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# THE CHOSEN PEOPLE.

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## Salutation

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

My Dearly Beloved Friends.

With the sincere greetings of the season, I salute you. May the Worderful Counsellor, guide you and may the Prince of Peace give you His peace which passeth all understanding. Amen!

#### CHRISTMAS AND THE JEWS.

This is the most joyful time of the year for all Christendom. The young and old, rich and poor—all have a foretaste of this great Christmas joy. The stores are stocked to over lowing with holiday goods, the thoroughfi res are already crowded with eager shoppers, hurrying to and fro; and all minds are intently absorbed in the one problem of how to bring thristmas cheer to some dear one or friend. All this busy hustle finds its culmination on Christmas Eve, when the pinnacle of joy and happiness will have been reached.

Now, on this Christmas Eve behold a sad contrast—Israel prostrated, weeping and mourning over the destruction of its city, Jerusalem; Israel, the source of this joy to Chr stendom—for she gave birth to the Child over vhom the world is rejoicing; Israel, who of all nations, should be the first to be joyful; Israel, instead of shouting "Unto us a Child is born, who is the Everlasting Father," is still wailing and bitterly crying, "We are fatherless and our mother; are as widows." (Lam. 5:3.)

#### THE CAUSE.

The contrast is so striking that the question forces itself upon the mind, "why do these conditions exist?" Is it because the Gentile nations are more important in God's sight on account of their numbers and greatness, while the Jews are but a handful in comparison? Or has this joy been offered to both Jew and Gentile and been rejected by the Jews? No! For we read Isaiah 40:17, "All nations before Him are as nothing and they are counted to him less than nothing, and vanity." And as regards the rejection of the Messiah by the Jews, the present generation has never been offered the acceptance of the Lord lesus Christ.

The Jews with the exception of a few thousands, who have been reached lately by the strenuous efforts of the very few missionaries, do not know even of the existence of the New Testament. How shall they rejoice when they know not over what to rejoice? Surely, we cannot blame this generation for the rejection of Christ

by their ancestors nineteer hundred years ago. But the cause lies in the fact that the Jews have been not only excluded from the message of salvation by the church of Christ, which was commissioned to preach to them, but they have also been repelled from the Lord Jesus by the cruel persecutions of the nominal Christians. Spain killed them, England robbed them, Germany scorned and hated them, Russia outrageously persecuted them and Roumania cruelly banished them.

#### UNTOLD BEN EFITS.

All this has been done to a people from whom the Christians have reaped untold benefits. The Jews have given the work its greatest authors, philosophers, musicians, plets, artists, painters and financiers. All the good things which civilization is enjoying have the corigin with the Jewish people. The Lord Jesu Christ summed them up in one word—"Salva on"—when He said to the woman of Samaria "Salvation is of the Jews." John 4:22. November of the Jews." John 4:22. November of the word wour thankfulness to these people for what we have received under God at their hands? Oh, that every Christian would now determine to bring at least one Jewish soul as a Christmas present to the Lord Jesus Christ.

#### HOW TO DO IT.

If we want to carry our God's plan that we should create in the Jewis! hearts a great desire to equal us in our faith, we must adopt extraordinary ways and means for its accomplishment. First of all, we must remove that black spot which rests upon Christianity. For when the Jew thinks or hears of the Christian religion, he does not know of any other kind than that which brought the Spanish Inquisition, the Christian Crusades, etc., upon them.

We must send them our best men with plenty of Bibles. Flood them with tracts containing the pure truth in a triking way, that they may see the Lord Jesus Carist of whom so far, they have only known the gross carricatures of Catholic countries. We mist build them a house, not only to show our love for their nation, but to facilitate the work, to enlarge the dispensary, to heal their sick and at the same time, to put balm upon their wounded hearts which are still bleeding from the fiery darts of their enemies. We must help their poor who are suffering and starving, while we enjoy big Christmas dinners. Only genuine love and the best preaching will bring about their conversion.

Yours in the Gospel, Leopold Cohn.

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#### WEEKLY CALENDAR.

Sunday-Sunday School, Williamsburg, 2 P. M. Sunday School, Brownsville 4.30 P. M. Tuesday-Sewing School, Brownsville, 3.30 P. M. Gospel service, Brownsville, 8 P. M. Wednesday-Question meeting, Williamsburg, 8 P. M. Thursuay-Sewing School, Williamsburg, 3 P. M. Girls' Club, Williamsburg, 7 P. M.

