

(called "Commonwealth)," New Zealand, Newfoundland, and the South African colonies.

On the other hand, the colonies which have not a population suitable for self-government, as those situated in the tropics where the native races are not highly civilized, are placed, either wholly or partly, under the administration of persons chosen by Great Britain. Such are called "crown colonies."

But sometimes native races are left under their own rulers, Great Britain maintaining a general oversight through a specially appointed representative. This kind of government is known as a "protectorate." Sometimes also Great Britain conducts the government of a country which in strict law is the dependency of another nation, but which in fact is a part of the British Empire. Thus Egypt and Cyprus, though they belong in name to the Turkish Empire, are really ruled by Great Britain.

It may be said that in the British Empire there is every kind of government from the most highly popular to the most despotic. But whatever may be the form, Great Britain