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INTRODUCTION

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The peculiar way in which the States of the Central India Agency intermingle, so that one State often has possessions in several Political Charges, made the Statistics collected for the Imperial Tables useless for administrative purposes, as far as individual Darbars were concerned. This has perhaps made the Provincial Part somewhat bulky, but when the expenses borne by the States are taken into consideration, it will be seen to be only just that they should obtain Statistics in a form which could be of practical value to them.

This Volume contains tables made out by States giving all the information that, I think, is likely to be required for ordinary administrative purposes.

The States are so far as possible arranged by Political Charges.

Cantonments, Military and Civil Stations, and Railways have been separated, as the land in these cases is ceded to British jurisdiction, and the administration has passed out of the hands of State officials.

To give all tables was impossible, and I can only hope that those which I have compiled will prove useful.

Any special information, not contained in these tables but recorded, can always be obtained from the Tabulation Registers.

State Reports.—A note on the Census of certain Selected States in each Political Charge has been added to this Volume together with a few Subsidiary Tables. It would have been impossible to do this for all States, nor could I spare the time to do more than give a sketch of the State figures. I must leave it to those interested in any particular State to search the tables themselves for more detailed information.

The States taken are Indore, Riwa, Bhopal, Dhar, Barwani, Datia, Charkhari, Chhatarpur, Senior and Junior Dewas, Jaora and Ratlam.

The arrangement of this Part falls into 3 Sections.

Section I gives notes on the 12 Selected States of Central India. All important Tables are dealt with.

Section II deals with the remaining States and Estates. Tables I to VI are dealt with. A few Tables giving the main results for Cantonments, Military and Civil Stations, and for portions of different Railways in Central India, have also been added to this Section.

It will be noticed that Section II gives details by *perganas* for the large States and by whole Estates in case of small boldings.

Section III contains notes on Famine and Overcrowding, Provincial Table C., an Alphabetical list of Castes, Tribes, and Races, and Statements shewing Variation in Area since 1881, and its distribution by Natural Divisions. Supplementary Tables giving Leading Statistics, and a List of castes and sub-castes, with figures denoting the Political Charges in which they were found, are also added.

The Supplementary Tables will shew Political Officers at a glance the area and population in their respective charges.

The list of sub-castes is exactly as recorded at the Census and has been printed simply to assist the Ethnographic Survey work. It has not been examined at all and is necessarily most incorrect.