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Abstracts

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Occitan: How the language of the troubadours became a minority language

Occitan as the language of troubadour poetry was an important literary language in the Middle Ages in Europe and spoken at courts in southern France. After the Albigensian Crusade (1209-1229) against Catharism, political power changed to the French kings and their allies. Occitan thus assumed the role of a local language with no political power which subsequently led to its present status as a minority language with few linguistic rights for its speakers in the French state.