Friday-Gospel meeting, Williamsburg, 8 P. M. Saturday-Gospel meeting, Brownsville, 3.30 P. M. Gospel meeting, Williamsburg, 8 P. M.

#### The New Tract.

The friends who so liberally contributed toward the tract fund, will be glad to know that the new tract has stirred the Jews who have received and read it in a most remarkable way. As already mentioned in the October number, the tract contains my debate with the chief rabbi of New York and also the address delivered in Newark, to a large number of Jews and Christians to vindicate the truth which the prominent Reformed rabbi of that city denied publicly in a Christian church. It is printed both in Jewish and English, and as it brings out forcibly the self-contradictions of the Reformed rabbi and the ignorance of the Orthodox rabbi, the Jews are deeply concerned about it. Many of them have been to the Orthodox rabbi asking if it were true that he was not able to answer the missionary. They are astonished to learn after all, how little the rabbis know of the Word of God and on the other hand, how fully the truth is on the side of the Lord Jesus Christ and His followers.

The tract contains fifty pages and has cost about one hundred dollars, plates included. We are fully convinced that it produces a marked effect upon the readers, whether Jew or Gentile. We would like to reprint at least 10,000 copies from the plates on hand. This would cost \$200, but think of the good that might be done if it were distributed widely among the people.

#### The Northfield Girl.

We would like to say to any who may be interested in the education of Miss Lena Twersky at the Northfield Seminary, that in a few weeks the second half year's tuition for her will be due. Miss Schutt tells us that she has received very

little money for the purpose, and \$56 must be paid for the remainder of the year. Will not those who showed their interest last winter, continue it this year, and are there not many new friends who will join us in this department of the Lord's work?

## Our Young Man Student.

It is encouraging to know that Mr. Newitz, who was converted two years ago, and who last year studied at Mount Hermon, is progressing in his studies. This year he is in Bridgeport, Conn., and in a recent report received of him, he has ninety-five per cent in Latin, Greek and Composition and in some other branches, 100 per cent. He is studying to be a Medical Missionary among the Jews.

The Baptist Educational Society of Connecticut, has appropriated about \$100 toward his education, and a Christian lady has been helping him besides. But he needs other little assistance which we send him now and then from the Mis-

sion funds.

## A Prize Offer.

The following letter will explain itself:

"DEAR MR. COHN:-

"I cannot help congratulating you on the splendid advance in your work and I am glad to have had even a small share in your prayers for the conversion of all the Jews in Brooklyn. The answers to prayer now coming in make me ashamed of my doubts in the beginning. I would like to offer a prize through THE CHOSEN PEOPLE to some of your highly educated converts for the best essay written during the next six months, of sufficient merit, giving full abstracts from the Talmud of all instances in which Old Testament prophesies have referred to the Messiah, giving the edition and the exact reference. I would like later to offer another prize on the esoteric teaching of the Rabbis relating to the suffering Messiah. Twenty dollars will be the prize.

"Faithfully yours, "Howard A. Kelly, M. D."

## Letter From An Absent Brother.

Mr. Orah Heend, the story of whose conversion and whose picture were in The Chosen People last winter, and who helped us in the meetings by playing his mandolin, recently wrote us from California as follows:

"Dear Brother in Christ Jesus:-

"It has been quite a while since you heard from me, but it is not because I have forgotten you. I don't believe it possible to forget one who was instrumental in my salvation. I did not have anything but sorrow to tell on account of my wife's antagonism to Christianity. She has made my home life very bitter.'

## Incidents in the Work.

A Jew Baptized.

Some time last Spring, THE CHOSEN PEOPLE contained an article concerning a Jewish brother living in Brownsville, who learned to love the Lord Jesus Christ for salvation, by attending the meetings. He finally applied for baptism and after it had been arranged with a church, he did not appear at the appointed time, because when he informed his wife about the step he was going to take, she created a great disturbance and called together some other Jews who made it absolutely impossible for him to get out of their surveillance. He has been shadowed by them ever since that time until lately, when he escaped their vigilance and again asked me to arrange for his baptism. He was very anxious to confess the Lord Iesus Christ publicly, not heeding the eventual opposition of his wife. We were glad to see the brother steadfast in his faith and in spite of all difficulties still clinging to his Saviour.

