

The priest and the manager: religious and administrative conflicts an English auriferous mine: Brazil (1862)

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Abstract

The article seeks to analyze an unpublished document critically sent to Emperor of Brazil, D. Pedro II, in 1862 denouncing, under a Catholic clergyman's point of view, the interferences practiced by James Newell Gordon, superintendent of Saint John del Rey Mining Company, Limited (Morro Velho), in the slaves' practices nuns and the attritions that happened inside between Catholicism and Protestantism of this company. Your implied sense, however, they end for revealing other important aspects of the world of the work in the English auriferous mining in Minas Gerais in the second half of the century XIX, as for instance, the punishments, prisons, rest on Sundays, religious attendance to the patients, begging, hierarchy relationships, among others.