THE CRITIC'S REVIEW.

Count von Moltke's Military Fame Won Late in a Long Career.

A LONG-LOST CITY IS UNEARTHED,

And the Discovery is Described by the Fair Discoverer.

MENTAL FOOD FOR THE LITTLE ONES

I.

"Saturday was made a military and general holiday throughout the empire, and in the evening there was an imposing torch-light procession in which many thousands took part. On the 25th the city was en fete. In the morning, in the presence of the Emperor, the marshals and generals of the army, the German guards and cuirassiers, some 20,000 strong, with their historic colors, paraded before the veteran, who stood bareheaded on his balcony. Then all the notabilities offered congratulations. In the afternoon deputations were received from the principal places of Germany, presenting to the court the freedom of their respective cities. In the evening a banquet was given in his honor at the Potsdam palace. The young Emperor, touching the marshals' glass with his own, called upon the august assemblage to drink to his health and happiness."

Who is this? What is it all about? Why, it is an old man's birthday. He is 90 years old, and everybody is glad that he is still alive. His name is Moltke, with a "von" in front of it, and "Count" in front of that. He is the Field Marshal of Germany. He has led the German armies through half a dozen victorious wars. James Grant Wilson writes about him in the December *Cosmopolitan*.

It would be easy to meditate at considerable length—and possibly with profit—upon the significance of this national jubilation, and upon the career of the man who has won so much of the regard of his countrymen. Mr. Wilson gives us an admirable outline of his life. He was long in obscurity, it seems, even until he had passed the age of 60; had never up to that time done anything which people considered noteworthy. It was, indeed, at one time remarked that if Captain Moltke were to leave the army (as seemed then possible), the army would be in no danger of disbanding; it would survive the loss. But by and by Moltke's time came. At first it seems as if there were some admixture of either fate or luck in this sudden exaltation of an unpromising Captain. We wonder if perhaps the opportunity did not, in this case, make the man. But of all men, why this particular one? Why this gray-headed, obscure and unlikely Captain? And then we look at the two pictures, which face each other in the *Cosmopolitan*. Moltke at 19, and Moltke at 90. There is some difference. Here is a round, boyish face, smooth as a sheet of blank paper; and here is the same face, scarred, deep-lined and furrowed, and (as one may well be who has looked out over so many battlefields), grim, stern. Not the same face at all. There is a whole history in that face. That is how a man looks after he has won such a place as Moltke holds. If anybody thinks that success comes along some easy, sauntering path, or by some sudden shining out of the sky, he can learn a good, big lesson in life by studying what is written in the wrinkles of that old man's cheeks.

II.

Four books of travel: "At Susa," by Madame Dieulafoy (Gibbie & Co.); "In Scripture Lands," by Edward L. Wilson (Charles Scribner's Sons, $3 50); "A Summer Holiday in Europe," by Mary Elizabeth Blake (Lee & Shepard, $1 25); "The Pacific Coast Tour," by Henry T. Finck (Charles Scribner's Sons, $2 50). That takes us quite around the world—from Susa to San Francisco, from Persia to Alaska. (J. R. Weldin & Co.)

The Susa book is a big one and full of illustrations. It is the record of a woman's industrious digging in the dirt. She found a city, and tells us here the whole story of her wonderful "find." The queerest thing about it is that the city should ever have been lost. "Shushan, the palace," was a notable city in Queen Esther's day. And it was no mean town in Alexander's time, when he had his big dinner party there, setting tables for some 9,000 guests, and giving a cup (like Mr. George Washington Childs), a cup of solid gold, to every one of them to take away. But the "city of the lilies" was lost, nevertheless; and the time came when people walked over the place where men had feasted, and ruled, and made money and builded palaces—and wondered where the town had stood!

But we have found Susa. At least, this brave, enterprising French woman has, and her good husband (who is best known as the husband of his wife); and here is the story of discovery and pictures of all the strange sights and people of Persia, and all about it. And in such a bright, scrappy, energetic, graphic, Frenchy manner—in little paragraphs, with abundant reports of conversation. Whole pages and pages of it; never forgetting, in the midst of the most antique archology, to be delightfully interesting. Really a readable book of discovery!

