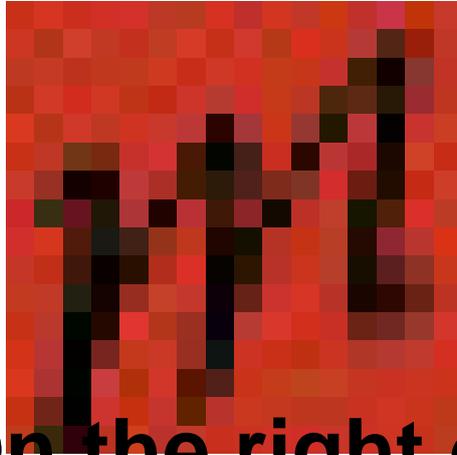


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XVIII.12 On the right of nations {among peoples who do not cultivate the land

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Since these peoples do not live in a limited, circumscribed terrain, they will have many occasions for of quarrels among themselves ; they will fight over fallow land just as our citizens fight over inheritances. Thus they will find frequent opportunities to fight over their hunting grounds, their fishing grounds, for fodder for their livestock, or to steal away slaves ; and having no territory, they will have as many things to settle by the law of nations as they have few to decide by civil law.