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Dr. Pierson's most kind introduction to the original American Edition, printed when I was in Palestine in 1891, tells its history; and I retain his kind words, not because I think his eulogy on myself personally deserving, but as a reminiscence of my visit to America, and of the most happy fellowship it was my privilege to

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enjoy with some of the choicest of Christ's servants in that vast country,

That it may still speak the praises of Him Who is the "Light to lighten the Gentiles, and the glory of His people Israel," and that a blessing may come to every one into whose hands this little book may fall, is the heartfelt prayer of the writer.

DAVID BARON.

"Northfield," Chorley Wood, Herts.

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HOSE who were present at the summer conferences at Northfield, Mass., in the months of July and August, 1890, will not soon forget DAVID BARON and his Bible Readings and Addresses. He is a converted Jew; and is well named *David* Baron, for he is a true prince of the Davidic House.

There was an indescribable charm about the man. His knowledge of the Hebrew Scriptures and his deep insight into them; his keen discernment of the exquisite shades of meaning by which the original words differed and were distinguished, and the perfect familiarity he exhibited with both the original Word of God and all the light which the Jewish customs, manners, and religious and national life cast upon that Word, together with a peculiar unction which qualified his whole manner—all these peculiarities contributed to render his services doubly interesting and helpful. After the Conferences closed, there were still at the hotels and boarding-houses a large number of visitors who clamoured for a continuance of the feast ; and

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At my earnest entreaty, Mr. Baron wrote out one of his best Bible addresses for publication, and it is herewith put into printed form. It lacks only the personal presence of its author to make it a perfect reproduction of one of the most charming and effective addresses I ever heard. It is not too much to say that, to understand this address and to grasp its great expository argument, is to get the key to all Scriptures pertaining to the past, present, or future, of God's ancient people. This little brochure is called the "Jewish Problem"; it deserves to be called the "Problem Solved"—for it is the solution of the historic and prophetic enigma.

I commend it to every candid student of the Word of God, and especially to all who pray for the restoration of Israel.

ARTHUR T. PIERSON.

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Jeremiah xxx. 1-17.

THE word that came to Jeremiah from the Lord, saying, Thus speaketh the Lord God of Israel, saying, Write thee all the words that I have spoken unto thee in a book. For, Io, the days come, saith the Lord, that I will bring again the captivity of my people Israel and Judah, saith the Lord: and I will cause them to return to the land that I gave to their fathers, and they shall possess it.

And these are the words that the Lord spake concerning Israel and concerning Judah.

For thus saith the Lord ; We have heard a voice of trembling, Of fear, and not of peace. Ask ye now, and see Whether a man doth travail with child ? Wherefore do I see every man With his hands on his loins, as a woman in travail, And all faces are turned into paleness ? Alas ! for that day is great, So that none is like it : It is even the time of Jacob's trouble. But he shall be saved out of it.

For it shall come to pass in that day, saith the Lord of hosts, That I will break his yoke from off thy neck, And will burst thy bonds, And strangers shall no more serve themselves of him : But they shall serve the Lord their God, And David their king, whom I will raise up unto them. Therefore fear thou not, O My servant Jacob, saith the Lord; Neither be dismayed, O Israel : For, lo, I will save thee from afar, And thy seed from the land of their captivity; And Jacob shall return, And shall be in rest, and be quiet,