

HEARTH AND HOME

RANCID butter boiled in water with a portion of charcoal (say a tenth part), will be entirely divested of its rancidity, and may be used for cooking purposes, although its fine flavor will not be restored fit for table use.

If a person of fair complexion exposes himself to the electric light for some time in examining the action of lamps, the hands and cheeks will show all the symptoms of "sunburn" even in mid-winter, and he will develop freckles on his countenance as quickly as when he goes about unprotected by a sun-umbrella in mid-summer.

The finest paste for all purposes is made as follows: To a teaspoonful of flour add gradually half a pint of cold water, and mix quite smooth; add a pinch of powdered alum (some add a small pinch of powdered resin) and boil for a few minutes, stirring constantly. The addition of a little brown sugar and a few grains of corrosive sublimate will, it is said by practical chemists, preserve it for years.

RICE AND TOMATOES.—Boil a breakfast-cupful of rice as if for curry; when done and strained perfectly dry, add the contents of an ordinary-sized tin of tomatoes—the American are very good for this purpose—mix well, add a small piece of butter, pepper and salt to taste, and a little onion chopped very fine. Put this in a well-buttered pie-dish, cover with bread-crumbs, and put a few chips of butter here and there all over the top; bake in an oven until a nice brown or gold-colour. Serve hot.

AS ingenious little lady of my acquaintance, says an American writer, has originated a really excellent way of utilizing one's cast off furs. She has gathered all her own old muffs, tipsets, trimmings, and boas that has been stowed away for years in packing chests, ripped them up, sewed the skins together, the greater the variety in color the better, and contrived the most unique of rugs. She has one spread out besides her own bed. In the centre is a piece of ermine, silverfox, sealskin, chinchilla, all manner of fur in short, and the result is as odd as it is beautiful.

BOSTON AND NEW YORK. So long ago as 1719, Daniel Neal an observant traveller, who ought to be held in high esteem by Massachusetts people, wrote of the New England metropolis: "There are five printing-presses in Boston, which are generally full of work, by which it appears that humanity and the knowledge of letters flourish more here than in all the other English plantations put together, for in the City of New York there is but one bookseller's shop, and in the plantations of Virginia, Maryland, Carolina, Barbadoes, and the islands, none at all."

Happily humanity and the knowledge of letters are no longer confined to one corner of the country; but notwithstanding the growth of an opinion that Boston and New York are to occupy relatively the positions of Edinburgh and London, the capital of Massachusetts still has a peculiar prestige as the oldest centre of literary culture in the country, causing the eyes of the rest of the Union to turn towards it with a particular interest, a glance compounded of respect and reminiscence with something of insatiable expectancy. The privileged Bostonian, it is true, laughs at Boston in his quiet way. "It is a capital place to live in," said an eminent publisher who has his dwelling there, "because then you can go to New York. But if you live in New York, where can you go?"

The *not* epitomizes the sentiment of many among his townsmen; but if they sometimes join in the alien laugh against their "little city," and recognize a degree of smallness and constraint in its general attitude, they also keenly appreciate the other side. So do some of our friends the New Yorkers. One of the younger New York poets, on visiting Cambridge for the first time, said to me: "We hear a great deal about the failure of Boston to quite appreciate the mental breath and energy of New York. But with all the admiration I felt for this region before I came here I find I didn't wholly appreciate it; there is such a thing as New York Bostonianism."—GEORGE P. LATHROP, in *Harpur's Magazine*.

OUR CHESS COLUMN.

Solutions to Problems sent in by correspondents will be duly acknowledged.

TO CORRESPONDENTS.

J. W. S., Montreal.—Papers to hand. Thanks.  
R., Hamilton.—Letter received. Thanks.  
Student, Montreal.—Correct solution received of Problem No. 307.

We have received the first number of the fifth volume of the *Chessplayers' Chronicle*, and we are happy to find that this old favourite is still to exist as one of the chess periodicals of the day. A change has taken place, however, in the time of its issue, so that instead of its being a monthly, it is to be, in the future, a weekly journal. The price is two pence a number, which, considering the amount of matter it contains, is remarkably cheap. We have no doubt of its success in its present form, as the subscription is a very small sum for a chess-player to give in order to be furnished every week with intelligence respecting a game which is so extensively known and appreciated at the present time.

