#### CHESS

SYNTHETIC PROBLEM NO. 12. The pieces: (6x6.)

moves. Key-move, Q-B 2. if P-R 8 (Q or R) ch. Q-B ch, R or QxQ mate. P-R 8 (Kt). B-B 3, KtxQ mate. ., P-R 8 (B). Q-B 3 ch, BxQ mate. P-B 6. QxR P. P-B 7 mate.

These are all the possible moves for original problem.

SOLUTIONS AND SOLVERS. Problem No. 22. (k 1 kt 5. b b B 4 K. 2 p 5. 4 4 3. 2 Kt 1 B 3. 24.) Q-R, P-B 4. B-R, BxB. QxB mate. Or, ...... B any other.

...... B-R 3. QxB, Kt moves. Kt mates. Solved by C. R. Oldham, Mounds- City. vine, W. Va., who says, "this is a very neat conception."

BxB mate. Or,

Synthetic No. 9. This problem, by Jacob Elson, was published originally in the Philadelphia Times, and copied by the Literary Digest, April 16, 1898, No. 480. Herr Reichelm of the Times calls it a "sublety."

Position, r1b5. p1P1p3. pk6. 2 Kt 5. P 1 P 5. B Kt 3 kt 3. 3 Q 2 B 1. 1 R 5 K. White mates in two moves, beginning Q-Q 8.

Solved by C. R. O., and D. F. Logan, Norton, Kas. The compositor added a pawn to White's forces, which | burg. are ten in number instead of eleven, but this did not seem to cause the solvers any trouble to speak of. Mr. Oldham says: "The white king cuts no figure in this mate and can be Tex. placed at K R, Q R or any square where he will not be subject to a

Old score. Oct. 18. Totl. D. F. Logan.... \* Price winner; old score cancelled. Scores of other solvers unchanged. Dr.

SOLVERS' SCORES.

Bartoe got problem No. 31. MISSISSIPPI 5-NEBRASKA 2. During the week progress in the Neb., at board No. 17, won an irregular opening in 13 moves from Mr. J. T. Dameron, Madison Station, Miss., and Mr. T. C. Patterson, North Platte, Neb., lost a giuoco piano in 25 moves at board No. 21 to Dr. T. L. Myers, Meridian, Miss. One-third of the games are now finished and the score

stands Mississippi 5, Nebraska 2. Fourth game completed in Missis-

sippi-Nebraska tournament. IRREGULAR.

White, Dr. A. E. Bartoo, Nebraska, vs., black, Mr. J. T. Dameron, Missis-

P-K 4, P-K 4. K'-K B 3, Kt-Q B 3, P-Q B 2, Kt-B 2. P-Q 3, P-K R 3. 0-0, P-Q 2. B-K 3, Q-Q 2, Q Kt-Q 2, P-K Kt 4 P-Q 4, K Kt-Kt 5.

P-Q 5, KtxB.

B Pakt, B-K Kt 5.

PxKt, Resigns. There is little in the game of interest except the possibilities. Black evidently intended his 5th move to be bit similar to Mr. Middleton's counter

10. P-Q 5. PxP KtxP, KtxKt BxKt, BxK R P. PxB, QxP and Black ought to

ing White to fork two pieces lost the bit. game to Black THE RASSMUSSEN - WHITFIELD Owing to an error in placing the white knight at Q 4 instead of Q 6 (at White's 20th move, 20. Kt-Q 6) in

playing over this game, score of which were unintelligible, aithough the score was correctly printed. The posi- lively, even game, tion after Black's 31st move is 5 r k L

brkl. pp3ppp. 3. Judge Whitfield, playing Black, an- "Chess Cpenings," or Blake's "Chess nounced mate in eight moves. The Endings

variations are fine. If, K-Q 5, R-B. RxKt, Q-B 5 ch. K-K 5, R-B 4 ch. K-Q 6, Q-Q 5 ch.

