TOPICS IN CALIFORNIA.

THE DEATH OF KALAKAUA—PRINCESS LILIUOKALANI—AMUSEMENTS.

[BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.]

San Francisco, Jan. 24.—The death and funeral of King Kalakaua absorbed public attention here this week. The Hawaiian King seemed like an old friend to many Californians, as he had made a number of visits to this city, and his hospitality in Honolulu had been enjoyed by scores of San Franciscans. For twenty years American influence in Hawaii has been dominant under Kalakaua, and there was never any question that he preferred Americans, in public as well as in private life, to people of any other nationality. He was weak in character and easily influenced, and to this failing were due all his errors of policy; but of his goodness of heart and his desire to help his people there was never any question. This desire to please others, so unusual in a monarch, was the immediate cause of his death, as the doctors attributed the collapse of his strength to the exertions he made to fulfil social engagements. Kalakaua always appreciated the hearty welcome which he received in San Francisco, and he remarked before his delirium came that, next to death in his own land, he preferred to pass away here, among people who were his friends. There was a touch of pathos in the death of the King far away from his island home, which he loved as passionately as the Swiss mountaineer loves the Alps, and this probably led to the unusual public interest in his death. Seldom has a larger crowd lined San Francisco streets than that which witnessed the cortege accompanying the body of Kalakaua from Trinity Church to the wharf whence it was conveyed to the cruiser Charleston. Nothing was left undone by Federal, State or city authorities to show respect for the dead monarch, and a stranger arriving in the city, and noticing the hundreds of flags at half-mast and the closed stores along the line of the procession, would have imagined that the city was burying one of its leading citizens.

Several merchants here are intimately acquainted with Hawaiian affairs and they all unite in declaring without foundation the rumors that trouble will follow the accession of Princess Liliuokalani. Those who knew her well say that she is far more politic than Kalakaua and will do nothing to weaken her popularity with foreigners. She believes in Hawaii for Hawaiians, and she is not partial to missionaries, but she recognizes the impossibility of conducting the Government without foreign advisers. She is not friendly with Wilcox, who caused the previous revolution, though she may give him some office to keep him out of mischief. She will not, however, make him Chamberlain. She is described as a woman of very strong will, honest, truthful and of great executive ability. The Hawaiians have confidence in her and there is no doubt that she will prove a better sovereign than Kalakaua, as she will tolerate no bribery or other corruption at court.

The California Fruit Union, a strong co-operative association of fruit-growers, sold last year $1,500,000 worth of fruit, on which net returns were $722,000. The union at its meeting this week strongly urged the railroad companies benefited by this traffic to build 1,000 additional fruit cars for next season. The chief delay occurred last year on the Union Pacific, many cars being twenty-two days in transit. The railroad service was the worst ever known and materially reduced the profits.

E. A. Cohen, a wealthy resident of Alameda, was defendant in a suit this week brought by a seamstress, Miss De Moldrup, for $10,000 damages for injuries suffered by the bite of one of Cohen's dogs. She was bitten on the leg and thus incapacitated from using her sewing machine. The jury gave her $1,500, and Cohen must also pay the costs, which will amount to over $1,500, as the trial lasted a whole week and an army of expert witnesses were called.

C. Perry Smith has taken charge of the Palace Hotel, to relieve the old manager, S. F. Thorn. The latter is now travelling for his health in Southern California. If he recovers he will return and resume the management of the Grand Hotel.

Poetic association counts for little here. Two steamer chairs that belonged to Sir Edwin Arnold were knocked down at auction in the Appraiser's Stores here this week for $1. They bore the poet's name on a card in his own handwriting.

The Juch Opera Company moved this week to the Grand Opera House, where "Die Walkuere" was given for the first time in this city. The orchestra played the music in fine style, but the scenery, on which the illusion depends, was very faulty. The opera was given two nights to crowded houses, and Wagner predominated throughout the week. The many admirers of Wagner's music here assure the success of the season.

