

matists of the great historical religions. A skilful algebraical geometer could give the author of Revelation his tit for tat at every turn.

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We have learned with deep regret of the death of Dr. Isaac M. Wise, of Cincinnati. Dr. Wise was the Nestor of the Jewish rabbis in America, and as pastor of the B'ne Jeshurun congregation was for a great number of years the protagonist of reformed Judaism in the West. His activity, however, was not limited to the pul-



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pit, for he was also the author of a number of books and pamphlets, and was greatly interested in the theoretical questions of religion. He had been a reader of *The Open Court* from the beginning, and we exchanged from time to time letters on subjects of common interest. He was the founder of the Hebrew Union College, and had been its president since 1875. He also founded and was until his death president of the Central Conference of American Rabbis. He founded the *American Israelite* and *Die Deborah*, and edited both to the last. Deceased was within a few days of his eighty-first birthday. His son Dr. Julius Wise, better known as *Nickerdown*, will largely continue his father's work on the Jewish press.