

COTTON STATISTICS ACT, 1868.

RETURN of the Number of BALES OF COTTON Imported, Exported, forwarded from Ports to Inland Towns, and returned to Ports, during the Month and 10 Months ended 31st October, 1897, compared with the corresponding Months of the Years 1896 and 1895.

Description of Cotton.	Imports.			Exports.			Forwarded from Ports to Inland Towns.			Forwarded from Inland Towns to Ports.		
	1897	1896	1895	1897	1896	1895	1897	1896	1895	1897	1896	1895
Month ended 31st October.												
American... ..	294,736	290,229	142,991	14,994	21,712	18,838	223,378	240,391	253,293	166	120	285
Brazilian	375	11,923	14,892	115	900	1,147	4,756	5,435	9,532
East Indian	1,393	4,336	4,240	2,228	7,772	6,828	3,994	5,031	2,749
Egyptian	28,796	36,253	31,274	2,851	3,004	4,914	20,087	21,268	19,249
Miscellaneous	6,880	4,853	3,793	1,006	1,053	4,138	6,902	7,442	8,394	87	4	123
Total	332,180	347,594	197,190	21,194	34,441	35,865	259,117	279,567	293,217	253	124	408
10 Months ended 31st October.												
American... ..	1,845,683	1,850,356	2,325,236	240,167	155,462	202,086	2,090,054	2,121,746	2,294,946	2,410	2,167	3,636
Brazilian	69,624	41,463	43,699	3,590	11,012	14,850	58,210	41,142	33,641	...	7	...
East Indian	95,289	130,733	99,870	49,778	60,004	52,172	56,456	47,400	29,576	...	4	...
Egyptian	259,886	249,975	240,748	67,045	64,466	66,609	218,510	214,546	189,853	40	49	10
Miscellaneous	46,495	45,726	48,903	14,421	16,807	29,455	78,133	78,559	79,837	391	726	804
Total	2,316,977	2,318,254	2,758,256	375,001	307,751	365,172	2,501,363	2,503,303	2,627,853	2,841	2,953	4,450

Dated November 5, 1897.

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