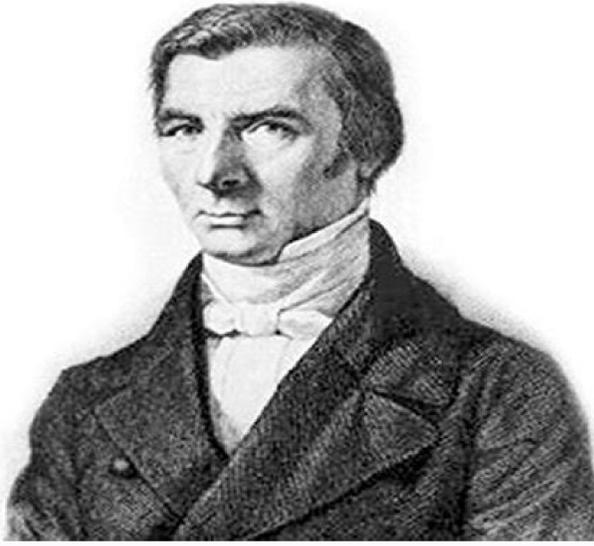


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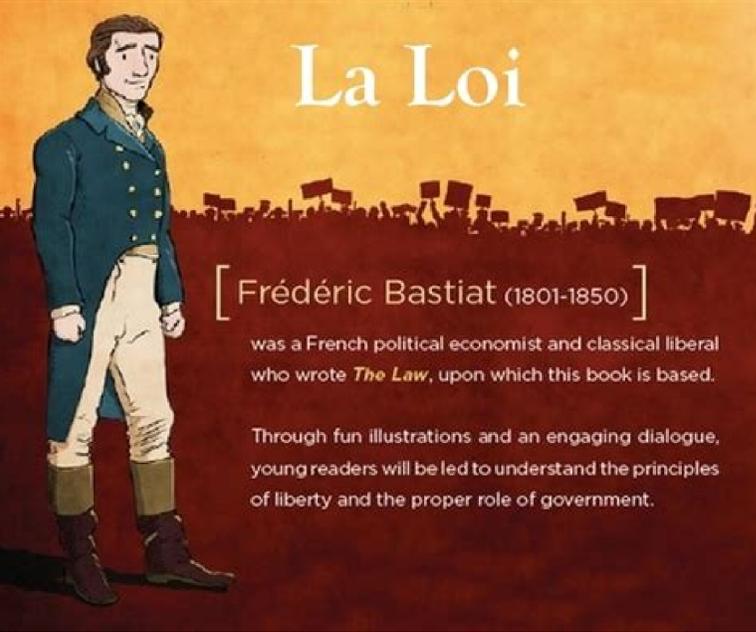
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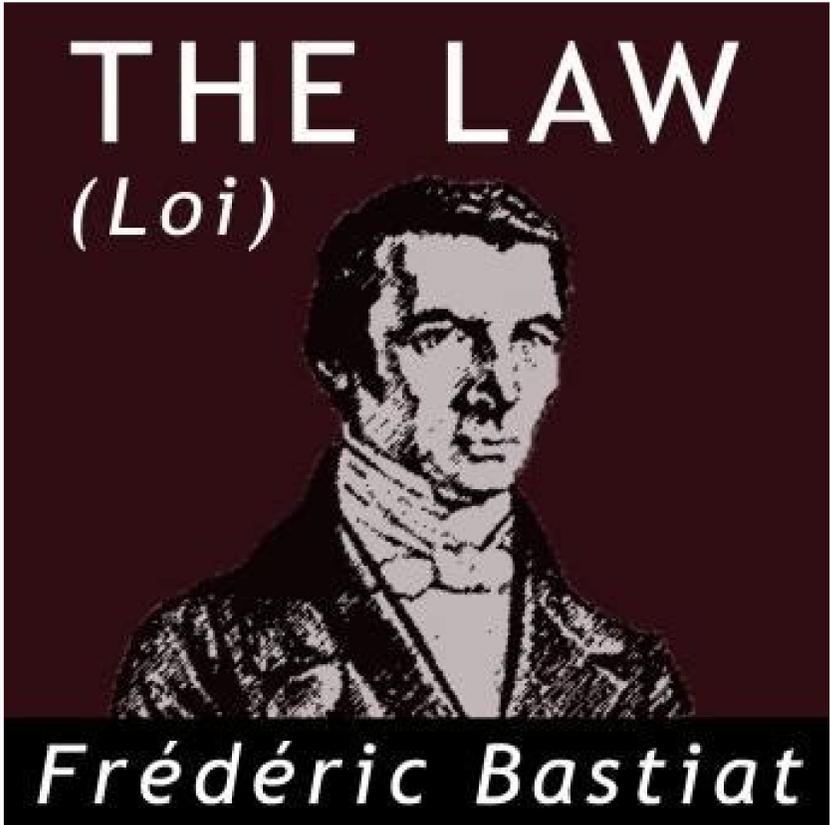
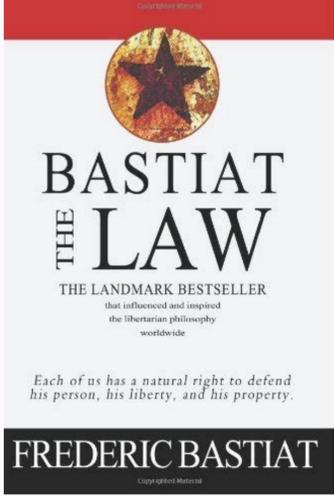
[ Frédéric Bastiat (1801-1850) ]

was a French political economist and classical liberal who wrote *The Law*, upon which this book is based.

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[...] Away with their artificial methods! Away with their social workshops, their governmental whims, their centralization, their tariffs, their universities, their State religions, their gratuitous or monopolising banks, their limitations, their restrictions, their moralisations, and their equalisation by taxation! And now, after having vainly inflicted upon the social body so many systems, let them end where they ought to have begun—reject all systems, and make trial of liberty—of liberty, which is an act of faith in God and in His work.'=> What if there is no such providence? Is it as simple as that? See whether the law performs, for the profit of one citizen, and, to the injury of others, an act which this citizen cannot perform without committing a crime.[...] Endeavor to imagine a form of labour imposed by force, which is not a violation of liberty; a transmission of wealth imposed by force, which is not a violation of property, and what is property, but an extension of our faculties?3) The appeals to divine providence as the foundation of Frédéric Bastiat's discourse...When, from the seclusion of his cabinet, a politician takes a view of society, he is struck with the spectacle of inequality which presents itself. By whose intervention is society to give instruments of labour to those who do not possess them?By the intervention of the State. Why are they prevented? In possessing instruction and instruments of labour. They will say—'We never buy wine, tobacco, or salt, without paying the tax, and a part of this tax is given by law in perquisites and gratuities to men who are richer than we are. And is it not clear, that the interest of all being one and the same, some would act without much inconvenience to the others?But if the fatal principle should come to be introduced, that, under pretence of organisation, regulation, protection, or encouragement, the law may take from the party in order to give to another, help itself to the wealth acquired by all the classes that it may increase that of one class, whether that of the agriculturists, the manufacturers, the ship owners, or artists and comedians; then certainly, in this case, there is no class which may not pretend, and with reason, to place its hand upon the law, which would not demand with fury its right of election and eligibility, and which would overturn society rather than not obtain it. On the contrary, it is because personality, liberty, and property exist beforehand, that men make laws.' Apart from the narrow instance of property over oneself (although this is still highly debatable: take slavery for instance (Bastiat even refers to it in his work), is this not a case of overt challenge and disregard against the notion that one belongs to oneself? Does it follow, that if we do not receive an impulse from the law, we shall receive no impulse at all? Who is to give instruction and instruments of labour? They wish to conduct their own affairs, and they shall do so.But when once the legislator is duly elected, then indeed the style of his speech alters. We should like to make it produce the