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## PREFACE.

The great attention which has of late been paid to acquiring a knowledge of the Hebrew language, by students in theology, in our country, and the great expense of procuring suitable grammars, have induced the author to compile one, which he hopes will in some degree answer the purpose, for which it is intended.

It will no doubt be asked, since the vowel points have been so long neglected in our public seminaries, why they are now revived. Anticipating this inquiry, I shall give a very brief account of the controversy concerning the vowel points, and endeavour to show the amount of their usefulness.

In regard to the antiquity of the vowel points, some have contended that they are coeval with the letters. Others refer them to Moses, others to Ezra and the great synagogue, and others to the Masorites, who, about five hundred years after Christ, (some fix a time more modern,) added them to the Hebrew text.

We may pass by the arguments of those, who contend for the greatest antiquity of the points; they are founded in the supposeed necessity of the case, and not in any facts, adduced for the basis of those arguments.

To the two Buxtorfs, father and son, whom we are compelled to respect for their learning, however much their judyment might have been seduced by Rabbinical lore, we look for the strongest arguments upon facts, on the side of the high authority and early origin of the vowel points.

The elder Buxtorf traces their history in the Masora, or book of traditions, held in veneration by the Jews, and containing:
their Critica Sacra, from the hands of a succession of men, who were reputed to be the most wise and learned. The Masora comprises all those points and accents, and diacritical marks, those letters greater and smaller than the common impression of the text, those inverted and suspended letters, and divisions of the text, and marginal notes, and remarks subjoined to the several books, which we see in our common editions of the Masoretic Bibles. All this is the application of the critical labours of the Masorites, already existing in separate books, to the Hebrew text.

An important part of the controversy, in which the partisans of the Masoretic points and their adversaries have taken opposite sides, relates to the origin of the Masorites, who attempted to fix irrevocably the text of the Old Testament, and to guard it against corruption. It is not pretended on either side, that the whole apparatus of the Masorites, or even that of the points alone, was the work of one contemporancous body of men.

The elder Buxtorf, in his commentaries upon the Masora, remarks, that, after the destruction of Jerusalem by Vespasian, many learned Jews must have remained in the land of Israel, where, in various places, they restored their schools and religious institutions. Among these places Tiberias, which received its name from Herod the Tetrarch, in honour of Tiberius Cesar, was particularly illustrious, and continued so till the year two hundred and thirty after Christ. For all this he quotes several learned Rabbins; but here the chronicles of the Hebrews fail to relate any thing remarkable of the schools, and of the study of letters in Judea; and now, the Jerusalem Talmud being completed, and learning being on the decline in Judea, the schools were transferred to Babylon, whither they drew the most learned men. Afterwards, however, learning, which had never expired there, revived at Tiberias, till, about the commencement of the sixth century, it became the most celebrated seat of Jewish literature.

1 have not yet fully expounded the claims, maintained by the Buxtorfs for the great antiquity of the vowel points. It is not their opinion that the Masorites, who completed what we now call the Masora, were the inventors of the points; but only that they acted as censors upon words, already marked by points and accents. This they infer as well from the inconstant pointing itself, as from the Masoretic notes of censure. If this part of criticism, says Buxtorf, pertains to the Masora, and all who were the authors of it are called Masorites, certainly the men of the great synagogue were the first Masorites, and consequently Ezra the scribe was among the number.

The Buxtorfs appear to have been more credulous concerning certain Rabbinical fables, than some of the more learned Jews themselves. Elias Levita, a Jew, celebrated for learning, believed that the vowel points were devised, and added to the sacred text, after the completion of the Babylonish Talmud, by certain Jewish critics, about the five hundredth year of Christ. This is the ground taken and vindicated by Capellus, against the Buxtorfs, and almost the whole host of the Rabbins. Those, says Capellus, who attribute the points to Ezra, acknowledge that the aid of such a punctuation was unnecessary for the people, to whom the language was vernacular, as it was to the Jews, before the Babylonish captivity. It is further manifest from the experience of many ages, that none of the Jewish books, written in Hebrew, except the Bible, were furnished with points; and yet they were read and understood, even by those, to whom the language was not vernacular, but known only from a course of instruction.

The argument, which he thinks conclusive against the supposition that the vowel points originated with Ezra, is drawn from the Septuagint version, from the Chaldee paraphrases, from the Greek of Aquila, Symmachus, and Theodotion, and from other versions, and from the Latin of Jerom; the authors of all which, he endeavours to prove, were destitute of any pointed
codes. To these he adds the Talmud, and the writings and commentaries of Jerom, in which there is no mention of the points, and no figures, names, or vestiges of them to be found ; which, he concludes, could not have been the case, if they had then existed.

Further, he remarks, we have the tacit consent of the Jews, that the volume of the law, which was preserved in their synagogues with great veneration, and shown to the people, was without points and accents ; that the Cabbalistic and Talmudical writings deduce none of their mystical interpretations from these points and accents, and that the Samaritan, or ancient Hebrew, has no vowel marks. He pursues in detail all the arguments drawn from the Jewish history, from grammarians, and critics, and cabbalists, in order to refute them from their intrinsic inconsistency, or by means of superior and opposite authorities.

On the whole, he concludes, that the points now in use were not introduced, till after the completion of five centuries from the birth of Christ, and that they were then contrived only for the sake of those, who were not familiar with the Hebrew, and who required this aid to read the Hebrew text with accuracy. As for the rest, says Capellus, who they were that invented the points, whether one person or many, whence they sprung, and at what time, whether in the sixth, seventh, or eighth century, cannot be precisely determined, on account of the defect of historical monuments, and the dark ignorance that obscures those times; though it is pretty manifest that they were introduced by the Masorites of Tiberias, after the fifth century ; not at one and the same time, but by degrees, and at different times, extending to the twelfth century, when they were last of all elaborated by Ben-Ascher and Ben-Naphtali.

Such is a very brief view of the controversy concerning the Hebrew vowel points. And may we not reasonably suppose with Eichhorn and others, that the sacred writers, since they used
the Phenician or Phenico-Esyptian character, might also have adopted the vowel marks? It seems highly probable, that, although no Hebrew manuscripts of the Bible, before the fifth century, were pointed throughout, single words and phrases were pointed by the authors themselves, or by those who succeeded them. Even this partial punctuation, says Eichhorn, would be useful; and it is also agreeable to analogy, deduced from the Arabic and Syriac. Agreeably to the same analogy, it is probable that the ancient Hebrews had three vowel points, perhaps of variable quantity; that they furnished their manuscripts with them in ambiguous passages; and that, when the Hebrew ceased to be a living language, the present punctuation was introduced by grammarians, to preserve the sounds of the words, and the customary interpretation of the writings.

Capellus and his adherents, aware of the existence of vowels in the Hebrew scriptures, from what appeared in the early versions, from the critical writings of the Jews, from Origen's specimens of the Hebrew text in Greek characters, \&c. sought for them in the alphabet itself.

There is an obscure passage in Jerom, concerning the He brew vowels, or matres lectionis, as they have sometimes been called. He says, that, among the Hebrews of his time, the four aspirates $\Sigma, \pi, \pi$, and $\nu$, were vowels; that these foum aspirates, followed by 1 and ', form diphthongs, and that 1 and ' are sometimes vowels. But, notwithstanding this testimony, none of the modern critics contend for the vocal power of $\pi$, and none, till Masclef, for that of $y$; and those who find vowels in the alphabet, differ from Jerom, by claiming 1 and ' generally. Besides, it is manifest that Jerom attached a different notion to the term vowel, applied to the aspirates, from that which is adopted by some modern critics; for he considers them as commutable, and depending en their alliance with every kind of vowel sound for their pronunciation. This, in connexion with other vague and contradictory accounts of the vowel letters, renders it probable

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vowels in the Hebrew alphabet, such as those of Masclef for example; beczuse the result is merely artificial.

Amidst all this uncertainty among the advocates of original vowel letters in the Hebrew alphabet, concerning their number, and the inconstancy and contradiction among them concerning the pronunciation, we need not approach the points with very fearful prejudices; for whatever may be determined concerning their value, in respect to the genuine pronunciation of the language, they are no doubt the production of Jews, who were learned in their sacred records, to whom these records had been transmitted with much care, and who felt interested in preserving the accounts of their national history and religion, as nearly as possible, in their native, spoken, and written language.

This leads me to state, in a few words, what appears to me to be the fairest estimate of the value and usefulness of the vowel points.

If, as we have reason to believe, they were gradually introduced, (and some marks of this kind appear to be of great antiquity, though the precise period of their origin is unknown) they were probably at all times of some critical value, and transmitted, from one age to another, the manner in which the He brews understood their own scriptures. The respect, in which the vowel points are held by the Jews, is certainly no argument for their rejection; and if they sometimes mislead and betray the reader, who gives them too much of his confidence, and are therefore not infallible, it is not thence rashly to be inferred, that they are always treacherous, and hence never to be trusted.

It is hard to believe that a body of Jews at one time, or at successive periods, combined together, and contrived, with so much labour as the case must have required, a complex machinery, purposely intended to corrupt the whole collection of those writings, which were held in such high and even superstitious veneration, by the great mass of their nation. By the supposi-
tion therefore, that the points are of no critical value, we accuse the most learned men of that nation of ignorance, concerning what above all things it became them to know,-the records of their peculiar, national religion. Unless we are willing to believe that the authors of these critical helps for interpreting the Old Testament, were ignorant of their own sacred writings, or entirely destitute of integrity, and respect for their own religion, we cannot maintain, that their attempts to preserve the pronunciation and genuine reading of the Hebrew scriptures, are either fraudulerit or frivolous.

The most unfavourable supposition concerning the vowel points is, that they have supplanted the legitinate vowels, and usurped their place. But to those who know how limited is the province of these pretended vowels; and that the principal violence is done to $v a u$ and yod, the charge does not appear of very serious import. It has been very common to charge the omission of these two letters entirely to the account of Masoretic corruptions. But this is gratuitous; for though the transcribers of the Masoretic copies might sometimes omit them by accident or even by design, yet scribes of more ancient date were liable, at least from accident, to similar omissions. In the various readings of $\boldsymbol{K}^{i}$ ennicot and De Rossi these letters are frequently restored to their places on the authority of unpointed manuscripts. But it is very possible that the Masoretic recensions may even here have had an influence, contrary to what has been usually supposed; and by means of preserving the sounds of these letters, with long vowels, have again introduced them, where they had previously been omitted.

Wherever our speculations may lead us in this dark controversy, we can derive little consolation from reprobating the pernicious intermeddling of the Masorites with the Hebrew text; for all our Hebrew Bibles contain the text of these critics, whether with or without the points; and the helps for:interpre-
tation, independent of the points, are very limited. Amidst all the railing at the Masorites, therefore, they are siill our interpreters : and while at one moment we express our indignation against them, as the authors of a mutilated text, at the very next we refer to them for the signs, by which it may be restored to its integrity. Surely that cannot be a very shocking corruption, which contains in itself, and studiously puts in the power of its adversaries, the means of correction.

May we not conclude, on the whole, that some knowledge of the vowel points is necessary to one, who wishes to become well versed in the original of the Hebrew Scriptures? It has been allowed by many, that they are equivalent to a version of the Old Testament. They are more; -they afford to one, who will take pains to understand them, a perpetual commentary, by the most learned Jews, upon the sacred text of their own scriptures.

I conclude with a single remark from the celebrated Semler, on the subject of the vowel points. "While," he says, " it is absurd to fill our books with the dull trifling of the Jews, and the vanities of their external religion; it is unfair to spurn or neglect these public ministers of interpretation."

The author cannot forbear to mention, in this place, his obligation to the Rev. Professor Stuart, of the theological institution at Andover, for much valuable assistance in thls compilation. Had it not been for the encouraging aid, and animating zeal of that gentleman, so well known for his ardent and successful pursuit of sacred learning, the grammar would not have been undertaken.

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## APPENDIX.



