

OUR CHESS COLUMN.

Solutions to Problems sent in by Correspondents will be duly acknowledged.

TO CORRESPONDENTS.

J. W. S., Montreal.—Letter received. Many thanks. Solution of Problem No. 173 received. Correct. Student, Montreal.—Correct solution of Problem No. 174 received. F. W., Montreal.—You will receive an answer to your letter by post. E. H., Montreal.—Solution of Problem for Young Players No. 170 received. Correct.

Subjoined is a list of the competitors in the Canadian Chess Correspondence Tourney. The contest is progressing very satisfactorily, and already we have heard it whispered that one or two victories have been achieved. We shall not fail to report any particulars of this nature which may be furnished us for our Column.

CANADIAN CHESS CORRESPONDENCE TOURNEY.

Names of Competitors.

- Professor W. H. Hicks, Montreal. John Henderson, A. Saunders, J. W. Shaw, M. J. Murphy, Quebec. C. A. Roy, St. Hyacinthe. W. Braithwaite, Unionville, Ont. Dr. J. Ryall, Hamilton, Ont. H. N. Kirtson, G. Gibson, Toronto. J. E. Narraway, St. John, N.B. J. Clarkson, J. P. Wylie, Halifax, N.S. Jas. G. Foster, Geo. P. Black,

In accordance with the above number, the corrected list of prizes will be as follows:

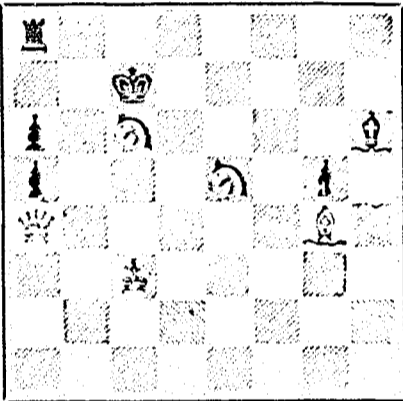
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J. W. SHAW, Conductor of Tourney.

Montreal, 14th May, 1878.

PROBLEM No. 173.

By G. E. CARPENTER. BLACK.



White to play and mate in three moves.

INTERNATIONAL TOURNEY GAMES.

A game in the series between Mr. Menck, of Dublin, and Mr. Froese, of Washington, D. C. The notes are by the Chess Editor of the Nottingham (England) Times.

- WHITE.—(Mr. Menck) 1. P to K 4, 2. K to K B 3, 3. R to Q B 4, 4. P to Q B 3, 5. P to Q 4, 6. P to K 3, 7. B to Q K 5, 8. B to K 3, 9. P takes P, 10. Castles, 11. B to K 5, 12. K to Q B 3, 13. P to K K 4, 14. K to K K 2, 15. P to K R 4, 16. K takes K 4, 17. P takes P, 18. R takes B, 19. Q takes Q, 20. K takes R, 21. K to K K 2, 22. P to Q K 4, 23. R to K 4, 24. R to K B 3, 25. K takes B, 26. K to K 4, 27. P to Q B 3, 28. P takes P, 29. Q to K 3, 30. P takes P, 31. K to K 2, 32. K to Q 2, 33. K to Q B 3, 34. P to K K 3, 35. K to Q K 4, 36. P to Q B 4, 37. K to Q B 3, 38. K to Q R 4, 39. K to Q R 2, 40. K to Q B 2, 41. K to Q B 3, 42. K to Q K 3, 43. K to Q B 3, 44. P to K R 5, 45. P to K R 5, 46. K takes P, 47. K to Q B 3, 48. K to Q 1, 49. K to K 5, 50. K to K B 6, 51. Resigns.

NOTES.

- (a) This we consider the best reply to this opening at this point. (b) One of the regular continuations of this opening, which we consider rather inferior to P takes P. (c) Again the best defence. (d) All this is according to the books. (e) We do not like this, but recommend P to K R 3, followed by K to Q 2. (f) Of course. (g) In order to prevent Black's P to K B 5, but not a good expedient. P takes P en passant is much superior.

but, in any case, Black remains with the advantage of position. We may safely ascribe White's loss of the game to this improvident move. (h) Best under the circumstances. (i) A miscalculation, which loses a piece. The student who is desirous of improving his play should not fail to look at the principal variations arising from Black's last move. (j) All Black's moves after White's 16th move are perfect, and we commend them as very instructive to young players. (k) We would have played K to K 2. (l) There is no need for this sacrifice, but it is perfectly sound and must win. (m) The correct style. White may as well resign at once, but we give the whole, as the end game is very instructive to young players.

SOLUTIONS.

Solution of Problem No. 173.

- WHITE. 1. K to Q K 4, 2. Q to Q 8 (ch), 3. K to K 6 mate. BLACK. 1. K to R 2 (ch), 2. K takes Q, 1. K to K 4, 2. K moves.

Solution of Problem for Young Players No. 171.

- WHITE. 1. K to K R 8, 2. B to K 5 mate. BLACK. 1. Anything.

PROBLEMS FOR YOUNG PLAYERS NO. 172.

- WHITE. K at K 5, R at Q 4. BLACK. K at K R 5. White to play and mate in two moves.

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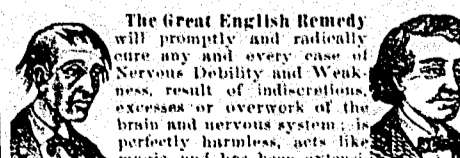
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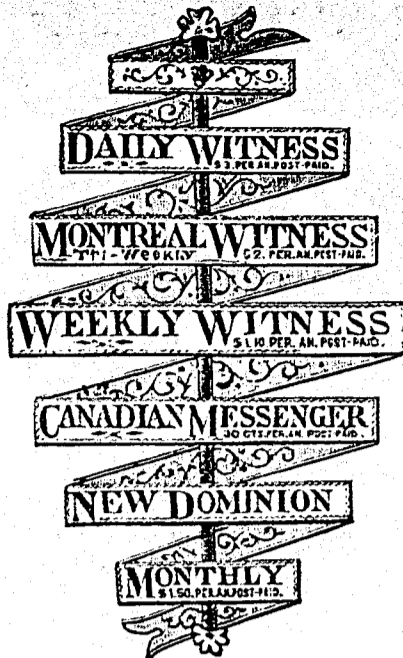


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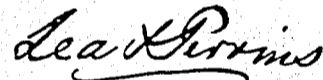
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