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THE CIVILIZING PROCESS

- When physical survival is the main threat, then individuals tend to band together—as did lords and vassals—and they thus tend to have the power of that external threat of violence as the primary (though not only) motivator driving their actions.
- As communities fear physical danger less and less, however, more and more attention is paid to daily individual behaviors.
- People internalize the rules and discipline of the state and shape individual behaviors according to those rules

