

Martell, head of the great distillery at Cognac, is dead, aged 49 years.

King John of Abyssinia is reported to have died of wounds received in battle.

The condition of both the Emperor and Empress of Austria is said to be serious. The court physicians are in constant attendance.

Lord Dunraven has issued a challenge for a yacht race for the "America" cup. He is having a new cutter, to be called the Valkyria, built for the race.

The French Copper Combine has collapsed, involving the principals in a loss of 30,000,000 francs. Two prominent members of the combine have committed suicide.

Queen Victoria has sent a cable to Emperor William expressing her regret at the loss of the German men-of-war at Samoa, and her sympathy with the relatives of those who lost their lives.

The annual boat race between the Cambridge and Oxford crews was rowed on the Thames on Saturday last, the Cambridge crew winning by four lengths in 20 minutes and 14 seconds.

The Parnell commission resumed its sitting on Tuesday last. Sir Chas. Russell opened the case for the Parnellites. His remarks have thus far been characterized by singular moderation. He declared that thoughtful minds were convinced that the time had come to try the experiment of Home Rule in Ireland.

Emperor Francis Joseph of Austria has lost flesh and his hair has turned white. Since the suicide of Crown Prince Rudolf he has frequent fits of terrible grief, especially after conferring with Rudolf's friends. The Empress rarely eats and weeps for hours at a time. She is unable to sleep, and the doctors are puzzled over her condition.

The French Cabinet have unanimously resolved to prosecute General Boulanger, which will probably have the result of increasing his popularity. General Boulanger has, it seems, retired to Belgium at the instance of his friends, who asserted that he would be tried by an exceptional tribunal, and might not escape alive. There is a rumor of a decree of banishment being in contemplation.

The oldest son of the late Rt. Hon. John Bright, a Liberal Unionist, will, it is said, contest the seat in the Commons for the Central Division of Birmingham, vacant by his father's death. The Conservatives will try to induce Lord Randolph Churchill to stand, a fact which seems to indicate divided counsels. The Liberals are reported to have selected a candidate, but his name has not transpired.

A terrible hurricane devastated Samoa on the 15th and 16th ult. All the war ships tried to put to sea, but the only one which succeeded was the *Calliope*, an English ship. The U. S. warships *Trenton* and *Vandalia* are total losses, and the *Nipsic* was beached. The *Vandalia* lost four officers and thirty-nine men, the *Nipsic* last seven men and all were saved from the *Trenton*. The German ships *Adler* and *Eber* are total losses, the *Oliga* was driven ashore. The German loss of life is ninety-six. All the merchant vessels anchored at Samoa foundered.

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We subjoin the game as

No. 56

ENGLISH OPENING.

WHITE.

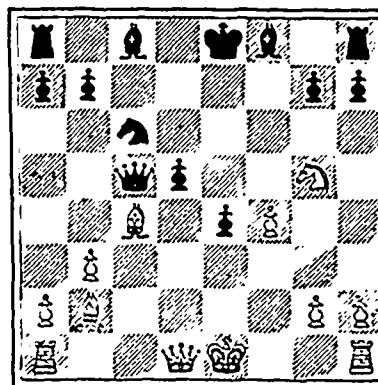
BLACK.

J. E. Narraway, Major Cutbill,
Moncton N. B. Halifax N. S.

1 P to QB4	P to QB4
2 P to KB4	P to KB4
3 P to K3	P to K3
4 Kt to KB3	Kt to QB3
5 P to QKt3	P to Q3
6 B to Kt 2	Kt to B3
7 P to Q4 (a)	P takes P
8 P takes P	Kt to K5
9 P to Q5 (b)	Q to R4 ch
10 Q Kt to Q2	P takes P
11 P takes P	Q takes P
12 B to B4 (c)	Q to QB4
13 Kt takes Kt	P takes Kt
14 Kt to Kt5	P to Q4 (d)

Position after black's 14th move.

BLACK—Mr. Cutbill.



WHITE—Mr. Narraway.

15 B takes QP (e)	Q to K6 ch
16 Q to K2	B to QK 5 ch
17 K to Q sq	B to KK 5!
18 Kt to B3 (f)	Q takes Q ch
19 K takes Q	Castles Q R
20 B takes Kt P	P takes Kt ch
21 B takes P	RR to K sq ch
22 K to B2	R to Q7 ch
23 K to B sq	B takes B
24 P takes B	RR to K7
25 P to QR3	B to B4
26 B to B3	R to KB7 ch
27 K to K sq	R to QB7
28 B to B6	B to Q5
29 B takes B	Kt takes B

Resigns.
(a) This was probably a little pre-
mature.

(b) Dangerous; the position now
rapidly becomes critical.

(c) White, though minus a Pawn,
seems to have the better game.

(d) A fine and very deep move.

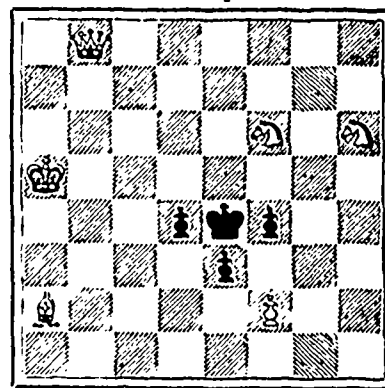
(e) This, we think, was the turning
point of the game; White should
have played Q to R5 ch.

(f) Forced.

PROBLEM No. 74.

Chess Players Chronicle.

BLACK—4 pieces.



WHITE—6 pieces.

White to play and mate in 2 moves

IT COST TOO MUCH.

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first. He put the price of it into the
expense account of the trip, Mr.
Astor threw it out, insisting that such
an item of expense for new fangled
notions could not be allowed.

The captain thereupon resigned and
took service with a rival line.

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in advance of any competitor, to the
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Not long after they chanced to meet,
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"By the way, captain, how much
did that chronometer cost you?"

"Six hundred dollars," then, with
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"And how much did it cost you,
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to foolishly reject them.