Fay Templeton and "Charlie" Reed have packed the New California Theatre, although their play is the worst rubbish seen here for a long time.

DEMOCRATIC FAILURE AT HARTFORD.

THEY WILL PROBABLY APPROACH THE REPUBLICANS WITH A PLAN OF COMPROMISE.

Hartford, Conn., Jan. 24 (Special).—The Democratic efforts to defeat Senator Platt having come to naught, it is well to look at some of them. There is no doubt that the action of the Democratic Senate in swearing in the Morris state candidates was the first move intended for this purpose. It was thought that by the confusion attendant upon two sets of officers the election of United States Senator could be made void on account of the non-recognition of one house of the General Assembly by the other. This did look possible for a time, but the fact that the Republicans had a majority of the joint assembly was sufficient to defeat the scheme and the Democrats, after the proclamation of Governor Bulkeley and the appearance of Lieutenant-Governor Merwin in the chair of the presiding officer, where he had a perfect right, were deterred from going any further and did not dare to attempt to invalidate the election of Senator. In two distinct directions, both with the same object in view, the Democrats made overtures for a coalition which would defeat the senator. The first was to George Austen Bowen, the Republican candidate for Lieutenant-Governor, who was promised the "solid Democratic vote" if he would consent to stand in with the Democrats and get the necessary three Republican granger votes, which would make the election certain. Mr. Bowen being the master of the state Grange. This was not taken into consideration for a moment by Mr. Bowen. The second was like unto it, only that it was an eleventh-hour thought, and that was to approach J. H. Hale, of Glastonbury, the fruit grower and past master of the grange. The fact that Mr. Hale was "complimented" with thirteen votes on Tuesday was part of the Democratic scheme to entice Republican votes, but it failed and on Wednesday the Democrats gracefully submitted to what they could not help, saw the Republicans more united than they have been for years and had the satisfaction of knowing that their own revolutionary and tricky course had brought about this unity.

Now that the election of Senator is out of the way there is some hope of returning sense on the part of the Democrats and it is expected that overtures in the nature of a compromise will be made. Indeed, they have already been hinted at by Democratic leaders who are anxious that business shall proceed and that the disgraceful state of affairs shall cease. It is currently reported that the Democrats would be willing to see Mr. Merwin seated, if they can secure the other state officers; but the action of the Senate in refusing to concur with the House in the matter of a legislative day has placed the election of Governor by the General Assembly among the impossibilities, without going beyond the strict construction of the Constitution. The action of the Senate to accomplish this would necessarily have to be a reconsideration and rescinding of a great deal of the business it has already accomplished. But the probabilities are, as they have been for the last three months, that Governor Bulkeley is the only person who can have a constitutional title to the Governorship and he must perforce hold over. This will not be so agreeable to the Democrats as it might have been had he not issued the proclamation of Monday last, which did so much to clear the atmosphere and to bring order out of confusion.

The House has adopted so much of the order of joint rules as will enable the committees to be appointed and it only remains for the Senate to follow suit and the routine business will be well under way. The first block under the present condition of affairs will be in the Senate's disposal of its final action on measures. It must transfer this to the Secretary of State and as it has sworn in Mr. Phelan and he cannot occupy the office, whom will it recognize? It can, if it is so disposed, transfer to the "office of the Secretary of State," and this is most likely the way out, which will be adopted, or the Senate may follow the example of Clerk Comstock, who transferred a copy of the action of the Senate in the matter of the Senatorial election to Governor Bulkeley and one also to Judge Morris.

Governor Bulkeley has appointed Austen Brainard as private secretary to succeed Judge Prentice, who was promoted from this place to the bench. Mr. Brainard is secretary of the Republican State Central Committee and is a young man who has made a good record for himself, and has a most extensive acquaintance with public men of the State. He is popular and will make an efficient private secretary.

THE NEW ITALIAN HOME READY.

HIGHLY CREDITABLE TO ITS PROJECTORS—THE PUBLIC OPENING TO-MORROW.

