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Salutation

"We go to Salute the children of the King."—II Kings 10, 13.
My Dearly Beloved Friends:

I salute you as those who are of "the king's household," even of the "household of God," and I pray that everyone of you may realize that beautiful promise, "He crowneth thee with loving kindness and tender mercies." Amen.

DISTINGUISHING MARKS.

While your coronation day has not yet come as long as our great King tarries, there are certain distinguishing marks upon you and all other children of God, showing that you belong to the household of the King. In Ephesians, 2: 14-19, we have an account of the great privileges and characteristics converted Gentiles receive from the Lord Jesus Christ. One of them is their union with Jewish believers, for the Gentile convert becomes one with and feels warmly for the Jewish convert. The Lord Jesus Christ who is our Peace breaks down the old wall of partition. Thus, your attitude toward the Jews is one of the strongest tests and characteristics which stamp the members of the Chosen People family with the visible mark of the new birth. It was, therefore, no surprise to receive from our dear friends during the last month, letters containing words somewhat like the following: "Please find enclosed money order for \$— to help in your work. At the beginning of the new year I want to give my mite 'to the Jew first.'" This does not mean that they stop there; on the contrary, they are among our best and most frequent contributors, sending us of their means during the year, as often as the Lord enables them. Why then the emphasis on, "to the Jew first" at the beginning of the year? It is because they, being children of God, have the word of God deeply rooted in their hearts, being wholly controlled by the power of His Word, and not following their own opinion. Therefore, when at the start of the new year, the child of God is launching out afresh into a life of Christian activity he remembers God's Word, "to the Jew first" and trembles at the thought of slighting or giving it an irrelevant interpretation. Of such does the Holy Spirit speak, saying: "But to this man will I look (with regard and approval) even to him that—trembleth at my word." Isa. 66: 2.

Truly, of such is the Kingdom of Heaven. They belong to the King's household, and, therefore, know better than any outsider that "the writing which is written in the King's name—may no man reverse."

THE REASON.

While God's wisdom is beyond searching

trying to grasp with our finite mind the why and the wherefore, yet there is a very strong reason for His order "to the Jew first." Any unbiassed Christian can see in the Jew the ideal missionary through whom all people will be converted. President Taft in a speech made at the Jewish ball given in New York, on January 27, said that the Jews driven from tyrannical countries to this land make the best citizens and that though he did not mean to belittle the Yankees, yet he could not find words enough to express his praise for these immigrants and their strong patriotism. I would add this: the Jews have been the best Christians, the strongest missionaries and the greatest heralds of salvation, and while not slighting other Christians, yet think of the Jewish apostles and the thousands of Jewish martyrs for Christ's sake.

"To the Jew first," if implicitly obeyed, must bring with it a blessing such as the Church has not hitherto known. It must mean a revival of interest in all nations, it must mean a spread of the knowledge of Christ throughout all the world, simply because you have followed the Scriptural order. That people who for over four thousand years have held aloft the torch-light of life and liberty to a world steeped in darkness and misery and sin, that nation which has through the centuries of time silently, yet most eloquently pointed the way to an eternal God, that nation which has been the source of all spiritual knowledge, the source from which the entire Christian world now has its being—that nation cannot be singled out from the Gospel. No, that nation is destined once more to assume the leadership, to be the guardians of God's revelation, the tabernacle from which the God of Israel shall once more manifest His glory to all the world, for soon will the Sun of Righteousness arise with healing in His wings, and Israel once more assembled together, never again to be dispersed, shall look upon Him whom they have pierced and shall acclaim Him, King of Kings, and Lord of Lords—then, shall be ushered in the wonderful era for which the heart of every true child of God is longing, when there shall be even upon the bells of the horses, "Holiness unto the Lord." "In those days ten men shall take hold out of the languages of the nations, even shall take hold of the skirt of him that is a Jew, saying, we will go with you for we have heard that God is with you." Zech. 8: 23. That time will come as soon as the church of Christ awakes to her tremendous responsibility.

Yours in the King's service,

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THE WORK

The WILLIAMSBURG MISSION TO THE JEWS, (Incorporated) under the direction of Leopold Cohn, and his son, Joseph Cohn, Headquarters, Beth Sar Shalom, (The House of the Prince of Peace,) Throop Avenue, corner of Walton St., Brooklyn, N. Y. Telephone, 3741 Williamsburg.

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This work was started in 1894, by LEOPOLD COHN, in obedience to the call of God. With no friends to back him, he placed full reliance on the Lord who through His children, has sent the necessary funds. Meetings are held for adults and Sunday and Sewing Schools for children. A Medical Department is maintained to assist the poor Jews.

The Lord has richly blest the preaching of His truth concerning Jesus Christ and over a hundred Jews have confessed Him publicly, a number of whom are now preaching the Gospel, while hundreds of others remain silent believers because of the dread of bitter persecution and because of lack of facilities to help them.

The Poor Fund, contributed to by many friends, enables the workers to relieve the distress of deserving Jews and to give a practical demonstration of Christian love.

