

HAMBURG BELLE AMISS.

Futurity Winning Filly Pulled Up Lame After an Exercise Gallop.

Hamburg Belle, winner of the Futurity Stakes last year and the most talked of filly of the season, yesterday was reported to have broken down in an exercise gallop at the Sheepshead Bay race course, where she is stabled in the big establishment trained by A. J. Joyner for J. B. Haggin. Hamburg Belle raced last year in the name of Sydney Paget, in whose name a large number of horses of Mr. Haggin's breeding have run.

Mr. Paget was at the Morris Park race course yesterday, and when asked about the report that the noted filly had gone amiss, would only say: "I do not see why I should give away my stable information."

At Sheepshead Bay employes of the stable trained by Mr. Joyner declined to talk of the matter. Horsemen who watched the morning gallops of the Joyner horses stated, however, that Hamburg Belle pulled up very lame after a six furlongs move, and were of the opinion that she was seriously amiss. The trouble as described by one of the spectators was in her off fore ankle.

The injury, it was asserted, was of such a character as to put a stop to her training for the present, and makes it appear most improbable that she will be able to run in the race for the Brooklyn Handicap, now only twelve days off. She was handicapped at 102 pounds, and in view of the great speed that she showed last season her chance to win the big event was considered favorably by turfmen, in spite of the fact that no three-year-old filly ever has won the big race.

In the future betting on the Brooklyn Hamburg Belle was one of the choices, at 15 to 1, and until yesterday was regarded as a certain starter for the event, her Spring training indicating that she was being prepared specially for the Brooklyn. Hamburg Belle, by Hamburg-Isiac, won five races in seven starts as a two-year-old last season and earned \$48,395 in prizes. Though splendidly bred and of value for breeding purposes, her chief worth is as a race horse, as she is engaged in most of the great stakes, and on her form of a year ago seemed to hold a large number of the rich filly stakes at her mercy.

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