

THE CHESS-PLAYER.

Consequent upon the arrival of Doctor Zukertort our chess-players are exhibiting an unwonted activity. According to programme, Doctor Z. was received by the committee on the morning of his arrival, and in the afternoon visited the Mechanics' Institute chess-room. Upon invitation, he conducted seven simultaneous games, against that number of players, winning six, and losing one to Mr. J. F. Welsh. On Thursday afternoon two games were played with Mr. J. D. Redding, one of our strongest players, Mr. Redding winning the first game (Scotch Gambit), and Doctor Zukertort the second (Vienna opening). On Saturday evening the Doctor met Mr. J. W. Jefferson, with whom he played two games, winning one and drawing one. The crowning event was the exhibition of blindfold play, on Tuesday evening, July 8, 1884, at Irving Hall, against twelve contestants—viz., Messrs. J. D. Redding, H. Heynemann, E. Yerworth, Doctor B. Marshall, H. Van Vleet, S. Franklin, J. Holstein, F. Peipers, J. Waldstein, J. Critcher, R. O. Oakley, and J. F. Welsh. Mr. L. H. Kellogg acted as umpire, and Messrs. J. E. Tippet and J. P. H. Stout divided the duty of teller. Doctor Zukertort was in remarkably good play, and pleased not only the audience but the players by his uniform urbanity and courtesy. The result was as follows: The Doctor won nine games, against Messrs. Heyneman, Marshall, Van Vleit, Franklin, Holstein, Peipers, Critcher, Oakley, and Yerworth; drew one with Mr. Waldstein, and lost two with Messrs. Redding and Welsh. The game to Mr. Redding was lost by an oversight, as we believe the position will show. The Doctor offered to lay ten to one in defense of the position, but resigned the game rather than retrace a move. We regret that we can not give all the games, as space will not permit, but we publish those of Messrs. Redding and Waldstein. The exhibition was a pronounced success, and we extend to Doctor Zuckertort our hearty acknowledgments of the wonderful and marvelous exhibition of his powers of memory, and his remarkable skill as a chess-player. We append the games of Messrs. Redding and Waldstein, and regret that lack of time prevents their annotation:

Games played by Doctor Zukertort, *sans voir*:

PHILIDOR'S DEFENSE.

<i>White.</i>	<i>Black.</i>	<i>White.</i>	<i>Black.</i>
Dr. Zukertort.	Mr. Redding.	12—P K6	12—Q KB3
1—P K4	1—P K4	13—P x P ch	13—K R sq
2—Kt KB3	2—P Q3	14—Q KR5	14—Q QKt3
3—P Q4	3—P x P	15—Castles QR	15—Kt Q B3
4—Kt x P	4—Kt KB3	16—Kt x Kt	16—B x B ch
5—Kt QB3	5—B K2	17—P x B	17—P x Kt
6—B K2	6—Castles	18—R Q4	18—QR Kt sq
7—B K3	7—P K4	19—Q K2	19—B KB4
8—P K5	8—Kt K5	20—R KB sq	20—P QB4
9—Kt x Kt	9—P x Kt	21—R Q2	21—Q Kkt3
10—B QB4	10—B QKt5 ch	22—Q B2	22—B Q3
11—P B3	11—B QB4	23—R Q6	23—P x R

White resigns.

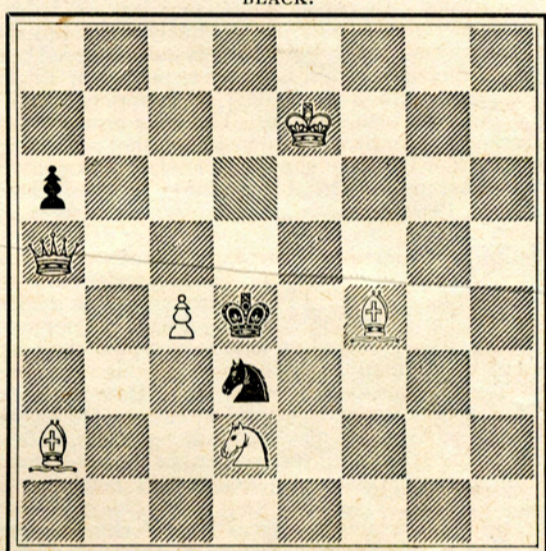
PHILIDOR'S DEFENSE.

