

Carnelley, of the Firth College of Sheffield. After many unsuccessful attempts he was fortunate enough to obtain solid ice at temperatures so high that it was impossible to touch it without being burnt. This result has been obtained many times and with the greatest ease, and on one occasion a small quantity of water was frozen in a glass vessel, which was so hot that it could not be touched by the hand without burning it. He had ice for a considerable length of time at temperatures far above the ordinary boiling point, and even then it only liquified without any previous melting. At a meeting of the Chemical Society Dr. Carnelley showed the experiments and every one was convinced as well as grateful at the curious if not useful fact. But what visions of gastronomic novelties which may be evolved as a consequence of this discovery will in prospective gratify the gourmand; one pleasure more awaits him when the servant asks him, "Will you have 'ot or cold hicc, sir?"

OUR CHESS COLUMN.

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

TO CORRESPONDENTS.

J. W. S., Montreal.—Papers to hand. Thanks.
Stadist, Montreal.—Correct solution received of Problem No. 309.
E. D. W., Sherbrooke, P.Q.—Correct solution received of Problem No. 315.

We have received a pamphlet containing the constitution of the Ontario Chess Association, as adopted at the annual meeting in Toronto, April the 9th, 1880.

It appears that the Association has been in existence now more than two years, and we have no doubt of its usefulness in promoting the object for which it was established, that is, "the encouragement of chess play between members and clubs, the amicable arrangement of disputed questions, and the general advancement of the interests of the game." The articles of the constitution seem to have been judiciously prepared, and having read attentively the one relating to the management of tournaments, we have reason to believe that care has been taken that in future contests in the Province none of those disagreeable disputes shall occur which do much to excite unpleasant feeling where friendly competition alone should manifest itself.

Altogether the pamphlet speaks well for the chess interest existing in the Province of Ontario.

(From the Quebec Chronicle.)

The annual meeting of the Quebec Chess Club was held at the club room, Fabrique Street, on Saturday evening. The report stated that the interesting events of the past year were the match with the Montreal Club, which was won by Quebec, and the club match, of which Mr. E. B. Holt was the winner. The financial report was satisfactory. The election of officers for the coming year resulted as follows:—

Honorary President—Mr. Le Droit.
President—Mr. Leblanc.
First Vice-President—Mr. Sanderson.
Second Vice-President—Mr. Champion.
Secretary—Mr. Murphy.
Committee—Messrs. Andrews, Bradley, Fletcher, McLeod and Pope.

After a vote of thanks to the retiring officers, the meeting of the Dominion Chess Association, called at Ottawa for the 22nd inst., was discussed, and the hope expressed that Quebec might be successful again this year in carrying off the first prize, a silver cup presented by T. Le Droit, Esq., President of the Association.

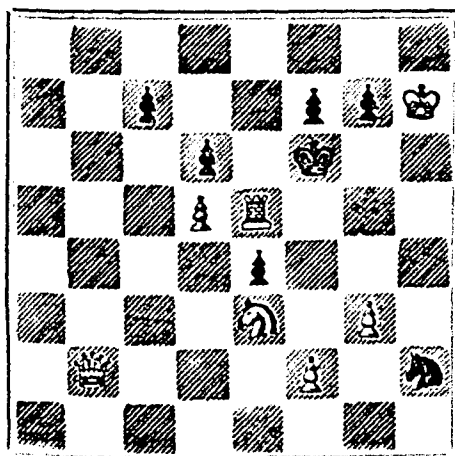
The prize in the tournament of the Pittsburgh Library Chess Club, now pending, is a handsome cup six and one-half inches high, of solid silver, and bearing on two of its sides appropriate chess emblems. This is as it should be; money prizes in club tournaments are an abomination.—*Turf, Field and Farm.*

It is with much pleasure we insert the above extract from *Turf, Field and Farm* in our column, and no doubt every true lover of chess will rejoice to read such outspoken condemnation of money prizes in tournaments. They are slowly but surely blunting such associations with our noble game, as will ultimately prevent it from becoming what it ought to be, a common home amusement.—*[Chess Editor C. I. N.]*

PROBLEM No. 317

By W. T. Pierce.

BLACK.



WHITE.

White to play and mate in two moves.

GAME 444TH.

One of the blindfold games played by Mr. Blackburne at Chesham on November 22nd inst.

(Danish Gambit)

White. (Mr. Blackburne.) Black. (Mr. Cotton, Tean.)
1. P to K4 1. P to K4
2. P to Q4 2. P takes P
3. P to B3 4. P takes P (a)
4. K B to Q B4 5. K B to Q Kt5 (ch)

6. Kt to Q B3 6. P to Q B3 (b)
7. Kt to K B3 7. Kt to K R3
8. Castles 8. K B to K2 (c)
9. Q Kt to K2 9. P to K B3
10. Kt to K B4 10. Kt to K B2
11. R to Ksq 11. Castles
12. Kt to Q4 12. K to Rsq
13. Q to K R5 13. Kt to K4
14. R to K3 (d) 14. Kt takes B
15. B to K R3 15. P to K R3
16. Kt to K B5 (e) 16. Q to Ksq
17. Kt to Kt6 (ch) 17. K to R2
18. Kt from B5 takes B 18. Kt takes B (f)
19. Q to B5 19. P to Q4
20. Kt takes R (ch) 20. K to Rsq
21. Q to R7 mate

Notes by C. E. Ranken.

(a) Black would do better, especially with such a formidable opponent, to be content with the gain of one Pawn, and play Kt to K B3 here.

(b) Again, Kt to K B3 is the best move here.

(c) Without in the least undervaluing Mr. Blackburne's wonderful talents, we have often noticed that the brilliancy of his play, and the consequent public appreciation of his games, have been in proportion to the weakness of his opponents. The present game forms no exception to that observation.

(d) The above-named brilliancy now begins.

(e) Offering him another piece, but the fish will not take a second bait just yet.

(f) But now he swallows it. P to Q4 was about his only chance.

—British Chess Magazine.

SOLUTIONS.

Solution of Problem No. 315

White. Black.
1. Q to K Kt8 1. Any
2. Mates acc.

Solution of Problem for Young Players No. 313.

WHITE. BLACK.
1. K to Q3 1. Any
2. Mates acc.

PROBLEM FOR YOUNG PLAYERS, No. 314.

White. Black.
K at Q B4 K at Q R5
R at K Bsq R at Q Kt8
Pawn at Q R6 Pawns at
Q B7 and
Q Kt6

White to play and win in two moves.



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