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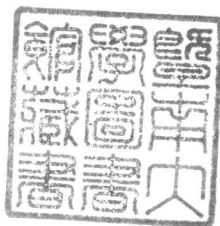
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THE events of recent years have substantially altered the perspective of modern Empire history, and have caused a greater share of public and political interest to be devoted to India and the dependencies. At the same time there has been no cessation of the output of new research and popularization on all phases and periods of the subject. In order to take account of new facts, estimates and proportions, the earlier part of this volume has been freely revised and the latter part rewritten and extended by fifty pages. The general record has been brought to the outbreak of the second World War in 1939, but events of subsequent date have been noted where necessary to round off the treatment of a topic.

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Two additional chapters cover the record of the Empire and Commonwealth in the second World War and give some account of the constitutional changes and other developments that have followed. Wherever possible the information on continuing topics has been brought down to the close of 1952.

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