BEATING CARPETS.

of all the scents of early spring When lambs are gay, and robing sing, There's none that makes one feel so sure That filtin' bird and streamlet pure Are not aslyin' as they pass, As that old smell of dirt-alas! When beatin' carpet on the granz,

The apple trees are all ablow. The wrens are matin' down below; The worm is wrigglin' on the hook; The small boy sleeps upon his book; Old gray-beard chews his sassafras, And spring is in the air; -ains, I'm beatin' carpet on the grass.

Old brindle slowly comes at night; Her long-legged calf is her delight; The spring has come-I hate to think I've got to teach that calf to drick, When other boys are catchin' bass, And hurry up, slas, alas, To beat the carpet on the grass.

In heaven where spring eternal reigns, They miss such sorrow, tolls and pains. There ain't no carpet on the floors Nor polishin' of jasper doors. I may just miss the sea of glass, But never can this memory pass Of beatin' carpet on the grass.

-F. W. Gunsaulus in the Chicago Interior.

A Game of Chess & &

By CHAUNCEY THOMAS

were his. Hers were equal. She was small, dark, petite, winsome; just 18 He, large, light, powerful, was in all two weeks on my watch." senses a man. In 30 years he had both had to spare.

by the mountain breeze drifting up on his overcoat. Regular goat!" the canyon. They sat, he and she, on mer home in the Rockies. There was where it was! moonlight; there were also shadows.

This was their last evening. love? Of course. The word she banter. He feared, was sure of, refusal. Pride, too, kept him silentthe pride of an empty pocket. "No wife must love, honor and support me," he had confided to his brier.

The game was on. "The whites are mine," he said, as the ivories were placed. "They seem fitting."

"Your move," demurely.
"I wish it were yours," he muttered, as he shoved forward king's pawn

two places. "Ah! But then, you see, I can meet you half-way;" and the black

pawn faced the white. "You've made a specialty of that. haven't you? Blocking, I mean?" "Oh, yes. How clear and calm it ts. But that does you good. Shows

Knight jumps over-you see?" and a went on. sable knight was archly advanced. "But if your knight can do that safely, perhaps a bishop will be need-

ed?" he ventured, as he placed his queen's bishop to try for the Fool's Checkmate. low foolish!" she marmured,

differently. "That's the gamut "Thank you. I won't say that it is

you've been playing all summer." usual to employ methods according to one's end. Now, if you were more

expert and experienced-" "Would you have me so?"

"No." The cool fencing of this girl foiled his most subtle or his most furious attacks. Those clear eyes surveyed him calmly, then turned to the game. He gazed at the top of that bent head of silk-how white the scalp was!blank, dumb, hopeless, yearning, puzzled, desperate. His emotions were somewhat complex. Thus it had been all summer. She knew just what expression was on his face, though her eyes were on the men. Both were above puns yet; like a matador, she used the terms of the game both as a torment and a shield. Silence and knitted brows for

"Safely, did you say? He must risk capture, you know," with a sly smile. Evidently she had been pondering his words. His hand trembled ever so little as he touched the white queen, then snatched it away as if burned. "U-g-h! I've lost my queen." The empress of the board was apparently involved.

"Not yet-but you may." And for an instant the rich, brown eyes rose to the steely gray, quailed and drooped.

"I'm afraid that if-" "Afr-r-r-a-a-i-d!" The word was smothered in nameless contempt. Stung, he shot his queen alone into the very midst of the blacks. Calm-

ly, she took it from the board. "You see—I have you in a trap. You can't get out." (With enticing coyness.)

"Don't want to. If it were of iron it would not hurt; but being of

"That'll do: It's your move." He writhed inwardly. She was laughing at him.

"Now I have lost my queen," he said, half angrily. "Perhaps you may win a better

"Do-you-mean-that?"

"Yes," faintly; then in pretty confusion, "if you can win the game." "What game?"

"This one, of course, you stupid! What other one is there?" "Win the game with my queen gone!" he demanded, earnestly, still with a trace of anger. He was being played with; he!—the great he!—was being moused by this pink-and-white kitten. Never! But still-?

"Gone? Oh, no. I'm here. If you win, you'll get her back. So, I don't

"Feminine logic," he snorted, and bent over the board. His elbows were on his knees, his head in his hands, his fingers tangled in his hair A dozen moves.

"Check." she breathed.

"Yes. That's it. If there were no checks in the game I would not fear. So far, it appears, I have none to

She started. A great light broke in upon her. So this was what was keeping him silent? So this was the trouble, was it-money? Being sure now, she could tantalize.

With half-closed eyes she regarded his bowed head, musing silently. "It's my last chance to tease him and I'll make it count. Torment him good If I am to be your slave for the rest of my natural life, I'll be the tyrant as long as I can, my future lord and master. You poor, dearest, most foolish, bestest of dear old boys,

"Check!" he blurted, savagely. The tide was turning.

"Ah! Asking so soon? My king-" But the man straightened up, rigid and white as marble. She had gone too far-was frightened. The taunt was cruel. She hastily placed a pawn before the threatened king.

"You see, I do cherish my king after all," she said, tenderly.

