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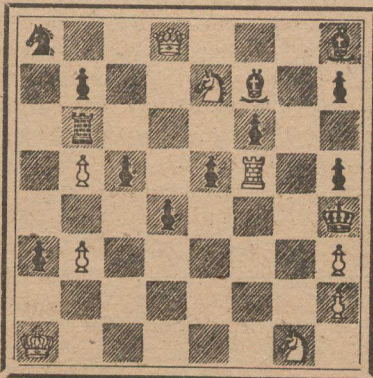
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PROBLEM NO. 168, by H. L. Schuld.
Second Prize, "Haagsche Post" Tourney.
Black.—Thirteen Pieces.



White.—Nine Pieces.

White to play and mate in three.

SOLUTIONS.

Problem No. 166, by G. Guidelli.

1. B-Kt2, P-B4; 2. Kt-QKt6, mate.
1. P-K4; 2. Kt-B3, mate.
1. Kt-B4; 2. Kt-B6, mate.
1. threat; 2. Q-Q4, mate.

CHESS IN BRITISH COLUMBIA.

An interesting game played at the Victoria Chess Club, between Mr. A. F. Gibson and Mr. C. F. Davie, chess editor of the Victoria "Colonist."

Falkbeer Counter Gambit.

- | White | Black |
|---------------|-----------------|
| A. F. Gibson. | C. F. Davie. |
| 1. P-K4 | 1. P-K4 |
| 2. P-KB4 | 2. P-Q4 (a) |
| 3. P-QP | 3. P-K5 |
| 4. B-B4 | 4. Kt-KB3 |
| 5. Kt-QB3 | 5. B-QB4 |
| 6. Q-K2 (b) | 6. Castles. |
| 7. Kt-R4 (c) | 7. BxKt |
| 8. RxB | 8. P-B3! (d) |
| 9. Pxp | 9. KtxP |
| 10. P-KR3 (e) | 10. Kt-Q5 |
| 11. Q-Qsq | 11. R-Ksq (f) |
| 12. B-K2 | 12. Kt-B6ch |
| 13. BxKt (g) | 13. PxB dis. ch |
| 14. K-Bsq | 14. Kt-K5 (h) |
| 15. QxP | 15. KtxPch |
| 16. BxKt | 16. QxP |
| 17. Q-B2 | 17. Q-Kt5 |
| 18. P-QKt3 | 18. P-QKt4 |
| 19. Kt-B5 (i) | 19. B-B4 |
| 20. P-R3 | 20. Q-B6 |

THE JINX

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The next mail, a week later, brought another letter from McPhee stating that all was now ready for the killing and that a public meeting for the disposal of stock was to be held in the Harvest City Opera House, October seventh, at two o'clock, sharp.

Carmagan wired that he would be present.

When Carmagan boarded the Harvest City train at Winnipeg on October the sixth it was nearly empty. But when within four or five stops of his destination people began to crowd in until at last they were standing down the aisles and sitting on each other's laps.

"The Cap will reckon I've brought the whole countryside with me," he laughed to himself as, the train having emptied itself, the whole crowd surged up Main Street, Harvest City. Then a moment later he saw that he was mistaken. The little bunch of people who had come with him were quickly lost in the great throngs already crowding the place.

The sidewalks were crowded, all kinds of horse conveyances and automobiles lined the sides of the street. And before the old livery barn that after being repainted and fixed up inside had been pressed into renewed service by Captain McPhee as the Harvest City Opera House, a great crowd surged and jostled. And yet it was now barely eleven in the morn-

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|----------------|------------|
| 21. R-Bsq | 21. QR-Bsq |
| 22. P-KKt4 (j) | 22. QxRPch |
| 23. Q-Kt2 | 23. BxKtP |
| 24. Kt-Q3 | 24. B-K7ch |
| 25. K-B2 | 25. Q-K6ch |

Resigns.

(a) The Falkbeer Counter Gambit is seldom seen now, as the simple continuation 4. P-Q3, dissolving the troublesome Black Pawn, results in White's favor.

(b) This move blocks the development of the King's Knight. Better would be 6. Kt-K2, followed by 7. P-Q3.

(c) This is equivalent to hanging the knight on the wall. The error comes home to white later on in curious fashion.

(d) Finely played.

(e) There is no time for this. The best play is probably 10. B-Kt3, 10. Q-Bsq is an alternative, but white's position is by no means a happy one.

(f) 11. P-QKt4 would have won a piece advantageously, e.g., 11. P-Q Kt4; 12. P-B3, PxKt; 13. PxKt, QxP; 14. BxPch, RxP; 15. R-Bsq, B-R3; 16. R-B2, B-Q6, and white is curiously paralyzed.

(g) If 13. PxKt, then 13. Pxp; 14. Kt-B3, Kt-Q4, threatening 15. KtxKt, followed by 16. RxPch or PxB, accordingly, winning the white Queen.

(h) With 14. Pxpch, black could also have continued the attack in a very interesting manner, indirectly taking advantage of the position of the unfortunate knight. The position will repay examination.

(i) If 19. Kt-Kt2, then 19. Q-B6; 20. R-Ktsq, B-B4, threatening 21. BxP; 22. R-Bsq, B-Q6ch! If white plays 21. Kt-Bsq, then 21. B-Q6ch.

(j) This is sheer desperation: Black should have resigned instead. If he moves the knight B-Q6ch follows.

END-GAME NO. 32.

By A. Monterde.

White: K at Q8sq, B at QKt4; Ps at QR3, KB2 and KR5. Black: K at QKt2; B at QKt3; Ps at QR4, K4 and KR5. White to play and win.

Solution.

1. P-R6, B-Q5 (a); 2. B-B5, B-R8; 3. K-Kt sq, B-B6; 4. K-B2, B-R8; 5. B-Q4, BxB; 6. K-Q3, B-Kt7; 7. K-K4 and wins.

(a) 1. B-Q sq; 2. P-R7, B-B3; 3. B-K7, B-Kt2; 4. BxP, P-R5 (b); 5. K-Q2, K-B3; 6. K-Q3, K-Q4; 7. P-B3, B-R sq; 8. B-K sq, B-Kt2; 9. B-B3, B-R sq; 10. P-B4 and wins.

(b) 4. K-B3; 5. P-R4, K-B4; 6. B-K7 ch, K-B5; 7. K-B2, B-R sq; 8. B-R3, K-Q5; 9. P-B4 and wins.

ing and the meeting was not to be until two in the afternoon.

Carmagan found McPhee as elated as himself. "Gee," the Captain whispered, "they do sure tumble easy to a good thing, Sid."

"Well, the stock will be selling at a premium right away as soon as it's issued and we can unload quietly then if things don't look too bright," remarked Carmagan, as if following a line of thought of his own. Then "How's the wells, cap?"

"Just the same Sid, oozing up all the time, no more and no less."

"Haven't begun to gush yet?"

"No."

"Well what did that big oil specialist say? I saw in the papers he was coming down to size the property up."

McPhee winked. That was all part of the publicity campaign, Sid," he answered. "I'm not running any risks and I wouldn't let any darned specialist near those wells for fifty thousand dollars. Why should we? Ain't we got the suckers biting? We know the oil's there and that's good enough for us. These specialists often make mistakes and suppose we'd let one of them go nosing around and he had said there wasn't any oil? Wouldn't have been any use me and you swearing our affidavits that there was, would it? The public knows there's oil there, we've told them and Sid, they believe us."

"Oh, I guess you're right, Cap,"

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