## HEBREW GRAMMAR．

## CHAP．I．

OF THE ALPHABET．
＇I＇нe Hebrew alphabet consists of twenty two let－ ters，five of which have a distinct form，when they are used at the end of a word；and are called final letters．

| $\begin{aligned} & \text { Final } \\ & \text { Leitters. } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Figure or } \\ & \text { Form. } \end{aligned}$ | Names． | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Correspond- } \\ & \text { ing Roman } \end{aligned}$ Letters | $\left\lvert\, \begin{gathered} \text { Nume- } \\ \text { rical } \\ \text { rower } \end{gathered}\right.$ | $\left\{\begin{array}{l} \text { Similar- } \\ \text { ly } \\ \text { formed } \end{array}\right.$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\cdots$ | Aleph | －－－ | 1 |  |
|  | 2 | Beth \％ | Bh or V | 2 | ココ |
|  | 1 | Gimmel | Gh | 3 | 21 |
|  | 7 | Daleth | Dh | 4 | 77 |
|  | $\pi$ | He | H | 5 | תロ |
|  | 1 | Vậ | V | 6 |  |
|  | \％ | Zain | Z | 7 |  |
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| 7 | 5 | Pe－\％ | Ph | 80 |  |
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|  | ن） | Shin | Sh | 300 | $\because$ |
|  | $\pi$ | Tav | Th | 400 |  |

Aleph $\boldsymbol{N}$ is the spiritus lenis of the Greeks.
Heth $\Pi$ is here represented by Hh : the English language has no letters which express its true sound, and it can only be acquired from oral instruction.

Ain $y$ was originally a strong guttural aspirate. In the Septuagint version it is sometimes expressed by $\gamma$, and so also in our English version by g ; as Gaza, Gebal, \&c. but in general no corresponding letter is used, and the true sound is lost.

Shin $\underset{\sim}{6}$ has a point on the right, and is pronounced Sh; Sinity has a point on the left, and is pronounced S. These are only different powers of the same letter.

The letters are used as numerals.*
According to the various orgatns by which the letters are pronounced, they are divided as follows;
עா Misturals.

ג׳כק Palatals. Labials. Linguals.
The alphabet is also divided into radical and servile letters.
 because, wherever they are found, they belong to the root, or primitive word.

The remaining eleven תivi are called serviles, because, when they do not constitute part of the primitive word, they serve to form its derivatives, to make the inflections of verbs, to vary nouns, $\& c$.

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## CHAP. II.

The points and marks about and within the letters are vowels, mappik, dagesh, máccaph, and accents.
vowels.
Five long.


Five short.


To these short vowels must be added Sheva and its compounds.


* The letter 7 is used merely to shew the position of the vowel.
$\dagger$ Long hirik is followed by ', which generally distinguishes it from short hirik.
$\ddagger$ By the manner in which the vowels, iare here represented, the learner will find it easy to read the lessons to be found in the appendix. In the long vowels, however, he may at first experience a little difficulty; because some of the English letters are merely artificial representations of the Hebrew vowels : but by recutring a few times to the explanation of the sounds, he will be-

Pathah furtivum is the simple pathah (-) used under the gutturals, at the end of a word, and is classed with sheva and its compounds, as a very short vowel.

Mappik is a point in a final $\cap$, and requires that it be pronounced like h , instead of being silent; as sikn eloăh.

Dagesh is a point in the middle of a letter, and is of two kinds, lene and forte.

Dagesh lene is found only in the letters בגדכפת (begad-kephath) either at the beginning of a word, or after a silent sheva. It takes from these letters their aspiration ; so that they are sounded $\mathrm{b}, \mathrm{g}, \mathrm{d}, \mathrm{k}, \mathrm{p}, \mathrm{t}$ :* as

Daresh forte may be found in all the letters; and it not only takes from the aspirates their aspiration, but doubles the letters; as mִבָּ mík-kal.

Note. Dagesh is excluded from the gutturals for the sake of euphony; and is very rarely found in 7 .

Maccaph is a small stroke, like a hyphen, joining two words; as כל־לב.

## OF ACCENTS.

decents are used principally for directing pronunciation, and denoting the pauses.

They are divided into tonic and euphonic. Metheg $*$ is euphonic ; all the rest are tonic.

Those accents which mark the pauses are
come familiar with them, and will find that the method here adopted is, on the whole, the most convenient method that has been devised.

* In the alphabet $\lambda$ and 7 are represented by gh and dh ; but these sounds are unknown to us, in contradistinction from $g$ and d , and consequently dagesh lene does not alter their sound.

к Revia, Comma. NiAnah, Colon.
ふ Zakeph-Katon, Semicolon. Nillook, Period. To these are sometimes added
NTiphha, Comma-s Segolta, Semicolon-and 心 Pesik, Colon or Period.*

## CHAP. III.

## OF READING.

R. 1. Hebrew is read from the right hand to the left.
R. 2. A syllable, composed of one consonant and one vowel, is called pure; as $\underset{\sim}{l a}$ : but if the vowel have more than one consonant, it is a mixed syllable; as
R. 3. Every syllable begins with a consonant, ex-
 and pathah furtivum ; as 1 וּר roo-ah.
R. 4. Every letter requires a vowel, except at the end of a word, where a sheva quiescent is understood;


Except also the letters (Ehevi) which are sometimes without a vowel, and are quiescent; as si
 ra-a; i with holem or shurek; as a yoo ; and' in דְ deva-rav.
R. 5. Leamets (') becomes kamets hateph, and is to be read like short ob,

1. Before a single or compounded sheva, without a metheg or accent between.

[^1]2. At the end of a word, when followed by a consonant, except $\stackrel{1}{c}$ or $\pi$.
3. Before dagesh forte without a tonic accent.
R. 6. Holem is sometimes without a 1 as lo . When it precedes $\stackrel{\bullet}{\dot{j}}$, its place is supplied by the dot which belongs to that letter; as moshĕ. When שix has no vowel, its own dot is also holem ; as sone.
R. 7. Sheva is pronounced,

1. In the beginning of a word; as a בְִִ bsni.
2. In the middle of a word after another sheva; as

3. In the middle of a word after a long vowel without the tonic accent; as $ز$;
4. When under a letter which is followed by the same letter, or under a letter with dagesh forte; as


But in all other cases sheva is silent; even at the end of a word, preceded by another sheva, they are both silent; as לָּרַ lamădt.
R. 8. Simple sheva is never found under the gutturals; and when it is required by analogy to other words, it takes one of its compounded forms.*

## CHAP. IV.

## of The article.

Whe Hebrews have but one article, expressed by it with a pathah, prefixed to the noun, and a dagesh in the succeeding letter; as,

Excep. 1. When the letter does not admit of a da-

[^2]gesh the article has a kamets; as But if the letter be a $\pi$ heth the article retains its pathah; as הַחְחוֹ the seer.

Excep. 2. When the article is succeeded by a kamets, its pathah is changed into segol ; as mountains.

Note. To distinguish the article from the in interrogative, observe that the latter is generally pointed by (: ) hateph-pathah, as, הֲטוֹנָה whether it be good.

## CHAP. V. <br> of NOUNS. <br> Formation.

Nouns are generally formed from the third person singular of the preterite tense of the verb in its first form :

1. By changing its vowel or vowels; as a דָּ a word, from he spake; or on a king, from The he reigned.
2. By dropping a radical letter; as $\dagger \boldsymbol{j}$ grace, from חָנָ he was gracious.
3. By adding one or more of the letters, as בְְִֵה a covering, from בְטָה, he did cover ;
 from

## Of Gender.

Nouns are either masculine, feminine, or common. Those words that consist of the radical letters only,

[^3]as 9 Tํ a word ; and the names of men ; of offices oc. cupied by men; of rivers, of mountains, and of months, are generally masculine.
 door; also the names of women, of cities, and of countries, and of things double in their nature (as eyes, hauds, \&cc.) are feminine.
 IIT, a bear ; INi, a wolf; also the numerals $\approx 0$
 common to both genders.

The feminine noun is formed by adding $i$ and a preceding ( ${ }^{( }$) to the masculine, as $\underset{\text { a }}{\text { a }}$ a queen, from $7 \geqslant ?$ a king. But if the last letter be $\pi$, the points only are changed, as masc. the masc. ends in , a $A$ is generally added ; as מִצְרִ an Egyptian man, תִּ an Egyptian woman.

## Of Number.

Nouns have three numbers; singular, dual, and plural.

The masc. forms its dual by adding to the sing. the termination $\square$ ! and a $(-)$ pathah under the preceding letter; as $\overline{7}$ a hand, dual $\quad$ יָּ plural by adding $\square^{\prime}$ and a (.) hirik under the preceding letter; as aָּ a word, plural

The fem. forms its dual in the same manner as the masc. but changes likewise the into $\Omega$, as a lip, dual 1 lips ; and its plural is formed thus:

If the sing. ends in $n$, that letter is changed into Ai, as a (.) hirik preceding, the, receives a i, as a plual מִצְּריוֹת. If the termination be is
changed into a $i$ with a dageshed ${ }^{\text {s }}$ preceding it, and a (:) under the preceding letter, as מַלְכ, plu. מַלְבְיוֹת.

Of case and regimen.
The cases in Hebrew nouns are not distinguish. ed by terminations, as in some other languages, but by letters prefixed to the noun, or by separate particles, which are the same in the different numbers and genders ; as,

Nom. מְֶ a king
Gen. \& Dat. לְקֶך of or to a king
Acc.
Voc. הַok okng

Note. Though this example is given to point out the cases commonly signified by the prefixes, yet there are many peculiarities in their use, which will be pointed out in the syntax.

When two nouns are related to each other so as to require the preposition of between them, the former is said to be in regimen, or construction.

The masc. sing. in regimen, shortens the vow-
 word of God, instead of $\overline{T M}$; and the plural drops its $\square$, and changes the preceding $(\cdot)$ hirik into a ( $\cdot$ ) tsere; as anc stead of 9 ? 7 .

The fem. sing. changes the $\pi$ into $\pi$, and the preceding ( $\cdot$ ) kamets into ( - ) pathah, as an the law of God, instead of intit a law ; and the
plur. shortens its first vowel, as $\begin{gathered} \\ 7\end{gathered}$ blessings of thy father ; instead of בְרָׂ, blessings.

The dual of both genders is contracted by dropping its final $\square$, together with the preceding (.) hirik, and changing the preceding ( - ) pathah into (. ) tscre; as -.ำำ.

EXAMPLES
Of nouns according to their variation in number and regimen.

Masculine.
Plural. Singular.
Regimen Absolute. Regimen. Absolute. Signification.


Feminine.

| Plural. |  | Singular. |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Hegimen. | Absolute. | Regiman. | Absotute. |  |
| ภו1 2 T\% | דֶדֶנוֹת | - | דָדִֵה | wisdom. |
| ת1\% | - | ¢ \% | TSy | counsel. |

Some nouns are irregular, having the masculine termination in the singular, and the feminine, or both, in the plural; as a a cloud, pl. in the sing. and the masc. in the plural; as a woman ; pl.

## CHAP. VI.

Comparison.
'He comparative degree is formed by prefixing to

* See appendix [D] for further examples of the variations of nours


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a substantive, or to the adjective belonging to it, a mem with a (•) hirik, and a dagesh in the succeeding letter; as If the letter does not admit of a dagesh, the (•) hirik is changed into ( ${ }^{-}$) tsere. The comparative is also formed by prefixing $\dagger$ and a maccaph; as


The superlative degree is made by joining the word מְאֹד with the adjective; as טְוב מְאוֹד.

By prefixing a $\exists$ a to the noun, as הַטוֹב בַּנְּשִׁים, the best amongst women.

By repeating the adjective, as טוֹב טוֹב, exceedingly good.

By using two synonymous words, עֲנִי וְצֶביוֹן, poor and needy, i. e. exceedingly poor.

By doubling the noun, as as the heaven of heavens, or the highest heaven.

Note. The variations of adjectives, in number, regimen, \&c. are the same as those of substantives.

## CHAP. VII.

of pronouns.
Pronouns are either separable, consisting of distinct words; or inseparable, i. c. letters added or affixed to the noun.

