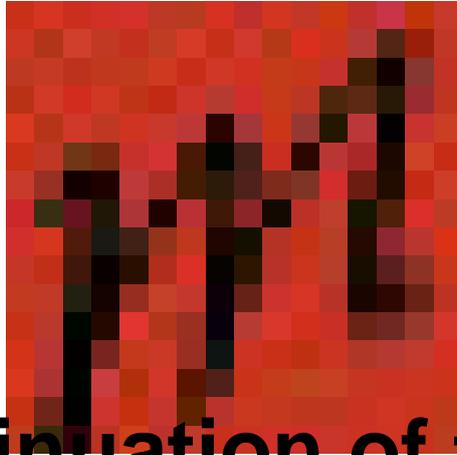


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There is yet another drawback to conquests made by democracies : their government is always abhorrent to subject states. It postures as monarchical, but in truth it is harsher than monarchical government, as the experience of all times and all countries has shown.

Conquered peoples are in a sorry state : they enjoy neither the advantages of the republic nor those of monarchy.

What I have said about popular government may be applied to aristocracy.