#### ANOTHER WITH THE SAME DESIRE.

At the same time, we had another earnest convert who wanted the ordinance of baptism performed, but he was not able to meet the deacons of the church on a Friday evening, as is the usual custom, for he comes home late from his work. So we arranged with the Rev. Dr. Rhoades, of the Marcv Avenue Baptist Church, for Sunday evening, November 20, without necessitating him to come to church previously. But this brother became ill and couldn't come, so the Brownsville convert was baptized alone.

On his reaching home, his wife began to question about his absence during the whole evening to which he plainly answered that he had been to do the command of the Messiah. This gave her a severe shock and she became sick and was confined to bed several days, shedding many tears of sorrow over her apostate husband. But we have been praying for her and the Lord has graciously restored her again, not only to bodily health, but also to a calm mind and an acquiescent will in what her husband did for the Lord Jesus Christ's sake.

#### Prayer Stirred A lewess.

A Jewess who lives with her husband in Brownsville, used to come to our meetings with him. They became earnest inquirers and said on one occasion that they believed in the Lord Jesus. We were glad to hear their confession and we watched their progress which seemed to be satisfactory.

But it happened that one day while they were out, their rooms caught fire and they were left on the street without anything. When we heard about their unfortunate condition, we felt it was our duty to help them financially in their time of trouble. So for the sake of the Lord Jesus Christ, whom both of them had confessed, we gave them from the Poor Fund, a month's rent

and a little toward buying second-hand furniture. This kindness impressed them very much and they told it among the other Jews in praise of the missionaries whom many Jews hate.

#### WHAT AN ANARCHIST DID.

There are in Brownsville, very many Jews who call themselves Anarchists, and hate the missionaries far more than the Orthodox Tews do. simply because of the advancement the missionary makes by the preaching of the Gospel while the Tew is satisfied with himself and does not try to make converts or to push his religion. Some of these Anarchists when they heard this couple talking of the kindness of the missionaries, told them various lies against us, saying that we had some mystic way of catching in people and then could do what we wanted with them, finally getting them to be our subjects and slaves by giving them a little money. This kind of Satanic untruth frightened the weak converts and they stopped coming to the Mission.

However, a few weeks ago, this Jewess who is quite accomplished and reads Hebrew better than many men, happened to look through her prayer book in which there are certain formulas of prayers for the different holidays. In the section which belongs to the Day of Atonement, there is a short prayer which is as follows:—

"Messiah our righteousness is departed from us; horror hath seized us and we have no one to justify us. He hath borne the yoke of our iniquities and is wounded because of our transgressions. He beareth our sins upon His shoulders that we may find pardon for our iniquities. We shall be healed by His wounds when the Eternal will create Him a new creature. O, bring Him up from the circle of the earth, raise Him up from Seir, that we may hear Him the second time on Mount Lebanon, through Zion."

#### HOW IT AFFECTED HER.

This at once reminded her of what she had heard at the Mission. She remembered very well how the missionary expounded Isa. 53, from which portion of the Scriptures he read, "By His stripes we are healed." This one sentence she recollected plainly and then began to wonder how it happened to be in her prayer book. seemed to be a puzzle which she couldn't solve. But the thought came to r mind that this Messiah of whom the prayer speaks as having suffered for our sins and having gone away from us to return again, can be no other than the Jesus whom she had ceased to confess because of a few principleless anarchists. It almost broke her heart and she had no rest. She took her prayer book to other Jews and finally decided to go again to the missionary and learn something more about this Saviour whom she loved more than anyone on earth.

One evening, she, with three Jews, visited our assistant, who lives in Brownsville, and stayed there until two o'clock in the morning, meditating and talking about the Lord Jesus. The earnest-

ness and regret of the poor woman are still most remarkable. She asked for a copy of the Old Testament in Hebrew, which we gave to her, together with the New Testament. We are confident that if we will hold her up in prayer she will be used in the Lord's hands to testify of the Lord Jesus Christ among her people, telling of this wonderful incident through this prayer.

A Remarkable Meeting.

A Saturday night meeting in the Williamsburg Mission a few weeks ago, convinced us as no other thing could do that at least those Jews who come into the Mission have entirely changed through the power of the Gospel which has been preached to them. A few years ago, one would often see some Jews sitting in the meeting putting their fingers to their ears whenever the name of the Lord Iesus was mentioned. We have now overcome that difficulty and there are no more such exhibits during the service because they have learned to respect that blessed name. But we had not realized that they had progressed so far as to listen to a sermon of the kind that was given them on the evening mentioned above.

