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The French Revolution is off to a promising start: it legalizes civil marriage - and for the first time in the world, this choice that can be undone through divorce by mutual consent.

But barely three years later, women start to look like the big losers. The Civil Code seals their fate: they are the property of men. The notion of consent disappears.
Throughout the 19th century, French-style codes of love become the norm.

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