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In this new work, Brian R. Hamnett offers a comprehensive assessment of the independence era in both Spanish America and Brazil by examining the interplay between events in Iberia and in the overseas empires of Spain and Portugal. Most colonists had wanted some form of unity within the Spanish and Portuguese monarchies but European intransigence continually frustrated this aim. Hamnett argues that independence finally came as a result of widespread internal conflict in the two American empires, rather than as a result of a clear separatist ideology or a growing national sentiment. With the collapse of empire, each component territory faced a struggle to survive. *The End of Iberian Rule on the American Continent, 1770–1830* is the first book of its kind to give equal consideration to the Spanish and Portuguese dimensions of South America, examining these territories in terms of their divergent component elements.

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Abbreviations

AEA	Anuario de Estudios Americanos
AHR	American Historical Review
CSSH	Comparative Studies in Society and History
HAHR	Hispanic American Historical Review
HM	Historia Mexicana
IHR	International History Review
JCH	Journal of Contemporary History
JGSWGLA	Jahrbuch für Geschichte von Staat, Wirtschaft und Gesellschaft Latein-Amerikas
JLAS	Journal of Latin American Studies
LARR	Latin American Research Review
LBR	Luso-Brazilian Review
RHA	Revista de Historia de América
RI	Revista de Indias
TRHS	Transactions of the Royal Historical Society

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