

ROUND THE DOMINION.

THE Eastern Townships are calling for an occasion of Anglican missions. The employees of the Intercolonial Railway are organizing an insurance association.

It is probable that the Washington Government will acquiesce in the Halifax Fisheries award. A LINK of the chain that bound St. Paul is about to be exhibited at the Quebec Seminary.

FORTY-ONE candidates got diplomas at School Examinations in Toronto, through the use of Examination Papers stolen from the printers.

THE Hon. Mr. Crooks, Treasurer of Ontario, has announced that the Ontario surplus on the 1st of January, 1878, amounted to \$4,652,798.

It is stated that there are two or three joint stock companies being formed for the purpose of tendering for the lease of the North Shore Railway.

The proposed assembling of the Synod of Toronto by the Bishop, for the nomination of a Coadjutor, has aroused a warm feeling of opposition among the Low Church party.

THE Quebec Provincial Exhibition will henceforth be held alternately at Quebec, Montreal, Three Rivers, and Sherbrooke, providing the latter cities comply with the necessary conditions.

A NEW YORK fishmonger employs men to fish with the fly in lakes near Montreal, and last season two men thus secured 1500 pounds of red trout in a fortnight for Fulton Street market.

THE framework of the trophy tower for the Canadian Department of the Paris Exposition has been shipped from the Government shops at Ottawa. A sketch of this fine work lately appeared in this paper.

BRITISH Columbia fears an incoming of Chinese during the coming summer, and that the expected prosperity of the country consequent on the immense gold discoveries at Cariboo, will be marred by an influx which will render the condition of white labour intolerable. The Legislature is called upon to interfere.

THE NEW PARLIAMENTARY BUILDINGS OF QUEBEC.

The buildings which we represent to-day, and which are destined to contain the Parliament and different Ministerial Departments of the Civil Government of the Province of Quebec, form a perfect square, 300 feet a side on the exterior, and containing a courtyard of 198x195 feet.

The principal facade fronts on St. Eustache-street and the glacis, and the Lieutenant-Governor's entrance is on St. Louis-street. The fourth facade is on St. Augustin-street.

The style of architecture is that of the Renaissance, and all the materials will be fire-proof.

It is impossible to enter into full technical details, but we may state that the front contains several niches wherein will be placed the statues of prominent men connected with the history of the Province and country. Thus below, there will be the statues of Lords Elgin and Dufferin. Above these will figure the statues of four military heroes, whose names are associated with the Ancient Capital itself—Frontenac, Montcalm, Wolfe and Levis. On the second story is another row of niches destined for the statues of Laval, Oiler, Breckout, and Sgard. Still higher come the statues of Maisonneuve and Champlain, the founders respectively of Montreal and Quebec. Towering over all, as is fit, in the fourth story, will be set the statue of Jacques Cartier. We know not who has had the choice of the statues, and we are not disposed to find fault, but we cannot understand the omission of the effigies of at least two Englishmen whose names are forever associated with the dear old city. We mean Murray and Guy Carleton or Lord Dorchester—the first who held Quebec after the death of Wolfe, in spite of his defeat by Levis, and the latter who saved all Canada by his defence of Quebec against the Americans in 1776-7. The elevation of the plans of this splendid edifice and their general disposition are due to M. Eugene Tache, Assistant Commissioner of Crown Lands for the Province of Quebec. The plans of construction, interior distribution, &c., are due to M. P. Gauvreau, Engineer of Public Works.

OUR CHESS COLUMN.

Solutions to Problems sent in by Correspondents will be duly acknowledged.

All communications intended for this department to be addressed Chess Editor, Office of CANADIAN ILLUSTRATED NEWS, Montreal.

TO CORRESPONDENTS.

