ARGUMENT.

I.

THE RELATION OF THE UNITED STATES EXPORTS AND THE CANADIAN IMPORTS OF 1874 TO THE GENERAL STANDARD 969,969, AND THE MASKING QUANTITY 731.

EXAMPLE I.

Canadian Imports from the United States,	$728,921
Deduct Johnson's masking number, (1)	368
Remainder,	728,553
United States total Exports,	241,779
Deduct Yonng's masking number,	363
Remainder,	241,416

Then	728,553	and		368
Added to	241,416		added to	363
Make	969,969			731

But 731 is made up from the figures 838x2 less 945 equal to 731. These are denominational masking quantities, being

Whalebone,	$838
Sperm,	945

Their relation to each other, to the number 666, and other numbers in the 13th Chapter of Revelation, will be shown presently.

EXAMPLE II.

Canadian Imports from the United States,	$728,921
Deduct masking number,	731
Remainder,	728,190

Then	728,190
U. S. Total Exports,	241,779
Make	969,969 The Standard.

Again—United States total Exports,	$241,779
Deduct masking number,	731
Remainder,	241,048

But	241,048
Canadian total Imports,	728,921
Make	969,969 The Standard.

EXAMPLE III.

From	728,553 (See Example I)		From	303,666
Deduct	666,303		Deduct	241,416 (See Example I)
Remainder,	62,250			62,250

Therefore the four quantities are in arithmetical proportion, and the Canadian Imports less the masking number 368 are as much greater than 666,303, as 303,666 are greater than the United States Exports less the masking number 363. (5)

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(1) The origin and relation of this number is shown in Example XX.

(5) The reader must distinguish between an arithmetical proportion and a geometrical proportion. The value of an arithmetical proportion is the difference between the terms of the ratios; the value of a geometrical proportion is the quotient of the terms of the ratios. In an arithmetical proportion the sum of the extremes is equal to the sum of the means, in a geometrical proportion the product of the extremes is equal to the product of the means. It is a geometrical proportion which is used in the ordinary "Rule of Three."

NOTE.—Unless specially mentioned, the term Canadian Imports from the United States, relates only to the Imports by the Provinces concerned in the Treaty of Washington and to the quantities sworn to in evidence at Halifax in 1877.