

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 9 Months ended 30th September, 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 30th September:												
American...	33,676	99,469	27,785	19,361	5,300	17,872	187,688	175,818	193,062	154	150	316
Brazilian...	41	227	3,335	...	1,186	3,162	8,423	3,320	7,685
East Indian	3,743	3,419	10,464	3,519	5,921	8,457	5,783	4,066	2,500
Egyptian...	8,982	6,727	1,789	6,253	860	4,834	12,833	12,520	11,890
Miscellaneous	3,446	5,404	4,041	900	400	1,576	6,334	7,195	6,343	33	46	91
Total	49,888	115,246	47,414	30,033	13,667	35,901	221,061	202,919	221,480	187	196	407
9 Months ended 30th September.												
American...	1,550,947	1,560,127	2,182,245	225,173	133,750	183,248	1,866,676	1,881,355	2,041,653	2,244	2,047	3,351
Brazilian ...	69,249	29,540	28,807	3,475	10,112	13,703	53,454	35,707	24,109	...	7	...
East Indian	93,896	126,397	95,430	47,550	52,232	45,344	52,462	42,369	26,827	...	4	...
Egyptian ...	231,090	213,723	209,474	64,194	61,462	61,695	198,423	193,278	170,604	40	49	10
Miscellaneous	39,615	40,873	45,110	13,415	15,754	25,317	71,231	71,117	71,443	304	722	681
Total	1,984,797	1,970,660	2,561,066	353,807	273,310	329,307	2,242,246	2,223,326	2,334,636	2,588	2,829	4,042

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