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Devoted to Israel.

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

Salutation.

"We go to salute the children of the King,"
II. KINGS, 10:18.

Dearly Beloved Christian Friends:

In saluting you as the children of the King, I wish that you may realize that Christ is not only your Saviour but your King who demands absolute surrender to Him and perfect obedience, for He is "Lord of Lords" in character, "King of Kings" in dignity, "God" in infinite grace, and "Over all" in superior knowledge. Oh, the blessed thought that this great King dwells within our bodies which are His residential property. Thus the soul will prosper and the body will be in good health as well, for the King's house must be in good sanitary condition.

PROGRESSING QUIETLY.

I am glad to tell you dear friends, that His work has been progressing quietly during the last month. A number of Jewish Souls have been brought into reconciliation with their God and Father. One of the rarest things I have experienced happened at the latest meeting on a Saturday evening in the conversion of a young Jew, a worldly young man who came into the meeting for the first time and found a message there for him. I would not have known it but a young Christian lady who came to help, spoke to him and he told her about it. Truly He has a "sharp sword," Rev. 19:15, which penetrates the hearts of men by His Word which becomes fire in the mouth of him whom He sends, Jer. 5:14. I have again and again been convinced that the more the Gospel is being preached to the Jews, the more effect it has among them. But it must be Christ's Gospel and not men's, it must be preached in Christ's way and not in men's ways, and the preacher must be sent of God and not of men. For centuries many have attempted to reach the Jew but somehow have not succeeded. Considering this fact the wonder grows greater that the dear Christian friends do not rally around such a work, which is plainly pointed out by the finger of God, and meet its urgent needs.

GOD'S PRESENT MESSAGE.

The continuous blessings that God has bestowed upon this work for the last six years in a still and quiet way are a sure message from God that it is His will to remember this

work. Why not then heed God's present revelation? Shall we believe past prophecy only because it has been proven by the events of time? Shall we believe future prophecy with which we are pleased and shall we leave out present prophecy?

A MATTER OF IMPORTANCE.

I wish to lay before the friends of Israel a thought which I believe the Lord has put into my heart for the advancement of the Gospel among the Jewesses. I have been praying and as you remember, have asked you to pray as well, for a woman worker among the women, whom I cannot visit myself, as Jewish traditions count it an act of impropriety. Even after six years of waiting I am not discouraged by the fact that she has not been sent. But now, there is a prospect of obtaining a trained missionary nurse who by her usefulness and knowledge of medicine combined with the Spirit of Christ would win the confidence of those among whom there is constant sickness. The Jews believe it right to have large families, because it is God's law, and knowing that the promised Messiah is to be born of a woman are hoping that the great favor may come to them.

This is the cause of much of the sickness and the great benefit one who could care for body as well as soul would be, is beyond estimation, for the poor Jewesses have never seen any token of love as yet from the Christians. The salary of such an one would be, not less than ten dollars a week or five hundred dollars a year.

I have laid this opportunity before the Lord and wait His answer.

ANOTHER NEED.

As you will notice from these columns a young Jew, highly educated in Hebrew, has among many others during the last few months, accepted the Lord Jesus Christ and has been baptized. I was anxious to have him take this latter step, hoping that the Lord would use him and his knowledge among his brethren. He needs to be at least a year or two in some school among Christian people to be trained in Christian ways and thinking, as every Jew is very ignorant in this respect. Will you dear friends pray that this need may be met.

Yours in That Blessed Hope,

LEOPOLD COHN.

THE CHOSEN PEOPLE.

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COMMUNICATIONS.

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Extracts from Letters.

"This first day of the year I want to send a little gift to Israel—but want always to have an interest in our Lord's brethren in the flesh. Oh, how I would like to see people awake to their duty in this respect." S. B.

ANOTHER WRITES.

"I like to begin the year with the gift 'To the Jew first.' May the Lord work in a mighty way in your midst this coming year." A. R. L.

Imitators of God.

