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This change in women's morals will doubtless have considerable influence on the government of Muscovy. Everything is tightly interrelated : the despotism of the prince naturally combines with the servitude of women, and women's freedom with the spirit of monarchy.