

PREFACE

The Mysore-Maratha relations occupies a conspicuous place in Modern Indian History in general and South Indian History in particular during the eighteenth century. Here I am making an attempt to throw light on Mysore-Maratha relations in the eighteenth century during Haidar Ali and Tipu's regime. The decline of the Mughals helped the rise of the Marathas in power and importance. The sensitive reader will notice that because they were interested in the wealth of the South, the Marathas could not rule supereme over long period. The relations of the Marathas with Mysore were decided by this factor and while studying these, inevitably we study the characters of Haidar Ali and Tipu Sultan.

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