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TO HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS THE DUKE OF PARMA,

AS A POOR EXPRESSION

OF THE AUTHOR'S LOYALTY.
PREFACE.

"The fault of most books of travel is that the writer delays to tell us his experiences until he has got accustomed to his new surroundings; in his solicitude to supply information he forgets the salient points which struck him on his first arrival, and therefore cannot communicate them to us stay-at-homes; and they are the very things we want to know. Moreover, he omits those details in which the difference really lies, and also the means by which he accomplished his journey, which to those who would follow his footsteps are absolutely essential. To find a volume of travel free from these faults is a distinction in itself" (James Payn).

It has been a great comfort to me to come across the above opinion, which I did when about half of the following pages was written. I can at all events claim to have fulfilled two of Mr. Payn's
requirements. The impressions of our wanderings were invariably recorded within a few hours; and the entire book, with few exceptions, was written under canvas—a fact which I may urge as some excuse for shortcomings. Again, I think I may fairly claim to have omitted neither "those details wherein the difference really lies," nor the means by which I accomplished my journey. Indeed, before I had, so to say, the *imprimatur* of so well-known an authority, I feared I had perhaps been too prolix in these matters.

In the following pages I have made free use of a number of my own articles which have appeared during the last two years in various periodicals; and I here desire to return thanks to the proprietors of the *Field, Live Stock Journal, Rod and Gun*, and *Shooting Times*, for their kind permission to do so.

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