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PREFATORY NOTE.

The principal purpose of this book is to provide a contemporary account of the measures of reorganization carried out in the Army in India after the Great War of 1914-18, and to describe, in a connected form, the essential features of the army as thus reconstructed. The opportunity has been taken of reviewing broadly at the same time the evolution of the Army in India from its first beginnings, the object being to indicate the chain of causation which ultimately produced the after-war reforms, and also to preserve, in a convenient relation, a record of the military institutions which served India before the war, and which have been so greatly altered by the after-war reforms that they may soon stand in danger of being forgotten. The book is intended for the information of the general public and also for the use of military officers in connection with their promotion examinations. It is intended, so far as possible, to be purely a statement of facts. It has been compiled officially and is issued with the authority of the Government of India whose approval, however, must not be taken as extending explicitly to every statement or expression of opinion which the book contains.

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