viz., in an equation where only the ratios of a, b, and c, occur; the ratios being numbers. Thus, if  $b=\beta a$ , and  $c=\gamma a$ , we might have

numerical value of  $C = f(\beta, \gamma)$ .

But this is altogether a different thing from saying that C *itself*, the angle properly so called, the inclination of a and b to one another, can be expressed in terms of a, b, and c. Now, if C itself (not its numerical value, but the absolute angle) is determined by a, b, and c; and if, nevertheless, it cannot in the nature of things be expressed in terms of a, b, and c; Legendre's demonstration, the very foundation of which is that a quantity which is determined by certain others, can be expressed in terms of them, falls to the ground.

Should it be maintained that C (the angle itself) may be expressed in terms of the numbers  $\beta$  and  $\gamma$ , a right angle being understood to be the unit of measure; or more fully thus:

$$\mathbf{C} = \text{right angle} \times f(\boldsymbol{\beta}, \boldsymbol{\gamma});$$

I reply that in the same manner the line c, in Legendre's reasoning, may be expressed in terms of A, B, C, some line L being understood to be the unit of linear measure; thus:

$$. = \mathbf{L} \times f(\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{T}, \mathbf{C}).$$

## ON A NEW SPECIES OF AGELACRINITES, AND ON THE STRUCTURAL BELATIONS OF THAT GENUS.

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