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Devoted to Israel.

Salutation.

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

II. KINGS, 10:13.

Dearly Beloved Friends:

Grace and peace be multiplied unto you
—Amen.

A CONFERENCE.

According to His will, an invitation by Mr. Ellison of Baltimore was extended to me, among two or three other Jewish Missionaries, to attend a conference in that city and Washington. The object of the meetings was to arouse the Christian people there to an interest in the Jews of those cities. My stay in Baltimore was made very pleasant by the hospitality and Christian kindness of Mrs. Prentiss, a very warm friend of this Mission. It is most encouraging to find that God has some of His people wherever one goes. There are always those who, knowing the Scriptures, understand the purpose of God and His plan concerning the Jews and are therefore anxious to bring the Gospel to them.

Besides speaking at the Conference twice a day, opportunity was given me to address large audiences in churches of different denominations. The expressions of appreciation seem to indicate that the dear Christians are willing to obey the divine order, "to the Jew first." Again and again it has been made plain to me that in general, the indifference of Christians towards the evangelization of the Jews, depends upon their knowledge of the Scriptures. One cannot help thinking of God's complaint, "My people (the Jews) are destroyed for lack of knowledge." Hosea 4:6. This refers not only to lack of knowledge on the Jews' part concerning the Lord Jesus as their Messiah, but also to that lack of knowledge on the Christians' part concerning their duty toward the Jews. Oh, for "*Pastors* which shall feed you with knowledge." Jer. 3:15.

THE WORK HERE.

While absent for ten days, the Lord's work here was carried on well by Brother Gilbert, who has also prepared and written the Incidents for this number. My boys assisted him in whatsoever they could. The Lord blessed this brother's being here to a number of people who were benefited by his presence. One of the results of his visit will be the translation of tracts for he will render some of my Jargon tracts in English, which language is very familiar to him, being a

native of England, though a Hebrew, and a tract which he wrote in English will be translated into Jargon, in exchange.

Though Brother Gilbert always was inclined to preach the Gospel to his brethren the Jews, yet now that he has seen with his own eyes how the Lord has prospered the truth among the Jews, he has received a new impetus and it is hoped that in the future he will devote his entire time to serving his people.

THE PICTURE.

You will see on page 3, the likeness of Miss Raphael, concerning whom we have spoken several times in THE CHOSEN PEOPLE. This has been done in compliance with the expressed wish of several Christian friends, readers of this paper, who have asked for her picture. The story of her conversion written by herself, though brief, ought to animate every Christian with zeal, loyalty, and faithfulness to the Lord Jesus Christ. For a number of years she has been living a solitary life, actually forsaking father and mother and everything for Christ's sake. Mrs. Cohn has been corresponding with her mother concerning a reunion and oh, how touching it was to read the parents' expressions. Everyone of us knows the strength of a mother's love, and this mother has become a wreck, physically, since her daughter's conversion. Every mention of her name aggravates her illness.

AN ANSWER TO PRAYER.

Some time ago we announced that the Rev. John D. Wells, D. D., was leaving for the South on account of his poor health and prayer was asked on his behalf, for his restoration. Knowing very well that many friends have been praying for this aged servant of God we have now the pleasure of telling that Dr. Wells has returned, fully recovered. Dr. Wells never expected to be able to read this paper again, but our Heavenly Father is "able to do exceeding abundantly." This is why I always ask for the friends' prayers as I could not overcome the various difficulties of the work unless in close touch with my Father.

A little boy was to be operated upon but could take no anaesthetic, so his father agreed to hold his hand, and the operation proved successful. The Doctor said, "I have often wondered how much of the father's strength throbbed its way into the body of the boy?"

Sincerely yours,
LEOPOLD COHN.

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A Beautiful Comparison.

By F. C. Gilbert.

In the third chapter of Exodus, a most wonderful type of the Jewish nation is given in "the bush which burned but was not consumed." Moses journeying near Horeb, turned aside to see it and was filled with awe at the spectacle. Is not this comparison a most striking one? For nearly two thousand years the Jew has been literally burning and burning and yet to-day he lives as vigorously as ever. Spain tried to consume the Jews entirely. That diabolical instrument of torture—the inquisition, put to death thousands upon thousands. Russia time and again has set fire to them. The Turk has had his hand at it, and even "Christian" England assisted at their torture. Nearly all the European nations, at various times in the world's history have tried to accomplish the same end. Despite all these burnings, God's truth remains, the bush is not consumed and the Jew exists to-day, the "miracle of mankind."



