

ETHELRED.

BY EMMA ALICE BROWNE.

Slow the summer night is falling; In the darkness and the dew...

Through the haunted woods of Arden Still some ghostly memory Leads me to this dim old garden...

'Neath the dusky laurel closes Lurks the old, mysterious gloom; Still the wilderness of roses...

But, of all her antique glory, One sweet memory is mine, Like some half told fairy story...

Here I held you to my bosom, While the hoarded moments fled, Plucked thy kisses from the blossom...

Vainly I had sued, that morning, For your hand, my Ethelred— Half in jest, and half in scorn...

Long the years have been, and lonely, Since that twilight of the past; Dearest, I have loved you only...

A REMINISCENCE OF MIDLOTHIAN.

A special contributor of the Paper Trade Review writes as follows:—Was it Haynes Bailey or T. K. Hervey—both were, half a century ago...

Often in the stilly night, When evening closes round thee, Fond memory brings the light...

Autres temps, autres mœurs. This may be true sometimes, but not so in the instance of that which is now in the mind of the writer...

The good citizenship of the Cowans is proverbial. In a certain sense altogether beyond the limits of their own business...

of the readers—Edinburgh has sometimes been hurt by overpraise—to which if an Edinburgh man may tell the truth and shame the d—, whose existence Robert Burns tried to extirpate...

No good can ever be done by preferring extravagant pretensions. But whether or no Edinburgh be a "Modern Athens," she has merits which one of her most obscure but most reverential and loving sons may truthfully cherish...

Edinburgh possesses robust civic virtues, such as those whose decline was mourned in sad prose by Tacitus, and in sardonic and serious verse by Juvenal. She honours her worthy citizens...

Neither Edinburgh nor the Paper Trade could find a better mouthpiece. So at last humbly ventures to say a living son of

AULD REEKIE.

A CAR DRIVER'S REMORSE.

"I used to think it was my duty to cut 'em with the whip, and I took satisfaction in givin' it to 'em hard, but I wouldn't strike a boy now for the best thousand dollars that was ever coined."

He was a car driver, and his attention had been called to three or four boys stealing a ride on the rear platform.

"Yes, I was a sort o' terror on this route to the kids," he continued. "Not one of them boys could put his foot on the step and get away without a cut from the whip."

A passenger was dropped at the corner, and as the car started up again the driver went on.

"Well, one day when the boys had bothered me more than usual I dodged through the car and found a little bit of a chap, not over seven years old, seated on the lower step."

The car stopped to take on two ladies, and presently the driver resumed:

"Do you know that I felt so conscience-stricken that I kept looking for that boy on every trip, calculating to make up with him and secure his forgiveness for my brutality."

"And what did he say?" was asked as the driver hesitated.

"He was in his coffin!" was the reply. "It was his funeral procession which stopped my car for two or three minutes. That child was ill when he tried to steal his way home with me, and death was not twenty-four hours away when I lashed him and chuckled over the way he rolled into the street."

OUR CHESS COLUMN.

TO CORRESPONDENTS.

J. W. S., Montreal.—Post card and "Herald" to hand. Thanks. P. J. D., Montreal.—Correct solution received of Problem No. 449.

An article which we published a short time ago from one of the leading Chess Columns of the day, showing the great patronage which the royal game is receiving just now from distinguished persons in all parts of the civilized world...

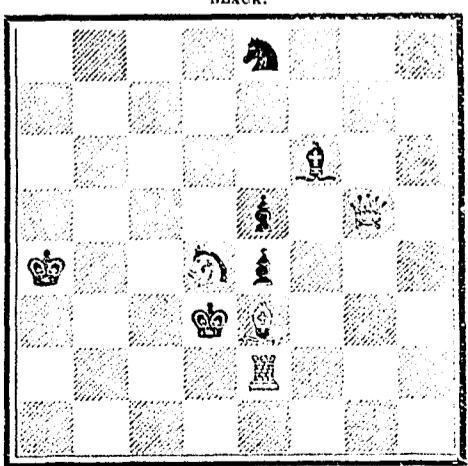
The increase in the number of chess clubs, and also the increase in the number of subscribing members to these clubs may appear satisfactory, but all this may be the result of mere temporary excitement...

Here are two other reasons Steinitz gives for being defeated by Zukertort. He says: "I have to state that though the strictest rules were imposed on all the spectators, I was, on several occasions, disturbed by audacious talkers and whisperers on the part of hostile committeemen whose case to me, was conversed with an innocent neighbor, or between themselves, until I had to stop their transgressions by their rule by a loud demand for silence."

Mr. Blackburne does not allow his talents to rest for want of using. Immediately after the International Tourney in which he took part, we found him entering the Nuremberg contest, in which he secured second prize...

PROBLEM NO. 452.

By C. W., of Sanbury.



WHITE.

White to play and mate in three moves.

SOLUTION OF PROBLEM NO. 450.

White. Black. 1 Q to O R 6. 1 K to K B 4. 2 Q to K 2. 2 K to K 4. 3 Q to K R 5 mates.