Q in, QxQ ch. K-K 7, R-B 2 ch. K-K 8. Q-Q2 mate. Or if, K-B 5, QxR P ch

KxKt. R-K ch. K-Q 7, Q-B 2 ch. KxKt, QxQ ch.

K-Q 7, Q-K ch. K-B 7, Q-B mate. Or, K-Q 5, Q-Kt 4 ch. 24. KxKt, R-K mate.

game, at White's 20th move, Kt-Q 6, Rev Th. Eggen, Madison, Wis.: E. E. the Kt was erroneously placed on Q 4: Armstrong. Parry Sound. Ont.; and hence, after the game proceeded, 29. ..... KtxP.

Q-K B 5, RxKt.

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When there are two white or black rooks or two white or black knights in a problem, one shall be called the king's and the other the queen's piece, according to the following rule: When the two pieces are on different files, the piece that is on or nearer the K R The Nebraska boys must make a file shall be the king's piece, the othstrong pull from now on, or the match | er the queen's piece; when the two pieces are on the same file, the piece that is on or nearer the first (home) rank shall be the king's piece, etc., unless proof to the contrary exists in

George H. Walcott-Suggestions are always in order. My thanks are due all the boys who picked me up on that explanation that didn't explain. Believe it did some good, however, for it aroused a few who otherwise might

have kept on sleeping. W. E. Napier, formerly of Brooklyn, is now in Pittsburg, Pa., and has opened a chess department in the Dispatch (Monday issue).

Thomas J. Middleton, editor of the Ellis County Mirror, Waxahachie, Tex., and one of the strongest chess players state association to accept members least until they have state organiza-P-K R 4 expecting to make a gam- tions at home. No doubt of it. And, inasmuch as the Kansas association seems to have gone to pieces, why couldn't the players of Kansas join the

Mr. Middleton is the inventor of the Middleton Counter Gambit," which have good attacking chances. Allow- can be played against the king's gam-It tuns thus:

P-K 4, P-K 4 P-K B 4, PxP. Kt-K B 3, P-K Kt 4. B-B 4, P-Q 3. 0-0. B-Kt 5. P-K R 3, P-K R 4.

PxB, this constitutes the counter gambit Black, of course, plays 7. PxP. Mr. M. says it gives a

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used in this department? Sam M. LeRoy, editor of the Enterprise, Healdsburg, Cal., expects to open a chess department in his paper scon A very interesting article on synthetic problems by Mr. LeRoy will

appear 'n our next issue. The "scroll of immortals" has had added to it this week the names of In playing over the score of this J H. Fischer, Dr. J. L. Ormsbee, the Louis Ostberg, Chicago. Which means that the boys will have to hustle for

the next prize awarded. 22. RxR, the Chess Editor's board Dr. J. L. Ormsbee, secretary of the showed a White R at Q 4, instead of Missouri S. C. A., is now playing 14 Q 6 as it should be. Hence, his note games by correspondence. He says: d. "Is RxB better?" Of course, The "Of course I keep a record of the In jependent's chess readers note these moves in a book, like everybody else, flaws, and the Chess Editor has taken but to facilitate a quick study of the

refuge in a deep, dark wood. games at odd moments I have ar-Judge Whitfield is chief justice of ranged a wall map or number of chess games at odd moments I have arthe supreme court of Mississippi and boards. I procured a piece of checkone of Mississippi's most brilliant ered cloth with squares of about 1/2 chess players. Correspondence chess inch; for men I am using bits of is too slow for him, but he delights in pasteboard with the initial or stamp a match by wire. However, his game of the proper piece in it; these are with Mr. Rassmussen shows no loss attached to the proper square on the of brilliancy because it was pending cloth by means of hooked pins." At several months. Speaking of his op- each step in the game the pieces are ponent, Judge Whitfield says: "Mr. moved on these wall boards and the Rassmussen is a brilliant player. I current position can be seen at a like his style-attacking, open, gal- glance. No copyright, I nope, Doctor, lant; not on the Steinitz, but on the for many of the other boys might use your plan advantageousty.