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

"Pray for the peace of Jerusalem; they shall prosper that love thee."

Christ's Meekness vs. Man's Pride -

The Lord Jesus Christ, the mighty God incarnate, left myriads upon myriads of worlds of which He had control, came down to the earth which is but a speck amid infinite systems of worlds, took upon Himself the likeness of the creatures of this planet which is one of the most infinitesimal of His creations, chose to be born of a woman, descended from the smallest nation on earth, took the disguise of a man belonging to the most despised race of the world, lavished His love, grace and mercy upon the most hated people under the sun, moved among them, lived and died in their company, rose again in power and glory within their confines, never shaking the dust of His feet against them until the heavens received Him back again with the greatest of honor and adoration.

The issue is plain. The Lord Jesus, like the divers who go down many fathoms into the water, leaving the glorious sunshine, the life-giving air, and passing over great fish on their way, aiming at one thing, namely the pearl, descended from heaven and passed by other nations, thinking of His great object to bring the Jew back to God. But alas! the vast majority of His servants think themselves greater than their Master. They want first to bring kings and magnates, rulers and princes of all nations, a thing which cannot be accomplished before the conversion of the Jews, but they feel it below their dignity to go to the Jews, for they do not see the pearl which their Master saw there, because of the pride which is back of it all, "making their hearts fat, and shutting their eyes." "Hearken unto me, ye stout-hearted—I will place salvation in Zion for Israel my glory." Isa. 46: 12-13.

Both at School.

We are glad to inform our friends that as we had hoped, we were able to send the second young man to the Moody Bible Institute by the middle of January, for which we are thankful to our heavenly Father. Both young men are now in school, studying the Word of God, and enjoying Christian fellowship. We receive letters from them full of gratitude and praise to God. They like the school very much. We received \$150 more for the second young man's education, and now we will be able to keep them both at school for a year.

Annuitant.

Will you please consider once more our annuity plan. If you have money in a bank or elsewhere, and depend upon the income thereof, why not give it to us and we will give you the same income. We can give you the best security which will insure your income of five per cent interest as long as you live. The capital cannot be touched by us, but is placed either in a bank or in mortgages. When you leave this sinful world, your money will then be used for the Gospel work among the Jews. In this way you will have surrendered all your money to the Lord, and yet, it will bring you the same income as when you had it in your possession. The property which the board of this mission holds in the name of the Williamsburg Mission to the Jews, is worth \$75,000 clear and free of any encumbrance. The bond issued by this corporate body of godly men and women, is one of the best securities that you can get, but if this is not satisfactory to you, we will give you bonds from a bank or any insurance company you will choose.

Incidents in the Work

Four More Baptisms.

Monday evening, the first of the new year 1912, was celebrated by the Hebrew Christian Church in Beth Sar Shalom by receiving and baptising four new converts into Jesus our blessed Saviour and Redeemer. It was a good beginning for the new year, and there was joy in the hearts of the brethren that were present, about sixty in number. We have, therefore, reason to believe that the Lord will bless our labors during this year as never before in the history of this mission.

One of the four who publicly confessed the Lord Jesus Christ was a man of about forty, who is not very well educated but has faith that the Lord Jesus Christ died for his sins, and rose again to justify him in the presence of God. He has been attending the meetings of the mission for over a year, and thus gradually learned to trust in the Word of God, which says: "He hath laid on him the iniquity of us all."

The second one was a young man of about twenty-five, who had a struggle in his heart for a long time to overcome the old prejudice against the Crucified One, but by the grace of God he was led step by step, until he became bold enough to confess the Lord Jesus Christ, even though his young wife did not approve of it. This young man related to me the day after his baptism that the night before, he dreamed that the Lord Jesus appeared to him, took hold of his hand and cut off one of his fingers. He did not feel any pain, but he saw the blood flow freely. He asked me what that meant. I told him that it signified the cleansing of his sins by the blood of the lamb. I quoted to him the 6th verse of the 16th chapter of Ezekiel, "And when I passed by thee, and saw thee polluted in thine own blood, I said unto thee, when thou wast in thy blood, Live; yea, I said unto thee when thou wast in thy blood, Live." This interpretation encouraged him very much as his face lighted up with joy.

A young man of about twenty-six years was the third to be baptised that evening. He has been attending our meetings for a long time, and finally gave himself by faith to the Lord Jesus Christ. He, too, has a wife who does not yet believe, but there is hope for her conversion.

A Jewess, the wife of the one whose conversion and baptism we reported in the last issue of THE CHOSEN PEOPLE was the fourth. He is the one who in a testimony at our church meeting raised his bandaged thumb and said, "This brought me to believe in Jesus the Messiah, and to accept Him as my Saviour."

