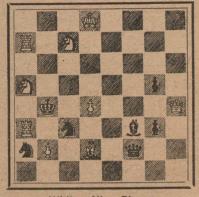
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PROBLEM No. 151, by H. J. Tucker.
First Prize, "Australasian," 1916.

Black.-Seven Pieces.



White.-Nine Pieces White to play and mate in two. SOLUTIONS.

Problem No. 149, by E. E. Westbury. B—B7, threat; 2. Kt—B2 mate.
..., Q—Q6ch; 2. R—Kt5 mate.
..., Q—K6; 2. Q—Q8 mate.
..., Kt—B6; 2. QxQP mate.
..., Kt—B5; 2. R—Q5 mate.
..., B—K4; 2. R—QB4 mate.
..., K—Q6; 2. Kt—B2 mate. CANADIAN CHESS IN THE

CANADIAN CHESS IN THE '60's. We were much surprised, whilst perusing a volume of the Berliner Schackzeitung for the year 1869, to come in contact with the following game, played by telegraph in February, 1868, between the Hamilton and St. Catharines Chess Clubs. We would much like to know if there is any veteran player who could furnish us with further particulars of the contest. The Berliner Schackzeitung was edited by Anderssen and Zukertort, both invincible as world's champions in their prime. The notes are our own.

Evans'	Gambit.
White.	Black.
Hamilton.	St. Catharines.
1. P—K4	1. P-K4
2. Kt—KB3	2. Kt—QB3
3. B—B4	3. B—B4
4. P-QKt4	4. BxKtP
5. P-B3	5. B—B4
6. Castles	6. P—KR3 (a)
7. P—Q4	7. PxP
8. PxP	8. B—Kt3
9. Q-Kt3 (b)	9. Q—K2
10. B-R3	10. Kt—R4 (c)
11. Q-R4	11. Q-B3 (d)
12. P-K5	12. Q—Qsq (e)
13. P—K6	13. PxP
14. BxP	14. Kt—QB3 (f)
15. BxKt	15. RxB
16. P-Q5 (g)	16. Q—B3
17. R-Ksqch	17. K-Qsq (h)
18. PxKt (i)	18. P—Q3
19. OKt-Q2	19. P—Kt4 (j)
20. Kt_B4	20. BxFch
21. KtxB	21. P—Kt5
22. KtxQP (k)	22. PxKt (1)
23. P—B7ch!	23. KxP
24. Q—B4ch	24. K—Ktsq (m)
25. QR—Bsq (n)	25. Q—Qsq

24. Q—BAch

25. Q—Bsq (n)

26. QxR

Resigns (o)

(a) This precautionary move betrays a lack of book knowledge and of the nature of the Evans' Gambit. 6..., P—Q3

was the correct move. The chief danger is from the opposite wing and the centre.

(b) This attack, as a general rule, results only from the 5...., B—R4 defence. Due to Black's error, it is feasible in this instance, for if now 9...., Kt—R4, then 10. BxPch, and the White Queen cannot be driven from the protection of the Bishop, as usually occurs. The better play, however, is the attack now in favor, 9. Kt—B3, the embarrassing reply, 9...., B—Kkt5 not being at Black's disposal. If then, instead 9...., P—Q3, White continues 10. Q—Kt3, Q—K2; 11. Kt—Q5, or 10...., Q—Q2; 11. B—QKt5, with a winning attack in each instance.

(c) 10...., P—Q3; threatening to reduce the attack by Kt—R4, would have been far better. Now White pins the Queen's Pawn.

(d) 11....., Q—Qsq was the right play. as will be seen. White would reply 12. B—Q3, with a commanding position. After the text-move the attack becomes formidable and decidedly interesting.

(e) If 12...., Q—Kt3, then 13. Q—Kt4, P—O3; 14. PxP. PxP (if 14...., QxQP; 15. Q—Ksgch); 15. Kt—K5, PxKt (if 15..., O—R3, then 16. KtxP); 16. O—B8ch, K—Q2; 17. BxP. Q—B3! 18. Q—K8ch, K—B2; 17. Kt—K5, RxB; 16. R—Ksqch, k—B2; 17. Kt—K5, RxB; 16. R—Ksqch leads to the play in the previous note.

(f) This advance wins a piece with very happy results. If the Knight moves, then 17. R—Ksqch leads to the play in the previous note.

(h) If 17...., K—B2, then 18. PxKt, P—O3 (if 18...., R—Ksq., then 19. Rx R, KxR; 20. Q—K4ch! Q—K3! 21. QxQch, PxQ; 22. PxP. and the piece ahead wins

against the isolated Pawns without great difficulty); 19. PxP, BxP; 20. Q—Q7ch, K—Bsq! 21. R—K6, Q—B2; 22. BxPch and mates in two.

(i) Threatening to win the Queen.

(j) If 19...., PxP, then 20. QxBP, R—QKtsq; 21. Kt—K4, Q—Kt3; 22. Ktx, P. PxKt; 23. BxP, R—Kt2; 24. QR—Qsq, R—Q2; 25. B—K7ch and wins. With the entry of the White Queen's Knight into the game, the St. Catharines players have no means to avoid the inevitable. Their attempt at a counter-attack is futile.

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(k) The brilliant key-move of a neat final sacrificing combination.

(l) If 22....., PxKt, then 23. Kt—B7 ch, QxKt; 24. QR—Qsqch and wins.

(m) If 24....., K—Qsq or Q2, then equally 25. QR—Bsq.

(n) Disdaining the Rook for a better and more artistic opportunity.

