

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

M. J. M. Quebec.—Letter received. Many thanks. Solution of Problem No. 123 received. Correct. H. A. C. F., Montreal.—Correct solution of Problem No. 123 received. Student, Montreal.—Correct solution of Problem No. 124 received. J. W. S., Montreal.—Letter received. We have availed ourselves of your kindness as you will perceive. We have, also, taken advantage of your solution of Problem No. 123. You certainly did not over-rate this fine composition.

CHESS AT QUEBEC.

The noble game of Chess appears to meet with much favour at Quebec. A succession of Tournaments has been played by the members of the Club of the ancient Capital, and the excitement has brought together at the rooms of visitors. This must result in multiplying the number of Chess amateurs in the city and neighbourhood, and we congratulate the members of the Club on their success in their recent endeavours to promote the cause of their favourite game.

The members of the Club in dividing themselves into two divisions, in order to carry on their Tournaments, have adopted singular titles, but what is in a name? "Ours" and "Ius," "Bats" and "Owls," and now we subjoin the score of the fight between the "Frogs" and the "Mice," which, as appears, resulted in favor of the former. The battle was fought on Friday and Saturday, the 18th and 19th inst.

The Tournay to follow is to be between the Greeks and Trojans. Should the next be confined to the Greeks alone, there will, indeed, be the "lug of war."

SCORE.

Table with columns for 'Frogs' and 'Mice', and rows listing names and scores. Includes names like E. T. Fletcher, R. Blakston, etc.

\* Drawn game.

By the magic wands of chiefs D. R. McLeod and R. Blakston, the "Frogs" and "Mice" have been metamorphosed into Greeks and Trojans, between whom a tremendous war will wage on Friday and Saturday next.

Our present problem (No. 123) is the joint production of two children of a member of the Montreal Chess Club, the elder of whom is only twelve years of age.

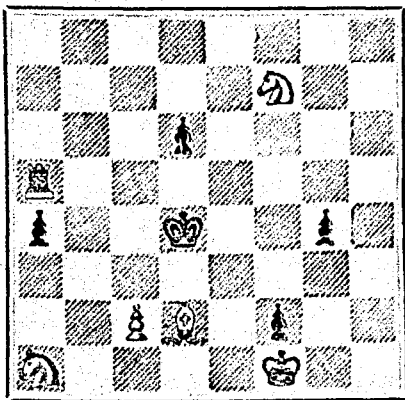
Game 123rd, as will be seen, is one played between Mr. Norton, Iowa, U. S., and his son, the latter only nine years of age when the contest took place. The score and remarks, sent to us by a kind correspondent, are taken from the Glasgow "News of the Week," and we feel sure that they will be interesting to our Chess friends who will not begrudge the space we give them in our Column.

We are glad to call attention to the fact that Chess is rapidly becoming associated with home and its connections, and in this way will be infinitely more beneficial than when confined to the limited influence of the Club room.

PROBLEM No. 123.

By Miss and MASTER SAUNDERS.

BLACK



WHITE

White to play and mate in three moves.

GAME 123RD.

CHESS IN THE UNITED STATES.

(From the Glasgow News of the Week.)

Last winter we alluded to the rising young player, Frank Norton, Iowa, U. S. A. We have the pleasure now to give our readers a game (hitherto unpublished) between father and son. The son was only nine years of age when it was played. He has lately received an invitation to visit a gentleman in Keokuk, 170 miles from home. It is probable that during his stay in that city his Chess skill will be tested. We hope to hear of his achievements. We are gratified to know Celtic blood runs in his veins; his maternal grandfather is a Highlander.

WHITE.—(Mr. D. P. Norton.) BLACK.—(Master Frank.)

Remove White Q R.

- 1. P to K 4
2. Kt to K B 3
3. B to B 4
4. P to Q Kt 4
5. Kt takes P
6. P takes P
7. Castles
8. P to Q 4
9. B to Q R 3
10. B takes R
11. P to Q B 3
12. Q to Kt 3
13. R takes B
14. R to Q sq
15. R to Q 3
16. Kt takes K B P
17. K to R sq
18. B takes Kt
19. R to K 3
20. R takes Q
21. B takes Kt
22. Kt to Kt 5
23. P to K Kt 3
24. Kt takes P
25. Kt to Kt 5
26. Kt to R 3
27. Kt to B 4
28. B to K 6
29. Resigns.

"See!" with united wonder, cried
The experienced and the sage,
Ambition in a boy supplied
With all the skill of age."

SOLUTIONS.

Solution of Problem No. 123.

- WHITE. 1. Q to K Kt sq. 2. Q to Kt 7. Mate. 2. Kt to Q 5. Mate. 2. Q to Kt 7. Mate. 2. Q to Kt 5 or 7, accordingly. Mate. 2. Q to Q B 5. Mate.
BLACK. 1. K to B 3. 1. B moves. 1. R moves. 1. Kt moves. 1. K to Q 3 (best)

We give a full solution of the beautiful problem, No. 123, as furnished us by our kind correspondent J. W. S., who kindly sent to us the position in the first instance.

Solution of Problem for Young Players, No. 121.

- WHITE. 1. Kt takes Q P (ch) 2. Q to K 8 (ch) 3. R takes P (ch) 4. Q to Q B 6 (ch) 5. Q mates.
BLACK. Q takes Kt Q to Q sq K takes R K to Q Kt sq

PROBLEMS FOR YOUNG PLAYERS NO. 122.

- WHITE. K at K B 5 R at K 4 B at K 6 B at K 3 Pawns at K R 3, and K B 7
BLACK. K at K R 4 Q at K R sq B at K B 3 Pawns at K R 2, and Q R 2.

White to play and mate in two moves.

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