One of these four brethren when asked to tell what caused him to become a believer in the Lord Jesus Christ, related the following:

"About a year ago, one of my neighbors, a very pious and orthodox Jew had fellowship

with me, and we were intimately acquainted. The time came when he had to observe the anniversary of his father's death. (All Jews observe very scrupulously the day when their parents die, by going to the synagogue, morning and evening, and offering in the presence of a quorum of ten Jews, that short prayer, Kaddish, which is supposed to help the departed soul from Hell). This neighbor went to the synagogue to perform that short prayer for his father and was refused admission because he had no money to pay the due, which the Jewish synagogue officials exact, knowing that people will do everything possible in order to repeat that prayer. This Jew, however, had no money to pay then, as he had been without work for a long time, and was in poor circumstances. So he could not repeat Kaddish to save his father's soul. This filled him with great grief, as he had never in his life missed observing the day of his father's death in this way. I, out of pity for this neighbor, also felt great sorrow in my heart and began to talk about it to other Jews whom I met. Then someone told me that those Jews who believe in Christ and gather yonder in Beth Sar Shalom at Throop Avenue and Walton Street, are not such people. They do not press one for money, but on the contrary, they help a poor man. This made me come to your meeting in order to find out what kind of people you were; then, of course, I listened to the preaching and learned about Jesus, and so I came to believe in Him and to accept Him as my Saviour."

How Jesus Saved Them.

A Jew of about thirty, quiet and respectable, sat at our meeting one Monday evening. I noticed that he was a new man, and not knowing him as a member of our congregation, I approached and asked whether he believed in the Lord Jesus, as this meeting was only for believers. To this he replied, "Yes." "What made you believe in Christ?" Then he told me the following story. "I have attended your meetings several times, and one Friday evening, as I went home, I was troubled in my mind about the things I had heard that evening in your preaching. I was thinking in my heart, 'Can it really be true that the Crucified One whom all the Jews hate so much is our long-promised Messiah?' I sat up late that night, as I could not sleep, and read the tracts I got at the Mission, and then turned to the passages of the scriptures to which the tracts refer. I went to bed about one o'clock. Just as I began to slumber, suddenly there appeared before my eyes a figure like an angel flying over me in the air. Somehow, I had the impression that it was Jesus, the Messiah, and yet it looked to me like a real angel, white and pure. Even the atmosphere was made holy and I just trembled. I woke up and felt a stirring of air around me, caused by the flying figure, and filled with fear

I sat up and began to look around in the dark room to see if I could see that figure again. Getting out of bed, I started to light a match, but noticed a terrible smell of gas, and I thought to open the windows and run quickly into the room where my wife and children were asleep. I woke them with some difficulty, as they were almost asphyxiated from the gas. The Gas Company had notified us some time before that they would shut off the gas as I had not paid their bill promptly. I thought surely they had done so, as the evening before I tried to light it and was not able, not because the company had turned it off, but because it was frozen. The following night the gas must have thawed out, and the burner that I carelessly left open when I tried it, emitted a volume of gas which would have killed us all if it had not been for the angelic figure of the Lord Jesus Christ who appeared to me and woke me up. So remembering my thoughts and searchings of the Scriptures that evening, it was plain that God had had mercy on me and revealed Himself in the person of Jesus the Messiah."

The man told this story to me with such great zeal and earnestness, that I was persuaded to believe that nothing in this world could move him from his strong faith in the Lord Jesus Christ.

The Sixteenth Annual Gathering

Monday evening, January 22d, instead of our usual church meeting, the Annual Gathering of the converts took place. As we have been reporting these social meetings from year to year, our friends are already well acquainted with the nature of them. About two years after this Mission had been started, we saw the need of gathering the few converts together, acquainting them with one another, and thus encouraging them in their faith in the Lord Jesus Christ. We did not have such converts as we have now who are not afraid of their Jewish brethren, but they wanted to keep their belief in Jesus the Messiah a secret; one convert was afraid of the other one, lest he might betray him, for as soon as the Jews learned of his belief in Christ he could not get work among them. It was, therefore, necessary to gather them for a sociable, so that everyone should see that there are others who believe. The Young People's Society of the Lewis Avenue Congregational Church, who used to attend our meetings occasionally, and had become interested in the work, kindly offered to give an entertainment once a year to the few converts. They have been very faithful in keeping up that custom every year. Ten or twelve of the young people come and sing hymns, giving brief talks, and at the end serve refreshments. This year, the Sixteenth Anniversary, the Young People brought a company of young ladies, six in number, who played the mandolin in concert.

This was immensely enjoyed by all the people present, about one hundred in number, and was greatly applauded. We began this social gathering with the Doxology, for which all rose, and which all sang heartily, then we had a prayer and several hymns, and some interesting talks were given on the one subject, the Lord Jesus Christ. At the close of the meeting refreshments were served by the kind and faithful young people of the Lewis Avenue Congregational Church, to whom we are very grateful for their Christian love and fellowship.

