

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 ended 31st January, 1897, compared with the corresponding Month 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 January.												
American... ..	514,779	293,801	675,573	17,899	17,383	26,955	239,501	245,564	262,056	290	99	...
Brazilian ... ..	742	10,382	...	500	764	253	2,937	7,006	1,172	...	7	...
East Indian ... ..	6,850	9,260	1,302	3,528	3,951	2,323	5,088	2,771	2,451	...	3	...
Egyptian ... ..	49,729	66,683	52,576	8,274	17,316	13,112	33,698	39,584	33,304	...	...	...
Miscellaneous ... ..	5,876	1,514	6,253	827	3,164	2,586	11,490	10,499	12,720	3	94	11
<b>Total</b> ... ..	<b>577,976</b>	<b>381,640</b>	<b>735,704</b>	<b>31,028</b>	<b>42,578</b>	<b>45,231</b>	<b>292,714</b>	<b>305,424</b>	<b>311,703</b>	<b>293</b>	<b>203</b>	<b>11</b>

Dated February 5, 1897.

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