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## Salutation

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

II Kings, 10, 13.

*My dearly beloved Friends:*

Jehovah bless thee and keep thee and grant above all things "that thou mayest prosper and be in health, even as thy soul prospereth". 3 John, 2. Amen.

### RESTORED HEALTH

Availing myself of this opportunity I wish to express to you my grateful thanks for your deep concern for my health as shown by your letters assuring me of your prayers.

No sooner did the last issue of THE CHOSEN PEOPLE, containing my son's notice about my illness, reach you, than I felt a change for the better. My strength increased gradually until the Lord in His mercy restored health unto me and healed me. I have been urged by some physician friends to take a protracted vacation in order to recover from the strain that I have been under for fifteen years without any cessation, but to be back again in the Lord's work gives me joy, and the privilege of working together with the King, gives me rest, peace, and recreation. This sickness has given me evidences which make me more highly estimate this mission work.

### ALL THINGS WORK FOR GOOD.

"And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to His purpose." Rom. 8: 28.

During my illness the converts visited me and and knelt beside my bed crying to God and saying: "O Lord, please do not take brother Cohn from us." Upon my recovery I came in unexpectedly to a meeting, and what a touching scene! All that were seated waiting for the opening of the meeting jumped to their feet clasping my hand and with tear-dimmed eyes greeted me and pronounced a blessing which orthodox Jews repeat over a recovered patient saying in the Hebrew tongue: "Blessed be He who healeth the sick." These things have revealed to me a new feature of the labors in the Gospel for my people. The brethren's demonstration of appreciation of my endeavors on their behalf has only drawn me closer to them and to the activities for their salvation.

Now since the middle of January when the Lord put me back again at my post, my time has been so occupied that I have often wished for longer days and longer weeks.

Preaching, teaching, leading, advising, visiting and helping, writing and reading all must be crowded into the short hours of the fleeting days. But the joy of hearing frequently new confessions of faith in the Lord Jesus Christ from the lips of my Jewish brethren makes it delightful

## SURPRISE TO THE JEWS.

Right after the paper went out last month the builders began to work on our mission building. Jews in the neighborhood have been seen standing there in groups and discussing the subject. Many interesting and amusing remarks have been overheard by my co-workers who happened to overhear conversations. All their utterances went to show their great surprise at the fact that Christians are building a house for the benefit of Jews.

They never heard of such a thing before, not since the time when the disciples introduced to the Lord Jesus, a Gentile, who built a synagogue for the Jews. The converts also are glad and are thanking God for the token of Christian love for the Jews. When a Jew is converted and learns from the New Testament the origin of the Christian Church he is greatly surprised at the attitude of the masses of Christians toward the Jew. One of the converts told me that he had been to a certain church with whose preacher he wanted to shake hands, but who brushed by the Jew not noticing his extended hand and smiling face. "I cannot understand" said he, "how a man can be so ungrateful; these ministers have been put into their high offices by Jewish Christians and how can they be so cold and unkind, to us Jews?"

A reader of our paper voices a kindred thought in different words when she writes, "I do enjoy THE CHOSEN PEOPLE so, and always feel both happy and sad. Happy to see how good God is to you and sad at how little His people are doing."

But the dear friends of this mission have now begun to remove that stain of prejudice against the Jews which rests so heavily upon the Christians at large. You have shown and will show still more emphatically that you are "the children of your Father who is in heaven." You have manifested the Christ-like spirit in excelling the publicans, "For if ye love them which love you, what reward have ye? do not even the publicans the same?" It is natural for Jews to be in sympathy with Jews, for Gentiles to be interested in Gentiles, just as a denomination cares for its own members.

But the Holy Spirit dwelling in your hearts has lifted you above these natural tendencies. The Lord God who has begun this good work in you will accomplish it, He will continue to work in you until you will have as strong, as pure and as compassionate a love for the poor Jew as your Father in heaven has. (See Isa. 49: 15, 16.)

