

## Hats Off in the Synagogue

The vexed question of "hats on" or "hats off" during public worship was settled at the annual meeting of the Anshe Chesed congregation, at the temple on Scoville avenue. The old Jewish custom of the male members of the congregation wearing their hats during public worship has always been in vogue in this congregation. A number of the younger and more progressive members have objected to the custom, and it has caused more or less discussion for several years. The older members held tenaciously to their hats, and the younger ones bided their time until they should have a sufficient majority converted to their views to change the custom.

The matter was brought up at the annual meeting, which was very largely attended. The hat question was discussed at great length, and several very warm speeches were made on both sides. It was finally put to a vote, and the members who are opposed to wearing hats were victorious by a decided majority. The decision was that hereafter the congregation shall worship with hats off, but those who desire to retain their head covering will be permitted to do so.—Cleveland Leader and Herald.