It is very encouraging to receive such letters as the above. The Scriptural truth, "To the Jew first," begins to take root in the hearts of the children of God. There are many who give the first offering of the New Year to aid the evangelization of the Jews. But they do not stop with the beginning of the year for they often repeat the gift till its close.

Their thought of the Jews is much the same as that of God's for Palestine, "The eyes of the Lord thy God are always upon it (the land), from the beginning of the year even unto the end of the year." Deu. 11:12. It is quite natural for a child to acquire some habits of the father and in keeping with this thought Paul says to us, "Be ye imitators of God." Eph. 5:1. R. V.

Announcement.

Mr. Cohn is at liberty on Sundays, and will speak wherever invited on the following subjects:

- Jewish Mission Work, past and present.
- The Passover. Jewish Customs.
- The Tabernacle.
- The Second Coming of Our Lord.
- The Day of Atonement.
- The Account of his own Conversion.
- The names of God and other subjects.

A Very Welcome Visitor.

As the readers will see from the article written by the Rev. John Donaldson on Page 6, this dear pastor was so kind as to come out three times and preach to my audiences. He was a very welcome visitor because the Jews liked him very much. One old Jew said: "Until

now I have been half and half but now I fully believe on the Lord Jesus." Brother Donaldson knows the Word and has it in his heart, so is highly esteemed, not only by his own church which he has been feeding on the truth for a long time, but also by my Jewish audiences who have heard him on a few occasions only.

Reaching Out.

In some way this work of the Lord is reaching out to other cities. Quite a number of Jews from Newark, Jersey City and other places have asked me for tracts and Hebrew Bibles, which they have since received. Two weeks ago the following letter came to me:

Lynn, Mass., Jan. 14, 1901.

Dear Sir:

I am a Jewish young man interested very much in the Christian faith. I would like to learn the life of Christ and the prophet's words about Jesus, the Messiah, but am not able to buy the Bible written in English and Hebrew. Will you kindly send me this particular book. I am recommended to you from Rev. Mr. Cooper of First Baptist Church.

Truly yours,

I. S.

Brownsville Mission.

Chief meetings at 331 Rockaway Ave., near Liberty Ave., Brownsville, Thursday at 3.30 p. m., and Saturday, at 2.30 p. m.

Williamsburg Mission.

Chief meetings at 13 (formerly Ewen St.) Manhattan Ave., Williamsburg, Friday and Saturday evenings, at 8 o'clock.

The meeting for inquirers, Wednesday evening.

Sunday School, Sunday afternoon at 3.30 o'clock.

From a Friend of Israel.

Dear Brother Cohn:

Your name is one of a number whom I hold up before the Lord every morning for the filling of the Holy Spirit. * * * *

A Jew who lives next door to me, has just married and brought home his wife. He has urged me to call upon them. Please pray that my visit may be to God's glory. I have prayed often that the Lord would open a work among Jews here and the thought has come to me that He may wish to use me in this line. * * I feel the day has come when we are to turn from the Gentiles to the Jews. The Jews once rejected the truth and so were neglected. Now that the Gentiles are doing the same thing, we turn again to the Jews. * * * * *

May the Lord bless you more each day in the work.

Mrs. S. L.

Incidents in the Work.

A Lost Sheep Found.

A few weeks ago another Jew was brought to accept the Lord Jesus Christ as his Saviour. When a Jew becomes converted he usually is filled with ecstatic joy over his salvation and is much with the Missionary, talking of his new found happiness on every occasion. This man was no exception and told me one day, while conversing, the story of his life, as follows:

Some years ago he came over from Europe, a very strict, orthodox Jew. For a time he continued attending services at a synagogue and tried to live the life of his old religion in every respect. But finally a turning point came when on one occasion he was refused admission to the synagogue.

KADDISH.

It is a very old custom among the Jews, orthodox or reformed, that sons, in case of their parents' death shall publicly repeat a short prayer, called *Kaddish* for a year, and thereafter on each anniversary of the death. This must be done in the synagogue in the presence of a quorum, which consists of not less than ten males. According to an old legend, this prayer is supposed to relieve the parents' suffering in the other world.

