A FRENCHMAN AT THE "DERBY,"

Done Up in the Fashion of Victor Hugo. The jerky style of Victor Hugo, in his late work of "The Man Who Laughs," has been happily hit off in the London Telegraph, in a description, purporting to come from an unhappy Frenchman, of a visit to the Derby. It is from the point of view of having been swindled by a member of the swell-mob, and would properly be L'Homme Qui Pleure.

ANTICIPATIONS.

1. L'Homme qui Rit. "In England everything is great, even that which is not good, even oligarchy itself!" Though profound and sublime of the Master; apophthegm initiatory and bitter of the Man who Laughs-who laughs, but who can also

For Genius, as for Ambition-for Promethens who thinks, as for Prometheus who wields the great battalions-seems it not that there is reserved, by the derisive irony of Fate, an expiatory rock, an island exile?

For Victor Hugo, this rock expiatory but glorious, calls itself Guernsey. For Napoleon, it had two names; it was

Elba, and it was Ste. Helene. "He laughs best who laughs last," says the proverb.

Proverbs are the wisdom of nations. And thou, oh Master, oh author of the Man who Laughs, thy laugh is as the laugh of Gwynplaine, sombre but not cynical, permanent but full of pity, of compassion-a laughter broken with tears-above all, a laughter

which endures!

II. The Solidarity of the Sportmans. The sportmans of France, the sportmans of England, they are as the brothers of Corsica. What says your Williams? "As we were being washed by nurse, we got completely mixed." Touching and tender fantasy of this grand old Swan of Stratford-upon-

I had long desired to watch you insularies in the sports of the hippodrome, in which I am myself not without skill; but the furious storms of the Sleeve twice detained me at Calais, and once at Boulogne. I consoled myself in the hope that everything comes to him who knows how to wait. I knew how to wait. I waited.

After Chantilly, Epsom's Courses? The sea appeared calm; not a wrinkle in the folds of the steel-blue Sleeve.

I embarked myself, with my luggage in my left hand and my "Ruff's Guide to the Turf" in my right.

I shall see them, then, at last-these courses, sacred in the past by the memory of Eclipse and the Flying Admiral Childers, dear to the patriotic heart of France in the present days by the triumph of Gladiateur! III. Ocean less Perfidious than the Aristo-

eracy of Albion. The sun was shining. The Ocean stirred gently in its sleep.

As we cross Calais Bar the vessel rolls, I like it not. Can she be strong enough for the traverse, often fearful and stormy, to Donyres? I begin to marvel whether she is made of iron, or only made of wood, I address the question, politely, to a young

English sportmans by my side—"Pardon, Mister; but what is the vessel made of?" A spasm of uncertainty, if not of pain, passes across his face as he points to an in-

scription inside the paddle-boxes. One can only die one time; nevertheless, it is permitted to exclaim against the perfidy of the Steam-Lords of the Board of Commerce for London and Douvres. I read the inscription. Hope abandons me. The vessel is not made of iron!

She is not even made of wood!!! She is only "Maid of Kent"!!!

IV. Portentosum Mare.

An agitation which I have never felt before seems to seize upon me. The further we go, the more it increases. VI. Noblesse Oblige.

The young English sportmans is, after all, a good infant. He brings me a big golet and a biseuit, which comfort me. We become more and more friendly, as the

pain subsides. When we reach Douvres, I give him my card.

He says that he has forgotten his; but that I shall have no difficulty in finding him at any of the tambours de la chasse-Sporting Drums -especially if I asked for Lord William Wiggins, of Wapping.
What a droll of a name! Not facile to pro-

nounce, that! Let us essay, with the help of the dictionary of pronunciation:-"Ouilliam Ouiggins—of Ouapping."

Pest! VII. The Babylon of Britain.

Yes: in England everything is great. Behold this London, confused and chaotic amalgamation of bourg upon bourg, of city upon city, almost of county upon county—behold its administration, vague, contradictory, without doubt, but immense, but Titantic, but sublime-behold its Lor Maire, relie touching and melancholy, even when convivial, of the mediaval centuries when Whittington's Club and Dr. Watts Tyler combatted for the liberty of the municipality-contemplate Sir Thwaites, who hurls bridges across the Thames, who bids the aspiring viaduct invade the lonely kingdom of the Empyrean, and who, Hercules of his epoch, cleanses the Augean stables by his sewers, persevering and profound -- contemplate those companies which have tamed the flash of lightning into a commissionaire, and which circulate through one pipe, water, and through its neighbor, fire; and you will avow that although there is but one city in the world, which is Paris, there is also a nation encamped in buildings, which is London!

To-day London has but one heart, which palpitates-one thought, which engrossesone dream, which possesses—one hope, which enchants. To the heart, the thought, the dream, the hope, there is one key.

It is the Epsom's Courses, at Derby! VIII. Explications.

Questions to revolve:-Who is Epsom?"

