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OUR CAPETOWN LETTER.

THE PAST AND COMING YEARS.

MUSICAL ACTIVITIES.

SUNDRY ITEMS.

(SPECIAL TO THE "S. A. JEWISH CHRONICLE.")

Capetown, September 15th, 1918.

My dear Cousin,

The New Year has started and we fervently hope that the Peace of Nations will come with it. The past year has been another period of strife and bloodshed. It has seen the Russian revolution and all its attendant horrors-it has seen the continuation of all the battles in France, in Mesopotamia-in German East Africa-in Palestine. It has seen raids and submarine attacks, air fights and battles under the water. The events in Palestine make the past year memorable for the Jews. Jerusalem, the Holy City, has passed from Turk to Briton and with the entry of General Allenby within the gates there stirred once again within the Jewish hearts the old hope, cherished for thousands of years. And the hope was not a vain one, for Mr. Balfour declared that the British Government was in sympathy with the Jewish aspiration to establish a Jewish National Home in Palestine. Already a Jewish Commission has been appointed, under the aegis of the British Government, and is investigating the conditions of the Jewish Colonies there. Another feature of the past year was the formation of the Jewish regiment-a regiment which is earning its laurels daily.

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There were record attendances in both the Gardens and the Roeland Street Synagogues on the Hold Days—and an overflow service was held in the Old Synagogue. The Rev. A. P. Bender preached on both days in the Gardens Synagogue and Adv. Alexander delivered a sermon to the Roeland Street Congregation.

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The City Council elections caused quite an excitement locally and at the first meeting Mr. W. S. Thorne was elected Mayor for the ensuing year. Mr. I I. Honikman and Mr.

H. I. Stodel are still among the members.

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News has been received by Mrs. Levine of the Gardens that her son Hyman Shapiro Levine of the Royal Field Artillery has been wounded and gassed. He has been on active service for four years.

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On the 5th inst., at Somerset East, by special licence, Dr. E. E. Wood of Muizenberg was married to Eleanor, fourth daughter of Mr. Lewis Cohen of Somerset East.

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Adv. M. Alexander M.L.A gave an address during the week at the Unionist Club on "Provisions of the Factory Act" and "The Regulation of Wages Act."

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Mr. Fred Katzin has been appointed to rather difficult work, in testing repaired machines and flying them back to the front line. He recently put up some sort of local record by covering 100 miles in 40 minutes.

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Cape Town is getting very busy in preparation for "Our Day" Meetings are being held by the different sections of the citizens and donations are rolling in rapidly. The function is to be carried on in the same way as last year with sub-Committees to make all arrangements. Mrs. Vander Byl is once again Organising Secretary and a strong Committee of workers has rallied to her assistance. Many Jewish Ladies have also volunteered on behalf of the Red Cross.

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Our Municipal orchestra is becoming more and more famous. A seried of six concerts is to be given at Stellenbosch under the auspices of the Senate of the University there. The first of the series was held on Tuesday afternoon before a large and appreciative audience. The programme was chosen to illustrate the

development of the operatic overture from Gluch to Wagner and the interest in same was heightened by the short description of each overture sketched by Mr. Wendt. Mr. Wendt also gave a brief history of the overture from its inception.

By the time this letter reaches you the Day of Atonement will also be over. I hope you fasted well my dear,

Yours with love, X.

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A Kindly Act.

A significant example of the good relations of Moslems and Jews in the Holy Land was afforded by a little ceremony which took place recently in Jerusalem. Dr Weizmann, head of the Zionist Commission to Palestine, had been so fortunate as to be able to acquire in Cairo the historic copy of the Koran belonging to the town of Adrianople, and he formally handed it over to the Grand Mufti of Jerusalem. The Moslem community was much touched by this mark of consideration on the part of another religion and acknowledged the gift with cordiality and enthusiasm.

What's one Man's poison is another Man's drink. But for one and all,

'DIAMOND'S' the Ink

The General Dealer and Milk Shop registered at Receiver of Revenue. on 8/5/18, by I. Fine, Stand. 7644, No. 5. Roberts Avenue, Kensington, has been sold to N, Pavkovich and J. Otto, as from 4/10/18.—Alan Leigh, Victoria Buildings, Agent. 20.27.4

The General Dealer Business registered at Receiver of Revenue, Johannesburg, trading as O.K. Toy Works, on 14/8/18, by John Smith, Stand, 90, No. 95, Rissik St., has been abandoned as from 4/10/18—Alan Leigh, Victoria Buildings, Agent. 20.27.4

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