... My text was "And they shall look upon me whom they have pierced." Zech. 12:10. It was pointed out to them that the author of this text was God Himself and naturally the question proposed itself, where, when and by whom was God pierced? God is no human being and how could He be pierced? He is the Almighty above all powers. Who can be stronger than He and

pierce Him?

These queries were answered by quoting Scripture to prove that God manifest in the flesh of the Lord Jesus Christ was pierced on Calvary by the Roman soldiers.

Sin, on the one hand is so horrible that to blot it out God Himself was pierced. The love of God on the other hand is so great that He let Himself be pierced in order that we might be saved.

Now to the average Iew the idea of God's having been pierced is the greatest blasphemy and it is his duty to tear his garments at the mention of it. despise the man who utters it, and get out of his presence at once. I expected that at least half of the audience would leave their seats, but I was agreeably surprised to see them all stay, with their necks craned to catch every word that was spoken. The Mission Hall was filled with men and two or three women. Intelligent and respectable was the average person. But the attention was remarkable. However, glad I was at their manifestation of interest in the talk, I still suspected that they were not pleased with such preaching. But at the close of the meeting, it made my heart glad to hear a number of them express their thanks for what they had heard. Others told the assistants that it was the best sermon they had ever heard.

### Jewish Papers Retract Statement.

A few weeks ago an incident occurred which stirred all Brownsville and finally resulted in a gain for the Lord Jesus Christ and His work. A young Jewess who had been ill, became somewhat delirious and one day during a brief absence of her nurse escaped from her bed and room. She was missing for three or four days during which her relatives searched distractedly in every direction and finally discovered her in a closet in the hallway of No. 1 Thatford avenue, the building in the store of which is our Mission.

When these facts became known, the Jewish papers always glad of any pretext by which to blame the Mission, published a long article headed in huge letters with the words, "Two Crimes Committed by the Missionaries in Brownsville." This in particular and the whole article in general, conveyed the idea that the woman had been found in the Mission, where she had been hidden by the missionaries and that they had both assaulted and robbed her, as a ring usually worn was not on her finger.

RESULTS OF THE DAY.

This story excited the Jews greatly and aroused intense hatred and indignation against the missionaries. The attendance at the meetings decreased and our visitors in the homes were received coldly. As all of these tales were absolutely without foundation or proof of any kind, it seemed that the truth ought to be vindicated, and a retraction demanded from the papers.

Not only was it untrue that the woman was in the Mission room, but it was found upon investieation to be highly improbable that she was in the hall closet, belonging to the house, more than a very short time. A number of meetings were held during the days she was supposed to have been there and her reported cries and screams

would surely have been heard.

I consulted our Christian lawyer friend, Mr. Dorman in regard to the matter and he wrote a letter to the Jewish papers inclosing a statement of retraction of their remarks and insinuations translated into Hebrew. They immediately answered, saying they were very sorry if their words had been at all misleading and that they would, of course, publish the suggested state-

the outcome of the incident resulted in the honoring of the name of the Lord Jesus Christ by the Tews when they realized that the missionaries had been telling the truth and the papers had not.

## Poverty Among Jews.

While in my native country, among my Jewish people, I used to hear my people frequently refer to the riches of the Gentiles, for they have a proverb which says: "He is as rich as a Gentile." Now, since my intercourse with Christian people I frequently hear another proverb saying, "He is as rich as a Jew." Because of one Rothschild, erent the effect the Deep Three Secretary and

or a Hirsch, the Gentiles have an idea that all the Jews are so. With many, that conception is so strong that with them, the word Jew stands for money. The fact is that nearly all the Jews which have immigrated here are poor, and the majority of them are poverty stricken. A few instances in my visits will illustrate this truth.

A WIDOW. About two years ago, a woman whom I knew, was prosperous. Her husband was working very hard to support his wife and seven children. She and her husband became believers in the Lord Jesus and when I used to come into their house, they received me in the name of a disciple. But the man was taken sick and died. She became an invalid and so was left helpless. Those among the Jews who knew of their belief did not sympathize with her. She sold or pawned article after article in order to keep her children alive, the eldest being ten years of age, until the last thing in the house had been disposed of. I tried to place her children in some Christian institution, but did not succeed. Finally some kind Jew brought his influence to bear on the Hebrew Orphan Asylum, but they could take only three of the children, while the other four are still under her care. I called on her this week, accompanied by my assistant.

