

CANADA UNDER THE ADMINISTRATION OF LORD LORNE. By J. E. Collins. Toronto: Rose Publishing Company.

This is the third volume of "Rose's Canadian National Series." Whilst claiming to have written an impartial history of the régime of Lord Lorne, and begrudging no praise which he considers to be merited by that nobleman, Mr. Collins frankly declares in his preface his objections to such "foreign importations" filling the Governor-Generalship. Just as he is outspoken in his condemnation of men and systems he dislikes, the author is lavish—perhaps too lavish—of praise to those with which he is in sympathy. In the introduction he delivers a philippic to extreme partisans, and declares for a Third Party which is to bring about the millennium in double-quick time. Mr. Collins' most readable book is supplemented by a number of speeches, germane to the history, delivered at various times and places by Lord Lorne. In a future issue we hope to give a fuller notice of the work—despite the assurance of Mr. Collins (in his review of the literature of the period covered) that no literature other than such as is devoted to horse-racing or sculling gets more than "two inches solid" of notice in the Canadian press.

A POPULAR HISTORY OF THE DOMINION OF CANADA. By the Rev. H. Withrow, M.A., D.D. Toronto: William Briggs.

This new edition, which has not undergone so careful a revision as was desirable, brings the history down to the year 1892. Of illustrations of varying merit there is a profusion, the aim being to make the work what it purports to be—a popular history of the country.

THE MACEDONIAN CRY. By the Rev. John Lathern. Toronto: William Briggs, 78 and 80 King Street East.

This book is a "plea for missions"—"a voice from the lands of Brama and Buddha, Africa, and Isles of the Sea," and the author is above all things exceedingly in earnest. He at once enlists the sympathies of his readers in behalf of uncivilized heathendom by a description of Oriental religious systems, and by showing their results, after which he makes a powerful appeal for aid to Protestant missions. Of these latter he gives an interesting account, and upon what has been done bases an estimate of the good that might be effected did he inspire his readers with the same zeal as he is evidently imbued with himself.

LITERARY GOSSIP.

GEORGE ELIOT'S posthumous "Essays and Leaves from a Note-Book" are to be published by Harper Brothers.

It is now said that Mrs. Pierre Lorillard, jr., is the author of the charming romance "Those Pretty St. George Girls."

It would appear that the gods would destroy Mr. Ruskin. His latest eccentricity was to dub Mr. Gladstone "an old wind-bag!"

THE subject of the last *Art Interchange* extra coloured study supplement is "Marguerite," an ideal head, produced in most charming tints.

MESSRS. PUTNAM have ready a new edition—the fourth—of their "Globe Pronouncing Gazetteer of the World." A strong recommendation of this work is its convenient size.

THE *Toronto World*, after being suspended for some days, has taken a fresh, and we hope a long, lease of life. Our bright breakfast-table contemporary, by the law of survival of the fittest, ought to have a useful future before it.

MR. H. S. HOWLAND, JR., read a very interesting paper on "The Art of Etching" in the Canadian Institute, Toronto, on Saturday night. After describing the fascinations of etching, Mr. Howland gave a graphic history of the progress of the art and an account of the *modus operandi* of reproduction. By the kindness of Mr. Jardine, the reader was enabled to show his hearers a number of etchings by various masters.

THE May number of *Outing* and the *Wheelman* is decidedly the best so far. Cyclists will read with interest an account of the great Canada bicycle tour last year, as also Mr. Marsh's account of his tricycle run over the Alps. Yachting and canoeing are assigned due place, and fishing, photography, story and poesy each in turn are treated in an intelligent and interesting manner. Withal, there is a wealth of capital illustrations.

JAMES R. OSGOOD and Co., of Boston, announce a strong list of works whose appearance will be awaited with interest. Amongst others we note the "Complete Pocket-Guide to Europe," "Over the Border," a volume of sketches by Mr. Howells, entitled "Three Villages," "Song and Story," by Edgar Fawcett, Mr. Grant's "Average Man," a new book by "Uncle Remus," Henry Irving's "Impressions of America," "Tinkling Cymbals," "The Battle of Stone's River" (a valuable military work), an edition of Rolfe's "Students' Tennyson," two new editions of Scott's "Lady of the Lake," etc.

