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What Was It?

The European Imperial Expansion was a huge amount of events which lead to European cultures spreading across other countries and continents. There were many reasons for these actions to happen such as; resources, power and political ideas. I believe that the European Imperial Expansion was positive and here is why.



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Impact was how it affected peoples lives and lifestyles. It brought many positives and also many negatives.

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Source C - The impact that the European Imperial Expansion had on this country was positive. Increased working led to more silk factories which benefited the economy greatly. Local work practices expanded greatly.

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Source F - The impact that the expansion had on cities like Sydney was extremely positive. It led to the improvement of infrastructure which built new roads that were used to transport raw materials and people even faster.

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Roads in the early days of Sydney

Grose reported to Dundas on 31st August, 1794, (*H.R.A. series 1-vol.1-p.483*):

I have caused a very good road to be made from Sydney to the banks of the Hawkesbury, by the which we discovered the distance from this place by land is much less than we expected. An officer who is by no means considered as being particularly active undertook for a trifling wager to walk there from Sydney in nine hours, and with great ease to himself performed a journey in eight hours and two minutes which formerly required an exertion of some days to accomplish.

This road was basically on the same route followed by Old Windsor Road and Old Hawkesbury Road.

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Source G - This source shows a picture of the leaders of each country involved in splitting land and raw materials. This had a negative impact as not all the leaders had an equal amount of say. Countries that had been colonized had no say at all, such as the Chinese Mandarin in the background of this source.



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Source I - The impact that the European Imperial Expansion had on countries like India was positive. Source I shows a photo of the Indian practice of suttee (or sati) which is when a widowed woman immolates herself typically on her husbands funeral pyre. The expansion brought different cultures together which made this practice fall behind in popularity thus leading to its extinction.



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Source J - In this unique source, it shows a group of indigenous South Americans forced into Christianity and not given a choice of what they want to do or who they should praise. This had a negative impact on the culture and religion of the indigenous who inhabited the land years before the beginning of the European Imperial Expansion. These people were forced into another culture and a different belief system which could of disturbed their rituals of past religion.

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