help weeping over the destitution of his people.

What member of Christ's body do you belong. Do you belong to His eyes? O, then, weep over Jerusalem, and then you will gladly rejoice at the end, as it is written, "Rejoice for joy with her (Jerusalem), all ye that mourn for her", Is. 66: 10. Do you belong to His hands? Then why not reach out a loving hand to the poor Jews and bless them, as did your Master? Do you belong to His feet? O, then, why not walk to the crowd of Jews, as Jesus walked with His feet to Jewish Synagogues and the temple? Do you belong to His lips or tongue? O, then, why not tell the glad tidings to the Jews, as did the lips of our precious Saviour?

WILLIAMSBURGH JEWISH MISSION,

At No. 17 Ewen Street, cor. Varet.

Chief Services—Wednesday, Friday and
Saturday evenings, at 7:30 o'clock.

Incidents in the Work.

"Be sure your sin will find you out."

—Num. 32 : 23.

About two years ago, a pastor of a church in this city invited us to speak to his people. During our conversation, he told us of a very learned Jew in his neighborhood, and expressed a desire that we should call and have a conversation with him on the subject of religion.

We did as he requested, and upon entering his home, immediately commenced to talk to him about the Lord Jesus Christ. His wife, who was present, became very angry at what we said, and exclaimed, "I was once a Christian myself, but found out that Judaism is the best religion. And you, who was once a Jew, have given up the true religion and become a Christian. Now you have come here to try and convert myself and husband to the Christian religion." As she said this she commenced to get very much excited, until it became dangerous for us to remain any longer. As we left the house they stood in the window and hurled all sorts of names and curses upon us.

A SOFT ANSWER TURNETH AWAY WRATH.

As we came out of the little front gate to the street, we leaned over the gate and said, in a kindly manner, "We pity you very much. Remember Number 32-23, 'Be sure your sin will find you out.' May God forgive you."

The following Saturday, the husband came to the hall on Rockaway avenue (quite a distance from his house) and stood on the sidewalk in front of the mission, urging the people not to come in. This he did for several Saturdays. As soon as the meeting was dismissed he would gather the people about him and urge them to stay away from our services. The first time he visited the mission we invited him to come in, and in reply to our kind invitation, he said, "I would rather the earth would open and swallow me into hell itself than enter that place where my people are misled."

After several weeks of this kind of persecution he went away, and we did not see him again until one Saturday a few weeks ago.

While standing on the platform, preaching Christ and Him crucified to our brethren, all of a sudden he entered the room with his son, a man of about 30 years of age.

A SURPRISE TO ALL PRESENT.

We remembered his face very well, and the fact of all the trouble he had caused us in past months, and anticipated some trouble before the close of the meeting, but in this

we were agreeably disappointed. He listened to the sermon, and when we opened the after meeting for inquirers, he immediately rose to his feet and said, "Will you allow me to ask some questions? You no doubt remember the words you quoted to me when you called at my house, 'Be sure your sin will find you out.' Well, this was not in vain, for it pierced my heart like a spear, and I borrowed from my neighbor a New Testament and commenced to study it, and here (raising his right hand and holding up a piece of paper) are the difficulties I have in trying to make the old and the New Testament harmonize. Now, please help me and answer me, if you can, the following questions, for I would like to know the truth, not only for myself, but others, for if I am convinced, I want to help all these Brownsville Jews to come to Jesus." He is highly esteemed by the Jews.

"AND I, IF I BE LIFTED UP, WILL DRAW ALL MEN UNTO ME."

Then he put many questions to us, which, by the help of God, we answered, and he seemed to be fully satisfied. We had not time to reply to all, as we had to prepare for the evening service in the Ewen Street Mission, so the remaining questions were left over for the following Saturday. He came in very late on that day, but on the third Saturday he put many more questions to us, which we answered to his satisfaction.

Let us all pray for this struggling soul, that the Lord may accomplish the good thing He has begun in him.

Our Visits.

