

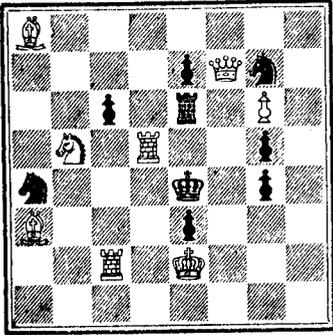
Chess.

Montreal, September 18th, 1880.

CANADIAN SPECTATOR PROBLEM TOURNEY.

"SET No. 16. MOTTO: "Sua cuique voluptas."

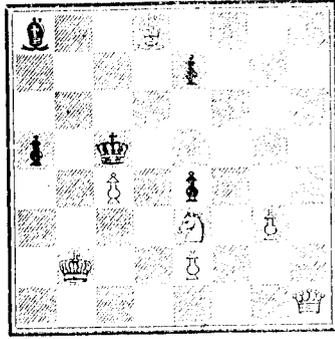
PROBLEM No. CVIII.
BLACK.



WHITE.

White to play and mate in two moves.

PROBLEM No. CIX.
BLACK.



WHITE.

White to play and mate in three moves.

SOLUTIONS OF TOURNEY SET No. 13.—MOTTO: "L'éché d'empêche pas le travail."

PROBLEM No. 101.—Kt to K B 7.

Correct solution received from:—J.W.S. "A good problem: the initial move is not obvious."

PROBLEM No. 102.

White.	Black.	White.	Black.	White.
1 Q to Q 3	B to Q 3	2 P to K R 4	Anything	3 Q or Kt mates
	K to Q 3	2 Kt to K B 4 (ch)	K moves	3 Kt mates
	P takes Kt	2 Q takes P (ch)	B interposes	3 Q mates

CHESS INTELLIGENCE.

The latest numbers received of *The Chess Monthly* and *The Chess Players' Chronicle* contain, as usual, a large and careful selection of games, problems, end-games and even puzzles, which latter begin to occupy no inconsiderable space in some chess columns.

The *Chronicle* thus alludes to the *debut* of the young American problemist, Master Kirkham. "We often hear of 'problems for the juveniles,' but evidently not a few juniors at home, in America and Australia, are strategically capable of catering for themselves. The latest addition to the ranks of these precocious composers is Master S. H. Kirkham, aged thirteen years, whose maiden effort—displaying promising talent—appeared in *The Hartford Times*."

The *Chronicle* republishes one of the three-move problems from the SPECTATOR Tourney.

In the Problem Tourney of the "Nuova Rivista Degli Scacchi," the leading Italian chess magazine, one of the competing sets has been found to contain two problems which had been published before, under two different names. The *Chess Players' Chronicle* says of these:—"The three-mover was published in the *Illustrated London News* of 11th July, 1868, as the composition of Mr. W. S. Pavitt, and the four-mover only one week later, in the same journal, with the name of Mr. W. Geary attached. The denouement of this plagiaristic drama must await the opening of sealed envelopes at Leghorn, when, no doubt, *La Nuova Rivista Degli Scacchi* will unravel the very last thread of the plot, and place the name of the adapter on record! We are indebted to our contemporary, the *Illustrated London News*, for the completion and confirmation of this demonstration."

[We trust that the SPECTATOR Tourney will not be found to contain any such adaptations!—CH. ED. pro tem.]

THE HAMILTON CORRESPONDENCE CHESS TOURNEY.

The following table shows the condition of this Tourney. For convenience of reference the names are arranged alphabetically:—

Players.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	Score.	Players.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	Score.
Anderson.....	2	2	1	2½	Hood.....	1	3	0	1
Boivin.....	1	3	2	2	Judd.....	1	1	2	2
Burque.....	3	3	0	3	Kittson.....	1	0	1	1½
Braithwaite.....	3	2	0	3	Möhle.....	1	2	0	1
Clawson.....	2	3	0	2	Narraway.....	2	0	2	3
Ferris.....	0	1	0	0	Robertson.....	3	1	0	3
Forster.....	5	1	1	5½	Ryall.....	0	6	0	0
Henderson.....	6	0	0	6	Shaw.....	2	2	1	2½
Hendricks.....	0	5	0	0	Wylde.....	1	2	0	1
Hicks.....	4	1	0	1					

A CANADIAN CHESS MAGAZINE REQUIRED.—In acknowledging its American exchanges, the *Chronicle* says:—"Brentano's Monthly and the American Chess Magazine, for July, are both capital numbers. Why does not Canada also start a monthly or quarterly of its own?" The italics are ours. The question is not a new one, and the subject has been discussed more than once by Canadian players. The principal difficulty has always seemed to be that of securing a sufficient number of subscribers to cover expenses; but, inasmuch as no efforts have ever been made to test the disposition of chess-players in this respect, the fears of those who discussed the subject would appear to have been somewhat unreasonable. Of late, however, a new difficulty is seen in the feeling which led to a division in the "Canadian Chess Association," by the Ontario players. Would not this feeling prevent the success of a magazine which would require the support of more subscribers than either Province alone could furnish? We fear it would; for though the reasons which led to the division in the one case would not be valid in the other, yet feeling often survives reason, and becomes the ruling motive. We trust, however, that these fears are unfounded, and that all players would be willing to support the magazine both as subscribers and contributors.

While on the subject of Canadian chess we would like to say that, during the short time we have occupied the editorial chair of this column, we have received quite a large number of games and problems for publication, nearly all of which are below the standard we should like to see established for Canadian chess columns. We are convinced that their publication would not tend to advance the cause of chess here, nor add to its reputation abroad. We must not be understood as seeking to discourage the efforts of beginners; and our contributors, we hope, will not abandon their pleasing task in consequence of these remarks, but will rather, in future endeavour to reach a higher standard of excellence in their compositions. As it is, Canadian chess columns contain only too many indifferent specimens of local chess, and it is high time that the too common craze to see one's self in print should give way to the more commendable desire to earn a better reputation for Canadian chess by contributing only the very best specimens that one can produce.—[CH. ED. pro tem.]

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