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I am sure that it will prove a valuable record of the services rendered to their country by the Jews of Great Britain. The list of achievements is a fine one, but the quality of it will cause no surprise when it is remembered how pre-eminent has been the example of this country in matters of civil and religious liberty, and how seriously the freedom of the world was threatened in the great war from which we have emerged victorious. Your book demonstrates to the full that British Jews were ready and eager to do battle for the preservation of that freedom and for the triumph of the country which has given to them such generous opportunity to share in its liberties.

I wish you all success in your undertaking."

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