About two weeks, previous to the passover feast the Jews commenced a through cleaning of everything in the home, this is done because they are afraid of breaking God's command as found in Ex. 13 : 7 "Unleavened bread shall be eaten seven days, and there shall no leavened bread be seen with thee, neither shall there be leaven seen with thee in all thy quarters." Tables, chairs, floors, and all utensils go through a strictly cleansing process, lest there be found a small crumb of leaven.

On such an occasion it is not a very pleasant thing to visit the homes, as every thing is upside down, but it becomes a real pleasure to visit a Jewish family during the days of the feast when everything is clean and all appear to be happy.

During these solemn holidays it is customary for the Jews to visit one with another, and we had so many invitations to call during the feast that there was enough to make

up for the couple of weeks in which they were so busy they could not be visited.

One family on whom we called were entertaining a number of guests and we were invited to join their party, although our time was limited, yet for the sake of trying to win souls for Christ we tarried with them.

A BLESSED OPPORTUNITY.

As a rule the Jews like to talk on the subject of religion, no matter whether they are eating, drinking or sitting, the subject of religion is their delight. Just as it is written in Deut. 6 : 7 "And thou shalt talk of them when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way and when thou liest down, and when thou risest up." So we anticipated a good time in testifying of the Lord Jesus to this little company, but it was better than we expected, for after they had listened to our talk for about fifteen minutes one of them a learned Jew interrupted us by saying: "If God loved us as much as you say, so that He gave his only Son the Messiah for us, why does he leave us in strange countries and refuse to keep his promises to us. Is this love that a father shall let strangers rob, spoil and kill his children?" He said more than I can give and so pathetic were his remarks that we were moved to tears. Then we took up some passages of scripture and in a kind and practicable way showed that it was their own fault and that God was not to blame for their sufferings.

HIDE AND SEEK.

Some of the scripture we quoted to them was as follows: "Afterward shall the children of Israel return and seek the Lord their God and David their King," Hosea 3:5; and again "I will go and return to my place till they acknowledge their offences and seek my face," Hosea 5:15.

From these and many other passages we proved to them that because of their sins which are not yet pardoned until they apply the blood of the lamb, God withdraws His presence from among them until they seek Him and their King David, meaning the Messiah Jesus the Son of David. We also said in a joking way, "God is playing *Hide and Seek with you*." Presently a little girl who had hid behind the door in order that her brother might seek her, burst out into tears and commenced to cry aloud, all of us turned to her, and when her mother asked her what the trouble was the little tot replied amid sobs and tears, "Joe and I were playing hide and seek and I hid here, and he has left me standing here so long and does not want to seek me." We then gayfully exclaimed: "Out of the mouth of babies

and suckling hast thou ordained strength." Ps. 8:2. Those present were greatly astonished and did not require to be told any more about the subject, for all saw plainly that God Himself approved of what was said through this very instructive incident which He had used to illustrate our theme. We only added a few words more urging them to realize the truth as quoted in Is. 63:10. "They vexed His Holy Spirit." God Himself is grieved and vexed when we refuse to seek him. They looked very sad, and it seemed to impress them very much. We hope and pray that the whole company which numbered ten persons, will soon come out fully for the Lord Jesus Christ.

Another Visit.

At one home where we had been invited to call, we went as requested, knocked at the door, but as there was no response to our repeated rapping we entered the room, and witnessed a sight that made our hearts exceedingly sad. The mother was in one corner of the room and the father in another, beating their heads against the wall and crying very bitterly. We asked them kindly what the trouble was, and they replied, "That two children had died within a short time," and then took us in a room and showed us lying very ill on a bed, their boy about 12 years of age, of whom the doctor had given up all hope, then we told them that we had a Physician, the Lord Jesus, and quoted to them Is. 53:4. Which is in the Hebrew, "Surely He hath borne our sicknesses." Now we continued, if you can trust Him we will pray God to be faithful to His word, and He will heal your son, and the mother began to cry, "O'tis too late, too late," but we persuaded them to be calm and quiet, and firmly believe in the Lord Jesus Christ, as the Redeemer of the soul, as well as the body. We then engaged in prayer by the bedside of the sick boy who was delirious, many tears were shed during the prayer and it seemed impossible for God not to answer our supplication. After the prayer we comforted them a little and left; next morning early, about 7 o'clock, the man came to our door and expressed his thanks, for his son was already better and his strength was rapidly coming back.

