

we should not supply this demand; but so long as our Government pursues the stupid policy it has at present adopted, we fear Uncle Sam, and not us, will profit by this most lucrative branch of commerce, which yearly increases in importance and magnitude. To be sure our rulers do a little by voting each year sums of money to goodly exhibitions, which are always very tame affairs in Canada, and where our cattle and horses are brought and boxed up in paddocks or stalls, with no possible way of testing their respective merits. Here the judges walk round, and after viewing them, award what they consider they best animal first prize, of say twenty or thirty dollars,—(immense encouragement this is to breeders!)—frequently, we are assured, giving it to the wrong horse, as it is not always the best with the most symmetrical proportions, or who looks best in a stall or trotting up and down a grass paddock at a seven-minute gait, that is the best animal. Take Bramble, the winner of the great American stallion stakes, as an example, (of whom we have had a photograph sent us.) In our opinion, he is an ugly beast, and the New York Spirit of the Times says: "He is not an attractive horse in appearance, showing no blood, short in back, and with anything but a stylish gait."

Now, here is one of the best horses in the States, and yet, had he been viewed by our judges in a stall or paddock, it is doubtful if he would have attracted attention, except for his unsymmetrical proportions.

Now, we would respectfully suggest to our Government that, instead of giving this money to these pony shows, give it in purses, and have in every county in Canada at least one race or meeting each season. Exhibitions are all very well, and we think, first-class arrangements for fat hogs, dairy and farm produce; but it is simply throwing away money and treating our horse-breeders unjustly to think for a moment that any ten or twelve men no matter how learned they may be in horse-flesh, can pick out the best animal without fully testing their powers of endurance, speed and style. Give us more horse racing. Give us one-eighth or one-sixteenth of the encouragement that the English government give to their stock-raisers, and we venture to say and predict that Canadians have enough enterprise and spirit to stand in five or six years as the most successful breeders, having the finest stock and doing the largest trade in this most important branch of commerce of any country in the world.

DEATH OF JONGLEUR.

The famous French-bred colt Jongleur, 4 years old, by Mars, dam Joliette, by Sarphce, out of Jessamine, by Paragon, &c., died on Sunday, 22nd ult., at Jennings' stable, at Bac de la Croix. He was bred in 1874 by Count Juigno, who owned him up to the time of his death. It will be recollected that Jongleur won the Cambridgehire last year, as a three-year old, with 116 lbs. up, beating the French Verneuil, Gladia, Roi de la Montagne and thirty English cracks. The death of Jongleur, caused by an accident when at exercise on the 9th ult., will be a great loss to his owner, who entertained hopes that the horse would be able to repeat his performance of last year.

The English sporting papers in noticing his death studiously ignore the fact that the conqueror of some of the most noted racers on the British turf was a great grandson of the renowned Lexington, being a son of Mars, by Optimist, who was a son of Lexington, out of a mare by imp. Glencoe, her dam (the dam of Arrow), by imp. Levathan. Optimist ran under the colors of Mr. Ten Broeck, and gained many victories on the English turf. His success, both on the turf and in the stud, won for him a proud distinction. His triumphs were exceedingly gratifying to American turfmen, and when his grandson, Jongleur, the best three-year old of his year, won the Cambridgehire last year over a field of thirty-three French and English noted cracks, it is not to be wondered at that Americans regarded his performance with a feeling of national pride.—Turf.



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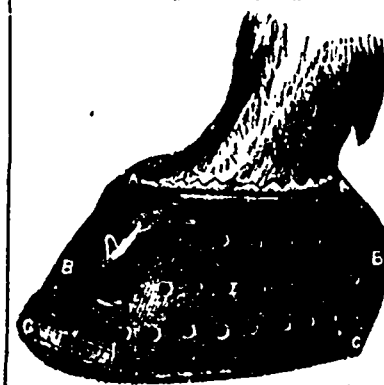
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