- J. W. S., Montreal.—Correct solutions of problems Nos. 157 and 158 received, also, letter and valuable contents. Much obliged. Student, Montreal.—Solution of Problem No. 158 received. Correct. G. J. Sealorth, Ont.—Letter received. Many thanks. W. A. Montreal.—Many thanks for the Problem. It shall appear next week. E. H.—Solution of Problem for Young Players No. 155 received. Spec, Montreal.—Play over the best games of the best players. P. P., Perth, Ont.—Postal received. Many thanks.

We are desirous of calling the attention of our Canadian Chess-players to an account of the rules of the Chichester (Eng.) Chess Club, especially as, at the present time, we very often see notices of the re-organization of Clubs in our different Provinces. It appears that ladies, as well as gentlemen, may be members, and, also, that a Club record is kept for the purpose of marking the relative strength of the members. Each member takes his standing in the Club according to his losses or gains in the record; and, in this way, no player, who values his position, will indulge in the weak-

ness of careless play. The subscription is only five shillings sterling a year.

We shall be glad to receive the names and addresses of any Chess players in the Dominion who would be willing to engage in a Correspondence Tourney. Our Correspondent, who suggested such a contest, would, if furnished with names sufficient, take all necessary steps to put the affair into active operation.

We hear that a game of Chess has been played by the aid of the Telephone at Hartford, Conn. The lady-player, Mrs. Gilbert, was one of the party engaged in the contest.

In consequence of a change in the proprietorship of the Glasgow Daily News, its issue of the News of the Week has been discontinued.

We are glad to be informed, however, that the valuable Chess Column, contained heretofore in the News of the Week, will be continued in the Thursday issue, each week, of the Glasgow Evening News.

From Toronto Globe, Jan. 19th, 1878.—

COBOURG CHESS CLUB.

The Cobourg Chess Club is re-organized, with the following officers:

- H. J. Ratten, President. J. Salisbury, 1st Vice-President. G. Guillet, 2nd. H. Boggs, Secretary & Treas. Committee—R. Wright, B. O. King, Frank Polson.

Many persons labour under the delusion that Chess and its surroundings are dull and gloomy, and that anything in the way of fun would be altogether out of place in a Club or a Chess Column. To undeceive them we submit the following, taken from the Hartford (Conn.) Daily Times:

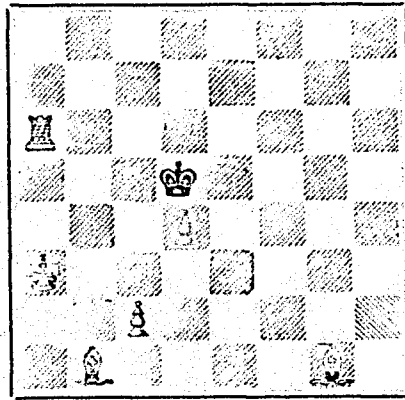
"When the Hartford boys wanted to make their favourite Chess editor a Christmas present of a set of wooden Chess-men, they had only to put their heads together."—Cleveland Voice.

"Yes. And when it was decided to supply the pork-eaters of the West with wooden nutmegs, a couple of Yankees put their heads together and the thing was done."

This is very good, but we must not forget that Sydney Smith was, perhaps, the first in the field with this capital joke. When the city authorities were hesitating as to the best way of paving the streets of London with blocks of wood, he wittily remarked that they had only to lay their heads together, and the thing would be done.

PROBLEM No. 159.

By THOMAS SINCLAIR, St. Andrews, Manitoba. BLACK.



WHITE. White to play and mate in three moves.

CHESS IN NEW YORK. GAME 267th.

Played at the "Cafe International" between Mr. Mason and a well-known Western amateur. (King's Gambit declined.)

