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PREFACE.

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THIS WORK is an account of the progress of a State in India which was civilised under our rule, and which it is now proposed to hand over, against the wishes of its people, to certain Native Princes. It is published with the object of appealing to the protection of public opinion in England, on behalf of a loyal and industrious population.

The Portrait facing the title-page is that of General Hall, C.B., who was the founder, and main promoter, of the reforms in Mairwara. 20 R

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STORY OF MAIRWARA

CHAPTER I.

INTRODUCTORY REMARKS.

MAIRWARA is a small Spartan state in Central India, adjacent to Ajmeer. On taking the latter territory from the Mahrattas, in 1818, we found ourselves compelled, by the injuries we had sustained, and the incursions to which we were exposed, to reduce the predatory people of Mairwara also. This we accomplished in 1822, and they became, in our hands, a peaceful, prosperous peasantry, the modern instance of able, active government. In the Great Mutiny of 1857,—which broke out not far from their borders—they