But what remains to be said about Europe? All intelligent people, upon returning from a three months' journey there, immediately proceed to write a book—so it sometimes seems. And what can we say more? But it is personality which is interesting, more interesting than all the Alps from the Tyrol to Alaska. If the writer has a pleasant personality, looks at old things in new ways, sees everything and can describe it, then let us read. Really, there are just as many different Europes as there are different tourists. Mary Elizabeth Blake made her visit last summer. She saw something of Ireland, France, Switzerland, and London. And everywhere she saw sights which Baedeker never dreamed of. At Berne, for example, she is attracted by the universality of the bear, and especially by that particularly sweet bear, constructed of white sugar, which with tongue of reddest peppermint, dashes voraciously across a field of chocolate. In Paris she notices the comfortable aprons of the children. In London, she makes a pilgrimage to Chelsea to see where Carlyle lived, and visits Toynbee Hall. A bright, clever, clear-sighted woman, who knows what to see and what to say, has written this entertaining book.

Mr. Wilson's papers have light first in *Scribner's Magazine*. They are put together here in a form in which makes them into one of the most attractively bound books of this season. Within and without "In Scripture Lands" is a pleasure to the eye and the hand. And everybody who reads *Scribner's Magazine*, knows what good reading it is. This is just the kind of book which a Sunday school class wants for a gift for the teacher. Mr. Wilson has well arranged the records of his journeys so that the book runs along in chronological order with the scripture narrative, beginning with the lands of Moses and ending with the country of St. Paul's conversion. The pictures, from photographs, are the very best collection in reach of the ordinary reader. The descriptions are part geography, and part commentary. The writer evidently carried with him a camera and a Bible, and the result of the combination is both attractive and useful. At the end of the book is an alphabetical list of the illustrations, with references to text, and a chronological order of events in Bible history with a reference to the pages on which the scenes are described. One looks back again over the pictures. They are most excellent, worth taking a good, long look at, every one of them. No book quite like this has appeared in these recent days of advance in illustration.

The pictures, too, are a most attractive feature of the "Pacific Coast Scenic Tour" another book whose look is pleasant to all people who love a well-bound book. The tour runs along the coast from San Diego up to Sitka. The author is enthusiastic. He holds that the scenery of that western coast has no equal along the Atlantic. The climate of the Pacific coast could not have been better planned, he says, if it had been suggested by an excursion agent. In May you visit the Yosemite; in June you find Oregon and Washington unveiled of their mantles of smoke; in July and August you seek the cool breezes of the Alaskan glaciers; in September you make your regretful way back across the continent. Mr. Finck thinks that there is a wonderful country out beyond the Rocky Mountains which we ought not to leave unvisited. Nobody has any business to travel who has no eye for the comedy of human life. Indeed, to the traveler who is blind and deaf to all the funny discomforts and amusing inconveniences of journeying the easiest tour will be a hardship. And if he writes a book—let us draw lots who shall be compelled to read it. But Mr Finck sees everything. Lake Tahoe he pictures with the enthusiasm of an artist. He shows it to us in the sunset, when all the light seems concentrated on the mountain ridges and the snow peaks "stand out superbly against the blue sky and the golden clouds," and the alpen glow touches peak after peak with its rosy glimmer, and you stand by the beach in a "solitude as profound as if no human eye had ever before gazed upon this liquid mountain mirror in a sierra frame." And then he takes you to the hotel close by, and puts you down at the elbow of a savage who puts Worcestershire sauce on Tahoe silver trout, and calls out to the waiter-girl, "a buxom, rosy-cheeked country maiden," to bring him a spoon—"probably to eat it with." "Great Caesar!" exclaimed the maiden, "Haven't you got a spoon? Why didn't you sing out?"

III.

Wide Awake for December comes with a hundred pages, and promises hereafter to bring a hundred pages with it every time, and most attractive pages, too, with clear, large print and no columns. The Christmas number is full of bright short stories. *Wide Awake* is one of the magazines which the fathers and mothers may be perfectly sure of. It is a good friend for any boy or girl.

"What Ails the Baby?" (Brentanos', J. R. Weldin & Co.) With this most serious question the Red Cross series of Health Hand Books begins—at the beginning. A neat little book with a drab cover and a red cross in the corner, about a hundred pages in it, and worth a hundred dollars—though the price is but a trifle. Milk and tonics, bathing and teething, and all the other worries of babyhood, and page upon page of good advice. Dr. John Dewar is the author. He has done a good deed.