Yours in the truth of the Lord Jesus,

## THE CHOSEN PEOPLE

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## THE WORK

In 1894, in obedience to the call of God, Leopold Cohn opened a mission to the Jews in Brooklyn. With no friends to back him, he placed full reliance on the Lord, taking for his motto, "Seek ye first the Kingdom of God and his righteousness." God's children who know His word send the necessary funds as they are led of Him. The Lord has richly blessed the preaching of His Word among His ancient people, Israel. Over ninety Jews have confessed Him publicly, a number of whom are now preaching the Gospel, while hundreds of others must remain silent believers because of the dread of bitter persecution, and because of lack of facilities to help them.

To-day, we have two mission stations for about 250,000 Jews. Meetings are held for men, women and children. A free medical dispensary is maintained to assist the poor Jews who need such care. The Poor Fund, to which many of the friends feel led to contribute, enables the workers to relieve the distress and poverty of deserving Jews, and in this way we give to the Jews a practical demonstration of Christian love, of which they see so little.

The Literature Fund is used to purchase Hebrew Bibles, New Testaments, and to print Tracts in the Jewish tongue for free distribution. This is a most important part of the work. Mr. Cohn has written seven tracts in Jewish himself, which have been used of God to the conversion of many.

The children's work is another important branch. The little Jewish children are taken into Sewing and Sunday School classes and in this way taught Christian hymns, and told about Jesus.

It is a peculiar work among a "peculiar people." You are earnestly asked to remember it in your prayers. "Pray for the peace of Jerusalem; they shall prosper that love thee."

### Our Financial Condition

We were deeply gratified at the immediate and liberal response of the friends to the statement last month concerning the threatened deficit, and we thank you all from the bottom of our hearts for this renewed demonstration of your loyalty to the work to which the Lord Jesus has called you.

From all parts of the country there came the help needed; many regretted being able to send so little, but with a large number of small contributions the deficit was greatly reduced, and we close the books of the year with a cash balance, but still with outstanding debts of about \$200.

In order for the Treasury to be in a right financial condition, we must have beyond the usual contributions coming in during February, the amount to cover the debt mentioned above and also about that much more to cover the incidental expenses during the month, that is, about \$400.

So, if our friends will do as well this month as they did in January, we feel this will be accomplished. We will need about four hundred dollars in addition to the usual contributions to bring about our desired result. Some who were unable to respond promptly to the appeal last month can help us just as materially now as then, and we trust that many will rise to the need.

### The Question Column

Quite a number of communications concerning the advisability of devoting a column of this paper to answering questions sent by our readers,

have been received. Of these by far the larger number approved the plan and so we have decided to agree with their desires and next month will begin and answer from time to time such questions as are sent that will be of interest and benefit to our readers.

### The Difference

When I meet or hear of a Christian who visits or preaches the Gospel to the Jews or helps others do it, I feel somewhat like my ancestor Jacob after his vision in Bethel, when he awoke and said, "This is none other but the house of God," Gen. 28: 17.

And what does our Lord say in John 14: 23? Is not the "house of God" in the individual who has given admittance to the Heavenly Guest and of whom it is true as Christ promised, "I will dwell in them and walk in them?" The Lord Jesus is the same yesterday, to-day and forever. When on this earth He lived among the Jews, He prayed for them and talked with them, He wept over them and His heart yearned that they might accept Him. Hence when He dwells personally in a man's heart by the Holy Spirit He will naturally use the man's head and hands and feet to fulfil His desire to bring the Gospel to the Jews.

But when alas, I meet so many professing Christians who care for none of these things and are not willing to help the Jews in any way, I am reminded of Hos. 10: 1, "Israel is an empty vine." Yes, they are "empty vessels," 2 Kings 4: 3, "empty clouds," Ex. 11: 3; a house without an occupant, a Christian without Christ.

**Rev. P. M. Schaufeld, Ph.D., Our Co-Worker**

Perhaps a few words respecting myself as your new worker will be of interest to the dear readers of THE CHOSEN PEOPLE, who so heartily sympathize with all who have passed from darkness into the light and liberty of the Gospel of our dear Lord.

I was born in Austria. My father was a very learned man, but of my dear, good mother I do not remember much, as she died when I was in my tenth year.

