



Taking Religion out of Indigenous Warfare:



The British Pacification Campaign in Upper Burma, 1885-1888

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Recent analyses of the impact of the British invasion, annexation, and pacification of Upper Burma in the third Anglo-Burmese War and after have tended to emphasize Buddhist elements in the mobilization and character of indigenous resistance to the British. In doing so, this research connects this conflict very neatly with older work on early modern Southeast Asia that understands indigenous warfare through a framework influenced by the religious cultures prevailing in different parts of the region. This seminar focuses on a particular zone of Upper Burma during this conflict to discuss why evidence for the motives and the mode of fighting require a different approach.

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