right to assistance, which is the poor man's plunder. Are they not in a state to judge for themselves? He mourns over the sufferings which are the lot of so many of our brethren, sufferings whose aspect is rendered yet more sorrowful by the contrast of luxury and wealth.He ought, perhaps, to ask himself, whether such a social state has not been caused by the plunder of ancient times, exercised in the way of conquests; and by plunder of later times, effected through the medium of the laws? No, no; the people would be free, and they shall be so. If you cannot succeed in reconciling this, you are bound to conclude that the law cannot organise labour and industry without organising injustice.'[...]In fact, if law were confined to causing all persons, all liberties, and all properties to be respected—if it were merely the organisation of individual right and individual defence—if it were the obstacle, the check, the chastisement opposed to all oppression, to all plunder—is it likely that we should dispute much, as citizens, on the subject of the greater or less universality of suffrage? There is a providential social physiology, as well as a providential human physiology. Is there a man or a class who would dare to claim the right of putting himself in the place of the people, of deciding and of acting for them? Society, who owes them. Is it likely that the enfranchised classes would be very jealous of their privilege? Is it likely that the excluded classes would not quietly wait for their turn? Have they not given sufficient proof of intelligence and wisdom? Because the elector does not reap alone the responsibility of his vote; because every vote engages and affects the community at large; because the community has a right to demand some securities, as regards the acts upon which his well-being and his existence depend.'-> He warns against the strife to divert the law to the profit of one group at the expense of another and the double standards of politicians.See whether the law takes from some persons that which belongs to them, to give to others what does not belong to them. Oh! then the people possess science by instinct: they are gifted with an admirable tact; their will is always right; the general will cannot err. and,'Whatever God does, is well done; do not pretend to know more than He; and as He has given organs to this frail creature, allow those organs to develop themselves, to strengthen themselves by exercise, use, experience, and liberty. Are we not living in an age of enlightenment?' and, One of the strangest phenomena of our time [...] is the doctrine which is founded upon this triple hypothesis: the radical passiveness of mankind,—the omnipotence of the law,—the infallibility of the legislator:—this is the sacred symbol of the party which proclaims itself exclusively democratic.It is true that it professes also to be social.So far as it is democratic, it has an unlimited faith in mankind.So far as it is social, it places it beneath the mud.Are political rights under discussion? Are they not arrived at maturity? In short, I am still wondering how property can preexist a consensus over what constitutes property. From whom is the State to obtain them?It is for the reader to answer this question, and to notice whither all this tends. What! are the people to be always kept in leading strings? Nobody is under any responsibility to society. Bastiat has to say over the matter of the fruits of the free exercise of the faculties of the individual:'Self-preservation and development is the common aspiration of all