

The state of nature has a law of nature to govern it, which obliges everyone: and reason which is that law, teaches all mankind who will but consult it, that being all equal and independent, no one ought to harm another in his life, health, liberty or possessions.... (Treatises II.2.6)

(Labor theory of property)

Does not tolerate Atheism!

Nature < Nurture

Empiricist (Sense not innate)

Information comes from experience

Tabula Rasa

John Locke

Robert Filmer
Monarchy (first with Adam!)
property from father
to son
(Patriarchalism)

Lock says Filmer misinterprets
Bible God gave it to all
mankind, not only Adam!
All men are equal and born free

Government's role is
to preserve the rights
natural law afforded us;
life, liberty, property
"fruits of your labor"

Political power, then, I take to be a right of making laws with penalties of death, and consequently all less penalties, for the regulating and preserving of property, and of employing the force of the community, in the execution of such laws, and in the defence of the common-wealth from foreign injury; and all this only for the public good. (Treatises, II, 1,3)