A Striking Coincidence.

By F. C. Gilbert.

It is a most remarkable thing that whenever there has been a great revival in the Christian Church, the minds of the leaders have been stirred up concerning the Jews. This was true in Luther's day; and through all the Reformations of Europe. Does it not show that when the Bible is rightly understood the Jew will certainly come in for his share of the Gospel feast?



How to Reach the Missions.

To Brownsville, take Fulton St. car, stop at Rockaway Ave., walk eight blocks to your right; or Douglass St. car, stop at Rockaway Ave., walk half a block to your right.

To Manhattan Ave. Mission, take Fulton, Halsey or Gates Ave. car, transfer to Tompkins Ave. car, then transfer to Flushing and Graham Ave. car, stop at Varet St., walk one block left.



Williamsburg Mission.

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

The meeting for inquirers, Wednesday evening.

Brownsville Mission.

Meetings held at 331 Rockaway Avenue, near Liberty Avenue, Brownsville.

Sewing School, Thursday at 3.30 p. m., Gospel Meeting, Saturday at 2.30 p. m.



To Non-Subscribers.

A few months ago we sent out letters to those whose names are on our free list, asking if they would like to subscribe to the paper, or if interested but unable to subscribe, we would gladly continue the paper free of charge. Since that time we have been sending the paper as usual, and have received a number of replies. After this month, however, we shall discontinue the paper to those who have sent no word as we judge by their actions that this is their desire. If anyone wishes otherwise will they kindly send word at once and their name will be retained.



Jewish Notes.

Reports of the proceedings of the Zionistic Congress at Basle, Switzerland, would indicate that the two foremost leaders of the movement, Theodore Herzl and Max Nordau, no longer hold the same views. While the former is delightfully optimistic, according to the published extracts from his speech, the latter's address conveys the idea as though its author had given up hope to ever see the movement backed to a sufficient degree by capital, to make it a practical success. How far the agitation now being carried on in Europe is likely to affect the friends of the idea in this country, can, of course, only be conjectured, but the reappearance of the bill at Albany, incorporating the Federation of American Zionists, with the Rev. Mr. Gottheil, named as one of the incorporators, seems to show that the plan is about to take definite shape, in this State at least. As far as can be seen from the language of the bill, the society will devote its energies largely to educational purposes.—*The Brooklyn Daily Eagle.*

Dr. Herzl, the Zionist leader, has been summoned to the Yildiz Palace by a telegram from the Sultan, and will negotiate for the acquisition of concessions in Palestine permitting of the immigration and settlement of Jews there.—*The Brooklyn Daily Eagle.*



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.

The Story of My Conversion.

I was educated in the Public Schools of Newark, and though I had often heard portions of the New Testament read at the devotional exercises, I never thought of believing any of them, for like all unconverted Jews, I was under the impression that they were not true. As for looking upon our blessed Lord Jesus Christ, as our Messiah and my personal Saviour, such a thought never entered my mind. Neither did any of my teachers nor any of my Christian friends interfere at all with my belief.

About six and a half years ago, I left school temporarily, and went to the country to regain my health. I boarded with a man and his wife who were both good Christians. They always respected my belief and never said a word to me about religion.

One day a man who was selling Bibles, came to the house. Upon finding that I was a Jewess he tried to persuade me to read the New Testament. I flatly told him I never expected to do so, as I didn't think it was true, and even if it were, and I should believe it, it would break my mother's heart. When the man left I forgot all about him; but I believe now that he prayed for my conversion.

One day I picked up a Bible which belonged to the house. It contained both Old and New Testaments. I was reading in Malachi, and as I came to the words, "Behold, I will send my messenger, and he shall prepare the way before me; and the Lord whom ye seek, shall suddenly come to his temple," I glanced up at the heading of the chapter which contained the words, "of the Messiah, the Christ." I had never connected Christ's name with that of the Messiah but now I began to reason, "I know some good people who read this New Testament which tells of Jesus Christ; I do not think that it can hurt me to read it."

Thus God led me. I opened to the Gospel according to St. Matthew and finished reading it that day. Before I had finished the sermon on

the Mount, I felt an irresistable desire to get down on my knees and pray, although Jews do not kneel when they pray, and I had never done so. It was in that quiet sacred hour that the Holy Spirit opened my eyes and I believed in and loved my Saviour, Christ, with all the love and longing of a soul which had groped about in the darkness, seeking for the truth. I immediately thought of my dear mother, and then the terrible struggle began. But God was with me; I knew that I was saved, and I could trust Him to make it all come out right in the end.

