

Britain was but little known before
Caesar's Invasion, its Inhabitants descended from
the Celtes or Gauls and lived in a perfect state
of freedom and barbarity.

A few words on the Government of the Gauls
may elucidate that of the ancient Britons,
the Gauls from the foundation of Rome were
divided into several Nations of which each
had a Chief, whose term of command
was limited, during which period he was
the chief Magistrate, had the power of
keeping a due obedience to the Law, and
of commanding the Armies, this probably
was the form adopted in Britain, for
the Country between the Thyme and the
Channel was divided into seventeen
different States, the chief of each of which
by Authors is called King.

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