The Jews in America have made it a by-law of their synagogues that those repeating a *Kaddish* shall be charged a dollar fee.

When this Jew came to the synagogue and announced that it was his father's anniversary, they asked for his fee. As he had never heard of such a thing in Europe, he refused to pay and went to another synagogue. To his great surprise he was taken advantage of in the other synagogue also and then tried a third, with the same result. Finally he was told that he wouldn't find a place of worship in this country without that by-law. This caused the man to desert his former religion. He did not repeat the *Kaddish* on that day, and "no more religion" became his motto, for he realized that in this faith there was only money, money and no truth. But still he wanted to belong to some organization for the Jew has an idea that "it is not good for a man to be alone."

JOINED THE ANARCHISTS.

He therefore joined the Anarchists but soon found out that they had no truth either; so he joined the Socialists and still found no peace. At that time he had never heard anything about Christ and knew nothing of real Christianity. In Europe he had looked upon Christian people as upon the nations of whom God warned the Jews through Moses that they should not learn their ways lest they should be misled and worship their idols. But now as he was inquiring and looking for some people to join, he was told of the mission, so he came

in once and listened to a sermon. It was the 55th of Isaiah that the Lord led me on that evening to expound. "Ho? every one that thirsteth," appealed to his heart and he thought he would come again. He continued coming for a long time as he did not wish to make another mistake by joining an organization in haste. Now he says that he is fully convinced that there is no other truth but in the Lord Jesus Christ and in his teachings. I have given him special instructions in my private rooms for several weeks and have showed him his duty of being baptized.



Another Rabbi Converted.

Some time ago the friends were informed through these columns, of the conversion of a Jewish Rabbi who attended our meetings and who consequently abandoned officiating as a Rabbi and chose rather to earn a livelihood by being a street car conductor. Now I am glad to report the conversion of another Rabbi in the Williamsburg Mission field.

About a year ago this Rabbi came into the Wednesday evening question meeting for the first time. It seemed from his proud and jesting manner that he was not at all sincere. He displayed arguments but I treated him kindly, listened to him with patience and tried to answer his questions. On another Wednesday evening he came again and repeated the same queries. He did this a number of times and when I saw that the man was not making any progress but clung to his own ideas and refused to receive any light, expressing himself in a disrespectful way of the Lord Jesus Christ, I politely asked him to leave the room.

HE BECAME INDIGNANT.

Of course in the presence of so many Jews who regard a rabbi as much superior to any other Jew, he was humiliated and became very indignant, and left the room murmuring some words of revenge. I supposed that he would never come near me again, but a few months ago I was surprised to see him at one of the preaching services, sitting in a humble position and listening attentively. I tried to speak to him at the close of the meeting but he left before I could reach him. He came again and again without attempting to disturb the meeting. Finally a few weeks ago he showed his true colors and humbly confessed that he believed in the Lord Jesus Christ as his Saviour, making no mention of the evening when his rabbinical dignity was injured.

ASKED A PRIVATE MEETING.

As I left the mission room with the Rev. Mr. Donaldson, who had preached that night, the rabbi accosted me and asked me to appoint a time when he might speak privately with me. I asked if he again wanted to argue those questions of a year ago, but he

said that he had been lately convinced by listening to the preaching, that the Lord Jesus Christ is the Saviour of the World. The appointment was made and when we met he told me all about his experience. The *Word* had fallen upon his ears as he listened to my answers to his questions. Although he stopped coming to the meetings it was because he was afraid that he wouldn't be admitted. Still the thought continued to follow him that he must know the truth, and wherever he went and whatever he did, he said in his own words, "your picture was in my eyes, standing on the platform answering my questions with an appealing spirit that I felt was drawing me to Christ." So he decided he must go again. He received a New Testament and some tracts from the janitor and became fully acquainted with the plan of salvation. Then I showed him from the *Word* that he must confess Christ publicly. This seemed so hard and so great a sacrifice that he has not yet decided to take the step. I have not seen him since and cannot tell what he will do.

Will the friends of Israel hold up this rabbi in prayer before God that he may be led to give up his synagogue and confess Christ before men.