Sometimes, "what ails the baby"—especially when he gets to be a rather old baby—is that his mother doesn't tell him stories or sing him to sleep with lullabys. And by way of medicine for that distress, here are two books—"Prince Dimple," by Mrs. George A. Paull (A. D. F. Randolph & Co., R. S. Davis & Co., $1 25), and "Under the Nursery Lamp," (A. D. F Randolph & Co., R. S. Davis & Co., 75). "Prince Dimple" is a nice little baby who begins the book with a little fuzzy head of hair and big eyes, and no acquaintance whatever with the English language, and at the end crawls sweetly out of his hiding place in the sugar barrel. There are pictures of his little majesty, evidently taken (as is the story) straight from life. "Under the Nursery Lamp" is a collection of pretty songs—"songs about the little ones;" well selected. Here is a good one. The title is "Misunderstood."

Two little sand heaps by the sea,
As much alike as pea and pea.

Beside one heap a little lad,
With serious eyes, and all intent
Upon his work with patience had
Moulded a mound; and as I went
Past him, I wondered what it meant.
"A pie?" I asked. "A fort," said he.

Two little sand heaps by the sea,
As much alike as pea and pea.

Beside the other pile of sand
There sat a tiny gold-haired maid,
She patted with her baby hand
The warm white hillock, and I said:
"That is a noble fort you've made."
"No, 'tis a pie," she answered me.

Two little sand heaps by the sea,
As much alike as pea and pea.

That is as good as twenty volumes of philosophy—and even better—in the opinion of THE CRITIC.

THE Royal Hunt is a time-honored institution in England. In THE DISPATCH tomorrow Colonel Frank A. Burr will describe Queen Victoria's hounds and their keepers. The best paper in the State. One hundred and ninety-two columns.

BOUND TO GET A QUORUM,

If He Has to Call in the Aid of the Law to Do So.

Burgess McCabe, of Coraopolis, is getting hot under the collar. The borough Council hasn't done any business since last spring and there are many things requiring attention, neglect of some of which may cost the borough thousands of dollars. So, finding Councilman Jolly at home, the Burgess issued a call for a meeting on last Monday night. Mr. McCabe was elated when he found Councilman Curry present, as it seemed that the latter could not be gotten to attend by the drawing of the most powerful plaster known. But the hopes of the Burgess were again dashed. There were present Messrs. Jolly, McAdams and Curry and one more would have made a quorum. An attempt to get Messrs. Watson and Scharp to attend was a dismal failure, so time, natural gas and carbon oil were again wasted, and rents in sidewalks and chuckholes in streets threaten to cause suits for damage.

Mr. McCabe took legal advice on the matter yesterday, and proposes to muster a quorum one of these days or know the reason why he cannot.

A FAMILY REUNION.

His Uncle, From Michigan, Pays Postmaster McKean a Visit.

James McKean, of Pontiac, Mich., was visiting his nephew, Postmaster McKean, yesterday. He is 72 years old, but says he feels like a man of 40, and he looks and acts it. Mr. McKean has not been in Pittsburg for 34 years, and in that time, he says, the city has so outgrown itself that he doesn't recognize it.

Last Sunday they had an interesting family reunion at the home of the Postmaster at Charleroi. Five brothers and one sister were present, ranging in age from 75 years down to 58. Mr. McKean expects to return to his Michigan home next Monday.

A Will to be Contested.

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—Mrs. Lucy Fayerwether, the widow of the deceased leather merchant, Daniel B. Fayerwether, who by will deeded over $2,000,000 to colleges, got leave from Surrogate Ransom to-day to withdraw her consent to the probate of the will, and she will contest the instrument.

Communion Wine.

Alfred Speer, of Passaic, N. J., preserves the unfermented juice of the grape for sacramental use. It is sanctioned by the prominent divines of this country. For sale by druggists.

WATCHES.

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JUSTICE DEALT OUT.

Work in the Criminal Court on Assault and Battery Cases.

WM. FLINN INDICTED FOR MURDER

On the Charge of Killing a Man Named Bothwell in a Speak-Easy.

COURT NEWS OF A DAY TOLD BRIEFLY

Yesterday was the liveliest day that has been seen in Criminal Court for a long time, and the manner in which business was rushed through was simply astonishing. The day had been set apart by District Attorney Johnston for the trial of assault and battery cases. This is another of the District Attorney's new ideas to classify the day's work, so that the juries do not become confused on different kinds of cases. Business was pushed so rapidly that at 4 o'clock all was over.

Among the cases was that of Anton Wolt, charged by Christina Ohlson with assault and battery on a minor child. In the case it was developed that Wolt had been prosecuted for the same offense before a McKeesport alderman by the humane agent, and was fined $10 and costs. The mother of the boy thought the punishment was not sufficient and entered a suit for assault and battery. Judge Stowe would not allow the case to go on trial.