Separable pronouns are either personal, relative, demonstrative, or interrogative.

> 1. Personal Pronouns :

In which are to be noticed genders, numbers, and cases.


The personal pronouns are in a manner declined by means of prefixes, as foliows:

SINGULAR.
1st Per. Com. 2d Per. Mas. 2d Per. Fem. 3d Per. Mas. Sd Per. Fem.

| om. ${ }_{\text {I }}^{\text {I }}$ | Th\$ | Thou | $\mathrm{N} / 7$ He | N9? |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| en. |  | $\bigcirc$ | 17 | T? |
| Dit. $\underbrace{\text { Of }}$ | Of | Of or | Of or To him | Of or To her |
| Acc. 9jisi | 78 | 7 | 971s | กox |
| Me | Th | The | Him | Her |
|  | - |  | 19\% | - |
| dul. $\left\{\begin{array}{crc}\text { cm m }\end{array}\right.$ | From thee | From the | From him | From her |
| , |  | $\checkmark$ | 1- |  |
| In m | In thee | In thee | In him | In her |

PLURAL.

| Nom. | \%19\% | -7x | \% | הם | 17 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Gen.) | ) | דכם | iz | - | 7 |
|  | Of or | Of or | Of or | Of or |  |
| Acc. | Tous | To you | To you | To them | To them |
|  |  | ̌ou | You | Them | Them |
|  | 12\% | ְְְִִֵּ | ִִקְּנְ | מדהם | מֵהֶן |
| .abl. $\{$ | Fromi us | From you | From you | Fromthem | From them |
|  | $\stackrel{127}{12}$ | - O | In you | $\left\{\begin{array}{l}\text { 3 } \\ \text { 3 }\end{array}\right.$ | $\underset{\text { In them }}{\substack{3}}$ |
|  |  |  |  | $\left\{\begin{array}{l}\text { In them } \\ \text { and }\end{array}\right.$ |  |

## 2. Relative Pronoun.

 feminine.
3. Demonstrative Pronouns.
this, that, mas. sing. $\}$ ה Skl.
$\left.\begin{array}{r}\text { ii } \\ \text { i } \\ \text { ת in in }\end{array}\right\}$ this, that, fem. sing.
זוּלָּ
4. Interrogative Pronouns.

מי who, what person?
,מַּה ,מֶה , or which or what thing?
Inseparable pronouns are such as are affixed to nouns, verbs, participles and adverbs.

Those affixed to nouns are contained in the following table.

TO A NOUN SINGU̇LAR.
A plural Pronoun. $\boldsymbol{A}$ singular Pronoun.
3. fem. 3 mas $2 . \mathrm{fem} .2$ mas. 1 com . 3.fem. 3. mas. 2. fem. 2. mas. 1 com.

to a noun plural.
-יִּ|

* The vowel preceding the affix belongs to the last letter of the noun.


## EXAMPLE

Of a Noun Masculine, with affixes.
Plu. דְבְּרֶּ words. Sing.


## EXAMPLE

## Of a Noun Feminine, with affixes.

| תורוֹת, laws. |  | , a ame. |  | $\text { Com. } 1$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| ת\% | דּוֹרוֹתִ | תּוֹרָהנגוּ | תּוֹרָדירי |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |
|  | הוֹרוֹר | תוֹרתכֵם | רֶוֹרֶ |  |
| - your laws | 7thy livis | A | רֶ | F. $\}^{2 .}$ |
| your lavs | thy laws | your law | thy law | F. |
| תּוֹרוֹתּתּתֶּ | תהּוֹרוֹתיו | \%תר\% | תּוֹרתוֹ | M.) |
|  |  | רֶרֶ | תּוֹרָּהּ | F. |
| their laws |  |  |  |  |

Note 1st. קֶֶ and are called grave affixes, on account of their accentuation; and they occasion the same alteration in the word to which they are joined, as regimen does.

2d. The affix' excludes the' of the dual and plural masculine.

## CHAP. VIII.

## OF VERBS.

Verbs are either perfect or imperfect.
A verb generally consists of three radical letters, the first with a kamets, and the second with a pathah, as פֵַָּל ; but sometimes with a tsere, as , חֵָּּ mets, when the third radical is $N$ or $\boldsymbol{N}$, as .

In a regular verb are to be noticed, its forms,* voices, moods, tenses, numbers, persons, and genders.

There are seven forms of the verb, distinguished from each other by different names, characteristic marks, and significations.

1. כָּ paal, he wrought, which is called pral, i. e. light ; because it is simple in its form and signification.
 terised by a prefix $\boldsymbol{y}$, or by a dagesh in the first radical, in the tenses where $d$ is not used.
2. פִּעֵל piel, he wrought diligently ; characterised by a dagesh in the second radical; as Tat.
3. ${ }^{\text {Pual }}$ pual, he was diligently wrought upon;

* What are commonly called conjugations, are here called forms of the verb, corresponding with the term species, used in some of the best Hebrew Grammars by German authors. These various forms, besides the difference of voice, are strictly modal differences; but they cannot be classed among the moods of the verb, without producing confusion in the arrangement; and it will be sufficient to explain the meaning of these forms in their proper place.
characterised by a kibbuts under the first radical, and a dagesh in the second ; as

5. הְְִעִיל hiphil, he caused another to work; characterised for the most part by a $i$ prefix, and a , inserted between the second and third radicals.
6. הדְּנַל hophal, he was caused to work; characterised by a sheva, under the first radical, and a kibbuts or kamets hateph under the $i$ prefixed.
 characterised by the syllable הת prefixed, and a
 when the first radical is $\square, \ddot{*}$, or $\dot{\bullet}$, the characteristic 7.7 changes place with the first radical; as
 . הִשְּתַּר
 it is $\zeta$, the $\Omega$ is changed into $\dot{\Delta}$, and the $\dot{\Delta}$ changes place with the first radical ; as -And when the first radical is 7,0 , or $\Omega$, the characteristic $\Omega$ is omitted, and a dagesh placed in



Some verbs are not used in all the forms; and the meaning of a verb in the different forms does not always agree with the account here given; some verbs having a meaning diverse or even contrary in different forms.

Voices are two, active and passive; and verbs, which from their signification are neuter, have no inflection peculiar to themselves.

Of the preceding forms kal, piel, and hiphil, are active; niphal, pual, and hophal, are passive ; and hithpael, though sencrally active, is sometimes passive.

The moods are three; indicative, imperative, and infinitive.

There are two tenses.
The past or preterite includes the perfect, the imperfect, and the pluperfect.

The future declares the action yet to be done, and also expresses continuance of time.

The participle called 'בֵּינוֹנִ benoni, i. e. between the past and future, is used to express the present tense.*

Numbers are two; the singular and the plural.
There are three persons in most parts of the verb.

Genders are two, mas. and fem. except the first person sing. and plural in the preterite and future, and the third person plural preterite, which are common.

Note. The word used by the ancient grammariaus for an example of a verb, was pặ whence the different paradigms have derived their names. Hence the first letter of a verb is called $\mathfrak{D}$, the second $\nu$, and the third $\%$. But modern grammarians have justly chosen another word instead of包, because of the dagesh lene in the $\mathfrak{D}$, which might be mistaken for the characteristic dagesh; and because of the $ע$ which admits of no dagesh.

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## CHAP. IX.

## OF IMPERFECT VERBS.

Imperfect verbs are generally arranged under seven classes:

1. Pe aleph, i. e. when the first radical, (which is called (פ) is $N$; as אָכַל, he did eat.
 he did sit.
2. Pe nun, when the first radical is $\boldsymbol{J}$; as he drew near.
3. Ain vav, when the second radical, (which is called $y$ ) is 1 ; as קוּם, he did arise.
4. Ain doubled, i. e. when the second and third radicals are the same; as סָבָב, he surrounded.
5. Lamed aleph, when the third radical, which is called $ל$, is $s$; as משָ M, he found.
6. Lamed he, when the third radical is $\boldsymbol{ה}$; as int he revealed.

The following rules will be useful in learning the irregular verbs.

## 1. Quiescent pe aleph, as Nָ.

The first radical $\boldsymbol{\aleph}$ is generally omitted in the first person future to prevent two alephs coming to-

 times formed like לֶָu.

## 2. Quiescent pe yod,

Yod, the first radical, is omitted after every one of the letters האמנתי, and its place is generally supplied by a long vowel, as הוּכַל.
'The ' is also omitted in the imperative of kal,
as ${ }^{2}$; ; and in the infinitive of kal ; "where it has $л$ added, as
 to $ו$ ו consonant in hithpael, as התוּע.

Excep. 2. These four retain the , as היטִיב.

Excep. 3. The following verbs in pe yod are
 חנ', ע"צ', and 'סר'.
3. Defective pe nun, $\operatorname{vig}^{2}$ g.

The J radical is dropped in the infinitive and imperative of kal ; also after any of the letters; the $\boldsymbol{J}$ is omitted and compensated by a dagesh in the second radical, except in the future of niphal, in the whole of piel, pual, and hithnael.

When the second radical is a gattural, the $I$ is not omitted; and those whose second radical is , are conjugated after the example of pip.

The verb and תמתּת ; in the infinitive and

 al
4. Quiescent ain vav,* קוּם.

The $\boldsymbol{l}$ is omitted or quiescent in most parts of the verb, as will be seen by the tables.

The grave paradigms, i.e. those characterised by a dagesth, double the last radical, as קוֹמם ; and in some verbs both the first and last radicals are doubled; as כִרְכֵּ

[^5]'Those verbs whose second radical is 4 , or ' consonant, are regularly coujugated like לָּר.

> 5. Defective ain doubled, סָבַ.

The second radical is frequently omitted, and the omission is compensated either by a long vowel under the formatives ins, or by a dagesh in the first or last radical, when an addition is made to the root.

The characteristic dagesh is usually omitted, and instead of it, the first radical takes holem; as סִבֵּב
6. Quiescent lamed aleph, Nさָ

After the example of this verb, all verbs whose third radical is $\aleph$ are changed ; except

1. Sometimes $N$ is omitted ; as "יָּתָּ
2. The infinitive often ends in $\boldsymbol{\pi}$; as $\boldsymbol{\sim}$.
3. The third person sing. fem. often terminates in $\Omega$ instead of $\pi$; as ת ת
4. 'The verb

5. Quiescent lamed he,

The is frequently changed into ${ }^{\prime}$ or $\Omega$, except
The verbs
In some verbs of this class, the first and second padicals are doubled in the grave paradigms; as


The infinitives generally end in $\boldsymbol{\pi}$; as as


The radical $i \rightarrow$ and the characteristic dagesh are often omitted in the imperative of piel and hithpael. Also in the future the in and dagesh are omitted,

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when the verb is prefixed by 1 conversive, and when the particle scomes before it.

When a verb has' or $\mathcal{J}$ for the first radical, and $i$ for the last, it has a two fold irregularity; and is varied in the beginning like and at the end like גָ.גָה.*

## PARADIGMS.

The following paradigms are models for the usual variations of the perfect and imperfect verbs, according to the different forms, moods, \&c.

Note. The verb pe aleph is omitted, because it differs little from the perfect verb.

* See Appendis (E) for further remarks upon verbs.

Paradigm of perfect Verbs.

|  | Preterite. | Future. |
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|  | F.FEFEFEFE $F_{0} F_{N} E_{N} E_{N} E_{0}$ ROMADARA <br>  |  $F_{n} E_{n} r_{0} n_{i} E_{n} E_{n}$ مåMa MA 5 F 5 F 5 F 5 F |
| Paragog 5 ic letters. |  |  |

2- 7 ? he learned.


