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TO THE RIGHT REVEREND  
THE LORD BISHOP OF MANCHESTER

THIS ESSAY IS BY PERMISSION

DEDICATED ;

ONE OF THE LEAST AMONG THE MANY TOKENS  
OF THE PROFOUND RESPECT AND  
SINCERE ATTACHMENT WHICH HIS WORDS AND WORK  
HAVE SECURED FOR HIM  
AMONG THE NONCONFORMISTS OF HIS DIOCESE.





THIS ESSAY OBTAINED THE BURNEY PRIZE  
IN THE UNIVERSITY OF CAMBRIDGE FOR  
THE YEAR 1870.

The late RICHARD BURNEY, ESQ., M.A., of Christ's College, Cambridge, previously to his death on the 30th November, 1845, empowered his Cousin, Mr. Archdeacon Burney, to offer, through the Vice-Chancellor, to the University of Cambridge, the sum of £3,500 Reduced Three per Cent. Stock, for the purpose of establishing an Annual Prize, to be awarded to the Graduate who should produce the best Essay on a subject to be set by the Vice-Chancellor.

On the day after this offer was communicated to the Vice-Chancellor, Mr. Burney died; but his sister and executrix, Miss J. Caroline Burney, being desirous of carrying her brother's intentions into effect, generously renewed the offer.

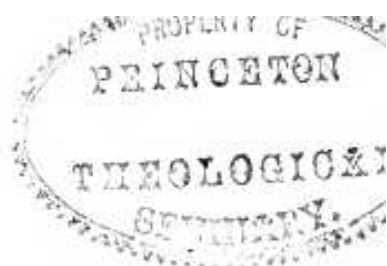
The Prize is to be awarded to a Graduate of the University, who is not of more than three years' standing from admission to his first degree when the Essays are sent in, and who

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The Vice-Chancellor, the Master of Christ's College, and the Norrisian Professor of Divinity, are the Examiners of the Compositions and the Adjudicators of the Prize.

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The subject proposed by the Vice-Chancellor for the year 1870 was—*The Influence of the Phœnicians on the Political, Social, and Religious Relations of the Children of Israel.*



## P R E F A C E.

THE following Essay cannot pretend to be a complete discussion of the subject of which it treats. This is so vast, and in many points so obscure, involving as it does many of the most perplexed and disputed questions of ancient history, culture, mythology, and religion, that it might furnish a worthy theme for scholars of the most extensive learning and the greatest intuitive sagacity. And the present volume appears under special disadvantages. Written in the midst of other pressing duties, where no good library of modern theological works was available for reference, and composed very hurriedly under the restrictions as to time imposed by the conditions of a University competition, it is now printed, in accordance with the University regulations, precisely as it was submitted to the adjudicators, with the exception of verbal corrections and a few additional references.