



Studies of Inheritance in Guinea-Pigs and Rats (Classic Reprint)

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Forgotten Books, United States, 2016. Paperback. Book Condition: New. 229 x 152 mm. Language: English . Brand New Book ***** Print on Demand *****.Excerpt from Studies of Inheritance in Guinea-Pigs and Rats For several years I have been engaged in studies of heredity in guinea-pigs. In the course of these studies all the common varieties of guinea-pigs have been investigated by the method of experimental breeding and something has been learned concerning their interrelationships and probable mode of origin. The actual origin of most of these varieties is, however, unknown, as is true also concerning most varieties of domesticated animals. One or two varieties have, however, been made synthetically in the laboratory and it is conceivable that, if we had the original wild stock to work with, from which the domesticated guinea-pig has arisen, some or all of the existing varieties might be synthesized anew and perhaps still others might be obtained, and that in this way something might be learned of the method by which new varieties arise. From considerations such as these I have for several years been seeking to obtain living specimens of the wild species which most closely resemble guinea-pigs. In 1903 I received from Campinas,...



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