When I was but a young boy, I was sent to a place called "Yeshibah," where I could study Talmudical and Rabbinical literature. (A Yeshibah is a high-school, a Rabbinical College. It is the oldest institution of Jewish learning, and ranks higher than the Talmud Torah School. It is mentioned in the Talmud. Several of the leading Rabbis were Heads of Yeshibahs, and at the present day there are still Yeshibahs in the centres of Jewish populations).

I found, of course, glimpses in such schools, which led me later to my dear Messiah. Allow me to mention some of them.

On the passage in Daniel 7: 9, "I beheld till the thrones were set up and the ancient of days sat down," the Talmud asks: "Why thrones? in the plural," and the answer comes from the great Rabbi Akiba, "One for Him, and one for the Messiah."

In one part of the Talmud called "Sanhedrin 98b," the following discussion among the Rabbis concerning the Messiah, is to be found.

Rabbi Johanan, says: "The world was created only for the Messiah." And what is his name? Rabbi Shila, says: "Shiloh is His name." Gen. 49: 10. "The scepter shall not depart from Judah until Shiloh comes."

The School of Rabbi Janai, says: "Yinon is His name, according to Ps. 72: 17, His name shall endure and shall shine as long as the sun." The R. Hanina, said: "Haninah" is His name: according to Jer. 16: 13, "For I shall give you no favor" (haninah), etc., etc.

But as my country was, and still is, of Catholic faith, and there were at that time no Hebrew mis-

sions, I could not grasp the real idea of the Lord Jesus Christ. Later, when I entered college and a Rabbinical Seminary, I began to search the Scriptures more diligently. One day, I remember well, being at Breslau, Germany, for a man passed, and began to converse with me about a Messiah, and a Redeemer, and gave me several tracts in Hebrew and in other languages. The title of the Hebrew was: "Come unto me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest." And I must acknowledge that those tracts were instrumental through the gracious operation of the Holy Spirit in helping me to step from darkness into the light of the Gospel.

I was baptized unto the Lord in the year 1885, at Stuttgart, Wurtembergia, by the late Rev. E.

Paulus Gottheil, a n aged Christian Hebrew missionary of the "British Society for the propagation of the Gospel among the Jews, London." He was the older brother of the late Rabbi Gottheil, of New York.

Immediately after my baptism I was persecuted by all my friends and nearest relations, and, of course, I lost my Rabbinical position. They called me a man cut off from the mercy of God and the congregation of Israel.

On account of this persecution, I came twenty-two years ago to this, our dear and beloved country.

I studied here in theological seminaries, was ordained, and served as a pastor and teacher in the West and

Far West. I speak, teach and preach in several languages and could use them in the best way in my last four years work as a general missionary to immigrants, for the American Tract Society.

But as a Hebrew Christian, I have decided to give all my time and energy to the cause of our brethren and as you know I have been connected since December, with our dear Brother Cohn.

I find that mission work among the Jews has been neglected, and I praise the Lord, that I will be able to teach my brethren of Christ, the Son of God, and will use the same method with them as was used by our dear Master and the Apostles to bring them to know Him, in whom there is neither Jew nor Greek. —PAUL M. SCHAUFELD.



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### Truth Seen by a Superstitious Jew

While visiting some Jewish families on a Friday afternoon, I at last found myself in a very neat, clean room. It was both dining and sitting room and beyond was only a bed room and kitchen. The table was covered with a clean white cloth and a specially wrought napkin covered the two Sabbatic loaves at the head of the table. The Talmudic law requires that at each of the three meals of the Sabbath there should be served two loaves for the "breaking of the bread" in memory of the double portion of manna which was provided for the Sabbath. Orthodox Jews spend most of Friday preparing for the Sabbath, baking, cooking and cleaning.

When I visited the family I referred to, it was nearly sunset and so everything was about ready for the Sabbath. The wife was still busy around the stove, but the husband sat at the table with his prayer book reading the Song of Solomon in the peculiar tune which the Jews use for this book which is always chanted in the same way every Friday evening by all orthodox Jews. The candlesticks, some of brass and some of silver were set on a tray at the other end of the table with candles ready to be lighted by the mistress.

