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 ending 31st January, 1914, compared with the corresponding Month of the Years 1913 and 1912.

Description of Cotton.					Imports.			Exports.			Forwarded from Ports to Inland Towns.			Forwarded from Inland Towns to Ports.			
					1914	1913	1912	1914	1913	1912	1914	1913	1912	1914	1913	1912	
					Month ending 31st January.												
American Brazilian East Indian Egyptian Miscellaneous					Bales. 420,111 44,404 14,161 69,319 *17,899	Bales. 454,906 16,541 7,287 95,369 10,531	Bales. 570,235 3,762 744 100,881 11,496	Bales. 16,173 1,574 6,035 14,101 1,079	Bales. 27,303 1,296 4,862 35,964 1,265	Bales. 52,186 1,237 592 20,830 1,069	Bales. 279,503 17,113 3,137 51,101 18,427	Bales. 314,558 9,819 3,253 67,761 11,020	Bales. 253,153 3,958 1,631 52,033 7,858	Bales. 193 	Bales, 204 	Bales. 198 45	
		Total	•••	•••	565,894	584,634	687,118	38,962	70,690	75,914	369,281	406,411	318,633	193	204	243	

^{*} Including 543 Bales British West Indian, 42 Bales British West African; 723 Bales British East African, and 89 Bales Foreign East African.

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6th February, 1914.