



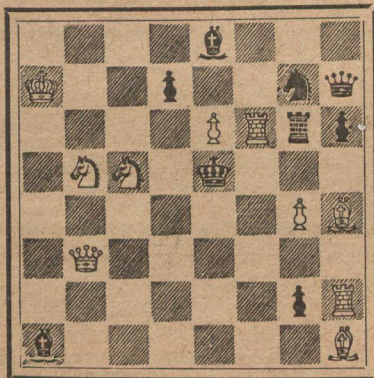
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PROBLEM No. 110, by Gunner C. Mansfield.

"Somewhere in France."

Second Prize, Good Companions' Club, Dec., 1916.

Black.—Nine Pieces.



White.—Ten Pieces.

White to play and mate in two.

Problem No. 111, by J. Pospisil. Casopis Ceskych Sachistu, 1907.

White: K at QR7; Q at KR5; R at KB7; B at KB5; Kt at Q5; Ps at QKt3 and KB2.

Black: K at K4; R at KR8; Bs at QR8 and KB8; Ps at QKt4, Q5, Q6, K2, KR3 and KR6.

White mates in three.

SOLUTIONS.

Problem No. 107, by Brian Harley.

1. Q-K7, R-R3; 2. Q-R4 mate.
1., B-K3; 2. QxP mate.
1., Kt-K3; 2. QxR mate.
1., Kt-Q2; 2. R-R4 mate.
1., Kt-Kt3; 2. BxP mate.
1., B-B6; 2. Q-K3 mate.
1., Kt-Q6; 2. Q-K3 mate.
1., Kt-B6; 2. P-Kt3 mate.

This is a remarkable achievement of eight Black interferences which we enumerate. It was composed in France with the aid of improvised chessmen on slips of paper. The previous record of seven Black interferences is also to the credit of the same composer.

White: K at KR8; Q at QR5; Rs at QKt6 and K8; B at QR6; Kts at Kt6 and K7; P at QR5. Black: K at KB4; Q at KB7; Rs at Q4 and KB8; Bs at QR8 and Kt5; Kts at QKt4 and KR8; Ps at QKt2, K6, K7 and Kt2. Mate in two. (1. Q-B4.)

CHESS IN ENGLAND.

Conde v. Yates.

Queen's Pawn Opening.

White.	Black.
A. G. Conde.	F. D. Yates.
1. P-Q4	1. P-Q4
2. Kt-KB3	2. P-QB4
3. P-B3 (a)	3. P-K3
4. B-Kt5 (b)	4. Kt-KB3 (c)
5. P-K3	5. Kt-B3
6. QKt-Q2	6. B-Q3
7. B-Q3	7. Castles
8. Castles	8. P-K4
9. PxKP	9. KtxP
10. KtxKt	10. BxKt
11. P-KB4	11. B-Kt sq (d)
12. Q-B2	12. P-KR3
13. B-R4	13. R-Ksq
14. QR-Ksq	14. Q-Kt3
15. P-B4	15. Kt-Kt5
16. PxB	16. P-Kt4
17. Kt-B4 (e)	17. Q-Qsq
18. B-Kt3	18. QxP
19. B-R7ch	19. K-Kt2
20. R-Qsq	20. Q-B3
21. B-B5 (f)	21. P-Kt4
22. BxB	22. RxB
23. Q-B3ch	23. K-Ktsq
24. P-KR3	24. Kt-B3
25. Kt-K5	25. BxKt
26. QxB	26. Kt-K5
27. PxB	27. PxB
28. Q-B5	28. Q-K3
29. OxB	29. PxB
30. B-K5	30. R-Qsq
31. RxB	31. RxB
32. P-KR4	32. R-Q4
33. B-Kt8	33. P-R4 (g)
34. PxB	34. P-R5
35. P-Kt6	35. P-R6 (h)
36. PxB	36. P-B5
37. R-Bsq	37. P-B6 (i)
38. B-B7	38. K-Kt2
39. K-Bsq	39. KxP
40. B-R5	40. R-B4
41. K-K2	41. K-B4
42. B-Kt4	42. R-Bsq
43. R-B2	43. P-K4
44. K-Q3	44. R-Qsqch
45. K-K2	45. R-QBsq
46. K-Qsq	46. R-Qsqch
47. K-Bsq	47. R-Q6
48. R-K2	48. Kt-Kt6
49. K-B2	49. K-K5
50. R-Ksq	50. R-Q7ch

52. B-B5
53. R-QKtsq
54. K-Kt4
55. R-QBsq
56. K-B3
57. KxR
58. B-B8
59. K-B2
60. B-Kt7
61. K-Kt3

Drawn (j).

(a) To open up in the centre as soon as possible by P-K4.

(b) A doubtful move, as it leaves his Queen's Knight Pawn open to attack. The logical sequence was P-K3, followed by B-Q3 and Kt-Q2, in order to play P-K4.

(c) A good reply would have been 4., Q-Kt3, followed, if 5. Q-Kt3, by 5., Kt-QB3. White could not have advantageously exchanged Queens.

(d) Black was deterred from retiring his Bishop to Q3 because of the threatened advance of the King's Pawn, but he could probably have done so with

safety, e.g., 11., B-Q3; 12. P-K4, P-B5; 13. P-K5, Q-Kt3ch; 14. K-Rsq, Kt-Kt5; 15. PxB, Kt-K6; 16. BxPch, KxB; 17. Q-R5ch, K-Ktsq; 18. KR-Ksq, B-Kt5; 19. Q-R4, P-B3; 20. Q-Kt3, QR-Ksq; and Black seems to have the advantage. If, instead, White played 13. BxKt, then 13., QxB; 14. P-K5, B-B4ch; 15. K-Rsq, Q-QKt3, followed by QxP.

(e) Playing to keep the Pawn was risky, e.g., 17. B-Kt3, Q-Qsq; 18. QxP, B-B2 with compensating attack. 11. 17. B-B2, KtxB; 18. RxKt, PxB, etc.

(f) The position is now singularly interesting and complicated. Among the possibilities were 21. PxB, BxB; 22. PxB, B-K3; 23. PxBch, KtxP; 24. Kt-K5, Q-B2; 25. R-Q7, QxKt (if BxR; mate follows by 26. RxPch, KtxR; 27. Q-Kt6ch); 26. Q-Kt6ch, K-Rsq (if K-Bsq, there is a pretty mate in four by 27. QxKtch, Q-Kt2; 28. R(Bsq)xPch, BxR; 29. Q-Q6ch); 27. QxKt, Q-Kt2 with advantage.

(g) 33., R-Q7 was better. White is offering the KRP so as to be able to drive the Knight from its strong post at K5.

(h) Needlessly hurrying matters. Better was K-Kt2, and if 36. R-B4, then 36., P-R6; 37. PxB, Kt-B6.

(i) Again R-Q7 should have been played. If then 38. P-R4 (apparently nothing better), he would have got the worst of the game, e.g., 37., R-Q7; 38. P-R4, P-B6; 39. B-K4, P-B7; 40. B-Kt2, PxB and wins, as White could not bring his King into play, for if 41. K-Bsq, then 41., Kt-Kt6ch; 42. K-Ksq, R-K7 mate.

(j) A highly interesting game, full of difficult situations.

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