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| 3. P to K 5 | 3. B to B 4 |
| 4. B to K 3 | 4. P to K 3 |
| 5. Kt to K B 3 | 5. Kt to Kt 5 |
| 6. Kt to R 3 | 6. P to B 4 |

A departure from the books. If P be taken at move or 8 Black continues with Q to R 4

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| 7. P to B 3 | 7. Kt to Q B 3 |
| 8. Kt to B 2 | 8. P to B 5 |
| 9. P to Q Kt 3 | 9. P to Q Kt 4 |
| 10. B to Q 2 | 10. K Kt to K 2 |
| 11. Kt to K 3 | 11. B to Kt 3 |
| 12. B to K 2 | 12. Kt to B 4 |
| 13. Castles | 13. B to K 2 |
| 14. Kt to B 2 (weak) | 14. Castles |
| 15. P takes P | 15. Kt P takes P |
| 16. Kt to Kt 4 (bad) | 16. B takes Kt |
| 17. P takes B | 17. K Kt takes QP |
| 18. B to B 3 | 18. Kt takes B (oh) |
| 19. Q takes Kt | 19. B to R 4 |

Black can win the exchange by B to Q 6, but he is flying at higher game.

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| 20. Q to K 3 | 20. R takes Kt |
| 21. P takes R | 21. Q to R 5 |

Much better than P to Q 5 on account of the reply White 22, Q to K 4

22. P to B 4

White cannot escape. If K to R, Black wins by Q to R 6. If K to Kt 2, then follows R to K B.

22. P to Q 5

23. B takes P

A slip, overlooking that if White plays 24, Q takes Kt, Black posts B at K B 6, forcing mate. White's best play was as follows:

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| 23. Q to K 4 | 23. Q to Kt 5 (ch) |
| 24. K to R | 24. Q to B 6 (ch) |
| 25. Q takes Q | 25. B takes Q (ch) |
| 26. K to Kt | 26. P takes B and wins |

23. Kt takes B

White resigns.

SOLUTIONS

Solution of Problem No. 250.

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| WHITE. | BLACK. |
| 1. B to K B 4 | 1. P takes B |
| 2. Q to Q 2 | 2. Anything |
| 3. Q or Kt mates acc. | |

There are other defences.

Solution of Problem for Young Players No. 248

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| White. | Black. |
| 1. Q to K 7 | 1. K to K B 4 |
| 2. B to K R 5 | 2. K to K B 5 |
| 3. Q mates | |

PROBLEMS FOR YOUNG PLAYERS, No. 249.

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| WHITE. | BLACK. |
| K at Q Kt 7 | K at K 5 |
| Q at Q 7 | B at K 4 |
| R at Q R 4 | Kt at Q Kt 5 |
| B at Q R sq | Pawns at K B 5 |
| B at K Kt 4 | and Q 5 |
| Kt at K B sq | |
| Pawns at Q 2, Q B 2, | |
| and Q Kt 3 | |

White to play and mate in two moves.



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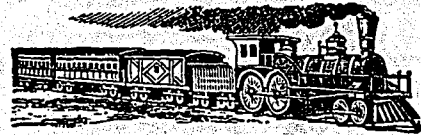
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