"And where is Derby?" Mystery strange and inexplicable, this Epsom! Not one of my interlocutors, of French or English, can give me any particulars of his life. Oh fame, oh renown, oh fickleness of popular affection! We go to the courses he has founded; and yet the

very day of his death is forgotten or un-I begin to fear that even Gladiateur himself, whom I have wagered to win to-morrow, may

find a conqueror. IX. Vieille Ecole, Bonne Ecole.

Happily, I encounter Lord Ouiggins, is an aristocrat of the old rock-a little mocking, perchance, a little reserved, cold, indifferent, proud, but of an antique probity, a disinterestedness more than Roman.

He takes me under his charge. I had been deceived. They were mocking themselves of me, those who told me the courses were at Derby. They are run on Epsom's Salt-Downs.

"Derby" is only the title of their founder, one of those English eccentricities, of whom the type is so familiar in France-poet, politician, jockey-Premier Minister of Great Britain until he was overthrown by the intrigues of Sir Benjamin Gladstone! After one thunder stroke, another:

What is to become of the money I have Lord Ouiggins tells me to console myself. He has private informations He will not see a foreign gentleman wronged.

Gladiateur is not to run!

housands of sterlings.

X. Le Nuits de Londres. We are inseparable. Milord has backed a favorite to win him

Curious, almost cynical nomenclature of the The horse is named Ventre-Tambour, Belly-

He is assured to win; Milord dreamt, last night, that he saw him four lengths ahead at Tattenham-court-road Corner.

I wager freely on Ventre-Tambour. Lord Oniggins says we had better not go down to his baronial hall at Ouapping, but "make a night" and start early.

Ah, nights of London, you have not, effectively, stolen your reputation! What contrasts, fascinating but terrible-here, the noblesse, like Ouiggins, quaffing champagne with visitors from France; and there the miserables, the Tom-Dick-Harries drinking gin—the blonde misses, casting aside the Puritanic pudor of the saloon, and dancing freely with foreign gentlemans at the Duke of Argyle's Casino—what contrasts, but also, alas, what jealousies still existing, what internecine hatred still in rage!

> REALITIES. I. Selters- Waters or S. and B.

After Light, Shadow; after Pleasure, Pain; sad but inevitable oscillations of the pendu lum of life! Alas, to wake-it is to remember, and to

remember is to repent. * * * * For some time I knew not where I found myself. Presently, as the dim light of the dawn penetrated, first through the folds of the fog, and next through the dirt of the windows, I recollected that Lord Ouiggins had advised me to stay with him at a fashionable hotel, adding that his own drag would call for us in the morning. Ah, there is still remaining, then, a little of the true old Britannic hospi-Democrat myself, let me not be un-

just to the noblesse. * * "What did you ring for?" pursued Lord

"But, for Selters then!" "Tout droit," he rejoined. "Vous eties orriblement coupe, mon ami; bien roide!" Strange and picturesque argot of intoxica-tion; "awful cut," "very tight."

"Listen" continued Milord, "My carriage is not yet arrived. It has probably been stopped by the Thames Embankment, which is to run outside my park at Onapping. Look you, I will take places for two, outside an omnibus. It is the usual plan among the nobility. Admiral Rous will be one of us. You may easily know him by his wearing a white hat, a veil, and a flower in his buttonhole. Meanwhile, better not have Selters.

Enigma, of which the solution-when it came—was far from disagreeable.

II. Lux.

The morning at first was dull and brumous, The spleen of Britannia seemed to possess me. I had atrocious pains in my head. Every noise bore upon my nerves. The very sight of food seemed to nauseate me.

Lord Ouiggins, on the contrary, made a breakfast of the most substantial.

I cannot say much in favor of the cuisine at this fashionable hotel, one of the first in London, the well-known "Spotted Dog," in the aristocratic quarter, Route de la Chapelle Blanche (White-Chapel road), the Faubourg St. Germain of London, Strange—the hotel is not mentioned in any of the ordinary London Guides.

Ray by ray, sunbeam by sunbeam, the morning advanced. As the herrings of Yarmouth vanished from the table the sunlight pierced. Light! for the captive in the dangeon, for sailor on the deck, for the noble sportmans on the omnibus. Light—light equal, impartial beneficent! To the trainer in his stall, to the outcasts sleeping on the Downs, to the patrician in his lonely tub, the light appeared, the promise, the herald, the messenger of joy. For once the social distinctions, hard as

iron, of the Old England break down; for once the noble lord rides on the knife-board with the proletarian. The baronet salutes the butcher; deep calleth unto deep. Sublime democracy of sport, victorious equality of the betting ring.

We take our places. The best seat is reserved for the Admiral-that famous old warrior, who turned the fortune of the day at Chillianwallah by his historical charge at the head of the Naval Reserve and the Royal Horse Mrrines. Combination eccentric, but not without precedent. The horse was sacred to Neptunus. This Rous, see you, this Admiral so passionately equine in his tastes, he is Jean-Bart and he is also Murat; he is Kellerman, and he is also La Perouse! All the great men touch and recognize one another! The light still brightens. Behold us then

Hourrah! Hep, hep, hep! Vive Ventre-Tambour!

effectively departed!

