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THE WOMAN'S BRANCH OF THE AUXILIARY.

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Prof. Ignace Goldzisher
My dear Prof. Goldzisher:

Your attention has probably been called to the fact that, during the continuance of the World's Fair in our city there will be convened a series of Congresses in all departments of thought. The chief purpose of these Congresses is to provide the maturest thought of the age and the world on all great questions of our time.

The month of September will be devoted to a series of Religious Congresses, the general programme of which I enclose. The Jewish Women were asked to do their part in the work and they will hold a Congress beginning September 3rd and continuing during the week. I enclose the preliminary programme- As these are all World's Congresses we are most anxious to have at them representative Jewish Women from all countries. The greatest difficulty of securing such names as we desired has thus far stood in our way and we now apply to you to ask you to interest yourself in the Congress and if possible to secure delegates to the Congress from your city.

As we fully realize that it would be difficult to persuade ladies to come for this purpose, we still presume there must be Jewish Ladies coming over to see this great World's Fair who would be glad to be present and act as delegates for their city. We feel that we are occupying a very responsible position, that never before has Judaism had so fine an opportunity to let the world know what it is, and is doing to disseminate some knowledge among intelligent people who know little of the present living Jew, knowledge which may bear fruit in allaying prejudice and misunderstanding. But we do not intend to rest content with possible results but to make the Congress bear immediate fruit in the formation of a permanent Organization of Jewish Women, which shall be not only National, but International, and which shall be an influence for and a course of good in every direction- uplifting all who need uplifting, the poor in pocket, the poor in spirit, which shall be the means of uniting under one flag all intelligent workers for the bettering of the condition of the Jews and of humanity. We purpose having annual meetings which shall prove of much practical value. We would be very glad to have a paper from some German Jewess which should be read at our Congress. We suggest as a subject "The Work and Needs of the Jewish Women or of the Jews in your city or country.

In connection with the Congresses we are publishing a

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collection of synagogal music which will be very valuable. The book was compiled and edited by Drs. Sparger and Kayser of New York, the authorities in this country on their subject. It has an historical preface, Hebrew and English words, is profusely illustrated and has an introduction by Prof. Cyrus Adler of Johns Hopkins University. It is issued in a limited edition of one thousand copies and at the low price of Two Dollars, which barely covers the price of printing, as it is intended merely as a Souvenir. Great praise is bestowed on the Committee from all sides for having undertaken this valuable and much needed publication.

We hope and trust that your interest will be aroused and that you will endeavor to secure representatives at the Congress from your city or country. Should it be impossible for you to act will you kindly hand this to some one who will do so, and spread a knowledge of what we American Jewish Women are attempting to accomplish.

In the hope of a very early reply, believe, me with assurances of most respectful consideration,

Very respectfully yours,

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Jewish Woman's Religious Congress.
Mrs. H. Solomon Chairman.

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4060 Lake Ave., Chicago.