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Carroll-MS 11 - Fallacious Premisses

Introductory notes:

This manuscript is part of the Warner Bequest. It consists of a single sheet dated 1 February 1893 hand-written on a "compliment slip" from Dodgson's publisher, Macmillan and Company, London. It concerns the identification of fallacious premisses (to use Dodgson's spelling).

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The text reads as follows:

Every valid trinomial Syllogism must contain either

xm_0 {No x is m}
 ym^1_0 {No y is not m}

or

xm_0 {No x is m}
 ym_1 {Some y is m}

These should be reduced to Rule, so that fallacious Premisses might be convicted by some such phrase as "undistributed middle," "four terms," etc.

The fallacy

xm_1 {Some x is m}
 ym_1 {Some y is m}

may be called "the Fallacy of two Entities."

Our "Universe" had better be called our "Aggregate"

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The verso indicates that Dodgson is re-using a "compliment slip" from Macmillan and Company, London.