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1 however, is very different from saying that the
2 prophet was controlled by his feelings or that
3 his message was produced by his emotions. It is
4 quite common among critical interpreters in
5 recent years to allege that most of the pro-
6 phetic ideas were the result of their being in a
7 state of "ecstasy." This will be discussed
8 below under IV H.

9 D. Schools of Prophets and Sons of
10 Prophets. The term "school of the prophets" has
11 come into wide use through a strange error. In
12 his later years Samuel lived in a section of the
13 town of Ramah called Naioth (I Sam 19:18-20:1).
14 The term literally means "habitation." In later
15 Jewish tradition it came to be thought that this
16 represented a school where Samuel taught. Most
17 interpreters now agree that it is only the name
18 of a section of the town. The idea of a school
19 of the prophets was further strengthened by a
20 statement in II Kings 22:14 and II Chron 34:22
21 that Huldah the prophetess dwelt "in the Jeru-
22 salem college." The word that some translators
23 have rendered "college" in this one place is
24 מִשְׁנֵה mishneh, which is usually trans-
25 lated "second" or "double." It is never

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