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yours in Jesus Christ  
Lermann Waszyawia

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## PREFATORY NOTES.

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It seems to me that what is told in this short narrative of facts is fitted to interest and encourage us in our efforts for the ancient people, more than anything that has taken place since Missions to the Jews began—I might almost say, since Apostolic times. We find here *Jews by hundreds* eagerly listening to the simple story of the Saviour “suffering for sin,” the just for the unjust, to bring us unto God. The instrument raised up for the work is an intelligent, lively, single-hearted son of Abraham, born and brought up in Poland, led to Christ in Breslau, and by a series of singular persecutions and

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dangers sent out to New York, where the Lord had work awaiting him. Warszawiak is thoroughly acquainted with the Bible—Old and New Testaments—and is intensely interested in the conversion of his brethren. He is one that can truly say, "My heart's desire and prayer for Israel is that they may be saved."

He stayed under my roof for some days, and all who met him were deeply impressed with his character—open, natural, kindly; always cheerful and ready to testify from his own experience daily, that the man who has forsaken wife and children, brothers and sister, father and mother, friends and possessions for Christ's sake, receives an hundred-fold even now (Matt. xix. 26) in the joy of his soul.

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*Glasgow.*

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THE story of Hermann Warszawiak is one of the deepest interest, as the following pages testify. The way in which he was led to the knowledge and profession of the Christian faith was very remarkable. Happily he was guided, in what seems to have been the great crisis of his life, to one of the ablest and most experienced Jewish missionaries, the Rev. Daniel Edward, of Breslau, whose clear and full evangelical teaching and loving and faithful personal dealing laid a firm foundation for all that has since been. Hermann's address, on the occasion of his baptism, made a profound impression on the many Jews who were present, and was an earnest of the spiritual power which has since so signally marked his preaching and private intercourse with his people. His conversion was his introduction into a new world. He laboured under all the disadvantages of his education and early training as a Jew. He had

little human teaching, except that of Mr Edward, during the months of his stay at Breslau; but his constant and prayerful study of God's Word, under the teaching of the Holy Spirit, has wonderfully equipped him as a Christian man and as a teacher of others. When he first came to this country, I lent him a copy which Dr Delitzsch had sent to me of his Hebrew New Testament, and when he returned it he told me that he had read it "hundreds of times," which I can well believe to have been literally true. He seems to realise a living, personal Christ in a very unusual degree. Some of his private letters (all unconsciously on his part) are the nearest approach which I have seen to those of Samuel Rutherford.

The opening to the Jews at New York at present is almost alone of its kind. Instead of solitary inquirers, as in the case of most other Jewish Missions, Mr Warszawiak has had a "wide