Definition. The definition and the utility of a definition require it to specify everything essential, and to omit all that is inessential, to its definitum: though it may be pardoned for calling special attention to an omission in order to show that it was not inconsiderate.

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