

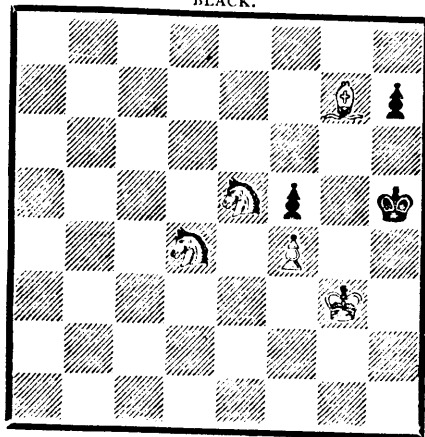
NOTES.

- (a) Promising in appearance, but instantly fatal.
 (b) Evidently quite unexpected.
 (c) A very expensive catch.

PROBLEM No. 8.

By H. P. Smith.

BLACK.



WHITE.

White to play and give mate in four moves.

CHESS WAIFS.

An interesting and important match is now in progress between Blackburne and Zukertort. The winner of the first seven games is to be declared conqueror, and entitled to the stakes, £60 sterling. The first game is concluded. Zukertort won the toss for the first move, but Blackburne gave the checkmate. Both the result of the match and the score of play are eagerly looked for by the entire chess community of the Old and New World.

Bird is in New York, editing a new chess work shortly to be issued, entitled "The Chess Openings Critically and Practically Considered, by H. E. Bird." We trust our Canadian Chess

Clubs will support the publication by liberal subscription for copies.

The prospectus of the Canadian Chess Association, to be held in Quebec, is *not* yet issued. Who is to blame for the delay?

Prof. Hicks has made a good move—gone on his usual summer rural expedition.

It is quite a mistake—Morphy is not mad. He still considers himself one of the strongest players living, though out of practice; but he has relinquished the game as a profession.

They have established a chess journal in the City of Mexico.

Thorold was defeated in his match with Miss Mary Rudge, at the odds of a Knight.

There are a number of ladies who intend entering the new International Tourney in England.

Owing to the holidays, the rooms of the Montreal Chess Club are very scantily filled on club nights.

There is a movement on foot for a grand postal chess match between America and England.

At the Anderson Jubilee, at Leipsic, chess in various phases will be kept up from July 15 to 20, inclusive.

A match is now being played between Henderson and Ascher. The winner of the first eleven games is entitled to the prize, a sett of chess men. State of the match at the present time:—Henderson, 6 games won, including the 3 given as odds; Ascher, 4 games.

The second book printed by Caxton was, strange to say, entitled "A History of Chess," &c., and bore reference to the duties of men and officials in power.

