

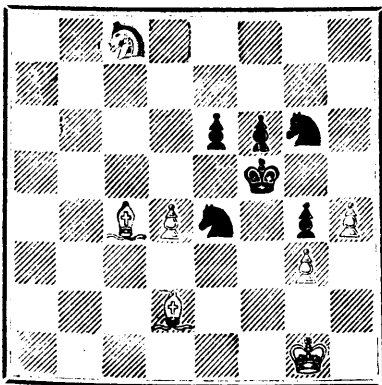
with a well-contested game may be as great in the country, as it is in the ordinary Club-room. The mistake seems to be made in considering Chess as something which must be associated with a place set apart for the purpose of play, and that it is, in itself, calculated to produce an excitement resembling the feeling so often resulting from the debates of the political arena. Chess should be a home amusement; it should accompany the amateur in his temporary sojourn in the country, and would not be out of place at any of the rapidly increasing bathing stations on the breezy banks of the lower St. Lawrence. The sudden casting aside of ordinary amusement, or daily employment, may, in some cases, be productive of violence either to mind or body.

The man who, after sitting at the desk from morning till night for nearly the whole year, leaves it to seek a short time of recreation, in too many cases fancies he does not make the most of it, unless he plunges into the extreme of camping out, in which he tries to emulate the lumberer, who from habit is able to meet all the demands of his hazardous and laborious occupation. This is a mistake which many make, and pay the penalty. Change is absolutely necessary for recreation, but it should not be of a sweeping nature as to render it injurious. It is, indeed, a fact that a game of quiet Chess may not be found incompatible even with a student's holiday.

PROBLEM No. 137.

By M. J. MURPHY, Quebec.

BLACK.



WHITE.

White to play and mate in two moves.

VARIATION.

Remove White's K B, and P from K R 4, and mate in three moves.

CHESS IN ENGLAND.

GAME 197TH.

Played two years ago, between Messrs. Wisker and Lord.

(King's Bishop's Gambit.)

WHITE.

(Mr. Wisker.)

BLACK.

(Mr. Lord.)

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| 1. P to K 4 | 1. P to K 4 |
| 2. P to K B 4 | 2. P takes P |
| 3. B to B 4 | 3. K Kt to B 3 (a) |
| 4. Q Kt to B 3 | 4. B to Kt 5 |
| 5. P to K 5 | 5. P to Q 4 |
| 6. B to Kt 3 (b) | 6. Kt to K 5 |
| 7. Kt to B 3 | 7. B takes Kt |
| 8. Kt P takes B | 8. Castles |
| 9. Castles | 9. Kt to Q B 3 |
| 10. Q to K sq | 10. P to K Kt 4 |
| 11. B to R 3 | 11. R to K sq |
| 12. P to Q 3 | 12. Kt to Q 3 |
| 13. B takes P | 13. Kt to K B 4 |
| 14. B takes Kt | 14. P takes B |
| 15. Q to K 4 | 15. B to Q 2 |
| 16. R to B 2 | 16. P to K B 4 |
| 17. B to B 5 | 17. Kt to Kt 5 (c) |
| 18. Q to Q R 4 | 18. P to K R 4 |
| 19. R to K 2 | 19. R to K 3 |
| 20. Q R to K sq | 20. Kt takes R P (d) |
| 21. Kt to Q 4 | 21. P to Kt 5 |
| 22. K takes Kt | 22. P to Kt 6 (ch) |
| 23. Kt takes K B P (e) | 23. Q to Kt 1 |
| 24. K to Kt sq | 24. Q R to K sq |
| 25. Q to K 4 | 25. R takes K P |
| 26. Kt to Q 4 | 26. R takes Q |
| 27. Q takes R | 27. R takes R |
| 28. R takes R | 28. Kt to B 3 |
| 29. Kt to B 3 | 29. R to Kt 5 (ch) |
| 30. R to Kt 5 (ch) | 31. R to K 7 (ch) |
| 31. R to K 7 (ch) | |

NOTES BY MR. BLACKBURN.