men, in such a way that if every one enjoyed the free exercise of his faculties and the free disposition of their fruits, social progress would be incessant, uninterrupted, inevitable.'Nature, or rather God, has bestowed upon every one of us the right to defend his person, his liberty, and his property, since these are the three constituent or preserving elements of life; elements, each of which is rendered complete by the others, and cannot be understood without them. Have they not acquired their rights at the cost of effort and sacrifice? Need some time to let my observations settle down a bit :) What I can readily say is that I'm more than slightly surprised I only stumbled on the author's name only recently! 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Don't tell us that you will take our cause upon yourselves, and throw to us 600,000 francs to keep us quiet, like giving us a bone to pick. And, this granted, they demand the assistance of force, by means of which they are to substitute their own tendencies for those of the human race.-> Highly reminiscent of Crime and Punishment, isn't it?Frédéric Bastiat, a member of the French Parliament, is an declared opponent to universal suffrage as practiced then:'If, as the republicans of the Greek and Roman tone pretend, the right of suffrage had fallen to the lot of every one at his birth, it would be an injustice to adults to prevent women and children from voting. Does it follow, that if the law confines itself to securing to us the free exercise of our faculties, our faculties will be paralyzed? We have other claims, and, at any rate, we wish to stipulate for ourselves, as other classes have stipulated for themselves!' How is this argument to be answered?'and, Yes, as long as it is admitted that the law may be diverted from its true mission, that it may violate property instead of securing it, everybody will be wanting to manufacture law, either to defend himself against plunder, or to organise it for his own profit.'=> So I wonder about the ressources of the unemployed, the elderlies and retired people, the chronically ill, the disabled... This is Bastiat's answer:'What then? Since everybody traffics in law for his own profit, we should like to do the same. Is a legislator to be chosen? Take matrimonial strategies and family codes of behaviour applying to family members: is this belonging to oneself that obvious to begin with?). And why is incapacity a motive for exclusion? Can the people be mistaken? Does it follow, that we shall no longer recognise the power and goodness of God; that we shall cease to associate together, to help each other, to love and assist our unfortunate brethren, to study the secrets of nature, and to aspire after perfection in our existence?Frédéric Bastiat also makes sure to confront Louis Blanc's socialist aspirations:' [Louis Blanc's standpoint:] "Once for all: liberty consists, not only in the right granted, but in the power given to man, to exercise, to develop his faculties under the empire of justice, and under the protection of the law."And this is no vain distinction; there is a deep meaning in it, and its consequences are not to be estimated. For what are our faculties, but the extension of our personality? ...more -> I misheard, here is what F. He ought to ask himself whether, granting the aspiration of all men after well-being and perfection, the reign of justice would not suffice to realise the greatest activity of progress, and the greatest amount of equality compatible with that individual responsibility which God has