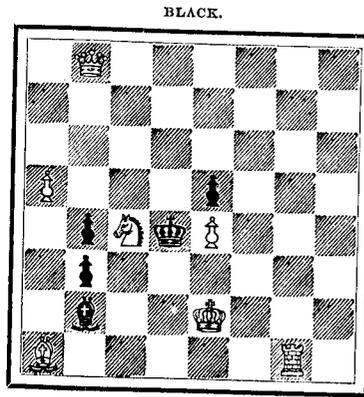
THE *May Magazine of American History* is a very good number. An historical paper by John Esten Cooke on the "Virginia Declaration of Independence," accompanied by about twenty illustrations, is well worthy special attention. "The Cherokees were Probably Mound-Builders"—at least so thinks Dr. Cyrus Thomas. Fred G. Mather writes interestingly on "Slavery in the Colony and State of New York," and the editor has a contribution about "William III. of England." Other subjects are "The Great Seal of the Council of New England," Mr. Dr. Lancey's "Notes," "Private Intelligence Papers," "Minor Topics," etc. It is not surprising to read the publishers' announcement that this magazine is "growing on the public with every issue."

CHESS.

All communications intended for this department should be addressed "Chess Editor," office of THE WEEK, Toronto.

PROBLEM No. 6.

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

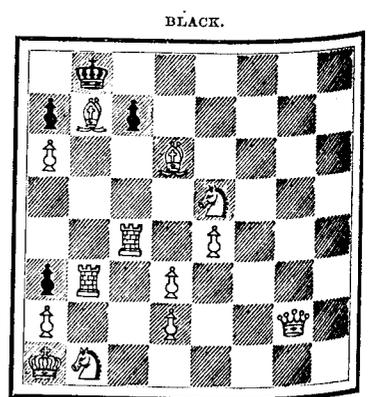


BLACK.

White to play and mate in two moves.

PROBLEM No. 7.

By C. W. PHILLIPS.



BLACK.

White to play and sui-mate in five moves.

SOLUTION TO END GAME NO. 1.

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| BLACK. | 1. R Kt 3 | 7. Kt K 1 (nothing better) | 7. R R 7 |
| 2. Kt takes B P! | 2. K Q 2 | 8. K Kt 1 | 8. R R 8 |
| 3. P Kt 4 (best) | 3. P takes P | 9. R B 1 | 9. Kt B 6 ch |
| 4. P R 5 (best) | 4. P Kt 6 | 10. K B 2 | 10. Kt takes R P |
| 5. Kt R 4 (best) | 5. R K R 3 | 11. R R 1 | 11. P Kt 7 |
| 6. Kt K Kt 2 (nothing better) | 5. R takes R P | | |

We have not space to give the many variations of this play which are possible, but if our readers will carefully study the position we believe they will come to the same conclusion that we have reached, viz., that after 1. R Kt 3, with best play on both sides, Black will win.

SOLUTION TO PROBLEM No. 2.

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| 1. B Q 5 | 2. Mates acc. |
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- Correct solutions received from E. B. G., Montreal; F. W. M., Detroit; W. H. M., London

SOLUTION TO PROBLEM No. 3.

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| 1. B Q 8 | 2. Kt K B 6 | 3. Mate acc. |
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- Correct solutions received from E. B. G., Montreal; Senex, Ottawa; F. W. M., Detroit.

ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

E. B. G., Montreal.—Your's received. Correct. Thanks. Can you not do something yourself in the desired direction. J. MacM., Ottawa.—Your solution of No. 1 is not correct. After 2. Q takes P ch, 2. B B 4, how do you mate? D. J. W., Brantford.—Thanks. Hope you will be successful.

GAME NO. 4.

Played at the Wiesbaden Congress, 1871.
IRREGULAR.

WHITE.	BLACK.	WHITE.	BLACK.
Dr. Göring.	Herr Minckwitz.	Dr. Göring.	Herr Minckwitz.
1. P Q 4	1. P K B 4	11. K Q 2	11. Q takes R (c)
2. P K 4	2. P takes P	12. Kt B 6 (ch)	12. K B 2 (d)
3. Kt Q B 3	3. Kt K B 3	13. Q Kt 8 (ch)	13. K takes Kt (e)
4. B K Kt 5	4. P K 3 (a)	14. Q takes B ch (f)	14. K Kt 4
5. B takes Kt	5. Q takes B	15. P K B 4 ch	15. K Kt 5
6. Kt takes P	6. Q Kt 3	16. B K 2 ch	16. K R 6
7. B Q 3 (b)	7. Q takes P	17. Q R 6 ch	17. K Kt 7
8. Q R 5 ch	8. P Kt 3	18. Q Kt 5 ch	18. K takes P
9. Q K 5	9. Q takes R	19. B B 3	19. Q K B 8
10. Q takes R	10. Q takes Kt ch		White mates in 3 moves.

