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CONSECRATION OF SYNAGOGUE

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Far beyond the borders of this town, of this country even, the Whole House of Israel, will note with deep and vibrant interest the founding in this Community, of this New Jewish Place of Worship. The reason for such additional interest is, alas, to be found, in those indescribable conditions which this recent great holocaust of mankind, has produced in that larger portion of World Jewry. The ebb and the flow of that great conflict, with its attendant sacrifices and those calculated inhumanities, have given a double share of suffering to our people. Hundreds of Jewish Communities have disappeared at the hands of the modern vandals; their Synagogues and their seats of learning have fallen a prey to the fire and the fury, to the destruction and desolation which characterised this world conflagration.

And so, it has now fallen to the Communities of the English-speaking countries, to restore as it were, the equilibrium of Israel, by creating new centres of Jewish Religious Life and Jewish Religious endeavour.

One such new centre, I have now the privilege and the honour to consecrate in the sight of the Almighty God, and in the presence of this Holy congregation.

Verily indeed, the eyes of our brethren from afar and from near are upon us to-night; their felicitations, their benedictions, their prayers culmina