About a month after my conversion I went home, restored in soul and body, a new creature. I immediately bought a complete Bible and went on reading and studying. I told my most intimate friends of my conversion, but said nothing at home. There I tried to be a better daughter and a more loving sister, and prayed daily for God's guidance as to what I should do next.

More than a year after my conversion, my mother one evening asked me a question which could be answered truthfully by no other words than "I believe in Christ." Oh, the bitterness of those words to her! Then followed days which I hope few may ever know anything about. I had to leave my home. Soon after, I was baptized and joined a church. I had been teaching for two

months, and thus God had planned and provided for me.

Five and a half years have passed, years in which Christ has become ever dearer to me; and now, with all the fullness of joy and peace that our Saviour has given to me, I may say with St. Paul, "Brethren, my heart's desire and prayer to God for Israel is, that they might be saved," that my parents and brothers too may be led to believe in our Saviour, that they also may have the joy and "peace of God which passeth all understanding."

CAROLINE R. RAPHAEL.



Incidents in the Work.

A Precious Privilege.

By F. C. Gilbert.

It is with great reluctance that I attempt to note a few of the "incidents" which have come to my notice for this department of THE CHOSEN PEOPLE in connection with the grand Gospel work of Christ among my Jewish brethren, because for so many years it having been in charge of one whom God specially raised up and qualified, it seems scarcely possible that another could do anything like justice to it and its friends, in attempting to say that which would be helpful, interesting, or instructive.

The writer, however, has felt it a great privilege to have been in Brownsville and in Williamsburg for the past four weeks, to assist in the work of Christ. Brother Cohn has been away attending several Conferences, as well as seeking needed rest and change. After having spent some eight to ten years in these fields, constantly, perseveringly, and faithfully, amid many trials, difficulties, and perplexities; a few weeks of rest and change could not but be beneficial and strengthening.

When I received an invitation from Brother Cohn and some of the Jews themselves to spend a few weeks in Brooklyn and preach the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ as well as relieve my friend for a little while, I felt that I could not say nay to the call, as I believed it would be a mutual benefit and blessing.

The readers no doubt observed in the last issue of THE CHOSEN PEOPLE that the writer spent a few days in Brooklyn some weeks ago; and his soul was rejoiced to see how the Holy Spirit had broken down many barriers which had been in the way hitherto. It was truly blessed and refreshing to observe the interest the Jewish brethren manifested in listening to the sweet story of the Gospel of the Grace of God. To the Lord be the praise for the precious opportunity.

THE INTRODUCTORY EVENING.

Accordingly I reached Brooklyn on the morning of Wednesday, February 5th. That evening being the regular mid-week inquiry meeting at Manhattan Avenue, Williamsburg Mission, I was invited to attend the service.

After a few remarks on a certain portion of Scripture, the opportunity was given to any who had questions he wished to ask to do so. Immediately one man arose, and gave as his first query, the following:

"How could it have been possible, for John the Baptist to have doubted the Messiahship of Christ (if He were the Messiah) when he had such an abundance of evidence directly from heaven. Was it not extremely peculiar as well as remarkably strange?"

The passage in Matt. 11, where this incident is recorded was then read, not only for the bene-

fit of the catechiser, but for the rest of the audience. Moreover the writer wished them to learn all they possibly could about the teachings of the New Testament. The method was then pointed out, which the Saviour pursued with these disciples of John the Baptist, to settle the matter in John's mind, by referring to those miracles which the Prophet Isaiah declared should be performed, as recorded in Isaiah 35, and other places, and with which John was very familiar. It was also pointed out, how that John even had had erroneous ideas concerning Christ's work and Mission, but still the work which the Lord gave him to do was performed, and was done well. The answer concerning the way the Saviour removed the doubts, seemed satisfactory to the man.

Then his attention was called to the fact that the close confinement of John in prison, with no prospect of immediate release and the frailty of human nature under such circumstances, seemed to have been the cause of the apparent doubt in his mind. But John the Baptist *never* cast away his confidence in Christ; *that* was steadfast, despite the outward questioning and apparent doubt.

THE POINT ILLUSTRATED.

