

# DEFINITIONS ETC.

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Circumstance in paranthesis (Der Querschnitt is active), the *Mer-cure de France* is senile; all other reviews represent a fixed point of view; all anglo saxon reviews represent a dead point of view stuffed with sawdust. Nationalized man is so stupid that only when a nation is flat on its back will it devote any energy to verbal manifestations, or their exactitude or vitality.

## DEFINITIONS

1. A good state is one which impinges least upon the peripheries of its citizens.

2. The function of the state is to facilitate the traffic, i. e. the circulation of goods, air, water, heat, coal (black or white), power, and even thought;

and to prevent the citizens from impingeing on each other.

3. The aim of state education has been (historically) to prevent people from discovering that the classics are worth reading. In this endeavour it has been almost wholly successful.

4. Politicians: fahrts of the multitude.

Nature of war depends entirely on the state of civilization of the parties contending. Nature of social revolution depends entirely on state of ignorance and barbarism of elements cast to the TOP.

The only way a nation can render itself safe is by civilizing its neighbors. The duty of an aristocracy is to educate its plebs; failure in this simple precaution means its own bloody destruction. History presents no more imbecile a series of spectacles than the conduct of aristocracies. Without whom civilization is impossible. And after one imbecile lot of these lepidoptera is destroyed the whole of woodenheaded humanity has to concentrate its efforts on production of another, lot, equally piffling and light headed.

## ENVOI

And if you speak of Ezra to his ancient friends, now become all of them editors, and officials, and great sober Times reviewers; say that you have seen him seated on Mount Athos, weeping that he has lost a boiled shirt.

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