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The Chess Editor acknowledges interesting communications from Dr. W. R. Dalton, H. W. Barry, Sam M. Le-F. Gamage, C. A. Rosseter, G. R. Jacobus, R. Myerson and H. S. Very. Dr. O. L. Telling, C. H. Akerley and a number of others. Dr. Dalton and Mr. Barry send some original problems for

our solvers to wrestle with. In the Nebraska association J. M. Crosby won a K B game from C. O. Rettenmayer in 36 moves; and lost a French defense to W. W. Wyckoff in 25 moves. Mr. Crosby has finished in section B with a score of 3 won to 1

PROBLEM NO. 39.

Composed for The Independent by H. W. Barry, Boston. White mates in three moves. Three points for each different second move by white.



SOLUTIONS AND SOLVERS

Synthetic No. 14: The original position, by G. J. Slater, is 11 S s 5 s 1 P 3 p 5 K 1 B 3 k 5 R 5 Q 12 b B 1; white B 7; Q 6; K B 5, 6, 7; K Kt 3, 4, 6, 7; tury. K R 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7; total positions, 25. C. R. Oldham overlooked the R at Q B | Game completed in Mississippi-Ne-1, or Q R 2 and pawn position at K Kt | braska match. (Ruy Lopez.) White, Problem No. 35: An elegant little Rev. De B. Waddell, Meridian. three-moved by F. M. Teed. Key, R-

If P-Q 5; B-Kt 7! etc. K-Q 5; Kt-K 6 ch, etc. Solved by H. W. Barry, Boston; C. R. Oldham, Moundsville, W. Va.; Sam M. LeRoy, Healdsburg, Cal., and Walter R. Coumbe, Lakeland, Fla. B. B. Rice tried to show the problem unsolvable by K-K B 6 for key-move, and thus loses 3 points. Mr. Barry remarks that he hasn't looked for a "cook," that F. M. Teed is a personal friend of his and he doesn't believe

Teed's problems are ever underdone. Synthetic Problem No. 15: Th's two-er, by R. H. Bridgwater, won first prize in Hampstead and Highgate Express tourney. The position is 3 s B 1 | 19. P-K Kt 4, Kt-B 3.

rSp2PR2pRb4pk3Q7B5p4 5 2 P p 3 P 3 K 5. Or, white, 131, 245, 316, 357, 444, 458, 573, 588, 622, 647, 672; black, 186, 378, 426, 548, 617, 623, 632, 676, 687. "Nobody there!" Except C. R. Oldham. Each solver seemed to think the Chess Editor had pied a form and really didn't mean Q-Q R 5 for key-move. H. W. Barry, left off a few pawns and placed the Q at Q R 2. Sam M. LeRoy had every piece right except the Q, which he placed at Q R sq. E. E. Armstrong, Parry Sound, Roy, Dr. Thos. F. Leech, F. C. Mulkey. Ont., also feared to put the Q in the center of the board. These gentlemen lose 20 points each! Oldham alone

> Problem No. 36: Three-mover by Shinkman (8 p 6 B 6 Q R 3 p 6 p 7 k 1 b p 11 R 3 K 2). Key-move, Q-Kt 3. If K-Q 5; Q-Kt 7 ch, etc. B-B 5; QxB, etc.

> B-B 7; QxB etc. B-Q 5; Q mates. B else; Q-K 5 ch. etc. P-Q 5: Q-Q Kt 8, etc. Solved by Barry, who calls it a "fine

composition Synthetic No. 15 (a) (erroneously numbered; should have been 16) in issue of December 6. A second-prizer by J. Colpa, Leiden, in the Netherlands Chess association tourney. Position: 5 S 1 K Q 5 s p s 1 R P 3 S 4 k 5 P 2 p 1 b 5 P 18. Or, white, 188, 217, 336, 568, 586, 634, 646, 663; black, 154, 516,

Solved by LeRoy (5); H. W. Barry places the Q at Q Kt 3 with some minor changes; as it cannot be "cooked" (but has a bad key-move) we credit him two points.

H. W. Barry also solved No. 34 (Dalton) and says, "I like the masterly setting of this unique idea." Also synthetic 13, seven points.

SOLVERS' SCORES. Old score. To Dec. 6. Totl. H. W. Barry 26 E. E. Armstrong...61 Sam M. LeRoy 26 8.20

W. R. Coumbe..... 6 *Mr. Oldham, a former prize-winner, mates in two by R-Q 3. Error in is- is awarded the November prize: his sue of November 22 corrected Decem- score will be cancelled and he may beber 20. Solved by H. W. Barry, Bos- gin anew. When all the December ton, who says: "Place the white rook solutions are in, everybody who has on Q Kt 3, after which the white pawn solved problems in that month will be (no longer needed to stop Q-K 6 ch) awarded something of chessical value, can occupy Q R 3, 6, 7; Q Kt 5, 6, 7; Q and we'll start even with the new cen-

P-K 4, P-K 4. Kt-K B 3, Kt-Q B 3. BxKt, Q PxB. 0-0, Q B-Kt 5. Q Kt-B 3, K B-Q 3. P-Q 4, Q-K 2. Q-Q 3, O-O-O.