This is one of the three commandments with the special observance of which the daughters of Abraham have been honored by rabbis. A man must observe as many as 613 commandments.

The air of the rooms in their Sabbath dress, the earnest looks of the occupants, and the nice odor of the tasty dishes was a most refreshing oasis in the outside desert.

#### AN ABSORBING CONVERSATION.

As usual, when I enter a house, a number of neighbors follow to see what I want, and as my talk with them turned immediately upon the Scriptures showing that Jesus is the Messiah, they became intensely interested, not so much for the truth's sake as for the sake of seeing the end of the Missionary whom they expected would be thrown down stairs by that pious saint. But it was not so. That saintly face lit up when the hope of Israel through the Messiah was set forth in a way never heard before. After many proofs from the Scripture had been alluded to, the man was somewhat astonished and didn't know what to say to relieve the situation. So at last he burst out, raising his hands in front of his face and closing his eyes, "If I listen to you I would become a Christian and then I could not keep the Sabbath and have this pleasure every Friday evening and all day Sabbath. I would not forego it not for all your Christians." To this I said, "You may keep the Sabbath even if you become a Christian," and showed him that the Lord Jesus said that He did not come to destroy the law but to fulfil it. This he denied and told me the following story.

#### THE JEW'S STORY.

In a Christian village there once lived a man who was the only Jew in the town. He had a small store and did a good business and as he succeeded the Christian became jealous of him. After discussing the matter in a meeting the priest proposed to the Jew that he must either become a Christian or leave the village. The Jew enquired what he must do to become a Christian and eventually had to undergo some useless ceremony in order not to lose his money. Upon his becoming a Christian the neighbors watched to see what he would do on Friday evening; would he eat meat as usual, or conform to the Romish custom of not doing so. Upon seeing him continue as formerly, the people told the priest that the Jew was no Christian as he had roast goose on his table on Friday evening. The priest watched himself then and suddenly came upon the Jew while he was seated with his family at the elaborately prepared table eating a roast goose. "Now, Mr. Moses" said the priest, "what is this?" "Why, Rev. Father, this is not a goose, this is fish." "Anyone can see," answered the priest, "that this is goose flesh." But the Jew replied, "Rev. Father, I did just as you did when you changed me into a Christian. You put a drop of water upon me three times and said, 'You are no more a Jew. You are a Christian,' so I put a drop of water upon this goose and said, 'You are fish.'"

#### RESULTS.

Great laughter followed this story and when quiet was restored the Jew triumphantly pointing to me said, "Now you see, how I could keep the Sabbath if I became a Christian." I explained to them that if that story ever happened it must have been in medieval times and under Catholic rule. I told them what a difference there was between Catholics and Protestants and we were now living in a country where one was not persecuted for his faith. After explaining these things to them, for it would never do to antagonize such people, I told him to accept the Lord Jesus Christ first and then if the Holy Spirit leads him to observe ceremonial laws, he may do so. It would be a great mistake to tell a Jew before he knows and loves the Lord Jesus, that he must not keep this or that. Such utterances only cause great hatred.

At last the man and those that were present, saw plainly that the Lord Jesus must be their Messiah and that it is the duty of every Jew to accept Him as their Saviour. The man finally remarked, "If it is true that I am allowed to keep the Sabbath and anything that God commanded and still have Jesus to atone for my sins as the sacrifice used to do in olden times, I believe that every Jew should accept Christ, for then we will be just as well off as when we had the temple in Jerusalem, when our fathers brought sacrifices whose blood made propitiation for their sins and when they had God in their midst."

### A Talk with a Jewess

Most of the patients that come to our Doctor are Jewesses. One afternoon I noticed a thoughtful looking woman standing and reading one of the large Hebrew signs hanging on the wall. I stepped over to her side and asked whether she understood what she read. She said, "Yes," and at the same time repeated a verse written there. It was a great surprise to me, because few, if any, Jewish women are so educated as to understand Hebrew, although many of them do read it.

