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Imperial Portugal in the Age of Atlantic Revolutions

As the British, French, and Spanish Atlantic empires were torn apart in the Age of Revolutions, Portugal steadily pursued reforms to tie its American, African, and European territories more closely together. Eventually, after a period of revival and prosperity, the Luso-Brazilian world also succumbed to revolution, which ultimately resulted in Brazil's independence from Portugal. The first of its kind in the English language to examine the Portuguese Atlantic World in the period from 1770 to 1850, this book reveals that, despite formal separation, the links and relationships that survived the demise of empire entwined the historical trajectories of Portugal and Brazil even more tightly than before. From constitutionalism to economic policy to the problem of slavery, Portuguese and Brazilian statesmen and political writers labored under the long shadow of empire as they sought to begin anew and forge stable post-imperial orders on both sides of the Atlantic.

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¹ *London Review*, vol. I, no. 2 (July 1835), p. 371.

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² Southey 1822, vol. III, p. 879.

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ACM	Arquivo Central da Marinha (Lisbon, Portugal)
ADB	Arquivo Distrital de Braga [Arquivo do Conde da Barca] (Braga, Portugal)
AHI	Arquivo Histórico do Itamaraty (Rio de Janeiro, RJ, Brazil)
AHM	Arquivo Histórico Militar (Lisbon, Portugal)
AHP	Arquivo Histórico Parlamentar (Lisbon, Portugal)
AHU	Arquivo Histórico Ultramarino (Lisbon, Portugal)
AMC	<i>Annaes Marítimos e Coloniaes</i>
AMI	Arquivo do Museu Imperial (Petrópolis, RJ, Brazil)
ANTT	Arquivos Nacionais / Torre do Tombo (Lisbon, Portugal)
ANRJ	Arquivo Nacional (Rio de Janeiro, RJ, Brazil)
APBAC	<i>Annaes do Parlamento Brasileiro: A Assembléa Constituinte de 1823</i>
APEC	Arquivo Público do Estado do Ceará (Fortaleza, CE, Brazil)
APEJE	Arquivo Público Estadual Jordão Emerenciano (Recife, PE, Brazil)
APEM	Arquivo Público do Estado do Maranhão (São Luís, MA, Brazil)
APEP	Arquivo Público do Estado do Pará (Belém, PA, Brazil)
B.Aj.	Biblioteca da Ajuda (Lisbon, Portugal)
BCM	Biblioteca Central da Marinha (Lisbon, Portugal)
BNL	Biblioteca Nacional de Lisboa [Reservados] (Lisbon, Portugal)
BNRJ	Biblioteca Nacional (Rio de Janeiro, RJ, Brazil)
Bod.Ox.	Bodleian Library, University of Oxford (Oxford, UK)
Boe.C.	Boehrer Collection. Spencer Research Library, University of Kansas (Lawrence, KS, USA)

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BPMP	Biblioteca Pública Municipal do Porto (Porto, Portugal)
Cod.	Códice
CT	Colección Torrijos. Hispanic Society of America (New York, NY, USA)
Cx.	Caixa
DC	<i>Diário das Cortes</i>
DCSDNP	<i>Diário da Câmara do Senhores Deputados da Nação Portuguesa</i>
Hay	John Hay Library, Brown University (Providence, RI, USA)
Houghton	Houghton Library, Harvard University (Cambridge, MA, USA)
IAHGP	Instituto Arqueológico, Histórico e Geográfico Pernambucano (Recife, PE, Brazil)
IHGAL	Instituto Histórico e Geográfico de Alagoas (Maceió, AL, Brazil)
IHGB	Instituto Histórico e Geográfico Brasileiro (Rio de Janeiro, RJ, Brazil)
JCBL	The John Carter Brown Library (Providence, RI, USA)
Lill.L.	Lilly Library. Indiana University (Bloomington, IN, USA)
Mç.	Maço
Newberry	The Newberry Library (Chicago, IL, USA)
PBDP	<i>Portugal-Brazil: Debates Parlamentares</i>
SGL	Sociedade de Geografia de Lisboa (Lisbon, Portugal)
TNA	The National Archives (Kew [London], UK)

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