The man was then pointed to the great type of John the Baptist, Elijah the Prophet; for the Saviour himself said that John came to do the work of Elijah. (See Matt. 17:10; 13:11; 7:14, the last verse in particular). This great and mighty man of God, Elijah, had received the most remarkable answer from heaven a man could have wished, and the evidences that God was with him and that he was the Lord's servant could not have been stronger. After God had sent down the fire from heaven and consumed the offering, in a short time Elijah had had 850 prophets of Baal and Ashera put to death. Truly he was strong in the Lord, and in the power of His might.

When the wicked Jezebel had heard of the action of Elijah she became a raving, furious, maniac, and vowed all manner of vengeance against Elijah. This awful condition of Jezebel was made known to Elijah; and the man who, only a few short hours before, in the strength of God did a most mighty and marvellous work, fled for his life with great rapidity. Does not this seem strange? Thus, it is clearly shown how the best and mightiest of God's servants will at times reveal the weakness of human nature. Still no one will imagine that Elijah cast away his confidence in God. Moreover, when the Lord afterward visited Elijah, we have no record that he was severely rebuked for his course. The Lord knoweth our frame; He knoweth our weakness; He remembereth we are but dust. The point was forcibly impressed upon the man's mind and seemed clear to him.

EAGER LISTENERS.

When this question was settled the same person had other inquiries which were satisfactorily answered. While these conversations were taking place, it was intensely interesting to watch the faces of the listeners in the audience, eager to catch everything that was said; to note all that was transpiring. Possibly they too may have had questions to ask or may have had them answered during the evening's talk.

It was revealed clearly that the Holy Spirit was making impressions upon their minds, and the eagerness expressed on their faces, and their listening attitude, were a token of rejoicing and thanksgiving to God that there were some hearts which had been made susceptible to the teachings of the Lord Jesus.

**He Kept His Promise.**

One Saturday evening, the writer was agreeably surprised to notice, soon after the service began, a young man entering the Mission. This young Jew had visited a question meeting with a constant attendant of the Mission, but had been so impressed with the truth that he had reserved the queries he came in to ask and had promised to come again. So by his presence that night he fulfilled his word and caused much rejoicing that the Spirit had brought him back to hear the Word of God.

The topic of the evening was "The Offering of Isaac" as recorded in Gen. 22. The meaning of the story was dwelt upon and its fulfillment in the Great Offering, Jesus Christ, was pointed out.

The attention of the young man all through the talk was very close and undivided. Feeling interested in him I asked what he thought of these things. He replied, "I surely have something to think about during the coming week, and I *am* going to think about it." Will all the readers pray that the Holy Spirit may lead this young man to see the Great Offering which the Son of God has made for his sins and those of the whole world.

**Favorable Criticism.**

A very interesting gentleman who had all the appearances of being refined and educated was present at the question service before referred to, and was asked what he thought of the replies to the inquiries, whether they were in harmony with the Word of God, and whether they did not show clearly the truth of the Bible. He replied: "I am very well satisfied with the answers given. They are pointed, direct, clear, and they have a 'Thus saith the Lord' for what is asked." That is what the Jews need to-day; the Word of God. The Lord has promised that if we give the Word it would do great things for them—it would not return unto Him void; it would surely accomplish the Mission he designed it should perform in the hearts of the people. See Isa. 55:8, 11.

The Question Meetings.

There is no mistaking the fact that the meetings which are devoted to the asking and answering of questions are extremely beneficial. The Jews, as a people, are great religious thinkers. They are so trained from earliest infancy and their memories are remarkable in these lines. Consequently they are very apt to ask many questions. We know this to be true from the experiences we read of in the Word of God in the days of the Saviour and of the Apostles, and we are well acquainted with the results.

True at times they came to the Saviour with questions the object of which was to entrap and ensnare Him. Nevertheless the Lord usually let them ask, but always caused good to come as a result, despite their evil intentions. When He saw they were trying to entangle Him, He would not only answer their question in a very wise way, giving them the Word of God as His authority, but often He would turn the tables by asking them some questions, which they could not answer. In this way honest souls were receiving light from God's Word as well as being impressed by the truth; at the same time the Pharisees were being exposed, and the people were made to see their hypocritical pretensions and professions. Often it is the same now.

A FEW SAMPLES.

Possibly it may be of interest to the readers to have a few specimen questions presented in this issue, that you may not only gather some idea of what is asked, but that you may answer, were the same questions asked of you.

