

MY NEIGHBOUR.

"Love thou thy neighbour," we are told, "Even as thyself." That creed I hold; But love her more, a thousand fold!

My lovely neighbour; oft we meet In lonely lane, or crowded street; I know the music of her feet.

She little thinks how, on a day, She must have missed her usual way, And walked into my heart for aye.

Or how the rattle of her dress Thrills thro' me like a soft caress, With trembles of deliciousness.

Wee woman, with her smiling mien, And soul celestially serene, She passes me, unconscious queen.

Her face most innocently good, Where shyly peeps the sweet red blood; Her form a nest of womanhood!

Like Raleigh—for her dainty tread, When wafted air I could spread My cloak, but there's my heart instead.

Ah, neighbour, you will never know Why 'tis my step is quickened so; Nor what the prayer I murmur low.

I see you 'mid your flowers at morn, Fresh as the rose-bud newly born; I marvel, can you have a thorn!

If so, 'twere sweet to lean one's breast Against it, and, the more it prest, Sing like the bird that grief hath blest.

I hear you sing! And thro' me spring Both musically rippling and ringing; Little you think I'm listening!

You know not, dear, how dear you be; All dearer for the secrecy; Nothing, and yet a world to me.

So near, too! You could hear me sigh, Or see my ease with half an eye; But must not. There are reasons why.

GERALD MAPSEY.

OUR CHESS COLUMN.

Solutions to Problems sent in by Correspondents will be duly acknowledged.

TO CORRESPONDENTS.

J. W. S., Montreal.—Papers to hand. Many thanks. B., Montreal.—Thanks for the packet of problems. They will be very useful.

E. H., Montreal.—Correct solution received of Problem for Young Players, No. 293.

E. D. W., Sherbrooke, P. Q.—Correct solutions received of Problems nos. 291 and 295.

We have had an opportunity recently of glancing over the Chess Column of *Brooklyn Monthly* for September, and find it a much interesting matter. The Solver's Corner will attract the attention of those who delight in difficult positions, and, doubtless, they will accept the invitation extended to them therein.

The games appear to be well selected, and the names of Blackstone, Mackenzie, Delmar and Mason, amongst others, will not fail to tempt many amateurs to ascertain with the aid of the book and these renowned masters of chess were able to accomplish in recent encounters. The problems are beautifully printed.

"Chess on the lawn" has its lovers, and is no longer a thing unknown, but "chess near the sea" is a new luxury to many, both in England and Canada, but as far as the former is concerned it does not appear to be sufficiently appreciated. That they manage these things better in France is evident from the following extract from *Lard and Water*, of the 11th ult.:

"There are some things managed pretty well in France, and amongst them must be included the combination of the sea-air with chess. We must hold our eyes to our French neighbours in that respect. A similar union has been attempted at Brighton, but not with successful results. The metropolitan chess-player goes there amongst other Londoners, but he either cannot or will not play his favourite game when there. We fancy he would, but is unable. The Parisian chessist is more fortunate. He goes to Trouville, and at its casino mixes his chess and his coffee with ozone, deriving a twofold pleasure which he evidently highly appreciates. According to *La Revue* a considerable number of chess-players have lately been assembled at Trouville, amongst whom may be mentioned De Rivière, Bouchard, Hamel, L'esperance, De Matrazzo, Max Kann, Louvenstein, Morpizo, Chénery, Desrois, Duray, Vicomte De Cozao and De Lanette, the Comte De Tamisier, and the Abbe Vincent. Three games were lately played at the Casino de Trouville by Messrs. de Rivière and Mr. Hamel, of which we give one above. Until some similar resort be established in this country English chessists might do worse than pay a visit to Trouville in the summer time.

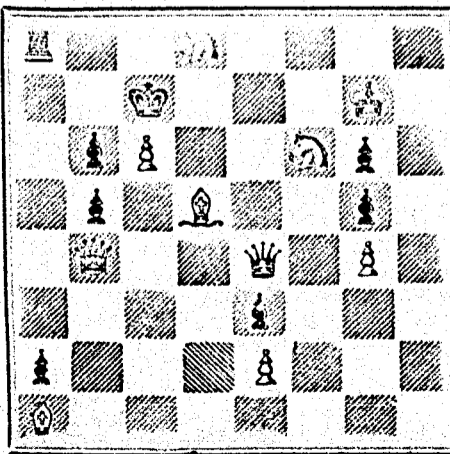
Mr. Sheriff Spens has won the championship of the Glasgow Chess Club and become the possessor of the Macfarlane cup.

Mr. Charles Mohle, of the Manhattan Chess Club leaves for England this week, on a business visit, and the Manhattan Chess Club this loss, for a time, one of its best players. This, with Mr. Mackenzie's absence, probably makes it impossible to arrange for a match with Philadelphia at present.—*Hartford Times*.

PROBLEM No. 297.

By W. T. Pierce.

BLACK.



WHITE.

White to play and mate in two moves.

GAME 436TH.

Played two years ago in the United States between Messrs. Orchard and Delmar.

Ray Lopez.

Table showing chess moves for White (Mr. Orchard) and Black (Mr. Delmar). Moves include P to K4, Kt to K B3, B to Kt5, P to Q3 (a), Castles, P to Q B3 (c), P to Q4, P takes P, Kt to Q B3 (best), B to K J, P takes B, K to R sq, P takes P, R to K Kt sq, R to Kt5, R to K B sq, R to Kt4, B checks, B to K6, R to K R4, Q to Q2, B to K Kt5 (f), Q takes Kt, Q takes Q.

And Black won after a few more moves.

NOTES.

- (a) Andersen's favourite mode of continuing the attack. (b) Some authorities give P Q3 as the right move here. (c) B takes Kt is preferable. (d) The best move here. (e) Black's play has not helped him in the last few moves. (f) A bad move losing the game at once.

SOLUTIONS.

Solution of Problem No. 295.

Table showing solutions for White and Black. White: 1. Q to K B3, 2. Mate acc. Black: 1. Any move.

Solution of Problem for Young Players No. 293.

Table showing solutions for White and Black. White: 1. Kt to K6, 2. K to Kt2, 3. B mates. Black: 1. P moves, 1. P moves.

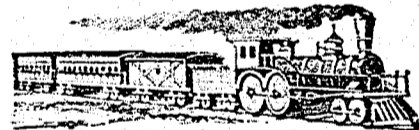
PROBLEM FOR YOUNG PLAYERS, No. 294.

Table showing solutions for White and Black. White: Kt to Q R4, Q to K R5, B to Q B4, Kt to K R4, Pawns at K R3, Q R2, and Q Kt2 & 3. Black: Kt to K8, R to Q8, B to K B7, B to Q R sq, Kt to K B2, Pawn at K B6.

White to play and mate in two moves.

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