

the world and somewhat more powerful than the United States. The United States is ruled by a President and a Congress, and Great Britain is governed by a King or Queen and Parliament. A monarchy is better than a republic. The ruler of the United States is President Johnson, who succeeded Lincoln, one of the two American great men, (the other is General Washington) who was assassinated by Booth. Great Britain is ruled by our most gracious Queen Victoria.

The British army and navy amount to 220,000 men, and in her whole empire nearly two millions. The British army is superior in number to the American. In the United States the army is reduced to 50,000 men. The President cannot afford to pay a large army, so he reduced it to a small one; but he is increasing the navy. Great Britain possesses 74 colonies—5 colonies in Europe, and 9 in Africa, and 13 in Asia, and 7 in Oceania, and 40 in America. The population in the whole empire is about 200 millions. The United States has not a colony; but the United States united their states to one country, and the United States is a modern country. Great Britain was discovered about the time of the Carthagenians; but the United States were discovered only about five hundred years ago. Great Britain must have been about three thousand years since it was discovered. Great Britain is richer than the United States, because it is an ancient country, and the United States is a young country.

The United States had been a despotic country, by making the blacks slaves for 200 years; but Great Britain has been a free one for some hundred years. Great Britain is strongly defended, and the United States is rather strongly defended. Since the civil war the Americans wasted a great deal of money, and the debt is nearly the same as Great Britain; but Great Britain fought above 50 years against the nations since the reign of William III. and she lost about 500,000 men in these wars; but the Americans in only four years' war lost nearly a million of men, and wasted a great deal of money. If Great Britain had sent a large army (about 100,000 men) to crush the rebellion of 1775, the revolt might have been put down; but she had been combatting with the powers of Europe for many years. If there had been peace with all Europe at that time, the rebellion in the United States would have been crushed.

A. H. A.

A. H. A.

(The following, which are illustrations of the religious ideas at certain stages of mental development.)

O Lord God, I thank thee for food, clothes, health, and for making me a good boy. Help me, O Lord, to give me more grace. Watch over me during my sleep, that I may not die suddenly. I wish to be a good boy, and it is much more pleasant to be good than to receive a gold crown from thee. O Lord God and Christ are very good to me. Pardon them. O Lord

O God, I thank Thee
Thou hast spared my life
that I may learn to know
love Thee. Help me to
O Lord, take away my sins
all my sins by the precious
offend Thee, I often think
Lord God, forgive all my
If Jesus had not come
eternal death. O Lord
Thou hast sent Jesus Christ
blessed Saviour.

Thou hast given me strength
other blessings. Help me
me to die. I beseech Thee
ever been before, and make
Thee prepare me for death
of death. Preserve me from
the Sabbath day. Watch
all, by day and by night.
for the sake of Jesus. Amen

O Lord God! I thank
I often forget Thee, but Thy
evil passions, bad tempers
O Lord! keep me from wo
worldly actions, and other
God's holy day. I should