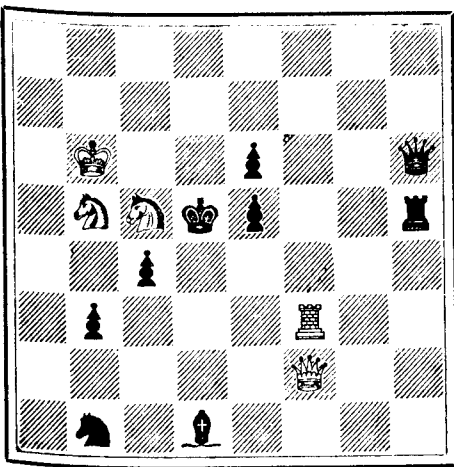


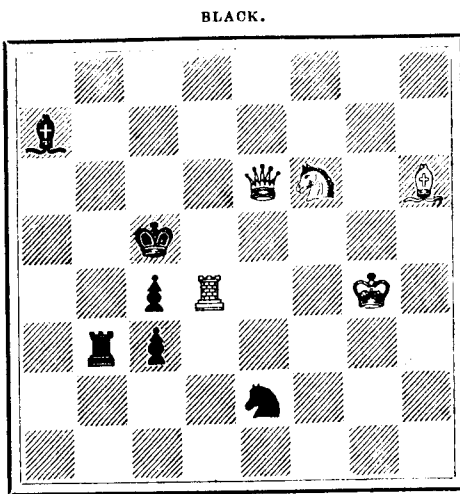
CHESSES.

PROBLEM No. 553. By J. Pospisil, Prague.



White to play and mate in three moves.

PROBLEM No. 554. By Dr. Gold, Vienna.



White to play and mate in two moves.

SOLUTIONS TO PROBLEMS.

No. 547. White: 1. Q-Kt 6, 2. Kt-K 8, 3. Q mates. Black: 1. B x B, 2. moves. If 1. K x P, 2. K-K 4.

No. 548. White: 1. B-B 4, 2. R-K 2+, 3. Kt-K 7 mate. Black: 1. P x B, 2. K-Q 4. If 1. K-B 4, 2. P x B.

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VIENNA OPENING.

J. H. Blackburne. White. 1. P-K 4, 2. Q Kt-B 3, 3. P-B 4, 4. Kt-B 3, 5. Q Kt-R 4 (a), 6. B-B 4, 7. P-B 3, 8. P-K R 3, 9. Q x B, 10. Kt x B, 11. P-Q 4, 12. B-Kt 5+, 13. B-R 4, 14. B-B 2, 15. Castles, 16. P x P, 17. R-Q 1, 18. B x P. B. Golmayo. Black. P-K 4, B-B 4, P-Q 3, Q Kt-B 3, B-Kt 3, B-Kt 5, Kt-B 3, B x Kt, P x P, R P x Kt, Q Kt-R 4, P-B 3, Q-K 2, P-B 4 (b), P x P, Kt-B 3, Castles K R (c), Q Kt-Kt 5.

NOTES.

(a) B-Kt 5 is now a much stronger move. (b) An excellent move. (c) Black could have now safely protected the K B P by 17. . . P-K Kt 4 and if 18 P-K Kt 3, 18 K R-Kt 1 with a strong attack. (d) In order to be able to withdraw the Q Kt which he could not do at once. If for instance 23 . . . Q Kt-B 3; 24 B-Q 3, 24 Kt x Q P 25 B x Kt, 25 R x B; 26 B x P + and wins. (e) If 24 . . . R x P; 25 B x Kt, 25 R x B; 26 B x P +, etc. (f) Kt-B 1 was here a better defence, for he could afterward play the same Kt-Kt 3 and then guard the centre by Q Kt-K 2. (g) A fine initiation of the attack against the adverse centre. (h) Vigorous play, which gives White a winning advantage. (i) He had no good defence. If 32 . . . R-K B 1; 33 Q-Q B 3, 33 R-Kt 4; 34 R x P 34 R x R; 35 R-K B 1 and wins. (j) Finishing off with decisive precision. (k) If 34 . . . R x P +; 35 K-B 1 and wins. -N. Y. Tribune.

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