

asked by his friends when he goes home is, "Did you see the old Lord's devils?" The lake was being cleaned out on the day of my visit, and I noticed a very narrow stream—a mere gutter—running through the mud at the bottom. This, I learned, was the river Leen, which is generally covered by the lake, and therefore is seldom seen. Byron, however, knew of its whereabouts, for he mentions it in his description:

"Before the mansion lay a lucid lake,
Broad as transparent, deep and freshly fed
By a river, which its soft'ning way did take
In currents through the calmer water spread."

Close by is the spring from which the monks used to get all their drinking water, and it bubbles up to-day through the sand, as cool and clear as it did five or six hundred years ago. The family at Newstead drew their supplies entirely from it. There is a border of old-fashioned herbaceous flowers along the terrace, and both border and terrace were made by the monks, and are kept up precisely as if they had never departed from Newstead. The whole house and park are indeed preserved more carefully than ever they have been before, and due honor is everywhere paid to the memory of the poet. The visitor may walk through the park on his way to Huckleall Court, where, over Byron's grave, he will find that a wreath has been placed by Joaquin Miller, made, it is said, by a party of ladies in California, and treasured with some little pride by the old sexton.

L. J. J.

In all countries women love flowers—in all countries they form nosegays of them; but it is only in the bosom of plenty that they conceive the idea of embellishing their dwellings with them. The cultivation of flowers among the peasantry indicates a revolution in all the feelings. It is a delicate pleasure which makes its way through coarse organs; it is a creature whose eyes are opened; it is the sense of the beautiful, a faculty of the soul which is awakened. Man then understands that there is in the gifts of nature something more than is necessary for existence; colours, forms, odours, are perceived for the first time, and these charming objects have at least spectators. Those who have travelled in the country can testify that a rose-tree under the window, a honeysuckle around the door of a cottage, are always good omens to the tired traveller. The hand which cultivates flowers is not closed against the supplication of the poor, or the wants of the stranger.

THE GLEANER.

JERUSALEM is being rebuilt with all the modern improvements.

SIR GARNET WOLSELEY has been gazetted Grand Cross of the Order of the Bath.

FIRMNESS is necessary to back up good intentions. The hen that is set in her way turns out best.

DR. MAGOON, of Philadelphia, has provided a \$6,000 scholarship at Vassar College, of which he is a trustee.

A STEAM bicycle has been invented. This will fit a long felt want. A steam bicycle may explode and kill its rider.

GARFIELD'S pedigree seems to be a little mixed. Already it is said that he came from Welsh-Irish and Dutch stock. And then there was his Credit Mobilier stock.

THE person who has an idea that a Long Island sound captain wants to go down with a wreck any more than any of his passengers has real romance instead of history.

THERE are no undertakers in Japan. When a person dies his nearest relatives must put him in a coffin and bury him, and the mourning doesn't begin until after the funeral.

ATTENTION is called by a St. Petersburg correspondent to the fact that till now no Emperor of Russia has been a widower. A new ceremonial for the inment of the late Empress had, therefore, to be improvised.

OUT of the initials of Mr. Gladstone's names the Conservatives have manufactured the word *Wag*, and by this irrelevant appellation they speak of the Premier. He has not yet "dropped into poetry," however, like Siles of that name.

NO matter how big a man a Fourth of July orator thinks himself he will discover, before the evening is over that the chap who shoots off the sky-rockets will receive most of the applause.

PRINCE HENRY of Prussia, second son of the Crown Prince, who will return shortly from his voyage around the world, will commence his studies at the Strasburg University next winter.

THE average person speaks about 120 words per minute. This estimate is considerably short of that required when the speaker has a trunk full on his head while he is hunting for a sleeve button.

A KANSAS farmer found fourteen old hats, six cloth-shoes, two straw beds, ten pine tins and an eight-day clock on his farm after a tornado, and he wants the owners to prove property and pay charges.

MANY a future delegate, says the Boston Courier, is now swinging on the gate barefooted and bareheaded, his face smeared with molasses and his hair to open and undignified rebellion to the unit rule.