A press view of the new house of the Italian Home of New-York was given yesterday morning at 11 o'clock. The buildings are at No. 179 Second-ave. The building facing on the street, to be used mainly as a hospital, is four stories in height. In the basement are the janitor's room, furnace, kitchen, pantry, closets, coal-bin and ice-box. The range in the kitchen was given by the Boynton Furnace Company. The first floor contains the manager's office, the free dispensary, the pharmacy, entrance for ambulances and waiting-room. On the second floor are the reception-room, library, the medical board's room, and secretary and officers' room. This floor will also be used as a hospital ward in case more space is needed, and will contain thirty-six beds. In the reception room is a picture of Garibaldi valued at $1,000, given by the president.

The third and fourth floors are to be used as a hospital. On the third floor are two large rooms, one containing seventeen beds and the other ten beds. There are also a nurse's room, a physician's room, toilet and bath rooms. The fourth floor contains two large rooms of the same size as on the floor below and having the same number of beds; an operating room, an apartment for contagious diseases, toilet and bath rooms. A fireproof dumb waiter runs from the basement to the top of the house. The front building will accommodate ninety persons.

The building in the rear covers an area of fifty-two by twenty-eight feet, and is two stories in height. In the basement are the laundry, furnace, store and fumigating rooms, icebox, morgue, toilet and bath rooms. On the first floor is an assembly room for the Italian societies. It will seat 250 people. The second floor contains a room for the Immigration, School, Benevolent and Hospital boards, and a large room for sick sailors. The buildings are connected by an iron bridge.

In the front yard is a beautiful mosaic, executed and presented to the institution by the Italian Mosaic Association. The work is rectangular in form. In the centre is the Italian star, with the words "Italian Home, 1890," underneath. The plumbing and heating arrangements are after the most improved systems. A system of ventilation has been adopted that insures fresh air in the sick rooms at all times. The buildings are valued at $50,000. All the work has been done according to the plans of G. Bonanno, architect and civil engineer.

The Instituto Italiano or Italian Home was started by Consul-General G. P. Riva in 1888. The institution was incorporated on June 20, 1889, by the following American citizens: Salvatore Cantoni, Louis Contencin, Giovanni Lordi, Dr. Onofrio Abizzo, Ing. Giuseppe Bonanno, Felice Torci, Antonio C. Astarita, Giuseppe Cavagnaro, Charles Barsotti, Bartolomeo Bertini, Caesar A. Barattoni and Michael Angelo Pettinato. The object of the home is to interest the Italians in the United States in a work of benevolence, to promote the protection and better the condition of the Italian immigrants. The idea has met with the favor of patriotic Italians, who have already subscribed $20,000 in less than a year, over 1,600 of them becoming members.

The Italian Government has sent $2,000 to the home. Every Italian who pays $3 a year becomes a member. The institution is divided into several branches—a hospital (to be opened in February), a benevolent bureau, a school to prepare Italian children for the public schools, a bureau for the protection of Italian immigrants and for the promotion of Italian colonization, and a free dispensary. The house at No. 179 second-ave. was purchased in September for $31,500.

G. P. Riva was elected honorary president for life. The present officers are Salvatore Cantoni, president; G. Starace, first vice-president; L. Ulio, second vice-president; D. Bonanno, treasurer; M. Lemmi, financial secretary; A. Odirini, secretary; Giuseppe Bonanno, G. Carbone, Carlucci P. Caponigri, Professor Calabrese, F. Decanio, D. Garofalo, D. Ferro, Lagomarsino, G. Lordi, Mondaini, Mercurio, M. Pettinato, Pedesta, T. Rossi, Schiaffino Troia, and F. Torci, commissioners.

From May to December, 1890, the home has taken care of over 1,500 Italians who have applied for assistance. The institution is the first of its kind in this country. Over sixty Italian societies are interested in it. The inauguration of the home will take place to-morrow at 2 p. m. Representatives of sixty Italian societies will be present.

ALONG THE NEW-JERSEY COAST.

CONDITION OF STREETS IN ASBURY PARK—IMPROVEMENTS AT VARIOUS RESORTS.

