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### PREFACE.

This book concludes the labours of my three years' Professorship. It embraces a history of the Legislative Councils and of the judicial institutions which have been established in this country by the English; and an account is added of the existing Courts and Councils which make and administer the laws now in force in British India. The subject is one which is, in many respects, intricate and dull, but it is essential to an ordinary acquaintance with the Government and constitution of the empire.

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