IN the next fifteen years almost all the Russian railroads now in operation will undergo the process of redemption and become government property. The Czar wants to become a railroad king, but the Nihilists will blow him up all the same.

THE poet has referred idlers to the ant for a lesson in industry. The common house-fly, however, wears the belt for persistent perseverance. One of these creatures will go a thousand times to the same spot on a man's bald head, and yet there is nothing to be gained by it in any way.

THE New York Herald is mistaken in calling Detroit the Athens of the West. Call us anything else but that. Athens means bad sidewalks, lots of mud, office holders who hang on forever, and just enough of higher education to make everybody think everybody else a fool.

OUR CHESS COLUMN.

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

TO CORRESPONDENTS.

J. W. S., Montreal.—Paper to hand. Thanks.
Student, Montreal.—Correct solution received of Problem No. 280.

The influence of delightful summer weather is felt by all our chess clubs, and it is only the enthusiast who is found poring over the chess board while all that is bright and beautiful in nature is inviting him abroad. The club room wears a dingy look to eyes just refreshed by the air and flowers, and even the bright gambit, when day has departed, seems to be out of place during a hot summer's evening. Little then of Canadian chess can we chronicle now, and we must vainly wait till long evenings and approaching winter lead the votary of the chequered board to resume his favourite amusement.

The most stirring event of the day in chess is undoubtedly the contest between Zukertort and Rosenthal, and even that seems to have lagged lately. The latest news is to the effect that Zukertort has won another game, and, therefore, the score is now, or rather was, when it began its journey hitherward, Zukertort, 6; Rosenthal, 1. Drawn 9.

It is consequently, so far as it has gone, a very one-sided affair, and as the first seven games gained by either player will decide the contest, there seems to be no difficulty in forecasting to whom the victory will fall.

Dr. Ryall, of Hamilton, informs us that eighteen games in his Correspondence Tourney have been finished. We are glad to hear that the competitors have entered so eagerly into the fight, and hope that soon we may be furnished with a full report of this interesting chess contest.

In the International Post Card Tourney, Mr. Lopping announces that he has won two games from Mr. Jaeger, and Mr. Scott, of Chester, informs us that in one of his games with Mr. Lund he has won the Queen for a Pawn. Mr. Lund's last move was probably a mistake, but Mr. Scott has a clearly won game in spite of it. If Mr. Lund should throw up the sponge, what will Mr. Bollen say to America, 29; Great Britain, 29; and draw 111.—Argus and Express.

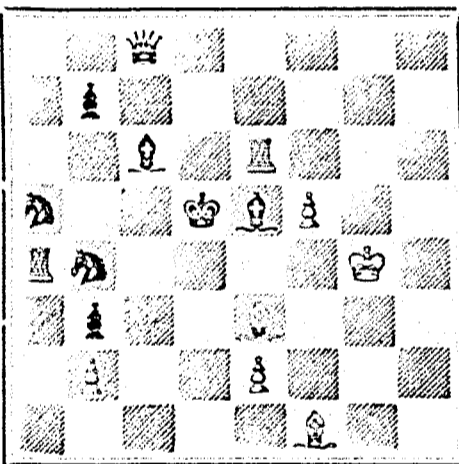
CHESS IN AUSTRALASIA.

Mr. Walker, after giving a farewell blindfold performance at Brisbane, paid a visit to the Sydney Club for a similar purpose, and is now residing at Melbourne, where he has encountered Mr. Burns and other local players. We hope to give one of his games in our next. The largest chess tourney which has ever taken place in New Zealand was brought to an end in February at Kumara. There were 21 competitors divided into six classes, the odds ranging from P and move to Q. The victors were all in the second class, and their names and scores were:—Mr. Patte, 24 games won; Mr. Bail, 22; Mr. Scott, 22.—*Chessplayer's Chronicle*.

PROBLEM No. 281.

By J. P. Taylor.

BLACK.