Incidents by Ph. Englander

One day in my visiting, I knocked on the door of an aged, half-blind widow. It was about twelve o'clock, and in response to my rap there came a scarcely audible voice saying, "Come." Upon opening the door, I was surprised to see the poor neglected woman in bed. She lives in two small rooms in the rear of a big tenement house and these two rooms serve as kitchen, parlor, dining-room and bed room. The atmosphere was about as chilly as out-of-doors, so that one could tell at once that coal was a rare article in that kitchen. "Why do you sleep so long?" asked I. "Sir," replied the woman, "there is no fire in the house, and it is winter and there is nothing to put on, why should I rise and get out of bed? It is better for my soul to go, here in this bed. It is midday, and I have not yet had any breakfast." O, how bitter it is to remain friendless in old age! "And who are you, sir, I pray you?" "I am sent," said I to her, "from your Friend, to help you with a little coal and with something to eat." "Who is my Friend?" she exclaimed, "I have no Friend at all." "You have," said I, "a very dear Friend, indeed, who is your best Friend." "Who is He, I pray you?" "He is Jeshuah Hamushiach." (Jesus Christ; this Hebrew name for the Lord is not identified in the Jewish mind with their opprobrious name for Him.) I handed her \$2.00 and said, "Here, this is sent to you in His name," and then I told her about Christ and how He would save her if she only believed in Him. As I was about to leave, she called after me and said, "Sir, excuse me for troubling you, but here is my neighbor also very poor and friendless. Will not that Rabbi Jeshuah Hamushiach be her friend too? Please go in and refresh her as you did me."

I went in to the neighbor, and found there still greater misery; a woman, sick, and deserted by her husband, with a little boy who when he went on an errand, had to go barefooted in the snow. She told me that she married a Greek Catholic in Russia, against her parents' wishes, and he had deserted her for the third time. Her boy is neither a Jew nor a Christian, for her husband refused to have him circumcised; neither is the boy educated like other Jewish children. She told me

that she had been to our meetings and had learned of a Christianity altogether different from that of her husband, and she would like to become a member of our Hebrew Christian congregation. I gave her a little help and good advice. She had learned from our preaching to believe in the Lord Jesus Christ.

I then called upon another family, and found a woman who had eleven children, with the prospect of a new member in the family. She looked rather perplexed and worried when I talked to her about Christ, and did not seem at all impressed. "What troubles you?" I asked her. She answered, "I have to undergo a terrible ordeal which I dread because of my past experiences. Upon every occasion, I have been near death. The physicians tell me that I am an exceptional case." I told her that if she would only trust in the Lord Jesus Christ, all things would be changed. "In time of trouble just pray to God in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, and if you believe in Him with childlike faith, God will surely hear your prayer, and help you wonderfully, and you yourself will be surprised at the immediate help that will come to you." I watched that woman and later on, when I came again, there was the new son, and what joy there was on the face of the mother when she told me that this time she had had a remarkable experience, because she prayed as I instructed her and the Lord saved her from all pain and distress, and from the necessity of a physician's operation. Since experiencing what the Lord can do, she has told her woman friends and advised them to do likewise.

Jewish Notes.

Just at present, Dr. Mossinsohn, the director of the gymnasium at Jaffa, Palestine, is lecturing to large crowds of Jews in New York. He tells of the wonderful change of life in Palestine where the Jews have settled during the last thirty years. They have shown themselves capable of agriculture. The young Jews that have been brought up there have grown to be men of valor, whom even the wild Arabs must respect. The Hebrew language is now their mother tongue. There are no more Russian Jews, Polish Jews, German Jews, etc., for all are Jewish Jews. He speaks of the land in general and of the Jewish colonies in particular there. He says that there is plenty of room for a million Jews to till the ground. The audiences have gone wild with enthusiasm over his optimistic views with regard to Palestine becoming very soon the home of all the Jews in the world.

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A wealthy Jew has donated \$400,000 to build and establish a Jewish university in Jaffa. In that institution, all subjects will be taught in the Hebrew language.

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Some of the Jewish papers have shown a great deal of indignation over the utterances

of Mr. Wm. Jennings Bryan, who said that Christians are the salt of the earth, and those who are not Christians are almost all criminals and degenerates. The question was raised, "Is that Christianity practised in Russia, the salt of the earth, and are the Jews who are not Christians almost all degenerates?" "If this is true," wrote a Jewish editor, "that those who are not Christians, are criminals and degenerates, then Mr. Bryan ought to take up that as a special subject of his talks, not only at a breakfast for Christian society, but also in his political program and in his public activities, for the whole public activity of a man in politics is supposed to be bent toward freeing society from all elements which are injurious and prevent its progress."

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Sir Francis Oppenheimer, appointed by the English Government as Consul of the Embassy to Germany, is the first Jew to enter the Kaiser's court as a diplomat of first rank. Somehow, Germany has always managed not to have any Jewish Ambassadors until now, when the barriers of prejudice were broken by this Jew from England.

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Dr. Nimrower, the most prominent Rabbi in Roumania, recently had an audience with King Carl, for three-quarters of an hour. During that conversation he pleaded for the Jewish people in Roumania. It is hoped that the King will relieve the situation of the Jewish people there.

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Two young Russian Gentiles have accepted Judaism in Rega, Russia. It is anticipated that they will have to leave Rega because it is one of those towns in which Jews are not permitted to reside.

