


Popular Participation in Politics in 19th Century Latin America

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From the Tupac Amaru uprising in other revolts in the 1780s, to the revolutionary process that started throughout Spanish America in 1809, the Spanish Empire was shaken by the Age of Revolution. An important feature of this era was the entrance into politics of the popular classes: peasants, indigenous groups, slaves, artisans, soldiers and sailors, and urban plebeians (blacks, mestizos, poor whites). Their participation remained a key of the new republics until the mid-nineteenth century. This presentation analyzes the main aspects of that popular participation in Hispanic South America through this period, with data taken from a vast bibliography, including the lecturer's research on Argentina.

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