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LIBERTY is the greatest blessing that men enjoy, and slavery the greatest curse that human nature is capable of.—Hence it is a matter of the utmost importance to men, which of the two shall be their Portion. Absolute liberty, is perhaps incompatible with any kind of government.—The safety resulting from society, and the advantage of just and equal laws, hath caused men to forego some part of their natural liberty, and submit to government. This appears to be the most rational account of its beginning; although it must be confessed, mankind have by no means been agreed about it: some have found its origin in the divine appointment; B others