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INTRODUCTION.

The object of this thesis is to carry to some further extent the work of Messrs. Harvey and McArthur upon metallic alloys, as submitted in their thesis entitled "Microscopical Analysis of Steel and Alloys as a Commercial Test." Camera luceda drawings have been made together with micro-photographs. The luceda drawings of the specimens seem to show to a much better degree the irregular shape and approximate size of the crystalites. They also enable one to make a comparison, by means of the planimeter, of the area of the metals exposed upon a cross-section and the percent of metal in the alloy.

It is known that the area of a metal exposed in a cross-section is practically proportionate to the percent of that metal in the alloy. This is not mathematically true unless the areas are of infinite number and of equal distribution. If the areas can be found to bear a certain relation to the percent of metal in an alloy, then the volumes must also bear a relation. Binary compounds were dealt with mainly because their structure is comparatively simple and thus much easier to study.

The specimens were weighed in one hundred gramme lots. They were melted in a coke draft furnace and when