

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

"Gaffer," Montreal.—Correct solution of Problem No. 111, received.

M. J. M., Quebec.—Solution of Problem No. 110 received; also, Solution of Problem No. 111. Both correct. The dual in the latter is a defect.

W. J. R. B., Montreal.—Letter and solution received. Shall be glad to hear from you again.

H. A. C. F., Montreal.—Solutions of Problems No. 108 and No. 109 received. Correct.

J. W. S., Montreal.—Solution of Problem No. 111 received. As you point out, there is a dual in this other wise neat problem.

We have received the February number of the West Minister Papers, a work which ought to be in the hands of all our Dominion Chess-players. It is very pleasing to see from this periodical the great interest manifested on the other side of the Atlantic in Chess matters. Matches and Tournaments, in the metropolitan clubs, and Provincial contests seem to claim much attention, and new associations are continually springing into existence. It is also, gratifying to see an account of a contest between the Jewish Workingmen's Club and certain members of the City of London Chess Club, in which the former were victorious. A workingmen's Chess club, in many cases, would do much to elevate the tastes of those who after the toils of the day require some relaxation, especially that of an intellectual nature.

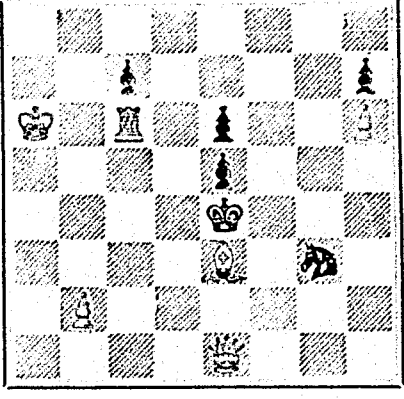
The Huddersfield College Magazine for February, has a large amount of most interesting Chess Intelligence, chiefly connected with problems and problem composers. The first of a series of sketches of English Problem Masters, gives us the particulars of the life of Mr. Wm. Bone, whose admirable stratagems contributed so much to the gratification of those who, years ago, were accustomed to look anxiously for them in the old "Chess-players' Chronicle" and other Chess works of the day. The Chess column of Land and Water still continues to furnish excellent specimens of contests between the great players of the Metropolis, and its Chess gossip is always fresh and amusing.

A second match has recently been concluded at the Montreal Chess Club, between Messrs. G. Barry and Shaw, the latter giving the odds of Pawn and move. The scoring of the first five games decided the contest. At the close, the result was as follows:—Mr. G. Barry, 6; Mr. Shaw, 5; Draws, 0.

PROBLEM No. 113.

By J. MURPHY, Quebec.

BLACK



WHITE

White to play and mate in three moves.

CHESS IN CANADA.

GAME 162ND.

Played at the Montreal Chess Club, January 29th, 1877, in which Mr. Bird, of London, Eng., gave one of the members the odds of Knight.

(Remove White's King's Knight from the board.)

- WHITE.—(Mr. Bird.) 1. P to K 4, 2. B to B 4, 3. P to Q K 4, 4. P to Q R 4, 5. R to R 3, 6. R to K Kt 3, 7. K takes B, 8. K to Kt sq, 9. P takes Kt, 10. B to Q 3, 11. B to K 2, 12. B to Kt 2, 13. P to Q 3, 14. Kt to Q 2, 15. P takes P, 16. R to R 4 (h), 17. K to R 2, 18. B to R 2, 19. P to Q B 4, 20. Kt takes B, 21. B to Q 4, 22. B to K 5, 23. R takes P (d), 24. R to R 4, 25. B to Q 3, 26. B to B 4, 27. Q to R 5, 28. Q to Q 5 (eh), 29. R takes P (eh) (f), 30. Q to K 5 (eh), 31. Q to K 6 (eh), 32. B to R 7 (eh) (g), 33. Q to K 8 (eh), 34. Q to Kt 8 (eh), 35. Q to Kt 6 (eh), 36. Q to Q 6 (eh), 37. Q takes Kt (eh), 38. Q to Q 6 (eh), 39. Q to K 6 (eh) (h), 40. Q takes R, 41. K to R 3, 42. K to Kt 4, 43. K to B 5, 44. K to B 6, 45. K to Kt 7, 46. B to B 7 (eh), 47. B to B 5 (eh), 48. B to Q 6, 49. Q to B 7 (eh), 50. Q mates.

NOTES.

- (a) A bold move in a contest with a player of Mr. Bird's strength. (b) A good move. (c) Driving the White King into safe quarters. (d) The last three or four moves of White are excellently played. (e) The game is very interesting at this point. (f) A move that exposes the Black King to a ruinous attack. (g) The best defensive move. (h) Again the best defence.

CHESS IN THE UNITED STATES.

GAME 163RD.

In which Capt. Mackenzie gives an Amateur the odds of Queen's Rook.

(Remove White's Q R from the board.)

- WHITE.—(Capt. Mackenzie.) 1. P to K 4, 2. Kt to Q B 3, 3. P to K B 4, 4. P takes P, 5. P to Q 4, 6. P to K 5, 7. Kt to K B 3, 8. B to Q 3, 9. Castles, 10. P to Q 5, 11. P to K 6, 12. Kt takes Kt (a), 13. Q takes R, 14. R takes P, 15. Q to Q R 4 (eh) and wins.

NOTES.

(a) A fine move threatening mate.

SOLUTIONS.

Solution of Problem No. 111.

- WHITE. 1. B to B 8, 2. Mates acc.

Solution of Problem for Young Players No. 109.

- WHITE. 1. Kt to Q 2 (eh), 2. Kt to K Kt 6 mate.

PROBLEMS FOR YOUNG PLAYERS NO. 110.

- WHITE. K at K R 2, R at Q B 5, B at K B 4, Kt at K 6, Pawn at K R 3.

White to play, and mate in two moves.

ADULTERATED "BOHEA."—An article in the Witness of the 5th Inst., with the above heading, claims the attention of the tea-drinking public; and shows "that much of the tea sold as 'green' is of a spurious and poisonous nature, damaged, musty, and poor kinds being doctored for the market by the addition of such 'wholesome' substances as black lead, terra alba, China clay, &c., &c., while the coloring is easily effected by a mixture of Prussian Blue and Turmeric skillfully administered," and leaves the question how long the human system can stand the effects of such slow poison? for solution with the medical fraternity.

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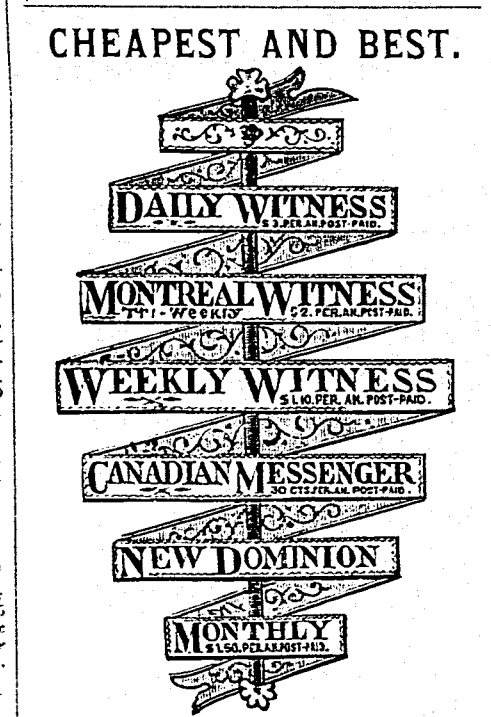
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