LECTURE No. 6.

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THE IMPERIAL DEPENDENCIES.

The "Realms in Trust" of the Empire. The distinctive factions of their governance:—Vast native population, alien civilisation, differences of custom, religion and ideas. Impossibility of self-government. General meaning and purpose of British control. The case of India. Its population. Organisation of British rule. The army of the civil service. The native states. What England has done for India—education, trade, sanitation, economic development. Sentiment of the peoples of India towards the Empire. Importance of India in the political future of Asia. The frontier question. The case of Egypt. Our present position. Results of British control. The lesser dependencies of the protectorates. Imperial rights and responsibilities. Future destiny of the dependencies in the imperial system. Summary of general conclusions.