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THE REVOCATION OF TREATY PRIVILEGES TO ALIEN-SUBJECTS.

International Treaties, or Conventions, may be divided into two classes. One class may prescribe and define the sovereign international relations, rights, duties, privileges, and obligations of the respective Treaty-contracting nations, such as relate to peace and war, contraband of war, neutrality, alliances, guarantees, or to the territorial possessions, or boundaries, of their respective nations; or such other questions of la haute politique extérieure, as may affect their sovereign relations. inter se, as members of the Society of Nations.

Another class of Treaties may concede the allowance, and prescribe the conditions, of subordinate, or "alien-subject," privileges or commercial concessions, under which the alien-subjects of another nation may be privileged to share with home-subjects of the conceding nation, in certain of their natural rights respecting the trade and commerce, territorial admission, transit, residence, privilege of coast-fisheries, or user of territorial casements to all, or to designated classes, of the subjects, or citizens, of another nation. This class of alien-subject or commercial Treaty concessions comes within the doctrine of International Law that: "A State may voluntarily subject itself to obligations to another State, both with respect to persons and things, which would not naturally be binding upon her. These are servitutes juris gentium voluntariæ."1 Other classifications of Treaties have been made by various authorities on International Law, which divide them into more classes than those suggested above."

The generally assumed doctrin of International Law on the question of the prerogative power of nations to vary, or abro-

² Phillimore's International Law (3rd ed.), vol. 1, p. 391.

^{*}Hall's International Law (5th ed.), p. 360.