(o) The whole game, which is very interesting, marks the skill of the experts of the Hamilton club at this early date as of a surprisingly high order. Indeed, their every move, except the ninth, is beyond the slightest criticism. The modern "skittle" player, with which our clubs abound, might aptly remove his hat and bend his head to their memory.

At Sunset Point

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As soon as I've accumulated enough to

As soon as I've accumulated enough to pay up a few scores I owe Fritz."

"And I am going to store up as much as possible to go on with my work."

"That reminds me, Moll—I forgot to ask—how is Art?"

"Well, I don't have much time to paint. I start work at 7 a.m.—something new for me!"

"What! Not Commercial Art, Mollie, with your ideals!"

"No. Brace up, Billie, now you are going to get a shock. I'm in Munitions!"

"Come," whispered Gertrude to Mamie, "let's get back to the hotel, this is no place for us."

Just to Read Aloud

HE was a lion tamer, but the man who ruled the king of the forest was in turn ruled by his wife. One night he was entertained by his friends, who refused to allow him to depart until the small hours of the morning. As a result, on his homeward way, thinking that his wife would not receive him as cordially as he deserved, he spent the night elsewhere. In the morning he tried to slip into the house unobserved, but, alas! a voice from the top of the stairs greeted him coldly: "Where have you been all night, John?" "Well, my dear, I was afraid to disturb you, so I slept in the lion's cage." There was a moment's pause, a gritting of teeth. then down the stairs floated one word: "Coward!"

SOME time ago, when a local corps was reviewed by Sir Ian Hamilton, one officer was mounted on a horse that had previously distinguished itself in a bakery business. Somebody recognized the horse, and shouted "Baker!" The horse promptly stopped dead, and nothing could urge it on.

The situation was getting painful when the officer was struck with a brilliant idea, and remarked, "Not to-day, thank you." The procession then moved on.—Weekly Telegraph.

SOUTH DAKOTA railroad A noted for its exerciable roadbed. A new brakesman was making his first run over the road at night and was standing in the centre of the car, grimly clutching the seats to keen erect. Suddenly the train struck a smooth place in the track and slid along without a sound. Seizing his lantern, the brakesman ran for the

"Jump for your lives!" he shouted. "She is off the track!"

RIMROCK JONES

(Continued from page 21.) distant New York, and of the conflict that was forming there.

For a woman of society, compelled by her widowhood to manage her own affairs, it was wonderful to Rimrock how much she knew of the intricacies of the stock market and of the Exchange. There was not a financier or a broker of note that she did not know by name, and the complex ways by which they achieved their ends were an open book to her. Even Whitney H. Stoddard was known to her personally-the shrewdest intriguer of them all—and yet he, so she said, had a human side to him and let her in on occasional deals. He had been a close friend of her husband, in their boyhood, and that probably accounted for the fact; otherwise he would never have sold her that Tecolote.

"But he's got a string on it," suggested Rimrock shrewdly; but she only drooped her eyelashes and smiled.

"I never carry gossip between rivals," she said. "They might fly at each other's throats. You don't like Mr. Stoddard. Very well, he doesn't like you. He thinks you're flighty and extravagant. But is that any reason why we shouldn't be friends-or why my stock isn't perfectly good?"

"Don't you think it!" answered Rimrock. "Any time you want to sell

"A-ah! At it again!" she chided laughingly. "How like fighting animals men are. If I'd toss that stock, like a bit of raw meat, in the midst of you copper-mad men! But I won't, never fear. In the fight that would follow I might lose some highly valued friend."

From the droop of her lashes Eimrock was left to guess who that friend might be and, not being quick at woman logic, he smiled and thought of Stoddard. They sat late at their table and, to keep him at ease, Mrs. Hardesty joined him in a cigarette. It was a habit she had learned when Mr. Hardesty was living; although now, of course, every one smoked. Then, back at last in the shadowy alcove-which was suddenly vacated by the Jepsons-they settled down on the Turkish divan and invited their souls with smoke. It rose up lazily as the talk drifted on and then Rimrock jumped abruptly to his problem.

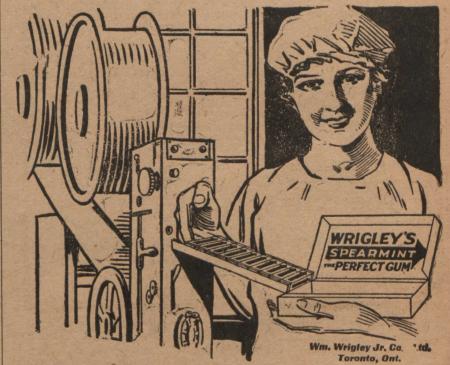
"Mrs. Hardesty," he said, "I'm in a terrible fix and I want you to help me out. I never saw the man yet that I couldn't get away with—give me time, and room according to my strengthbut I've had a girl working for me, she's the secretary of our company, and she fools me every time."

M RS. HARDESTY laughed—it was soft, woman's laughter as if she enjoyed this joke on mere man-and even when Rimrock explained the dangerous side of his predicament she refused to take it seriously

"Ah, you're all alike," she said sighing comfortably, "I've never known it to fail. It's always the woman who trusts through everything, and the man who disbelieves. I saw her, just a moment, as she passed down the hall and I don't think you have anything to fear. She's a quiet little thing-

"Don't you think it!" burst out Rimrock. "You don't know her the way I do. She's an Injun, once she makes up her mind."

"Well, even so," went on Mrs. Hard-



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