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EXPLANATORY NOTE.

The following tables are an abstract of the Annual Statement of the Trade and Navigation of British India with Foreign Countries for 1903-04 issued in India in two volumes.* Values are expressed in pounds at the rate of 15 rupees to £1, this rate having been maintained since January, 1898, with but slight variation.

According to the provisions of the Indian Sea Customs Act the values of goods imported or exported represent: (a) the wholesale cash price, less trade discount, for which goods of the like kind and quality are sold, or are capable of being sold, at the time and place of importation or exportation, as the case may be, without any abatement or deduction whatever, except (in the case of goods imported) of the amount of the duties payable on the importation thereof; or (b) where such price is not ascertainable, the cost at which goods of the like kind and quality could be delivered at such place without any abatement or deduction except as aforesaid.

The Imports include all articles landed, whether they are intended for home consumption, bonding, or re-export.

The returns of Imports and Exports are exclusive of Foreign Merchandise transhipped at ports in India. The trade returns take no account of transhipments.

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The Imports are classified according to the countries whence they were shipped direct to India, as declared by the importers in the bills of entry, and not according to their prime origin. Thus goods from Switzerland, which has no seaboard, and is not named in the returns, are credited to the countries from which they are shipped. Similarly, Exports are, as a rule, credited to the country of destination, as declared by the exporters in the shipping bills, and not the ultimate destination. Special mention should be made of the large trade with Hong Kong, most of which is trade with China, though some of it is with Japan, the Philippines, and the Pacific Coast of America. A large portion of the trade with the Straits Settlements is really trade with the Far East. Colombo (Ceylon) and Aden are also entrepots of trade, and a considerable proportion of the goods despatched to, or received from, these ports represents transit trade. It is probable that much of the trade shown as to or from, Holland and Belgium, is in reality trade with Germany. The Exports to Egypt are not all retained by that country, but consist to a large extent of rice, wheat, &c., consigned to Port Said to await orders for delivery in ports west of Suez. In 1903-4 information was obtained from exporters as to the destination of goods thus consigned for orders, with the result that the Exports to Egypt appear very much smaller than in previous years.

* The volumes can be obtained in this country from the Agents for the sale of Indian Government Publications. In these volumes values are given in rupees.

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