After discussing these verses, I asked if she had ever heard about the Lord Jesus. His name I mentioned in Hebrew, namely, "Jeshua Hama-sheach." She had never heard these words before and asked me, "Who is that? Is He one of the American millionaires? When I came across the ocean (she has been here only a couple of months) I was told of many different millionaires in America. Is this one? I have a very poor memory for names." When I saw the situation I began to explain more carefully and told her about the Lord Jesus and proved to her that the Scriptures she had just read from the signs, referred clearly to Him. She understood remarkably well, unlike other Jewesses and agreed with all the points after very slight questioning. Then she asked, what would be the greatest benefit to her soul if she really accepted the Lord Jesus and put all her trust in Him. I told her about the forgiveness of sins which is to me the greatest benefit with that of the resurrection of the dead. When I touched on that point she became very enthusiastic. "If I only," said she, "am convinced of this one thing, that as Jesus rose from the dead, so will I, that is reason enough for me to believe in Him and keep me steadfast all my life."

### Tried to Help the Missionary

At one of our Wednesday evening question meetings as I answered the query of a man, one of the audience, a Jew of about fifty, stood up and begged me to permit him to explain to the people about the Lord Jesus. He said that he thought he could assist by telling how he was helped.

He first introduced himself to me from his seat by saying, "My name is Mr. Rabinowitz, and you, Mr. Cohn, were once in my house. I think I can help these brethren here believe in Christ, if you will permit me." This was all he said about himself at the time, but at the close of the meeting he told me how I once called on his family and had an argument with him, as he had never heard of Christ being of Jewish descent, especially of the royal house of David. He naturally was bitter and prejudiced, but when I showed him that Jesus was in the flesh, of pure Jewish blood, that He defended and advo-

cated the law of God, that He only wanted to remove traditions that were contrary to the Word of God, that He loved the Jews, His people, so much that when a Gentile woman came to Him for a miracle He said that He did not come but to the lost sheep of the House of Israel, that He so loved them that even on the cross He could pray for them—then this man's attitude was changed and he began to study the Scriptures and was finally fully convinced, though he had never told me so before. When he saw the difficulty I was having with the questioner, he volunteered to help me out thinking that all the Jews could be convinced in the same way that he had been.

I gave him permission at once and he began to tell all that I had told him at his house, appealing to them by saying, "Why shouldn't you honor and respect this Jesus who was the greatest Jew? He loved us and He kept all the commandments, etc."

Although I frequently hold up these facts before the Jews in my talks to them, yet coming from one of the audience these words made an unusual impression. Others soon started asking questions from every side so that the man became confused and I stopped the discussion and took up the previous subject again.

### A Peculiar Dream

A converted Jew who tries to follow the Lord and confesses Him publicly without fear, told me the following story.

He has a brother in this city, who is not only indifferent to Christ of whom this converted brother has often told him, but also to his own religion, for he does not attend synagogue more than once a year, on the Day of Atonement, when all the Jews go. His parents lived in Europe, but his aged father died lately and the news reached them just a few weeks ago. It is a sacred tradition among the Jews that the sons of deceased parents shall repeat a short prayer called Kaddish (described in our October issue) in the synagogue in the presence of a required quorum of at least ten men. This they must do twice daily for a year, for the Jews offer their prayers in the Synagogue, morning and evening, during which time, if so done, the soul of the dead gradually gets out of Gehenna (Hell).

Before his death, the aged father received word of his son's conversion and was grieved over it. Just a few days before the news of their father's death reached America, the unconverted brother, who is so indifferent to religion, had a dream that his father came and told him to go to the Synagogue and repeat Kaddish. When he rose, he thought it was only imagination and didn't bother about it, but when the following night he had the same dream again, he thought that this must be the real appearance of his

father's soul and so straightway he went to the Synagogue and repeated Kaddish. A few days later came the news from Europe.

Now these occurrences disturbed the converted brother and his wife, also a believer, and they asked me for an explanation. They knew that the Kaddish could not save any one from hell if they had no faith in the blood of the Lord Jesus Christ and yet they were confronted with this fact, that the soul of their father who is in the world of truth asked the brother to say Kaddish, and still more puzzling was the fact that the soul applied to a man indifferent to religion and not to one who knew the truth.