Immediate Results.

One Friday evening I addressed my audience on the subject of Jonah and the whale, referring to the sign that the Jews required of the Lord Jesus who told them that the sign of Jonah should be given them. These words of the Lord Jesus were exactly fulfilled for it is a well established fact that He died and was buried for three days just as Jonah was in the whale for three days. At the close of my sermon I asked if there was anyone who had been led on that evening to see the truth and accept the Lord Jesus Christ as the wonderful and blessed Redeemer.

It is very rare that a Jew rises or raises his hand to manifest his belief in Christ, because it is not their custom to do such things. But to my surprise one Jew rose and said that he was convinced and that he now believed in Jesus Christ. This immediate result is a very rare experience in Jewish mission work.

After I closed the meeting and went down the aisle to shake hands with the many who are waiting for it, a young man told me that he too was fully convinced, on that evening, of the truth. When I asked why he did not rise like the other man, he said he wanted to but felt a great lack of courage.

A Remarkable Boy.

A boy about fourteen years of age has been attending the meetings for a long time, often against the wish of his parents, and now is

filled with great love for the Lord Jesus Christ.

He came to me the other day asking for advice. He said that he felt it was his duty to love his father and mother and yet on the other hand he has read much in the New Testament given him at the Mission, which draws out his love to Christ. His father and mother will not allow him to speak about Jesus, to read the New Testament or to follow its commandments. "What shall I do," said he, "to whom shall I give the supremacy?" "Well," I told him, "haven't you read that the Lord Jesus says, 'He that does not forsake father or mother for my sake is not worthy of me.'" To this he said, "That's what I want to ask you, what does that mean? surely he doesn't mean to say that I should give up my father and mother forever." I tried to explain to him by showing how Abraham our father did, but to this he said that Abraham had a plain call from God and if God would speak to him in that way, he too would listen. Then I told him that God would speak to him through the Holy Spirit if he would only pray earnestly for guidance. "Will I hear a voice," he asked with open eyes. It was an inspiration to look at his innocent and sincere face as he asked this question. I then told him how God is speaking through the Holy Spirit to his children. I told him from my own experience that when I was convinced from a Scriptural point of view that Jesus was the promised Messiah, still I could not love that name. So I prayed that I might either love the name or forget the knowledge I had received about the Messiah. Suddenly I felt as if a new heart and a new mind had been put within me and I loved the name Jesus above all others in the world.

The boy was much impressed with this and he said he would pray for the instruction of the Holy Spirit. I saw him a short time after and he told me that he had prayed and now felt a little differently. He is trying to persuade his father to believe in Jesus and brings *him* to the meetings whenever he comes.

A Learned Young Jew Baptized.

A highly educated (in Hebrew literature) young man has attended our Saturday afternoon meetings at the Brownsville Mission a number of times. According to our custom I nearly always allow the audience to ask questions when I have finished preaching. The first time that this young man came to a service he argued with great zeal, trying very hard to prove that the religion of Christ is against that which God gave us on Mt. Sinai. The next week he came again but I could see a slight change in his attitude toward Christ. He continued coming for some time and finally was converted. He was well versed in the Scriptures, knowing the Prophets as well as

the Pentateuch, which is rare as few learned Jews study the Prophets.

He came to see me privately and I gave him instructions concerning baptism, the Lord's Supper, etc. The one thing he could not accept was baptism, because he said that he had an old honorable father who would die of grief and sorrow if he heard of his son's baptism. We prayed together a number of times for I saw the young man desired to be baptized and the only thing in the way was the love and respect for his venerable father. The Lord answered our prayers in giving this young man courage for the event. He was baptized on the twenty-seventh of January in the Marcy Ave. Baptist Church by the Rev. Dr. Rhodes. He was so earnest and sincere that I have learned he fasted the entire day of his baptism.

Social Gathering of Christian Jews.

