are all similar to the whole triangle. Now $P R$ and $Q R$ are equally inclined to $A D$ (a pedal property), and $N$ is the image of $Q$ in $A D$. $\therefore P R$ produced passes through $N$; similarly $L M$ produced passes through $Q$. Let these lines cut $B C$ in $S$ and $S^{\prime}$.

Again $P N \| D B$ since alternate angles $B D R, D R P$ are corresponding angles of the similar triangles $B D A, D R P$; similarly $L Q \| D C$.

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\text { But } \begin{aligned}
B S: S C & =D P: P C & & (B D \text { parallel to } S P) \\
& =B L: L D & & \text { (complete similarity of the figures) } \\
& =B S^{\prime}: S^{\prime} C & & \left(L S^{\prime} \text { parallel to } D C\right)
\end{aligned}
$$

$\therefore S$ and $S^{\prime}$ coincide.
Now area of triangle $N B S=$ area of triangle $N D S$ ( $N S$ parallel to $B D$ )

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" \quad, \quad Q C S=\quad, \quad,, \quad Q D S(Q S \quad,, \quad D C)
$$

To the sum of these areas add area $A N S Q$.
$\therefore$ in area, triangle $A B C=$ kite $A N D Q=$ twice triangle $A N D$.
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Editor's Note.-Mr John T. Brown suggests the following neat method of proving that the triangle $A B C$ is twice the triangle $A N D$ :

Suppose $D N$ produced its own length to $E$.
Then the angles $E A D, B A C$ are equal,

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\text { and } A E \cdot A D=A \nu^{2}=A B \cdot A C \text {. }
$$

Hence, by Euc. VI, 15, the triangles $A E D, A B C$ are equal; i.e. twice triangle $A N D=$ triangle $A B C$.
W. A.

## A Proof of the Theorem of Pythagoras.

The triangle $A B C$ has a right angle at $B$. On $A C$, on the same side as $B$, describe a square $A D E C$. Draw $D F$ perpendicular to $A B$ or $A B$ produced.

The triangles $A B C$ and $D F A$ are congruent, having sides $C A$ and $A D$ equal, and the corresponding angles equal. Hence $D F$ is equal to $A B$.

