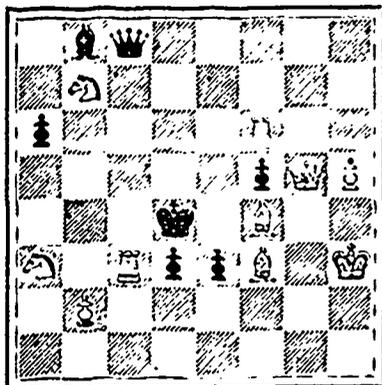


CHESS.

Solution to problem No. 56 Q to Q2
Solved by C. W. L.

PROBLEM No. 58.

From "Canadian Chess problems."
By E. B. Greenshields, Montreal
BLACK 7 pieces



WHITE 10 pieces.

White to play and mate in two moves.

GAME No. 59.

Game played at Toronto Chess Club,
Dec. 23rd '90, between A. T.
Davidson, of Toronto, and G.
S. Deeks, of Chatham, Ont.

EVAN'S GAMBIT.

Deeks. Davidson.

WHITE.	BLACK.
1 P to K4	P to K4
2 Kt to KB3	Kt to QB3
3 B to B4	B to B1
4 P to QKt4	B takes P
5 P to QB3	B to Q3 a
6 P to Q4	Kt to B3
7 B to KKt5	Castles
8 Castles	P to KR3
9 R to R4	P to KKt4
10 Kt takes P b	P takes Kt
11 B takes P	B to K2
12 P to B4 c	Kt takes KP
13 B to KR6	P to Q4
14 P to B5	R to K1
15 Q to Kt4 ch	B to Kt4
16 P to KR4	P takes B
17 P takes B	Kt takes QBP
18 Kt takes Kt	Q takes QP ch
19 Q takes Q	P takes Q
20 Kt to Q5	R to K4
21 Kt takes BP	R to Kt1
22 P to Kt6	R takes BP
23 R takes R	B takes R
24 P takes P ch	K takes P
25 R to KB1	K to Kt3
26 B to B4	R to Q1
27 Kt to Kt5	R to Q4
28 Kt to Q6	P to B6 d
29 Kt takes KtP	P to Q6
30 Kt to Q6	P to Q7
31 Kt takes B	R takes Kt
32 P to Kt3	Kt to Q5

White resigns.

NOTES.

- a The new American defence.
b Not good as Black can easily
defend himself.
c P to Q5 is the better move.
d Black's two passed Pawns are in-
vincible with all his pieces backing
them.—*The Week*.

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CITY CHIMES.

The fourth subscription concert of the Orpheus Club series was given in Orpheus Hall on Tuesday evening with the assistance of Mrs. C. W. Harrison, Mrs. Percy Lear, Mrs. J. McD. Taylor, Dr. Slayter, Mr. J. B. Currie and the Leipzig trio. Mrs. Harrison, who sang for the first time in Halifax, made a very favorable impression. Her two numbers were both received with great applause, and she kindly responded to the encores received. Her first song, "L'incontro" was beautifully rendered, although it was noticeable that Mrs. Harrison was suffering from the effects of a cold contracted in the train while traveling from Sackville on Monday. As an encore she sang with great sweetness and expression, "The Ivory Gate and Golden." So perfect was her articulation that not a word of the song was missed. In the encore to her second song, Mrs. Harrison also greatly pleased her listeners. Her rendition of "I will extol Thee, O Lord," was almost perfect. We hope to have an opportunity of hearing this sweet singer again before long, as we understand that a concert is in contemplation at which she will be asked to sing. Mr. J. B. Currie's song "Holy Mother" was grand, but Dr. Slayter's selection, "There is a green hill far away" was almost too holy a subject for a concert hall. The sacredness of the crucifixion should prevent its being sung even at a Lenten concert. The vocal trios and quartette were well liked. In the second trio the voices of Mrs. Lear, Mrs. Taylor and Dr. Slayter blounded admirably. The music of the Leipzig trio was more enjoyed than the usual choruses and formed an agreeable change. Many people prefer such instrumental music as this to singing, and the piano, violin and 'cello certainly make a concord of sweet sounds in the hands of Mr. Porter, Herr Klingensfeld and Herr Doering. Some of us wished for a 'cello solo, but it was not to be. Three more concerts will be given by the club this season, the dates of which will be announced later on.

One of the most amusing of election humors occurred a few days ago, when the bright young daughter of a Tory politician, not a thousand miles from Halifax, tried to make a convert and induce a man to vote for her father. She tackled him first by telling him how much good her father did, and how kind he had been to this man personally, and then said she hoped he would vote for her father. The man replied: "Miss —, I goes to no meetin's, I reads no papers, I talks no scandalism, and I see a Grit!" Such a case was evidently hopeless.

March came in like a lion on Sunday. The flakes of snow were hugh, and almost deserved to be called snowballs. At one time the snow came down so heavily that someone remarked that they must be shoveling off the sidewalks in Heaven. The nights have been exceedingly cold, but the days are almost warm, and the sidewalks—not of Heaven, but of Halifax—are very drippy in the middle of the day. An early spring would be much appreciated this year, and many people prophecy it. We have had more cold weather this winter than for many years past, and some of us are quite ready for balmy spring to arrive.

Miss Laine's second song will take place on Thursday of next week, the postponement having been necessary on account of the elections.

The Gondolier Opera Company, now in Quebec, will come to Halifax soon, as Manager Clark has been in communication with the Manager of the Company. The troupe consists of forty-three people, and their repertoire includes the Gondoliers, Amorita and Erminie. An opera season would be a treat. It is some time since we had one.

St. Patrick's Minstrels perform in the Academy of Music this evening for the benefit of the Springhill sufferers. The entertainment will be under the patronage of General Sir John Ross and Lieut. Governor Daly. A large audience should be present, for St. Patrick's Minstrels are always worth going to see and hear.

Professor MacMechan is to lecture this evening in the lecture room of Fort Massey Church on "Historic Halifax." The lecture is under the auspices of the Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor, and no doubt a pleasant evening will be spent by all who attend.

NEWS OF THE WEEK.

Subscribers remitting Money, either direct to the office, or through Agents, will find a receipt for the amount enclosed in their next paper. All remittances should be made payable to A. Milne Fraser.

The celebration of the anniversary of the death of John Wesley was begun in Halifax on Sunday. A mass meeting was held in the Academy of Music on Monday evening.

A new steamer for the eastern shore and P. E. Island route has been purchased in Glasgow by W. A. Black, of Pickford & Black. She will be on the route when navigation opens.

The *Orontes*, the trooper bringing the Leicestershire regiment to this station from Bermuda, arrived yesterday morning. She was compelled to lie off the harbor all night.

The new Furness line steamer *Ottawa* arrived at Halifax on Wednesday after a voyage of eleven days from London. She is a fine steamer, commanded by Captain Dixon formerly of the *Damara*.

The steamer *Blue Hill* for the Yarmouth and Lockport and LaTour route has arrived at Yarmouth. She was purchased by the Yarmouth Company in Boston. Her passenger accomodation is said to be superior,

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