

good pertaining to Britain, as if it were merely English. Hence we protest with increasing indignation against her speaking of the English army, the English navy, the English Parliament, the English government, the English flag, the English crown, and of braid Scotland as if it were only a part of England. Who does not know that such talk is contrary to the Articles of Union of the two Kingdoms in 1707, in which it was expressly stipulated that thenceforth England and Scotland united should be known and named Great Britain; and therefore while the Union lasts there can be no such thing in existence as an English army, navy, parliament, crown, or flag. With equal propriety we might speak of the Scotch army, navy, parliament, crown, and flag; which kind of talk would of course be scouted as ridiculous. This lecture is intended to show, that many if not most of the great discoveries in science and inventions in art, resulting in modern civilization, are due to Scottish genius, industry, and perseverance. Such things ought to be called British instead of Scotch, and would be so called were it not so common for the English and other nations to ascribe them simply to England.