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TO THE LAND-HOLDERS AND CULTIVATORS  
OF THE BOMBAY PRESIDENCY  
FROM WHOM I HAVE EXPERIENCED SO MUCH KINDNESS  
DURING THE PAST TWENTY-SEVEN YEARS

“ Happy the man, whose wish and care  
A few paternal acres bound,  
Content to breathe his native air  
In his own ground.”





## PREFACE.

TEN years ago I published a book, entitled "Rural Economy in the Bombay Deccan," in which I attempted to give an account of the agricultural facts of the Bombay Deccan. The object of the present book is to estimate the progress that is being made in agriculture in the Bombay Presidency, to analyse the causes of agricultural progress in India and other countries, and the conditions in which it takes place. The obstacles to such progress are also indicated, and the outlines of a general agricultural policy are suggested. If the facts of the situation are not always made clear in this book, a reference to the previous book will probably give the information required. This book is written with reference to the Bombay Presidency, but the facts and arguments stated apply very largely to the other *ryotwari* tracts of India, and have a bearing on the agricultural problems of any country where small holdings exist or are aimed at.

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