

Wynberg Talmudical Society.

SIYUM HAGODOL.

A large and representative gathering attended the Siyum Hagodol on Shisho Sidrei Mishnah held on Monday, 4th August, at the Communal Hall, Wynberg. The function proper was preceded by a Ma'ariv Service in the Synagogue, impressively conducted by Cantor M. Katzin and choir, who also movingly intoned the Hazkaroth in memory of our brethren overseas and for past members of the Chevrah Mishnaoth.

Mr. B. Nossel, Chairman of the Talmudical Society presided, and Rev. Gordon then completed the study of the Mishnah after which the gathering stood in respect to the sacred memo-

B. Philips, Chairman of the Muizenberg Talmudical Society, and by Mr. B. Margolis, Chairman of the Claremont Talmudical Society. Apologies for unavoidable absence were received from Rabbi Dr. A. T. Shrock, Rev. S. Schwartz and Dr. A. Birnbaum.

The Hadran was delivered by Rabbi Dr. E. W. Kirzner. In an impressive and highly instructive Halachic discourse the Rabbi traced throughout the whole Talmudic scene the fundamental differences between the two great schools of Tannaitic thought, the schools of Hillel and Shammai, linking up the teaching of the last Mishnah with that of the first, and showing how Shammai and his disciples represented deep, earnest idealism, in addition to the practical wisdom of Hillel. The Rabbi concluded his address, which evoked great interest, by appealing to the audience to support actively the Society in its sacred work, paying high tribute to Rev. Gordon for his per-



Left to right: Rev. I. Frank, Mr. T. M. Penias, Rabbi M. Morgenstern, Mr. B. Nossel (Chairman), Rev. Ch. Gordon, Rabbi Dr. E. W. Kirzner, Mr. B. Phillips, Cantor M. Katzin, Mr. S. M. Kaplan, Dr. S. Lewinson, Mr. B. Margolis.

ries of the late members of the Society: Mr. E. Briss; Mr. P. Maissel; Mr. W. Rifkil; Mr. L. Chait and Mrs. Jaffe, and the traditional Kadish was recited.

At the Seudat Mitzvah, Mr. B. Nossel, supported by the President of the Congregation, Mr. A. M. Matz, extended a very hearty welcome to the Rabbis and Reverends, as well as to the many representatives of the Peninsula Congregations who came to participate in the Simchah. Stressing the importance of the Simchah to the Talmudical Society, Mr. Nossel mentioned that the Chevrah had now four times completed the cycles of the whole Mishnah, and expressed his pleasure at seeing such a large gathering which showed that the Simchah was not confined to Wynberg alone, but was such to the whole community. On behalf of the audience thanks were expressed in responses made by Mr.

severance in the teaching of the Talmud.

The Chairman called on the Rabbi to present Rev. Gordon on behalf of the Talmudical Society with two silver sugar basins and fongs, on the occasion of his silver wedding. In his reply and address, Rev. Gordon too, took Hillel and Shammai as his theme, explaining in a highly satisfactory manner the Agadic Mishnah which rounds off the Talmud; he appealed for co-operation through harmonious efforts in the Community.

Rabbi M. Morgenstern spoke on the first Mishnah of the Talmud and on the great importance of Torah study for the survival of our people.

Songs sung by Herzl Konvisser and Cantor L. Baron, delighted all present. A vote of thanks was proposed by Mr. I. Zinman, Vice-President of the Congregation, and the successful function closed with Communal Grace after Meal and with Hatikvah.

and others, and the handwork exhibition stall in particular has some very tempting articles for sale. Other attractions will be found at the home-made delicacies and cake stalls; teas will be served throughout the day. Included in the day's plans is an afternoon party for children, and the day will be brought to a successful conclusion by an informal dance in the evening. The latter is being organised by the Sea Point Branch of the Massadah Association and tickets are being issued at 7s. 6d. per couple.

Interesting details of the novel J.N.F. Yomtov Postal Service, which will be a special and timely feature of this Bazaar, will be published in the next issue.

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ters and gave her impressions of the wonderful work being done for the children in Palestine. A Palestinian brooch was raffled. A large gathering enjoyed the news from the Homeland which gave members inspiration for future efforts.

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A Siyum on Ein Yaacov was held at the Imperial Hotel on 17th August (1st Elul). Mr. B. Phillips was in the chair and extended a hearty welcome to Rabbi M. Morgenstern and to all the other visitors present from the various institutions.

Addresses were delivered by the Rev. I. Matz, the lecturer of the Talmud and Ein Yaacov, who spoke from the Halachic aspect, and Rabbi Morgenstern who spoke about the close relationship that had always existed between Halachah and the Hagadah in the sphere of Jewish literature. Mr. M. Barnett, Chairman of the Muizenberg Congregation, expressed the good wishes of the congregation to the Society.

Mr. E. Korff, the Vice-Chairman of the Talmudic Society, handed over a set of the Babylonian Talmud which was presented by the Rev. S. Kaplan of Oudtshoorn to the Muizenberg Society.

Mr. J. Lehrman, the Hon. Secretary of the Society spoke about the foundation of the Society. He laid stress on the beauty and importance of the Hagadah. The speaker also pointed out that to understand the true spirit of Jewry and Judaism, one must study the Hagadah, and he concluded with the words of Bialik that the Hagadah is the Beth Chayenu and the Otzar Nishmateinu.

Among the other speakers who gave interesting addresses were the Rev. M. Cohen, the Hon. Secretary of the Gardens Talmudical Society, and Mr. M. Rechtman, Chairman of the same

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Obituary.

MICHAEL DIRMEIK.

The death took place last week, as a result of injuries received accidentally, of Michael, second son of Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Dirmeik, of Parow.

Sincerest sympathy is extended to the parents and family in their tragic loss.

DEATH.

MIRVISH.—Rabbi Moses Chaim, passed away peacefully, 2nd Elul 5707. Deeply mourned by Rabbi Dr. E. W. Kirzner, President, Committee and officials of the New Hebrew Congregation. T.N.Z.B.H.

MIRVISH.—Rabbi M. Ch. Mirvish passed away on Sunday, 17th inst. Deeply mourned by Abattoir Shochem.

CONSECRATION.

SHAPIRO.—The consecration of the tombstone in memory of the late Dr. Herman Louis Shapiro, Wynberg, will take place at Pinelands Cemetery, on Sunday, 24th August, at 11 a.m. Relatives and friends kindly attend.

SIMENHOFF.—The Consecration of the tombstone in memory of the late Mark and Reva Nessa Simenhoff will take place at the Pinelands Jewish Cemetery on Sunday, 24th August, at 11.30 a.m. Relatives and friends are kindly invited to attend.

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Society as well as Rev. I. Frank, Mr. E. Levite, Principal of the Talmud Torah and Mr. N. Joffe, Cantor L. Goldwasser; the Rev. Frank and Mr. J. Lehrman entertained the company with appropriate songs.

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Forthcoming J.N.F. Bazaar at Sea Point.

Mrs. A. Lieberman, President of the Bnoth Zion Association of Cape Town, will officially open the J.N.F. Bazaar which is being held in the Sea Point Town Hall on Wednesday, 10th September, under the auspices of the Green and Sea Point Branch of the Bnoth Zion. The opening will take place at 10.15 a.m. sharp.

A preview of some of the articles for sale would forecast a major event in the shopping life of Sea Pointers