A game of chess by telegraph between the chees clubs of Liverpool and Calcutta has been arranged, and is to come off during the summer. Mr. R. Steele, of Calcutta, now in England, originated and perfected the silisir.—
Turf, Field and Furm.

The well-known problem composer, F. Healey, remarks in the preface to his collection of problems: "It has been justly observed by a clever Spanish writer that there is as much difference between the styles of two skilfful problem composers as between the styles of two skilfful problem composers as between the paintings of Raphael and Titian; the one excelling in expression, the other in colour. Similarly one problem is known for its originality and brilliance of conception, white another excels in giving that artistic finish which really constitutes the perfect problem. In truth, the beauty of a problem does not consist so much in the intrince, of the theme as in the manner in which the idea is treated or woven by the composer. The finest end-games have often a very simple solution but it is so hidden among other modes of play, which mislead the solves, that it is very difficult to discover. The main feature in the works of the earlier composers is the great number of moves required for their solution. There are in general few variations, but a series of forced checks and bold surfaces conducts the student to the final mate. Though difficult to solve, they were comparatively easy to invent. In a word, although much admired on account of their intricacy and ingenuity, they lack the depth and simplicity which characterize the best productions of the ...

PROBLEM No. 225. By James Pierce, M.A. BLACK.



White to play and mate in three moves

GAME 360TR.

(From the Hartford Times.)

MORPHY'S LAST GAME.

A beautiful "Evans' Gambit' that was played Nov-11, 1866, at New Orleans.

(C. A. Maurian.)

(Remove White's Queen's Knight.) Watte (Morphy.) P to K 4 2. Kt to Q B 3 3. B to B 4 2. Ke to Q B 3 3. B to B 4 4. B takes Q Kr P 5. B to B 4 (a) 6. P to Q 3 (b) 7. P takes P 8. B to Q Kt 3 9. Kt to Q R 4 10. Kt takes B 11. B to Q 2 12. Kt to K 2 (c) 13. Castles (d) 14. R to K 80 (r) 15. B to Q B 80 16. K takes P 17. K to K ts 80 18. K to B 80 18. K to B 80 19. B takes P (ch) 22. R takes B 24. K to K 2 25. K to Q 2 26. Q takes K (ch) 27. Q B takes P (h) 27. Q B takes P (h) 28. K to Q 2 P to Q Kt 4 P to Q B 3 Castles P to Q 4 P takes P PtoKa Q to R 4 (ch) Q takes Kt R to K sq B to K Kt 5 P to K 6 P takes P (ch)

Q to B 4 (ch) Q to H 4 (ch)
Q to K R 4
Q takes R P
B takes Kt (ch)
Kt to Kt 5 (f)
K to R sq
R takes R

but winning the game.

23. K takes R (ch)
25. Q takes P (ch)
26. K to K 6 (ch)
27. P takes Q
2e. Q to B 8 (ch)
29. Q takes R and wios.

(c) The leading authorities say it makes no difference whither the Hishop be played to this square or Rook's 4th, but when the Queen's Knight is given, the latter move is inquestionably preferable. (b) I have no hesitation in recommending Kt to K B 3

(c) This certainly cannot be Black's best move. P to K R 3 was the safest and best play.

(d) Again P to K R 3 would have been better:

(c) Another inferior move. It to KRB would have given Black a safe position.

(f) An old-time Morphy attack, sacrificing both Rooks,

(y) Nothing else is left for him to do.

(A) If instead of this Black play 27, P to Q B 3, the following variation would have ensued:

27. P takes Q 28. Q to B 8 (c) 28. Q to H 8 (ch) 29. Q to Q 7 (ch) 30. Q to K 8 (ch) 31. P to Q 7. wins 27. P to Q B 3 28. K to B 2 20. K to K (3 30. K to B 4

GAME Bilse.

Played in Landon some time, ago between Herr Barr-witz and Mr. H. F. Gastineau, when the fornier gave the odds of Queen's Rook.

(French game. Remove White's Q.R from the bourd.

Watt	6.	BLACK.
err Harrw	itz.)	(Mr. Gastinea
L. P to K	4	PioKa
2. P to K		Kt to Q B 3
3. P to Q	3. 1	PtoQ4
4. 1' to K		B to K 2
5, Kt to 1		P to K. R. 3
6. B to Q		Kt to Kt 5 P to K B 4

t, P to Q B 3 9. Castles 19. P to K R 3 11. P takes P 12. Kt to R 2

lr. Q takes P (ch)

8. Kt to Q B 3 9. P to K K 4 10. P to K t 5 (a) 11. P takes P 12. P to K B 4 13. B to B 5 13. B to Q 4 14. B to Kt 6 (ch) 15. P to B 5 16. Kt takes P 14. K to Q 2 15. It to Kt 6 16. P takes Kt 17. K takes P 17, Panken P (chi

And Black resigned (b)

NOTES.

(a) The advance of these Pawns is injudicious. (b) Mate is forced in two more moves.

> SOLUTIONS Solution of Problem No 23.

WRITE. 1. R to Q sq 2. Mates acc.

BLACK I. Any move

Solution of Problem for Young Players No. 221. WHITE. BLACK.

. P to Q B 3 2. R mates

1. P moves

PROBLEMS FOR YOUNG PLAYERS, No. 222. WHITE. BLACK.

Kat KR sq Rat Q Kt sq Kt at Q B 3 Pawns at Q Kt 2

Kat QR4 Qat KKt6 Rat KKt4 Pawns at QR2, and QKt2 and 3 White to play and mate in three moves.

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