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| ت゙ |  |  |
|  |  |  |

first radical is＇＇${ }^{\text {Te }}$＇he sat．

| Imperative． |  | Benoni． | Paul． |
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|  | $\begin{aligned} & 5 \\ & 7 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |  |  |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { E. } \\ & n \\ & \\ & \end{aligned}$ |  |  |
|  | － | $\begin{aligned} & n a n n n \\ & \text { Nan } \\ & \text { nnan } \\ & \text { n } \end{aligned}$ |  |
|  | － | I |  |
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Paradigm of Verbs whose

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| 気 | FEFEFEFEF <br>  <br>  NEFEF F F | GEEEEFEFE <br>  <br>  |

first radical letter is g．נגשׂ he approached．

| Imperative． 1 |  | Benoni． | Paul． |
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| $\begin{aligned} & \text { Erev } \\ & \text { BGG } \end{aligned}$ | E． |  |  |

## Paradigm of Verbs whose second

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| $\begin{gathered} \text { ت゙ } \\ \text { ̈n } \end{gathered}$ | RERERESEE anannanan －anamanan EEGEFEF |  <br> ara <br> － |
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radical letter is 1 or＇．קום to arise．

| Imperative． |  | Benoni． | Paul． |
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| 高言会 | $\overline{\hat{0}}$ |  |  |
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|  | $\frac{\pi}{\circ}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 0000 \\ & 2000 \\ & 0000 \\ & 055 \end{aligned}$ |  |
|  | $\overline{\mathrm{N}}$ |  | sana <br> 드드N <br>  <br> －5 |
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|  | $\begin{aligned} & \stackrel{\Gamma}{\hat{F}_{1}} \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | ． |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { EFEF } \\ & \text { nEN } \\ & \text { nan } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{F} \\ & \mathrm{E} \\ & \mathrm{~N} \\ & \mathrm{~N} \end{aligned}$ |  |  |


|  | Preterite． | Future． |
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| － | ก．ก．ก．ก．ก．ก． <br>  $\% \%_{a} \%_{6} \%_{a} \%_{a} \%_{a} \%$ <br>  |  |
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Paradign of Verbs whose third

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Hithpael.
Piel.
FEFENF

radical letter is ה.


Paradigm of Verbs whose second and third

|  | Preterite． | Future． |
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radicals are the same letter．סָבַב he surrounded．

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## СНАР. $\mathbf{X .}$

## OF AFFIXES TO VERBS.

Personal pronouns belonging to verbs, in oblique cases, are rarely expressed by separate words, but are affixed to the verb.

Pronominal affixes to a verb, except in the infinitive, signify the patient or object.

The infinitive may have an affix expressing either the subject or the object; as בְקָרְךָ when $\mathbb{C}$ approach, גָ גֵָּלך to redeem thee.

Some of the personal terminations of verbs are changed on account of the affixes.

In the preterite, third person feminine singular, $\rightarrow$ is changed into $\Omega$; second person feminine, $\Omega$ is commonly changed into $\%$. The second person plural of both genders changes $\square \pi$ and in into

In the future tense the third and second persons change $\begin{gathered}\text { Into } \\ \text { into }\end{gathered}$

Sometimes the letter J is inserted between the


The verb lamed he loses $ה$ before the affixes.
Affixes to participles are the same as those to nouns.

# EXAMPLE 



## VERBS

WITH AFFIXES.
Example of verbs with affixes.


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FUTURE.

|  |  | אִלְמְדֵנוּ | וֹאלּלְמְדָּהָה |  |  | אצלְמִדֵנִ | I, thou, he, we, \&c. ye, they. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| IMPERATIVE. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | לָמְרֵנוּ <br> לְמְרִינוּ <br> לִמְרוּנוּ |  |  |  | לָמְרֵנִי <br> לִמְדִינִי <br> למשדוּנִ, | $\begin{aligned} & \text { learn, \&c. } \\ & \text { learn, f. } \\ & \text { learn ye } \end{aligned}$ |
| INFINITIVE. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| \|לָמְּרָּם | לֹלָמְרְדֶּן | \|לִמְרִוֹ | \|לָמְמֶרָּנָה | לָלִמְרָהוֹ | \|לָלמִדךךְ | לָמְדִי | to learn |

## CHAP. XI.

## OF PARTICLES.

In the term particles are included adverbs, conjunctions, prepositions, and interjections.

Since the particles are in their origin generally nouns, they often admit the changes and construction of nouns.

They are sometimes put in regimen with nouns; as אֵּ אֶּ (there is) not of silver, from and 7 7n

Prepositions and many other separate particles, receive pronuminal affixes; which affixes are sometimes such as belong to verbs; as before me,
 עוֹרָ still thou.

The prefixes or inseparable particles are used in composition with the separable particles, which it is unnecessary to illustrate by examples.,

## CHAP. XII.

CONCERNING THE ROOT.
The Hebrew letters are divided into radical and servile letters. (See p. 2.)

In order to find the root of a word, the learner should remember the servile letters; and his labour in finding the words in the Lexicon will be much facilitated by caretul attention to the following account of these letters.
$\kappa, \ldots, i, \ddot{*}$, in the middle and end of a word are always radical.
$s$ is used at the beginning of a word 1 st. to form nouns from verbs ; 2d. to form the first person sing. com. in the future tense.
$\beth$ is used 1st. as an inseparable preposition in, prefixed to nouns to denote the ablative case. 2 d. It is prefixed to the infinitive to form a gerund.
$i$ is used 1 st. in the formation of nouns ; $2 d$. as the definite article; 3d. it is prefixed to the participle as a relative pronoun ; 4th. it is prefixed as an interrogative ; 5th. it is suffixed to denote the feminise gender; 6th. it is added to nouns and verbs as a paragogic letter; 7 th. it is affixed to nouns to denote to or towards a place; 8th. it is prefixed to verbs to form the infinitive of niphal, and as a characteristic in hiphil, hophal, and hithpael ; 9th. it is suffixed to the preterite in the third pers. sing. fem.
$l$ is prefixed to nouns and verbs as a conjunction and conversive, (the latter see explained in the syntax.) It is suffixed as an inseparable pronoun to nouns and to verbs.
, is used 1 st. as a formative of nouns; 2d. it is. affixed to nouns as the first person common of the possessive pronoun sing. and pl.; 3d. it is used to form the ordinal numerals from the cardinals; 4th. to denote the piural and sometimes singular regimen; 5th. it is used in the verb as a prefix to denote the third person mas. in the future, and suffixed to denote the second person fem. future and imperative; 6th. it is used as a pronominal affix.

Jis prefixed, 1st. to nouns and pronouns to form a comparison; 2d. to the infinitive to form a gerund ; 3d. it is suffixed to nouns and verbs to denote the second person of the pronoun sing. and pl. mas. and fem.

ל is prefixed, 1st. to nouns to point out the cases; ad. to the infinitive to form a gerund.
$D$ is used to form nouns. It is prefixed to nouns, 4st. to denote the ablative case; $2 d$. to make the comparative. To verbs it is prefixed to denote the participle piel, pual, hiphil, hophal and hithpael, and to the infinitive to form a gerund. It is suffixed to nouns to form the pl. mas. and the dual com. and as the second and third pers. pronoun pl. mas. to pronouns to denote the second and third person plu. mas. and to verbs to denote the second pers. pl. mas. preterite.

2 is used to form nouns. It is prefixed to verbs to denote the first pers. fature pl. and also as the characteristic of niphal. It is employed as an affix, or part of an affix in some of the persons of the pronoun; and also in performing several inflections at the end of different persons of the verb.
$\ddot{\sim}$ is prefixed instead of the pronoun signifies who, or which.
$\Omega$ is used to form nouns. When suffixed to nouns it denotes, 1 st. the fem. gender; 2d. it makes the feminine in regimen; 3d. it forms the fem. pl. To verbs it is prefixed in the future to denote the second pers. mas. and fem. sing. and pl. and the third pers. sing. and pl. fem. and as the characteristic of hithpael. It is suffixed in the preterite to denote the second pers. sing. and pl. mas. and fem.

If, after the rejection of the serviles which are used in the various methods here explained, there should remain four. letters, which will rarely be the case, the root is quadriliteral.

If three letters remain, they are the radicals, as אתזְּרְרִי, I will remember thee; $N$ is the sign of the first pers. sing. future, $I$ will; the second $כ$ is the pronominal affix second pers. sing. fem. thee, which sometimes, as in this case, has after it ; the remaining letters זכר are the radicals.

If only two letters remain, the root is some kind of defective verb, and may be found by prefixing, or J , by inserting l or ' between them, by doubling the second letter, or by adding $\boldsymbol{i}$ generally, (sometimes $N, \lambda$, or $\pi$ ) to the end.

It is not always easy to determine which method will ascertain the root; but it may be useful to subjoin a few rules.

If a noun begin with a heemantic letter, and the first have a dagesh, its root commonly begins with j ; as מִטְה , a bed, from נָטָה, sometimes with ' because some verbs pe yod are like pe nun ; as $n \underset{\sim}{n}$, a statue, from
'The root of most nouns beginning with or or begins with ', as בשָׁy, a seat, from

Many nouns having a long vowel under the first radical, come from verbs whose second radical is ,
 But nouns having a short vowel under the first radical, or which, upon having an addition to the end, admit dagesh in the second radical, commonly have for their root a verb, which doubles the second radical; as 9 , ; but \% int anger, ( not 9 nsi.

Nouns which end in ' or ${ }^{\boldsymbol{j}}$ are commonly derived from verbs ending in in; as $\boldsymbol{j} \boldsymbol{j} \boldsymbol{\pi}$, a vision,


Sometimes only one radical remains; the root will then commonly be found by putting $J$ to the beginning, and $i$ to the end ; as $n$, thy rod, from inu.

In regard to the roots of imperfect verbs, an acquaintance with the different paradigms of the verbs and participles will generally be a sufficient guide.

## SYN'TAX.

OF NOUNS.
R. 1. When two nouns are used in apposition they generally agree in gender, number, and case; as דַוֹר עַבְד, David, my servant; except nouns of dignity or dominion.
R. 2. Two substantives in apposition are sometimes so joined together, that the latter supplies the place of an adjective; as ness, i. e. few.
R. 3. The absolute often appears to be put for the constructed state or regimen; as sacrifices, peace-offerings: but these and other nouns in the like situation may be considered in apposition. In such instances as דָהארוֹן הַמְרִית the ark, the covenant, there is an ellipsis of the constructed noun, the ark, the arle of the covenant.
R. 4. Numerals from three to ten inclusive are found in the feminine form with masculine substantives, and in the masculine form with feminine sub-
 lambs.


R. 5. Numerals from one to ten, though in the singular form, have substantives in the plural ; the other numerals, though in the plural form, have substantives in the singular; as חָמֵשׁ שָׁנִים, five years; , frמשִׁׁים שָׁנָה
 sons and thirty daughters.
R. 6. A substantive is often repeated to signify, 1st. the whole with reference to each of the same kind; as $\mathfrak{e x}$ multitude and succession ; as as שֶּאֶרוֹת בֶּאֶרוֹת חֵּר, pits, pits of clay, i. e. many and successive; 3d. distribution; as he detivered to his servants עֲרֶ 포, drove, drove, i. e. a drove to the care of each.
R. 7. Regimen is frequently so used that the latter substantive supplies the place of an adjective; as אֵקן צֶדֶק , stone or weight of justice, i. e. just.
R. 8. Sometimes the former substantive has the meaning of an adjective ; as , בְּרֹב רִבְּנ, with the multitude of my chariots, i. e. with many. I will cut down קוֹמַת אֲאָרָיוּ, the height of his cedars, i. e. high.
R. 9. The same noun that is in regimen, repeated, denotes the highest degree of its own kind; as as holy of holies, i. e. the most holy thing or place. הְבֵל הְרָדִים, vanity of vanities, i. e. extreme vanity.
R. 10. In the construction of two substantives by regimen, the latter may have either an active or a passive siguification; as arמַס הַיוֹשְׁבִים, the injury of the inhabitants, means that which they occa- * sioned; and חֲמַס בְּנֵי יְרָבָּעַל, the injury of the sons of Jerubbaal, means that which they received.

The same diversity is to be observed in the af-
 their crimes, (committed.)
R. 11. The affix usually follows the second

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noun, although it belongs to the noun in regimen ; as הַר קָדְ mountain of holiness, or my holy mountain.
R. 12. Adjectives, and participles put for adjectives, when they are followed by a substantive signifying the object to which they are attributed, are put in regimen; as $\underset{\text { In }}{1}$, וְדוֹל , great of strength; , pupure of hands.
R. 13. Regimen often takes place with the pronoun relative expressed or understood; as an בַּעַוֹן
 the residue of what he hath acquired.