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GAME 57TH

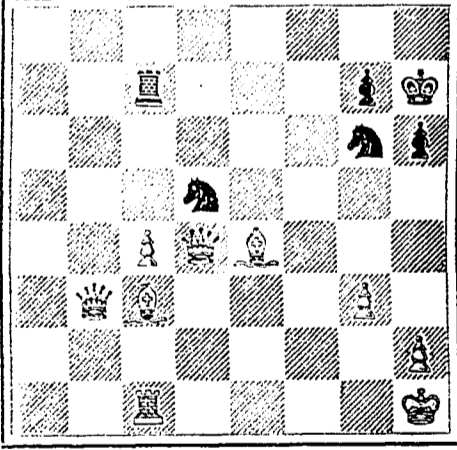
(Sicilian Defense.)

WHITE.—(English.) BLACK.—(Tschigorin) 1 P to K 4. 1 P to Q B 4. 2 Kt to Q B 3. 2 Kt to Q B 3. 3 Kt to B 3. 3 P to K 3. 4 B to K 2. 4 K Kt to K 2. 5 P to Q 4. 5 P takes P. 6 Kt takes P. 6 Kt to K 3. 7 Castles. 7 B to K 2. 8 P to B 4. 8 P to B 4 (a). 9 K to R sq. 9 B takes Kt. 10 B takes B. 10 P to B 4 (b). 11 B to B 5. 11 P to B 2 (c). 12 P to K 5. 12 P to Q Kt 3. 13 B to K 3. 13 B to K 2. 14 Kt to K 5. 14 R to Kt sq. 15 Kt to Q 6. 15 R to K 2. 16 Kt takes B. 16 R takes Kt. 17 B to B 3. 17 P to K 2. 18 P to K Kt 3 (d). 18 R to Q 2. 19 K to B sq. 20 P to B 4. 20 Kt to B 3. 21 P to K 3. 21 Kt to Q sq (e). 22 P to K 3. 22 Kt to B 2. 23 K R to Q sq. 23 Kt to B sq. 24 P to Q R 4 (f). 24 R to Q sq. 25 P to R 5. 25 P takes P. 26 Q takes R P. 26 P to Q 3. 27 P takes P. 27 R takes Q P. 28 B takes P. 28 R takes R ch. 29 B takes R. 29 P to K 4. 30 P takes P. 30 Kt takes P. 31 B to Q 4. 31 Kt to B 3. 32 Q to Q 5 (g). 32 K to R sq. 33 B to Q B 3. 33 Q to K sq. 34 B to B 3. 34 Q to B sq. 35 R to K sq. 35 P to R 2. 36 Q to Q 6 (g). 36 K to R 2. 37 B to Q 5. 37 Kt to Kt 3. 38 B to K 6. 38 Q to K 2. 39 B takes K B P. 39 Kt to K 2 ch. 40 B to K 4. 40 Q takes P. 41 Q to Q 4. 41 Kt to Q 4. 42 B takes Kt ch (h). 42 K takes B. 43 Q to K 4 ch. 43 K to R 4. 44 Q to B 5 ch. 44 K to Kt 4. 45 Q to R 3 ch. 45 K to B 2. 46 R to K 5 ch. 46 K to B 2. 47 Q to B 5 ch. 47 K to Kt sq. 48 R to K 5 mate.

NOTES.

- (a) This is a lost move, dividing one into two halves. Better would have been 9 P to Q 3, and if White plays 10 P to B 5, then 10 K Kt to K 4, &c. (b) The advance of this Pawn is not advisable; but it is difficult now for Black to find a satisfactory defense, as he has already compromised his position. With 11 P to R 4, Black wanted to prevent 12 P to B 5, but he weakens his Q P. We have examined 11 Kt takes B, but it does not seem satisfactory either. (c) This is the only available square for the Rook. If 12 R to B 3, then 13 P to K 5, and 12 R to K sq would involve the loss of a Pawn by 13 P takes P. P takes P; 14 Q to Q 5 ch, and 15 Q takes B P, &c. (d) Confining the movements of the hostile Queen. This is just a game suitable to English's style. He has one object in view—the weak point Q 2, and never lets go the thread of his combination. (e) Perhaps it would have been advisable here to bring the Queen into play with 22 Q to K 1 5. (f) Very well timed. 24 P to R 4 would not have been good so long as the Knight stood at Q 3, because Black could have returned K to Q B 3, followed by Q to Kt 5, as indicated in note (c). (g) Threatening 37 Q takes P ch. Position after Black's 41st move.

BLACK.



WHITE.

(h) A very elegant finish. In fact, the whole game was played by English with great precision.—The Field.

The question whether the marriage of priests is valid in France is now, after a long interval, once more raised before a court of law. The Abbé Junqua, after being unfrocked by ecclesiastical authority, was prosecuted for continuing to wear the ecclesiastical costume, and sentenced to three months' imprisonment. He afterwards married, first in England and subsequently in Belgium, a widow with a fortune. He sat up as a bookseller in Paris. Recently he became bankrupt, and the wife moved for the restitution of her dowry. The official assignee of the bankruptcy opposed this, on the ground that the Concordat makes the marriage of priests void. The Judge-Advocate, Gastambid, supported this view, and the Tribunal of first instance reserves judgment. M. Cazot, now President of the Supreme Court, is a reformer, and strong hopes are entertained that under his auspices the law may be settled that priests have the same civil rights as other citizens.