Gottlieb Richler was convicted of a charge of assault and battery on Louis Noll; E. B. Zwickert was acquitted of assault and battery on Hugh Dolan, and Hugh Dolan was found guilty of assault and battery on E. B. Zwickert; Maggie Diamond was found not guilty of assaulting Mrs. E. Campbell; Christina France was acquitted of assaulting a child of Charles Breal; Edgar Gilmore was found not guilty of assaulting Elsworth Herd; Henry and Mary Hungerman were convicted of assault and battery on Emma Allenbaugh; Alex Loeffler was found guilty of assaulting Eddie Rubicon; Samuel Markowitz proved that he did not assault William Heninger; Samuel Harris was found guilty of assaulting a son of Lizzie Raboustky; August Braun was convicted of assaulting a boy named Joseph Wagoner; Mark Watson was found not guilty of receiving stolen goods, and the day's business wound up by Bert Hicks pleading guilty to the larceny of some pipe.

NEXT WEEK'S TRIAL LIST.

Work for the Criminal Court Judges Mapped Out.

The District Attorney's clerks yesterday completed the list of cases to be tried next week in the Criminal Court. This week was the first the plan of having a weekly list was tried, and it worked excellently, facilitating business and pleasing the court and attorneys. The list to be called next week follows:

Frederick Helfrick, Thomas Chapman, Frederick Osterman, Henry Platkin, Gotlieb Letsch, John Boyle, M. Bell, John Towns, J. Greenawalt et al., L. Bauer, Nora Dickgeon, W. J. McDonough, Robert Black, Julian Knapp, George Zimmerman, H. Breckinridge (2), John Harrington, M. Jordan, Charles Ley, J. C. Lloyd, P. Meyer, Thomas Nutridge, Jr., Julius Page, Frank Siberben et al., Jacob Collenius et al., Joseph and Stella McCormick, Henry Meyer, Annie Smith, George F. Alstadt, William Carmon, John J. Foster, John Harkins, Albert Lee, Lizzie Brooks, William Clark, John Dago, John Golden, Robert Hamilton et al., Rebecca Hoyt, James Harbaugh, Mary Kilcullen, Henry Wells, James O'Brien, William Parker (2), Elizabeth Burns, Harry Carothers, Michael Jubas et al, W. J. King et al, James McCord, James McDowell, H. R. McPherson, J. M. Robinson, William Stafford, John Thompson, Wesley Greer, F. Brethauer, John Boto et al, Samuel Dewoody, John Evans, Anna James, J. P. Morrison (2), F. W. Miller, Dr. G. Tell.

AN INDICTMENT FOR MURDER

Among the True Bills Returned by the Grand Jury.

The grand jury yesterday returned a true bill against William Flinn, indicted for the murder of a man named Bothwell in an Allegheny speak-easy about five months ago. There are three counts in the indictment. Murder, manslaughter and involuntary manslaughter. The other true bills were Joseph Aland, Jonathan A. Hay, Edward Kelly and Nettie Nicon, assault and battery; Thomas Budling, Mary Creegan, Leontine Steinway, Otto Sanders, John, Philip, George and Frank Hosfler, aggravated assault and battery; Harry Pielkein, John Reeves, William Sbrading, Thomas Strong, Mike Brodenick, Alexander Kress, George Bauman and Frank O'Donnell, larceny and receiving stolen goods; Annie Smith immorality; John Thompson, Jr., larceny by bailee, Walter Wensthoff, nuisance; Daniel Scheafer, malicious mischief.

The ignored bills were: Daniel Dougherty, Jacob Dougherty, Mary Sullivan, assault and battery; Charles Wolf, et al., riot; John Beves, causing gunpowder to explode.

A Short Trial List.

Criminal Court—Commonwealth vs Nora Kreuzkamp, B. F. Reynolds, William Doyle, John H. Lewis, Charles C. Scholler, Thomas Clark, Charles Allsman.

Briefly Told Court News.

THE suit of A. Berberich against J. Ebach and others is still on trial.

THE First National Bank of Pittsburg yesterday issued an execution for $10,000 against Thomas Fawcett & Sons.

ONLY one marriage license was issued yesterday, that of Nicholas Voeltz and Katie Thomas, of McKeesport.

THE suits of R. Walles, Parnela Garey and others and Isabella Browneller against the city of Pittsburg are still on trial.