Following our usual yearly custom, the converted Jews of our Mission were gathered by themselves for a social evening on Wednesday, January sixteenth. Tickets of admission were issued with coupon attached, to be filled out by the convert and returned. Before signing his name each person was plainly told that the meeting was for Jews who believed on the Lord Jesus Christ, and it was printed on the tickets that the gathering was for believers only. Those who were sure of their faith were then asked to sign their names.

SOME REFUSED TO SIGN.

There were a number of Jews who refused to sign their names. Some said plainly that they could not declare themselves real believers in the Lord Jesus Christ though they were earnest inquirers after the truth and were in sympathy with the preaching. Others again admitted that they were fully convinced of the truth as it is in Jesus, and believed in Him, yet would not sign their names to the coupon. Prejudice, superstition and ignorance concerning Christianity are so current among the Jews, who for centuries have been suffering barbaric persecutions, that they are still afraid to commit themselves by signature to a Christian missionary. So firmly did their ancestors living in Spain, who were branded with the sign of the cross on their arm, inculcate this in their children's minds that it has proved indelible. They know nothing of the difference between Catholics, who have always treated them cruelly, and Protestants who love them. Hence they say: "If you give your signature to the missionary he will deliver it to the secret society of the Christians, then they will surely have power over you (by some black art), to do with you whatever they like, even to kill you by sticking a pin into your signature, and how much easier to brand a cross on your arm."

A DEFINITE PROFESSION.

With these and many other phantasms the Jews have been and still are frightened and held back from Christian influence. From these statements the readers will see, in view of the explicit announcement that the meeting was distinctively for believers in the Lord Jesus Christ, that the act of signing their names became a most definite profession of their faith in Christ.

For the last three years we have gathered the converts socially for many reasons. Some of these are, that the believers may be trained in Christian habits, such as confessing Christ to others, giving a testimony in a meeting, and that they may be encouraged by seeing other believers in Christ. Such an occasion also gives us an idea of the number of converts with the thought in mind that some day a Church might be organized.

MORE THAN BEFORE.

Two years ago when we gathered the converts for the first time there were seventy-five including a few children. A year ago there were sixty adults and twenty children. Most of the converts of last year were new, for only fifteen were present of those who were on the former occasion. The great persecution of the converts compels them to be constantly on the move; first from one street to another and then to another city, where their Jewish brethren do not know of their faith in Christ and sympathy with missionaries.

This year, 1901, there were ninety-four present, four of these being Jewesses and ten children who accompanied their fathers. This social gathering therefore was larger than the previous ones, and besides the Jews, twenty Christian friends were present.

THE EXERCISES.

The gathering was again entertained by the kind young people of the C. E. Society of the Lewis Avenue Cong. Church. Their president Mr. George A. Day, opened the service with a prayer, a few hymns were sung, and a brief address by the Superintendent was given. Then followed two duets on the mandolin, two violin solos and some songs. Ice cream, cake and coffee were served as refreshments.

It was a beautiful sight when, as we sang the hymn, "Stand up, stand up for Jesus," at my first indication they all rose at once, like an army. This, the converts would not do in a meeting where unconverted Jews were present.

CONVERSATIONS.

It was very interesting and also very touching to see the converts talking with one another at the close of the meeting when a number of them left while the rest stayed until about eleven o'clock. There was gladness in every heart that they could freely speak with one another about their new found Saviour;

for there was no other talk among them during that hour. Everyone had something to tell about his new life in the Lord Jesus Christ. There was present the Jewish rabbi, of whose conversion I wrote in *THE CHOSEN PEOPLE* last Spring, who became a street car conductor after his conversion in preference to the acceptance of a call to a synagogue. As the Jews have always great respect for their rabbis and wise men they surrounded this rabbi and talked to him like little children to their father. They asked him numberless questions until he had to call me to his assistance. The questions were such as "Do you say your usual prayers since converted and do you think we ought to do so?" "Do you eat kosher and shall we do so?" "Ought we to wear phylacteries?" "Ought we to keep holidays as Yom Kippur, Rosh Hashona, etc.?"

These and many more like questions were discussed and then each one went home glad and happy.

