

# THE CHESS-PLAYER.

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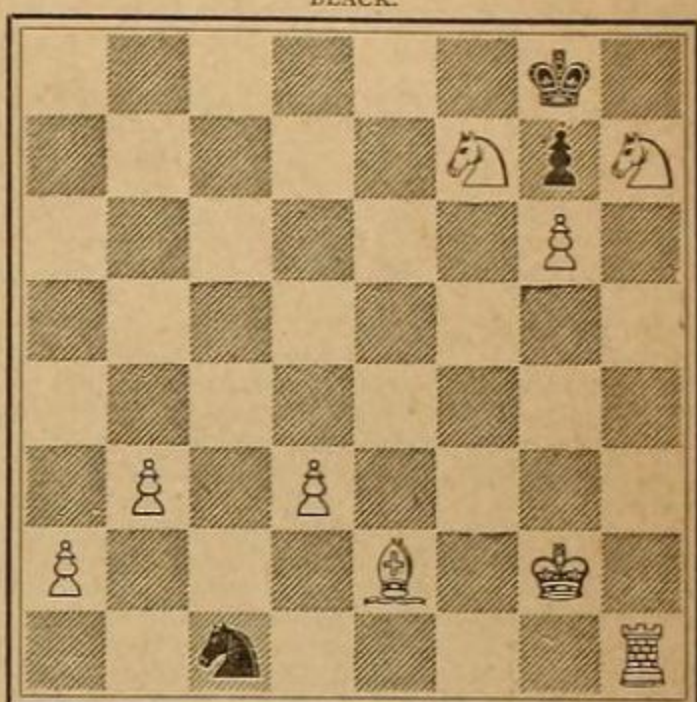
**Problem 174.—By M. Duchâteau, à Rozoy-sur-Serre.**  
*From l'Echiquier d'Aix.*

**WHITE**—King at QKt2; Queen at QB sq; Rook at QB6; Bishops at KB6, KKt4; Knights at Q3, QB8; Pawn at QKt4.

**BLACK**—King at Q4; Bishop at QR4; Knights at K sq, K Ktsq; Pawns at K5, KKt4, Q3, QKt2, QKt3, QKt4.

White to play and mate in two moves.

**Problem 175.—By C. H. Wheeler, Forest Hill, Ill.**  
**BLACK.**



**WHITE.**

White to play and mate in three moves.

## Solutions of Problems.

No. 162— 1—Q Q8

No. 163—Unsound. Author's solution, 1 Kt QB4. Second solution, 1 R x KtP ch.

Solutions received: Problems Nos. 170 and 171, from W., Tombstone, A. T.; No. 163, from Charles Moog, Dublin, Ireland; Nos. 166 to 169, inclusive, from James Harvey, Nanaimo, B. C.; No. 173, from U. Hartnell, Salinas City.

## To Correspondents.

C. M., Dublin, Ireland.—Your favor received. Sorry that problem is unsound. See solution above.

J. H., Nanaimo.—See correction to Problem 169 in column of Oct. 3d.

## Game No. 86.

Played in the Second Correspondence Tourney of *La Stratégie*, between Messrs. Zani and Mayer. Game and notes from *Le Monde Illustré*:

### VIENNA OPENING.

White. Zani.	Black. Mayer.	White.	Black.
1—P K4	1—P K4	19—Kt KB4 (i)	19—R K5
2—Kt QB3	2—Kt QB3	20—P Kkt3 (j)	20—QR K sq
3—Kt KB3	3—Kt KB3	21—K Kt2	21—P QR5
4—B QKt5	4—P QR3 (a)	22—B x QP	22—P x B
5—B QR4	5—B QB4 (b)	23—R Q sq	23—B QKt2
6—Kt x P	6—Kt x Kt (c)	24—P KR4	24—P Q5
7—P Q4	7—B Q3	25—K R3	25—Q x P
8—P x Kt	8—B x P	26—Q KR5	26—B QB sq
9—Kt K2	9—P QB3	27—P Kkt4	27—R K6 ch (k)
10—P KB4	10—B QKt sq	28—B x R	28—R x B ch
11—Kt Kkt3 (d)	11—B QR2 (e)	29—K R2	29—Q K4
12—P K5	12—Castles (f)	30—R KB sq	30—R K7 ch
13—P x Kt	13—R K sq ch	31—K Kt3	31—B QKt2
14—K B sq	14—P Q4	32—R KB3	32—B x R
15—P KB5 (g)	15—P QKt4	33—P KB6	33—Q K6
16—B QKt3	16—Q QKt3	34—Kt x R	
17—Q KB3	17—P QR4		
18—Kt KR5 (h)	18—B QR3		

and Black announced mate in three moves\*

(a) The correct move is—B QKt5.  
(b) We prefer 5—B QKt5; 6 castles, castles; 7 Kt Q5, B K2 (!).  
(c) If 6—B x P ch; 7 K x B, Kt x Kt; 8 P Q4, QKt Kt5 ch.

(d) This move, which allows his adversary to prevent White from castling, compromises the game; the stronger continuation was 11 P K5, Kt K5; 12 B K3 (forced; if 12 castles, B QR2 ch best) P Q4; 13 castles, castles; 14 B QKt3, P KB3, etc.

(e) A very good move which paralyzed White's play.

(f) Very well played; the sacrifice of the piece is sound, and gives Black a won game.

(g) The only move; if 15 P x P, Q QKt3; 16 Q KB3, B Kkt5 and wins.

(h) Forced; if 18 P QB3, B QR3 (!).

(i) If 19 P Kkt3 or 4, P QKt5 dis ch, followed by R K7 ch, and wins.

(j) If 20, Q Kkt3, P QKt5 dis ch; 21 Kt Q3, P Kkt3; 22 B Q2, QR K sq, and should win.

(k) Terminating in an elegant manner this beautiful game ending.

\* —B K5 dis ch; 35 K R2, Q B7 ch; 36 K R3, Q Kt7, mates.

Mr. Will H. Lyons, chess editor of *Southern Trade Gazette*, announces the publication about November 1st of a treatise on chess problems, entitled "Chess-Nut Burrs: How they are Formed and How to Open Them." The treatise will contain the principles of the art of composing chess problems, explaining originality, beauty of idea, difficulty, neatness of construction, economy of force, variations, duals, themes, etc., etc., with instructions in solving and analyzing; also, one hundred selected problems in two and three moves, accompanied by solutions. The book will be printed on the finest and best paper, in the best style. A red line edition, bound in cloth, gilt lettered, and polished red edges. The diagrams will be of the largest size. The entire work gotten up in the most attractive manner, and will contain about one hundred and seventy-five pages. Price, \$1.25. Intending subscribers will please address Will H. Lyons, Box 422, Newport, Ky.

The chess column in *Land and Water*, under the editorial control of Mr. Wm. Norwood Potter, terminated its existence abruptly, August 29th. In a letter to Mr. K. D. Peterson, chess editor of *Mirror of American Sports*, Mr. Potter says: "I do not purpose doing any more chess-work of any kind in the future, and, in fact, for all practical purposes, I now bring my chess career to an end." Such an announcement will be received with regret, as, by his retirement, the chess world loses a writer and player whose place will not be readily filled.

A chess column has been started in *Tid-Bits*, New York city, under the management of Mr. T. B. Bull, formerly chess editor of the *Detroit Free Press*. The chess column in the *Toronto Week* has been permanently discontinued.