1. It is said that when Jesus was to be born, an angel appeared to Joseph in the night by a dream. Joseph's flight into Egypt was made known to him in a dream. The visit of Nicodemus to Christ was in the darkness of night and alone. Should the beauty of the law of Moses and the truth given to Israel in such splendor be cast aside to receive a few queer ideas said to be by dreams and at night seasons?

Dear reader how would you answer this question if a Jew should ask it to you? The Word tells us we should be ready always to give an answer to every man that asketh us a reason of the hope that is within us. And you know the Apostle Paul tells of a class who must have their mouths stopped. See I. Peter 3:15; Titus 1:10:11.

2. If as you say Jesus did not do away with the law (Matt. 5:17, 18) why then do you not believe in the Sabbath and in circumcision?

3. You say we ought to believe in Jesus in order to be saved. What do you mean by believing in Jesus?

4. You say that God declared to the people when He was to deliver them from Egypt that their houses should be sprinkled with the blood. Why did He tell them to sprinkle it with this blood?

5. If Jesus were the Son of God why did the devil tempt Him thus on the mount, and why did not Jesus cast Himself down from the pinnacle of the temple?

6. If Jesus was God's own Son, why did the Father allow Him to die so awful a death as described in the New Testament? Why did He not let Him die as any man, instead of permitting Him to be so horribly tortured?

These dear readers, are but a few of the many questions asked, and do you not think there are many grand truths to be presented from the precious Word of God as answers to these which will set the people thinking, and thus bring more clearly to their minds the wonderful work of Jesus Christ for them? There are some questions here that no doubt you are wondering how they would be answered. How would *you* answer them now from the Word of God alone?



The Feeding of the Lambs.

The writer wishes he had language adequate to express himself to the readers of THE CHOSEN PEOPLE at what he saw several Thursday afternoons at the Brownsville Mission, 331 Rockaway Avenue. If one had told him a few years ago that such a thing could be possible it would have seemed almost incredible. To attend a Jewish Mission where one can see gathered many Jewish children, ranging from 3 to 14 years of age, week in and week out, under the instruction of Christian women, who not only teach them the art of sewing but also the story of the Gospel of Jesus Christ and Christian songs, and all this with the consent of the parents—to see such a thing is certainly remarkable. It surely did my soul good; and I could not help but praise the Lord. The writer contrasted the present condition of things with the time when he was a boy, when for a parent to allow a child to enter a Mission was almost synonymous to giving him poison. He could not help but exclaim "Surely what hath God wrought."

One lamentable feature, however, of the work is that the demand of the children is greater than the supply of teachers. If there were only more noble, godly Christian women who would be willing to devote a few hours each Thursday afternoon to this work, eternity would reveal the amount of good that would then be presented. If you, dear reader, could only visit this place once, you then I am sure would ask the Lord if He had not something for *you* to do there.

May God bless these earnest devoted Christian women who are willing to do this work for the blessed Lord; for He has said, "Inasmuch as ye did it unto one of the least of these * * * ye did unto me." "Whatsoever one soweth, that shall he also reap." The Lord will surely give the reward.

An Interesting Incident.

One day while passing near the Brownsville Mission, I was hailed by a little girl on the street. "Hello, Mr. Gilbert!" I asked her who she was, and how she knew me. She told me she went to the Mission Sewing School. "Do you know about Jesus and have you learned to love Him" was then asked. "Oh yes," came the reply so quickly and so pleasantly. She expressed herself as enjoying the Mission; and no doubt if these meetings were stopped, there would be many aching hearts of both parents and children.



A Departure from the Ordinary.

After having been here a few days and seen the situation of the work I was impressed that possibly the people might be helped in the learning of the Gospel of Christ, by seeing the truths illustrated as well as by hearing the word pictures of the Gospel. One of the Saviour's great methods of teaching was by parables, "and without a parable spake He not unto them." Matt. 13:34.

And we read in the Prophet Habakkuk these words:

"And the Lord answered me, and said, write the vision, and make it plain upon tables, that he may run that readeth it." Hab. 2:2.

Accordingly it was decided to give them talks on the prophecies, and illustrate them with the stereopticon. The interest manifested by the Jews was really remarkable. A number of talks were given to them in this way, and it was felt that their attention and interest indicated they were benefitted and instructed. We trust also the Spirit of God impressed their hearts with the truths revealed.

THE SANCTUARY AND ITS MEANING.

