
THE
ZIONIST
MOVEMENT

The Jewish World, commenting upon the current movement of the orthodox Jews looking to the return of Israel to Palestine to occupy it as a na-

tion, says the Zionist exodus movement is, being several of the European powers. That problem is the possession of offers a solution of a very serious prob-Palestine. If the powers agree upon the proposed Jewish colonization, the Turk would have to consent. Germany wants all Syria, with Palestine, and she would, doubtless, be ready to guaranty protection to the Zionists in their ancient land.

For twenty years past there have been movements to establish Jewish colonies in Palestine. Baron Edmond de Rothschild has spent about \$5,000,000 in the work of colonizing Palestine. There are several colonies and successful ones, where orange orchards and vineyards abound, near Jaffa. Dairy farming has been successful, and experiments in tea culture are successful. Some colonies are located near Tiberias and about the sources of the

Jordan. The colonists are good workers and capable of defending themselves against the Arabs. Whenever the Jews have gone to work in earnest in Palestine, the land shows its ancient productivity.

At the Zionist congress at Basle this month, Jews of all schools were assembled from Europe, America and Asia, and Jews who have been cruelly persecuted in Russia and Roumania, France and Germany, and Jews from England and America, where they enjoy freedom from Jew-baiting. Zionism, as organized under Dr. Herta and encouraged by Baron Rothschild, proposes to give the Jews of the world a legally recognized home in Palestine. It proposes to awaken the Jewish national spirit throughout the world and re-establish the Jewish nationality. Herta proposes to obtain a firman from Sultan Abdul Hamid, guaranteeing to the Jews the possession of a legally recognized home in Palestine. His own enthusiasm is contagious and with the backing of Rothschild and other wealthy Hebrews, it is possible that an exodus of Jews to Palestine will be witnessed when the twentieth century dawns. If so the abundant forecasts of the old Hebrew prophets will have been verified.