

32. What are the different forms of government throughout the world.

The different forms of government in the world may be reduced to two kinds, the monarchical, and the republican. In a monarchy, the country is governed by one head, called a sovereign. If the monarchy be *absolute*, the sovereign power is held by the monarch, without any other restriction than the fundamental laws of the state. In a *constitutional* monarchy, besides the fundamental laws, the people have their representatives. In a *limited* monarchy, the three powers are so blended as to counterbalance each other.

33. What is meant by a republic?

In a republic, the nation governs itself by delegates. There are three kinds of republics: the *aristocratic*, when the government is in the hands of the higher class of citizens; the *oligarchical* when the power is held by a few; the *democratic*, when the majority of the nation has a part in the government.

There are also confederate republics, composed of different states, each of which has its own constitution.

RACES OF MEN AND STATES OF SOCIETY

34. How many varieties of the human species are there?

Man, the lord of the animal creation, has a constitution which fits him for residence in every climate, but his outward characteristics are not the same in every country.

Naturalists commonly reckon five varieties of the human species, easily known by very striking differences of feature, and especially by the color peculiar to each race.

1th The Caucasian race is white;

2nd The Mongolian, olive yellow;