BAIR & GAZZAM yesterday received a verdict for $4,281 66 in their suit against the National Wrapping Machine Company, an action to recover for machinery.

THE suit of W. A. Thompson and wife against the Imperial Coal Company is on trial. The plaintiffs allege that the defendants mined under their property, causing it to sink.

J. F. SANDERSON, ESQ., Deputy Attorney General of Pennsylvania, was admitted to practice in all the county courts yesterday. He will make his home in this city in the future.

AN execution for $30,000 was issued yesterday by James W. Campbell for use of R. S. M. Morgan against the Pittsburg Lumber Company, and L. D. Strous and L. L. Satler, comprising the firm of Strous & Satler.

EUROPE is covered by Special Cable Letters from all the Capitals. See THE DISPATCH To-Morrow. 24 Pages.

FINDING one afternoon each week for the sale of diamonds not sufficient to supply the demand, I have decided to devote the hour between 3 and 4 P. M., daily, for the sale of diamonds at auction at 533 Smithfield street.

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AWFUL WASTE OF GAS.

Wells Blowing Off More Fuel Than Would Supply a City.

In these days of natural gas shortage, when people shiver over light fires at increased cost, there are some who are disposed to inquire whether the wicked waste of the commodity cannot be stopped. They have been reading the law of 1885, the provisions of which were stated to a reporter by Hon. A. C. Robertson yesterday. It is the act requiring wells to be plugged when abandoned or not operated. In the first case the law is probably complied with, but the trouble is that many light gas wells, the product of which will not pay to pipe a long distance, is allowed to blow off into the atmosphere for months, even years, the companies still holding the lease and neglecting or refraining from pulling the casing. It is supposed that in this class of cases a judicial delivery would be necessary to establish the fact whether such wells were really abandoned. The company may not have ceased operating in the legal sense, operations being merely suspended, but the fact is that the waste is just the same.

There is a big well in Moon township, within a mile of a village, where much complaint is made of a shortage of gas, and this well is pouring into the atmosphere enough gas to heat a small city, and has been doing so for more than a month. It may be argued that if the owners are willing to waste their own property it is exclusively their own business, but some people term it a sinful waste, all the same, and there are scores of smaller wells that have been thus blowing off for many months. For the big Moon township well it is said $10,000 have been offered and refused.

AN ATTORNEY GENERAL IN TROUBLE.

He is Prosecuted for Discharging a Clerk for Political Reasons.

COLUMBIA, S. C., Dec. 12.—A warrant has been sworn out by N. G. Gonzales, a newspaper correspondent, against Attorney General Y. J. Pope, the violation of Section 2,552, of the General Statutes, which provides punishment for whoever shall assault or intimidate any citizen because of political opinions, or in the exercise of political rights, or shall discharge such citizen from employment or occupancy.

The Attorney General had discharged Thomas B. Butler, a clerk in the Engrossing Department, who had acted with the Haskell bolters, and was a candidate on that ticket for the Legislature from Union county.

A CLEW IN THE CAMPBELL CASE.

The Missing Chicago Capitalist Seen in Detroit Recently.

CHICAGO, Dec. 12.—The police have made an important discovery in the matter of the disappearance of B. H. Campbell, and it is thought the new evidence will lead to some definite information regarding the whereabouts of the missing capitalist.

The information indicates that Mr. Campbell has been in Detroit, and officers have been sent to make further investigations. From Detroit Mr. Campbell proceeded ot Niagara Falls, and the friends now incline to the opinion that he is still alive.

SOCIAL LIFE at Para is the subject of Consul J. O. Kerby's South American letter for THE DISPATCH to-morrow. Twenty-four pages. All the news.

LATE NEWS IN BRIEF.

—The French will construct an intrenched camp at Toul.

—The Duluth bank which recently suspended will be reorganized as a national bank.

—Storms have wrought great havoc in the Mediterranean where 11 lives are known to be lost.

—Blanchard, the American tramp, was executed for murder at Sherbrooke, Que., yesterday.

—General Brooks confirms the report of the fight between factions of Indians in the Bad Lands.

—The lawyer of a convicted Wyoming cattle thief claims that the trial was illegal because no women sat on the jury.

—The biggest firm of builders in New York have failed, Peck, Martin & Co., with liabilities of $300,000 and assets of $400,000.

—Peter S. Stubenrach, cashier of the Rock Island Railway, is in jail at Peoria for embezzling $19,000 of the company's funds.

—A building on Sixth street, Brooklyn, blew over and killed a young girl, the daughter of an Italian shoemaker, in the next house.

