THE CHESS-PLAYER.

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Problem 214.—By W. E. Perry, Yarmouth, Nova Scotia.

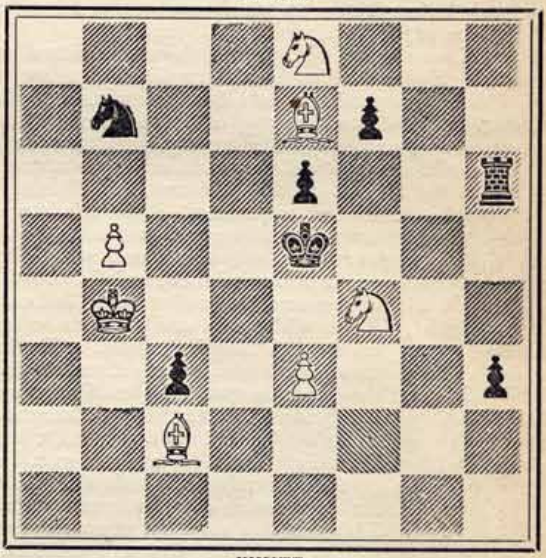
Inscribed to C. F. Stubbs, St. John, N. B.

WHITE—King at QR5; Queen at KKt2; Rooks at KB sq, QB4; Bishops at KR5, KR8; Knights at Q5, Q6; Pawns at K5, QB3.
BLACK—King at K3; Bishop at KKt sq; Knights at KB6, KKt6; Pawn at Q2.

White to play and mate in two moves.

Problem 215.—By Bk., San Luis Obispo, Cal.

BLACK.



WHITE.

White to play and mate in three moves.

Solutions of Problems.

No. 204— 1—B B sq

No. 205— 1—B Q3 / 2—Kt K4 / 3—R mates.
1—K x Kt (K3) (a, b) / 2—Any move

(a) 1——— 1—K x Kt (B5) / 2—R R6 dis ch 2—K moves / 3—Kt Q5 mates.

(b) 1——— 1—P Q5 / 2—Kt Kt3 ch 2—K moves / 3—R mates.

NOTE.—Solutions acknowledged in last issue should have been numbered 202 and 203.

Nos. 202 and 203 were solved by James Harvey, Nanaimo, B. C.

No. 204 was solved by U. Hartnell, Salinas City; J. Y. Somavia, Santa Clara; Robert Syer, San Jose; H'y Dobinson, Oakland; Bk., San Luis Obispo; W., Tombstone, A. T., and C. H. Wheeler, Forest Hill, Ill.

No. 205 was solved by U. Hartnell, J. Y. Somavia, Robert Syer, Bk., W., C. L. T., H'y Dobinson, and C. W. Lewis (city).

The match for the championship was resumed at New Orleans on the 26th ultimo. Three games have been played, resulting as follows: Steinitz, 2; drawn, 1. The score therefore stands: Steinitz, 6; Zukertort, 4; drawn, 2.

Mr. J. E. Tippett, who for a long time has so ably conducted the Chess column of the *Argonaut*, is about to leave San Francisco, to take up his permanent residence in Boston. This will involve his abandoning the charge of this department. Those readers of the paper who are interested in chess will regret Mr. Tippett's departure as much as we do.—EDS. ARGONAUT.