

Příspěvek ke studiu koloniálních aktivit Cecila Rhodese v letech 1880-1896

Abstract:

The topic of this bachelor thesis is the contribution of Cecile Rhodes within colonial politics in South Africa. Timewise the thesis focuses on the years 1880-1896. It is a period of time when Rhodes held political power so he could achieve his colonial goals. The first part of the thesis covers the situation in South Africa before Cecile Rhodes' arrival, then the circumstances of his arrival to South Africa and his entering into the Cape Parliament. The main focus is on an analysis of the various imperial activities that Rhodes has undertaken in Africa. Primarily the focus is on the conquest of Bechuanaland and Rhodesia regions, which thanks to him have become one of the territories under the British rule. The thesis also contains an analysis of the unrealized goal of creating a band of British territories in Africa from the Cape of Good Hope to Cairo. The ideas that lead Rhodes to his actions, including the idea of the Anglo-Saxon racial superiority are also included in this thesis. At the end there is a summary of events leading to Rhodes' resignation as a Prime Minister of the Cape of Colony and the results of his activities in South Africa.