THE CHESS-PLAYER.

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Problem No. CIV.—By C. H. Wheeler, South Lynne, Ill.

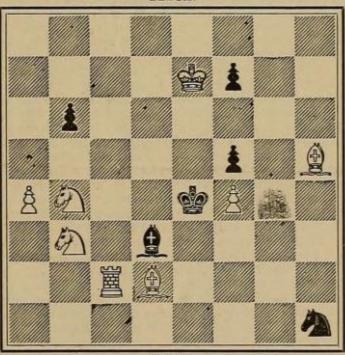
Composed for the Argonaut.

WHITE-King at QKt4; Rooks at K2, KB sq; Bishop at KR3; Knights at Q2, QB4.

BLACK-King at Q6; Rook at QR8; Bishop at QKt8; Pawns at K4, QR7.

White to play and mate in two moves.

Problem No. CV.—By F. Hofmann, Munich.
BLACK.



WHITE.

White to play and mate in three moves.