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Further, formula (9) of §11 becomes for q = m - 2

$$\left| \begin{array}{c} i_{1}i_{2}\cdots i_{m-2} \\ j_{1}i_{2}\cdots j_{m-2} \end{array} \right|_{A} = D^{m-3} \left| \begin{array}{c} i_{m-1}i_{m} \\ j_{m-1}j_{m} \end{array} \right|_{A}.$$

Hence the transformation (12) takes the form\*

(12<sub>1</sub>) 
$$W_{i_{m-1}i_m} = D^{\frac{m-4}{2}} \sum_{\substack{j_{m-1}j_m \\ j_{m-1}j_m}}^{1,\dots,m} \left| \frac{i_{m-1}i_m}{j_{m-1}j_m} \right|_a W_{j_{m-1}j_m}.$$

18. We may enunciate the results proven in \$\$16-17 for the individual transformations of the groups concerned :

To any given transformation  $(a_{ij})$  of determinant D of the general m-ary linear homogeneous group  $G_m$ , there corresponds a transformation  $[a]_{m-2}$  of the  $(m-2)^d$  compound  $C_{m,m-2}$  which gives rise to a linear transformation upon its system of Pfaffian invariants, viz:

1°: for m odd, the m-ary transformation,

$$\overline{F'_i} = D^{\frac{m-3}{2}} \sum_{j=1}^m a_{ij} \overline{F_j} \qquad (i=1, \dots, m),$$

which for D = 1, is precisely the given transformation of  $G_m$ .

2°. for m even, the  $\frac{1}{2}m(m-1)$  -ary transformation (12) or (12<sub>1</sub>), where, for D = 1, (12<sub>1</sub>) belongs to the second compound of  $G_m$ , and (12) to the  $(m-2)^d$  compound of the  $(m-1)^{st}$  compound of  $G_m$ .

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## A SECOND LOCUS CONNECTED WITH A SYSTEM OF COAXIAL CIRCLES.

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\* We may verify  $(12_1)$  directly, using the method of § 6 for q=2. The

presence of the factor  $D^{\frac{m-2}{2}}$  influences only the transformations  $A_{kk'}$ . There occurs, however, some difficulty as to signs in passing from the W's to the F's. Likewise the results of &&11-14 could doubtless be proved by the method of &6.

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