Rev. Mr. Donaldson writes:

To the readers of The Chosen People:

A common saying expresses it, "Seeing is believing." Well, those of us who only *read* of the work of Mr. Leopold Cohn among his Jewish brethren, should visit his missions and *see* for themselves. I have *seen* things, and with his consent will mention some of them. It has been my happy privilege three times to be present and address the gatherings at Mr. Cohn's Mission on Manhattan Ave., a few doors from Broadway, Brooklyn. The last time was on a Saturday evening of this month.

There was an audience of about sixty Jews. My topic was the "Messiahship of Jesus Christ." I will not undertake to reproduce my argument, only to say that the Messiah, must be of David's line, born in Bethlehem, of a virgin. At first a babe, yet the Mighty God, came as the light of the Most High to a people in darkness; as a Lamb of God to be a sacrifice for a people in sin: and finally that he not only fulfilled every prophecy regarding the Kingship, but also has superseded the Levitical priesthood, having been constituted a perpetual priest after the order of Melchizedek. See Psalm 110.

No one who has not *seen* the Jews in these missions, when these topics are discussed in reverence and love, can form any idea of the interest and warmth displayed by this people. Of course I labored under a great disadvantage in addressing my audience as few of them are thoroughly familiar with the English tongue, but even with this difficulty between the speaker and many of the listeners, not a single word seemed to be lost. The people seemed hungry for truth, I felt it in every bone, muscle and tissue. Their eager eyes seemed to be drawing upon my very soul for truth, and when

we reached the decision that Jesus met the requirements of this prophecy then an air of satisfaction, wonderful to witness, seemed to settle upon their countenances. Bro. Cohn followed my address explaining some of my points in German and Yiddish. There was not a "sleepy head" in the house. Every one was at "attention," and it was more than remarkable to observe how these "Jews" are interested in the story of Jesus.

At the close of the meeting the heartiest kind of welcome was given me. The "converts" took my hands in theirs and gave them generous shakes and thanked God for the message. Visiting Jews came forward and expressed their gratitude, stating in some cases that the whole subject had been placed in a new light to them. Some asked questions. One stated he liked what was said that night better than what he had heard in the synagogue during the day. We have all possibly been under the impression that "Jews" are disqualified somehow from believing the Gospel, but a visit to this mission I am sure will help to, if not altogether dispel such an erroneous notion. My advice is, visit Mr. Cohn's Mission on Manhattan Ave., near Broadway, Brooklyn, on some Saturday or Friday evening at 8 o'clock. All who can do so, to them I promise a rare treat, if they are interested in Israel's sons and daughters.

Don't let anyone say preaching the Gospel to the Jews is labor spent in vain. I have faith in this missionary work and the profoundest faith in Rev. Leopold Cohn the missionary.

Very sincerely yours,

JOHN DONALDSON,

Pastor of the Union Course Baptist Church.

Jewish Notes.

CURIOSITY WITHOUT CHRIST.

Last month, the daily papers told a story of a little boy, born a Jew, who lived on the Continent. One day he hung himself in the yard, and a paper was found on which he had written something like this:—"I so much wanted to know what the other world was like, that I could not wait any longer, so I have gone to see." Is it not sad to think that we who know and could have told him of the heaven beyond, should not have reached him in time? Shall we not try as quickly as possible to send the message of the gospel to all Jews, that no other may be tempted to "go and see" in this terrible way?—*The Young Friend of Israel.*

The gratifying news has reached this country that at Basle, Switzerland, one of the most active members of the Jewish community, Prosper Wolf, has been elected judge. The victory of Mr. Wolf was a very decisive one, he having received a majority of 3,300 votes over

his opponent. In Switzerland the judges are elected by popular vote, and the election of Mr. Wolf to the honorable position is, therefore, the more gratifying.—*The Brooklyn Daily Eagle.*

The anti-semitic spirit which is in the world is bound to rise higher and higher, and become more intensely bitter and more persecuting until the nations of the earth shall combine and say, "Let us make an end of it." In one of the Psalms, we are told that there will be a revival of old nations.