Play has begun in the Twentieth The idea of having a record book for century tournament of the Pillsbury correspondence games is not new. National Correspondence Chess asso-Neither is the plan of having a chess- ciation. Messrs. Hald, Powell, De board diagram to enter the game posi- France and others of the Nebraska astion at end of every tenth move. But sociation are playing in this tournathe book now in press will neverthe- ment. Every Nebraska player ought to enter the big East vs. West match Last week the Chess Editor sent out to begin next month. Only one game a postal card description of the book will be played by each entrant. If Ill., and enter this match. We westerners must uphold the honor of our section of the country. If you are already a member, send in your entry at once. No entrance fee is charged.

#### THE BANKER'S TRUSTS

It is Backbone of all Other Trusts-John D. Rockefeller is at The Head of

The bankers' trust is described by Cl Prof. Commons as follows:

The proper way to study the trust question is to go through the list of He trusts and seek out the particular legal obstacles by which each one has kept competitors from reaching a market A on equal terms:

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But the rate of interest you pay depends also on your own personal credit If your credit is not good you will pay high rates even though capital and money are abundant. Now credit is the power to discriminate against the can prevent him from getting money when he needs it. They can depress coming in lively. C. C. Hunt, Louis the value of his stocks so that they will not be accepted as collateral They can discount his bills at ruinous rates. They can make his collections difficult. Soon he is compelled to sell out to the trust on its terms. The monopoly that dwarfs all others and support all others. And this banking monopoly has already been practically attained in the city of New York, the money center of the country. It is already reaching out for other cities Boston and Chicago already have felt

> market it controls all other enterprises has representatives in every city and town of the United States. This trust has not yet been formally organized. be it is effective in the fol-

Small banks are taking alarm.

lowing ways: First the consolidation of banks and trust companies. Several consolidations have been made in New York

Second, interchange of directors. When the directors in the more powerful banks have seats in other banks, they control their policy.

Third, intimidation of the smaller

By these three methods the banks of New York are practically joined in a trust, and the Standard Oil company, is its organizer and backer. The Standard Oil Trust has for thirty years fed on railroad favoritism. Now it is feeding on bank favoritism. Through railroad discriminations it ruined its discriminations it is swallowing other industries. It already has control of salt. It raided the stock markets through its control of government deposits, and in the destruction that followed it seized the gas and electric light companies of New York and got the copper stocks of Boston at half their value. In these cases it gained a controlling part of the stock. But this controlling ownership is not always necessary. Having gotten the bank monopoly, every other corporation is eager to have a Standard Oil man on its board of directors. One Standard Oil man on the board of directors of a corporation has more influence than all the rest-the others know that he holds the whip-he controls their credit, which is the very breath of their life. Or, what is better, he controls the credit of their competitors. Even the greatest railway in the world, the New York Central, is glad to welcome William Rockefeller as the director of its secret delibera-The policy of the railroad henceforth is the policy of the Standard Oil and the banking monopoly.

The same is true of trusts and other corporations. It is no surprise that one of the independent tobacco manu-York to get a loan even on government bonds and was compelled on that account to sell his factory to the tobacco trust. With a Standard Oil bank director on the board of the tobacco trust he was a spotted man at every bank and trust company in the city. He might perhaps have gone to a country bank, for not all of them have as yet learned to bend the knee. but his experience in New York was enough for him. He had hitherto competed successfully with the tobacco trust, but he was doomed when he

struck the bankers' trust. The bankers' trust is becoming the backbone of all the trusts. They all must sooner or later articulate from this if permitted to continue.