HOW SHE LIVES. She lives in one room which is in the back of a Jewish candy store. There was a stove, two chairs, one bed, one little table and one cot folded up and put away between the bed and the wall so as to make more room. She and two of her children occupied the bed which is a threequarter size, while the cot is used by the other two children. Her eldest boy when out of school, goes out with soap, laces, etc., and gets twenty or thirty cents a day on which they all The poor woman is suffering from pain all over her body which keeps her confined. When I began to talk to her about our hope in the Lord Jesus Christ, she said that this was the only blessing that she has or will have. Between her room and the candy store is a partition which contains a window. Towards this she constantly directed her eves with suspicion to ascertain if the owner of the candy store, a Tewess, listened to her talk and confession of the Lord Jesus Christ. How I pitied her. To think that she must suffer so many things-poverty, disease, and loneliness of widowhood, and yet she cannot speak out her thoughts and belief. Could Christian people do a greater service for Christ than to take this poor suffering widow with her four remaining children to care for them?

#### Another Case.

On the same day, we went to another house where there is a family of eight. The father and mother confessed some time ago that they believed that Jesus was the Messiah. Some of their daughters have been attending our sewing school for years and have learned to love the

Lord Jesus Christ. The father has been unable to get work for the past six months. (Thousands of Jews have been without work for a number of months past. It looks like some kind of This family too, were forced to the a crisis.) pawnshop. Their apartments consist of a kitchen and bedroom. There is no space for me here to describe all the misery that this family is going through. The man being tortured by the tacit appeals of the suffering wife and children looks like a skeleton. When we gave him a few dollars in the name of the Lord Jesus, his eyes shed tears of joy while his cheeks summoned all the blood at their command and blushed. (The Jews will rather suffer sometimes even starvation than to take charity, for they consider Ps. 37:25). So the poor man felt embarrassed, but at the same time, he showed signs of deep gratitude for this Christian kindness.

#### ONE POOR HELPS THE OTHER.

One Jew of about sixty years of age who used to support his wife and four children by hard work, had to undergo an operation about six months ago. That disabled him from doing any manual work. He used to live comfortably in a flat of four or five rooms, but now he has only a kitchen and a bedroom. He owes two months' rent and lives in misery. Feeling the sting of poverty himself, he can sympathize with another poor man of the same circumstances. A Tew with his wife and two children arrived recently from London, and landed in that neighborhood. As he had no money or friends, he and his family were left on the street. poor and sick man had pity on this London family and took them into his two rooms, so that there are ten persons in the two small rooms, and if they are dispossessed, what will become of the ten souls? A piece of stale bread with an onion or a garlick for a change is their regular diet. They believe in the Lord Jesus and thus cannot find sympathy among their own people. We gave them a few dollars to keep them alive for a little while. These are the fleshly Israel. What a contrast when we bear in mind that so many who call themselves Spiritual Israel live at ease and in comfort!

#### A Christmas Reminder.

"The days are some by" most certainly and each one is bringing us nearer Christmas, the birthday of the Messiah. who came to proclaim peace to Jew and Gentile alike. But we are disappointed that as the days pass, they do not bring to us offerings for our celebration at Brownsville, for the girls of the Sewing School. We are anxious to teach these little Jewish children that the remembrance of the birth of our Lord is a time of happiness and joy and that as the Wise Men brought Him gifts, so we in like manner would give back through them that which He has so richly bestowed. Presents of any kind will be very useful, although of course

money is most easily handled, and trimmings for a Christmas tree we would be glad of, as we are hoping to have a small one this year for the first time. This slight reminder, no doubt, will be quite sufficient to bring before our friends our needs which we feel sure they will supply in the usual generous manner.

We also should be very glad to have materials for sewing sent us. Small thimbles, thread and needles are usually in demand and garments cut out and basted would be of great value. Is there anyone who could help us out in this "ection?

The attendance at the School continues to be good. Frequently, we have to turn away new applicants, on account of lack of room and teachers and also particularly at this time as we do not take in any children just before Christmas. The girls have been much interested in the picture of themselves at the picnic last July, and one copy has been framed, through the kindness of a friend, and hangs in a conspicuous place on the wall of the Mission, a constant reminder of what the love of God does through His children.

