

run through by means of B-au nont compressed air locomotives. All illustration of which is given.

One of the Views engraved, in a military sense, shows how the tunnel is defended by existing works; this view is taken from the head of the Admiralty Pier. The approaches to the tunnel here appear to be completely under command of the guns of the fortress. The proposed railway station, on the site of the works, at the west end of Shakespeare's Cliff, will be directly under fire of the 80-ton turret guns on the Pier, and also from the ships on the sea. The arrangements for flooding or otherwise blocking the tunnel will be under control from the fortress, through the shaft which is shown at the east end of the Shakespeare's Cliff tunnel. The air-compressing station will be on the cliff above the railway at that point; and it is to be observed how completely this is commanded both from the sea and from the Pier, and also from the guns of the fortress. It is proposed also that the mouth of the tunnel and the hydraulic lift shall be commanded by guns, in casemates to be excavated in the solid cliff behind the station; these guns would be protected by iron shields, and their position, while it would afford a close and direct fire on the tunnel's mouth, could be made absolutely secure against escalade.

OUR CHESS COLUMN.

All communications intended for this Column should be addressed to the Chess Editor, CANADIAN ILLUSTRATED NEWS, Montreal.

J. W. S., Montreal, P. Q.—Papers to hand. Thanks. J. B. Winnipeg, M.—Letter received. Many thanks. Will answer by post.

The chess match between Zukertort and Steinitz seems still to be a thing of the dim future, to say the most we can of it. It appears very singular that two players who are anxious to have a contest over the board cannot meet together with a few friends on each side, and quietly arrange matters. Why should there be such a waste of paper in literary effort to bring about what a plainly written challenge from either party ought to settle in a very short time?

Mr. Ferris of New Castle, Delaware, has nearly completed his list of twenty chessplayers who are desirous of entering as competitors in his Cincinnati Commercial Correspondence Chess Tourney. As soon as the whole of the arrangements have been made, we hope to be able to give the names and addresses of the contestants.

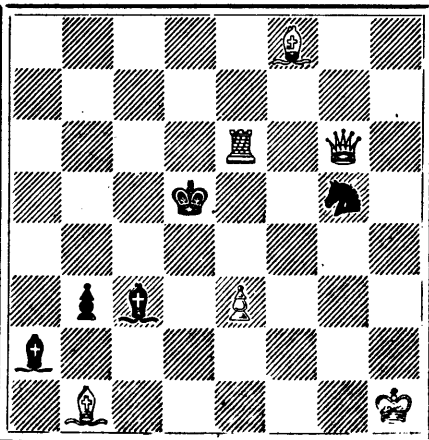
The dinner whereby the St. George's Chess Club wished to compliment Mr. J. H. Blackburne duly came off on the 2nd of March, at the Criterion Restaurant, but unfortunately Mr. Blackburne, who has been for some time past unwell, found himself at the last moment altogether too ill to be present. His health was, however, eulogistically proposed by the chairman, Lord Dartrey, and cordially drunk by the company, amongst whom were Messrs. Steinitz, Zukertort, Hirschfeld, Wayte, Ballard, F. H. Lewis, Rosenbaum, Gumpel, Cubison, Manning and Woodgate, the last named gentleman acting as a most efficient representative of the absent object of the toast. After compliments to the City of London Chess Club, honorary members of St. George's, Chess Press, and as a concluding toast, the chairman's health, the guests separated.—Land and Water.

CAMBRIDGE.—Dr. Zukertort gave exhibitions of blindfold and simultaneous play at the University Chess Club, on the 16th and 17th ult. The first evening the doctor played sans voir against ten selected players simultaneously, and succeeded in defeating eight, lost to Mr. G. Kuchler, and drew with Mr. E. L. Raymond. The second evening he encountered all players over the board simultaneously, and only lost one game—that with Mr. F. Morley.—Chessplayers' Chronicle.

PROBLEM NO. 375.

By G. J. Slater.

BLACK.



WHITE.

White to play and mate in two moves.

Solution of Problem No. 373.

- White. 1. P to B 3 2. Kt takes P dis ch 2. Q mates. Black. 1. K to B 6 2. K moves

GAME 50th.

Played in the Leipzig Congress, July, 1877, between Meistr. Andersen and Goring.

(Sicilian Defense.)

- White.—(Dr. Goring) 1. P to K 4 2. Kt to K B 3 3. Kt to Q B 3 4. P to Q 4 5. Kt takes P 6. B to K 3 (b) 7. B to Q 3 (c) 8. P takes P 9. Castles Black.—(Mr. Andersen.) 1. P to Q B 4 2. P to K 3 3. Kt to Q B 3 4. P takes P 5. P to Q R 3 (a) 6. Kt to K B 3 7. P to Q 4 8. P takes P 9. B to Q 3

- 10. B to B 5 (d) 11. B to K 5 12. Q Kt to K 2 (e) 13. K to R sq (f) 14. Q to Q 3 15. Q to K R 3 16. B takes B 17. Kt to B 5 18. Q Kt to Q 4 19. B takes B 20. Q to K 1 3 21. P to K B 4 22. Q to K 4 23. Q R to Q sq 24. R to Q 3 25. K to R 2 26. K R to B 3 27. Q to R 3 28. R to K Kt 3 (h) 29. R takes Kt 30. Q takes P 31. R to K R 3 32. K to K 3 (i) 33. K to R 2 34. Kt to K 7 ch 35. Q to B 8 ch 36. Q takes Kt ch 37. R to R 8 mate. 10. Castles 11. B to K 4 12. B takes R P ch 13. B to B 2 14. Kt to K 4 15. Kt to Kt 3 16. R takes B 17. B to Kt sq 18. B to B 5 19. Kt takes B 20. Kt to Kt 3 21. Kt to K 5 22. Q to B 3 23. K R to K sq 24. P to Q R 4 (g) 25. Q to R 3 26. Kt to B 3 27. P to R 4 28. Kt to K 5 ch 29. P takes R 30. R takes P 31. R to K B 7 32. Q to B 8 33. R takes B P (j) 34. R takes Kt (k) 35. Kt to B sq (l) 36. K takes Kt

NOTES.