White.	Black.	White.	Black.
Dr. Zuckertort.	J. Waldstein.	21—R KR sq	21—KR B3
1—P K4	1—P K4	22—Kt Q5	22—B x Kt
2—Kt KB3	2—P Q3	23—Q x Kt ch	23—Q B2
3—P Q4	3—P x P	24—P KB5	24—P QB4
4—Q x P	4—Kt QB3	25—P QB4	25—QR K sq
5—B QKt5	5—B Q2	26—B K2	26—Q x Q
6—B x Kt	6—B x B	27—KP x Q	27—QR K5
7—Kt QB3	7—K KtB3	28—P KKt3	28—R x KtP
8—B K3	8—B K2	29—B B3	29—R B2
9—Castles QR	9—Castles	30—KR x P	30—R KB5
10—P KR3	10—P KR3	31—R x R	31—P x R
11—P Kkt4	11—B R2	32—P B6	32—Kt B sq
12—Q K2	12—B x B	33—R R4	33—Kt B3
13—KKt Q4	13—B x Kt	34—R R6	34—Kt B sq
14—Q x B	14—Q B3	35—K Q sq	35—R R2
15—Q Q2	15—Q KB6	36—R x R	36—Kt x R
16—KR Kt sq	16—Q B3	37—K K2	37—K B2
17—P KB4	17—P Kkt4	38—K K3	38—Kt x P
18—QR KB sq	18—Q K2	39—B x Kt	39—K x B
19—P KR4	19—P B3	40—K x P	40—P R4
20—RP x P	20—BP x P		Given up as a draw.

Problem No. XXXVII.—By A. Greenway, Victoria.



Problem No. XXXVIII.—By D. W. Clark, Siberia.
BLACK.



WHITE.

White to play and mate in three moves.

Solution of Problem No. XXXI.

- 1—R KB3 2—Any move
2—Q, R, or KB mates acc.

Solution of Problem No. XXXII.

- 1—Q KB sq 1—Kt x B, dis ch (a)
2—Kt Q5 ch 2—Q x Kt, ch
3—Kt K4, dbl ch, mates.
(a) 1— 1—B x Kt
2—Q R6 2—Any move
3—Kt Q5, mates.

Correct solutions received as follows: Problems XXXIII and XXXIV—From U. Hartnell, Salinas.

Game.

Played at Mechanics' Institute, July 3, 1884, between Dr. J. H. Zukertort and Mr. Jos. D. Redding.

SCOTCH GAMBIT.

Black.	White.	Black.	White.
Mr. Redding.	Dr. Zukertort.	15—P KB4	15—Castles KR
1—P K4	1—P K4	16—Kt QB3	16—QR Kt sq
2—Kt KB3	2—Kt QB3	17—QR Kt sq	17—K R sq
3—P Q4	3—P x P	18—Q KR5	18—Q Q7
4—B QB4 (a)	4—Kt KB3	19—QKt K4!(c)	19—Q x QBP
5—P K5 (b)	5—P Q4	20—QKt KKt5	20—B x Kt
6—B QKt5	6—Kt K5	21—Q x B	21—R x KtP (d)
7—B x Kt ch	7—P x B	22—R x R	22—Q x R
8—Kt x P	8—B Q2	23—Q K7	23—R KKt sq
9—Castles	9—P QB4	24—Q x B	24—Q x RP
10—Kt B3	10—P QB3	25—Q x BP	25—Q QR3
11—P KB3	11—Kt KKt4	26—P K6	26—Q QB sq
12—B x Kt	12—Q x B	27—P KB5	27—P QB5
13—Kt KKt3	13—Q K6 ch ?	28—Q x RP	28—Resigns.
14—K R sq	14—B K2		

(a) The moves recommended here, and usually adopted by the best players, are 4 Kt x P, Kt B3; 5 Kt x Kt, KtP x Kt, etc.

(b) The game at this point assumes a well-known form of the Giuoco Piano.

(c) Very well played. If—P x Kt, 20 QR Q sq, winning KB and gaining a stronger attack.

(d) Fatal. White has for some time been playing a losing game, but this move affords Black an opportunity of gaining a piece and of necessity winning the game.

Doctor Zukertort has been winning golden opinions from the press in the States, not only for the beauty and force of his play, but also for his unvarying courtesy. That these compliments are deserved is the unanimous opinion of those whose good fortune it has been to meet him, not only for his talent as a chess player, but also for his qualities as a raconteur.

Miss F. F. Beechey and Mr. T. B. Rowland, who are both very well known as chess contributors and problem composers, were married last month in Dublin, the officiating clergyman being the Rev. G. A. MacDonnell, who edits the chess column of the London *Sporting and Dramatic News*, under the pseudonym of *Mars*.

La Strategie announces that the French weekly *Le Monde Illustré* will hereafter devote a page of that paper to chess under the direction of Mr. S. Rosenthal, who withdrew from *La Vie Moderne* to accept the offer.

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