

THE PERIODICALS.

The *Overland Monthly* for May is an excellent number. There are two papers devoted to the Chinese question, and the writer of the first, William C. Blackwood, after a careful analysis of the whole labour problem, is of opinion that the Restriction Act which operates to the exclusion of Chinese labourers is not in the real interests of the country. In "The Chinese in Early Days" the question is treated from a different and a narrower view, the writer being of a contrary opinion to Mr. Blackwood as to the advisability of discouraging Chinese immigration. John H. Durst has a capital article on "The Colossal Fortunes of America." He thinks the fortunes of to-day will, for the most part, be squandered by the successors of those who have made them, and predicts that such huge sums will not often be put together by the speculators of the future. There are also interesting contributions on "Rotation in Office," "Peruvia, Bolivia, and Chili," "Notes on Lower California," a good complete story entitled "Monte Dick," besides a serial, several poems, etc. etc.

The *May St. Nicholas* is the first number of a new volume, and comes out in a new dress. "Olaf of Norway, the Boy Viking" is the "historic boy" of the month. A thoroughly practical paper by Elizabeth Stuart Phelps is headed "Supporting Herself," and is valuable reading for girls. Frank R. Stockton contributes a quaint legend of "A Philopena," and "The River-End Morey's Rab," by A. G. Plympton, will find many juvenile admirers. The fifth "Spinning-Wheel Story" is told by Louisa M. Alcott. J. T. Trowbridge and Maurice Thompson give the opening chapters of two stories, "The Scarlet Tanager," and "Marvin and his Boy-Hunters." Capt. Mayne Reid's "Land of Fire" reaches the twenty-third chapter. Boys of a mechanical turn will be delighted with Charles G. Leland's "Leather Work for Young Folk." The very little folk are not forgotten by the management of this excellent magazine, and the whole, as usual, is profusely illustrated by first-class wood-cuts.

LE LIVRE for April (Paris: A. Quantin and Octave Uzanne) contains a second article on "La Ciracature Allemande," by John Grand-Carteret, in which the writer gives a thoroughly Gallic historic analysis of German caricaturists. The able paper is illustrated by some excellent wood-cuts and silhouettes. In "Bibliographie Moderne" is found the following:—

THE WEEK (La Semaine), journal politique et littéraire de Toronto, Canada, rend compte d'un livre intitulé *Nouvelles soirées Canadiennes*, publié sous la direction de Louis H. Taché (Quebec: L. J. Demers et frères). C'est le second volume d'une série destinée à conserver les légendes Françaises du Canada. Les Français du Canada gardent avec amour leurs traditions et leur culture, et ils se sont créés une littérature nationale, ce que n'ont pas su faire leurs compatriotes de race Anglaise.

This number of *Le Livre* fully sustains the reputation obtained for it by its redactors—that of being one of the ablest literary reviews of the day.

THE *English Illustrated Magazine* does not contain any subject of special interest on this side of the Atlantic. The paper on "Lace Making" at Nottingham is intelligently written, well illustrated, and will prove of special interest to ladies. "The Industries of the Lake District," more particularly charcoal burning, bobbin-making, hoop-making, basket-making, are well described by a writer intimate with the locality. The eighth and ninth days of an "Unsentimental Journey through Cornwall" are good reading. The last two articles are beautifully illustrated. "Interlopers at the Knap" is the title of a complete story; the serial, "The Armourer's Prentice" being still continued. A frontispiece entitled "Hauling in the Net" is one of the best magazine pictures of the month.

THE *Canadian Methodist Magazine* (Toronto: William Briggs) for May contains a second article on "The United Empire Loyalists," in which Mr. Wm. Kirby briefly and interestingly treats of those who "stood for the King." "The Homes and Haunts of Luther" are described; "Britain's Oldest Colony" is commented upon; Lady Brassey contributes paper number five; "Robert Hall" is a text well preached upon; "Christian Unity" is treated, and the editor writes descriptive matter to fit two Nova Scotian views.

THE May number of the *Andover Review* amply sustains the favourable impression made by the earlier numbers of this high-class theological monthly. Timely topics are discussed by representative writers in a full, free, and reverent spirit. Among distinctive articles in this number may be mentioned "The Christian Conception of Man," and "Arnold of Rugby and the Oxford Movement."

MR. BRIGGS, of Toronto, has published a cheap "Life of 'Chinese' Gordon."

