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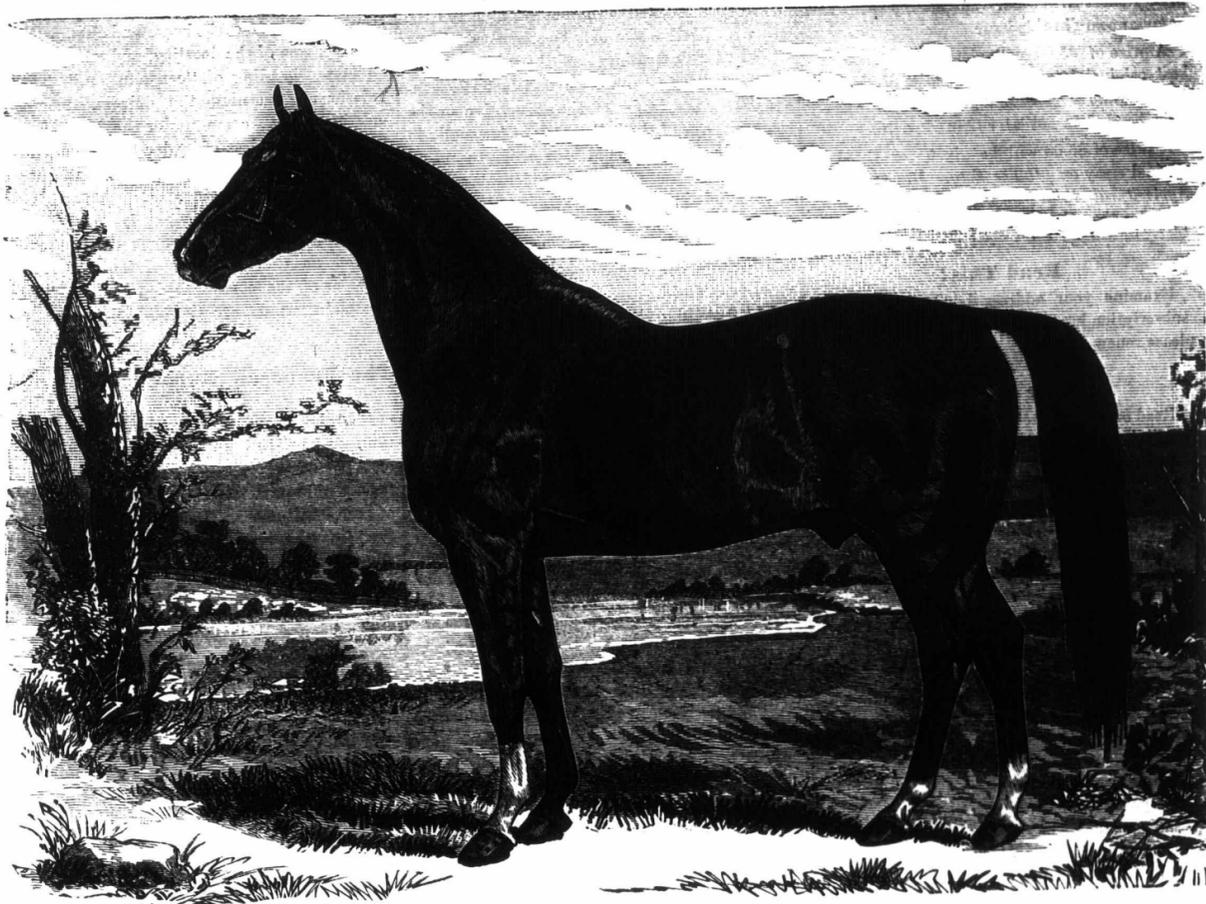
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The Famous Old English Thoroughbred Horse, "Voltigeur."—See pages 333 and 334.

Our Improvements.

Our readers cannot fail to appreciate the changes which will be observed in this issue of the ADVOCATE. We have added to our stock of machinery a "Gem" paper cutter, and the edges of all our numbers will hereafter be neatly trimmed. Our first page will contain a handsome illustration of some object that will be of interest and benefit to our farmers, and elegant and useful illustrations will also be found in other columns. Our aim is to make

the ADVOCATE a model of elegance as well as usefulness.

Now many barnyards are knee deep with mud, slush, and manure with the juice squeezed out. In such cases the cattle prefer half perishing on a green pasture to coming home in the evenings to be sheltered and fed. If the stables are warm, the surroundings kept dry and clean, and the cattle kept comfortable up to the time of the arrival of snow and frost, they will be half wintered before Christmas.

It is the practice of most farmers to depend on the rich June grass to create a large flow of milk to make up for all the dairy losses during the other seasons. If this is their theory it works badly in practice; for after the niggardly rations usually given in winter, it requires all the June grass they can get to restore them to milking condition, and when this state is attained, on comes the July and August drought to blast all their hopes and projects.