Long Branch, Jan. 24 (Special).—Many of the property owners of Asbury Park are in favor of purchasing the sewer system, the ocean front and Sunset Lake from James A. Bradley, the founder of the town. Mr. Bradley offers to take $125,000. The idea is opposed by those who think that the town should have its streets put in first-class condition before any large amount is expended for either the ocean front or the sewers. The streets of the town are in a poor condition, and they grow worse every year. The Ocean Grove Camp Meeting Association have decided to build a fishing pier at the foot of Embury-ave. The structure will be 500 feet long, and will afford protection to the outlet of the sewer system.

A Board of Trade has been organized at the Atlantic Highlands, and one is being formed at Long Branch.

The Avon Inn, at Avon-by-the-Sea, will open for the spring season in a few days.

Leland's Ocean Hotel, at Long Branch, will be sold at public sale on the afternoon of February 18.

The real estate market at the several resorts has become unusually active since opening of the new year.

The new hotel near the grand stand of Monmouth Park, which blew down two weeks ago, has been rebuilt as far as the third story.

The residents of Deal want the name of the town changed to West Elberon.

In boring the new artesian wells at Monmouth Park an abundant supply of pure water was secured at a depth of only 350 feet. All of the other artesian wells on this part of the coast are twice as deep.

Norman L. Munro, the New-York publisher, who recently purchased the Solomon S. Brown estate, is having it graded for a lot of new cottages.

Mrs. Isabella M. Alden, the author known as "Pansy," has sold her cottage in Seventh-ave., Asbury Park, to Mrs. Mary L. Hamilton, of Jersey City.

Among the rumored new hotels is one that it is proposed to erect on the bluff south of Elberon.

The Hotel Westminster, in Fourth-ave., Asbury Park, has been almost doubled in size by a new wing.

Dr. William Pancoast of Philadelphia has begun the erection of a costly cottage in Lincoln-ave., Elberon.

NORTHERN VISITORS AT ST. AUGUSTINE.

St. Augustine, Fla., Jan. 24 (Special).—Since the holidays St. Augustine seems to be more than ever the Mecca of New-Yorkers who combine wealth with leisure, and want to exchange prosaic dinners and dances for the delightful out-door life here. An imposing fleet of steam-yachts is expected, and this feature will be an important social attraction of the winter. With a hospitable list of cottagers as a nucleus for entertaining, with the harbor dotted with white sails, and the hotels crowded with guests, the old city will fully prove itself worthy the title of "The Winter Newport." Among the yachts expected are Pierre Lorillard's Reva, Fairman Rogers's Magnolia, Mr. Willoughby's Wampanoag, and James Renwick's Victor. Tennis will be an attraction in March, a large list of entries having been received by the Executive Committee of the Tennis Club, who are Valentine G. Hall, Henry Graff Trevor, and G. Stuart Smith, secretary, all of New-York.

Mrs. Heyward Cutting, of New-York, has returned from Cuba, to remain until spring. Baron and Baroness de Vriere will visit her shortly. Her son, H. M. Cutting, has lately had F. Walker and E. P. Bosanquet as guests at his shooting-box on the Mantanzas River.

Prominent foreign arrivals include Lieutenant Markwald, of the German army; M. L. Garachana, the Mexican capitalist; Count von Rosen, of Sweden; Count de Bois, of France. Also, Bishop Weed, of the Episcopal Church, and Bishop Moore, of the Roman Catholic Church.

Mr. and Mrs. James Seymour, of Gramercy Park, have engaged a large suite of rooms for February, and will probably bring a party of young people as guests, as they did last year.

Mr. and Mrs. George W. Folsom, of Lenox, have taken the Carr villa for the winter, and Mrs. Mason Youngs has hired Mr. Annadown's house. Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Willoughby, of Newport, are in their new house near the old fort, and Raymond Duval has hired the Bronson estate.