- (a) Many authorities prefer 5. Kt to K B 3, for if White answer by 6. K Kt to Kt 5, then Black 6. B to Kt 5, and if 7. Kt to Q 6 ch, then Kt to K 2 with a good game. (b) The usual procedure here is 6. Kt takes Kt, Kt P takes Kt, 7. P to K 5, Q to B 4, 8. P to B 4, P to Q 4, 9. P takes P en passant, B takes P, and the game is perfectly even. (c) English authorities prefer B to K 2. (d) An ineffective attack. Of course Black pays no attention to the Bishop. (e) Hereby White loses a Pawn; but he had already somewhat compromised his position by his 10th move. (f) If White had taken the Bishop then 16. B takes B, and if Kt takes B, then 14. Kt to K 5 ch. (g) With a view of playing Q to R 3 and threatening the capture of White's Q B P. (h) White's game is now hopeless. The sacrifice of the exchange is of no avail. (i) Q to R 5 would have been bad on account of R takes P ch. (j) R to Q 7 would have been stronger. (k) A bad oversight, bringing the game to a comical conclusion. That Andersen should have overlooked the threatened mate is singular. Kt takes Kt would have won the game. (l) Bad again. He should have played R to K sq.

In the foregoing game, taken from a German paper whose name we forget, there is a striking example of the adage, "There is many a slip, &c."

Mr. Andersen, one of the most brilliant players of recent times, has played his game with so much care and skill that he has a winning position, and the result of the contest is only a matter of time apparently. But his opponent, seeing that the game is hopeless, makes his 32nd move, in itself a bad one, and through the blundering play of his antagonist, he is victorious. Now, if Dr. Goring played his Knight as he did in order to throw his adversary off his guard, he was certainly successful, but some would say that this is not the best of chess. Such things, however, are fair in chess and war. It is not at all likely that Mr. Andersen was able to perceive the comicality of the conclusion spoken of in the annexed notes on the game.

VARIETIES.

A COUNSEL'S FEE.—An aged negro in Austin, Texas, known as Uncle Mose, prosecuted a vagabond for stealing his chickens. The old man made out a clear case, describing his chickens as a peculiar Spanish breed, of which he was sole owner in that section. The defendant's lawyer, on getting up to cross-examine the old man, sternly said: "Uncle Mose, you claim nobody else has any of these chickens but you. Now, what would you say if I were to tell you that I have half-a-dozen of them in my back-yard at this very time?" "Well, boss," responded Uncle Mose, "I should say dat dat are t'ief had paid you yer fee with my chickens." That ended the cross-examination.

THAT HEATHEN CHINEE.—A Chinaman recently went into a Leadville faro bank and placed a paper of gold dust on the ace. The ace lost and the dealer, weighing the dust, found that it was worth about fifty dollars. He was to throw the paper away when John asked for it, saying there were some "washee washee" accounts upon it which he required. The next night he returned and bet a similar paper. This time he won, and as the dust weighed forty dollars, the dealer proposed to pay him upon that basis. The heathen shook his head. "You payee all I bet." "Certainly," answered the dealer. Then John, carefully unwrapping the paper, showed hidden between its folds a hundred dollar bill. "He must have it," sighed the look-out man; "he's got us dead." The bank-note was there the night before, but the dealer had handed it back. That was his fault, however, not the Chinaman's.

THE WEDDING SERMON.—All who have seen a French wedding know of the homely and frequently familiarly affectionate manner in which the officiating priest delivers a little homily to the intending husband and wife, in which, celi-hate as he is, he speaks with the authority of deep experience on the duties of bearing and forbearing, on the happiness and privileges of the married state. But all who heard it were astounded at the surpassing plainness of speech of the following priestly address: "It is from the bottom of my heart, Joseph, that I congratulate you upon the great step you are taking. It was indeed sad to see you wasting your youth in a life of disgusting drunkenness. However, all is well that ends well; and it pleases me to think that you have said good-bye for ever to the wine shop. As to you, my poor Catherine, thank heaven heartily that you have been able, ugly as you are, to find a husband. Never forget that you ought, by an unchangeable sweetness and a devotion without bounds, to try to obtain pardon for your physical imperfection; for, I repeat, you are a real blunder of nature. And now, my dear children, I join you in matrimony."

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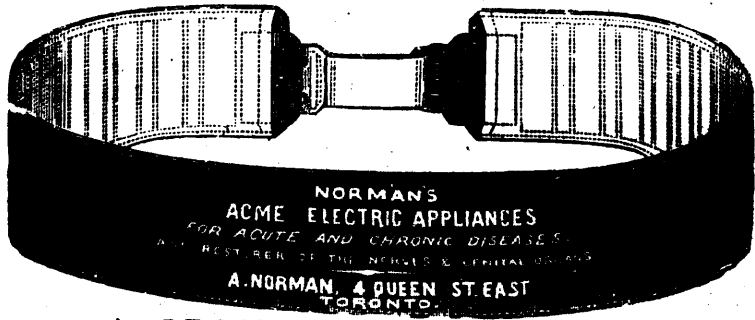
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