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adverb modifying "as" used here, as frequently elsewhere, for "so."

"Twice ten are twenty." "Twice" is properly an adverb formed from "two," and it might be parsed "ten taken twice are twenty." It is however better to consider it as used as a noun meaning "two times," and the sentence would be "Two times of ten are twenty," making "ten" the name of a number as "hundred," "thousand," &c. "Four times ten are forty," &c., may be parsed in the same way.

"The crime of being a young man." Here the case of man is the difficulty. The speaker must mean "The crime of some one being a young man," and if some such word be supplied, it will be the objective governed by "of," and consequently "man" will also be the objective after "being" because there is an objective before it.

In the common phrase "I was made a present of a book by them;" the word "present," has, properly speaking, no government. The active sentence is "They made me a present of a book." Here "made" has apparently two objects, and the real object (book) should be taken as the subject of the passive proposition, thus, "a present of a book was made to me." Usage however has sanctioned the other and incorrect mode of making the proposition passive, that is by assuming the apparent object of the active as subject of the passive, thus leaving the real object without any government.

Numerous other similarly constructed phrases are in common use; the following is a familiar example of a large class of them; "He was thought by his friends to be an honest man," as in the former example "to be," like "present," has no government. The active proposition is "his friends thought him to be an honest man." The precise object here is not "him," (his friends could not think him), but the fact of the being, and this latter should be assumed as the subject of the passive, when the sentence would run thus, "that he was an honest man was thought by his friends."

"It is past six o'clock." "Past is used as a proposition (beyond) governing six in the objective case; and six is here a noun, the name of a particular number, just as "1861" (taken