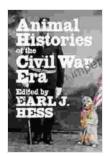
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#### Horses

Horses were the most important animals in the Civil War. They were used for transportation, artillery, and cavalry. Both sides of the conflict used horses, and they were often the target of enemy fire.

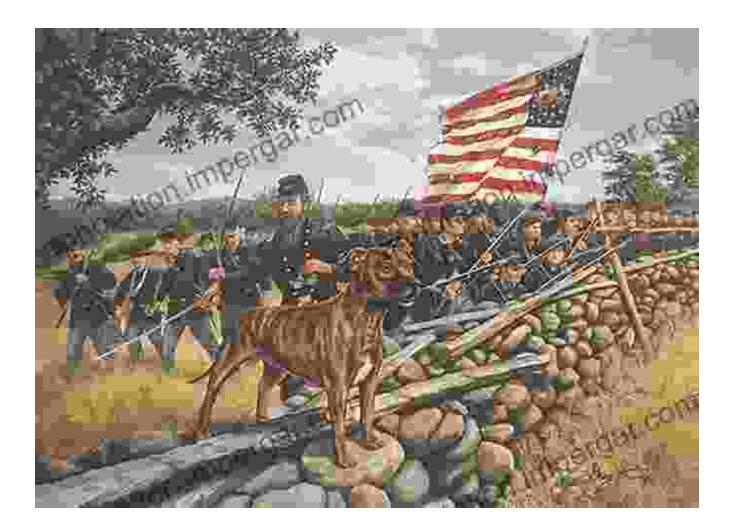


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soldiers in the field.

#### Dogs

Dogs were also used in the Civil War, primarily as scouts and messengers. They were able to travel quickly and quietly, and they could be used to deliver messages or to spy on the enemy.



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#### Mules

Mules were also used in the Civil War, primarily for transportation and artillery. They were stronger and more sure-footed than horses, and they could carry more weight. Mules were also less likely to be spooked by gunfire, which made them ideal for use in battle.



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#### Pets

Pets were also present in the Civil War, although they were not as common as they are today. Soldiers often brought their pets with them to camp, and they provided companionship and comfort during the long and difficult days of war.

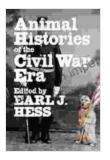


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