-KtxP, Q-K 3. Kt-Kt 5, Q-Kt 3. B-K 3, P-K R 3, Q R-Q. P-Q B 3. Kt-Kt 6 ch, K-K 2. Q-K 2, Q-R 3.

R-B 2, B-Q Kt. BxB, RxR ch.

22. QxR, RxB. P-Q B 4, R-Q. Q-Kt 3, Q-R 5. 24. Kt-R 8, KtxKt P. QxKt P ch, K-B 3. PxKt ch, K-Kt 3. Q-Kt 3, QxP ch. Q-K Kt 3, RxKt. QxQ, BxQ.

P-Kt 3, R-Q. 32. R-B, R-Q 7. 33. P-Q R 3, R-K 7. 34. and black wins.

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POPULIST STATE TREASURER

an Administration Showing the Highest Business Ability and Absolute Hon-

Last fall the people of Nebraska by small majority decided that state officers of republican politics should serve them during the next two years. Just what causes contributed toward making this change of state administration we shall not now discuss. But it is meet that something be said as 577, 664, 687. White mates in two by to what has been accomplished by the outgoing officers during their incumbency, and a hint or two thrown out as to what the incoming officers must not fail to do if the republican party holds the reins of state government more than a bare two years. In passing, The Independent predicts that if the incoming officers fail to keep up the pace set by the outgoing officers, in any material point, their service will be of short duration. On the other hand, should the incoming officers prove equal to the emergencywell, give us good government and there will be little incentive to change. Excepting the governor's office, probably no other at the capitol has had in recent years so much advertising as the state treasurer's office. During the past four years the people

of Nebraska have learned more about how the business is done at the treasury than they had learned in the thirty years previous. And, aided by this knowledge, they will readily understand whether the acts of Treasurerelect Steufer are to be commended or condemned.

The difference between Treasurer Meserve's business methods and those lows: 7 and sets credit for 22 positions. Dr. G. N. Seeley, Kearney, vs. black, of his republican predecessors is Securities\$4,474,501 44 The Senate and House Met on The First marked. Yet in substance his plan is to collect all moneys due the state as rapidly as possible and disburse them according to law with the least possi-

Under the law county treasurers are required to remit to the state treasurer all moneys belonging to the state twice a year, and at such other times as the state treasurer may require. Republican treasurers who preceded Mr. Meserve exercised this prerogative but little if at all, and most county treasurers were not averse to holding the state taxes six months before remitting, in the meantime, of course, allowing some favored bank to care urers of about 50 of the larger coun- state warrants command a premium

ties to remit as soon as possible after of 1 per cent, and the bankers and counties were given sixty or ninety days between remittances.

This plan meant an increase of from

four to five times as many items of bookkeeping and a thousand dollar receipt is as hard to write and post, But Meserve was a populist and did not look upon office-holding as a "snap." And it also meant that the state taxes could be applied to their intended uses more promptly. Seventy thousand dollars is a very conservative estimate of the saving in interest on registered general fund warrants during the past four years, the direct result of Treasurer Meserve's good business methods. The legislature of 1899, acting upon his recomand this saved another thirty thousand dollars during his last term. The Independent has no desire to deprive the legislature of any just credit in this matter; but it is safe to say that if mendation, and watched the bill at every step, no such reduction would have been made. In his present biennial report he recommends a further reduction to 3 per cent Let us see if Mr. Steufer will succeed in having the reduction made.

In many respects the crowning feature of Mr. Meserve's administration of the permanent educational funds invested in interest-bearing securities During the four years of his incumbency he has purchased \$2,308,189.89 in county bonds and warrants. During the four years preceding, under a republican treasurer, the total investments were \$949,687.93, or \$1,358,501.96 less than under Treasurer Meserve.

INVESTMENTS MADE.

By Treasurer Bartley.... 949,687 93 Increase\$1,358,501 96 Upon assuming the duties of his office in January, 1897, Treasurer Meserve found the condition of the four trust funds as follows: Securities\$3,352,251 25

Cash embezzled...... 335,878 08 fusion control. Total\$3,841,938 46 These same funds, after four years'

handling by a populist treasurer, will be turned over to his successor as fol-Cash balances...... 91,639 48

Total\$4,566,140 92 It will be noted that the total funds have increased \$724,202.46, the securities \$1,122,250.19; while the uninvested cash has been decreased \$398,-047.73. It is needless to say that the people ought to applaud such good

