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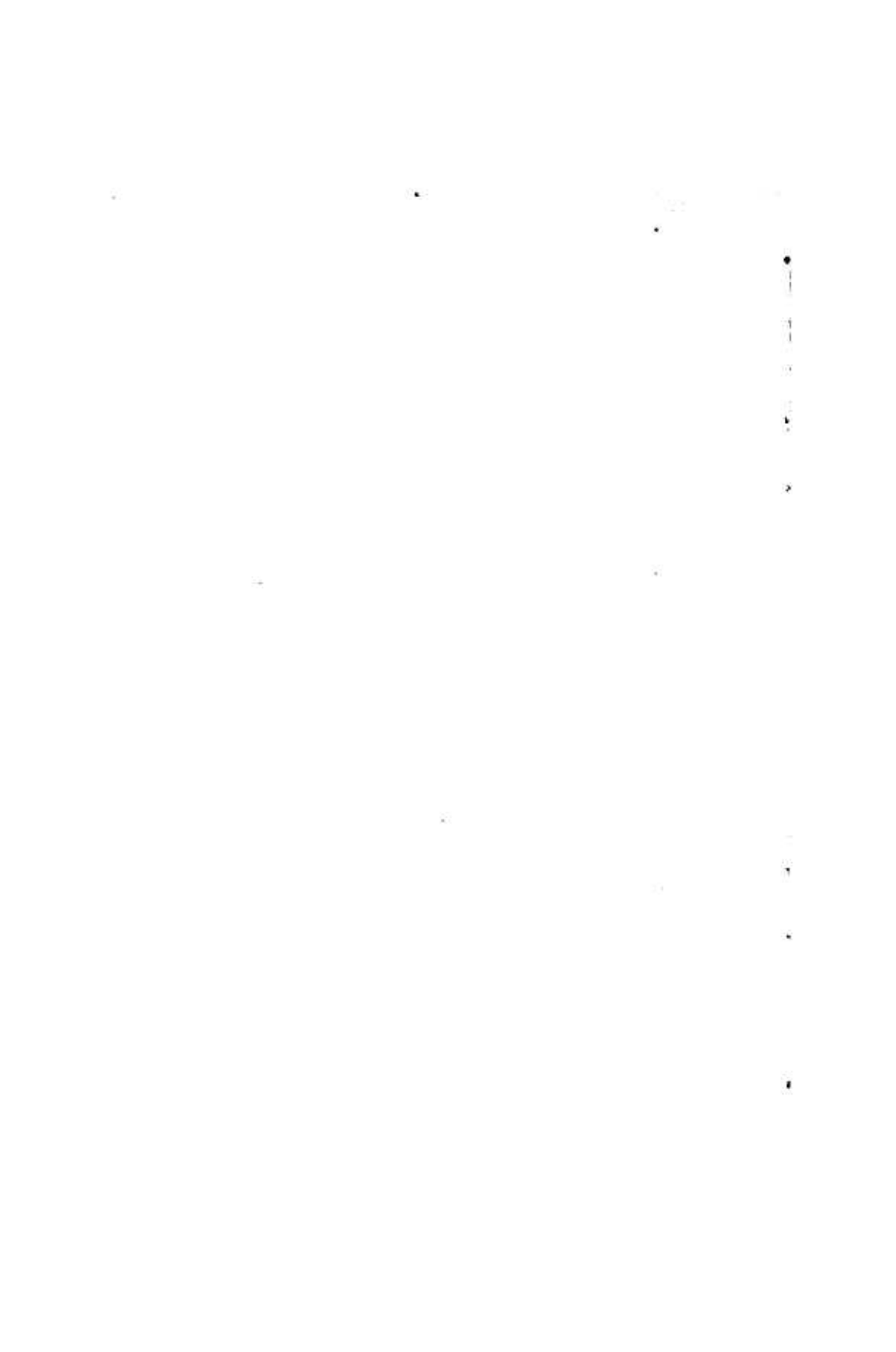
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THE object of this small book is to convey in the most condensed form what knowledge the writer has acquired on a subject to which he has devoted much time and attention for many years; studying the noble animal in all his different forms and breeds, and the noble science when and wherever it came within his reach.



THE EDITOR'S NOTICE.

THE writer of the following short notes was JOHN BAILLIE ROSE of Kilravock, brevet-major of the 55th Regiment. He was born at Kilravock Castle, Nairnshire, on the 15th September 1809 ; entered the army in 1826, as ensign in the 50th Regiment ; exchanged into the 55th ; served for some years on the staff of the Governor of Bombay, but in 1841 joined his regiment, then in active service, in China, and accompanied it successively to Ireland, Gibraltar, and the Crimea. He was mortally wounded while leading the Light Company to the attack of the heights of Alma, on the 20th September

1854, and died of his wounds on the following morning.

From his earliest youth, John Rose was a lover of field sports, and passionately fond of horses. He was known as a good sportsman, a forward rider in the hunting-field and steeple chases in several countries of England, Ireland, and abroad. In the latter years of his life, while his regiment was stationed at Gibraltar, he acted as Master of the Garrison Hounds, known as the CALPE HUNT, and was foremost in promoting all manly sports in the place. Even if this were a more fitting occasion, the friend who now gives these notes to the world, and who knew their author from his childhood, could hardly trust himself to dwell at any length upon his character. While still a boy, he was remarked for steady nerve and courage, which then, perhaps, ran into excess, but which, in after life, was so tempered by the gentleness