Mrs. A. W. White, of Warwick, N. Y., has closed her house at that place, and has engaged apartments in the Granada Arcade, opposite the Ponce de Leon, for the winter.

Among recent arrivals are the following: From New-York—C. Oliver Iselin, Mrs. Lawrence Waterbury, Mrs. Frank Winthrop, Miss Rutherfurd, Miss Helen Stuyvesant Folsom, R. E. Pressler and wife, Samuel Emery, jr., W. S. Pope, R. A. Harris, H. M. Brittin, General O. O. Howard, U. S. A., J. G. Armstrong, Mr. and Mrs. Newbold Le Roy, Alfred Pell, Commodore A. C. Douglas and wife, H. A. Iodine and family, Mrs. Richmond Talbot, Professor O. M. Crosby, Dr. Horace Bigry, C. E. Cuttenden, A. D. Cockrell, William E. Bird and Miss Bird, W. P. Lawson and family, Miss Lacaque, Miss Oakes, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Ellis, David Stewart; from Boston—J. W. Penney and wife, Dr. F. F. Marsh, F. Q. Brown, A. R. Page, Mrs. James Tucker, N. A. Dutton, John T. Priest and family, Dr. William Appleton and family, Outram Bangs. Cleveland—Alexander McIntosh, Mrs. R. A. Dutcher, J. A. Hill and family. Chicago—E. G. Fisher and wife, G. F. Havermeyer, George Gilbert, L. S. McLean, R. M. Critchell and family, D. A. Campbell. Baltimore—James A. Gary and family, Henry James and wife, J. M. Ward and W. W. Cherry.

OVER THE CHESS BOARD.

BY W. STEINITZ.

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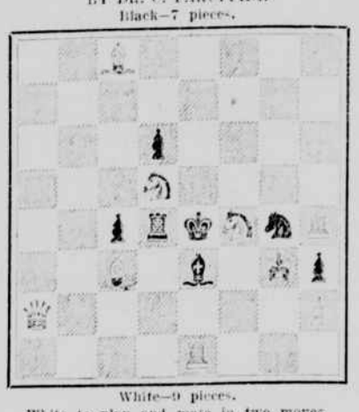
PROBLEM NO. 15.

Awarded first prize in the problem tournament of the "Conversazione della Domenica."

BY DR. C. FARUFFINI.

Black—7 pieces.



White—9 pieces.

White to play and mate in two moves.

SOLUTION OF PROBLEM NO. 14.

White—K at K R sq, Q at K 7, Bs at Q B 8 and K Kt 5, Kts at K 8 and K B sq, Rs at Q 5 and K R 4, Ps at Q 2, Q 6 and K Kt 2.

Black—K at K 5, Q at K 4, Bs at K 3 and K R 7, Ps at Q 6, K B 5 and K R 4.

1—B—B 6	1—K—B 4
2—Q—K R 7 mate	
	or
	1—Q x R
2—Q x B mate	
	or
	1—Q x B
2—Kt x Q mate	
	or
	1—Q—Q 5
2—R—K 5 double ch mate	
	or
	1—Q—B 6
2—R—Q B 5 dis. ch mate	
	or
	1—Q—Kt 7
2—R—Q Kt 5 dis.ch.mate	
	or
	1—Q—R 8
2—R—Q R 5 dis. ch mate	
	or
	1—Q—K Kt 4
2 RxQ dis.ch. mate	
	or
	1—Q R moves
2—Q x Q mate	
	or
	1—K R moves
2—Kt—Kt 3 (x B) mate.	

