

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 12 Months ended 31st December, 1900, compared with the corresponding Months of the Years 1899 and 1898.

Description of Cotton.	Imports.			Exports.			Forwarded from Ports to Inland Towns.			Forwarded from Inland Towns to Ports.		
	1900	1899	1898	1900	1899	1898	1900	1899	1898	1900	1899	1898
Month ended 31st December.												
American... ..	495,813	200,466	753,254	53,119	24,024	29,291	244,979	231,427	272,003	345	489	121
Brazilian	2,949	8,419	3	471	500	1,304	4,639	6,851	4,467	...	...	...
East Indian	5,460	2,348	4,746	5,308	2,240	3,735	1,100	765	1,150	...	...	...
Egyptian... ..	75,003	118,107	66,548	10,155	16,227	7,255	44,157	47,644	45,926	...	...	...
Miscellaneous	5,045	5,401	8,859	493	2,285	171	5,501	8,127	7,035	3	1	12
Total	584,270	329,741	833,410	69,546	45,276	41,756	300,376	294,814	330,581	348	490	133
12 Months ended 31st December.												
American... ..	2,992,187	2,656,337	3,867,641	257,002	366,804	272,022	2,517,284	2,721,429	2,851,166	3,758	4,218	4,273
Brazilian	120,554	18,833	18,995	12,354	8,780	5,838	118,407	31,830	29,314	...	...	...
East Indian	79,593	78,859	63,649	39,818	62,193	41,031	16,902	16,360	22,432	...	...	...
Egyptian	409,536	508,944	382,646	80,568	99,552	81,776	341,070	322,781	305,135	100	...	...
Miscellaneous	71,068	61,647	69,334	10,512	10,726	9,701	68,224	79,684	85,393	275	152	462
Total	3,672,988	3,324,620	4,402,265	400,254	547,555	410,368	3,061,887	3,172,084	3,293,940	4,133	4,370	4,735

Dated January 5, 1901.

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