

"How can we thank you enough?" her curiosity highly excited, like that of every one else, about her guide. Who was she, with the bearing of a queen, yet wearing the commonest of housemaid gowns—lilac cotton, looped up over a coarse brick-red stuff petticoat, with heavy clumped boots, and a cheap straw hat tied round with a piece of red ribbon, carrying a basket of sundew, and guiding herself with a stout stick?

"I'm afraid we have taken you very much out of your way; you came from the other side, I think," said Colonel Verschoyle, in a tone which awoke a whole new world of sensation in Georgie's being.

As he spoke he took off his hat, bowing low, and she could see better the face which had fascinated her from the first—a high-bred aristocratic type of face, with regular clear-cut features; a complexion bronzed to a deep brown; and violet-blue eyes, contrasting well with the black hair and sweeping glossy moustache. Had it not been for the eyes, the countenance would have been heavy. They redeemed it, and gave it its charm, a look of poetic spirituality not usually found in combination with the power visible in every line of the dark strong features. To Georgie's girlish imagination just stirred with the first dawn of passion, it was the very realization of all her dreams of masculine perfection. The latent poetry in her nature leaped into active life, and henceforth things could never be again with her as they once had been.

Troubled, she hardly knew why, she answered vaguely, "Oh, it doesn't signify; that is, it's not out of the way at all. I can get home as easily from here."

"You know the Forest well?"

"I have lived here all my life."

"This is our first experience of it," said Julia; "not a very fortunate one."

"Most fortunate on the contrary, I think," interposed Colonel Verschoyle, "for it has introduced us to this young lady. What a lovely basket of flowers you have got!" turning again to Georgie. "What are they? I have never seen any like them."

"It is sundew, not a very common plant I believe, but plentiful about here."

"What wonderful eyes!" was his mental comment as he met her full glance.

Troubled vaguely as she was at his presence, there was yet nothing of shyness in her look or bearing.

"I daresay you will kindly tell us how we can get back to Beechlands," said Julia, "for I haven't the smallest idea where we are."

Georgie readily volunteered her guidance, and she and Julia led the way out of the glade, through the chequered shade of the moss-grown paths, Colonel Verschoyle keeping close behind, debating with himself whether he should offer to carry the young lady's basket. It looked so picturesque that he hesitated to deprive her of it.

"As Colonel Verschoyle says, our misadventure has had a lucky result in introducing us to you," observed Julia as they went along.

"Verschoyle!" exclaimed Georgie, turning pale; "is his name Verschoyle? That is my name too!"

"How very odd! Philip," turning to the gentleman in question, "do you hear? This young lady's name is Verschoyle. Can you possibly be any relations?"

"I have none; at least I know nothing of my father's family," returned Georgie, her pallor giving place to a brilliant blush, as the mystery that had always hung over her parentage came upon her now with a sudden sense of shame.

"My father's name was Philip, and he was in the Grenadiers. That is all I know," she added, speaking rapidly.

"My name is Philip, and I am in the Grenadiers, too, so I have no doubt we are cousins in some way, and I have a double pleasure," said Philip the Second; and with this delicious non-sequitur he strode to her side. "I had a cousin in the Grenadiers once, I know; he married a Miss Arnold."

(To be continued.)

SPECULATION has not yet ceased as to who is the writer of the article in the current *Quarterly* on the "True Position of Parties." It is not the work of a politician, distinguished or obscure, nor is it the product of joint authorship. It was written by one man, and that man is a journalist of repute, whose productions appear in the leading columns of a prominent morning paper. There is a joke current in journalistic circles that the article itself, and the remarks upon it which appeared in the *Standard* one day last week, were by the same hand. That of course is an invention of the enemy, but such things have been known before.

OSCAR WILDE might have been seen by the curiosity-hunter sunning himself in Bond street the other day. After so many months of American civilization he must have felt an unutterable joy to see his beloved Grosvenor Gallery once more. His face wore a placid smile, as if he would say, "Well, my friends, here I am again. I am unchanged, but I have left germs of a mighty revolution in the western hemisphere. I have seen the prairie and the great pork factory at Chicago; but I am still faithful to Bond street. It was my early love. Its pavements are rich in memories, its shop windows do not contain wares more precious than the emotions with which I survey this street fragrant with the essences of culture, and blooming with the flowers of a cultivation perfected by the grand march of majestic centuries."

### OUR CHESS COLUMN.

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

The subscriptions to the International Chess Congress for 1883 have come in so encouragingly that the Committee, in London, have determined to raise the large sum of £1,500 sterling, in order to carry out all that they are desirous of doing. This amount, no doubt, will raise the value of the prizes in the tourney to such an extent that chess talent, both far and near will be induced to take part in the great gathering.

From the care with which the rules and regulations have been made, there is every reason to conclude that nothing is likely to occur, after the business of the Congress has begun, to mar, in any way, an enterprise having for its object the progress of a game which has been the delight of the learned and wise from the earliest ages.

We are pleased to find from *Land and Water* that there are two institutions for youths in Westminster, London, the pupils of which, in addition to their other pursuits find time not only to study chess, but also to play matches with each other. We feel sure that this love for the game on the part of these pupils has been fostered to some extent by those who have charge of their progress in more important studies, and we are willing to believe that they will never have reason to regret the step they have taken in a new direction.

Mr. Steinitz, we hear, is at present in New York and is playing a match of six games with Captain Mackenzie. Chessplayers, everywhere, will be anxious to know the result of this encounter, and, although these games, we understand, are not to be looked upon as specimens of what might be expected from such players, when taxed to the full extent of their powers, they will, nevertheless, form an important addition to the chess literature of the day.