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The list of titles which King George distributed on the new year contains the names of three Jews who received the title of Baron. They are Mr. S. Neumann of a bank in London, and two African Jews, Geo. Albu, and Mr. Philipps, who have been the greatest factors in the development of South Africa.

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President Taft, upon the appeal of a Jewish family, who were denied admission by the Immigration officials, performed a very kind deed by granting them permission to enter this free country. The Jew is Wolf Cominsky, a shoe maker, who sent tickets for his wife and three children in Russia to join him in America. When they arrived here, they were ordered to be sent back. Mr. Cominsky then decided to join his family and go back with them to Russia, but they would not admit him there because he was a Jew.

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Mr. Davis, the Jewish Mayor of Gravesend, London, was honored by the Mikado of Japan with a high order, as thanks for the hospitality that his town showed the Japanese warships during their visit in the waters of Gravesend.

The Opportunity of a Century

We have received during the month, many letters containing expressions of sorrow at the thought that because of lack of room, we must refuse admission to many Jews who would like to attend our services. Many of our dear friends have promised to give of their means toward the erection of the new building and it is very encouraging that they are in sympathy with the movement and are praying for a speedy realization of the enlarged building, which requires with the endowment \$250,000. Two years ago last July, there was great joy in our Chosen People family, among both workers and supporters, that the Lord had given us the building, Beth Sar Shalom, which was then opened for the first time. It was thought at first that it was too large, but we soon found it was not, and now for some time we have realized that it is too small.

This mission has been troubling our dear friends who support it for many a year. When we used to hold meetings in a store it frequently sent out a message of complaint, saying that the work was too large for the store, then we were enabled to rent a larger store; that was also found too small; then the building was given by the dear children of God as a sacrifice to the Lord our Saviour, who gave His life for us. It was thought that measured by the previous audiences, this building would accommodate the number of people and that there would be complacent rest and ease. But not so. This mission is a trouble maker, and it troubles our friends again with a new cry of, "too small." It is on the line of God's work, "keep no silence, give Him no rest," and so forth. While it was most noble of the dear ones who made a sacrifice in putting up this building, it seems as if the Lord, by bringing so many anxious souls to the meetings to listen to the Gospel, would hint at Lev. 21: 18, Deut. 15: 21, where He commanded that a man who is to serve Him or a lamb which is to be sacrificed to Him, must not have any blemish, not be blind, lame or any such thing. This building while being the only one of its kind in America, seems to be blind, as it cannot see all the Jews that wish to enter, it appears to be lame and halt, as it cannot run with the Gospel message to all who want to listen. It is not only too small for the general meetings which unconverted Jews attend, but when all the members are present, it is also too small for our regular church service, which is attended by converts exclusively. It is, therefore, the opportunity of a century to operate on this blemished sacrifice, straighten out its legs, so that it can run, open its eyes so that it can see many Jews, and thus have a perfect sacrifice without such blemish, acceptable to the Lord and His people. Many friends have approved of our proposition in the last number, namely that one thousand of our friends shall pledge \$250 each, five hundred \$500 each, or two hundred and fifty \$1,000 each. Let us carry out one of these plans and we will have the building erected very soon.

Questions and Answers.

Question 1. *Will there be peace among all nations; or will we have world-wide war yet? What does the Bible tell about this?*

2. *What does the black horse and red and pale horse mean in Rev., and when does this happen?* John C. Hill.

Answer 1. According to the Scriptures there shall be war and no peace on this earth, until the Lord Jesus comes the second time when there will be world-wide peace. See Matt. 24; Isa. 2: 1-4; Isa. 11; Rev. 21: 1-5.

2. It means the different judgments of God upon the dominion of wickedness. Read Ezek. 14: 21, "four sore judgments." The red horse indicates great war, causing bloodshed and violent destruction. The black horse means famine, see Lam. 5: 10; and the pale horse reminds one of the ghastly expression of a face when overwhelmed with fright. They all refer to the "day of the Lord."

Question 1. *Does the Yavch, or Jehovah appear in any form in the book of Esther? If not, why not?*

2. *For what purpose was that book written?* Elder J. H. Miller.

Answer 1. No; the generally accepted opinion accounting for the omission of the name of God in this book, is that it is a translated extract from the memoirs of the reign of the Persian monarch Ahasuerus. See Chap. 2: 23; 6: 1; 10: 2. However ancient Jewish commentaries pointed out the name Jehovah recorded in this book in the initials of the four Hebrew words, chapter 5, verse 4, which is in English, "Let the king and Haman come." This probably indicates that the Jews at that time were not worthy of God's open appearance on the scene, but only of His finger, directing in a hidden way many minute events for the bringing about of His people's deliverance.

2. The purpose of this book is to testify to the truth taught plainly by Moses and the prophets, that the Son of God, the angel of His presence, was the Saviour of Israel in every age. "Behold, he that keepeth Israel shall neither slumber nor sleep." The Jews hold this book in the highest estimation.