The Holy Trinity in a Jewish Ceremony.

Nearly the whole month in which the Passover feast occurs, the Jewish mind is occupied and firmly fixed on the holiday season. During the days and evenings, many strange religious rites are performed, such as never occur during any other time of the year. In vain might a speaker try

to call their attention to some other theme than that which is near and dear to their hearts. Now we tried to preach "Christ and Him Crucified" from that very subject, the Passover, which is so rich and full of meaning and references to Christ. After this subject was already exhausted, we showed them from one of their ceremonies that the words of our Lord Jesus Christ, viz: "I and my Father are one," were firmly believed by our Jewish ancestors, who introduced this ceremony, viz: On the first evening of the feast, they place three cakes of unleavened bread on the table, then they break the middle one in two halves, and one half is hidden between two pillows on the sofa beside the table. Now the whole ceremony is divided into four sections; at each section a cup of wine is taken for different religious reasons. When it comes to the third cup of wine, the broken part is taken out from between the pillows and a piece of it is given to each member of the family.

EXPLANATION.

The three cakes mean Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. The middle one, broken in two, means the Son, whose body was broken for the sins of the world. The hiding of it between the two pillows, means that Christ was put into the grave; the removing of it at the third cup indicates on the third day He arose.

This ceremony they perform year after year, and know not any satisfactory reason why they do it. Now, when we explained it in this way, nearly all of them were panic stricken. They looked at one another and shook their heads, as much as to say, truly, is it not wonderful.

At the close of the meeting, a Jew came forward and said: "I have never observed any ceremonies since my arrival in America, but I have always observed these Passover rites. I have often thought, what does this all mean, to break this middle cake, hide it, and take it out again at the third cup. I see how it is, just as you have explained, and I honestly believe that Jesus and His teachings are true, or our fathers would not have adopted a ceremony that so strongly sets forth the trinity, death, and resurrection of Christ, and by and by all these blind Jews will come to him.

After that, many others expressed their appreciation of this explanation of this ceremony and said it must have been introduced by our fathers, who believed in Jesus the Messiah.

One learned Jew said, "It is strange how we Jews are now so far from Jesus; whereas, the ceremony shows that our Jewish fathers have been near to Him."

Where is the Lamb.

On Thursday, the 15th of April, at our sewing school session, we gave notice that owing to the Feast of the Passover, which commenced on the evening of April 16th, and ended on the 24th, that there would be no service on the following Thursday. We talked to the children on the Passover. Now, it is customary among the Jews to have their children at the commencement of this ceremonial feast ask them questions. This they do in order to fulfil the Scriptures, as found in Ex. 12: 26, "And it shall come to pass when your children shall say unto you, 'What mean ye by this service?' that ye shall say, 'It is the sacrifice of the Lord's Passover.'" So we asked the children to ask this question, "It is written: 'They shall take to them every man a lamb.' Now, where is the lamb?" Almost all the girls did as we requested on the first evening of the feast. Some of the parents were put out and angry, for, when they could not answer, the children had told them that at the Messiah rooms they were told that Jesus was the Lamb. Some of them, on this account, were forbidden to come to any more services at the mission. Others did not mind what their children had said, but made replies to the question, some of which are worthy of notice.

ABRAHAM BELIEVED IN JESUS.

One little girl, when asked if she had done as requested, replied, "I asked my step-father, 'Where is the Lamb?'"

"Well, what did he say," we queried.