I am looking, as I have been looking for some forty years, for the restoration of Babylon as Satan's headquarters upon the earth, out of which will issue all the plans which were thwarted in the days of Nimrod, and then it will be said by these revived nations, "We must get rid of Israel, because they testify to the faithfulness of God." If you want to sleep the sleep of the blest when you go to your beds at night, lay your head upon the pillow of

God's faithfulness to Israel, and there you will see as in a mirror, what is God's faithfulness to yourselves.

Another thing I have been thinking lately is that Israel is the hammer. There is a great controversy between God and the world. The world has rejected God; the world has rejected Jesus Christ as the Son of God, and God has a controversy with the nations, and Israel will be, before what we call the last day of judgment, the hammer by which God is going to break the nations in pieces.

Look at that remarkable passage in the 51st chapter of the Prophet Jeremiah: "With thee will I break in pieces man and woman * * * young and old," the whole earth shall be broken. It is going to be so with "all the nations;" the nations are to be aggregated in God's land, the land that our Lord Jesus Christ did not despise to have secured to Him by God's eternal oath.—Rev. Robert Graves, in *The Scattered Nation.*

Audited Annual Financial Statement.

Receipts which have been acknowledged in The Chosen People from time to time, and expenditures for the year beginning with February 1st, 1900, and ending with January 31st, 1901.

RECEIPTS.		EXPENDITURES.	
For Rent.....	\$330 00	Rent.....	\$330 00
" Subscriptions to THE CHOSEN PEOPLE.....	24 00	THE CHOSEN PEOPLE expenses.....	207 00
" Tracts.....	46 00	Tracts reprinted.....	114 13
" Hebrew Bibles and New Testaments.....	32 96	Hebrew Bibles and New Testaments.....	77 79
" Relief to Poor.....	56 00	Relief to Poor.....	99 00
" Sewing School.....	50	Sewing School Material.....	3 00
" General Expenses.....	671 02	Carpet, Oil Cloth, Shades, Sundries.....	20 12
" Thanksgiving Dinner in Brownsville.....	28 98	Thanksgiving Dinner for girls and some families	28 35
" Social Gathering.....	10 00	Social Gathering.....	14 30
" Stove in Williamsburgh Mission.....	5 00	Stove, Fuel, Gas Fixtures.....	35 84
" Christmas Presents.....	22 25	Christmas Presents.....	7 50
Total Receipts.....	\$1,226 71	Correspondence, traveling in mission fields and to churches when invited, postage to send out tracts.....	64 57
		Janitor's expenses and photo-engravings.....	52 67
		Gas bills, giving out cards, missionary boxes....	15 23
		Organist.....	42 00
		Choir and window lights.....	31 80
		Printing circulars and cards.....	30 78
		Assistance, moving expenses, plumber's work...	31 75
		Total Expenses.....	\$1,205 83
		Balance on hand \$20.88 which is towards the salary of the Superintendent.	
	\$1,226 71		

We, the undersigned, duly appointed committee, have examined the detailed accounts from the books with complete vouchers for the same, and of which the above is a condensed statement, and have found them correct.

ALFRED TILLY, ESQ.
GEO. H. CASE, ESQ.
REV. T. J. WHITAKER, *Chairman.*

In submitting the above financial account to the contributors of this work, I wish to say that I am very thankful to our Heavenly Father for what he has been doing through you, dear friends, who have been prompted by the Holy Spirit to send your offerings freely. Considering the fact that all these donations have come from willing hearts, not being of necessity, for nobody appealed to them, nor

of importunity because they have not been approached by me or by any agency, it is the more gratifying to see the Mission Work at Williamsburg being carried on by the will of God, who is working through His people.

Except what is mentioned of the needs in this little paper, no appeals are made to the public through the means of dailies or other papers, nor has any appeal been made to

churches or to individuals, but simply trusting from day to day, the necessary expenses of this Mission have been defrayed. Let us hope that as the friends become more acquainted with the real needs of this work and realize the importance of it, that they will endeavor by their own efforts and by interesting their friends, to wipe out all the needs on the last page which are silent speakers for this work.