III. Nothing is Certain to Happen but that

which is Unforeseen. We have gone a few miles on our road, still through the streets of the fashionable quarier, to-day as democratic as the faubourg St. Antoine, and crowded with other Derbyites, before we speak much to each other. Reserve characteristic of the oldest and proudest aristocracy on earth.

At length Lord Ouiggins whispers me-"I knew I had forgotten something. I've left my purse on the piano! For the moment I wished that I had done

the same. Suspicion dishonorable and ignoble!

V. When Poverty becomes tronical, let Wealth

take care. The old Britannic humor, as exhibited in Samuel Benjamin Johnson, in Jonathan

Smith, and Dean Sydney Swift, is not absolutely extinct upon the road.

More than one little Arab of the highway shouts out to me, "I'll have your hat!" Willi caprice of the imagination, playfully misrepresenting the probable eventualities of the future, and yet, at bottom, profound, almost terrible -a mockery, yes, but a menace-a jest, without doubt, but a threat also—the voice, grotesque but strident, of the Miserables. Reflect. To-day they only laugh at property; to-morrow they may insist on sharing it.

I impart these reflections to Lord Ouiggins. Alas, to what good? The pride of his class is too strong for him. His natural instincts are noble; but he is spoiled by the mephitic atmosphere of Upper Chamber. With a laugh cold, sardonic, and glacial, he replies-words of ineffaceable significance, typifying the gulf between the Nobles and the Poor—

"Throw the little beggar a copper, and let him go!

He does not even, generous though he is, offer to provide the copper. Again, ignoble suspicion! I forget that he has left his purse on the piano!

The Arab—delirious with joy—saved, per-

haps, from starvation by the casual bounty of a foreign sportmans, would fain express his thanks. His emotion overpowers him. He staggers; horror, he falls! No! again! Gallant child of Poverty, the struggle is vain. Once more he wavers, he oscillates, he falls, and turning wildly head over heels, in the convulsion of his death agony, he disappears in a cloud of dust—doubtless to be driven over by the omnibuses of the haughty and the phaetons of the Stock Exchange! Shocked, but masking my horror under the veil of a politeness a little cynical, I say to

Lord Oniggins:-"And well, then, Milord, did you see what he did? and do you know what will be his fate?"

Question terrible! He does not even remove the eigar from his mouth, this impassive patrician, as he auswers, with a laconism which lacerates, which vibrates on my nerves, which almost makes

me bound. "Yes! Cart-wheel!"

VI. London at Epsom. Dust, heat, emotion-all stimulate thirst. I soon forget the little Arab. There are plenty of others remaining! There are worse things in the world, too, than bottled stout, Lord Ouilliam tells me that none of the aristoeracy now drink champagne in public. It excites a feeling of envy among the lower orders. On Derby's Day, the populace gives the tone to the peerage. Most of the marquises on our omnibus drink beer, and several of them have brought pies, made from the celebrated hunters of Melton Mowbray—hippophagy expensive, but characteristic of Britannic humor. The Admiral is a humorist of the most extravagant. He has only brought a little gin and water in a bottle, and some hem sandwiches in a copy of the Saturday Review. It is this readiness to accept the popular customs which has made him the idol of the crowd.

The crowd; my faith, and what a crowd! There are two things in the world a man never forgets: his first sight of the sea and his first sight of the multitude on Epsom Downs! There is another thing which some men

never forget! I know I never shall. It is the first voyage over the Sleeve! VII. Messieurs, faites cotre jeu! Le jou est Jait !

"Would you like to see the horses a little nearer?" says Lord Ouiggins. "You had better buy a couple of tickets for the Padwick, I do so. The Padwick—so called after an eminent British sportmans-is an enclosed space in which the true connoisseurs survey the horses before they start. As I gaze at Ventre-Tambour, I can hardly refrain from shouting, amongst all these impassible patricians, "Hourrah! Hep, hep, hep!"

Lord Onilliam Oniggins comes to me, hurriedly, and whispers:- "Hush, I have just got the straight tip from the Admiral himself. It's a moral; and the horse at twenty-five to one! We must get on every sou we have. There is barely time before they start. Quick." I hand him my purse—not without a moment of hesitation-of which I am speedily ashamed.

VIII. Rien ne ca plus.

A minute sometimes seems like hours. Fortune was in my grasp. The interval of suspense was horrible; and

yet its termination, when it did come, seeme l abrupt, sudden, incredible. I was still struggling with the crowd, when a hoarse sound suddenly rose like the roar of a tempest on a rocky coast-it rose, and rose, and grew stronger; I looked; I saw a wonder-

ful white flash of faces as the heads of the multitude turned all, in one instant, one way: and my pulses seemed as though they would kill me with their throbbing, as with one voice that innumerable assemblage "THEY'DE OFF!"

IX. The Word of the Enigma. They were indeed; and so was Lord Onilliam Ouiggins of Ouapping!

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