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**SHORT SKETCH OF THE EXISTING REFORMED  
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### Short Sketch of the Existing Reformed Constitution.

The cardinal facts of the Reforms; individuality of legislatures and devolution

1. The cardinal facts of the Reforms of 1919 were, first, the recognition of all legislative bodies as distinct from the executive, and, second, the devolution of authority to provincial Governments. The dominant conception of the constitution which then came under revision was that the entire government system is one indivisible whole and amenable to Parliament. The rigour of a logical