Question. *I was told that the countries of Russia and China are mentioned in the Bible? If so, what are the Scriptures for them?* I. L.

Answer. Ezekiel, chapter 38, mentions Rush, Meshech and Tubal, which sound like Russia, Moscow and Tobolsk. These will be confederated with others and come up against Jerusalem in the last days. Against them the Lord will wager war. China is referred to in Isaiah, where it says that the Jews shall return even from the country of Sinim, meaning China, "Behold these shall come from far: and lo, these from the north and from the west; and from the land of Sinim." Isa. 49: 12.

THE SEVENTEENTH ANNUAL AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Receipts that have been acknowledged from month to month, and disbursement, for the
twelve months beginning January 1st, 1911, and ending December 31st, 1911.

RECEIPTS.

General Fund:		
Balance, January 1st, 1911...	\$29.25	
Income from all sources during the year.....	11,758.87	\$11,788.12
Literature Fund:		
Hebrew and Yiddish Bibles, Testaments and Tracts; Contributions received during year.....		189.55
"The Chosen People":		
Income during year.....		481.25
Relief to the Poor:		
Contributions for regular Relief and special cases.....		904.71
Work among the Children:		
Including fresh-air work at the farm, Christmas entertainment and sewing supplies		1,316.70
Education Fund:		
Contribution received during the year.....		301.00
Building Fund:		
Contributions received during the year.....		148.65
Annuity Funds:		
Various annuities including interest on investments....		2,114.80
Total Receipts For Year.....		\$17,244.78

DISBURSEMENTS.

General Fund:		
Salaries: Leopold Cohn, Philip Englander, Joseph Cohn, F. O. Farnquist, A. R. Kuldell	\$7,262.00	
Salaries: stenographers, organists, temporary and part-time workers.....		795.01
Taxes on Mission buildings; car fares, traveling expenses, agency expenses, telephone, gas, coal, postage, office expenses, stationery, social gatherings, bank collection charges, sundry items, and all expenses not properly chargeable to other designated funds.....	3,048.18	\$11,105.19
Literature Fund:		
Hebrew and Yiddish Bibles and New Testaments, Tracts and other literature for free distribution		260.99
"The Chosen People".....		588.70
Relief to the Poor:		
By payments of rent, purchase of clothing and food, and by cash gifts.....		904.71
Work among the Children:		
Expense of fresh-air work, furnishing cottage, supplies and expenses of entertaining children; sewing supplies, Christmas entertainment		1,340.55
Education Fund:.....		75.75
Annuity Funds:		
Purchase of securities and advanced interest thereon; expense of bonding, etc....		2,178.79
Placed in Reserve Fund Apportionment toward 1912 taxes..		400.00
Total Disbursements.....		16,854.68
Held in Trust for Education of two young men.....		225.25
Held in Trust for Building....		148.65
Balance on hand, January 1st, 1912, to apply as per adjustment sheet, to general fund		16.20
Total.....		\$17,244.78

We hereby certify that we have examined the books of the Williamsburg Mission to the Jews as to Cash Receipts and Disbursements for the twelve months ending December 31, 1911, and our report in reference thereto is annexed herewith. We further certify that the Cash balance appearing therein is correct and agrees with the bank pass book which we have examined. We further certify that the vouchers for the expenditures were audited by us and found correct.

THE MERCHANTS AUDIT AND ACCOUNTING CO.,

By W. G. ARCHER, Vice-President.