The first lesson given was on the "Sanctuary" which Moses built, the meaning of it, and of the furniture in its various apartments. As the different articles of furniture were thrown upon the canvas and their meaning shown to have been revealed in Jesus Christ, the quiet and almost awe that was noticeable was especially interesting. The whole priesthood was illustrated to them, and from their own prophets it was shown that the work of the priesthood was to be transferred from the tribe of Levi to Judah; or in other words, the earthly priesthood was to cease, and to be continued as a heavenly. This was clearly shown from Zech. 6:12, 13. There the priest was to come from David, from the tribe of Judah. He was to build the temple where God was to rule and was to share the throne of God in this heavenly temple.

The people appeared much interested, and their hearts evidently did burn within them as their Scriptures were opened and it was clearly shown that all these types were fulfilled in Christ.

THE PROPHECIES OF DANIEL.

The next evening the topic illustrated was the wonderful prophecies of Daniel, and how God had fulfilled them. Possibly the readers may not all be aware of the fact that very few of the Jews know much of the Book of Daniel. To them it is largely a sealed book, and they are forbidden to have much to do with it. The reason no doubt is that the Rabbis are afraid to have the laity study it, for herein is clearly revealed the Messiah and His coming. See Dan. 9:25, 27.

The Jews were very much interested in the words spoken on this subject, and the good-sized audience present and the quiet which reigned indicated that they were listening to the truths.

It is hoped and requested that the people of God will ask the Lord to bless the words spoken by His own Holy Spirit that much good may result therefrom.

THE LIFE OF THE SAVIOUR.

Another talk was given to them on the life of our Lord. From the time the Angel Gabriel came to Mary to announce to her the fact that she had been chosen by the Lord to give to the world the Holy Child Jesus, to the time Christ was raised from the dead, all was portrayed to them clearly on the canvas and the meaning of all explained. The prophecy of each event was shown from the Old Testament, and its fulfillment in the Christ, the Anointed of God. Though there were three or four views directly on the crucifixion of our Lord, nevertheless the Jews sat still and listened attentively. The Jew has always been taught to abhor the very thought of the crucifixion, and it is not allowable for him to cast his eye for a moment upon any picture bearing upon the subject. Still they stayed, they listened, they observed. God evidently was talking to many a soul, as these views were passing before their eyes.

YOUNG LADIES PRESENT.

One thing in connection with these illustrated lectures has been interesting and encouraging and that is, the presence of several young ladies. For a Jewish young lady to enter a Mission is certainly a remarkable occurrence. This is due to many reasons. While no doubt some of them came out of mere curiosity, the privilege of giving to them the Gospel of Jesus Christ was certainly a precious one. The Lord will watch over the seed sown; and in His own good time will cause it to spring up and bear fruit. They also received hymn books, and expressed their interest and sympathy in reading the words of the hymns and trying to follow the tunes. For these things too we are glad to give thanks.

WORDS OF APPRECIATION.

At the close of the lecture on the Life of our Lord, one interesting Jew came toward the front to meet me, and heartily shaking me by the hand,

said, "Thank you, sir." He felt so grateful for what he had both seen and heard, that he wanted to express His appreciation for these things. May God indeed bless him.



"It was Just Grand."

At a service held at a large hall in Brooklyn a few days ago, the writer was introduced to an intelligent Jewish lady. The theme of the evening was an interesting one. I asked her if she were not a daughter of Abraham. "Oh, yes," she quickly replied. "How did you enjoy the talk this evening," I then inquired. "Oh, it was just grand. When the speaker said there were some points he would like to talk upon for an hour, I just wished he would have done so, for I would loved to have listened all night to these things. They seem so beautiful, and all out of our own Scriptures." Quite an interesting conversation followed, during which she was asked what she thought about Jesus. "Well," she said, "it would almost seem as though it were true, but isn't it funny that we Jews do not know anything about these matters?"

I then asked her if she would not like to know more about these ideas. "Oh, yes indeed, I love to come and hear these things." She then expressed herself as though they just burned in to her very soul. "Have you ever read the New Testament," I asked? "No sir," she replied. "Would you not like to receive one, if you could get one?" "Well, yes, but then it would be too much trouble for you to do that." Assuring her it would be but a great pleasure to do so, she told us that she would certainly read it if she had one. The thought somehow impressed her, that since this appeared as a matter of eternal life it was worth studying about.



"It Would Seem So."