In Canada, where we are always anxious to obtain information from the other side of the ocean, a periodical of this nature is most acceptable, and we shall be disappointed if our amateurs do not avail themselves of so

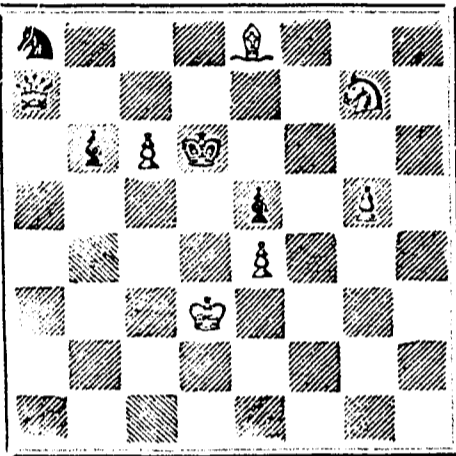
favourable an opportunity of receiving every week the latest chess news from the mother country. The number now before us contains a notice to readers, an excellent article on chess club intercourse, (to which we may again advert in a week or two) an account of the chess match by telegraph between Liverpool and Calcutta, and a weekly record replete with interesting matter, besides a goodly number of games and problems.

The chess picture of Mr. A. Rosenbaum was on exhibition in London for the last time on the 31st ult., and was then raffled for at the residence of Mr. Gumpel. Forty persons became subscribers at five guineas each. It was arranged that the names of the subscribers should be drawn one by one, and that the last should be the winner. It is rumoured by the *Chess Monthly* that when only four names remained to be drawn, and that the persons represented by these were absent, it was a singular disposal of the French proverb, *les absents ont toujours tort*.

Mr. Thursday, of Trinity College, Cambridge, was the winner. He is well known to chessplayers as an excellent problem-composer.

The score in the French National Tournament is: Rosenthal, 7 won, lost 0; Clerc, won 6, lost 0; de Riviere, won 2, lost 2, drawn 1; Chaseray, won 3, lost 4; Mathias, won 2, lost 4; Oberdorfer, won 1, lost 6, drawn 2; de Boisteron, won 1, lost 6, drawn 1. Our latest news of the tourney is in *La Revue Illustrée* on the 25th ult. As we go to press, the foreign papers of Jan. 1st have not arrived.—*Turf, Field and Farm*.

PROBLEM No. 313  
By R. Braune.  
BLACK.



WHITE.

White to play and mate in two moves.

We stated three or four weeks ago that a telegraphic chess match was being carried on between Liverpool and Calcutta, and that the moves were transmitted by means of a new code made expressly for this contest. This did not attract much attention. The *Chessplayers' Chronicle* gives the scores of the two games of the match, as far as they had gone up to the time of going to press. They will be found subjoined.

CALCUTTA GAME.

- White.—(Calcutta.) 1. P to K4 2. P to Q4 3. Kt to Q B3 4. P takes P 5. B to Q3 6. B to Q2 7. P takes P 8. Kt to B3 9. Castles 10. P to Q R3 11. B to K R4 12. Q to Q2 13. P to K R3 14. Kt to K5 15. Q R to Q sq 16. Kt takes Kt 17. Q to K2 18. Q to B3 19. K R to K sq 20. B to R6 21. R to K5
- Black.—(Liverpool.) 1. P to K3 2. P to Q4 3. B to Kt5 4. P takes P 5. P to Q B4 6. Kt to Q B3 7. B takes P 8. Kt to B3 9. B to K3 10. Castles 11. P to Q R3 12. Q to Q2 13. P to Q Kt4 14. Q to Kt2 15. Q R to Q B sq 16. Q takes Kt 17. K R to K sq 18. P to Kt3 19. Kt to R4 20. R to K2

LIVERPOOL GAME.

- White.—(Liverpool.) 1. P to Q B4 2. P to K3 3. P to Q Kt3 4. Kt to K B3 5. B to Kt2 6. P to Q Kt4 7. P takes P 8. P to Q4 9. P to Q R3 10. B to Q3 11. Castles 12. P takes P 13. Kt to B3 14. B to B2
- Black.—(Calcutta.) 1. P to K3 2. P to Q B4 3. P to Q4 4. P to Q5 5. Kt to Q B3 6. Q P takes P 7. Kt takes P 8. Kt to B3 9. Kt to R3 10. P to Q Kt3 11. P takes P 12. B to Kt2 13. Kt to B2

In the latest telegram Calcutta has asked for a repetition of White's 14th move.

SOLUTIONS.

Solution of Problem No. 311.

- White. 1. B to K sq 2. Mates now.
- Black. 1. Any

Solution of Problem for Young Players No. 309

- WHITE. 1. Q to K Kt7 2. Mates acc.
- BLACK. 1. Any

PROBLEM FOR YOUNG PLAYERS, No. 310.

- White. K at K B2 Q at Q5 R at K R5 R at K Kt sq Kt at K2 Kt at K3 Pawn at K B5 and K6
  - Black. K at K R6 Pawn at K R5. K Kt7, Q4, K5. K B3 and 6
- White to play and mate in two moves.



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(General of Indian Affairs.

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