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Sommario/riassunto	The colonization of Spanish America resulted in the mixing of Natives, Europeans, and Africans and the subsequent creation of a casta system that discriminated against them. Members of mixed races could, however, free themselves from such burdensome restrictions through the purchase of a <i>gracias al sacar</i> -a royal exemption that provided the privileges of Whiteness. For more than a century, the whitening <i>gracias al sacar</i> has fascinated historians. Even while the documents remained elusive, scholars continually mentioned the potential to acquire Whiteness as a provocative marker of the historic...