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 5 Months ended 31st May, 1901, compared with the corresponding Months of the Years 1900 and 1899.

				Imports.			Exports.			Forwarded from Ports to Inland Towns.			. Forwarded from Inland Towns to Ports.				
Descrip	Description of Cotton.				1901	1900	1899	1901	1900	1899	1901	1900	1899	1901	1900	1899	
			-		Month ended 31st May.												
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American	•••	•••	•••	•••	218,865	13 5 ,55 2	105,138	16,552	34,616	42,493	216,114	233,309	228,636	377	246	271	
Brazilian	•••	***	***	•••	3,089	17,486	126 $9,188$	2,301	1,959 2,446	87 4 6,599	3,117 5,418	12,403 530	1,011 3,559	•••	•••	•••	
East Indian	***	•••	•••	***	17,132 22,380	4,361 12,487	38,887	4,792	4,016	13,513	16,487	18,083	28,237	•••	***	***	
Egyptian Miscellaneous	•••	•••	•••	•••	4,498	4,111	3,545	1,061	465	358	6,703	5,281	6,724	1		2	
		Total	•••	•••	265,964	178,997	156,884	24,706	43,502	63,837	247,839	269,606	268,167	378	246	273	
					5 Months ended 31st May.											1	
6				}	1,347,568	1,269,616	1,561,488	83,935	107,059	178,514	1,163,730	1,197,612	1,167,460	1,924	1,582	1,648	
American Brazilian	•••	***	•••	•	17,223	84,389	628	835	4,754	5,480	21,121	58,876	10,094		***	1,040	
East Indian	•••	•••	•••	•••	55,143	10,790	34,221	18,461	9,137	26,414	16,768	2,352	7,576		•••	•••	
Egyptian	•••	***	•••	••••	168,594	204,921	210,585	25,125	43,340	48,513	108,935	177,495	137,225		100	•••	
Miscellapeous	•••	•••	•••	•••	28,846	17,930	22,999	2,911	4,267	3,121	29,220	27,787	36,625	62	6	20	
		Total		•••	1,617,374	1,587,646	1,829,921	131,267	168,557	262,072	1,339,774	1,459,122	1,358,980	1,986	1,688	1,668	

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