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WHOLESALE AND RETAIL.

Funeral of a Jewish Rabbi.

Dr. Nathan Marcus Adler, Chief Rabbi of the Polish and German Jews in England, whose death was recently announced, was buried in the Jewish Cemetery, near Willesden Green (Eng.) on January 24th. The body was brought from the West Brighton Station by express train to London Bridge, where it was met by a large number of Jews, rich and poor, wearing some signs of mourning. There were five mourning coaches following the severely plain hearse, and the procession moved across London Bridge, making a detour in order to pass the building in Duke's Place where the Chief Rabbi ministered for so many years. The procession did not halt, however, nor any was ceremony observed at the synagogue. It passed across the city to Charlotte Street, Portland Place, where are the offices of the United Synagogue, and one of the entrances to the Central Synagogue. Here were assembled several hundreds of gentlemen, representing nearly the whole of the Jewish communities. At Charlotte Street the long line of private carriages, apparently nearly 200 in number, joined the hearse and mourning carriages from the city, and the imposing procession journeyed west to the United Synagogue Cemetery at Willesden. This is a grand open space of twelve acres, beautifully kept, and as yet but scantily tenanted. Bodies of school children from the Jewish hospitals and schools, each contingent bearing a mourning banner, lined the main avenue from the "Hall" or chapel to the grave. Amongst the numerous spectators were a few English ladies. The weather was very cold and stormy, and the little waiting room near the hall

was crowded to the lowest step. The hall is a small plain building, with Hebrew inscriptions on the walls, and the only furniture besides the stoves and side benches were a couple of boxes for the poor, and the hand platform on wheels, used as a bier. Upon this the coffin was placed, the gale at the time howling wildly outside, and beating the ivy against the windows. The building was crowded with the gentlemen who had formed part of the procession from town, and many were crowded out. There were no flowers nor ornaments upon the coffin, the Jewish custom strictly enjoining plainness. The Rev. M. H. Hast, Reader at the Great Synagogue, was the officiating minister at the brief but impressive service. In the hall he recited with power the Psalm proper for the occasion, the recitation really amounting to a dramatic piece of unaccompanied singing. The coffin was then carried towards the place of interment, a few paces along the main walk. A halt was made midway, however, for the recital by the minister of the prayer for all who had not been to the burial-ground for thirty days. Without any delay or office the coffin was lowered into the grave (a mere excavation in the clay), the minister saying "May he come to his appointed place in peace." The sons of the deceased threw earth upon the coffin. The Jewish service for the burial of the dead enjoins that the congregation shall pluck grass from the turf on leaving the grave, the minister reciting, "And they shall blossom forth from the ruins like the grass of the earth." "God remembereth that we are but dust." It is also understood that all present shall wash their hands, reciting "Death will be destroyed for ever, and the Lord God will

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wipe away the tear from every face; and the reproach of His people He will remove from off the whole earth; for the Lord hath spoken it." On returning to the hall the sons of the deceased, during a short service, recited the mourners' "kaddis," a prayer which they will offer morning and evening for twelve months, and thereafter on each anniversary of the death of their father. By the Levitical law, the sons of the deceased being "Kohanim" (descendants of the High Priest Aaron) were allowed to stand by their dead in the hall, but were debarred from approaching the grave near which other bodies were buried.

A BLASTED HOPE.—The Pastor—"Ah, yes; but we should not grieve too much, considering the ripeness of years your grandmother had attained." Sorrowing Granddaughter—"Anither year an' we shouldna hae mindit it a bit. But it was that provoking to hae her decim' at ninty-nine. We had so set oor hearts on her being a cen-cen-turion, an', noo, oh, oh." Collapse of pastor.

THE DANGER OF TAPPING.—After a consultation, several physicians decided that a dropsical patient should be tapped. Upon hearing of the decision of the doctors, a son of the sick man, who had been remarkable for his devotion to John Barleycorn, approached him and exclaimed—"Father, don't submit to the operation, for there was never was anything tapped in our house that lasted more than a week."