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IN GRATEFUL RECOGNITION OF HIS HONOR'S BENEFICENT SOLICITUDE TO MELIORATE THE PHYSICAL CONDITION OF THE YOUTHS IN BENCAL, BY DIFFUSING AMONGST THEM MORE WIDELY THE BLESSINGS OF PHYSICAL EDUCATION, AND BY AFFORDING THEM GREATER FACILITIES FOR TAKING TO MANLY WESTERN GAMES AND OUT DOOR SPORTS.

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PREFACE.

THE following pages contain the substance of a Lecture recently delivered at the celebration of the first Anniversary of the Calcutta Mahomedan Sporting Club, held in the Madrasah-hall under the presidency of the Hon'ble Justice AMEER ALI, M.A., C.I.E.

The subject of physical education of Indian Youths deserves greater attention than it has hitherto received; and, therefore, at the request of several friends interested in the welfare of Indian young men, I am led to put forward this *brochure*, as my humble contribution towards the subject, with special reference to Mahomedans. If it, in any measure, conduces to a better appreciation of the importance of manly out-door games