An ellipsis similar to that in the last example frequently happens after the particles; as הַחִרֵּ לוֹא 'וֹעִלו', after thinges which (צֻשֶׁ) do not profit.
R. 14. A noun has sometimes the same form as if in regimen, when a particle either separable or inseparable comes between it and the following noun; as חָכְמַת וָרעעת, wisdom and knowledge ; , מַכַּת בִּלְּתּי סָרָה ; a stroke without cessation.
R. 15. Adjectives (except the numerals) generally follow their substantives; as a man: sometimes they precede; as רַבִּים צַּיָּים, many hunters.
R. 16. The adjective with the verb to be understood is sometimes placed before the substantive to express greater force ; as יגָּרוֹל עֲוֹנִ, great is my iniquity.
R. 17. The substantive and adjective agree in gender and number; except substantives in the dual number, which have plural adjectives.
R. 18. Adjectives and participles which by el-
lipsis have in a manner acquired a substantive use, may disagree with the substantive in number and gender ; as ing of the priest shall be perfect (a perfect sacrifice.) , shall be thy covering.

So also when $\underset{\sim}{7}$, (thing) or a similar word may be supplied, there is often a disagreement in gender or number; as from the wicked is safety (a remote thing;)

 ments. These plural substantives may, however, be considered as used distributively.
R. 19. A substantive with a preposition frequently supplies the place of an adjective; as , צִּשֶֶּׁ, a counsellor in understanding, i. e. wise; (10)

 perhaps a greater force of expression is intended, i. e. thy way is holiness itself-Jehovah shall be the object of thy supreme confidence.
R. 20. Adjectives and participles in each gender, but more frequently in the feminine, are used without a substantive, like those of the Latins in the neuter gender; as בiv and iṽ, a grood thing, (bonum.)
R. 21. Names of animals, which, in the masculine form, embrace both sexes, may have adjectives, \&c. in the masculine, although the nouns stand for the feminine ; as 790 , a bear deprived (of her young.)
R. 22. When the plural noun, signifying the subject, has a singular for its predicate, the for-
 $7 \rightarrow 7$, i. e. each of those who curse thee, shall be cursed, and each of those who bless thee, shall be blessed.
R. 23. Nouns in the plural form, as
 the singular, for the most part take adjectives, pronouns, and verbs, in the singular; rarely in the plural ; as אntine where the adjective
 אלֹדים, God hath caused me to wander.
R. 24. Collective nouns in the singular number have plural words to agree with them; as דָערם
 , all the assembly shall know. Also feminine nouns singular that denote a collection of men, are construed in the plural; as קרלדֶּלוּת יְהוּדָה הַבָּאִּ, all the captivity (captives) of Judah who come.
R. 25. Proper names of people are used, 1 st. in the masculine singular ; as
 people of Israel and Egypt; 2d. as collective nouns for the mascaline plural; as and Syrians fled; 3d. in the singular feminine by metonymy, for the people themselves; as Judah hath become.
R. 26. The adjective belonging to a noun in regimen frequently agrees in uumber and gender with the latter noun: as
 voice of thy brother's blood crieth.
R. 2\%. When nouns connected together are of different gender or number, the adjective or verb commonly agrees with that which is accounted more

 and her children shall be.
R. 28. The agreement of the masculine verb with the plural noun, and of the plural verb with the singular noun, denotes dignity.
R. 29. Sometimes the agreement of the noun and verb appears to depend upon proximity; as , my anger and my wrath was
 riam and Aaron.
R. 30. The particle Jis, which usually denotes the accusative casc, or object of the rerb, is sometimes put before the nominative ; as הוֹר This particle, perhaps, both before the nominative and accusative, has something of a demonstrative signification.
12. 31. The noun and participle are made absolute in the nominative; as a keeping the festival.

I2. 32. Nouns and pronouns are also made absolute without the participle by an ellipsis requiring the phrase as to, pertaining to, or the like; as
 Gilgal ; 7? ${ }^{7}$ ? cation is unto thee.

## PRONOUNS.

R. 33. Personal pronouns of the second and third persons, both separable and inseparable, in the masculine plural, are sometimes used for the feminine.
R. 34. Personal pronouns of the third person sometimes differ from substantives which signify things, in gender and number; as ancen wink , נַחִלָּוֹו the sacrifices of Jehovah, he (they are) its inheritance. So after $\boldsymbol{T}$, nine, $מ ִ ּ ְ ּ נ ּ ו ּ, ~ i n ~ t h e ~ s i n g . ~ m a s c . ~ E s p e c i a l l y ~ t h e ~ a f-~$ fix of the third person sing. feminine refers to plu-
 with the feminine affix.
R. 35. A singular affix is sometimes used, referring to a plural noun, denoting a number of persons collectively ; as hath delivered him (the enemies.) So also the same
 מִקֶּנוּ, the justice of the just, (pl.) they shall take from him (the just.)
R. 36. The pronoun is sometimes redundant, yet in such a manner as to add strength to the expression; as the woman, $N$ ה̣ she gave me. Of the tree of knowledge, \&c. thou shalt not eat of it.

Sometimes the noun already referred to by the
 saw him, the child.
R. $3 \%$. To the pronoun affix is frequently added the separable pronoun of the same person for the sake of greater emphasis; as a , in me,
me be the iniquity; ;אָּר ? ry, their they) hath perished.
R. 38. The pronoun affix with the particle $b$ is often reduudant; as , לִּ
R. 39. The personal pronoun is often used instead of the verb denoting present existence; as , all we the sons of one man we, (i. e. are) מָה הֵטָה אֵּת , who they, these, i. e. who are these.
R. 40. The pronoun affix sometimes pertains, 1st. to a noun not expressed, but known only by the context ; as עֲ עֶ, his indignation, i. e. of God, though his name is not expressed : 2d. to the more remote, instead of the nearer noun : 3d. to a noun following.
12. 4t. The demonstrative pronoun, when it is repeated, is used like the phrase one and another in English; as as said in one manner, and another in another.
H. 42. The demonstrative itf or dst, with the particle "s before, has the signification of an interrogative pronoun; as $\times 2 \pi / 48$ is, from what (place) dost thou come? תsis ראי for what?
R. 43. The demonstrative itt, with the interrogatives
 it may be elliptical; as who(is) this ( 7 שֶN who) said.
R. 4t. 1. The relative pronoun often refers to a pronoun antecedent which is not expressed; as , hast smitten; ; צִּ speak.
2. The relative is never put in the genitive, or
possessive, but this case is supplied by an affix to a following word; as as a nation which thou shalt not understand its language, i. e. whose language thou shalt not understand; , צִשׁׁר בְּאַרְָּּם who in their land, i. e. in whose land.
3. It is sometimes used alone, as the object of the verb; still the object is not unfrequently ex-
 the wind driveth it away.
4. The relative, if its antecedent be not expressed, takes a preposition before it ; as אֶלֹתִּשֶר תֵּלְלִ, to which (what place) thou shalt go.
5. If the antecedent be expressed, the relative has no preposition before it, but the preposition is
 , God.....who to him the sea, i. e. whose is the sea.
6. The preposition with its affix is usually omitted after the relative, when the autecedent has a preposition before it; as בִּמְקוֹט תַשֶׁר־נִבְרָאת, for
 created.
7. The relative followed by $\underset{\sim}{\text { eje }}$, there, and by the same particle with a prefix or affix, denotes different relations of place ; as

R.45. 1. There is frequently an ellipsis of the relative; as דבדרֶך לֹא יָרעו, in the way (which) they knew not.
2. Together with this ellipsis of the relative, the preposition with its affix is sometimes wanting; as , hיוֹם דַבּרחּ, from the day (in which) I spoke; for iร
3. A still greater ellipsis takes place where the antecedent and relative are both wanting; as

R. 46. The relative pronoun, expressed or understood, when it refers to the first or second person, is often followed by a verb and affix in the third ; as號 day hath come. Similar examples may be solved by supposing the ellipsis here supplied in the translation.

## OF VERBS.

R. 4\%. The past or preterite tense is used in the perfect, imperfect, and pluperfect.

1. It is rendered in the perfect, when a thing is
 wherefore hast thou descended?
2. It is used in the imperfect when some word is added to the past, shewing that the action, \&c. was then present; as בָּעֵת הַחִיא שָׁלַח, at that time he sent, or was sending.
3. It expresses the pluperfect, when it denotes something passed in relation to the past already used; as iuy, he did, according to all that his father nion had done.
R. 48. 1. Many verbs, from the nature of their signification, include the present time in the form of the past, and some include the future; thus $\boldsymbol{y}$ ? in its radical meaning signifies-laid $u p$ or placed; but, as it generally relates to the mind, 'AD', I have placed or laid up (in my mind) signifies I know.
4. The past may often be rendered in the pres.
ent, when it signifies what is customary or habitual; as, blessed is the man who 7 Tֶ
5. In the prophetic style, what is future is often spoken of as past, either because the prophet would thus signify that it is already decided and consummated by the divine decree ; as 'గִ en-the yoke of the king of Babyion :-or because he would describe the future, as it was represented in prophetic vision, already accomplished; as the people walking in darkness 's゙フ $^{\text {Th have seen a great }}$ light ;-the light ${ }^{2}$ dָ̦ hath shone upon them.
R. 19. When the preter is connected with the future tense, or the imperative mood preceding, by means of the particle 1 , it becomes future or imperative, and the particle is called vau conversive.
6. When is prefixed to the past tense, preceded by a verb in the same tense without this pre. fix, the 1 is merely conjunctive.
7. After one future has preceded, several futures in the same train of discourse may be expressed by the preter with 1 conversive; as in?, he shall be —over us, 199 he shall judge us, \&c. So also after an imperative
 back, \&c. But the preter connected with the inperative in a different person, is rendered in the future as will sustain thee.
8. There is sometimes an ellipsis of the future, preceding the preter with vau conversive, or the future is implied in the infinitive or participle going before; as a 9 ? while, and they will stone me; 7 , 7 , when thou
shalt go ouncint then thou shalt find ; the days
 cut off.
R. 50 . In the poetical books the past is sometimes used for the future without the prefix 1, which does not appear to admit of explanation.
R. 51. The future tense of many verbs has the force of the present either definite or indefinite; as
 thou? a wise son rejer rejoiceth-his father.
R. $\mathbf{3 2}$. The future is used, 1 st. for that which may or should be done; as es which ought not to be done:

3d. For the imperative, hortative, or precative ; as off.
R. 53. The future tense is sometimes used to express what is past, not absolutely, but in respect to what precedes; and thas, though it denotes what is really passed, it implies that the same thing is relatively future.
R. 54. The future having the force of the past in this relative sense, generally receives the 1 conversive; as , i to thee and thou hast healed me.
R. 55. Sometimes the preceding past tense is supplied by the infinitive or a participle; as wam
 they were fighting-and fled.
R. 56. The future is sometimes used for the past in this relative sense without the iconversive prefixed; as 7 7 7 , he turned-the sea into dry land;
, צעַבְּרוֹ, they passed—on foot ; we rejoiced -in him. So, in particular, after the particle iș ; as אָּ יִבְנֶ, then he built.
R. $5 \%$. Sometimes in the successive portions of a description of particulars, the vau is found before part of the verbs in this relative future, and beiore a part it is omitted.
R. 58. Moods are only three; such as are known by inflection, as they are seen in the paradigms of verbs.
R. 59. The indicative acquires the sense of a subjunctive mood, by means of certain particles ; which it is unnecessary to explain by examples.
9. These particles, especially the conditional, are sometimes omitted; as aְ דְּקוּ, if they should drive them וָמֵתו then they would die.
10. Some of these particles give the infinitive a new signification of mood and tense; as $\overline{2}$ , הדרדְפּים, till those who pursue shall (or may) return; ;ְשַעַן רְבוֹת מוֹפְתַ, that my wonders may be multiplied.
R. 60. The prefix 1 frequently connects the verb with one preceding, so as to give it a subjunctive sense; as why didst thou not tell me that I might send thee.