- WHITE (Mr. Mason.) 1. P to K4 2. P to K B4 3. Kt to K B3 4. P to Q B3 5. P to Q 4 (b) 6. P takes P 7. B to Q Kt5 8. Kt to Q B3 (c) 9. Castles 10. K to R sq 11. B to K3 12. B to Q3 13. P to K5 14. B P takes P 15. B takes P (ch) (g) 16. Kt to R5 (ch) 17. Q takes B 18. Q to R5 19. Q takes B P (ch) 20. Q to R5 (ch) 21. Q to R7 (ch) 22. R takes Kt (ch) 23. Q takes Kt (ch) BLACK (Mr. J.) 1. P to K4 2. B to B4 3. P to Q3 4. Kt to Q B3 (a) 5. P takes P 6. B to Kt3 7. B to Q2 8. Kt to K B3 9. B to Kt5 (d) 10. Castles 11. Kt to K2 (e) 12. R to K sq 13. P takes P (f) 14. K Kt to Q4 15. K takes B 16. K to Kt sq 17. Kt takes B 18. Q Kt to B4 19. K to R sq 20. K to Kt sq 21. K to B sq 22. Kt takes R And Black resigned.

NOTES.

BY A. F. BARNES, ESQ., NEW YORK.

- (a) B to K Kt5 is the usual combination. (b) The authorities recommend B to Q Kt5 as the best answer to Black's last move. (c) There can be no doubt but that White, even thus early, has the best of the game. (d) This appears a useless waste of time. Black cannot take the Kt with advantage, and White obtains a move to place his K in the corner, where, sooner or later, he would probably be obliged to go. (e) Black's game is not comfortable, and this and the next move do nothing to relieve it. The best play appears to be B to Q4. (f) After this answer to the formidable advance of White's K P, there appears to be no more hope for Black, whose only chance, and that a poor one, lies in playing the attacked Kt to Q4, before the B file is opened to the action of the R. (g) Mr. Mason conducts the attack in his usual style; Black can take the B or leave it, as he may choose, but he is ruined in either case.

CHESS IN CANADA. GAME 257th.

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

(Remore White's Q Kt.) (Evans' Gambit.)

- WHITE (J. Henderson.) 1. P to K4h 2. Kt to K B3rd 3. B to B4th 4. P to Q Kt4th 5. P to Q B3rd 6. Castles 7. P to Q4th 8. P takes P 9. B to Q Kt2nd 10. B to Q3rd 11. P to Q5 12. K to R sq 13. Q to Q2 14. Kt to K Kt5 15. Kt takes K P 16. Q to Q B3 17. P to K B4 18. B takes B 19. Q to K R3 17. Q takes P ch 21. P takes Kt BLACK (G. Barry.) 1. P to K4 2. Kt to Q B3 3. B to B4 4. Kt takes P 5. Kt to Q B3 6. P to Q3 7. P takes P 8. B to Q Kt3 9. Kt to Q R4 10. K Kt to K2 11. Castles 12. Kt to K Kt3 13. P to K B4 14. P takes P 15. Kt to K4 (a) 16. B to K B4 (b) 17. B takes Kt 18. Q to K B3 19. Kt to Q B5 (c) 20. K to B2 Resigned.

NOTES.

- (a) A move which speedily leads to the loss of the game. (b) Q to K2 would, perhaps, have saved the Kt. (c) Black's best move here, seems to be P to K Kt3, and then on White's playing P to K Kt4, retreating the Q to K Kt2.

SOLUTIONS.

Solution of Problem No. 157.

- WHITE. 1. Kt from Q Kt4 to Q5 2. P to K B5 3. B mates. BLACK. 1. K moves 2. K moves

Solution of Problem for Young Players, No. 155.

- WHITE. 1. Kt to Q B sq 2. R mates. BLACK. 1. P moves

PROBLEMS FOR YOUNG PLAYERS NO. 157. A position occurring in actual play.

- WHITE. K at Q B2 R at Q sq R at Q B4 B at Q5 Kt at K Kt sq Pawns at K2 K R4, Q B3 and Q R2. BLACK. K at Q Kt4 R at K Kt7 R at K B7 Pawns at K5 K R3 K Kt2 and Q R4. White to play and mate in four moves.



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