Receipts from December 15th, 1911 to January 6th, 1912

ARTICLES RECEIVED.			
Lois Corbin, a bag of clothing.			
"THE CHOSEN PEOPLE."			
Subscriptions from January 1 to 6.....	\$16.50		
FOR RELIEF TO THE POOR AND CHRISTMAS.			
Mrs. Howard Davis.....	1.00	Mrs. Ada Fonda.....	4.50
B. Centi.....	1.00	Mr. and Mrs. I. B. Finch..	4.00
Mr. J. A. Blom.....	1.00	The Christian Herald.....	10.00
Miss A. S. Lapsley.....	2.00	Mrs. H. Steurnagel.....	1.50
Susan Conover.....	3.00	Mrs. W. Holiday.....	9.50
Jacob Becker.....	.50	Mrs. P. McC.....	5.00
Mrs. Clara D. Maclean.....	.50	Mrs. M. E. Rasmussen....	4.50
Mrs. E. J. Warner.....	1.00	Mr. Solomon C. Engle....	2.00
M. B. DePass.....	.50	Chas. Stover.....	1.00
Mr. W. M. Pence.....	2.00	Madge R. Jones.....	1.00
C. W. Greene.....	4.50	Mrs. Willis per Mrs. W. D. Davis.....	2.00
Mrs. Ida Priest.....	2.00	Mrs. Stickler per Mrs. W. D. Davis.....	3.00
Samuel Park Wilson.....	1.00	Mrs. J. S. Dinwoodie.....	.50
Jennie K. Green.....	1.00	Mr. and Mrs. Frank E. Little.....	9.50
Mrs. Frank M. Davis.....	1.00	"In His Master's Name".....	1.10
F. W. S.....	2.50	Mrs. E. E. Clay.....	.50
Miss Janet McDonald.....	10.00	Mrs. Bliss, Mrs. F. Wolcott, Mrs. L. P. Housel.....	4.00
Miss Ida Scheper.....	2.00	B. W. Woodruff.....	2.00
Chas. F. McDonald.....	5.00	R. A. Moser.....	1.00
"A Daughter of the King"	2.00	Mr. Robt. J. McMahan....	1.00
Miss E. St. J. L.....	2.00	Mrs. Warren Mathews....	5.00
Mrs. N. J. Handin.....	3.00	H. G. Harrison.....	25.00
"A Williamsport Friend"	5.00	"A Friend".....	3.00
"A Friend of Israel".....	50.00	Mr. Albert G. Hann.....	1.50
Rev. Robt. Leslie.....	6.00	A. G. Klein.....	.50
Mrs. Wm. S. Moses.....	1.00	Sarah A. Houser.....	5.00
"L. E. P.".....	1.00	Mrs. D. H. Brechbill.....	4.00
Mrs. Mary Koch.....	2.00	Mrs. C. M. Elliott.....	.50
Mrs. Sarah L. Carson.....	1.00	Mrs. M. C. Trovillion....	1.00
Friends of Israel, Morris- town, per Miss Betts....	15.00	L. A. Foss.....	1.60
Mrs. A. E. Smith.....	3.00	Daniel T. Wilson.....	.50
Mrs. R. Rushmore.....	10.00	"A Friend".....	4.00
"Two Friends, Guilford".....	2.00	Miss Virginia Aldridge....	2.00
"A Friend of the Work".....	1.00	"From a Friend".....	1.00
"A Friend".....	.85	Miss E. S. Taapken.....	5.00
"Modesto".....	1.50	Mrs. A. A. Bennett.....	.50
J. Bolwell.....	1.00	Miss M. A. Elder.....	.50
Mrs. H. Davis.....	.25	Mrs. E. R. Stevenson....	1.00
Mr. and Mrs. John C. Hill..	1.00	Miss Augusta Sheldon....	.50
"A Friend".....	1.00	Miss Alice Ashworth....	3.00
Mrs. W. P. Stults.....	4.00	Mr. Thos. Olver.....	1.50
Mr. Jer. W. Kleppinger....	5.00	Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Welty..	5.00
Miss L. A. Jackson.....	.25	Rev. Edward G. Read.....	1.50
Mr. and Mrs. Martin L. Ault	3.00	"A Friend".....	2.00
Mrs. Mary Scott.....	5.00	Mrs. Belle Klepser.....	2.00
A. Skiles.....	2.50	Mrs. C. E. Fischer.....	.50
FOR THE CHILDREN'S WORK.			
Mrs. A. L. Ogden.....	6.00	Mr. S. Rouff.....	15.00
Mrs. John and Miss Delia Rietveld.....	2.00	Jul. Decosterd.....	9.50
FOR THE GENERAL EXPENSE FUND.			
R. A. D.....	1.00	Mr. Louis W. Conover....	50.00
Alice Moors.....	2.00	Miss E. J. Collingwood....	5.00
Miss Marie A. DeVine.....	1.00	"From Friends".....	2.00
Emma F. Bishop.....	.50	Mr. W. H. Beecher.....	2.00
FOR THE CHILDREN'S BIBLES AND TRACTS.			
Mrs. A. E. Smith.....	3.00	"From a Friend".....	1.00
Mrs. R. Rushmore.....	10.00	W. S. Betts.....	4.50
"Two Friends, Guilford".....	2.00	Mrs. Pearson and Faulkner	1.00
"A Friend of the Work".....	1.00	Mr. F. A. Koetitz.....	4.00
"A Friend".....	.85	Rev. Robt. Leslie.....	5.50
"Modesto".....	1.50	"A Friend of Israel".....	50.00
J. Bolwell.....	1.00	L. E. P.....	1.17
Mrs. H. Davis.....	.25	Mr. Fred Wuthrick.....	10.00