Our religious teaching continues steadily, but very slowly. The ideas are so distasteful to the oirls and so different from what they have always heard, that much must be repeated week after week. Some facts however they have certainly assimilated and we trust that the seed sown will some day yield an abundant harvest. Pray for this end.

—Ella T. Marston.

I often wonder does it pay to work among the Iews? and then the Lord sends me an answer like this:—

"I never heard the name of Jesus till you spoke of Him in Sewing School."

The speaker was a girl fourteen years old, who has attended Sewing School in Williamsburg.

"I went home and asked my father the difference between the Jewish and Christian religions and he told me the Jews wait for Messiah, while the Christians claim He has come. This man attends our meetings and is always very much interested.

It was very hard work to get the children to our schools and the first month's attendance was hardly more than ten. but now there are about seventy on our list, while a voung girl's band has grown out of the Sewing School.

Many children want to join us, but sometimes the father, oftener the mother, objects, while some must stay home to take care of the children. I have met some where both father and mother are willing to let them go, but the children object to go to any place where they are taught about Christ. They all love to sing and many visitors remark how sweetly and well they render the songs. Sometimes I enter a house and am led to the right door by following the sound of a voice singing, "I love to hear the story which angel voices tell, how once the King of Glory came down on earth to dwell. I am both weak and sinful, but this I surely know, the Lord came down to save me because He loved me so."

The children are taught not only to look forward to holidays as receiving times, but that "It

is more blessed to give than reiceve." November 23rd, we had a thanksgiving party the children bringing cabbage, potatoes, cranberries, jellies, money, etc., to feed three poor families.

Last Sunday, some of the children greeted me with, "Miss Fleischmann see we have tickets to go to the concert at the Hebrew institute, but we would not go because we want to come to you." How much good can come from a small act!

One day a young girl came to the dispensary who wanted us to perform an operation, but we persuaded her to go to the hospital. She was a stranger and we told her to come at eight o'clock to the house. She came promptly bundled in a large shawl without a hat. Can you imagine the people turn and look at us? We rode to the hospital and waited till nine a. m., only to be told to go to the commissioner of the poor. Thither we went from desk to desk, but as she had only been six months in this country, they would not give her a ticket, but advised us to go to Ellis Island. As a rule, none but ticket holders may take a water trip to Ellis Island on Uncle Sam's ships, but being a missionary I was allowed to take my charge into the boat. To my joy I saw Miss Melby, who works under the auspices of the Women's Baptist Home Mission Society, among the Swedish immigrants on the Island, in the boat. I explained the case to her and she guided me safely from room to room and at two p. m., I could leave the girl in the hospital to hurry back to my Sewing School. When the girl returned from the hospital she brought two sisters with her to thank me for my trouble. Jewish mintl the greatest desire of every woman must be to get a husband and they wished that this desire should be granted unto me. They were much surprised to hear that "my heart's desire and prayer to God is the salvation of Israel."

As a result of this, six men attend our meetings and read the New Testament and tracts. Specially do they and in fact all of the people enjoy the last tract written by Mr. Cohn. One day I called on this family, and it being noon, found five at home. The father, a real Orthodox Jew, became very much interested when I told him that as I had no father or mother to show me my error in believing in Christ, he should take this duty upon himself. "If you can show me from the T'nach (Bible) that Jesus is not the Messiah, I will cease to believe in Him, but if I can prove from the same book that my faith is founded on the word of God, you ought to come and accept the Saviour. He took the book from a drawer and read the passages I told him. At first he tried to apply them to the children of Israel, but when his nephew defended the scripture, saying if God and the Bible is true, Christ is the Messiah, he closed the book and waving his hands shouted, "If you give me all the money in America I will not forsake the religion of my fathers. I do not want you to forsake the religion of your fathers but to become a true Jew, who believes in God's word and accepts Jehovah's offer of salvation. -GISELA FLEISCHMANN.

#### News From Other Workrs.

Thinking our readers would be glad to learn of some other work than our own, as The Chosen People is always filled exclusively with such news, this month I am giving some reports of outside fields.

The following extracts are from letters to me from Mr. Moses Nye, a Hebrew Christian, who suffers many things for Christ's sake.

