

$$\begin{array}{r}
 (4) \quad 6a - 5b - 4c + 6 \\
 - 5a + 7b - 12c - 17 \\
 \hline
 - a - 8b + 19c + 4 \\
 \hline
 - 6b + 3c - 7
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r}
 (5) \quad 7x - 5y + 9z \\
 - 18x + 9y - 5z \\
 \hline
 - 3x - 8y + z \\
 \hline
 - 14x - 4y + 5z
 \end{array}$$

SUBTRACTION.

$$\begin{array}{r}
 (1) \quad \text{From } x \\
 \text{Take } -y \\
 \hline
 \text{Remainder } x+y
 \end{array}$$

or we might represent the operation thus,

$$x - (-y) = x + y.*$$

$$(2) \quad a + b - (-a + b) = a + b + a - b = 2a.$$

$$(3) \quad -a - b - (a - b) = -a - b - a + b = -2a.$$

$$\begin{array}{r}
 (4) \quad -3a + 4b - 7c + 10 \\
 \quad \quad 5a - 9b + 8c + 19 \\
 \hline
 -8a + 13b - 15c - 9
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (5) \quad & x - y - [3x - \{ -5x - (-4y + 7x) \}] \\
 & = x - y - [3x - \{ -5x + 4y - 7x \}] \\
 & = x - y - [3x + 5x - 4y + 7x] \\
 & = x - y - 3x - 5x + 4y - 7x \\
 & = -14x + 3y.
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{array}{r}
 (6) \quad 7a + 5b + 9c - 12d \\
 - 3b - 12c - 8d + 6e \\
 \hline
 7a + 8b + 21c - 4d - 6e
 \end{array}$$

In this example we have deviated from our previous practice of placing *like terms* under each other. This arrangement is useful to facilitate the calculation, but is not absolutely necessary; for the terms which are alike can be combined independently of it.

* NOTE.—The meaning of **Subtraction** is here extended so that the result in Art. 18, CASE IV. may be true when a is less than a .