"You are not Isaac," he replied (referring to Gen. 22: 7, "Behold the fire and the wood, but where is the lamb?") The child could not understand his answer well enough to explain, but when calling afterwards on the family, we learned that her brother, a young man who is convinced of the truth, while seated at the table had replied, "It is true that she (the girl) is not Isaac, but it is also true that neither are you Abraham, for he believed in the Lamb of God, which is Jesus, our Messiah, for Abraham answered and said, 'God will provide Himself a lamb.'" A long conversation ensued, and the great ceremony of the evening turned into the preaching of the cross on the side of the young man, who preached to them that Jesus is their true Messiah.

In the Name of all the Rabbis.

Circulars have been distributed in the vicinity of Brownsville and Ewen Street missions, to the effect: "That in the name of all the Synagogues and in the name of all

the Rabbis, that any Jew entering the missions was under the penalty of excommunication." This proclamation has not seriously affected the attendance at our various services, a slight change however has been noticed. A company of men who had been attending one of our services, met the Rabbi of a Synagogue a short distance from us. Upon seeing them the Rabbi said, "Do you know you are under excommunication; how can you enter that cursed room."

They replied, "Why Rabbi that room is not cursed, because in there you hear nothing but God's word explained, why don't you go in and hear for yourself." At this remark he grew very angry, and began to blame them still more. Then they told him that Mr. Cohn was willing to have a debate with him. You convince him they said from the word of God, that you are right (for he is open for conviction and will accept any truth from the word of God), that is what he tells us. But Rabbi, if he convinces you from the same standpoint that you are in the wrong, then you must accept the truth.

Replying to this the Rabbi said, "I will have nothing to do with a man who forsakes the religion of his fathers and puts our whole nation to shame, I don't want to look into his face."

Then the spokesman for the party said, "Well Rabbi I hardly think that is the reason why you refuse to go in, we have heard nothing bad from that preacher, he always talks from God's word, and that is something you do not always do, besides he always shows a spirit of kindness, no matter what the Jews say or do, and never gets angry. I like to see such a man as that. But I see you are afraid to have a debate with him, because you think he knows the Bible better than you, excuse me Rabbi for speaking so, but it reminds me of the old adage, "He that has butter on his head must not go in the sun." The company applauded their spokesman as the Rabbi left them very angry.

Now we are Ready.

The Lord has enabled us to speak to our Jewish brethren on the subject of the passover, among those who attended the meetings and seemed to be deeply impressed, was a Jewish gentleman and his little girl, they have been very regular in attending the Friday and Saturday evening services, during the sermon on the passover several evenings ago they listened very attentively. The following day they called at our room, and said:

"Now we are ready to be baptized and follow the Lord Jesus our Messiah. We have been to most all the services in this hall in Ewen Street since you opened the mission, and have learned little by little more of the truth." But said the father, "I never was so impressed as I was last evening. Just to think our Messiah gave up the Ghost exactly at the time that the passover lamb was to be killed, as you pointed out in your sermon. He was imprisoned, examined and pronounced by Pilate faultless, exactly like the Passover Lamb that had to be examined by the Priest and pronounced faultless without blemish."

She would give Jesus her Bed.

While walking through the streets of Brownsville we met two little girls, one of them is well-known to us as she often comes to our meetings, before reaching them we noticed that they were engaged in a very earnest conversation which seemed to be of importance to both of them. We asked the one we are acquainted with who her friend was and if she ever came to our meeting, and she replied, "No sir, she never was there and I have been talking to her just now about it, but she does not want to go because you talk about Jesus." Well, we replied, "But you like to go to the mission, do you not?" "Oh, yes, she answered, for I love Jesus." "And what are you doing for Jesus," I asked her. "Well" said she, "I have been talking to my friend here about Him, and would do most anything for Him, yes, I would even give my little bed for Jesus." "Well dear," we replied, "that is very nice and kind of you, but Jesus does not want your little bed, for He is in Heaven at the right hand of God His Father. He only desires your little heart." "But you once told us that Jesus was very poor, so that He had not where to lay His head, and I thought it might please Him to give Him my bed."