A few persons doubtless remember the times under republican state administration when state general fund warrants were "a drug on the market;" when they went begging for purchasers at discounts ranging from 3 to 7 per cent, although they bore interest for the money. Mr. Meserve made a after registration at the rate of 5 per change in this. He required the treas- cent. Today 4 per cent general fund | Chaplain Cressman offered prayer. A

the first of each month their collec- brokers are doing the begging to get tions of state taxes during the month | them. Neither Cleveland panics nor preceding; and the remaining smaller McKinley prosperity will account for the difference; but this will: Under republican management, the perma nent educational funds were not invested in state warrants; under fusion government they were. The mere fact that the state stands ready at all etc., as one for ten thousand dollars, times to take its general fund warrants at par, will never permit them to go below; and the state from time to time has found it necessary to pay a premium in order to get a fair share of the warrants issued. In passing, those "fifty-cent" dollar fellows might make a note of this, because it is a fair

'depreciate" under free coinage. During the next two years Treasurer Steufer will receive moneys for the trust funds approximately as follows: mendation, reduced the interest on Principal on lands sold \$ 700,000 state warrants from 5 to 4 per cent; Principal on bonds redeemed 300,000 Principal on war. redeemed. 1,200,000

illustration of how silver dollars would

Total\$2,200,000 Will he prove equal to the task of keeping this large sum invested? If Mr. Meserve had not made the recom- he will, then The Independent stands ready to give him due credit-something no republican paper has ever deigned to do for Treasurer Meserve. But The Independent serves notice that whenever the uninvested balances go creeping up toward the half million mark, the people will be told, and they will understand, that Treasurer Steufer is neglecting his duties as their servant. And if he and his office force fail to make a balance sheet of the previous month's business promptly on the first business day of the next month, or a quarterly report to the auditor on the first business day after the quarter closes, or a semi-annual report to the governor within at most six business days after of Solfax. The roll call resulted: the six months have ended, or certify By Treasurer Meserve....\$2,308,189 89 to the state superintendent the apportionable school funds not late: than the third Tuesday in May and the first Tuesday in December-well, The Independent will not call those failures misdemeanors in office, but it posited their credentials. A recess of may suggest that, after all, the boasted | ten minutes and then the committee 'business administration" which the on credentials reported the names as republicans have said they would give Cash balance available.. 153,809 13 is considerably less businesslike than

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THE LEGISLATURE

Day of the Twentieth Century and Organized.

The Nebraska legislature promptly assembled at noon last Tuesday and organized both houses. There had been a caucus of the republican members and they had agreed upon the elective offices, so everything went through as swiftly as could have been done at a Mark Hanna national con-

In the senate Lieutenant Governor Gilbert presided. Alpha Morgan, the old secretary, and Chaplain Cressman were in their places. Governor Gilbert called the senate to order and committee on credentials was ap-

pointed. Chief Justice Norval appeared and the senators were sworn in. The rules of the former session were adopted. The list of employes agreed upon in the republican caucus were presented and adopted without discussion, the fusionists not delaying matters by presenting any names. Secretary of State Porter was requested to swear in the new employes, which he did. The following is the list of the new officers of the senate: Senator C. F. Steele, president pro

J. C: F. McKesson of Lancaster, sec-

A. R. Keim of Falls City, first assistant secretary.

Rev. A. A. Cressman of Crete, chap-Clark Robinson of Fairmont, sergeant-at-arms.

W. H. Pool of Cass, chief enrolling and engrossing clerk. John Patrick of Washington, door-

Harry Beebe of Stanton, custodian of the cloak room. The organization of the senate being completed, it notified the house

and adjourned. At 12 o'clock sharp, Secretary of State Porter rapped for order in the house and cited his authority from the constitution for calling the body to order.

Rev. Dr. George W. Martin of Palmyra offered prayer. Theodore Mahn, clerk to the secretary of state, acted as clerk and called the roll of members. Only one member, Boulle, of Saunders, was not pres-

Laffin of Gage placed in nomination for temporary speaker J. W. Armstrong of Nemaha county, and Gull of Saipy, nominated John C. Sprecher, Sprecher, 46; Armstrong, 53.

A committee on credentials was appointed. John Wall was elected chief clerk without opposition. The old rules were adopted and as the names of the members were called they deprepared by Secretary Porter. Chief Justice Norval administered the oath. Laffin of Gage moved to proceed to

a permanent organization and the motion carried. McCarthy of Dixon nominated W. G. Sears of Burt for speaker and Uhl of Douglas seconded. Taylor of Custer nominated D. W. Hamilton of Butler, and Zimmerman seconded. The vote resulted Sears 53, Hamilton 46. On motion of Hamilton the 12th and O Streets, Lincoln, Nebraska election was made unanimous.

The following permanent officers of the house were then elected: Chief clerk, John Wall, Arcadia.

First assistant, A. D. Gilmore, Au-Second assistant, C. H. Barnard, Table Rock.

Third assistant, C. E. Sandall, York. Fourth assistant, H. S. Wetherell,

Sergeant-at-arms, A. Wilsey, Frontier county. Chaplain, J. H. Presson, Milford. Doorkeeper, F. L. Miller. Postmaster, E. D. Preston, Hamil-

ton county. The house then adjourned until 10 m., January 2.

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