- (a) Not so good a mode of defending the Bishop's Gambit as 3. P to Q 4, followed by 4. K Kt to B 3.
- (b) Better, we believe, than the usual continuation 6. B to Kt 5 (ch), &c.
- (c) Doubtless Black has a very difficult game to play, yet it appears to us that P to Kt 5 would have given him a better chance.
- (d) Very pretty but not sound, however, his game was lost whatever he had played.
- (e) It is obvious, of course, that taking the R would have lost the game in a few moves.

CHESS IN CANADA.

GAME 183RD.

Played recently at the Montreal Chess Club between Messrs. Hicks and G. Barry, the former giving the odds of Q Kt.

(Remove White's Q Kt.)

WHITE.—(Mr. Hicks.)

BLACK.—(Mr. G. Barry.)

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| 1. P to K 4 | 1. P to K 4 |
| 2. B to Q B 4 | 2. P to K B 4 |
| 3. Kt to K B 3 | 3. Kt to K B 3 |
| 4. Kt to Kt 5 | 4. P to Q 4 |
| 5. P takes P | 5. Kt takes P |
| 6. P to Q 3 | 6. B to K 2 |
| 7. P to K R 4 | 7. P to Kt 3 |
| 8. Q to K 2 | 8. B to Q Kt 5 (ch) (a) |
| 9. P to Q B 3 | 9. Kt takes P |
| 10. P takes Kt | 10. B takes P (ch) |
| 11. K to B sq | 11. B takes R (b) |
| 12. Kt to K B 7 | 12. Q to K B 3 |
| 13. B to Kt 5 | 13. Q to Kt 2 |
| 14. B to K R 6 | 14. Q to K B 3 |
| 15. Q to Q sq | 15. B to Q 5 |
| 16. Q to Kt 3 | 16. P to Q B 3 |
| 17. B to Kt 5 | 17. Q to Kt 2 |
| 18. Kt to Q 6 (ch) | 18. K to B sq |
| 19. Kt takes B | 19. B to Q B 4 |
| 20. P to Q 4 (c) | 20. P takes P |
| 21. P to Kt 3 | 21. Kt to Q R 3 |
| 22. B to K 6 | 22. P to Q Kt 3 |
| 23. K to Kt 2 | 23. Kt to Q B 2 |
| 24. R to K sq | 24. Kt takes B |
| 25. Q takes P | 25. Q to K B 2 |
| 26. Q takes P | 26. R to Q Kt sq |
| 27. B to K R 6 (ch) | |

NOTES.

- (a) Although Black wins more than the exchange by this move, it would be safer to drive away the Kt by P to K R 3.
- (b) Black is now a Rook superior in force, but his King is very much exposed, and his pieces undeveloped.
- (c) The sacrifice of this P enables White to bring his R into play. If Black had taken the P with B, White would have had a good game by checking with B at K 7.

SOLUTIONS.

Solution of Problem No. 135.

WHITE.

1. Kt takes P (at Q B 4).
2. Kt to Q B 3
3. B takes P mate.

BLACK.

1. P takes Kt best (a)
2. K takes Kt
2. B to R 7 (ch) &c.

Solution of Problem for Young Players, No. 133.

WHITE.

1. R to K 3 (ch. by dis.)
2. R to K 5 (ch)
3. R takes B mate.

BLACK.

1. K to Q Kt 4
2. B covers.

PROBLEMS FOR YOUNG PLAYERS NO. 134.

WHITE.

1. K at Kt 3
2. R at K R sq
3. R at K 5
4. B at Q Kt 3
5. Kt at K B 7
6. Pawns at K B 4, and K Kt 5.

BLACK.

1. K at K B 4
2. R at Q 4
3. B at Q 6
4. Kt at K R 2
5. Bawns at K Kt 2, K Kt 5, and Q B 3.

White to play and mate in three moves.

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