Abstract Details

Title: Revolt of 1857: The First War of Independence?

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Abstract: The dictionary meaning of Uprising is "an act of resistance or rebellion or a revolt." Most scholars have used Mutiny and insurrection interchangeably. Whether the revolt of 1857 was just another revolt in the long series of revolts against British authority or was it rightly called by some as a war of independence? Before we discuss that let us first examine the causes that led to this revolt. Reasons for the mutiny are still debatable in academic circles and politico-history discussions. However, it was not the first revolt against the established authority of the British, yet the impact it left on the masses makes it a topic of great deliberation.

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