Information.

I have mentioned a number of times and think may do so again that the expenses of the Brownsville Mission, which are about seven hundred dollars a year, have been paid for about five years by the Baptist Church Extension Society of Brooklyn. The Missionary in charge has been salaried for that length of time by the American Baptist Home Missionary Society with \$1,000 a year. The committee knowing that the sum is not sufficient for the needs of the Superintendent, agreed to add to the salary from the amount left over from the general expenses of the Williamsburg Mission, which is supported by free will offerings.

Articles Received.

Miss F. J. H., two pairs of wool mittens; Mrs. M. C. G., a pair of shoes; Mrs. J. S. B., a parcel of clothing; Mrs. C. M. O., two suits of underwear.

Contributions during January.

Mr. R. L. C., \$30 to pay rent for Williamsburg Mission; The Life Line Mission, per Mrs. M. J. Donnelly, treasurer, \$16 to reprint tracts; Miss S. B., 50 cents for the work; Mrs. S., per Rev. Dr. J. D. Wilson, 5 shillings; Miss M. R., \$1 for the work; Miss E., per Mrs. E. A. Thomson, \$4 for the work; Rev. G. S. M., 5 shillings; Young People's Society, C. E. of Lewis Ave., Con. Church, per Mr. Day, president, \$10 for the Social Gathering; F. A. M. S., \$1 for the work; Mr. J. T. P., \$100 for general expenses and part for Hebrew Bibles; Mrs. G. C. L., \$2 for the work; Miss E. St. J. L., \$5 for the work; Miss L. M. R., \$10 "to use as the Spirit directs;" Miss E. L. L., \$9.50 for the work; Mrs. S. L., \$2 for the work; Miss F. L. H., \$1 for the work; Mrs. D. E. M., 50 cents for the work; Mrs. P. Mc. \$2 for poor Jews; F. N. S., general, 5 shillings for the work; Rev. D. M. Stearns, half of Brooklyn Class offering, \$10 for the work; Miss M. A. Mc., \$5.50 for poor Jews; Miss M. B. P., 50 cents for tracts.

The Needs of the Work.

HEBREW BIBLES.

There are poor Jews who have not the Hebrew Old Testament in their houses. I know a number of worthy cases, if there were the means to buy and give them freely.

A CHRISTIAN LADY.

We need a Christian lady to hold a night school to teach the people to speak and write English. There is a great opportunity to preach Christ to such as come to the night school.

TRACTS.

The work is always in great need of tracts. Only those who had the experience know the value of spreading literature. To print new tracts the cost is about \$20 per thousand; while to reprint from the plates, is only \$8 per thousand.

AN INDIVIDUAL CASE.

The young man who was converted and baptized as reported in last number, is greatly in need of help. He has no home or money as his relatives have treated him shamefully and turned him out of doors, and has no one to whom to turn. He is about 18 years of age and though he has not finished his education yet, would be able to learn a trade. May God direct the heart of some of His children to help this poor lad who is suffering so much for the cause of Christ.

NEEDED, A READING ROOM.

We are now occupying for Mission purposes two stores on the ground floor of buildings, and these rooms are not occupied during the day. If we had a man in charge these rooms might be used for reading when the meetings are not in progress. A true Jewish convert who would receive such as came in, give them a tract to read, or a New Testament, and talk to them personally, would be a great factor in the evangelization of the Jews. The salary of such a man would be twenty-five dollars a month.

A HOUSE FOR DESTITUTE CHILDREN.

I am always meeting with poor children, either fatherless, motherless, or having sick and indigent parents, who need a home. There is but one Jewish orphan asylum in the city, and most of the time it is crowded, and even when there is room, the children of believers, or those who attend the Mission are not favored by the institution. It is a very hard thing, in my experience, to place a Jewish child in a non-Jewish institution. Often the managers ask me why I don't take Jewish children to the Jewish asylum, and they do not seem to understand that believers in Christ cannot go there. I have also observed that such children are brought up in a most miserable way, and many of them become crippled. Who will feel for these little ones, and help them to have a home?