WHITE

White to play and mate in two moves.

GAME 4348.

CHESS IN LONDON.

Fourteenth game in the Rosenthal-Zukertort match, played at the St. George's Chess Club, June 7, 1880.

(Ruy Lopez.)

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| White.—(Mr. Rosenthal.) | Black.—(Herr Zukertort.) |
| 1. P to K 4 | 1. P to K 4 |
| 2. Kt to K B 3 | 2. Kt to Q B 3 |
| 3. B to K 5 | 3. Kt to B 3 |
| 4. P to Q 3 | 4. P to Q 3 |
| 5. P to B 4 | 5. P to K R 3 |
| 6. B to R 4 | 6. P to K Kt 3 |
| 7. P to K R 3 | 7. B to Kt 2 |
| 8. B to K 1 | 8. P to K R 3 |
| 9. Q Kt to Q 2 | 9. Q to K 2 |
| 10. Kt to B sq | 10. B to K 3 |
| 11. Kt to Kt 3 | 11. P to Q Kt 4 |
| 12. B to Kt 3 | 12. P to Q 4 |
| 13. Castles | 13. Castles K side |
| 14. Kt to R 2 | 14. Q R to Q sq |
| 15. Q to K 2 | 15. Kt to Q R 4 |
| 16. P takes P | 16. Kt takes P |
| 17. B takes Kt | 17. P takes B |
| 18. P to K R 4 | 18. P takes P |
| 19. B takes P | 19. K R to Q sq |
| 20. P to Kt 4 (ch) | 20. Kt to Kt 2 (ch) |
| 21. P to Q 4 | 21. Q R to Q 2 |
| 22. Q R to K sq | 22. Q to Q 3 |
| 23. B to K 5 | 23. B takes P (ch) |
| 24. B takes RP (ch) | 24. R to Q 6 |
| 25. Q to Kt 6 | 25. B takes Kt |
| 26. B takes B | 26. P takes R |
| 27. B takes R Kt 3 | 27. Q takes B |
| 28. Q takes Kt | 28. R to Q 7 |
| 29. Kt to K 4 | 29. P to K R 4 |
| 30. Kt to R 2 | 30. B takes R P |
| 31. K to R 3 (ch) | 31. R to K 7 |
| 32. Q to R 8 (ch) | 32. K to R 2 |
| 33. R to B 7 | 33. R to K 8 (ch) |
| 34. Kt to B sq | 34. Q takes B P |
| 35. Q takes P | 35. Q to B 5 |
| 36. K to Kt sq | 36. R takes Kt (ch) (r) |
| 37. B takes R | 37. B to Q 5 (ch) |
| 38. Resigns | |

NOTES—(Much condensed.)

(a) An ill-considered advance, which might have cost the game on the spot.

(b) Feeble. The proper answer was Kt to Q B 3, which would have gained at least one important P on the Q side, for White could not then advance the Q P and allow the opponent to sacrifice the Kt.

(c) A fine resource, which turns the tables, at least as far as the attack is concerned.

(d) Perhaps best under the circumstances; but we are not quite sure whether he could not accept the proffered exchange.

(e) White's conduct of this difficult ending presents a model of finessing manoeuvres.—*Turf, Field and Farm*.

SOLUTIONS

Solution of Problem No. 282.

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| White. | Black. |
| 1. Q to K Kt sq | 1. Anything |
| 2. Mates acc. | |

Solution of Problem for Young Players No. 280

In this Problem the W K should be at K B 7

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| WHITE. | BLACK. |
| 1. Kt to K Kt 4 | 1. P takes Kt |
| 2. R mates | |

PROBLEMS FOR YOUNG PLAYERS, No. 281.

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|------------------------|----------------------|
| White. | Black. |
| K at K Kt 4 | K at Q 4 |
| Q at K B sq | Pawns at K 6 and Q 3 |
| R at K Kt 7 | |
| Kt at K 4 | |
| Pawns at K 2 and K B 5 | |

White to play and mate in three moves.



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