

come from New York expressly for the Tournament; much to the surprise of the chess world Mr. W. defeated his opponent by two games to one; in the next series he won the necessary victories off-hand from Mr. Mucklow, a poor player; but in the third series he had to encounter Mr. Wyvill, who ultimately gained the second prize, and this contest was the most remarkable one of the whole Tournament. Mr. W. won the first three games, thus only requiring one more victory to carry off the prize, when Mr. Wyvill, rallying in the most gallant manner, defeated him in the next four games, and snatched it from his grasp. In the concluding series he was pitted against Staunton, his former master, and the champion of England. Though Mr. Staunton was undoubtedly suffering from ill health, and his play in this tournament had been much below his former standard, few persons anticipated that Mr. Williams would here achieve so great a victory as to defeat the champion by four games out of seven, and thus become entitled to the third prize. At the conclusion of the tournament, matches were arranged between Messrs. Williams, Lowenthal, and Staunton, to allow the latter a chance of retrieving their laurels; the results were that Lowenthal was victorious in a contest of 16 games by 7 to 5, 4 having been drawn, while Mr. Staunton, who had agreed to give his opponent two games, was compelled to resign the match, after winning 6 to 4, for the alleged reason that his health could not sustain the fatigue produced by the "excessive slowness" of his opponents' moves.

In 1853 Mr. W. achieved a great triumph over the brilliant Horwitz, by winning five games to three, no less than nine games being drawn; but in the same year he sustained severe defeats in two successive matches with Mr. Harrwitz, in the first match not scoring a single game, and in the second only two, to his opponent's seven.

This was his last public contest before he was so suddenly cut off in the prime of life. Had he lived to mature his powers, there is little doubt he would have ranked among the very first of chess-players. His style was modelled on that of Philidor and Staunton; profound, solid, and severe, rather than imaginative and brilliant; stubborn and tenacious to the last in circumstances of disaster, and following up any advantage with slow but deadly perseverance.—  
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## CHESS IN ENGLAND.

The following interesting game was played a few years back between Mr. Kepping and the late Mr. Williams;—

(*Kings' Knight's Opening.*)

White (MR. KEEPING.) Black (MR. WILLIAMS.)

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| 1. P to K 4th.        | P to K 4th.         |
| 2. K Kt to B 3d.      | Q Kt to B 3d.       |
| 3. P to Q B 3d.       | K Kt to B 3d (a).   |
| 4. P to Q 4th.        | K Kt takes P.       |
| 5. P to Q 5th.        | Q Kt to his sq.     |
| 6. Q to B 2d (b).     | K Kt to B 3d.       |
| 7. Q B to Kt 5th (c). | P to Q 3d.          |
| 8. K B to Q 3d.       | K B to K 2d.        |
| 9. P to Q B 4th.      | Q Kt to R 3d.       |
| 10. P to Q Kt 4th.    | P to Q Kt 4th (d).  |
| 11. P to Q R 3d.      | Q Kt P takes P.     |
| 12. B takes Q Kt P.   | Castles.            |
| 13. K B to Q 3d.      | P to K R 3d.        |
| 14. P to K R 4th.     | Q Kt to his sq (e). |
| 15. Q Kt to B 3d.     | Q B to Kt 5th.      |
| 16. Q B to K 3d.      | Q Kt to Q 2d.       |
| 17. K Kt to R 2d.     | Q Kt to K 3d.       |
| 18. P to K B 3d.      | Q B to Q 2d.        |
| 19. Q to Q Kt 3d.     | K Kt to R 4th (f).  |
| 20. P to K Kt 3d.     | K Kt takes P.       |
| 21. K R to Kt sq.     | B takes K R P.      |
| 22. Castles.          | P to K B 4th.       |
| 23. Q B to K B 2d.    | P to K B 5th.       |
| 24. K R to Kt 2d.     | Q B to K R 6th.     |
| 25. K R to Kt sq.     | Q to K B 3d.        |
| 26. K Kt to Kt 4th.   | B takes Kt.         |
| 27. P takes B.        | K Kt to K 7th (ch). |
| 28. B takes Kt.       | B takes B.          |
| 29. K R to R sq.      | B to K 6th (ch).    |
| 30. K to B 2d.        | Q to Kt 3d (ch).    |
| 31. K to Kt 2d.       | B to Q 5th.         |
| 32. K to R 2d.        | P to Q R 4th.       |
| 33. P takes P.        | R takes P.          |
| 34. Kt to K B 5th.    | K R to Q R sq.      |
| 35. R to Q 3d.        | B to B 4th.         |
| 36. Q to Q Kt sq.     | Q to K 5th.         |
| 37. K R to K sq.      | Q to B 5th (ch).    |
| 38. R interposes.     | R takes R P (ch).   |

And White resigned.

Notes.

(a) This we believe to be the best reply to White's last move.

(b) Q to K 2d appears preferable.

(c) Had he taken the K P, he would have lost his Kt.

(d) Black dared not have taken his opponent's Q Kt P.

(e) It is quite obvious that Black would speedily have lost the game had he ventured to capture his adversary's Q B.

(f) The attack now appears to change hands.