Abstract

The bachelor thesis analyses horse-breeding during the reign of Rudolph II. (1576–1612) in the horse park in Kladruby and Labem. The thesis is is divided into three thematic parts. The first part deals with noble renaissance breeds of horses in Europe, their training and care of them. The second part is devoted to the tradition of horse-breeding in Kladruby and Labem.

The main topic of this thesis is the research of the stud farm in Kladruby n. L. in the Rudolph's II. era, its description, function and organizational structure. In the last part there is a place for describing the relationship of Rudolf II. to horses.

The aim of this thesis is to describe Rudolf II.'s reasons for promoting the stud farm Kladruby nad Labem into the imperial court stud farm and define the consequences of this act.

Key words

Kladruby nad Labem, stud farm, Rudolph II., horses, horse-breeding, renaissance