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

TO CORRESPONDENTS.

J. W. S., Montreal.—Papers to hand. Many thanks. Student, Montreal.—Correct solution received of Problem No. 296. E. H., Montreal.—Correct solution received of Problem for Young Players, No. 296. E. D. W., Sherbrooke, P. Q.—Correct solution received of Problem No. 299.

It appears that Mr. J. P. Taylor's collection of two move problems is to be issued very shortly. We are certain that it will be eagerly sought for by chess amateurs, as problems which do not require much time for their solution are more acceptable than others, generally speaking. Indeed, we would recommend all chess students to use the time at their disposal more in the study of the games of Morphy, Blackburne, and players of that class than in solving problems. We do not undervalue such a pursuit, but, as an amusement and study we much prefer play over the board. We must confess, however, that some of Mr. Taylor's two move problems have led us to exclaim with Keats, "A thing of beauty is a joy for ever."

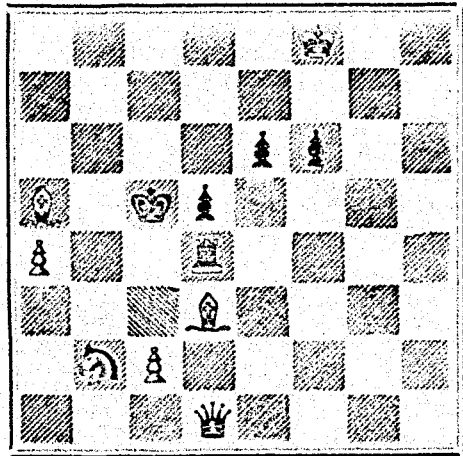
We are informed that Mr. W. Atkinson, of Montreal, was the successful competitor in the late Canadian Spectator Problem Tourney. We congratulate him very heartily.

The latter part of the following notice of a chess club in London, England, we commend to the consideration of Canadian Chessplayers, with the hope that, ere long, something of a like nature may be attempted on this side of the Atlantic.

The winter season of the College Chess Club was inaugurated last Tuesday, when the Rev. G. A. Macdonnell played eleven simultaneous games against the following members, viz.—Messrs. Down, Zanzig and Heywood; the Misses H. Down and Lascelles; Messrs. Heywood, Manning, Stiebel, H. P. Down, M. J. Down, and F. T. Richardson. Mr. Macdonnell won eight games and lost three, the latter triumphs being achieved by Messrs. Heywood, Stiebel and Richardson. The College Chess Club meets every Tuesday evening at the Ladies' College, Little Queen street, Harbour; the subscription is 3s. per term, there being three terms per annum. As the above intelligence shows, lady chess players are eligible for membership. We believe we are not mistaken in stating that the wives and sisters of gentlemen members are as such made honorary members of the club.—Land and Water.

Quebec Province (consisting of Montreal and Quebec Chess Clubs), has challenged Ontario to a telegraphic match of twelve boards a side. There will be difficulties attending the organization, and we think the local club would prefer to play both the challengers separately. However, if they address the Ontario Chess Association the match may be arranged.—Toronto Globe.

PROBLEM No. 301. (From the English Mechanic.) By J. Scott. BLACK.



White to play and mate in three moves.

GAME 430TH.

Played in the United States some time ago between Messrs. Orchard and Neufville.

(Evans' Gambit.)

- White. (Mr. Orchard.) 1. P to K 4 2. Kt to K B 3 3. B to B 4 4. P to Q Kt 4 5. P to Q B 3 6. P to Q 4 7. Castles 8. Q to Kt 3 9. P to K 5 10. Kt takes P 11. Kt to K 2 12. Q takes P 13. Q to B 5 14. Q to Q R 3 15. B to Q 3 16. Q to K 4 17. Kt takes Kt 18. B to Q 2 19. Q R to Q sq 20. Q to K Kt 4 21. Q to K R 4 22. Q to R 3 23. Q takes Q 24. Q B to Q B 3 25. Kt to Kt 3 26. Kt to R 5 27. B to K Kt 7 28. Kt to B 6 (oh) 29. B takes Kt 30. B to R 7 31. P to K Kt 3 32. P takes P 33. R takes B 34. P to K R 5 35. B to K Kt 7 36. P to K R 6 37. R to Q Kt sq 38. B takes R 39. B takes R (oh) Resigns. Black. (Mr. Neufville.) 1. P to K 4 2. Kt to Q B 3 3. B to B 1 4. B takes Kt P 5. B to R 4 6. P takes P 7. P takes P 8. Q to K B 3 9. Q to Kt 3 10. K Kt to K 2 11. P to Q Kt 4 12. R to Q Kt sq 13. B to Q Kt 3 14. Q to Q B 7 15. Q to B 4 16. Kt takes P 17. Q takes Kt 18. B to Q Kt 2 19. B to Q B 3 20. P to K B 4 21. P to K Kt 4 22. Q to K 3 23. Q P takes Q 24. K R to B sq 25. P to K R 5 26. Kt to Q 4 27. R to K Kt sq 28. Kt takes Kt 29. P to K Kt 5 30. R to K B 3 31. B to K B 6 32. B takes R 33. P to Q B 4 34. B to Q sq 35. B to K Kt 4 36. K to K 2 37. R takes R 38. B to B 3 39. K takes B

SOLUTIONS.

Solution of Problem No. 299.

- White. 1. Kt to B 5 2. Mates acc. Black. 2. Any move

Solution of Problem for Young Players No. 297.

- WHITE. 1. P to K 5 2. Q to Q 5 (ch) 3. Q mates BLACK. 1. K takes P 2. K to B 3

PROBLEM FOR YOUNG PLAYERS, No. 298.

- White. K at K R 2 Q at Q Kt 6 B at Q R 4 Kt at K Kt 6 Pawns at K 2, Q B 3 and Q Kt 2 and 4. Black. K at Q B 5 R at Q sq B at Q B sq Pawns at Q 3 and 5, Q B 4 and Q Kt 6

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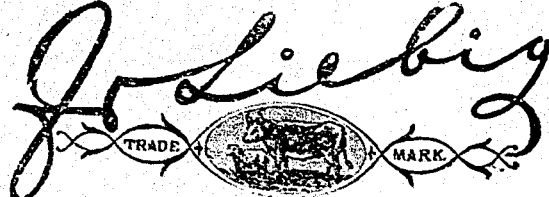
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