PROBLEM No. 275.
By J. Dobrusky, Pragne.
black.


White to play and mate in three moves.

PROBLEM No. 276.
By Dre Gold. black.


White to play and mate in two moves. No. 269. SOLUTIONS TO PROBLEMS.

## No. 270.

White. $\quad$ Black.
Q-Q B 4
$\begin{array}{ll}\text { 1. B-QB8 } & \text { Q-Kt1 } \\ \text { 2. R-K }+ & \text { Q-K4 } \\ \text { 3. BxQ mate } & \end{array}$

In this prohlem 6 instead of $K 6$.

With other varietie
One of three simultaneous games played at Havannah by Mr. Morphy, blindfold againat Mr. Sicre; from Illustrated London News

| Philidor's Derenok. |  |  |  |
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| Mr. Morphy. | Mr. Sierr. | Mr. Morphy. | Mr. Sicre. |
| White. | Black. | White. | Black. |
| 1. P-K 4 | P-K 4 | 12. P-K 5 | Kt -Q 2 |
| 2. Kt-K B 3 | P-Q3 | 13. $\mathrm{B}-\mathrm{Q} 3$ | Kt-K B 1 |
| 3. $P \cdots Q^{4}$ | $\mathrm{P} \times \mathrm{P}$ | 14. $\mathrm{P} \times \mathrm{QP}$ | Q-Q 1 (c) |
| 4. $\mathrm{B}-\mathrm{Q} \mathrm{B} 4$ | P-KR3(a) | 15. K R-K 1 | B-K 3 |
| 5. P--Q B 3 | $\underset{P}{P-Q^{\prime} B 3}$ | 16. $\mathrm{Kt}-\mathrm{K} 5$ | Kt-K B 3 |
| 7. Castles | $\mathrm{P}^{\times 1}$ | 17. BxR | Q $\mathrm{Ktx}^{\text {¢ }}$ |
| 8. ${ }^{\text {7. }} \mathrm{KtxP}$ |  | 19. $\mathrm{Kt}-\mathrm{K} \mathrm{Kt} 4$ |  |
| 9. $\mathrm{B}-\mathrm{K} 3$ | B-K Kt 2 | 20. Q-K Kt7 | Q Kt-K B 1 |
| 10. Q R-Q B 1 (b) | ${ }_{\text {B }} \times{ }^{\text {Kt }}$ | 21. B-Q 4, and | lack resigned. |

NOTES.
(a) Messrs: Morphy and De Riviere who have devoted much attention to this opening, conour in opinion that the best play for the defence at the present crisis is $4 \mathrm{Kt}-\mathrm{K} \mathrm{B}$, or $\mathrm{Kt-Q} \mathrm{~B} \mathrm{3}$, , either of which, according to their analysis, conduces to an even Kame .

(c) He dared not take the Pawn on account of $15 . \mathrm{B}-\mathrm{Q} \mathrm{B} 5$, etc.

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