MY DEAR BROTHER COHN:-

Your letter was forwarded to me to this city Toledo, Ohio. I came here to a convention of people whom I believe are children of God. meetings are held at the auditorium, and yesterday I spoke and told them how God brought me into this life and into the light, and how God is using me among my own people, the Jews, and also among the Gentiles. At several meetings Jews confessed the Messiah, and are now enjoying the Holy Spirit in their life. Last Monday, God's Holy Spirit directed me to the insane asylum, and to my surprise, I there found one of my Jewish brethren who was converted and who preached Christ, for which he was sent to the institution, two years ago. The authorities keep him there, using him to do painting and other work. And people are made to believe that these are Christian and godly institutions. One day he wrote a letter to the Governor of the State, explaining the circumstances under which he was held a prisoner. The superintendent of the asylum intercepted the letter and when he learned the contents, the poor brother was placed in the "Strong Ward" for five months.

\* \* Yesterday, God directed me to a Jewish family. The man is converted, but his wife is an enemy to the Cross and against us Jews who are born of water and of the Spirit. husband not being in the store, the wife came instead, and when she heard that I was a believer in the Lord Jesus Christ, and after I had begun to speak to her about Him, she struck me suddenly in the face with her fist, following this up with a shower of blows and missiles, and calling loudly on her neighbors for help which they readily gave. I would have been killed then had not some Gentiles rescued me. I praise God for being counted worthy to suffer for the work which He has laid upon me. "Blessed are they which are persecuted for righteousness sake, for their's is the Kingdom of Heaven." Matt. 5, 10. May God lead and use you in the work of the Master, is my prayer.

The following is an extract from a letter of a Christian friend who is a reader of The Chosen People. He became interested in this cause and began to talk to the Jews of his own town, Bangor, Me. He has been trying to get their consent to address them in their synagogue. In a recent letter he writes:—"I have been waiting all of this time and talking to your people, asking of them the privilege of saying a few words in their

synagogue, but they were not yet ready to grant me that favor. I told them that we Christians allow any one to take a part in our meetings. They said that I was right, but that they have to do what their rabbi tells them in regard to most everything. I told them that if I took any part in their synagogue, they must let me take my hat off, to begin with. I asked them if they were not expected to take their hats off when calling on a neighbor, and they said they were and I asked them if they ought not to show God as much respect as they do a human being. They said I was right about that also."—E. C. S.

The next report is from a Christian gentleman who applied for a copy of The Chosen People and for Jewish tracts a few months ago. In his letter he states that by reading of The Chosen People, he became deeply interested in the evangelization of the Jews. Also he deplores the strange lethargy of Christians with regard to mission work among the Jews. "I will not cease to pray," he writes, "that God will open the eyes of the Christians, who are in general as blind toward the conversion of the Jews as they are toward Jesus Christ." Concerning the tracts I sent him he writes as follows:

"Thanks for the parcel of tracts you kindly sent me. I read your new tract with interest.

\* \* \* I have got a new version of the Jewish religion, and a new light on the Christian faith. \* \* \* I have distributed them all to Jews and not without faithful results. One Jewess to whom I gave a copy of the tract "To both the houses of Israel" is having the veil removed from her eyes to see the truth as it is in Jesus Christ.

Your brother, F. B."

A young lady who is interested in this Gospel work and has been to our meetings several times to sing for us, is much concerned about mission work for the Jews. She invited one of her Jewish lady friends to accompany her to church one Sunday. As she promised to do so, the Christian lady asked her pastor to so direct his sermon as to reach her friend's heart by giving strong proofs from the Old Testament that Jesus is the true Messiah. But it so occurred that the Jewish young lady was hindered from going and let her Christian friend know to that effect an hour before church time. There was no way of informing the pastor, and he preached a most remarkable sermon that Sunday evening. Many Christians, members of the church and strangers, were thrilled by the wonderful fulfillments of prophecies in the Lord Jesus Christ, as shown by the Would to God that all the preachers might give their audiences the truth from the Old Testament Scriptures concerning the Lord Jesus Christ. Then their congregations would know who our Jesus is, they would love Him, adore Him, and serve Him with all that is in them.

#### Articles Received.

Mrs. Barnes, a parcel of clothing.

