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PREFACE.

THE Text-Book of the Jewish Religion which is herewith offered to the Jewish public is an outline of a larger work which the author has prepared on the same subject. It is, however, complete in itself, and contains as much as we should like our younger children to know of our Holy Religion. Due regard has been paid to the Chief Rabbi's Code, which determined the substance and the form of this volume. A complete index shows how to use it for each standard; but the author did not deem it advisable to restrict the book exclusively to the requirements of the Code. The latter may be modified; the progress of the Hebrew classes may, and we hope will, in course of time demand a higher standard. It was, therefore, preferred to give a short but complete exposition of the principles and the precepts of our Religion, in such a manner that the book may also be used as a guide for more advanced pupils.

The analysis of the Prayer-Book will be found

useful in teaching and learning the translation of the Prayers. It will facilitate the comprehension of the spirit and object of our Prayers, the general contents of which will thus be easily retained in memory even when the meaning of the single words is forgotten.

In expounding the meaning of the various observances in our religious life, it has been the aim of the author to kindle and to keep alive within the hearts of the younger generation feelings of love and respect for that Holy Faith which is the most precious treasure their elders have to offer them.

The short form of Prayer prefixed to the Text-Book may serve as a not inappropriate beginning or conclusion to each religious lesson.

In conclusion, I beg to tender my best thanks to the Rev. S. Singer, who kindly placed his valuable services at my disposal for the revision of this volume.

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