It is understood that a biography of Prince Leopold is to be written under the direction of Her Majesty.

ST. JOHN, N.B., has given birth to another journalistic venture, *The Trade Reporter*, to be issued monthly in the first place. It will attempt to give concise reports of the state of Trade in all parts of the Dominion, and will occupy this by-path of literature unfettered by any political shibboleth.

THREE weeks after all the rest of the world had learned how Chicago was humbugged by the bogus letter of Mr. Arnold, the Chicago correspondent of *The Presbyterian* writes as though he had not heard but that the real Matthew wrote it. He is indignant and says:

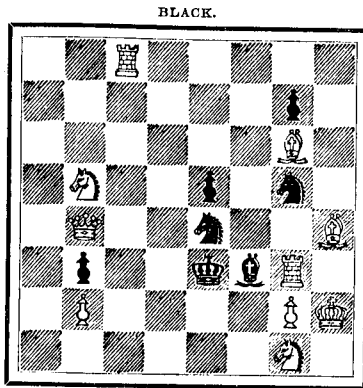
"Mr. Arnold was a dreary and decided failure in Chicago, both as a lecturer and a gentleman. He was appreciated here at his real worth, though not at his own estimate of himself. As a result, his worldly wealth was not materially enhanced by our contributions, though, if he had been capable of doing so, he might have carried from us a decent stock of common-sense. And now Mr. Arnold shuts down on 'sweetness and light,' rails at Chicago, accuses us of want of culture, and takes Professor Swing at a heavy discount. It is an awful fall from a high apostleship."

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PROBLEM No. 8.

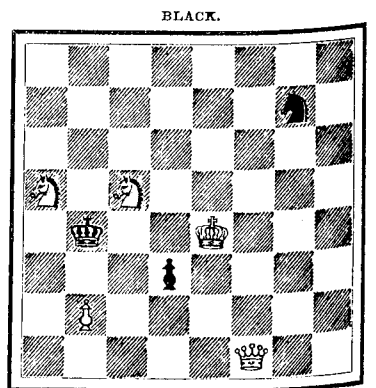
By E. H. E. EDDIS (Toronto Chess Club).



White to play and mate in two moves.

PROBLEM No. 9.

By F. HEALEY. (From *The Field*.)



White to play and mate in three moves.

ANSWER TO CORRESPONDENTS.—J. B. H., Ottawa.—Thanks for enclosure. Beauty, not difficulty, is the element most prized in a two move problem. W. G. B., Montreal.—Have written you. W. A., Montreal.—Have written you. Send along games and problems. H. R., Collingwood.—Sorry for your opinion. Hope it does not apply to C. C. L. C. C., Arnprior.—Solution to No. 2 correct. Mrs. L. C. C., Arnprior.—Solution to No. 3 correct.

GAME No. 5.  
CHESS IN ADELAIDE.

(From the *Adelaide Observer*.)

A brilliant brevity between Mr. H. Charlick (Adelaide Chess Club) and Mr. J. McArthur (Semaphore Chess Club). Played February 29th, 1884.

(Ruy Lopez Knights' Game.)

WHITE.	BLACK.	WHITE.	BLACK.
Mr. H. Charlick.	Mr. McArthur.	Mr. H. Charlick.	Mr. McArthur.
1. P K 4	1. P K 4	10. R takes Kt	10. P. Q. 4 (c)
2. Kt K B 3	2. Kt Q B 3	11. R K 1	11. Castles.
3. B Kt 5	3. P Q R 3	12. B takes Kt	12. P takes B
4. B R 4	4. Kt B 3	13. Kt K 5	13. B Kt 2 (d)
5. Castles.	5. Kt takes P	14. Q Kt 4 (e)	14. P Q B 4
6. R K 1 (a)	6. Kt Q 3	15. B R 6 (f)	15. B K B 3
7. P Q 4 (b)	7. P K 5	16. P takes P	16. B takes Kt (g)
8. Kt B 3	8. B K 2	17. R takes B	17. Q B 3
9. Kt takes P	9. Kt takes Kt	18. B takes K Kt P	18. Black resigns.

Time, three quarters of an hour.

NOTES.

- (a) P Q 4 first would also be a strong move.
- (b) Kt takes Kt, followed by P Q 4 would be still stronger.
- (c) Black has defended himself very well.
- (d) Weak.
- (e) Strong.
- (f) If now or next move White play Kt to Q 7 Black turns the tables by B to B 1.
- (g) Black plays thus with Q B 3 in view, but the latter move loses right off, for White menaces 19 R K Kt 5 winning.