The verb preceded by the relative pronoun is sometimes to be rendered in a similar manner; as he will shew us the way onew over which we should go; so also the verb after and กม.
R. 61. The particle לi before the preter or fu-
 we had died!

A similar sense is conveyed by and the fol-

 that God would speak!
R. 62. The imperative mood, as in other languages, expresses permission, prayer, \&c.
R. 63. The infinitive, with certain particles, is construed like a finite verb; as $\boldsymbol{1}$, for to deliver him-i. e. that he might deliver him ; ע , בַּלוֹת?, till to consume me, i. e. till I shall be consumed.

Sometimes it is so construed without a particle; as when Jehovah made ; אֻשׁׁר תְנָה הוֹדִך, who to place, i. e. hast placed thy glory.
R. 64. Participles in the same form of the verb vary in regard to time.
R. 65. Participles are sometimes used with the substantive verb, making a periphrasis to express continuance of time ; as מַמְרִים הֶיִֶתֶם, ye have been rebelling.
R. 66. The present tense, of which the finite verb is destitute, is expressed by a participle alone, examples of which constantly occur.
R. 6\%. The verb usually agrees with the nominative in gender. The various exceptions from this rule which are found, cannot be accounted for, without supposing that all the persons of verbs were originally common, and that the different forms of gender, afterwards established, were sometimes neglected.
R. 68. An ellipsis of nouns signifying any person, or any thing, frequently takes place, especially
 there was not (any one) left among them: לi s, there shall not (any thing) fall.
R. 69. An ellipsis of the verb is also frequent;
 (was heard.)
R. 70. Verbs in the third person masculine are sometimes used without a nominative expressed, resembling what in some languages are called impersonal verbs; as as וַמשֶר לְיוֹסֵ, and he said to Joseph, i. e. it was said, \&c.
R. 74. Certain intransitive verbs are found without a nominative ; as חָ חרֶה ל, there was warmth or anger to him, i, e. he was angry ; אֵ, יֵרע בְּעינֶּ let there not be grief in thy eyes.

The same is sometimes true of passive verbs; as $\boldsymbol{1}$, it is desperate ; הוּחַ, it was begun. So also passive participles ; as דִּךָ רָטוּחו, in thee there has been confidence.
R. 72. Verbs usually agree with nouns in number; but the exceptions are not infrequent; as 1. a singular masculine verb with a plural masculine noun, as וריָבֹא אֵלי אֲנָשִׁים, and there came to me men; 2. a singular masculine verb with a plural feminine noun, יְהִי מְאֹרֹת, let there be lights; 3. a singular feminine verb with a plural feminine noun signifying not a person but a thing, דִּתָהּה קַשְׁתוֹתָם, their bows were broken.
R. 73. Two verbs of the same tense, number, and person, are sometimes so joined, that the former is used adverbially ; as he he he hath dispersed, he hath given, i. e. he hath given bountifully. This construction is very frequent in the verbs
a to add, and to return ; so also with the infinitive following; as to pass, i. e. passed again.
R. 74. The substantive verb is never used to connect nouns when the meaning requires the present tense ; as תוֹרַת יְהוָה הּתִִימָּ, the law of Jehovah (is) perfect.

There is frequently an ellipsis of the same verb in the past and future tenses.
R. 75. All transitive verbs require an object; but it is not always expressed.

It is frequently omitted, when, from the nature of the verb, or from the context, it can readily be


 of the elders of Istrael.
R. 76. Intransitive verbs are sometimes followed by the particle Jis, which usually denotes the
 out (from) the city.
R. 7\%. Intransitive verbs followed by nouns from the same root, have the construction of transitives; as an onn in they feared fear: in this and in some other examples, excess of emotion, \&c. is expressed.
R. 78. Passive and intransitive verbs are sometimes constructed with nouns as objects, where in or as to, or the like, must be supplied; as אֲאֶּ enter who shall not be circumcised-the flesh, i. e. in or as to the flesh; תמּאקדוּ דֶרֶך, lest ye perish the way, i. e. as to the way.
R. 79. Transitive verbs have sometimes, either by reason of their signification or by an ellipsis of $a$

 תוֹרָה, ask the priests (concerning) the law.
R. 80. The object of the transitive verb has fre. quently the prefix $\boldsymbol{\text { , }}$, sometimes $\beth$, or a separate particle before it; and, if they are not redundant, the true object of the verb is understood.
R. 81. Many verbs have a diversity of construction, being sometimes followed by the object, and sometimes by a noun with a preposition before it; as קָקרָא שְׁמוֹ, he called his name ; קָדָא בִשְׁמוֹ, he called (some one) by his name.
R. 82. With the verbs אָּקַרָ, whether active or passive, the nouns to which names are given, are connected by the prefix ; as a Di, and he called to the light-day ; לא? יאָמֵּר שְׁמָמָה thy land shall not be called-desolation.
R. 83. The verb wָּיָ was, is used with h pre-
 j푸, to the rich man was a flock, i. e. the rich man had, \&c. If the present tense is required, the verb is wanting; as '
R. 84. The infinitive mood must frequently be construed like a substantive or participial noun; as

 I know thy abode, and thy exit, and thy entrance;
 the breaking of the day.
R. 85. The infinitive is sometimes preceded by
 judge.
R. 86. The inseparable particles $\beth, \beth, \downarrow, \square$, prefixed to the infinitive, form gerunds, and other modes of construction.

The infinitive, with the prefix $ב$, is generally in some tense which is determined by a verb in the context; as as they were created ; 'נּבוֹא אֲרני, when my Lord shall come. It also sometimes expressés cause or condition.
$\supset$ with the infinitive denotes comparison; as
 when; as
$\zeta$ with the infinitive is rendered by the English particle to, sometimes denoting the end ; as תา \%, ye háve come to see-that ye may see: also by other particles ; as 1
 saying, or-saying.

With the substantive verb it forms a periphrasis of the future tense; as וְהָיוּ לַעְבָּ, and they shall be to serve, i. e. shall serve. Sometimes the substantive verb is omitted; as 'הוָה לְהוֹשִׁיעֵנִ', Jehovah to preserve me, i. e. shall preserve.

By an ellipsis of the substantive verb it sometimes expresses the passive; as מַה־רַעַשׁוֹת, what to do, i. e. shall be done.

D prefixed to the infinitive signifies from; as תמהּ, from to smite, i. e. smiting.

It has sometimes the force of a negative; as
 i. e. that he could not see.

This prefix to the infinitive is also used for comparison; as, it is good to be with the humble, מחחלק לTw, rather than divide the spoil, \&c.
R. 8\%. The infinitive active is sometimes followed by a noun which is not its direct object; as ,רְמַען סַפֵּר שְׁמִי, that to declare my name, i. e. that my name may be declared.
R. 88. The infinitive acquires an adverbial use, when it is put before its own finite verb, for the sake
 to reign, thou shalt reign, i. e. thou shalt certainly reign.

The infinitive sometimes follows its own finite verb in the same sense as if it preceded, and sometimes another infinitive is interposed ; as , הַטִּיִם הָלוֹך וָשוֹוֹ, and the waters returned (subsided) to go and subside, i.e. they subsided continually.
R. 89. Participles as well as finite verbs, have nouns in the place of the object, which require the phrase as to, or the like; as as his garment.
R. 90. Participles also follow the form and
 seeking (the seekers of) my life.

## OF PARTICLES.

R. 91. Particles, since in their origin they are nouns, often follow the signification and construction of nouns.
R. c2. Adverbs are sometimes formed by adding ט to the noun ; as רָמְנָם , certainty, vainly, \&c.
R. 93. A preposition, in composition with a noun, frequently gives it the force of an adverb; as


By such a composition all substantives that have an abstract siguification, may become adverbs.
R. 94. Pronouns, with a preposition prefixed, are frequently construed like adverbs; as $\boldsymbol{\pi}$ הכָ this (place) i. e here ; תרּ to this, i. e. thus ; בַּנׁ which, i. e. where or when.
R. 95. Some particles, construed as adverbs, are placed in regimen in such a manner as to admit a preposition before them ; as , properly defect or abolition ; בּדּלְ from a cutting off or removal, in coustruction with nouns and infinitives; , עַ בְּרי יָּדוֹ, even to the abolition of the moon, i. e. till there shall be no moon ; שַַר בַּלְתִּ שָׁמַמיִם, until the removing of the heavens, i.e. till the heavens shall not be.
R. 96. Many adverbs undergo certain changes of signification by means of a preposition going be-

 watil when, i. e. how long.
R. 97. Two particles of negation are sometimes joined in order to strengthen the negation; as

R. 98. Particles of negation, with the word $\boldsymbol{j}$ ull, every, imply a universal negation; as ליא

in them, signifies-no man shall, \&c. In the same

R. 99. Separate prepositions, which are prefixed by inseparable prepositions, acquire the use of nouns; as בַּעֲבוּר הָאָדָם, on account of, or by means of the man; בדּבּין דָצִּריר, in between, i. e. in the midst of the grass.
R. 100. When two prepositions are joined together, there is sometimes a noun understood before the first; as שְּעֲבֶר הַיְרָּן, in beyond, i. e. the country beyond Jordan : so also of nouns of time and place, there is frequently a similar ellipsis.
R. 101. Prepositions sometimes appear to be redundant; as תַתחת, לְראֹאִּ, under to my headunless there be a periphrasis converting the separate preposition into an adverb; as under (in relation) to, \&c.
R. 102. Conjunctions sometimes receive prepositions before them, after the manner of nouns; as
 , עַל, therefore.
R. 103. Instead of a conjunction, a preposition is often used before the infinitive ; as לְמַעַ חַּלִ, on account of to profane, i. e. that they might profane.

So also the preposition before a finite verb, (אָּשֶׁר being understood); as on account of (that), i. e. because, they have not observed.
R. 104. The conjunction $\dagger$ frequently occasions the omission of a verb, signifying beware or -fear; and $\mathbb{Q}$ frequently denotes imprecation, when no verb is used to express it ; as
shall do, i. e. let me be punished if I do it, or I protest I will not, $\AA^{\circ} \mathrm{c}$.
R. 105. Interjections have properly no construction with other words.
R. 106. Certain verbs in the imperative are used in a manner like interjections; to which rule perhaps may be referred; as סוּרוּ נָא, depart, come now, (age).
R. 10\%. Nouns sometimes, from an abrupt and disconnected use, have the nature of interjections;
 be it far from me, (absit).
R. 108. The article is often prefixed both to the substantive and to the adjective; as הַנָּהָר הַגָּדל, the river the great.
R. 109. 'The interrogative $\boldsymbol{\pi}$, though sometimes repeated in a subsequent and connected interrogation, is more frequently followed by as as ; אֲנרֵך , shall we go, or shall we forbear?
R. 110. The connective 1 , besides its common signification, and, must be rendered in various ways; as 1 st. by when-thou didst refresh thy inheritance Tl וְלִל when it was weary. 2d. by but-they will kill me, 7 T ! but thee, \&ic. 3d. by since-why do you come to me in ince you (hate me.) 4th. by or-he that curseth his father or his mother. 5th. When the noun to which it is prefixed has a pronominal affix, it may, includiug the affix, be rendered by whose-Rebecca had a brother and his (whose) name, $\$^{\circ} \mathrm{c}$.

Besides these, there are various other uses of the I conjunctive, which may be determined by the
context; as even, therefore, for, as, so that, when, then, \& c .
R. 111. Sometimes there are two and even three prefixes; but if the $ו$ be one of them, it has the first place.
R. 112. The inseparable prepositions $\beth, \supset, \zeta$, and $D$, are joined to the words 7 , $\boldsymbol{\sim}$, and 9, in such a manner that the force of the latter is lost in the affixes; and they are generally rendered only as prepositions.
R. 113. Particles, both separable and inseparable, are sometimes doubled; 1st. to express the greatest degree, as pop ; 2d. continual progression, as מעעַט שְעַט, little little, i. e. by little
 , וְכָזא, thus and thus, i. e. in different manners.
$\supset$ repeated denotes a comparison of equality of different things; as so (is) the priest.

