

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 3 Months ended 31st March, 1904, compared with the corresponding Months of the Years 1903 and 1902.

Description of Cotton.					Imports.			Exports.			Forwarded from Ports to Inland Towns.			Forwarded from Inland Towns to Ports.		
					1904	1903	1902	1904	1903	1902	1904	1903	1902	1904	1903	1902
Month ended 31st March.																
American...	...	...	...	...	Bales. 151,969	Bales. 348,728	Bales. 280,716	Bales. 28,014	Bales. 14,712	Bales. 22,329	Bales. 189,640	Bales. 270,274	Bales. 229,592	Bales. 295	Bales. 622	Bales. 202
Brazilian ...	...	...	...	...	22,078	22,978	26,862	300	2,651	120	10,118	12,811	11,218	...	...	...
East Indian ...	...	...	...	...	16,707	9,644	1,748	7,174	3,539	1,958	5,667	3,502	1,698	...	...	...
Egyptian ...	...	...	...	...	42,897	43,980	43,395	6,074	12,754	11,457	29,940	27,877	22,647	...	...	...
Miscellaneous ...	...	...	...	...	5,200	4,300	9,382	1,665	443	545	2,418	5,464	5,595	...	...	...
Total ...	...	...	...	...	238,851	429,625	362,103	43,227	34,099	36,409	237,783	319,928	270,750	295	622	202
3 Months ended 31st March.																
American...	...	...	...	...	733,433	1,044,186	1,154,287	116,580	53,453	57,404	584,669	836,294	745,716	1,372	1,190	486
Brazilian ...	...	...	...	...	51,608	65,820	76,126	2,652	10,623	720	24,250	34,163	28,761	...	...	...
East Indian ...	...	...	...	...	43,150	19,653	6,783	15,246	7,511	4,161	17,201	10,835	3,283	...	...	...
Egyptian ...	...	...	...	...	158,278	164,201	170,185	30,328	46,415	42,856	103,330	102,463	96,141	...	...	...
Miscellaneous ...	...	...	...	...	12,016	9,155	15,231	2,875	2,387	1,147	11,925	16,032	22,032	...	7	6
Total ...	...	...	...	...	998,485	1,303,015	1,422,612	167,681	120,389	106,288	741,375	999,787	895,933	1,372	1,197	492

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