

ed by giving definite values to the surds in F , and taking the cognate functions without reference to these surds.

PROPOSITION VIII

Let an equation of the m^{th} degree, whose coefficients are rational functions of a variable p , be, $X = 0$; X having no rational factors; and let an algebraical root of this equation, in a simple integral form, arranged also so as to satisfy the conditions of Def. 8, be $f(p)$. Take u_1 , a surd in $f(p)$, not a subordinate of any other surd in the function, with the index $\frac{1}{n}$; and let the cognate functions of $f(p)$, obtained by successively changing u_1 , wherever it occurs in $f(p)$ in any of its powers, into $u_1, z_1 u_1, z_1^2 u_1, \dots, z_1^{n-1} u_1$, z_1 being an n^{th} root of unity, distinct from unity, be,

$$\phi_1 \text{ or } f(p), \phi_2, \phi_3, \dots, \phi_n.$$

Let $F_1(x)$ denote the continued product of the terms, $x - \phi_1, x - \phi_2, \dots, x - \phi_n$. The coefficients of the various powers of x in $F_1(x)$, made to satisfy the conditions of Def. 8, are (Cor. 3, Prop. VI.) clear of the surd u_1 ; and the terms, $\phi_1, \phi_2, \dots, \phi_n$, constitute (Prop. VII.) the series of the unequal cognate functions of $f(p)$, obtained by affixing definite values to all the surds in $F_1(x)$, [which are necessarily surds in $f(p)$], and taking the cognate functions without reference to the surd character of the surds so made definite. Should $F_1(x)$, which is clear of the surd u_1 , not have the coefficients of the powers of x rational, let u_2 , a surd in $F_1(x)$, not a subordinate of any other surd in $F_1(x)$, with the index $\frac{1}{r}$, be successively replaced by $u_2, z_2 u_2, z_2^2 u_2, \dots, z_2^{r-1} u_2$; z_2 being an r^{th} root of unity, distinct from unity; and, in consequence of these alterations, let $F_1(x)$ become successively $F_1(x), {}^2F_1(x), {}^3F_1(x), \dots, {}^rF_1(x)$; the functions which are $\phi_1, \phi_2, \dots, \phi_n$, in $F_1(x)$, becoming $\phi_{n+1}, \phi_{n+2}, \dots, \phi_{2n}$, in ${}^2F_1(x)$, and becoming ϕ_{2n+1} , &c., in ${}^3F_1(x)$; and so on. Denote the continued product of the terms, $F_1(x), {}^2F_1(x), \dots, {}^rF_1(x)$, when the result is made to satisfy the conditions of Def. 8, by $F_2(x)$, which is (Cor. 3, Prop. VI.) an expression clear of the surd u_2 , and such (Prop. VII.) that the functions, $\phi_1, \phi_2, \dots, \phi_{nr}$, [the