

The National Chess Congress.

Before another number of this journal is issued this great and important gathering will have taken place. We hope that we shall be able then to chronicle such a triumphant success as its friends and the friends of our game generally anticipate. We learn that the Committee of Management have reason to expect a large attendance from various parts of the country. Besides the strong players of Philadelphia and New York (including Mr. Montgomery of the former place and Mr. Stanley of the latter) it is hoped that Mr. Paulsen of Iowa, Judge Meek of Alabama, Mr. Grotjan of California, Mr. Hammond of Massachusetts, Mr. Morgan of Illinois, Mr. Calthrop of Connecticut, Mr. T. Loyd of New Jersey, Mr. Cheney of Syracuse and others will enter the Grand Tournament. For the Minor Tournament the prospects are equally flattering.

The Rooms are especially adapted to the purpose, being large, airy and well lighted. Excellent men and boards have been procured. We insert here a notice issued by the Committee, for the benefit of those who may receive our Monthly before the opening of the Congress.