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WHAT CONSTITUTES A STATE ?

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What constitutes a state?
Not high-raised battlement or labored mound, Thick wall or moated gate,
Not cities proud with spires and turrets crowned; Not bays and broad-armed ports,
Where laughing at the storm, rich navies ride; Not starred and spangled courts,
Where low-browed baseness wafts perfume to pride. No; men, high-minded men,
With powers as far above dull brutes endued In forest, brake, or den,
As beasts excel cold rocks and brambles rude; Men who their duties know,
But know their rights and knowing dare maintain

But know their rights, and knowing, dare maintain, Prevent the long-aimed blow,

And crush the tyrant while they rend the chain.

-WILLIAM JONES

