

## TABLE OF CONTENTS

<i>Introduction</i> . . . . .	ix
-------------------------------	----

### PART ONE

<b>THE NATURE OF DEMONSTRATION</b> . . . . .	1
<b>I. NOTION OF DEMONSTRATIVE PROOF</b> . . . . .	3
1. Definition of Demonstration . . . . .	3
2. Division of Demonstration . . . . .	10
a. ' <i>A Priori</i> ' and ' <i>A Posteriori</i> ' Demonstration . . . . .	10
b. ' <i>Propter Quid</i> ' and ' <i>Quia</i> ' Demonstration . . . . .	11
c. <i>Particular and Universal Demonstration</i> . . . . .	13
d. <i>The 'Demonstratio Potissima'</i> . . . . .	14
<b>II. THE TERMS OF THE DEMONSTRATIVE PROOF</b> . . . . .	21
1. The Terms of the Demonstrative Syllogism in General . . . . .	22
2. Subject, ' <i>Passio</i> ' and Definition . . . . .	24
3. Pre-existent Knowledge of the Terms . . . . .	27
<b>III. THE PROPOSITIONS OF THE DEMONSTRATIVE SYLLOGISM IN GENERAL</b> . . . . .	32
1. Necessary Propositions . . . . .	32
2. ' <i>Per Se</i> ' Propositions . . . . .	41
a. <i>Historical Development</i> . . . . .	41

<i>b. Ockham's Opinion</i> . . . . .	43
<i>c. Solution of Some Difficulties</i> . . . . .	47
<b>3. Universal Propositions . . . . .</b>	<b>50</b>
<i>a. Aristotle's Doctrine and Its Different Interpretations</i> . . . . .	51
<i>b. Ockham's Explanation of the 'Propositio Primo Vera'</i> . . . . .	53
<b>IV. THE QUALITIES OF THE PROPOSITIONS IN PARTICULAR .</b>	<b>58</b>
1. The First Principles. . . . .	58
2. The Premises of the Demonstrative Syllogism . . . . .	60
<i>a. Immediate and First Propositions</i> . . . . .	61
<i>b. The Premises are Prior to, and Better Known than, the Conclusion</i> . . . . .	66
3. The Cognition of the Premises . . . . .	69
4. The Conclusion of the Demonstrative Proof. . . . .	75
<b>Summary of the First Part</b> . . . . .	<b>78</b>
 PART TWO	
<b>THE OBJECT OF DEMONSTRATIVE PROOF</b> . . . . .	<b>80</b>
<b>V. DEMONSTRABILITY OF EXISTENCE . . . . .</b>	<b>85</b>
1. Notion of Existence . . . . .	85
<i>a. Aristotle's Teaching on Essence and Existence</i> .	85
<i>b. Distinction Between Essence and Existence According to Ockham</i> . . . . .	86
<i>c. Meaning of the Demonstration 'Si Est'</i> . . . . .	88
2. Demonstrability of the 'Si Est' . . . . .	90
<i>a. Indemonstrable Existential Propositions</i> . . . . .	90
<i>b. Demonstrable Existential Propositions</i> . . . . .	93

*Table of Contents*

vii

3. Demonstrability of the Existence of God . . . . .	94
a. <i>Cognoscibility of God</i> . . . . .	95
b. <i>Proof for the Existence of God</i> . . . . .	99
VI. THE DEMONSTRABILITY OF THE DEFINITION . . . . .	107
1. Nature and Kinds of Definitions . . . . .	107
2. Demonstrability of the Definition. . . . .	109
3. The <i>Definitio 'Per Additamentum'</i> . . . . .	115
VII. DEMONSTRATION OF THE PROPER ATTRIBUTE . . . . .	118
1. Notion and Division of the 'Passio' . . . . .	118
2. Demonstrability of the 'Passio' . . . . .	125
3. The Demonstrability of the Attributes of God . . . . .	133
VIII. THE QUESTION 'PROPTER QUID EST' . . . . .	143
1. Preliminary Discussions . . . . .	143
a. <i>Notion and Nature of Causality</i> . . . . .	143
b. <i>The Principle of Causality</i> . . . . .	146
2. The Demonstration of Causality . . . . .	149
a. <i>Difficulties</i> . . . . .	150
b. <i>Possibility of Demonstration</i> . . . . .	152
3. Knowledge of Causality by Experience . . . . .	155
4. The Cognition of the Final Cause . . . . .	161
Summary of the Second Part . . . . .	165
Conclusion . . . . .	173
Bibliography . . . . .	181
Index . . . . .	185