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Her Royal Highness
THE PRINCESS LOUISE
THESE PICTURES OF HER FUTURE HOME
IN THE HEBRIDES
ARE
(WITH HER ROYAL HIGHNESS' EXPRESS PERMISSION)
INSCRIBED,
ON THE OCCASION OF HER MARRIAGE,
BY THE AUTHOR.

January, 1871.

THE LAND OF LORNE.

"A LAND of rainbows spanning glens whose walls,
Rock-built, are hung with many-colored mists;
Of far-stretched meres, whose salt flood never rests—
Of tuneful caves and playful waterfalls—
Of mountains varying momentarily their crests.
Proud be this land! whose poorest huts are halls
Where Fancy entertains becoming guests,
While native song the heroic past recalls."

WORDSWORTH,

PREFATORY NOTE.

A SMALL portion of the "Cruise of the *Tern*" has appeared in print before, though in a very imperfect shape; all the rest of the present work is now published for the first time. The pictures of life and scenery, such as they are, speak for themselves, and appeal more or less to everybody; but the narrative of the *Tern's* cruise may have a special interest for yachtsmen, as showing what a very small craft can do with proper management. The *Tern*, I believe, was the smallest craft of the kind that ever ventured round the point of Ardnamurchan, and thence to Ultima Thule, or the Outer Hebrides; but there is no reason whatever why other tiny yachts should

not follow suit, and venture out to the wilds. To any sportsman desirous of such an expedition, and able to stand rough accommodation and wild weather, I can promise glorious amusement, just faintly spiced with a delightful sense of danger, sometimes more fanciful than real, frequently much more real than fanciful.

R. B.

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