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## IN AND AROUND THE TOWN.

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be of intense interest to establish a connection with the coloured section of our race, particularly from an historical point of view. Is it not possible to establish a South African Pro-Falasha Committee?

## FELLOWSHIP OF FAITHS.

Happily in this country we are singularly free from, at least, outward signs of anti-Jewishness. There may be isolated cases, but the bulk of the population realises the advantages to be gained by co-operation between the various races and creeds. In England and in America, as has frequently been noted in these pages, there are movements to bring about a better feeling among the people of the various denominations and this can, with much benefit, be introduced into this country. It is, of course, no uncommon thing for prominent non-Jews to give their support to purely Jewish objects and *vice versa*, and this co-operation can only lead to a better understanding between Jew and Christian. Much has been written about the advantages of a Fellowship of Faiths, and it would only require that the leaders of every section of the community get together to bring such a movement to fruition. Such a movement should be in the minds of all during this Christian season of peace and goodwill. I was very interested to read in the Bloemfontein "Friend" that at a recent tennis tournament in aid of reducing the Van Reenen Wesleyan Church Debt, the committee that had the matter in hand had a Roman Catholic as Chairman and a Jew as Secretary, whilst there were also representatives of the Dutch Reformed and Presbyterian Churches. It was a splendid example of how the different sections of small up-country communities work together to remove all signs of denominational jealousy. The extension of this co-operation to other towns and dorps throughout the country would certainly hurry forward that much desired "Fellowship of Faiths."

## A.O.F.B. COT FOR ORPHAN-AGE.

A cot is to be endowed at the Cape Jewish Orphanage by the Ancient Order of Froth Blowers. Through the good offices of the "Grand Overseas Scrounger," who was approached by a local member on his last visit here, the Cabinet of the organisation in London has generously decided to perpetuate the Order in this manner. I understand a cheque for £50 has been brought out by the "Grand Overseas Scrounger" from Sir Alfred Fripp, No. 1, and will shortly be handed over to the Institution. Accompanying the cheque is a unique bronze plaque, which will be placed over the cot. In between two panels there is a small figure of a draped child, and each panel is suitably inscribed. The plaque, which is the work of a well-known English sculptor, was made specially for the A.O.F.B. cot, and will, I am sure, be generally admired. I have good reason to believe that support for the Orphanage by the A.O.F.B. will not finish with the endowment of this cot.

## DR. BRAMSON'S TOUR.

After a successful stay at Port Elizabeth, I hear that Dr. Bramson left for East London, from which place he proceeded by boat to Durban. At Port Elizabeth I hear that a sum of over £1,000 has been subscribed, and the committee which was appointed to carry on the campaign is doing its best to enlarge this figure. About £500 has already been subscribed in East London, and there a local committee is doing work. Dr. Bramson was able to spend an evening at King William's Town, as a result of which visit a branch committee has been formed and canvassing is in progress.

In this week's "Sedra," Genesis, chapter 45, verse 12, we read: "And behold, your eyes see, and the eyes of my brother Benjamin, that it is my mouth that speaketh unto you." Rashi, commenting on the words, "Kee Phee Hamedabeir Alichem" ("that it is my mouth that speaketh unto you"), ("in the holy tongue"). Joseph, not having seen his brother for twenty-two years, proved his identity with them by conversing in Hebrew. There are many people nowadays, especially among the younger generation, who would like to see the synagogue service changed into English. If this be done in every country it would soon break the unity of the Jewish nation. The Russian Jew, who would pray in Russian, would find himself a stranger in a synagogue in England, so would the German or French Jew if all these were to pray in the language of their own country. One could expect that congregations affiliated to the Zionist Federation would, in the event of a new appointment, consider Hebrew as an asset in a candidate, and yet within a week from the reading of the above quotation a candidate for a synagogal appointment was passed over despite his undisputed Hebrew knowledge.

MR. GOSSIP.

## Grand Concert at Muizenberg.

A musical and dramatic evening is being organised in aid of the Reconstruction Campaign, to take place at His Majesty's Theatre, Muizenberg, on Sunday evening, 1st January. The programme is a most attractive one, and it is trusted that the concert will be well supported. Admission will be by programme, for which a nominal charge of 3s. will be made.

Among the artists who will appear will be Nahum Donsky, the Russian violinist. Mrs. Pertz will play the piano and Miss Haft will play the cello. Boris Rome will sing selections from Grand Opera. One welcomes the return to the charity platform of our delightful singer Mildred Korelstein (Mrs. Bloch). An attractive item on the programme is a collection of dances by Valera Kirsch. Miss Marion Tyfield, the well-known and fascinating elocutionist, will appear in different character sketches.