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## The Roots of English Colonialism in Ireland

This is a major new study of the cultural foundations of the Tudor plantations in Ireland and of early English imperialism more generally. John Patrick Montaña traces the roots of colonialism in the key relationship of cultivation and civility in Tudor England and shows the central role this played in Tudor strategies for settling, civilizing, and colonizing Ireland. The book ranges from the role of cartography, surveying, and material culture – houses, fences, fields, roads, and bridges – in manifesting the new order to the place of diet, leisure, language, and hairstyles in establishing cultural differences as a site of conflict between the Irish and the imperializing state and as a justification for the civilizing process. It shows that the ideologies and strategies of colonization which would later be applied in the New World were already apparent in the practices, material culture, and hardening attitude towards barbarous customs of the Tudor regime.

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For Megan Reid

*Más non podrá el tiempo y la fortuna*

*Dos almas apartar que ya son una*

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# Abbreviations

<i>AFM</i>	<i>ANNALA RIOGHACHTA EIREANN: Annals of the Kingdom of Ireland, by the Four Masters, from the Earliest Period to the Year 1616.</i> Translated by John O'Donovan. 2nd edn. 6 vols. Dublin: Hodges, Smith and Co., 1856.
<i>AH</i>	<i>Analecta Hibernica</i>
<i>AHR</i>	<i>American Historical Review</i>
<i>BIHR</i>	<i>Bulletin of the Institute of Historical Research</i>
<i>BL</i>	British Library
<i>CCM</i>	<i>Calendar of the Carew Manuscripts Preserved in the Archiepiscopal Library at Lambeth.</i> Edited by J. S. Brewer and William Bullen. London: Longmans, Green, Reader and Dyer; 1867–73.
<i>CSP Foreign</i>	<i>Calendar of State Papers, Foreign</i>
<i>CSP Ireland</i>	<i>Calendar of State Papers, Ireland</i>
<i>CSP Milan</i>	<i>Calendar of State Papers, Milan</i>
<i>CSP Rome</i>	<i>Calendar of State Papers, Rome</i>
<i>CSP Venetian</i>	<i>Calendar of State Papers, Venetian</i>
<i>ECRO</i>	Essex County Record Office
<i>EHR</i>	<i>English Historical Review</i>
<i>ELH</i>	<i>English Literary History</i>
<i>ELR</i>	<i>English Literary Renaissance</i>
<i>HJ</i>	<i>Historical Journal</i>
<i>HMC</i>	<i>Historical Manuscripts Commission</i>
<i>IHS</i>	<i>Irish Historical Studies</i>
<i>Irish Fiants</i>	<i>The Irish Fiants of the Tudor Sovereigns during the Reigns of Henry VIII, Edward VI, Philip &amp; Mary, and Elizabeth I.</i> 4 vols. Dublin: Éamonn de Búrca, 1994.
<i>JBS</i>	<i>Journal of British Studies</i>
<i>JCHAS</i>	<i>Journal of the Cork Historical and Archaeological Society</i>
<i>JCKAS</i>	<i>Journal of the County Kildare Archaeological Society</i>
<i>JEMH</i>	<i>Journal of Early Modern History</i>

<i>JGAHS</i>	<i>Journal of the Galway Archaeological and Historical Society</i>
<i>JKSLAS</i>	<i>Journal of the Kilkenny and Southeast Ireland Archaeological Society</i>
<i>JRSAI</i>	<i>Journal of the Royal Society of Antiquaries Ireland</i>
<i>L &amp; P Henry VIII</i>	<i>Letters and Papers, Foreign and Domestic, of the Reign of Henry VIII</i> . Edited by J. S. Brewer. 21 in 35 vols. London: Longman, 1862–1910.
LPL	Lambeth Palace Library
NCRO	Northampton County Record Office
NHI	<i>A New History of Ireland</i> , 10 vols. Oxford: Clarendon Press, 1976–90.
NLI	National Library of Ireland
<i>P &amp; P</i>	<i>Past and Present</i>
<i>PAPS</i>	<i>Proceedings of the American Philosophical Society</i>
<i>PMLA</i>	<i>Publications of the Modern Language Association</i>
<i>PRIA</i>	<i>Proceedings of the Royal Irish Academy</i>
PRO	National Archives, Public Record Office, Kew
<i>Sidney Letters</i>	<i>Letters and Memorials of State in the Reigns of Queen Mary, Queen Elizabeth, King James, King Charles the First, Part of King Charles the Second and Oliver's Usurpation</i> . Edited by Arthur Collins. 2 vols. London, 1746.
<i>Sidney State Papers</i>	<i>Sidney State Papers, 1565–70</i> . Edited by Tomás Ó Laidhin. Dublin: Irish Manuscripts Commission, 1962.
<i>SP Henry VIII</i>	<i>State Papers, Henry VIII</i> . 5 pts. in 11 vols. London: Printed by G. Eyre and A. Strahan, 1830–49.
TCD	Trinity College Dublin
<i>TRHS</i>	<i>Transactions of the Royal Historical Society</i>
<i>UJA</i>	<i>Ulster Journal of Archaeology</i>