I explained that probably the unconverted brother, having known the ripe age of his father, must have been frequently thinking that he could not live much longer. The natural thought to follow would have been that the son would soon be going to the Synagogue and repeating Kaddish, for even indifferent Jews think this imperative. Continuing this line of thought, the dream returned the second night and compelled him to go and repeat the prayer.

This explanation satisfied the couple quite well and they were going to investigate the matter in order to convince the brother how it came about.

### The Poor

During the time of my illness and absence from the work, I did not, of course, visit the poor, although the workers and my son Joseph did what they could. However, a great deal of such work has accumulated and just the day after I showed myself in the field, a number of miserable cases were presented to me. Several families had been dispossessed, some actually put into the open air, and one girl came to me, asking: "My father told me as soon as I saw you to ask you to advise him where to get coal." When I pointed out a coal dealer, the little girl said: "But will you please tell him how to get the coal from there?" This is often the way they approach one on charity matters. Jews more than any other nationality are very bashful about begging. They claim that Psalm which says, "I have not seen the righteous forsaken nor his seed begging bread." Thus, one has to know how to deal with them in such matters.

One family of six children and parents who had been well off only a year ago, went from bad to worse during the past months. They had to pawn even some articles of furniture and then moved into a cheap flat where there was no stove. They had been there for a week in this cold weather with the little ones, the youngest three years old, without any fire. When I brought up a stove and while the man adjusted it in the kitchen, it was most touching to see the little tots, stretching out their hands toward the stove utter-

ing an extended—Ah—as if they felt some mysterious warmth coming from the cold iron. One child said, "Now mamma, you can give me a bath," another, "Now my shirt can be washed." The whole family were very grateful and much excited and I noticed the father shedding tears. We bought shoes for two of the boys who had gone to school with rags wrapped around their feet, as they were anxious to continue their studies. One boy of about eleven, told me in answer to some of my questions concerning his studies of American history, that the reason why Washington couldn't tell a lie, was because he belonged to Christ. "And who is Christ," asked I? "The Son of God," he said. "Who told you that?" "My father once came from your mission and said you taught them that."

This, like other incidents of the kind, caused me joy because it revealed how much the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ is spreading among my people, to an extent I could not imagine. I did not suppose that a Jew would of his own accord teach his son that Jesus is the Son of God and this too without his being known to me as a believer. When I left the house in company with my assistant, Bro. Schaufeld, the boys, who had received the shoes cried, "Thank you for the shoes," and then came a chorus from all, "Thank you, thank you." I turned and said they should thank the Lord Jesus Christ and His followers, the Christians.

Space in this little paper does not allow me to tell of many other cases which, through your generosity, I have been enabled to relieve. Times are still hard and misery is great, and help is much needed.

### Calendar of Meetings

- Sunday School, 2.30 P. M., at 624 Broadway.  
 Sunday, Preaching and Testimony Meeting, 8 P. M.  
 624 Broadway.  
 Monday, Meeting for Converts, 8 P. M. 624 Broadway.  
 Tuesday, Sewing School, 3.30 P. M. 399 Rockaway Ave.  
 Wednesday, Lecture and Questions, 8 P. M.  
 624 Broadway.  
 Thursday, Sewing School, 3.30 P. M., 624 Broadway.  
 Friday, Preaching, 8 P. M., 624 Broadway.  
 Saturday, Preaching, 8 P. M., 624 Broadway.  
 Dispensary, Monday, Wednesday, Friday, at 3 P. M.  
 624 Broadway.

### How to Reach the Missions

For Brownsville, take cars transferring to Bergen Street line, get off at Rockaway Ave. and walk about three blocks to 399 Rockaway Ave., or take the Hamburg Ave. car which passes the door.

For Williamsburg, take cars transferring to Sumner, Reid or Broadway lines, which pass the door, or take the Broadway elevated to Lorimer Street station, and walk to 624 Broadway.

### Brief Notes

The friends will remember that some time ago we reported the story of a young converted Jew who while talking to other Jews about Christ was thrown by one of them against a near-by stand, injuring his brain so seriously that physicians urged an operation. I am glad to inform our friends and especially those who wrote that they were praying for the young man, that he has been wonderfully healed. He told us the other day that he had trusted in the Lord Jesus all the time, refusing to put his confidence in an operation, and at last the Lord restored the soundness to his brain and he is now free from pain and doing well.

