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Capetown Notes.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

The Students' Jewish Association of the Capetown University is about to consider joining the World Federation of Jewish Students. The latter body, which came into existence in Austria, now numbers some 5,000 students comprising those of several European countries. It arose out of a convention called by the Austrian Jewish students to form a General Confederation, the principal objects of which were briefly as follows: Recognition of the Students' Federation by other large and important Jewish Organisations in Europe; organisation to fight against the mischievous and unjust *numerous clausus*; preparatory measures for the assistance of post-graduates; the publication of a common organ; the collection of statistical and historical matter regarding Jewish students and their conditions.

There is to be shortly what should be a very interesting little art exhibition for those who already admire, and those who wish to see the etchings of the well-known Jewish artist Hermann Struck. A number of the etchings that Struck has recently executed in Palestine where he has now taken up his abode, were sent here by the artist to Dr. Clsvanger and will be on exhibition at Messrs. Ashbey's Galleries.

The committee of the Great Synagogue have in view the publication of a history of the synagogue and the Capetown Hebrew Congregation. There is a good deal of interesting matter in the records which date back to the beginning of the first

synagogue in South Africa. In addition to these records there are some interesting facts available as a result of the research of Mr. Graham Botha the keeper of the Archives who recently lectured of the subject.

Amongst the artists who performed at the Ellie Marx Studio Concert last Thursday evening was Miss Adelaide Newman who played with Mr. Ellie Marx Beethoven's Sonata No. 5 for violin and piano.

Adolphe Hallis, the celebrated South African pianist who is now in London, gave a Chopin recital in mail week in the ball room of the Hon. Mrs. Ronald Greville's residence in Berkeley-square.

Mrs. Selina Hirsch is contributing a series of special articles to the Woman's Page of the "Cape Argus" on social work in America.

Mr. H. Levinson lectured at the Socialists meeting room during the week on Thirty Years of Socialism.

A special reception committee is being formed in preparation for the visit to Capetown of Dr. Goldstein the popular Zionist leader.

The Eight Degrees of Charity.

Moses Maimonides, or as his name is given in Hebrew, "Rabbi Moshe ben Maimon"—that is, "the son of maimon" can safely be called the greatest Jew in the Middle Ages. He used to point out that there were eight degrees of doing charity, each one more noble than the other.

The *first* and *lowest*, is to give sorrowfully and with regret. This is a gift from the *hand* but not from the *heart*. It is to give

because you ought to, but not because you "want to."

The *second* is, to give gladly and willingly, but not to give enough to relieve the sufferer.

The *third* is, to give willingly and sufficiently, but not until asked.

The *fourth* is, to give willingly and sufficiently and without being asked, but to give it to the poor man in such an open and public way as to make him ashamed.

The *fifth* way is to give in such a way that the person helped would know who helped him, but would not be known to his benefactor.

The *sixth* is when the giver knows the person he is helping, but when the man helped does not know who it is that has come to his rescue.

The *seventh* is when the giver does not know the man whom he is helping, and when the person assisted does not know who is his benefactor.

But the *eighth*, and finest of all, is to be beforehand, and to act in such a way that it would be unnecessary to give charity. This can be done by assisting the poor to be self-supporting, by lending them money, by teaching them trades or by setting them up in business. This is what the Torah means in saying: "And if thy brother has come poor . . . then shalt thou relieve him, even though he be a stranger and a sojourner; in order that he may live with thee."

If you are questioned on the most unimportant matter and you do not know it, be not ashamed to say, "I do not know."—The Talmud.

There are three crowns—the law, the priesthood, and the kingship, but the crown of a good name is greater than them all.—The Talmud.

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