awarded as a just retribution of virtue and vice? Even beggars and vagabonds will prove to you that they have an incontestable title to it. Men in general, except one, form the first; the politician himself forms the second, which is by far the most important.In fact, they begin by supposing that men are devoid of any principle of action, and of any means of discernment in themselves; that they have no moving spring in them; that they are inert matter, passive particles, atoms without impulse; at best a vegetation indifferent to its own mode of existence, susceptible of receiving, from an exterior will and hand, an infinite number of forms, more or less symmetrical, artistic, and perfected.'andHappily, according to these writers, there are some men, termed governors and legislators, upon whom Heaven has bestowed opposite tendencies, not for their own sake only, but for the sake of the rest of the world.Whilst mankind tends to evil, they incline to good; whilst mankind is advancing towards darkness, they are aspiring to enlightenment; whilst mankind is drawn towards vice, they are attracted by virtue. Is it likely that it would compromise that greatest of advantages, the public peace? In what does this power consist? Aren't there other elements to factor in when it comes to any production of wealth? The will and the capacity to choose well are taken for granted. Do they not know their own interest? Others make use of the law to create an artificial rise in the price of bread, meat, iron, or cloth. The nation is sent back into passiveness, inertness, nothingness, and the legislator takes possession of omnipotence.'----- Other personal reservations/interrogations: 1) Frédéric Bastiat considers property as a fact preceding the apparition of laws, as if already given, and more, as the origin of laws. Does it follow, that if the law does not impose upon us forms of religion, modes of association, methods of instruction, rules for labour, directions for exchange, and plans for charity, we shall plunge eagerly into atheism, isolation, ignorance, misery, and egotism? Does it follow that, if we are free, we shall cease to act? Because they are presumed to be incapable. The social organs are constituted so as to enable them to develop harmoniously in the grand air of liberty. 'It is not because men have made laws, that personality, liberty, and property exist. Suffrage cannot be too universal. Now, by whose intervention is society to give to each of its members the requisite instruction and the necessary instruments of labour, unless by that of the State?'[Frédéric Bastiat:]Thus, liberty is power. To effect this, we ought to be electors and legislators, that we may organise, on a large scale, aims for our own class, as you have organised, on a large scale, protection for yours. 2) Property is described somewhere in Frédéric Bastiat's text as a natural product of individual faculties. For when once it is admitted that man, to be truly free, must have the power to exercise and develop his faculties, it follows that every member of society has a claim upon it for such instruction as shall enable it to display itself, and for the instruments of labour, without which human activity can find no scope. Isn't individualism a cultural construction and as such, historicized and depending on conventions codified into laws? Who is to foresee? //fr.wikisource.org/wiki/La\_Loi... [...] God has implanted in mankind, also, all that is necessary to enable it to accomplish its destinies.

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