## IPPENDIX.

## [A.]

TO THE ALPHABET.
'The units of numerals above 10 are placed at the left hand, and the tens at the right; thus $\mathbf{N} \mathbf{1 1}$, ב 12, N 21,22 , 31 , \&c.; except the numerals 15 and 16 , which instead of $\mathrm{A}^{\prime} 15$, and 1 ' 16 , are 1015 , and iv $\mathbf{1 6}$, because the preceding forms are parts of the sacred name

The numerals from 500 and upwards are expressed thus: הש or $\mathfrak{j}, 700$. $\pi$ ת or 7,800 . 1000 .亡2000.

The Hebrews count their time from the creation of the world, and the present is with them the year 5577 (1817). This is called פְרַט גָדוֹל, the great or full number. ${ }^{1}$ In general the millenary number
 572, according to the smaller reckoning. The date of Hebrew books is placed at the bottom of the title page. It is to be found in a line where there are certain letters larger than the rest; they must be counted according to their separate power, and the total will give the date of the year when the book


and 720 , shews that the book was printed in the year of the Jewish era 379, i. e. A. D. 1619.

Jewish era - - - 370
Add the thousands - - 5379
Deduct the years of the Jew- ) ish era before the commencement $\} 3 \% 60$ of the Christian era

## [B.]

## DAGESH LENE.

Dagesh lene is omitted, 1 st. in the beginning of a word when the preceding word ends with one of the letters 'אהו, without a pause or kingly accent. But if the preceding word be $\boldsymbol{ְ}$, or if the dageshed letter be succeeded by a similar letter, the


2d. In the affixes כֶן בֶן ; כֶן ; in the regimen or plural form, as ic $\pi$, as נִגְרָה; before the suffix to the infinitive, as


## MACCAPH.

Maccaph generally follows words of one syllable, and changes the long vowel into its corresponding short one, except it be prevented by me-



In some instances words of more than one syllable change their long vowel by the influence of
 instead of

ACCENTS.

An accent, when it is placed on the last syllable, is called מְִרְע, milra, but when it is placed at the beginning or middle of a word, it is called מִרְעֵיר, milel.

The accents are divided into kings, ministers, and servants, as follows.

KINGS.
Athnah
Geresh $\quad \therefore$,
Gershayim $\quad$ \%.om:.
Zarka
Zakeph Gadol
Zakeph Katon
Tiphha
Yethiv
Sillook
Segolta
Pazer
Pesik
Legarme
Pashta
Karne Para
Revia
Shalsheleth
Tevir
Telisha Gedolah

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MINISTERS.


Darga<br>Yereh ben Yomo<br>Moonah<br>Mahpakh<br>Merkha<br>Kadma<br>Telisha Ketanna

## servants.

| $N$ | * Mï Merkha Kephoola |
| :---: | :---: |
|  | Metheg. |

Note 1. To these accents modern grammarians have added soph pasools, (:) which is placed at the end of every verse in the Bible.

Note 2. A circle (o) over a letter, shews that the word is read otherwise than it is written, i. e. according to the vowels in the text and the letters in the margin. The word in the text is called כְתִיב kethiv, and that in the margin קִ? keri.

Note 3. Telisha gedolah is always in the beginning of the word, but telisha ketanna is placed at the end of the word.

Note 4. Legarme is generally followed by moonah and revia, or revia alone, by which it is distinguished from pesik, which is always a pause, and is generally between a king and a minister.

Note 5. There must always be a syllable, or sheva, or dagesh between the accent and the me-

[C.]
EXERCISES IN READING.
N. B. It must be remembered that the English vowels are not used to express the sounds of the He brew, otherwise than as they are explained in the account of the vowel points, which must be referred to as a key, till the sounds have become familiar.

EXERCISE I.
Pure syllables.-Long vowels.

| $\cdots$ | $\stackrel{\mathrm{N}}{ } \mathrm{e}$ | ¢ | is o | ¢ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| בִ ba | $\xrightarrow{3} \mathrm{be}$ | דִִ bi | 13 bo | בּ bu |
| ך va | 7 l ve | 9 vi | i voi | בו vu |
| $\pm$ ga | 3 ge | 4 gi | il go | 11 gu |
| 7 da | 7 de | ¢ִ | ¢ do | 17 du |
| T ha | in he | הדי hi | in ho | וT hu |
| I va | ? ve | י vi | il vo | 11 vu |
| $i \mathrm{za}$ | ? ze | ? Y zi | is zo | 18 zu |
| 7 hha | $T$ hhe | ¢ִ hhi | in hho | in hhu |
| $\bigcirc$ ta | $\bigcirc$ | טب\% | ט to | טtu |
| ya | ? ye | $\stackrel{3}{ } 9 \mathrm{yi}$ | 9' yo | 19 yu |
| כָk | 3 ye | ִִִ ${ }^{\text {Ti }}$ | ¢ ${ }^{\text {ko }}$ | כ ku |
| \% kha | כ̆ khe | ¢ khi | ij kho | I kho |
| $\bigcirc$ la | $?$ le | , ${ }^{\text {l }}$ | lo | ל lu |
| ¢oma | \% me | ¢9\% | is mo | 19 mu |
| Jna | $\underset{\sim}{3} \mathrm{ne}$ | ' ni | id no | 13 nu |
| - sa | - se | ¢0 si | iv so | D su |
| Y a | $y \mathrm{e}$ | Y i | \% | \% |
| pa | - pe | פִ pi | 19 po | פ pu |
| ¢ pha | ¢ phe | 9phi | פ\% ${ }^{\text {pho }}$ | 9phu |
| $\$$ tsa | 3 tse | ' ${ }^{\text {tsi }}$ | is tso | IStsu |
| Pka | Pke | ? ${ }^{\text {Pr }}$ | ip ko | P ku |
| 7 ra | 7 re | 97i | iา ro | 17 ru |
| \% sha | \% she | 9 ${ }^{6}$ shi | $10{ }^{\circ}$ sho | \% $10 \times$ |
| \% sa | \%ris se | - | 橧 so | \% su |
| Sta | 8 te | \% | \% 0 | \% 7 |
| ภ̧ tha | \$. ${ }^{\text {the }}$ | 9 thi | in tho | \% 1 tha |

## EXERCISE II．

Mixed syllables of two or more consonants．

| 2s aph | ¢ ${ }_{\text {clu }}$ | ¢n Mm | ${ }^{2}$ | בַּ bădt |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 73 bad | 17 ben | בִ | ¢ ${ }^{\text {¢ }}$ bun |  |
| בַ vad | iz ve | בִ vil | ¢ֻvo vom | ht |
| digal | \％gesh | 7 7 gid | 7 gul | תִּ 7 dalt |
| רַם dam | 77 del | 7 div | if dun | רַphăkt |
| הר har | 0 hem | הן hin | ה̇ל hul |  |
| $1 \underline{10 v}$ | 7 ver | 19 vin | $9 \%$ vush | กِ＂zăzt |
| רַzar | ¢it zem | 7？ziph | Of zum |  |
| 1Th hhag | 0 ¢hem | －hit | 7\％hhuph | 4 |
| טِ tal | ¢ֶ̂ ten | ט̣ tim | טְֻ tum | חַרֶּ hhär |
| $7{ }^{\text {7－yad }}$ | \％yesh | Q：yim | $7{ }^{\text {c }}$ yud | lt |
| ๆַ kaph | 73 ked | \％kish | כִ kuv | \％יִ\％yevkh |
| 7 khar | ذhem | כִר khir | خִ khun | rd |
| ¢ lahh | לֶ\％led | ¢ lin | 7 lud | yesht |
| \％mar | \％men | min | מ\％muth | 隹 lakht |
| ¢ ${ }^{\text {g n nash }}$ | \％ | ¢ nid | \％nug | תnin mărt |
| TV saph | \％sed | Dil | Oֶsukh | 7 nerd |
| y al | ¢゙ֶ er | Y iz | Puts | ¢0 sart |
| $\square \pm$ pahh | \％pen | פּ3il | Og pus | \％רֶ ${ }^{\text {y }}$ art |
| Sbhal | ¢ֶphel | －phim | Pehal | פַphăkt |
| \％＇s tsaph | \％s tsel | ${ }_{1}$ | ì̛ tsun | 男 tsărt |
| ip kan | קֶ kev | קp kiv | ¢ kum | p kosht |
| ר rav | 07 rem | 17 rig | ¢ ruts | ？ |
| \％${ }^{\text {exh }}$ shal | $7 \times{ }^{\text {\％}}$ sher | －${ }^{\text {en shim }}$ | בex shuv |  |
| $7{ }^{\text {\％}}$ sar | \％sev | Q\％sim | \％${ }^{\text {duv }}$ |  |
| תַ | 18 | 7 | d |  |
| ת tham |  |  | hup |  |

Note．In ail the columus，except the one at the right hand，the vowels are short，as at the top of the columns．In the right hand column the slort vowels are marked．

## EXERCISE III.

## Words of tuo syllables.

1. The first syllable pure, the other mixed. 2. Both mixed.

| TpNo a-măr | אֶקֹ ěk-kov |
| :---: | :---: |
| בָּ ba-hhar | בִּלְמוֹר bŭl-mod |
| גָרַ ga-dal |  |
| שַרำ da-rash | רַרַתוֹת däl-thoth |
| וָרַר ha-dad | הַוֹת hăv:voth |
| וָהַב va-hav | บセֻู่ u-the-shă |
| \%ֶַ za-vath | ¢ֶרְרם zich-ram |
| Tiph ha-lak | חַרְרֵ hhăd-re |
| ¢ָּ ta-rahh |  |
| ¢7, ya.dad |  |
| כָּ | כַנְפוֹת kău photh |
| la-mad | lam-ma |
| ¢ַוַת ma-vath | בַpuen măk-shiv |
| บูג na-gash | ¢ |
| רַַ | Dַרְ săr-těm |
| - \% a-vod | ภากy ěz-răth |
| 7ภู pa-thar | פַּרֶ pŏth-hĕn |
| חַָ tsa-mahh |  |
| שTp ka-dash | קִ kib-both |
| PMフ ra-hhats | ¢ |
| חלִׁex sha.lahh |  |
|  | תֻתרֶ tith-ră |
| תרֶך ta-vekh |  |

Note. In the left hand column the vowels are all short in the second syllable, except in the word a-vod. In the right hand column the short vowels are marked.

## EXERCISE IV.

Words of three syllables.


* Sheva, even when it is pronounced, and also its compounds, do not in theory perform the part of vowels, so as to form distinct syllables; but the pronunciation requires a division of syllables with these points.


## EXERCISE V.

Words of four and five syllables.

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \text { אֶự ěv-yo-nĕ-ha }
\end{aligned}
$$

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \text { be-he-ov-ko }
\end{aligned}
$$

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \text { גרחִּתִּנִ de-hhi-thă-ni } \\
& \text { רדרוֹתֶּנֶם do-ro-the-khĕm } \\
& \text { דָאֶרָּרֶה ha-a-da-ma } \\
& \text { hăy-y ys-re-e-lith }
\end{aligned}
$$

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \text { hh } \alpha \text {-phăr-phe-roth } \\
& \text { רָּדָּ } \\
& \text { ט tăb-be-o-tham } \\
& \text { ロהֶּ } \\
& \text { 12 } \\
& 7 \text { 7Theli yo-lăd-tě-kha }
\end{aligned}
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$$
\begin{aligned}
& \text { פְּ }
\end{aligned}
$$

## VARIATION OF NOUNE.

Explanation of the tables.
The first table shows the radical and heemantic forms of nouns, with the various methods in which the heemantiv letters are applied to the root, as formatives. In the upper division of the table, the word ספר is taken and varied, only to serve as a model, according to which all perfect nouns are formed, in one or more of its varieties.

In the lower division the word סף is used in like manner, to represent the varieties of imperfect nouns, or such as drop an initial, medial, or final letter.

