

living, active and thriving people. No parallel can be found on earth to their wonderful history. Their amazing preservation as a separate and distinct people is a standing miracle, that calls loudly for the regard of thoughtful men.

The Babylonians, Greeks and Romans of ancient times, the Huns, the Goths, the Vandals, and other peoples of more modern date, have all been scattered, merged into other nations, or altogether lost. But the Jews, who have seen all these in turn arise and pass away, still preserve their own peculiar identity, with the same distinctness that characterized them at the time of the Captivity or at the advent of Christ. Though mixed and mingled with all nations, they are still separate and distinct; though scattered and dispersed throughout the world, they have never yet been lost.

They are at present a people without a country. They are wayfarers and wanderers over the face of the earth, and yet are sighing to return to the land of their ancestors, now held in the grasp of the upholders of the Mahomedan superstition. Their total numbers probably amount to *ten millions*. They are everywhere aliens and foreigners—merely tolerated, and unwillingly protected by those amongst whom they live. They have everywhere been harassed, robbed, ill-treated and plundered. The great inducement to

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