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### PARTISAN INSOLENCE

Montgomery, Ward & Co., Prevent W. J Bryan From Speaking on the

Chicago, Nov. 2.-In view of the action of Montgomery, Ward & Co. in interfering to prevent the erection of a tent on the lake front, in which it was announced that William J. Bryan committee feels it to be its duty to take some step to prevent the recurrence of such outrages upon the right

The committee was loath to believe that men prominent in commercial cirder to accomplish partisan ends. The coercion and intimidation of voters American citizens, a growing political evil which must be checked sooner or later, and believe that this is the best possible time to check it. The interference of Montgomery, Ward & Co. to prevent Mr. Bryan from speaking on the lake front, where Grand Army of the Republic tents were erected with the consent of this firm and where Mc-Kinley wagons have held forth daily at the noon hour in the interest of McKinley's re-election, and where the same firm piled its building material for months while erecting its new building, is of a kind with the action of Mr. Griggs, member of a St. Paul Wholesale firm, who announced that he would discharge any travelling man employed by the firm who would vote

The national committee believes that the only way such evils can be checked is by the people themselves. That the people may know what has been done and act accordingly, the committee proposes to give the widest possible publicity to the action of this Chicago firm. Senator Jones, chairman of the committee, has prepared a letter which was sent together with an account of the affair to the follow-

ing persons: The officers of the 20,000 clubs in the National association of democratic clubs with directions that it be distributed among their 3,000,000 members. The 40,000 precinct representatives of the democratic national committee. The 6,000 friendly newspapers on the

It will also be printed in the two official publications of the committee, "The National Democrat" and "The Working Democracy," with a combined circulation of 100,000. Senator Jones' letter follows:

rolls of the press bureau.

count, taken from the Chicago American, of the conduct of Montgomery, Ward & Co., this city. "The proscriptive spirit evinced by this firm should be resented and re-

buked by all lovers of political freedom and fair play. "Remember the name; keep a record of it; see that your neighbors know it; and that this action is not

now nor hereafter forgotten. "The people alone can correct this growing evil, this spirit of coercion and intimidations. Let them act.

"JAMES K. JONES. Chairman Democratic National Com-

Speaking of the action of Montgomery, Ward & Co., in preventing Mr. Bryan from delivering an address in a tent on the lake front Mr. Abbott, manager of the bureau of the national committee, said:

"Montgomery, Ward & Co. do a big mail order business with the farmers in the western states, who are almost to a unit for Mr. Bryan. The action of the firm in enjoining the erection of of all animals and shows the tent for Mr. Bryan is looked upon by everyone as being nothing but a piece of cheap, insolent politics. It puts the house of Montgomery, Ward & Co. right on a plane with the wholesale house in St. Paul, which announced that if any of its employes voted for Bryan they would be dis-

#### Bryan's Eloquence

Editor Independent: I have received the papers containing the excerpts from Bryan's speeches-a colection of literary gems as well as political thoughts. But at the popalist delegate convention at Lincoln at the close of a short address, counselling unity of purpose and action. some one asked Bryan why he had favored the signing of the peace treaty. His reply, thrilling and extemporaneous, contains the following bit habits of wild beasts as of oratory that deserves to remain a

gem of literature for all time. Reply to the assertion that the Philppines were ours because we had bought them for \$20,000,000 and therefore had a right do as we pleased with

them, he said: "We tell them they bought the Filipinos for two dollars and a half apiece. They reply, 'We bought the land and he inhabitants go with the land."

"Yes, you place value on the soil, but when that clay is moulded by the Divine hand into the image of its Maker, has breathed into it the breath of life, and becomes a living soul, you count it of less value than the earth from which it was made."

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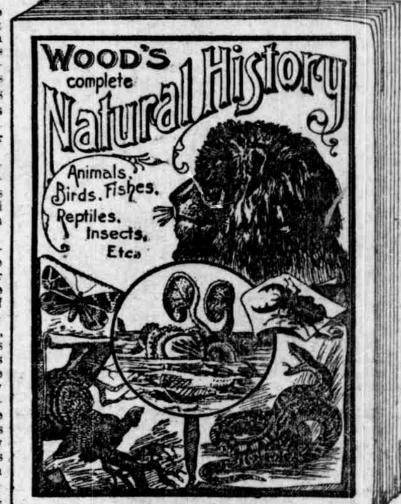
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