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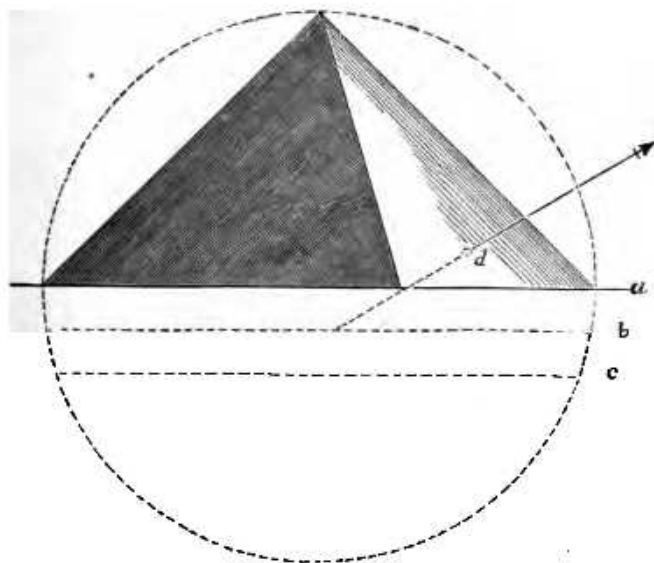
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PROJECTION OF THE GREAT PYRAMID WHEN ENTIRE
AND COVERED WITH THE CASING STONES.

Length of each of the four sides at the base, 764 feet.
Vertical height, 486 feet, to the apex.



- a. Level of Surface of Ground.
- b. Level of Chamber in Rock.
- c. Level of Low Water in the Nile.
- d. Descending Passage, in a straight line to Entrance of Chamber in Rock.
- Polar Star, as seen from the bottom of the descending passage.

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BATTLE OF THE STANDARDS:

THE ANCIENT, OF FOUR THOUSAND YEARS, AGAINST THE
MODERN, OF THE LAST FIFTY YEARS—THE
LESS PERFECT OF THE TWO.

By JOHN TAYLOR,
AUTHOR OF
"THE GREAT PYRAMID, WHY WAS IT BUILT?"
ETC., ETC.

"THOU SHALT HAVE A PERFECT AND JUST WEIGHT, A PERFECT
AND JUST MEASURE SHALT THOU HAVE: THAT THY DAYS MAY
BE LENGTHENED IN THE LAND WHICH THE LORD THY GOD
GIVETH THEE."—Deut. xxv. 15.

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* * * * * As the Bill for legalizing the *Metric System of Weights and Measures* did not receive the Queen's assent, Mr. W. Ewart gave notice on July 28, 1863, that he should move for leave to bring in a new Bill for that purpose, at the next session; but "that, as the general opinion of the House seemed to be in favour of a permissive Bill, he should limit his motion to such a measure."—*Times*. Nos. 1, 2, 3, and 4, relate to this subject, which is most interesting to every Englishman.

P R E F A C E .

OUR Motto, from Deuteronomy, points to a very important consideration : viz.—That the people who maintain a *perfect and just weight*, and a *perfect and just measure*, may expect *lengthened days* in the land which God giveth them. If any people were ever entitled to so great a favour, it might be the Inhabitants of this Country. They have had the same measures of *Length, Capacity, and Weight*, from the earliest times; and they have been blessed with a long and unbroken series of peaceful Governments. Greater freedom from external foes, and from internal dissensions, has not fallen to the lot of any other nation.

Another remarkable peculiarity of our Country is, that it has been the *home of the oppressed*, when they have been exiled from other nations. Here, they have met with personal safety and kind treatment. The fetters of the slave fall from him, as soon as he lands on our shores; yet we interfere not with the Laws of other countries. We set them a good example, and would help them to follow ours, as far as we may; but without interfering with their internal regulations, because we should object to their intermeddling with ours. If they wish to become one with us, we shall be glad to see them enjoy the same liberty, and that kind of Government which suits them best; but we presume not to dictate to any nation.