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*INFLUENCES ON  
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NOTES*

# *Influences on American Government*

## *John Locke*

- **Natural Rights**
  - **Life, Liberty, and Property**
  - **Consent of the governed**
  - **Voting/Choosing leaders**



# *Influences on American Government*

## *John Locke*

- ★ **LOCKE** influenced ideas in the Declaration of Independence



# *Influences on American Government*

★ **Jefferson loves John Locke**



# *Influences on American Government*

**★ *We hold these truths to be self evident that all men are endowed by their creature with certain unalienable rights that among these are Life, Liberty, and the Pursuit of Happiness***

**★ *Thomas Jefferson***

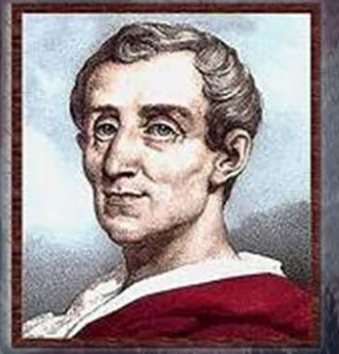


# *Influences on American Government*

## *Charles de Montesquieu*



- **Wrote about separation of powers**
- **Influenced our 3 branches of idea**
- **Wrote about Balance of Power**

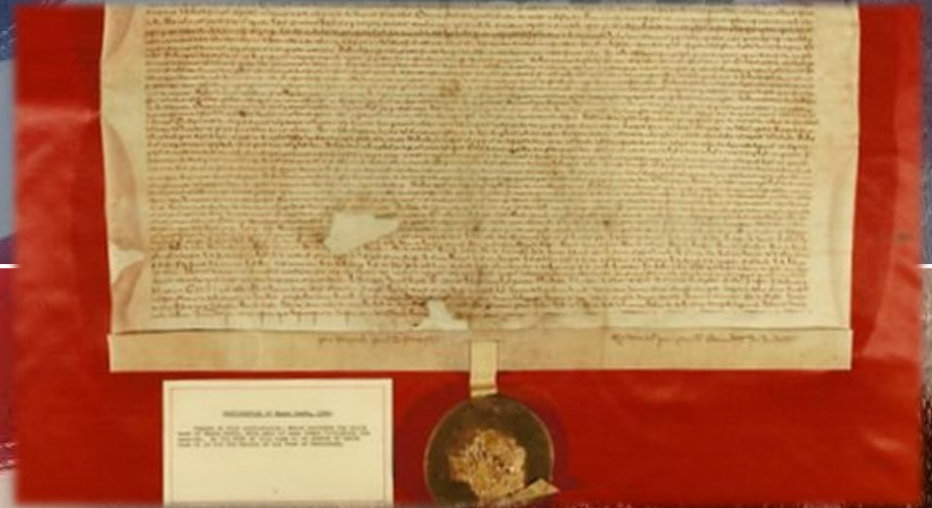


# *Influences on American Government*

## ★ MAGNA CARTA 1215

★ King gave up some powers

★ Trial by jury



# *Influences on American Government*

- ★ **Virginia House of Burgesses 1619**
- ★ **1<sup>st</sup> representative assembly in the Colonies**





# Influences on American Government

## ★ Mayflower Compact 1620

### ★ Established Self Rule



#### MAYFLOWER COMPACT 1620

*The names of our town, of which names are underwritten, the loyal subjects of our dread Sovereign Lord King James by the grace of God, of great Britain, France, & Ireland King, Defender of Faith, etc.*

*Having undertaken for the glory of God and advancement of the Christian faith and honor of our King & Country, a voyage to plant the first colony in the northern parts of Virginia: by the assistance of our Christian King, and for the more speedy and comfortable way to bring us to our destination, we hereby solemnly and mutually in presence of God, and one another, covenant & combine ourselves into a civil body politic, for the better ordering, conservation and furtherance of our said planting, unto the ends aforesaid; and by virtue hereof to enact, constitute, and frame, such just and equal laws, ordinances, acts, constitutions, and customs, from time to time, as shall be thought most meet, convenient for the general good of the colony, unto which we promise all due submission and obedience: in witness whereof we have hereunder subscribed our names at Cape Cod, the 11th of November, in the year of our Sovereign Lord King James of England, France, & Ireland, of sixteen, and of Scotland, of fifty, fourth, year 1620.*

GOVERNOR BRADFORD'S COPY OF THE MAYFLOWER COMPACT  
Presented in his library in the History of Plymouth Plantation.  
1789. 30. 11. 1820.

*John Bradford*      *Samuel Eaton*      *John Burdett*      *Walter Burdett*  
*Richard Latham*      *John Burdett*      *Samuel Eaton*      *Walter Burdett*  
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# *Influences on American Government*

★ **Fundamental Order of Connecticut 1636**

★ **1<sup>st</sup> written Constitution in the Colonies**

# *Influences on American Government*

## ★ English Bill of Rights 1689

★ Led to a Bill of Rights in America

