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#### SYNOPSIS OF SUBJECTS

OF

# VOLUME VII.--TRACT MOED KATAN. 1

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## Footnotes

<u>iii:1</u> See footnote in Tract Succah.

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