

At Last.

At long last the first Jewish colony in Palestine founded by the Jews of England was opened on May 8. The colony owes its existence to the Ancient order of Maccabeans. It is situated on a hill at Gezeh, overlooking the plain of Sharon, and the residents will have a fine view over the surrounding country, including the majority of the other Jewish colonies.

The ceremony of cutting the first sod was performed by Sir Hebert Samuel, the High Commissioner. There were present Sir Gilbert Clayton, the Chief Secretary for Palestine, Mr. Roland Storrs, Governor of Jerusalem, Mr. Luke, Governor of Jaffa, Mr. Miller, Governor of Ramleh, Major Campbell, a number of Arab notabilities, the Chief Rabbis, Members of the Vaad Leumi and of the Zionist Executive in Palestine and others.

Mr. Herbert Bentwich, President of the Order of Maccabeans, delivered an address, to which Sir Herbert replied. He referred to the historic interest of the site, which was once given by Pharaoh to Solomon as a wedding gift. He declared that the colony would be of benefit to the Arabs as well as to the Jews.

Before leaving, the High Commissioner and Mr. Roland Storrs planted trees to commemorate the occasion.

A Separate Church.

The latest idea of the perverters is dealt with as follows in the American Jewish World:—

"How shall we regard this statement at a meeting of missionaries in London? After one hundred and fifteen years of proselyting among the Jews, Christian clergymen have come to the conclusion that "Individual conversion and absorption of the Convert into the Christian church demands more than Christians have a right to expect." "We should encourage converts to form Christian Synagogues with Jewish peculiarities and Jewish distinctions," declares the Bishop of Stepney. Is not

this a confession of failure on the part of the missionaries? Are Jewish converts less welcome because of their Jewish peculiarities and Jewish distinctions? Or does it prove that Jews just cannot be converted? Eliminate the opportunity for the "convert to mingle in full equality with his new-found Christian brethern segregate him in a "Christian Synagogue" and you remove much of the incentive for the "convert". If he will have to remain among his fellow-Jews, albeit they are labeled "Christian," where is the "prestige" supposed to attach to conversion? The Jew, even the weak-kneed, would-be convert, might just as well remain in the Jewish fold.

Yet it is not surprising that even Christian missionaries realise that there is such a thing as "too much Jew." To quote what Dr. Chaim Weizmann said in another connection: "The Jews are praised as the 'salt of the earth', but in some places there is a little too much salt." Even of Jewish "converts" to Christianity there can be a plethora. What can a Jew honestly find in Christianity that will wean him from Judaism?"

Shechita Limitations

The following is the gist of a memorandum has been issued by the Animal Defence and Anti-Vivisection Society regarding the Jewish method of slaughtering animals, which the Chief Rabbi has described as "an essential part of the Jewish religion," adding that "legislation interfering with Shechita would in effect constitute a grievous religious persecution."

It is explained that the Jewish method consists in casting the animal and cutting its throat without previous stunning. The higher brain centres, the spinal cord and the vertebrate arteries are left uninjured. Pain is caused by the methods of throwing the animal, and by fixing and wrenching the throat for the cut. The cut is painful to a fully-conscious animal, and it is not unusual for a bullock so slaughtered to moan loudly whilst it

slowly bleeds to death. It is pointed out that a large quantity of the "Kosher" meat is sold for general consumption, and it is urged by the Animal Defence Society that Jewish slaughtering should be restricted to special slaughter-houses, and placed under special inspection, and that steps should be taken for the limitation of of Jewish killing to the actual consumption by Jews of meat killed by their method.

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The Great Lover.

On Monday next Mr. Maurice Moscovitch supported by one of the strongest of companies ever brought to this country will make his first appearance in Johannesburg at the Standard Theatre in so famous a play as "The Great Lover" We have already dealt at length with Mr. Maurice Moscovitch's achievements and wherever he has shown he has always attracted capacity houses as a result of his wonderful acting. During his recent season in Durban the theatre was booked out for the whole season long before the first performance and the same should be the rule here in Johannesburg.

Latest Music.

Messrs. Chappell and Co., of London, in addition to being responsible for the publication of the finest class of songs are also responsible for issuing the full vocal scores of four of the most famous musical comedies of modern times. They are as follows: "The Cabaret Girl," "Lilac Time," "The Island Queen," and "The Gypsy Princess." All of them have had record seasons in the leading theatres of England and America and, no doubt, in due course they will be produced here when we shall comment further upon them.

Tearoom business registered Receiver Revenue & Municipality Johannesburg, 24/:/23, by Bawa Kadir 10386, Stand 635, 5, Staib Street, Doornfontein, Johannesburg, has been transferred to Mohomed Ismail from 25/6/23. Oronson, Parties Agent, Phone 00159, 48, Commissioner Street, Joh'nurg. 13 20 27

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The General Dealer's business carried on by Louis Paletz and Aaron Plein and Aaron Scher trading as "Sellfrees" on Stand 1656 corner Pritchard and Loveday Streets Johannesburg, and the corner of Maddison and Marshall atreets Jeppestown, Johannesburg, has been dissolved on the 6th day of June 1923 and that the said Louis Paletz has taken over all the assets and liabilities of the firm and will trade under the style of "Sellfree's" for his own benefit.

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