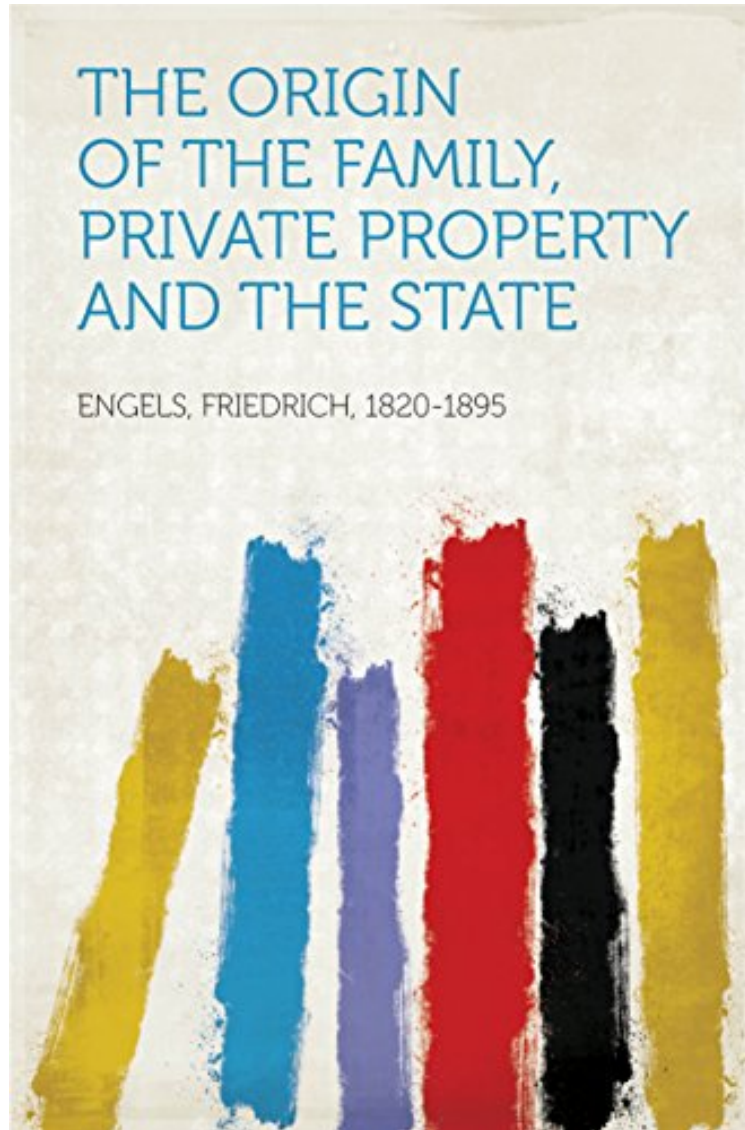


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starting with the first farmer-societies. As the material basis of the society changed, it opened room for a ruling class, needing these institutions to maintain and protect their position. At the time Engels wrote this book, the scientific material available was very small. Since then the scientific material has increased dramatically, and parts of the material Engels based his work on have shown not to be too accurate. However his conclusions are surprisingly accurate, even after a hundred years. The most interesting part about this small book is Engels historical method. Engels attempts to have a strictly historical-material view on the development of mankind, emphasising the economic and material basis of the society. The conclusion is politically very important. Since different kinds of oppression has developed throughout history, oppression can be ended throughout history, giving a scientific fundament to change the world and put an end to oppression. "The Origin of..." is a Marxist classic, truly showing the scientific character of Marxism.

KurzbeschreibungHardPress Classic Books SeriesKurzbeschreibungHardPress Classic Books SeriesSynopsis This work traces the original forms and institutions of private property, how they arose, and their consequences for working people throughout history.