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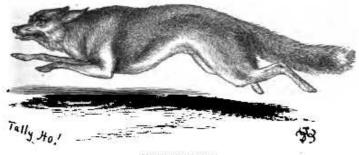
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PREFACE TO NEW EDITION.

THE success which has followed the publication of the two first editions of "Sport" encourages the hope that a new and less costly edition will be even more widely read and appreciated. The book may be regarded as a defence and justification of the amusements of an English country gentleman, an exposition of the ignorance and misstatements of many who have treated the same subject without knowledge or experience, and a condemnation of some few who have written with the direct intention of throwing discredit upon those "Sports" in which the English people have always excelled, and which are still in some degree open to all who care to enjoy them. If the Author has succeeded in proving that these "Sports" are each in its different way deservedly popular-not necessarily cruel nor in any want of legislative interference-the main object with which he wrote has been attained.

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In publishing the following descriptions of the various forms of "Sport" some apology or explanation may be necessary for the last of the series-"Deer-stalking"—the concluding sentences of which were written only a few days before the author's sudden death. It has, therefore, not had the advantage of his personal revision and correction, and may be, to some extent, deficient in the finished style and neatness of expression which were characteristics of his writings. My grateful thanks are due to General Crealocke for his kindness in undertaking the illustration of the book-a work which he began out of regard for an old friend, and which he has completed as a tribute to his memory.

AUGUSTA BROMLEY DAVENPORT.

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