RELIGIONS ANCIENT AND MODERN; JUDAISM

Published @ 2017 Trieste Publishing Pty Ltd

ISBN 9780649475025

Religions Ancient and Modern; Judaism by Israel Abrahams

Edited by Trieste Publishing Pty Ltd.
Cover @ 2017

www.triestepublishing.com

ISRAEL ABRAHAMS

RELIGIONS ANCIENT AND MODERN; JUDAISM

Trieste

RELIGIONS ANCIENT AND MODERN

JUDAISM

RELIGIONS: ANCIENT AND MODERN.

Foolscap 8vo. Price 1s. net per Volume.

ANIMISM.
By EDWARD CLODD, Author of *The Story of Creation.*

PANTHEISM.
By JAMES ALLANSON PICTON, Author of *The Religion of the Universe.*

THE RELIGIONS OF ANCIENT CHINA.
By Professor GILES, LL.D., Professor of Chinese in the University of Cambridge.

THE RELIGION OF ANCIENT GREECE.
By JANE HARRISON, Lecturer at Newnham College, Cambridge, Author of *Prolegomena to Study of Greek Religion.*

ISLAM.
By SYED AMEER ALI, M.A., C.I.E., late of H.M.'s High Court of Judicature in Bengal, Author of *The Spirit of Islam* and *The Ethics of Islam.*

MAGIC AND FETISHISM.
By Dr. A. C. HADDON, F.R.S., Lecturer on Ethnology at Cambridge University.

THE RELIGION OF ANCIENT EGYPT.
By Professor W. M. FLINDERS PETRIE, F.R.S.

THE RELIGION OF BABYLONIA AND ASSYRIA.
By THEOPHILUS G. PINCHES, late of the British Museum.

HINDUISM.
By Dr. L. D. BARNETT, of the Department of Oriental Printed Books and MSS., British Museum.

SCANDINAVIAN RELIGION.
By WILLIAM A. CRAIGIE, Joint Editor of the *Oxford English Dictionary.*

CELTIC RELIGION.
By Professor ANWYL, Professor of Welsh at University College, Aberystwyth.

THE MYTHOLOGY OF ANCIENT BRITAIN AND IRELAND.
By CHARLES SQUIRE, Author of *The Mythology of the British Islands.*

JUDAISM.
By ISRAEL ABRAHAMS, M.A., Reader in Talmudic Literature in Cambridge University, Author of *Jewish Life in the Middle Ages.*

SHINTO: THE RELIGION OF OLD JAPAN.
By W. G. ASTON, C.M.G., Author of *A History of Japanese Literature.* [*Nearly Ready.*

ISLAM IN INDIA.
By T. W. ARNOLD, Assistant Librarian at the India Office, Author of *The Preaching of Islam.* [*In Preparation.*

BUDDHISM. 2 vols.
By Professor RHYS DAVIDS, LL.D., late Secretary of The Royal Asiatic Society.

PRIMITIVE OR NICENE CHRISTIANITY.
By JOHN SUTHERLAND BLACK, LL.D., Joint Editor of the *Encyclopædia Biblica.*

Other Volumes to follow.

Hutton Webster
1907

JUDAISM

By

ISRAEL ABRAHAMS, M.A.

READER IN TALMUDIC AND RABBINIC LITERATURE
UNIVERSITY OF CAMBRIDGE

LONDON
ARCHIBALD CONSTABLE & CO LTD
1907

Der

FOREWORD

THE writer has attempted in this volume to take up a few of the most characteristic points in Jewish doctrine and practice, and to explain some of the various phases through which they have passed, since the first centuries of the Christian era.

The presentation is probably much less detached than is the case with other volumes in this series. But the difference was scarcely avoidable. The writer was not expounding a religious system which has no relation to his own life. On the contrary, the writer is himself a Jew, and thus is deeply concerned personally in the matters discussed in the book.

The reader must be warned to keep this fact in mind throughout. On the one hand, the book must suffer a loss of objectivity; but, on the other hand, there may be some compensating gain of intensity. The author trusts, at all events, that, though he has not written with indifference, he has escaped the pitfall of undue partiality.

I. A.

CONTENTS