Wife and Money as a Hinderance.

A Jewish brother, who attends our services, and who has expressed his love for Jesus, his Messiah, came forward with a number of others at the close of one of our meetings to shake us by the hand. Mrs. Cohn said to him, as she took his hand, "Why don't you come out freely for the Lord Jesus? You have said you love Him. I myself was thinking for about two years before I accepted Him, and I remember how very hard it was for me to take that

stand, but now I regret I did not embrace the truth sooner."

Then he replied, "I love the Lord Jesus, but I am so situated that if I publicly confessed Him, I would lose a fortune of \$60,000, besides my wife, who has told me if I become a Christian she will commit suicide. I think this needs a great deal of consideration."

Let us pray for this brother that he may rather consider the Lily of the Valley, and also the Word of the Lord, where it says, "Every one that hath forsaken wife or children for my name's sake," etc.

Our Sewing School.

A friend who noticed the earnest and faithful teachers in our Sewing School, asked with some surprise, "Who are these ladies." We do not know, was the reply. "But from what church do they come?" Do not know we again replied. "But how did you get them," she queried, "and who sent them." Our answer was, "That God had sent in answer to prayer, and that they are working for Him."

We have eight regular teachers whom the Jewish girls have learned to love very dearly, some of them have been led of God to visit the homes of their scholars and see the parents. We believe this is a beginning of God's answer to our humble prayers for the Jewesses.

The following is a letter from one of the dear Christian lady teachers.

BROOKLYN, May 7th, 1896.

MR. COHN:

Dear Brother In Christ—Having a desire to become acquainted with the parents of my scholars and perhaps lead them to the Saviour, I went after school to their homes. O what a sad sight met my eyes when I entered the first home, a mother in tears over a sick daughter of 14 years, a sweet pretty girl who was very soon to go to a hospital, to follow the other daughter who had been carried there only four days before. The father out of work, no doctor for this girl so sick, and having six more children below 11 years of age.

I left a little comfort for the sick and went home and plead with God to raise up a friend for me; that night a lady said to me, "I will go with you." We both took clothes and means, and oh what gratitude they felt, the mother and children kissing my hand, and the father expressing his thanks.

Again we called, this time a dear little boy,

5 or 6 years soon also to be taken to the hospital, and before we left told us of a family of nine up-stairs, who were suffering for want of food. Heart sick we returned to the mission followed by the father who came to seek our missionary, and expressed to us that he believed in our Christ.

Oh, I thought if the mothers and big sisters could be gathered to learn of Jesus, they know not our Saviour and have no friend or comforter, as we Christians have. Oh pray that the women of Israel may have the Gospel preached to them as well as the men. Oh, that some effort might be made to bring those sad ones into a mother's meeting, to tell them of our Jesus who saves. Let us obey the command to "Speak comfortably unto my people, saith the Lord."

Your fellow worker,
H. E. Hubbard.

An Interesting Study.

BY GEO. C. SALTER.

The intense interest manifested by all the Jews who attend our services, both in Ewen street and Brownsville, is something both pleasing, as well as very remarkable. Why do they come, why this intense interest? Many of the same faces are in the missions to-day that were there when I entered this work several months ago. Surely, this does not look as if they came out of mere curiosity, because that would have been satisfied long ago. So positively have they been convinced of the fact that Jesus Christ is their true Messiah, that in our meeting for inquirers, held after the preaching service in Brownsville on Saturdays, they seldom ask any more questions.

Occasionally, however, some one will come in for the purpose of asking questions. As a rule, the Jews have a great zeal of God, which to me, as a Christian, is both surprising and amusing. One afternoon, in a question meeting, I sat back of a gentleman who came in to ask questions. He was a study in himself—his bright eyes, beard, and intellectual forehead showed him to be a man of more than ordinary ability. He tried to sit still in his seat, but it seemed as if he could not do so. Every word which came from the mouth of the preacher seemed to strike him like a two-edged sword.