Just before service one evening I entered into a gospel conversation with a young man at the Mission. Finally he said: "Oh, there are so many different beliefs, and each one thinks his belief is all right. How can we tell which is the true one?" I asked of him his nativity. He told me he was from Roumania. I then said: "Supposing my friend, I wished to go to Roumania and was ignorant of the way of reaching there. I came to you and asked the directions for the journey. You took a piece of paper, and wrote down each place I would be expected to come to, and if I followed those directions as you handed them to me I should surely reach my destination. Now supposing I took those directions, and found one after another come to pass even as you said. Would I not then be positive I was on the direct road? And if I continued in this way must I not eventually reach there?" "Why certainly," he replied. I then told him that that was just what the Lord did for us, in order we might know how

to reach the kingdom of heaven. And then I added: "Don't you know that all the prophecies have been fulfilled in Jesus the Messiah? Then does not that show clearly that Jesus is the right way?" "It would seem so," he replied. I then advised him to take those directions, study them carefully, follow them explicitly, and he would surely reach the grand and glorious destination, the haven of rest.

And now as these incidents, many more of which might have been written, are brought to a close, the writer hopes that the same Divine Spirit which inspired the blessed Word, which inspired holy men to write it, may inspire the heart of each person who reads these lines, to have a still deeper interest in "the lost sheep of the house of Israel." That they may pray God to raise up laborers who will go to them with longing hearts and present "The Lamb of God that taketh away the sin of the world."



Children's Work on Exhibition.

The long promised and anticipated exhibition of the work done by the children of the Brownsville Sewing School was held on the twenty-seventh of February. We were delighted that the day was a pleasant one, so that the weather kept no one at home, and by the middle of the afternoon every chair in the room was filled. We had about 125 persons present including twelve or fifteen of the mothers of the children.

The teachers went out to the Mission early and had everything in readiness so that when the scholars entered the room, they were greeted with the sight of their finished work tacked to the wall, in good view of all. The name of the owner was pinned to each piece of sewing. The garments made quite a gay showing as there were red ones, blue ones, white ones, etc. Most of the mothers were particularly interested in the sewing, wanting no doubt to see how their daughters had been taught and I heard a number of the girls saying with pride, "That's mine, mama." Some of the children have grown quite competent and can do difficult work, while others are still struggling over the simplest stitches.

After sufficient time had elapsed to allow the sewing to be thoroughly inspected, we began the exercises of the afternoon.

Mr. Cohn opened the meeting with a few words of welcome, addressed especially to the mothers, and then the children joined heartily in singing the hymn,

"A wonderful story we've heard from above,
A beautiful, beautiful story of love."

The afternoon's lesson was given by Mr. Cohn, who spoke to the gathering, his principle theme being expressed by the text, "Come thou with us and we will do thee good," which was, he said, the desire of all connected with the Sewing School and which he hoped was being literally

fulfilled, not only in the girls learning how to sew well, but chiefly in their becoming acquainted with Jesus Christ and His love for them.

A friend who had kindly come to assist, then sang for the girls, to their great pleasure, after which Mr. Cohn led in a short prayer. The girls followed with another hymn, "Jesus, name of wondrous love" and soon after refreshments were served to all.

A lady living in Brownsville offered to help us with the lunch and so made the sandwiches and coffee. Besides these, we gave cake and bananas and finally an orange to carry home. During the lunch we had more music, and everyone seemed to have had a pleasant afternoon and all left with smiling, happy faces. I heard many expressions of thanks from the mothers of the girls, speaking most cordially about their delightful time. Just before leaving, the girls were given their finished work, which they carried off triumphantly, even the little tots taking home patch work in their desire to have something to show.

May the Lord bless everything done at the School for His own glory and the salvation of souls.

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Articles Received.

Miss Susan B. Day, a parcel of reading matter;
Mrs. Bailey, a parcel of clothing.

Contributions during February.

Mr. R. L. C., for rent 13 Manhattan Ave.	\$35.00
Mrs. W. H. Locke, for general expenses	1.00
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Mabel C. Turnbull, for the work50
Miss Caroline R. Raphael, for the poor	5.00
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Mrs. E. A. Thomson, for the work	1.00
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"A Friend," for the work	1.00
Mrs. Winfield P. Dann, for the work	1.00
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Rev. G. S. Muir, for general expenses, 5 shillings	
Miss Elliot, per Mrs. Thomson, for general expenses	2.00
Mrs. John B. Swain, for general expenses50
Mr. Clifton Eldridge, for the work	1.00