## Receipts During November.

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RENT.	•
Mr. R. L. C.	\$25.00
Mr. J. T. P	25.00
SALARY OF ASSISTANT.	
Mr. J. T. P	40.00
"THE CHOSEN PEOPLE."	0,000
Subscriptions	20.50
	20.50
POOR FUND.	
"A Friend of Israel"	1.50
Miss C. F. MacLean	2.00
"For His Cause"	2.75
Mary B. Waesche	5.00
"A Friend"	1.00
"For His Cause"	.50
BIBLES AND TRACTS.	
Mrs. Geo. Herd, per Mrs. Hewlett	.50
SEWING SCHOOL.	
Mrs. L. A. Curtis	5.00
Mrs. F. H. M	5.00
Mrs. M. J. H., per Miss Marston	2.00
MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.	1772
	2.00
Mr. H. P. Cushman	2.00
GENERAL, FUND.	
Rev. A. J. Padelford	.50
Mrs. H. E. Coolidge	6.00
"For His Cause"	1.00
Mrs. G. Gabrielson	40.00
Mr. Geo. L. Walton	5.00
Mrs. Martha C. Roberts	2.00
Mr. Ralph W. Allen	1.00
Miss Metta Coltville	1.00
Mrs. H. L. Southmayd	1.50
Mr. A. L. Sheldon	4.00
Mr. and Mrs. A. Armstrong	2.50
Mr. Geo. R. Comings and Sister	7.00
Mrs. H. F. Canfield	4.50
Mr. E. G. Sylvester	3.50
Mrs. Baker's Bible Class, per	
Miss Bessie Betts	1.00
Friends of Israel, Morristown, per	
Miss Bessie Betts	18.00
Mr. Robert Williams	5.00
Miss M. Demarest	.50
A Friend of the Chosen People	5.00
Mrs. A. Estoppey	2.00
Mr. A. G. Mansfield	4.50
Rev. W. L. Brown	.50
Coll. 1st Baptist Church, Paterson, N. J.	
per Mr. W. M. Hill	10.50
Mr. B. F. Ellis	2.00
H E Forbes	5.00
"A Friend"	1.00
I. A. Greene	.50
Mrs. F. M. Dolbeir	.50
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## Progress of the Building Fund.

We are glad to report that the plan laid before our friends in the last issue has met with the approval of a goodly number of the readers of The Chosen People. Bearing in mind the fact that

this is the busiest season of the year, the number of letters relating to the building fund is remarkable. One friend writes: "It grieved me very much to see how much you need for the building and how little the people are willing to give. But as I laid it before my circle, they all agreed to give something toward it in the future." Another wrote: "It almost breaks my heart to see how much money is needed and how little I can give. but our Father can bless the little. Enclosed please find, etc." Another writes: "May He grant your wishes with regard to the building. I hope I may be permitted to add a brick or so sometimes, althought at present my expenses have been unusually heavy and I am rather pressed to Still another wrote me that he get through." was going to arrange for me to come to speak in his church and he hoped that the people would contribute toward the building. Many wrote that while they had no money to give, they would earnestly pray for the funds to be sent forward. It is affecting to read the dissapointed expressions of those who would love to give the money for His cause, but have not got it. If those who have the means had the ardent desires of these saints who are poor in this world's goods, we would have had a building long ago. Although we received only one dollar this month for the building, as reported below, our confidence is not shaken in the least. The Scripture says: "Though thy beginning is small, yet thy latter end shall greatly increase." Job. 8:7. We believe that the Lord has in every generation a few concerning whom we shall be able to say to the Lord Jesus Christ, "He loveth our nation and has built us a synagogue." Luke 7:5. Mr. Samuel Wilkinson told of an incident which touched my heart very much. Queen Victoria went in one day among the wounded soldiers from the late Boer war. She came across one cot on which lay a young man whose face was hit by a shell and had become a mass of wounded flesh which was being treated continually by a loyal and faithful nurse. The Queen was touched by this suffering patient more than by any of the rest. "What can I do for you, my poor young fellow?" she asked in sympathetic tones. "Thank you, your Majesty," uttered the sufferer feebly, "but you can thank my nurse who has done so much for me." The Queen, with tear-dimmed eyes, and with a subdued voice approached the nurse, took her hand and said: "I thank you, nurse, I thank you."

When the Lord Jesus Christ will come, He will gather poor scattered Israel with great mercy, (Isa. 54:7,) and the poor Jews will point to these dear Christian people who are spiritually nursing them now and will say: "Please, Lord, thank these who have done so much for us." And surely, one smile from the Lord Jesus is worth more than the fifty thousand dollars that is required for our building. We, therefore, trust that every one of the readers will endeavor to have a part in this our enterprise.

Received during November for Building Fund, Mrs. J. S. Dinwoodie..... \$1.00