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but the King of England they considered not to be the king who was in England, but a man who was in exile and they went on having rebellions in Scotland in the interest of James II or his descendants through the course of another fifty years, until the rebellion of 1745, when Scotland drove ~~James II~~ into exile. This was the reason why the bishops of the Church of England in Scotland could ordain the American as bishop, because they were not giving their allegiance to the King of England. They considered George III a usurper; they considered the Stuarts were the true kings of England and so you have this group of ~~there~~ there and in England. Now the Church of Scotland in earlier days had been the Presbyterian church. It was the church of Scotland, and it was subject to the King as the head of the church but the ministers told the king what to do and told him what they thought if they didn't like what he did, and told him in no uncertain terms and it was strictly Presbyterian in government but it was the established church of Scotland. Now that church of Scotland had gone through quite a number of vicissitudes. It, of course, was no longer the church of Scotland during the reigns of Charles II and James II but then it again became the Church of Scotland, in 1688, and since that time it has always remained the Church of Scotland. It is a Presbyterian Church. Government is by the ministers all of whom are considered as deacons and they vote in the General Assembly each year what the policies of the church are to be. It's gone through many vicissitudes in the last few centuries. There've been splits from it. There've been breaks off of half, or nearly half of the people, there've been several different divisions, and then in the last thirty years several of these divisions have come together again so the Church of Scotland represents what was three large denominations in Scotland thirty years ago, which are one Church of Scotland today, but today it is Church of Scotland only in the sense that it bears that name and is the largest church in Scotland. It has no official power over anybody. It holds the old cathedral and a lot of the old property of the Church of Scotland and its name carries a lot of weight. It has churches all over Scotland but there's also this much smaller body, the Free Church of Scotland, which is not the old Free Church of Scotland--that united with the Church of Scotland.