



# Abd el-Kader: a brief biography

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## Ottoman Empire

Ott Empire at its height

1683

## Ottoman Empire

French attack Algiers;  
Ottomans pull out of  
Algeria

1830

## Ottoman Empire

Regency of Algiers

At the time of AeK's birth, 1808

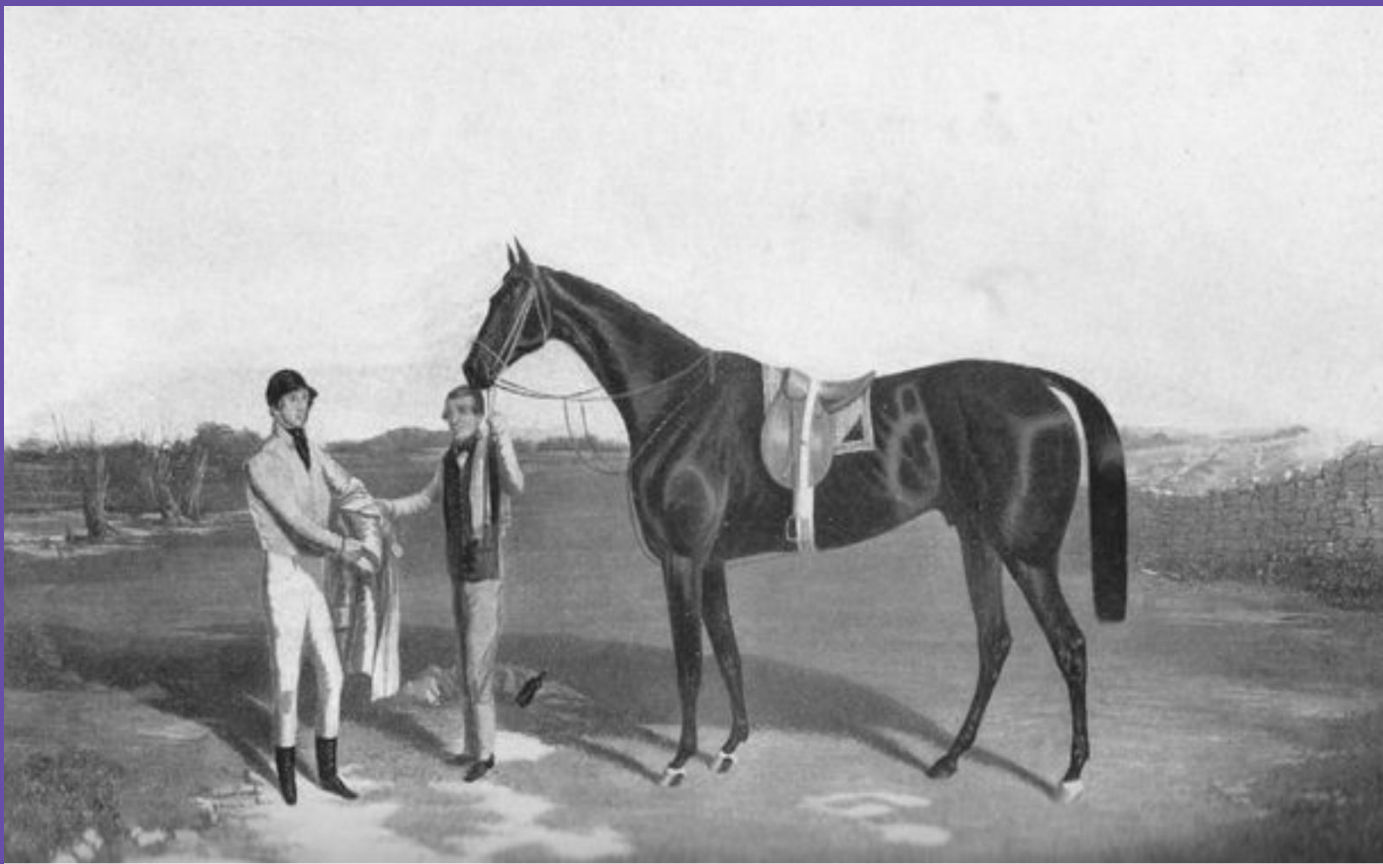




















*From the President of the United States of America  
To His Excellency Said Abd el Kader  
1860*

“If to be an ardent patriot, a soldier whose genius is unquestioned, whole honor is stainless... a hero who could accept defeat and disaster without a murmur--if all these constitutes a great man, Abd-El-Kader deserves to be ranked among the foremost of the few great men of the century.”

*New York Times*, February 25, 1873

**1808-1883**



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