HEINRICH MARTIN WEBER.

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IT will not have been without a sharp pang that former pupils read of the death, at Strassburg on May 17, of Heinrich Martin* Weber. The breadth of his mathematical knowledge, the fascinating delivery of his lectures, the great modesty of his bearing, the charity and rich sympathy of his nature in association with young men, the charming hospitality of his home (at least before the death of Mrs. Weber a dozen years ago)—are all recalled by those so fortunate as to have been his pupils.

Professor Weber was the eldest son of the noted historian Georg Weber and was born at Heidelberg, March 5, 1842. He was educated at the Lyceum in Heidelberg and at the universities of Heidelberg, Leipzig, and Königsberg. His doctor's thesis (Heidelberg, 1866) dealt with a contribution to the "Theory of singular solutions of partial differential equations of the first order." In 1866 he became privat-docent, and in 1869, ausserordentlicher professor of mathematics in the University of Heidelberg. He married in 1870. In 1873 he was appointed ordentlicher professor in the University of Königsberg; in 1883 professor in the Polytechnische Hochschule, Berlin; in 1884 professor at the University of Marburg; in 1892 professor at the University of Göttingen; and finally in 1895 professor in Strassburg, where his only sister, wife of Heinrich Holtzmann, professor of theology in the University, was living. Here he remained till his death.

Professor Weber's scientific publications have been numerous, the papers appearing for the most part in *Crelle* and in the *Mathematische Annalen.* His first book, on the Theory of Abelian Functions of Deficiency Three, was published in 1876. In 1891 appeared his Elliptic Functions and Algebraic Numbers, afterwards incorporated into his classic Lehrbuch

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* Cf. *Allgemeine Deutsche Biographie*, vol. 41, p. 302.