

# In Cape Province

## BEAUFORT WEST.

A bazaar was held in August under the auspices of the Hebrew Congregation, which realised the sum of £200. The Congregation is deeply grateful to the organisers of the bazaar who worked valiantly to make the function a success.

## CRADOCK.

Mr. B. Weinrock, the well-known Zionist worker, took the opportunity of a visit to Cradock, to address a meeting at the Synagogue on Sunday, 31st ult. By his eloquence and enthusiasm he was enabled to revive the local Zionist Society and it is hoped as a result, that good work will now be carried on.

## PAARL.

A very successful dance took place in the Talmud Torah Hall on Wednesday, August 13th, under the auspices of the Paarl Young Maccabean Society. About 50 couples danced to the music of Jowell's Orchestra. Dancing concluded at 12.30 a.m. A net profit of £14 was realised of which £8 has been forwarded to the Zionist Federation for the Palestine Orphans Fund.

## QUEENSTOWN.

The Sons of Zion held another social in St. Andrew's Hall recently. At the outset a strong entertainment committee was elected, which lost no time in bringing matters to a head, and provided a suitable and excellent programme.

After a few enjoyable dances, a short sketch entitled "Easy Money" was staged. The characters were played by Miss E. Addleson, Mr. Alex. Addleson, Mr. M. Donen, and Mr. D. Melmed, all of whom did justice to their respective parts and made the performance a success.

It is gratifying that the financial result was just as successful, a sum of over £16 being made which has been voted to Keren Hayesod. Opportunity is taken to express thanks to the ladies who came forward so generously with their dainty refreshments, thus helping to make the dance all the more pleasant. Thanks are due to Mr. Abe Addleson for his donation of a large box of chocolates which under the magnetic hammer of Mr. N. Gordon realised over £5. Mrs. N. Gordon obliged by performing at the piano.

## WELLINGTON.

There was a large gathering, on August 24th, at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. L. Kling on the occasion of the Bris Milah of their infant son Bezaleil. Mr. I. Solomon, the energetic chairman of the local Zionist Association, presided at the gathering, and after the ceremony speeches were made by Rev. Strelitz of Paarl, Rev. Friedgood of Wellington, and Rev. Kawitzki of Observatory, in addition to various members of the local community. A collection was made which, after a warm Zionist appeal by the chairman, was put up by him for American Auction and bought by Mr. Nowitz of Worcester, the father of Mrs. King, for £10 10s. in the name of the infant. The toast of Erez Israel and of the Zionist leaders was then given by Rev. Strelitz, who also thanked Mr. Solomon for his energetic work on behalf of the Zionist Association. The singing of "Hatikvah" concluded a most enjoyable function. The amount collected has been forwarded to the Keren Hayesod headquarters in Johannesburg.

## WYNBERG.

At the well attended and popular wedding of Miss L. Melamed, to Mr. A. Spector—the ceremony took place at the residence of the sister of the bride (Mrs. P. Maisel)—an amount of £5 13s. 0d. was collected, allocated as follows:—£1 5s. 0d., National Fund; £1 5s. 0d., Beker Cholim; £3 3s. 0d., Talmud Torah.

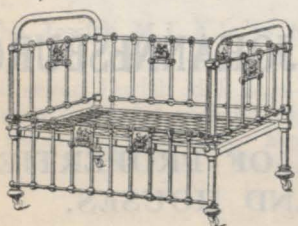
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absorbed in their surroundings. There is something beautifully naive about this conception. It reminds one of the melodramatic scheme of things, which demands a villain devoid of every good quality, and a hero who is a walking compendium of all the popular virtues.

This is said in no spirit of disrespect to Herzl: the strength of his appeal to Jewry, and his unique place in Jewish history, rest precisely on the elementariness of his ideas, a quality which is none the less striking and admirable for being inseparable from a certain crudity. But reflection shows that this facile division into sheep and goats does not square with the facts. If for a moment we equate "Zionism" with "white" and "assimilation" with "black," we shall have to admit on consideration that, just as black and white in their purity are more rarely found than the innumerable intermediate shades in which they mingle, so Zionism and assimilation, considered as diametrically opposed ideals or conceptions, do not provide an exhaustive classification for all the multifarious phenomena of Jewish life, the colour-scheme of which is in fact made up of all kinds of combinations of the two. But we are not even entitled to make that equation, because, while all of us who are not colour-blind know white and black when we see them, we have by no means the same certainty about what is Zionism and what is assimilation. For my own part, I have no intention of dogmatising about the meaning of either of those terms. My present purpose is simply to point out that they are terms which need thinking about if we want to carry on our work as Zionists with intelligence and with good hope of success.

At this moment, when the Zionist Organisation is making—and necessarily making—every effort to secure the co-operation of those who will not join its ranks in the practical work of building up the Jewish settlement in Palestine, it is more than ever important that our attitude towards non-Zionists should be based not on any rough-and-ready antithesis between "Zionism" and "assimilation," but on the clearest understanding that we can get of the real elements of the difference between those who do and those who do not call themselves Zionists. Without that understanding, no formal alliance between Zionists and non-Zionists, such as the proposed Jewish Agency is intended to effect, can be of long duration.



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