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TABLE I.

TRANSLITERATION OF HEBREW CHARACTERS INTO ENGLISH.

No.	Name.	Form.	Sign.	Form.	Sign.		No.	Name.	Form.	Sign.	Form.	Sign.	
1	aleph	א	,	...	...		13	mem	מ	m	final ם	m	
2	beth	ב	b	soft ב	bh, v		14	nun	נ	n	final ן	n	
3	gimel	ג	g	soft ג	gh		15	samech	ס	s	...	...
4	daleth	ד	d	soft ד	dh	like <i>th</i> in "then"	16	ayin	ע	'	...	...
5	he	ה	h	...	...		17	pe	פ	p	soft פ	ph	
6	waw	ו	w	...	u	when a vowel	18	zadhe	צ	z	...	...
7	zayin	ז	z	...	...		19	koph	ק	k	...	...
8	heth	ח	h	...	...		20	resh	ר	r	...	...
9	tét	ט	t	...	...		21	sin or shin	ש	s	...	...
10	yodh	י	y	...	i	when a vowel	22	tau	ת	t	soft ת	th	as <i>th</i> in "thin"
11	kaph	כ	k	soft כ	kh								
12	lamed	ל	l	...	...						

The above Table may be put to an interesting special use. It will enable the merely English reader to trace the similarity of certain Hebrew letters, as the well-known cause of errors of transcription. For example, he can perceive how minute is the difference in form between *daleth* and *resh*, and so how easily "silenced" might creep in where "uplifted" should have stood, or *vice-versa*, in 131² (see note there); and similarly how readily *kaph* should have usurped the place *beth* in 150².

N.B.—The vowel *á* may be pronounced as *a* in father; and *é* as *e* in there.

TABLE II.

DIVINE NAMES, AS USED IN THE PSALMS, AND GENERALLY REGARDED AS INDICATING THE FORMATION OF SUCCESSIVE COLLECTIONS OF PSALMS.

	JEHOVAH ^a	YAH ^b	ELOHIM ^c (God)	ELOAH ^d (Eloah)	EL ^e (GOD)	ADONAI ^f (Sov. Lord)	ELYON ^g (Most High)
Bk. I. (1-41)	272	—	15	1	17	12	4
Bk. II. (42-72)	30	2	164	1	15	18	4
Bk. III. (73-89)	44	2	48	—	24	15	9
Bk. IV. (90-106)	103	6	—	—	9	1	4
Bk. V. (107-150)	236	26	7	2	10	7	1

- Obs. 1. The choice of one or other of these Divine Names seems generally to have been determined by intrinsic fitness. (See 9¹⁷, 19^{1, 7}, 83¹⁸, 119¹⁸).
- Obs. 2. But occasionally shows an overruling adaptation to time, place, or purpose, by author or editor. (Cp. 14 w. 53; 40¹²⁻¹⁷ w. 70; and note all Book II.)
- Obs. 3. Book I. is prevalingly Jehovistic; Book II., Elohist; Book III., about equally balanced; Book IV., wholly Jehovistic; and Book V., mainly Jehovistic and Liturgical.

^a Prop. "Yahweh." ^b Abbre. of "Yahweh." ^c Pl. of excellence, when absolutely used.
^d Sing. of Elohim. ^e Or "Mighty One." ^f Conventional pron. for Divine name.
^g Once used of Davidic King.

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TABLE IV.—ABBREVIATIONS

Aram. : Aramean.

A.V. : Authorized version.

Br. : Briggs.

CMm. : Chief Musician's mark.

Cod. : Codex = written copy.

cp. : Compare.

Del. : Delitzsch.

Dr. : Driver.

ear. pt. ed. : Early printed edition of the Hebrew Bible.

G. Intro. : Ginsburg's Introduction to his Massoretico-Critical Bible.

Gn. : Ginsburg's notes in his Massoretico-Critical Hebrew Bible.

God = Elohim.

GOD = **El**.

God = Eloah.

Gt. : Ginsburg *thinks* (a guarded *opinion*).

Intro. : Introduction to this work.

J.P.S.V. : Jewish Publication (Society Version).

Kp. : Kirkpatrick.

Lm. : Librarian's mark.

mf. : More freely.

ml. : More literally.

M.T. : Massoretic Hebrew Text. (For "Massorites" see Intro., Chap. I.)

Nm. : No mark—whether Librarian's or Chief Musician's.

O.G. : Oxford Gesenius ("B.D.B.")

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O.T.P.: Thirtle's "Old Testament Problems."

P.B.V.: Prayer Book version.

Per.: Perowne.

perh.: Perhaps.

P.R.I.: Public Reader's Invitation.

prob.: Probably.

Read: In margin of M.T.

R.V.: Revised version.

Sep.: Septuagint (early Greek version).

shd.: Should.

sp. vr.: Special various reading (sevir) in Gn.

Syr.: Syriac.

T.G.: Tregelles' Gesenius.

U.: Usually.

Vul.: Vulgate (Latin).

w.: with.

Written: In text of M.T.

☞☞: Sign for "Selah." See Intro., Chap. III., "Selah."