The second table exhibits several nouns, irregular in their variation for number, or regimen, or both.

## TABLE $I$.

FORMS OF HEBREW NOUNS.

| פִֶֶּרת | סִּלִּרֹה | סֶפֶר | טַֹלָ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| טוֹטֶרֶת | סוֹכַרָּ | טוֹרֶר | טַּ |
| ספּוֹרֶת | סֶפֹוֹרָּ | סטפּוֹר | סִפֹר |
| טֹוֶֶּּרֶת | טֹוּפָרָה | סֹוּפָּ | סִْפָּר |
| סִצּוֹרת | ספּוֹרָּ | סַפְּוֹר | ถַפִּר |
| סְפִּר゙ּת |  | ִִִִלִיר | อַַ่า |
| שִּפֹפוֹרֶת | סִיפוֹרָה | ִִיפֹוֹר | ִַַ |
|  | ¢ִpפֶר | (10 |  |
|  | ִִִסְפָּרָּ |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |
| תִּסטִוֹר | ִִסְפוֹרֹ | אַשְֹׂרֹר |  |
|  | פִסִפּוֹרָּ | אַטִפוֹרָּ | סִפְּרך |
| תּתְפְוֹרֶת | מְִִֹּוֹרֶת |  | ִִפְרוֹן |
| תַּסְִיר | صַסְדִּרִ | תַסִִִיר | חִפְרוֹנָה |


| Pיֶ | סטת | 飴 | סֶךְ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| - | ס10 | - ${ }^{3}$ | 10\% |
| Sipi | סטיֹת | \% | \% |
|  | Ono | فַּתִּ | فo |
| יוֹלִּתית | לִּ |  | Do |
| \% \% | טִִֵף | M | \% ${ }^{\text {P }}$ |
| תִּ | לֹלִֹת |  |  |
| תַּ | טpo |  | ¢ |
| תוֹטֶ | מוֹטְתִ | אוֹpֶ |  |
| תnin | מוֹp |  | 1וֹסַּ |
| תוֹתֶּ | מוֹסֶדֶת | אוֹלִּתֶת |  |

## TABLE II.

## EXAMPLES OF IRREGULAR NOUNS.*

| Plural. |  | Singular. |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Regimen. | Absolute. | Regimen. | Absolute. | Signification. |
| צֵּוֹת | אֵּוֹת | אַבִ | את | A father. |
| \% | הֹדים | הַחִי | N\% | A brother. |
| ִּנִניר, | בַנִים | ] | ¢ | A son. |
| בַּתּ | בדתּתִים | בּ3 | בַּ | A house. |
| רֶּ | רָאִׁים | רֹ** | ชง่า | A head. |
| י' | יֶים | יו | י10 | A day. |
|  |  | אגוֹד\% | אֶוֹׂט | A man. |
| \% | - | 7 | ? | A kid. |
| \% | - | - | 莫 | A ship. |
| שוּוּקִי |  | \% | שוּקוֹ | A street. |
| 90 |  | פִ. | פֶּ | A mouth. |
| בְּנוֹתות | בְּנֹנוֹה | בּלֶן | 13] | A thumb. |
|  |  | טֵי מִי | ִִַַם | W |
| צִּ1וֹת |  | אֵ | N | A mother. |
| אַחִּוֹת | הַחִיוֹת | הֵחוֹת |  | A sister. |
| ִּנוֹת | בַּנוֹת | תבּ | 3 | A daughter. |
| תֵּ | אֲמָהוֹת | Nָמַת | תָּנָה | Amaid serv't. |
|  | נָנוֹת | מִנָת מִנַתּת | טָנָה | A portion. |
|  | נִֶׁים | ֵֵֵֶּת | אִֹדֶה | A woman |
| , \% |  | Vִֻ | צִיר | A city. |

* Examples of nouns varied for number and regimen were given in the Grammar, (Chap. V.) but there are many varieties in the vowel points among nouns that are considered regular, which it is not necessary to show by multiplying examples.


## OF VERBS IN KAL.

The root of all verbs, except ain doubled, is in the third person masc. preter of kal, indicative.

It has been already remarked, (p. 15,) that the second radical of the verb has commonly pathah, sometimes tsere, holem, or kamets.

The second person sing. mas. of the preter, has sometimes i paragogic ; as end in $\Omega$, contract the $\Omega$ radical, by dagesh forte, into $\Omega$ servile, not only in this person, but whenever
 lows the same rule.

The second person sing. fem. if the last radical be $\boldsymbol{H}$ or $y$, has pathah instead of the first sheva; as


In the first person sing. some verbs have hirik, instead of pathat, under the second radical; as


In the third person pl. masc. the is sometimes changed into kibbuts, under the last radical.

In the first person pl. verbs that end in $\mathcal{y}$ lose the $J$ before the personal termination; as for


In the future tense where the holem is used, the $i$ is inserted in the paradigm of the perfect verb; but it will be found, from reading the Hebrew scriptures, that holem is generally used without 9 ; as The \&ic.

The third person sing. fem. has sometimes pathah under the second radical; as ן

In the first person sing. with a paragogic, the last radical has kamets, and the second sheva; as


In the imperative the second vowel, holem, often without the 9 .

The masculine sing. so frequently takes in paragogic, that it is sometimes called the sign of the imperative. This $\boldsymbol{i}$ paragogic occasions a change


The infinitive and participles frequently have holem without the 1 ; and the vowels of the infinitive undergo a change with $\boldsymbol{i}$ paragogic.

The participle benoni in two instances, תמִיך \%', has hirik instead of tsere; sometimes pathah; as 7 , especially before the gutturals; as נטרַע

## Verbs quiescent in the first radical ふ

not only lose $\boldsymbol{\aleph}$ in the first person future, but often take holem ; as 7 ns,
 HDR from

## Verbs in niphal.

A few verbs in the third person preter mas. end irregularly in holem.

Verbs ending in $\Omega$ lose the $\Omega$ before the persons whose final inflections begin with $\Omega$; as already remarked in kal.

In the future first person sing. the formative $\mathbf{N}^{*}$ has sometimes hirik instead of segol; as אִדָּרֹש ; so with in paragogic ; as Nָּמָּלָה.

In some of the persons pathah is sometimes
found instead of tsere under the second radical; as ,

The infinitive ends frequently in holem; and sometimes preserves the characteristic 1 ; as a ם , \&

## Verbs in piel.

In this form and in pual grammarians remark, that the signification of the verb is more intense. But if this be true in some instances, it does not appear so often, or so clearly, as to authorise a general rule. Verbs intransitive in kal, generally become transitive in piel.

The third person preter mas. sing. frequently ends in pathah instead of tsere; especially if the secoud or third radical be a guttural or 7 ; as 7 ? กดู, \&c.

## Verbs in pual.

The preter tense often has kamets or kamets hateph instead of kibbuts; as

## Verbs in hiphil.

In this form of the verb the' characteristic is often thrown away after hirik, and hirik is frequently changed, especially in the future tense, into tsere.

The imperative mood sing. mas. has commonly tsere, as 7 ; but with in paragogic it is always with hirik ; as חַזְּלִיָּ : so also in the future tense.

When the last vowel is isere, the yod quiescent is sometimes retained; as itive.

## Verbs in hophal.

Instead of kamets hateph for the first vowel in this form of the verb, kibbuts frequently occurs ; as , and infinitive ; and in the participle it is the prevailing form.

There are many other varieties in the pointing of the verbs, depending sometimes upon accents and gutturals, and sometimes being only exceprions to general rules.-To give a minnte detail of these varieties, would require a treatise by itself.

## NUMERALS.

Numbers are expressed by distinct words as well as by letters, and are either cardinals or ordinals.

|  | Ordinals. | Cardinals. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Fem. | Mas. | Fem. | Mas. |
|  |  | הַחת | (Tx) One. |
| \% | , Second | \% | - Two. |
|  | שׁun Third. | ¢ | Whiree. |
| רְבִיעִית | Fourth. | บู่ |  |
| דִמִיםּית | Fifth. | T\% | T Five. |
| \% | Sixth. | \% | ה Six. |
| שִׁבִיעִיתִת | Seventh |  | Seven. |
|  | ¢ Eighth. |  | Eight. |
|  | Ninth. | 2080 | Ni |
| צִישִירִית | Tenth. | ソ*** | עִ Ten |

From ten upwards, there is no difference be. tween the ordinals and cardinals.

Eighty eight<br><br><br>Two hundred<br><br>One thousand שֶלך Thirteen.<br>  א אַרבּבּעים וְאַרַבּ רְרָּדָה Fifty five. Wixty six.<br>אֶּ Thirty thous.<br>שִׁבְִֶים וְשֶׁבַע Seventy seven.

## CHANGES OF VOWELS.

When a word increases at the end, the vowels are frequently changed ; and, in such changes, the vowel of the ultimate, penultimate, or antepenultimate syllable, is generally exchanged for a shorter.

Fiamets penultimate, in the increase of gender and number, or by an affix, and also in regimen, is

 men, from the same.

Kamets antepenultimate, in verbs, is changed in the same manner ; as למשְרֶ becomes avitli the affix .

Kamets ultimate, in regimen, and before the grave affixes, is clanged into pathah; as דְרבר יְהוֹה, -תּוֹרָה from.

Tsere penultimate, in the increase, is changed into sheva; as from סֵפֶר, pl. סְהָרִ.

Tsere ultimate, in the increase, is changed into
 times into pathah.

Holem penultimate, followed by segol, is changed into sheva; as קָמָׁץץץ ; from frequently into kamets hateph, especially if the first letter be a guttural; as אָּ אָּנְ

Holem ultimate, in verbs, is changed into sheva; and so also in nouns before the grave affixes, unless a sheva follows; in which case it becomes kamets hateph.

Pathah penultimate, if another pathah follow, is changed, in the increase, into sheva; as from \cline { 1 - 1 } ש. Pathah ultimate, as in the same example, is changed into kamets, and on account of the affixes into sheva; as דִבְִִׂי verbs that have paragogic, pathah final is changed into sheva, and with an affix, into kamets; as


Segol penultimate, in the increase, is changed into sheva; as פְּלָגָ from and segol ultimate, as in the same example, and also in the dual, is changed into kamets.

Simple or compound sheva occasions some alterations of the vowels.

The gutturals, in those cases in which other letters would have simple sheva, have one of the compounds.

A compound sheva generally causes the preceding letter to have the same vowel with which it is compounded: i. e. hateph pathah gives the preced-
ing letter a pathah; hateph segol gives a segol; and hateph kamets gives a kamets.

Sometimes in this case the compound loses its vowel, and becomes simple sheva.

If a simple sheva takes the place of a vowel that follows a compound sheva, the compound drops the sheva, or the vowel with which it is compounded; as מַעַעשֶה

The gutturals, instead of hateph pathah, require pathah before them.
'The gatturals and 7, not admitting dagesh, frequently cause a preceding short vowel to be changed into a long one; pathah into kamets; hirik or segol into tsere ; and kibbuts or kamets hateph in-.


The accents cause some alterations in the vowel points, especially tie pauses, which change a short vowel into a long one, and sometimes one long vowel into another.

A long vowel is sometimes changed into a short one, a short into a long one, and one long or short vowel into another for the sake of euphony.

Note. The exceptions to the rules here given concerning the changes of vowels, are numerous; but it is unnecessary to point out their varieties.

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[^0]:    * See appendix [A].

[^1]:    * See appendix [B] for a more full account of the subjects of this chapter, particularly of the accents.

[^2]:    * For exercises and lessonsin reading see appendix [C].

[^3]:    * $\mathrm{s}, \mathrm{n}$, and $\Omega$ are commonly added to the beginning. $D$ is also usually prefixed. $d$ is generally placed at the end, and 'at the beginning, middle, or end.

[^4]:    * This is all that can be said of the tenses in general rules: they are so limited in number, that their use is sometimes vague and sometimes promiscuous. In the syntax they are explained by examples.

[^5]:    * To this class, belong those yerbs whose second radical is vod.

