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APPENDIX

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JACQUES OUAKNIN'S QUICK LEARNING METHOD FOR TEACHING CURSIVE HEBREW WRITING

This method has been tried on both children and adults. After only an hour or an hour and a half of this training, students with no prior notion of Hebrew can correctly copy texts written on the blackboard by the teacher.

The method is based on four basic letters:

- 1. The ayin a family consists of four letters.
- 2. The *resh* family consists of fourteen letters.
- 3. The Latin C family consists of four letters.
- 4. The *yod* | family consists of five letters.

REMARK

It is vital to learn the letters from right to left, to acquire the direction of the stroke of the basic letter in the first family before going on to the other letters in the family. Only then do you go on to the second basic letter and to the second family, and so on.

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