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It was great joy that I experienced one evening last month. At the close of a meeting when five young Jews, between twenty and twenty-five years of age, all bright and promising, confessed their belief in the Lord Jesus Christ for the first time, one of them whispered in my ear, "I want to be a soldier of Christ, as you once said, we ought to be." Surely this is strong proof that the Jews are marching fast to Calvary.

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Some of the Reformed rabbis have, after a long struggle, admitted at last publicly that Isa. 53, must apply to the Lord Jesus Christ. This has caused a great deal of consternation among Orthodox Jews who bitterly denounce those rabbis in the Jewish papers.

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In our next number, we will give the annual account of receipts and expenditures of the Mission, for the past year. We have always made it a custom to submit a duly audited account once a year in order to show the friends that their money has been spent as they wished. Also we have extended an invitation to any interested in this work, to come and see our books at any time. We have no hidden things in the work of the Lord and shall be pleased to show and explain everything in order to strengthen the confidence of our friends.

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It will be remembered that at the opening of the Williamsburg Mission we had large signs hung up in the windows and on the walls of the Mission room, bearing chapters and many passages of Scriptures in Hebrew, upon them. The money for this purpose was given by the Life Line Mission. Several times it was reported that much good had been accomplished by these signs, but as they waxed old they began to crumble to pieces like all other created things. We have recently had them re-made and the Jews are again reading them and we trust that they will do their work as silent preachers.

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We continually receive encouraging news from friends to whom we sent tracts. One writes,

"The tracts that you sent me for Sarah to whom I was talking last week, were read by her and she told me that they were very interesting. We had her here with us to supper and she went to our service with us. She said, 'I had a notion to stand for Jesus.' I wanted to know if I could have tracts sent to her parents. She said, 'yes,' so please send some of your best."

—MRS. J. H. JONES.

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We have also heard good news from two Jewish missionary activities where we sent quantities of tracts. Brother Levenson, of Cincinnati, says that they were of "great use" to him and he could use more of the same kind.

From Chicago comes very interesting reports of the new work started there for Jews in connection with the Wicker Park Churrh. A young Jewish reporter who was sent by the rabbi to "write up" the meetings and denounce them was greatly impressed so that he refused to write the article, and eventually was wonderfully converted.

### Jewish Life

The promise made in the last issue of THE CHOSEN PEOPLE to write a book on Jewish life if a sufficient number of orders were guaranteed, is still in its force. We have received so far only a small number of such answers and so will leave the question open until the end of this season. Let everyone who would like this book write a special postal card, saying: "I will take one copy of your book on Jewish life and pay \$1.50 for it, when ready for delivery."

This book will contain full particulars of the most important facts of the Jewish religion, beginning with birth and continuing until death, with special laws governing both sexes, and giving all references to the authoritative books of the Talmudic codes. It is ridiculous to read some authors' statements on Jewish laws and customs. I read in a book written by a well-known Christian that the Song of Songs is considered by the Jews so very sacred that they are not allowed to read it until forty, which, of course, is not true. While the Jews do consider it very sacred, they read it and have their children read it every Friday (see article on Page 4). Such authors ask any Jew, as they wrongly think that all the Jews are alike, for the desired information and relying on that they publish such ignorance to educate the people.

The book "Jewish Life" will be written by one who was a so-called "master in Israel" having had diplomas from the greatest rabbis in Hungary and having officiated for years as rabbi, being thus in a position to give instruction on these lines without error. If only the cost of publishing will be guaranteed, I am willing to give time and talent for your sake.

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Young People's Society, Third Ch. of Christ, a box of groceries; Miss Meribah Roe, a package of clothing; Mrs. R. Topping, a barrel of clothing; Needlework Guild, Rhinebeck branch, twenty-five new garments, Mrs. M. E. Johnson, basted strips for practice work; Mrs. J. S. Bailey, Jr., dimity for aprons.

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