

THE CHESS-PLAYER.

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Original problems, games, solutions, and correspondence on Chess matters solicited.

Problem No. 134.—By F. B. Phelps, Sandwich, Ill.

Composed for the Argonaut.

WHITE—King at KB4; Queen at K sq; Rook at Q8; Bishops at K7, QKt sq; Knights at QB7, QR5.

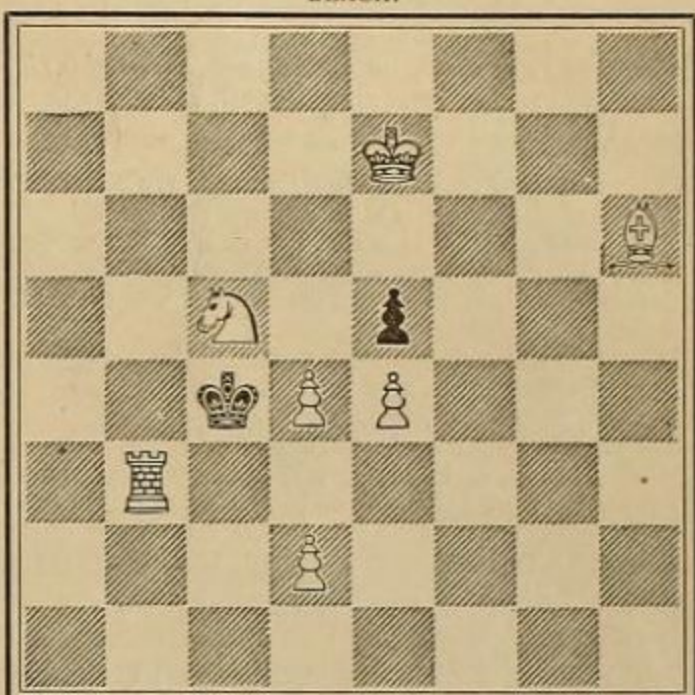
BLACK—King at Q5; Rook at QR5; Knights at KKt5, QKt sq; Pawns at K6, KB4, Q2, QB3.

White to play and mate in two moves.

Problem No. 135.—By John O. Flagg, West Boylston, Mass.

Composed for the Argonaut.

BLACK.



WHITE.

White to play and mate in three moves.

Solutions of Problems.

No. 122— 1—Kt QB7.

No. 123—Solution withheld until next week.

NOTE.—In Problem No. 132, White should read "Q at KR2."

Correct solutions received: Problems Nos. 124, 127, 128, and 129, from F. B. Phelps, Sandwich, Ill; Nos. 124, 132, and 133, from W.; Nos. 131 and 133, from H. H.

To Correspondents.

U. H.—If 1 Kt x P, K Kt4; 2 Kt B7 ch, K B3; 3 Q Q4 ch, K x R, and no mate. See correction.

W.—Your correction of No. 132 is proper. Solution is acknowledged. How were you pleased with No. 124? Should be glad to receive your criticisms on problems published.

Game No. 68.

Played March 12, 1885, in the recent tournament at the Mechanics Institute, between Messrs. Fritz Peipers and J. Waldstein.

QUEEN'S GAMBIT.

White. Peipers.	Black. Waldstein.	White.	Black.
1—P Q4	1—P Q4	10—B R2	10—Kt R2
2—P QB4	2—P x P	11—P B4	11—P x P
3—Kt QB3 (a)	3—P K3 (b)	12—Kt x P	12—P KB4(?) (e)
4—P Q5	4—Kt KB3	13—P K5 (!)	13—B B4 ch
5—P K4	5—B Q3 (c)	14—K R sq	14—R K sq (f)
6—B x P	6—P KR5 (d)	15—P Q6 dis.ch	15—B K3
7—KKt K2	7—P QR3	16—Kt x B	16—R x Kt
8—P QR3	8—Castles	17—B x R ch	17—K R sq
9—Castles	9—P QKt4	18—Q Q5 and Black resigns.	

(a) Introduced for the first time by Blackburne in the Vienna tournament of 1873, in a game with Rosenthal.

(b) Rosenthal replied 3—P K3, which is by far the better move.

(c) We prefer B QKt5.

(d) Black loses time. He should develop the pieces on Queen's side.

(e) A very injudicious move, and one which virtually loses the game for Black.

(f) Black struggles in vain.

It is the desire of the officers of the newly organized chess club to obtain the names and addresses of the chess players of this city, that they may be able to communicate with them whenever anything of importance in chess matters is contemplated. If in the future it is considered advisable to have a regular chess organization, with club rooms, etc., notice thereof will be sent to all interested, and definite action can then be taken. At present the object of the association is that it shall be the means by which greater and more active interest will be taken in chess matters than heretofore, and, to secure that desirable end, it is hoped that it will receive the encouragement and active coöperation of every chess player. The club therefore requests every one interested in the advancement of chess in this city to send his address to the secretary, Mr. Fritz Peipers, Mechanics' Institute.

The Milwaukee *Sunday Telegraph* has revived the chess column formerly under the editorial charge of Mr. K. D. Peterson, who severed his connection with it over a year ago, to assume the editorship of the chess department of the *Mirror of American Sports*. In his salutatory the editor expresses himself as follows: "The soul and life of every well-regulated chess column is its band of solvers, and we shall strive to show our appreciation of their interest in us by every possible encouragement and incentive"—a sentiment and resolve which will be responded to by every chess editor. We wish our new contemporary every success, and take pleasure in adding it to our list of exchanges.

The *British Chess Magazine* announces an End-game Tourney, for which prizes of £2, £1, and Horwitz's "Chess Studies" are offered.—Steinitz is kept busy replying to his critics.—The chess editors' picture is receiving many compliments.—T. P. Bull announces the withdrawal of his chess column from the *Detroit Free Press*. A great loss.—Nothing further to announce in re Steinitz-Zukertort match.

Mr. Steinitz's second in the contemplated match is Mr. Thomas Frère, of the Manhattan Chess Club, of New York, and not New Orleans, as stated last week.