SHE was rich; he poor. He had brains; so had she—but not as much. A fine physique, head and face will again. "Yes; a pawn will do." was the bit

"Yes," desperately. "I once lived

"Why. I've lived on the watch ever won everything the world had to since I knew you!" with wide-open inyield except money and a home. nocence. Then, with a smile of keen Forefathers many and great they intelligence: "Before papa located the Maidenstake-that was his first It was a warm evening, tempered mine, you know-he lived three days

"Wh-y-" But the subject was a the lawn under the pines of her sum- dangerous one, and he let it rest

Silence again. From the brooding In forest came the splashings of distant water playing among the rocks. hoped, yet feared, he would speak More moves-his, calculated and froze on his lips or dissolved into wary; hers, studied, but for a different end.

"Well, that's all over. See, I offer check," she whispered. His hand plunged for his knight; but, in light of recent disasters, he stopped; and long and carefully surveyed the squares. Then he accepted the opening. She laughingly moved an innocent pawn, and under the black batteries thus unmasked he found his game all but hopeless. Again he began to boil, while she listlessly, on dainty finger, tried to balance the captured queen. From the board he looked at her. Never had she played such a game. Was it accidentyoung luck? Was she a budding woman, rich, lovely, loving and lovable, his for the asking-a pearl, or a coquette, beneath contempt? "Whichever you are, I will conquer. Man must maswhat you are-pawn or knight. Sir ter," he told himself-and the moves

"If I win-" he murmured. She said nothing-only flushed.

"Ah, young lady, I may yet have my queen," and he pushed a white pawn to within one square of her king row.

"You may-if you can break through my defenses," came the prettily deflant retort, and with it a toss of the head and a flash of white teeth and dark eyes

"Castleing? Ah, I'm afraid that that is the trouble. Castles, when once used, are hard to get along without."

"Not at all, I assure you. I would rather have a bishop and knight-with perhaps a pawn thrown in-than any castle. Besides, I have enough for two -see?" and delicate fingers rested on the tips of the two ebony eastles, in defiance of all rules. "Now, you won't make me move them, will you, just beeause I touched them to show youwill you?" and, bird-like, her head was turned sideways and half invitingly upward. He caught his breath. He was on the rack. What did she mean? Did she mean it-a Desdamona hint-or was she joking, heartlessly, on dangerous ground, only to stiffen, repellant, and wither him if he dared? This girl woman-his wife! Ecstasy! But he fluttered back to earth.

"And I would rather have my queen than the whole checkered board of life," he said in a low, vibrant tone; it thrilled her with a sudden, breathless, nameless dread-an exquisite fear. The white pawn had stolen into the black king row.

"Now, give me my queen!" he demanded, exultantly, trembling with a curbed throbbing.

"Not yet," she warned; you must win first."

"Oh, that's easy-" "Is it?"

He was stunned. For an instant the girl flamed with shame, foaring, paniestricken, that she had been overbold, forward, unmaidenly. Heart-wrung, she was about to take refuge in an icy, impregnable reserve, when-

"What a fool I am," he blurted out the picture of bewildering despair. The honest frankness surprised her to a rippling laugh. The situation was saved-and he was master of it.

"Check." "Check." "Check," came the words, measured and merciless, yet as rich and fervent with soul yearning as 'cello chords.

"Oh, dear! What'll I do? You've won me-I mean-that is-you have

"Check-" "-Mated."

And across the board she gave him her first kiss .- Ledger Monthly.

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We the undersigned auditors, having examin-ed the above accounts and statements with the bills and vouchers as presented by Treasurer Secretary find them correct as stated. M. S. BROADT, J. W. LEE, P. H. FREEZE, June 19, 1902.

ADMINISTRATOR'S SALE -OF VALUABLE-

REAL ESTATE.

In pursuance to an order of the Orphans' Court Columbia County, Pa., the understaned adninistrator of Frank N. Turner, late of Bloomsburg, deceased, will sell at public vendue in Bloomsburg, on

FRIDAY, JULY 11th 1902,

beginning at two o'click in the afternoon, the following described properties on the respective | * premises, in the order named, to wit:

AT 2 O'LLOCK. The homestead property situate on Fifth street in the Town of Bloomsburg bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a point on north side of Fifth street, corner of lot of C. C. Peacock, being lot No. 18; thence along same in a northerly direction one hundred and sixty feet to an alley; thence along same in a westerly direction forty feet to corner of lot No. 16, owned by A. M. DeWitt; thence along same in a southerly direction one hundred and sixty feet to Fifth street; thence along same in an easterly direction forty feet to the place of beginning, whereon is erected a lwo

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C. W. MILLER. C. C. PEACOCK. Attorney. Administrator.

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Estate of Mary A. Kamerzel, The undersigned, an Auditor appointed by the 40 Orphan's Court of Columbia Cyunty, to distrib-ute the funds in the hands of Daniel Knorr, Trustee, in the estate of Mary A. Kamerzel, deounty, as appears on his first and final account. to and among the parties legally entitled there-to, will attend to the duties of his appointment at his office in the Town or Bloomsburg, Fenn-sylvania, on Monday, the 28th day of July, 1962, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, when and where all parties interested are requested to present their claims before the undersigned, or be for-ever after debarred from coming in upon the said fund. CLINTON BERRING,

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