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HEBREW THANKSGIVING.

The Hebrews of the United States are preparing for a grand celebration of the 35th anniversary of the settlement of the Jews in this country. The program includes a public gathering at Carnegie Hall, New York, on Thanksgiving day, and religious services throughout the whole United States, in synagogues and Jewish Sabbath schools, on the Saturday and Sunday before Thanksgiving day, respectively. A monument will be erected later, through public subscription among the Hebrews. The committee in charge consist of Jacob H. Schiff, chairman; Cyrus Adler, Samuel Greenbaum, Daniel Guggenheim, Jacob H. Hollander, Edward Lauterbach, Adolph Lewisohn, Louis Marshall, Isaac N. Seligman, treasurer; Rev. Dr. H. Perelra Mendes, N. Taylor Phillips, Simon W. Rosendale, William Salmon, Louis Stern, Oscar S. Straus, Mayer Sulzberger, and Max J. Kohler, Hon. Secretary, 42 Broadway, N. Y.

SHEEP WAGON MISSION.

The current number of the Pathfinder, published in Washington, D. C., has a paragraph on the sheep-wagon mission in Utah. Here we hear very little about it, and some citizens will, no doubt, be surprised to learn that there is such an institution. The work being done under this plan, says the "paper named, is carried on by means of "go-pel wagons." These wagons, we are told, visited 10,000 Mormon homes last year, and one wagon covered 1,300 miles. The Pathfinder adds, that "contrary to what some had expected, the 'Mormons' are found generally open-minded and eager to listen, in some cases the 'Mormons' having actively welcomed the revivalists, aiding them in their meetings. Their idea in doing this is to put to shame those communities in the east which have assailed 'Mormon' missionaries, driven them out, etc."

THE GOLDEN RULE.

Chicago Record-Herald. "And now, my son," said the sturdy old captain of industry, "there's just one more bit of advice I want to give you before you start out on your own hook. We hear, every little while, of somebody who claims to be living in accordance with the golden rule. It's a good thing to do. I myself am doing it, and I cordially recommend it to you as a safe thing to keep in mind. 'Thank you, father,' the young man replied, 'but I—to tell the truth—what is the golden rule, anyway? I've forgotten it.' 'You don't know the golden rule? Thomas, I'm surprised at you—surprised and pained. Now listen and try to always remember it: 'Do unto others as you know they are going to do unto you if they get a chance!'"

LOOKING FORWARD.

From the New Bedford Standard. A well known London sociologist says that "the year 2140 will see the final triumph of women. There will then be one hundred per cent more women than men living in London. Twelve centuries later there will be only one man to every three women." We are not entirely sure whether woman will find this a situation to be glad of or to be sorry for, if it ever comes—but we are quite confident that the eminent London sociologist doesn't know what he is talking about. Even if he does, it is no time at the present to worry or to exult over the prospect. There are too many other pressing subjects to be disposed of first.

PROPHESIED ROOSEVELT'S GREATNESS.

Louis Vierbeck in Success. More entertaining, perhaps, and equally interesting, are the anecdotes which are told about our President by the Minkwitz family. Frau Fischer distinctly recollects that "once she prophesied the future greatness of young Teddy. She says: 'One day I had a conversation with Mrs. Roosevelt, who said to me, 'I wonder what is going to become of my Teddy?' I replied, 'You need not be anxious about him. He will surely be one day a great professor, or, who knows, he may become even President of the United States.' Mrs. Roosevelt rebuked me, she said such a thing was impossible, and asked how I could have struck upon such an absurdity. But, perhaps on account of my impulsive remark, I have since continually watched Theodore Roosevelt's career, and have al-

GIBBONS ON LYNCHINGS.

Cardinal Gibbons, in the current number of the North American Review discusses lynching. He points out that that form of brutality is in direct violation of the Constitution, which provides that no person shall be deprived of life without due process of law. He says that the number of such violations of law have in recent years become "appalling" two thousand eight hundred and seventy-five lynchings, according to a responsible authority, having occurred in the United States from 1885 to 1903. Lynch law, he continues, has been the occasion of even further bloodshed, since lynchings have been the source of sanguinary feuds in certain sections of our country; not a few instances have been known, also, in which the innocent have suffered while the guilty have been allowed to escape. Furthermore, the atrocities

which characterize these unlawful executions, at times, divert public sympathy to the most degraded criminals from their outraged victims; and, instead of exacting a deterrent effect upon evil-disposed persons, experience shows that it rather increases the calendar of crime.

Cardinal Gibbons is of the opinion that the law's delay in bringing criminals to justice is one of the causes of this evil. On this point he says: "Of late years, the difficulty of carrying out the judgment of the court (in murder trials especially) has greatly increased from the widened application of pleas in bar—namely that of insanity. When a conviction has been reached, innumerable obstacles generally stay the execution. The many grounds of exceptions allowed to counsel, the appeals from one court to another of higher jurisdiction, involving an enormous expense to the commonwealth, the long periods of time intervening between the terms of the lower and higher courts, the impossibility of recalling the original witnesses by reason of their death or removal to distant parts of the country, the apathy or fading interest of the friends of the prosecution, the untiring efforts of the advocates and friends of the accused, the facility with which signatures for pardon are obtained, with the final application for mercy to the governor—all these circumstances have combined to delay around the transgressor an extravagant protective system, and have gone far to rob jury trials of their substance and efficacy."

There is some truth in this, and it is all the more the pity that even our judicial system cannot be justly defended against such criticism. But the lynchings of this country are chiefly due to the brutality of human nature, that always breaks through the veneer of civilization, wherever the laws that are made for the purpose of strengthening that civilization are not impartially administered. It is due to the same cause that makes men, when possessed by the spirit of war, revel in bloodshed, and women sing the praise of the heroes of carnage. It is due to the same cause that prompts the European slave drivers in Africa to commit atrocities, too sickening to describe—even to the getting up of feasts of cannibalism, for their own amusement. To that savage nature, unchecked by legal authority, lynchings are due. The remedy for this evil will never be found, until its causes are understood and honestly acknowledged.

OUR FIRST BUDDHIST TEMPLE.

Los Angeles Times. The first Buddhist temple in America will be built in this city. Lord Abot Spenshaku, head of the Buddhist faith in America, is here to give official endorsement of the plans and aid in selecting the site. He said that the money required was at his disposal. The temple is to be built upon a scale of grandeur and magnificence not equaled in the country, he says. The architecture will be Oriental. The Hindus have a large mission in Los Angeles and have made many American converts to Buddhism, among them several wealthy persons. Last night's meeting was addressed by Lord Abot and Supt. Dalsetu, of San Francisco. Three Americans were converted.

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