NOTES ABRIDGED FROM NEUE BERLINER SCHACHZEITUNG.

- (a) The proper play is 4. P B 3. Then after 5. B takes Kt, 5. K P takes B, 6. Kt takes P, Steinitz's move 6. Q Kt 3 gives Black the better game.
 (b) White's method of attack is very spirited and pretty.
 (c) After this move the game cannot be saved. By 11. Q takes R P, Black possibly would have escaped by very careful play; but the chances in his favour justified the sacrifices he has risked.
 (d) If 12. K K 2 White forces mate in a few moves by Kt Q 5 ch! P takes Kt 14. Q take R P ch! against 13. Q takes R P ch, Black might escape with a draw by 13. K Q 1, whereas now the ch at K R 4 is open in reply to that move.
 (e) 13. K K 2 would be followed by 14. Kt Q 5 ch, as in preceding note.
 (f) White, whose play has been brilliant, here overlooked the shortest course: 15. P R 4 ch 15. K Kt 5! 16. B K 2 ch 16. K R 6, 17. Q B 3 ch, and mates in two more moves.

NEWS ITEMS.

MR. W. BOULTBEE has won the 2nd prize in the Championship Tourney T. C. C. CAMBRIDGE won the Inter-University match by a score of 5½ to Oxford's 4½.

PRINCE LEOPOLD ON CHESS.

Reference having lately been made in these columns to the late Prince Leopold's patronage of chess, we now reproduce a portion of a speech delivered by H. R. H. when presenting the prizes at the 55th Anniversary of the Birkbeck Literary and Scientific Association some years ago. He said:—"I notice that in what is called the Miscellaneous Department of your curriculum you provide instruction in the game of chess. This is not the most obviously practical of your subjects, but it has struck me that even those, if any there be, who desire to limit their education to this branch alone, may learn some not unimportant lessons of life from the manner in which you teach it. Particular attention, I see your programme says, is paid to the study of the openings. Now is it not true that in life as in chess it is often the opening, and the opening only, which is under your control? Later in the game the plans and wishes of others begin to conflict unpleasantly with our own. Sometimes it is as much as we can do to avoid being checkmated altogether. But for the first few moves we are free. We can deploy our pieces to the best advantage; we can settle on the action that best suits our power, and we sometimes find it will repay us to sacrifice a pawn or a piece so as to gain at once a position which will give us a decided advantage throughout the whole game. Does not this remind us of early life? Must we not often be content to sacrifice some pawn of pre-emptive pleasure or profit to gain a vantage ground which may help us to success, which self-indulgence could never have won?"

THE CHAMPIONSHIP TOURNEY OF THE TORONTO CHESS CLUB.

This interesting tourney which is now practically concluded, has during the winter attracted great attention in chess circles in Toronto. The close run between the leaders kept up the excitement till the last moment. There can be little doubt of the value of such contests in improving the play of the members. They keep up a spirit of generous rivalry among them, which goes far toward ensuring the success of such an organization. We append the full score.

TORONTO CHESS CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP TOURNEY—1ST CLASS.

PLAYERS.	Phillips.	Boulbee.	Freeland	Gordon.	Eddis.	Gibson.	Meyers.	Games won
Phillips.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	9
Boulbee.....	1 0	0 1	1 1	1 1	1 0	0 0	1 1	8½
Freeland.....	0 0	0 1	1 0	1 1	1 1	1 1	1 1	7 (one to play)
Gordon.....	0 0	0 0	0 *	.....	1 ½	0 1	1 1	4½ (one to play)
Eddis.....	0 0	½ 1	0 0	0 ½	.....	1 1	1 0	5
Gibson.....	1 1	0 0	1 0	1 0	0 0	.....	0 0	4
Meyers.....	0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0*	0 1	1 1	.....	3
Games lost.....	3	3½	4	6½	7	8	9	

* 2nd game unfinished.