Mr. and Mrs. John C. Hill..	1.00	Bergen St. Baptist Church through Mrs. Potter.....	1.50
"A Friend".....	1.00	"A Friend".....	2.00
Mrs. W. P. Stults.....	4.00	Mrs. A. J. Richardson....	2.00
Mr. Jer. W. Kleppinger....	5.00	"From one who is praying for Israel".....	5.00
Miss L. A. Jackson.....	.25	B. H. Hershey.....	10.00
Mr. and Mrs. Martin L. Ault	3.00	J. F. Cormany.....	4.50
Mrs. Mary Scott.....	5.00	Mrs. A. Creasey.....	.50
A. Skiles.....	2.50	Mrs. M. B. Edwards and S. S. Class.....	6.10
FOR HEBREW BIBLES AND TRACTS.			
Mrs. A. E. Smith.....	3.00	Mr. John Ayres.....	.50
Mrs. R. Rushmore.....	10.00	Mr. W. D. Ward.....	.50
"Two Friends, Guilford".....	2.00	W. M. Baldrige.....	1.50
"A Friend of the Work".....	1.00	Miss M. M. Lloyd.....	3.50
"A Friend".....	.85	F. W. Gillingham.....	2.00
"Modesto".....	1.50	A. G. Tiller.....	.49
J. Bolwell.....	1.00	D. E. Billett.....	.50
Mrs. H. Davis.....	.25	Mrs. Paul I. Almeida.....	1.00
Mr. and Mrs. John C. Hill..	1.00	Mrs. H. W. Green.....	2.00
"A Friend".....	1.00	Dr. Albert Hunting.....	2.00
Mrs. W. P. Stults.....	4.00	"A Friend of the Jews"....	10.25
Mr. Jer. W. Kleppinger....	5.00	A. L. Murch.....	2.00
Miss L. A. Jackson.....	.25	Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Patt...	5.00
Mr. and Mrs. Martin L. Ault	3.00	"From a Friend".....	37.65
Mrs. Mary Scott.....	5.00	"A Friend".....	1.00
A. Skiles.....	2.50	Mrs. C. E. Kerr.....	.50
FOR THE BUILDING FUND.			
Mrs. A. E. Smith.....	3.00	L. B. Blair.....	.50
Mrs. R. Rushmore.....	10.00	S. S. Class of Rev. W. H. McCreery.....	6.00
"Two Friends, Guilford".....	2.00	Mrs. Leah J. Rice.....	1.00
"A Friend of the Work".....	1.00	Rev. D. H. Tuttle.....	2.00
"A Friend".....	.85	Mr. S. W. Goodson.....	1.00
"Modesto".....	1.50	The Pinlake S. S., through A. D. Grant.....	4.17
J. Bolwell.....	1.00	Mrs. Louise Dixon.....	10.00
Mrs. H. Davis.....	.25	Mrs. Emma F. Brown.....	.50
Mr. and Mrs. John C. Hill..	1.00	R. L. C.....	50.00
"A Friend".....	1.00	Mrs. D. O. Chickering....	.25
Mrs. W. P. Stults.....	4.00	Miss Sadie Bradford.....	1.00
Mr. Jer. W. Kleppinger....	5.00	Mr. R. H. Richards.....	10.00
Miss L. A. Jackson.....	.25	Mrs. T. M. Lecte.....	.50
Mr. and Mrs. Martin L. Ault	3.00	By J. C. on the Field.....	125.00
Mrs. Mary Scott.....	5.00	J. T. P.....	30.00
A. Skiles.....	2.50	Mrs. C. W. Sexmith.....	.50
FOR HEBREW BIBLES AND TRACTS.			
Mrs. A. E. Smith.....	3.00	Mr. E. R. Gifford.....	.50
Mrs. R. Rushmore.....	10.00	Mr. Martin Larsen.....	1.00
"Two Friends, Guilford".....	2.00	Mrs. Elizabeth Terry.....	4.50
"A Friend of the Work".....	1.00	Mrs. R. W. Bissell.....	2.00
"A Friend".....	.85	A Friend per Mrs. H. P. Hill	1.00
"Modesto".....	1.50	M. Demarest.....	.50
J. Bolwell.....	1.00	"A Friend Anonymous"....	5.00
Mrs. H. Davis.....	.25	Miss Mae Marotzke.....	1.50
Mr. and Mrs. John C. Hill..	1.00	FOR THE BUILDING FUND.	
"A Friend".....	1.00	"A Friend".....	5.00
Mrs. W. P. Stults.....	4.00	Mrs. A. E. Gray.....	1.00
Mr. Jer. W. Kleppinger....	5.00	Mrs. M. B. Edwards.....	1.00
Miss L. A. Jackson.....	.25	Junior Bap. Young Peoples' Union Agatha Mezera	7.00
Mr. and Mrs. Martin L. Ault	3.00	H. R. Clift.....	2.00
Mrs. Mary Scott.....	5.00	Mrs. D. J. Baker.....	3.00
A. Skiles.....	2.50	Mrs. John B. Haly.....	4.00
FOR THE BUILDING FUND.			
Mrs. A. E. Smith.....	3.00	EDUCATION FUND.	
Mrs. R. Rushmore.....	10.00	Mrs. M. C. Withers.....	1.00
"Two Friends, Guilford".....	2.00	Mrs. A. E. Smith.....	5.00
"A Friend of the Work".....	1.00	F. M. Moore.....	5.00
"A Friend".....	.85	ANNUITY.	
"Modesto".....	1.50	Interest.....	105.50
J. Bolwell.....	1.00		
Mrs. H. Davis.....	.25		
Mr. and Mrs. John C. Hill..	1.00		
"A Friend".....	1.00		
Mrs. W. P. Stults.....	4.00		
Mr. Jer. W. Kleppinger....	5.00		