Have you ever noticed the panther in Central Park as it moves in that restless manner up and down its cage, then, crouching in an attitude ready (as it were) to spring suddenly upon its victim? If so, then you have a slight representation of our Jewish

brother's actions at his first visit as a listener to the Gospel at our mission, as he waited with a long list of written questions to ask the speaker. When the meeting for inquirers was opened, he sprang to his feet and commenced to ask questions. As the answers came back from God's own word, the effect was both wonderful as well as amusing. Little by little he found himself unable to cope with God's word, and became very much confused and excited, but before the close of the meeting he was one of the most humble men in the room.

In my several months' experience in this work, I have invariably found that those who became the most excited while asking questions, and the persons we feared the most trouble from, are the ones who seem to be the quickest to be convinced of the truth as is in Christ Jesus, our Lord. It is a glorious work and one that ought to be very dear to the hearts of all God's children.

Needed—A Day's Outing.

The intense suffering among the one hundred thousand Jews in this city during the past winter, has been intense. Several have died of hunger.

At the present time there is a great deal of sickness among their children, and as the warm weather is approaching with its intense heat, doubtless that will help add to the suffering which already exists. A great many of these poor families are huddled together in two or three rooms, in which they work, eat, cook and sleep, their children many of whom come to our sewing school and services, seldom hear or see anything different from the daily varieties of home life, most of their time while out of school is devoted to taking care of the younger members of the family while the older ones toil and slave for an everyday existence. To such children our Sewing School and other services, are a joy and delight. Many of them have never been more than a few blocks from their homes, they have never seen the great ocean, the Salem, or green fields, day after day life is the same old drudgery, nothing here to attract their little minds. Realizing as we do how much good a days outing at the sea side or country would do these children, we have written this article with a prayer to God that some hearts may be impressed to provide the means necessary to give these little ones a days pleasure during the summer. One lady in rare moderate circumstances, heads the list with a dollar. We trust others will follow her good example. This is a good chance to not only make yourselves very happy, but also to make one hundred little hearts very joyful.

Calvary Baptist Church.

The little children in the Primary Department of the above Church Bible School, cor. of Sumner Avenue and Decatur Street, Brooklyn, have collected \$11.05 and have given it to us for the spread of the Gospel among the Jews. Miss Alice N. Hill, the teacher of the department, writes: "The girls and boys have saved or earned this money, and they are glad to give it for Jesus' sake. We have asked God to bless it and we know He will."

We thank these dear children and the teachers for their noble deed, which is an outcome of great loyalty to Christ, to whom be all honor and glory.

The Needs of the Two Missions.

We need another BUILDING for the BROWNSVILLE MISSION WORK. The present room is too small and not suitable.

TRACTS AND HEBREW BIBLES.

There are but few tracts in the Jargon or Hebrew. We intend to write some profitable tracts in these languages of the Jews, as we did already a little last summer. Who will pay the printer? There are many poor families desiring to study the old Testament in the Hebrew, in order to find out the true Messiah Jesus, but are not able to buy one. Who will furnish them with the word of God?

PIANO OR ORGAN.

We need very much an organ or piano for our Brownsville Mission; the present one is worn out and unfit for service. As the children love music, this gift would be highly appreciated by all.

RENT.

Thirty dollars is required each month to pay the rent of 17 Ewen Street, about that much is needed to meet the other expenses.

TEXTS ON THE WALLS.

The Jews are quick to observe any thing that may appear on the walls of the mission room. They will stand for a long time, reading a Scripture text very carefully. We believe that the old messianic prophecies, painted in large letters and placed upon the walls, would do much to advance the cause of Jesus Christ. We would be glad to place some in our large windows. They would be good preachers all the day long. Would you like to furnish that silent preacher?

EMPLOYMENT.

We wish some philanthropic and enterprising gentleman or company could be induced to start an industrial plant and give employment to those who are thrown out of work by reason of their belief in the Lord Jesus Christ.