THE TORONTO CHESS CLUB RECORD.—1870 to 1884.

Through the kindness of Mr. J. H. Gordon we are enabled to present our readers a complete record of matches played by the T. C. C. with other clubs since 1870.

YEAR.	OPPONENTS.	TELEGRAPH OR OVER THE BOARD.	CONSULTATION OR INDIVIDUAL.	TORONTO WON.	TORONTO LOST.	
1871.	Hamilton .....	Tel.	Con.	1 1/2	1 1/2	
	Seaforth .....	"	"	1 1/2	1 1/2	
1872.	Hamilton .....	"	Ind.	3 1/2	2 1/2	
	Seaforth .....	"	Con.	2	0	
	Dundas .....	"	"	2	0	
1873.	Seaforth .....	"	Ind.	1	3	
	Montreal .....	"	Con.	2	1	
1875.	Cobourg .....	"	Ind.	2	2	
1877.	Cobourg .....	"	"	2	1	
1878.	Hamilton .....	"	Con.	1	2	
1879.	" .....	"	"	3 1/2	1 1/2	
	" .....	O. B.	Ind.	6	6	
	Collingwood .....	Tel.	Con.	2	0	
	Seaforth .....	O. B.	Ind.	4	0	
1880.	Hamilton .....	"	"	10 1/2	4 1/2	
1881.	Cobourg .....	Tel.	Con.	1	0	
	Hamilton .....	O. B.	Ind.	6	6	
	Cobourg .....	Tel.	Con.	3	0	
	Hamilton .....	O. B.	Ind.	8 1/2	1 1/2	
	Detroit .....	Tel.	Con.	2 1/2	1 1/2	
1882.	Quebec .....	"	Ind.	7 1/2	4 1/2	
	Hamilton .....	O. B.	"	5	2	
1883.	Buffalo .....	Tel.	Con.	1	0	
	" .....	"	Ind.	1 1/2	3 1/2	
	Quebec .....	"	"	5	7	
	Hamilton .....	O. B.	"	2 1/2	4 1/2	
	" .....	"	"	4	2	
Total .....				27 matches.	91 1/2	56 1/2

NEWS ITEMS.

TWENTY years ago Herbert Spencer played four handed chess. SYDNEY, AUSTRALIA, CHESS CLUB.—A handicap tournament, for prizes given by Mr. P. B. Walker, President of this Club, has been inaugurated. THE Handicap Tournament of the Montreal City Chess Club is announced to commence on the 5th May. There are five classes of players. The first class is composed of Messrs. Ascher Shaw, Wildman and Wright. The prizes, it is said, will be very handsome, especially the first, an inlaid gold and silver chess board. A VERY rich story is going the rounds. As told by "Mars" in the *Sporting and Dramatic News* it is as follows:—At a dinner given in Philadelphia by the Chess Club, Messrs. Zukertort and Steinitz happened to be present, and after several toasts had been given, Mr. Eugene Delmar rose and cried out, "Here's to the champion chess player of the world. Let him respond." Then the company waxed hilarious. Zukertort got red in the face and Steinitz husky in the throat. But "the boldest held his breath," whereupon Mr. D. S. Thompson rose and said, "Gentlemen, I think I can see a way out of this difficulty. Let Messrs. Steinitz and Zukertort sing a duet in response." Well, the champions wouldn't sing a duet, in fact that duet is still *due yet*. History further saith that as the company were about leaving Mr. Steinitz was whispering, "You see how I am treated and receive no recogni—," whilst Dr. Zukertort was gaily twittering forth, "Yes, sir, even when I was a boy I was a great mathematical geni—."

"Us he would have said,  
But ere the word was out  
The guests had fled."

THE 31st annual dinner of the City of London Chess Club came off on 7th April last. Derbyshire beat Leicester 3rd April by 10 games to 7. THE *Chess Monthly* announces its second International Problem Tournament. The prizes are:—First, 10 guineas; second, 6 guineas; third, 4 guineas, with special prizes to be announced. A MATCH by correspondence is in progress between Vienna and Paris. The stakes are 2,000 francs. Among the Vienna champions are Weiss and English, while in the ranks of the Paris players Rosenthal and Delviviere figure prominently.