The Philadelphia *Times* says: "The Cubans are on their mettle. They have sent a challenge to Mr. Steinitz, inviting that gentleman to play Mr. Celso Golmayo, the champion chess sharp of Havana, for a stake of \$500. Mr. Golmayo is a gentleman more or less known in the world of chess. In 1863 he won a game of Morphy at the odds of a Knight. In 1865 he made a fair score at the Paris Chess Congress, and since that period he lost a match to Mr. D. M. Martinez. Mr. Steinitz has not yet turned in his reply to the challenge."—*Globe-Democrat*, St. Louis.

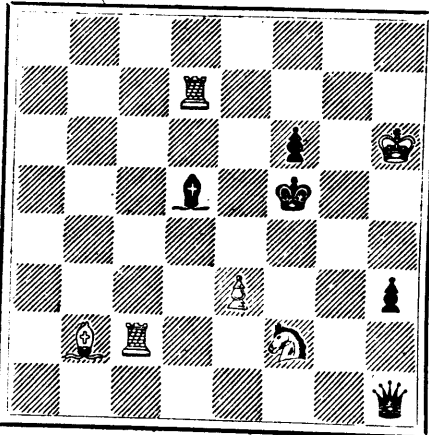
The first book on Chess, printed in England by William Caxton, in 1474, entitled "The Game and Playe of the Chess," a copy of which was bought in Amsterdam by David Wilson for 2d., has just been sold for the Royal Library at Windsor Castle for £170.—*Brooklyn Chess Chronicle*.

From *Turf, Field and Farm* of the 16th inst., we find that the match between Mr. Steinitz and Captain Mackenzie has been brought to a conclusion with the following results: Steinitz won three games, Mackenzie one game, and the other two were drawn.

### PROBLEM No. 421.

By W. Wayte.

BLACK.



WHITE.

White to play and mate in three moves.

### SOLUTION OF PROBLEM No. 419.

White.

Black.

1 Kt to K B 5  
2 Mates acc.

1 Any

### GAME 547th.

One of the simultaneous games played in Glasgow by Mr. Blackburne, in Nov. last.

(From the Glasgow Herald.)

(Sicilian Gambit.)

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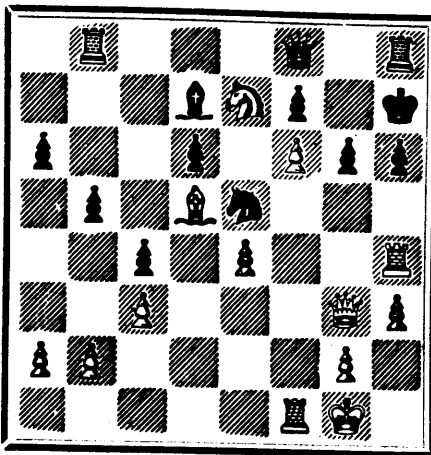
(Mr. Blackburne)

(Mr. Chamberlain.)

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

1 P to K 4  
2 Kt to Q B 3  
3 P takes P (a)  
4 B to Q B 4 (b)  
5 B takes Kt  
6 Kt to K B 3  
7 Castles  
8 P to Q 3  
9 P to Q R 3 (c)  
10 Q takes B  
11 Q to Q sq (d)  
12 P to Q Kt 4  
13 B to K 3 (e)  
14 B to Q 2 (f)  
15 P to K Kt 3  
16 K to R sq (h)  
17 R to K B sq (j)  
18 Q to K B sq (j)  
19 Kt to Q 5 (k)  
20 P to K R 3  
21 Kt to Q B 3 (l)  
22 Kt to R 2  
23 Kt to K 4  
24 R to R sq  
25 P to Q B 4  
26 R to Q Kt sq  
27 P to Q B 5  
28 Q to Q 6  
29 Kt to Q 4

BLACK.



WHITE.

31 Q to K Kt 5  
32 Q takes P ch (g)

30 P to K R 4  
31 B takes P (a)  
32 Resigns.

### NOTES.

(a) Kt takes P is equally good.

(b) We prefer Kt to K B 3.

(c) A weak move. There was no valid reason for advancing the Knight's K P.

(d) The Queen is thus forced back again, with the necessary result that the development of Black's game is impeded.

(e) If, instead of this move, Black had now played Kt to R 4 and exchanged Kt for B, the particular description of attack which proved fatal to Black would have been prevented.

(f) B could not here take Kt without Black's game being hampered by the reply B takes B.

(g) A strong and effective move.

(h) The only move to save the game. White threatened mate by Q to R 6.

(i) Mate again threatened here by Q takes R P, followed by R to R 4.

(j) This again is the only move Black has to save the game.

(k) A good move, forcing away the Rook from its dangerous position. Black also at this point had the opportunity of exchanging Kt for B, and this he would have done well to have availed himself of.

(l) This, of course, was to prevent White winning the exchange, but we still think that here the Kt should have captured the B, followed on White's retaking Kt by K to R 2.

(m) This move is the beginning of the end.

(n) If Kt takes Rook, then Black would have played Kt to K 5, but White's Kt was so advantageously posted that Mr. Blackburne would probably not have wished to sacrifice it for the exchange.

(o) Probably this move was played with the idea of posting the Bar B 2.

(p) The Rook is brought back to its previous threatening position.

(q) We give a diagram of this beautiful position. If Q takes B, mate follows by R takes P (check) and Q to R 4.

(r) Apparently in desperation. R to K Kt sq might have prolonged the game.

(s) B takes P would, of course, have been equally good; but the move in the text looks better. Either way it was mate next move. Mr. Blackburne, however, might have done the same thing a move earlier.



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