—One White Cap was killed and two wounded by Thomas Burgess, a Meade county, Ky., farmer, whose house was attacked by the gang.

—An unknown man who died at Tennyson, Ind., confessed that he committed a murder 20 years ago, for which Thomas Camp was hanged.

—Major R. H. Hendershot, known as the "Drummer Boy of Rappahannock," was arrested at Portland, Ore., on a charge of passing a worthless check.

—The quarrymen of New England quarries are again on a strike on account of the non-discharge of the non-union workmen, and a failure to take back all of the old men.

—Captain Healy, of the revenue cutter Bear, will appeal to the Government to aid the Esquimaux in Alaska who, he says, are on the verge of starvation because of the scarcity of deer.

—Judge Elliott at Pine Bluff sentenced a murderer named Charles Seward to hang on Thursday, January 29. He would not fix the date at Friday because that was the day of the week on which Christ was crucified.

Narr & Freund Settle.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 12.—Narr & Freund, who failed some two weeks ago, have settled with their creditors with notes payable in 6, 12 and 18 months.

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15 lbs dried California grapes	$1 00
Sugar cured ham per lb	10½
1 gallon glass oil can, tin-covered	26
32 lbs Butler Co. buckwheat	1 00
8 lbs. white clover honey	1 00
3 lbs. new evaporated raspberries for	1 00
10 cans (best salmon in the world) for	1 00
4 lbs. Weyman's smoking tobacco	1 00
4 lb. best chewing tobacco	1 00
48 lbs new dried peas	1 00
7 lbs fresh roasted coffee (ground)	1 00
16 lbs standard A sugar	1 00
16 lbs granulated sugar	1 00
5 lbs tea (in all varieties)	1 00
50 bars family soap—Try it	1 00
14 lbs cut loaf sugar	1 00
Large family scales	1 95
1 case, 2 doz. cans tomatoes	1 90
1 case, 2 doz. cans peas	1 65
1 case, 2 doz. cans lima beans	1 90
1 case, 2 doz. cans string beans	1 70
1 case, 2 doz. cans solid packed corn	1 90
1 doz. cans choice table peaches	2 50
1 doz. cans large yellow peaches	2 75
1 doz. cans French peas	1 50
1 doz. cans California black cherries	2 95
1 doz. cans California apricots	2 40
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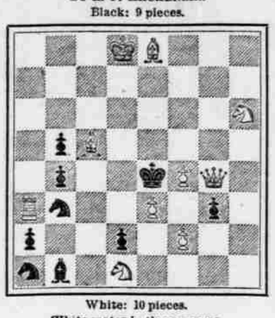
The Allegheny Chess Club meets at Dr. Miller's Hall, North avenue, every Monday evening.

[First Prize in the Alabama Problem Tourney.]

PROBLEM NO. 18.

BY A. F. MACKENZIE.

Black: 9 pieces.



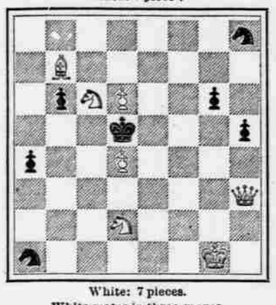
White: 10 pieces.
White mates in three moves.

[Second Prize in the Alabama Problem Tourney.]

PROBLEM NO. 19.

BY J. J. HANAUER, DAYTON, O.

Black: 7 pieces.



White: 7 pieces.
White mates in three moves.

END GAME NO. 11.

Black—Jones.

White—Mongredien.
White to play and win.

SOLUTIONS.

The key to problem No. 13 is B to Kt 7; to problem No. 14, Kt to Q 7.

End game No. 8: 1 Q R 8 ch, K X Q; to K R 6 ch, K R 2; 3 Kt B 7 ch, K moves; 4 R mates.

NOTEWORTHY POSITIONS.

NO. II.

Black moves his Pawn from K R 2 to K R 4 so that White has the option of taking it en passant. By request we extend the time for sending in the analysis and essay to February 1, 1891. The position appeared in the issue of November 29, a copy of which will be mailed on application.

THE GUNSBERG-STEINITZ MATCH.

First Game.

XIV.—Queen's Gambit Declined.

