

The duty of the Jury consists in determining whether the charges against the prisoner are proven. It is an Anglo-Saxon institution, and forms an important safeguard against arbitrary power.

25. AN ABSOLUTE MONARCHY is that form of government by which the supreme power is lodged in the hands of a single person, as in Russia.

26. A LIMITED MONARCHY is that form of government in which the will of the Sovereign is limited by a constitution, as in Britain.

27. A REPUBLIC is a State in which the exercise of the Supreme power is vested in representatives elected by the people, as in the United States.

28. In the British House of Commons, there are 658 members, distributed as follows :

England and Wales.....	493	members
Scotland .....	60	"
Ireland . . . . .	105	"
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Total.....	658	"

29. In the Canadian House of Commons there are 211 members, distributed as follows :

Ontario.....	92	members
Quebec.....	65	"
New Brunswick.....	16	"
Nova Scotia.....	21	"
Manitoba.....	5	"
British Columbia.....	6	"
Prince Edward Island.....	6	"
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Total.....	211	