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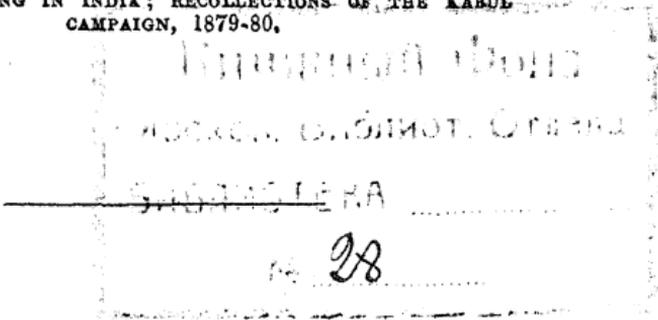
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## P R E F A C E.

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THE Publishers have requested me to re-write Dr. Ince's "Hand-book to Kashmir" (third edition), which has for several years been out of print; in doing so, the lines of the original work have been adhered to as closely as possible.

Five chapters have been added, describing

1. The Routes to Gilgit,
2. „ „ to Leh in Ladakh,
3. Rupshu, the Highlands of Ladakh, Skardu and Rondu.
4. The Tilail Valley,

together with the latest information required to bring the publication up to date.

Personal experience gained as a visitor in search of sport, and as medical officer at Gilgit and Srinagar during a period of about two years, has greatly assisted me in carrying out their wishes.

The task was undertaken with the greatest diffidence, and being at present stationed in Central India, failure would certainly have resulted but for the kind assistance given by Dr. Arthur Neve and the Revd. Hinton Knowles, of the Medical Mission, Srinagar; Mr. Alexander Atkinson, Engineer to H. H. the Maharajah of Kashmir; Messrs. F. C. Murray and Farrant, Executive Engineers on the new Murree-Kashmir Road;

Drs. Stoker and Nelis, Bengal Medical Service ; and Colonel J. Biddulph, formerly Resident at Gilgit.

Drew's "Jummoo and Kashmir Territories" has been freely quoted ; and the Map of Kashmir issued with his book has formed the groundwork of the present map.

New maps have also been added.

The marches "Poonch to Uri" have been copied from some interesting letters that appeared in the *Civil and Military Gazette* during the summer of last year.

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