Steinitz. White.	Gunsberg. Black.	White.	Black.
1. P Q 4	P Q 4	14. Q B 2	R K 1
2. P Q B 4	P K 3	15. Castles	B Kt 3
3. Kt Q B 3	Kt K B 3	16. R K 1	Q K 2
4. P B 3 (a)	Kt B 3 (b)	17. Kt Q 3	Kt K 4 (f)
5. P K 3 (c)	B K 2	18. Kt x Kt	Q x Kt
6. Kt K 2 (d)	Castles	19. B Q 3 (g)	R Q 1
7. Kt B 3	R K 1	20. Q R Q (h)	B K 2
8. B K 2	B Kt 5	21. B B 1	Q Q R 4
9. B Q 2	P K 4	22. P Q B 4	B Q 5
10. Q P x K P	Kt x P	23. B Q 2	Q R 4
11. P x P	Kt x P	24. B B 4	P Q B 3 (i)
12. P K 4	Kt x Kt	25. B K 2	Q Q B 4 (k)
13. P x Kt	B R 4	Drawn game.	

NOTES BY MR. STEINITZ.

(a) Perfectly new in this opening, and adopted with a view of forming a center and taking advantage of the confined position of the adverse Q B.

(b) Probably the best way to stop the advance in the center.

(c) If 5 P K 4, P x K P; 6 P Q 5, K P x Q P; 7 P x Q P, Kt K 4; with a good game.

(d) A better outlet for the Kt than at K 2 later on, for the latter plan would have necessitated white's moving his K B to Q 3, where black would have an opportunity of attacking it by Q Kt Kt 5.

(e) 11 Kt Q 3, B x Kt best; 12 P x B, R Q sq; 13 P x P, Q or Kt x P; 14 P K 4 would have given white a more superior game still.

(f) If 17 P K 4 instead, white would now answer 18 Kt B 4, and if 18 P x P; 19 P x P, and evidently black dare not again capture on account of the reply, B Q 3, and anyhow white gets a powerful attack.

(g) White might perhaps have pressed the attack with more prospects of success by 19 P K B 4, Q x K P; 20 B Q 3, followed by B x K P ch.

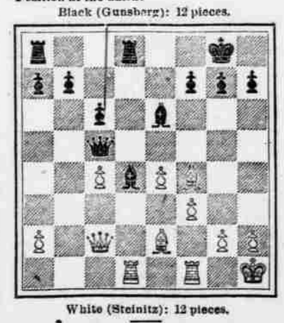
(h) If 20 P K B 4, Q Q 3; 21 Q R Q sq., and now black dare not take the B on account of the reply B B sq., but he wins, nevertheless, by B Kt 5.

(i) A very good move. It helps black to obtain the drawn result, and is much stronger than P Q B 4.

(k) Black threatens now P Q Kt 4, and the game is now so well balanced that a draw is a fair result.

Position at the finish:

Black (Gunsberg): 12 pieces.



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STEINITZ-TSCHIGORIN MATCH.

EVANS GAMBIT.

The games has reached the following position:

Tschigorin. White.	Steinitz. Black.	White.	Black.
1. P K 4	P K 4	9. P Q 5	Kt Q 1
2. Kt K B 3	Kt Q B 3	10. Q R 4	B Kt 2
3. B B 4	B B 4	11. K x B 3	P Q B 3
4. P Q Kt 4	B x Q	12. B K 2	B K 2
5. P B 3	B R 4	13. Kt B 4	Q B 1
6. Castles	Q B 3	14. P Q 6	B x P
7. P Q 4	Kt K R 3	15. Kt K 6	R Q K 1
8. B K Kt 5	Q Q 3	16. Q x B P	Kt K 3
		17. B B 1	Kt K t 1

TWO KNIGHTS' DEFENSE.

Steinitz. White.	Tschigorin. Black.	White.	Black.
1. P K 4	P K 4	10. P Q 3	Castles.
2. Kt K B 3	Kt Q K B 3	11. Kt B 3	Kt Q 4
3. B B 4	Kt B 3	12. Kt K 4	B Q 3
4. Kt Kt 5	P K 4	13. K Kt Kt 1	P K B 4
5. P x P	R K t R 4	14. P Q B 3	B Q 2
6. B Kt 5 ch	P B 3	15. P Q 4	P K 5
7. P x P	P x P	16. P Q B 4	Kt K 2
8. B K 2	P K R 3	17. K t Q B 3	B K 3
9. K Kt R 3	B Q B 4	18. P Q Kt 3	B Kt 5

By agreement of the parties this match is postponed till the completion of the Gunsberg-Steinitz match. "No doubt my opponent," says Mr. Steinitz, in the *Sun*, "will be able to form a 'hole' in the ems by playing 18 B R 3, which is the move he will have to seal, and which has been justly anticipated generally. This will sooner or later compel me to advance the Q B P, and round that power and the 'holes' in the center and on my right wing the battle will rage."

