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PREFACE.

The basis of this revised edition of the Gazetteer of the Shahpur District is the Settlement Report written in 1866 by Captain Davies (now Sir W. G. Davies, K.C.S.I.). The historical portions of that report have been repeated almost *verbatim*, but the remainder has been almost entirely re-written, amplified and brought up to date. The figures regarding population are mainly taken from the statistics of the census of 1891; those regarding crops and assessments are mostly those of the year 1893, which were the last available when the revision of settlement was completed; and the others have been brought up to the year 1895 or 1896. The general information about the district and its people embodied in this volume was collected by me from personal observation, while I held charge of the district as Deputy Commissioner and carried out the revision of settlement between the years 1896 and 1894, or compiled from various sources too numerous to detail.

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