

governments of Asia and Africa and some of the republican governments of South America still belong to that class.

3. The Empire and the Colonies.

The name "Great Britain" is ordinarily used as the short form for the full title, "The United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland." Great Britain is the ruling state, or division, in the Empire to which we belong. In dealings with other nations, except in commercial and some other matters, Great Britain acts for the whole Empire. Divisions of the Empire, such as Canada, may have representatives in making treaties and arrangements with other nations on any matter which closely concerns them. But these are appointed as representatives of Great Britain as well, and are considered as such by foreign states.

It is plain that at present a great change is going on in the Empire. Some think that after a time the several divisions that are in the same position as ourselves, will be placed on an equal footing with the ruling division, Great Britain, and that some way will be devised of