Speaking of the Two Knight's game he says: "In reply to my actual move 18 P Q Kt 3, Tschigorin had evidently nothing better than to pin my knight by 18 B Kt 5, as he intended to advance P B 5, and with this object in view he withdrew one of his attacking pieces from the king's side, which at least I consider a small point in my favor. My nineteenth move has been sealed, and it is such an obvious one that every chess player can guess it."

OUR LATE GUEST.

Mr. Pollock left for Baltimore on Tuesday evening last. He enjoyed his visit here very much, and we assure him that he will receive a hearty welcome whenever it suits his convenience to make us another visit. He was in good form and the games were above the average. Mr. J. L. McCutcheon and he will begin at an early date three games by correspondence to test the validity of a rear line of play in the French defense, to which the former gentleman has devoted considerable attention.

CORRESPONDENCE.

W. A. O., city.—Your solution of problem No. 17 is incorrect. We would be pleased to hear from you again and often.

H. F. BEAVER—Your general idea of end game No. 10 is correct, but not the details. Try it now with men and board. Your solution of problem No. 16 is wrong.

THE GAME OF DRAUGHTS.

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:—:

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H. Z. WRIGHT, Boston, Mass.—Your letter received. Many thanks for your encouraging words and glad THE DISPATCH meets your approval. Our only object will be cleanliness and the highest standard for our noble game. I will lay the other matter before the players, and you will hear from me.

J. L. RAE, Buena Vista—Just as I placed your position on diagram to publish it, I recognized the position as having appeared in a cotemporary a few weeks ago, with the same conditions, black to move and win. Your name will be entered, and will look forward to seeing you.

T. R. R. REYNOLDS—Yours received and will publish it next week.

L. ARMSTRONG—Yours received, with many thanks. Come often.

H. LINDSAY—Many thanks for information, and will publish it next week. Our object is to give due credit to the right parties.

W. H. H. S.—We received your problem through the kindness of Mr. Patterson. Accept our thanks.

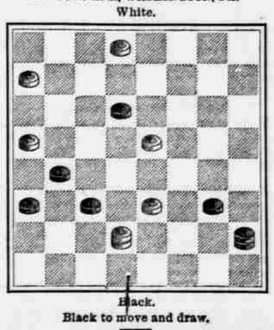
W. H. TYSON, Big Run, Pa.—Your correction of game 18 came to hand through Mr. Patterson, for which we return thanks and will publish it next week.

A. J. DUNLAP—Did you receive our letter? We feel anxious, not for ourselves, but for our friend, W. T. English. If you had it not on hand, I hope you advised him by mail.

PROBLEM NO. 17.

BY W. H. H. S., WASHINGTON, PA.

White.



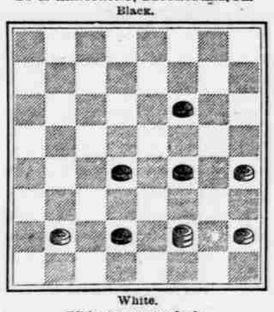
Black.

White to move and draw.

PROBLEM NO. 18.

BY L. ARMSTRONG, BLYTHSDALE, PA.

Black.



White.

White to move and win.

GAME NO. 19.—PAISLEY.

Played between J. P. Connell and L. Armstrong, Blythsdale, Pa. by correspondence. Mr. Connell's move.

11—16	27—24	8—15	21—17	9—14	10—7
24—19	20—27	23—19	8—11	26—22	28—32
8—11	31—24	14—23	32—27	11—15	27—24
22—18	8—15	19—10	1—5	22—18	22—27
4—8	24—20	7—14	17—14	14—17	24—19x
25—22	2—6	26—19	6—10	23—18	Black wins.
10—14	28—24	14—18	14—7	19—14	
29—25	10—15	22—15	3—10	19—10	
16—29	19—10	11—18	30—26	12—28	

(a) 24-20 would have drawn.

GAME NO. 20—CENTER.

BY JOSEPH MAIZE, M'DONALD, PA.

11—15	10—19	7—11	16—19x	19—22	2—9
23—19	24—8	30—26	23—7	27—23	5—14
8—11	4—11	9—13	3—26	18—27	24—19
22—17	29—25	26—23	31—22	25—2	
15—24	6—15	12—16	2—7	27—31	
19—15	17—14	28—24	22—17