Abstract

This thesis examines the migration of the French population to Great Britain after the outbreak of the French Revolution in 1789. It aims to elucidate the extent and context in which French Catholic emigration had an impact on the emancipation of the English Catholic minority between 1789 and 1799. The thesis also focuses on the functioning of the *émigrés* in Great Britain and traces their activities. The thesis is divided into three parts. The first part outlines the situation of the Catholic Church in France and England in the eighteenth century, the second part examines the political attitude of Great Britain towards the French migratory wave, and the third part focuses directly on the cultural and emancipatory contribution of the *émigrés* in Great Britain. The thesis uses a descriptive analysis to describe and map the situations into which French migrants first entered. To critically evaluate the transformation of situations during the French migrants' stay in the Great Britain, the thesis uses a comparative method.

Key words:

Catholic Church, French migration, Great Britain, emancipation, émigrés