Correct solutions have been received from C. F. Haight, New-York; R. C. Walker, New-York; G. Mann, New-York; D. B. Frisbee, New-York; John Jay White, New-York; R. Sage, jr., New-York; E. F. Sherwood, New-York; A. Mason, New-York; Henry J. Hull, New-York; I. S. B. jr., New-York; F. H. Cheswright, New-York; Albert E. Scott, New-York; Samuel Taylor Marshall, New-York; Tyro, New-York, John W. Griggs, Paterson, N. J.; Nom de Plume, Westerly, R. I.; Polytechnic Institute, Brooklyn, N. Y.; William H. Shepard, Newark, N. J.; Ig. Deissig, Brooklyn, N. Y.; William E. Butan, Westwood, N. J.; S. O. Bartlett, Jersey City, N. J.; W. A. E. Tompkins Oneonta, N. Y.; S. L. Powell, Painted Post, N. Y.; Asa Davis, Baltimore, Md.; Joseph Bradley, Brooklyn, N. Y.; J. L. Stephen, Collinsville, Conn.; E. B. Paddock, Brooklyn, N. Y.; W. H. Wright, Bath Beach, N. Y.; Henry L. Norton, Brooklyn, N. Y.; G. W. Glaser, Poughkeepsie, N. Y.; Irving W. Mott, Poughkeepsie, N. Y.; Reader, Rahway, N. J.; General R. A. Frink, Westerly, R. I.; F. N. Chase, Lowell, Mass.; Glenwood Club, Holley, N. Y.; C. E. Schulde, Bristol, Penn.; D. T. Ross, Nauratuck, Conn.; Charles C. Cook, Ithaca, N. Y., and B. J. Sands, Portchester, N. Y.

SELECTED GAME.

A Berlin correspondent sends us the following hard fought game played between Herr Harmonist, one of the rising young German chess masters, and Herr Poplawsky, the champion of Switzerland:

VIENNA OPENING.

POPLAWSKY. White.	HARMONIST. Black.
1—P—K 4	1—P—K 4
2—Q Kt—B 3	2—B—B 4 (a)
3—Kt—B 3 (b)	3—P—Q 3
4—B—B 4 (c)	4—K Kt—B 2
5—P—Q 3	5—Kt—B 3
6—Kt—K 2 (d)	6—B—K Kt 5 (e)
7—P—B 4	7—B x Kt
8—P x B	8—Q—Q 2
9—Kt—Kt 2	9—P—Q 4
10—B—Kt 3	10—Kt—K 2
11—B—K 3 (f)	11—B x B
12—P x B	12—Castles Q side
13—P—Q 5	13—Q P x P
14—Q P x P	14—Q—Kt 4
15—Q—K 2	15—Q x P
16—P—K R 4	16—Q—Q B 4
17—R x P	17—Q Kt—Q 4
18—R x Kt	18—K x R
19—K—B 2 (g)	19—P—K Kt 4 (h)
20—K—Kt 2	20—P—R 4
21—R R—Q sq	21—P x P
22—P x P	22—R—Kt sq
23—R—R sq	23—R x R ch
24—R x R	24—P—R 5
25—Kt x P (i)	25—Q—R 3
26—R—K sq	26—R—K sq
Resigns.	

(a) The authorized best answer is 2 . . . Q Kt—B 3.

(b) The continuation of the attack with 3 P—K B 4 is most favored in theory and in the practice of masters.

(c) The game has now turned into a form of the Giuoco Piano.

(d) A very good move and better than castling.

(e) On general principles this and Black's next move cannot be commended, as the Bishop is rather better than the Knight, especially in the early part of the opening, and the exchange tends to strengthen the adverse centre.

(f) White's position was preferable up to this, and he could have better kept his advantage by Q—K 2 with the view of soon advancing P—K B 4.

(g) Altogether premature, and he subjects himself thereby to a strong counter attack. Q—K 2 was still his best play.

(h) Kt—K B sq followed by R—K Kt sq was now his best play.

(i) Well played. The attack now assumed by Black is carried out to the finish in vigorous style.

(j) He had little option and 25 Kt—B sq, 25 Kt—Kt 5; 26 R—Q 2, 26 P—K 6; 27 Kt x P best (if the Rook move then Kt—B 7 ch wins the Q), 27 . . . Kt x Kt was equally fatal.

CHESS TABLE TALK.

The match for the championship of the world is over, and I am still the holder of the title. It is always a very difficult task for me on such occasions to perform my functions as a critic, and I can only say that I try to divest myself to the best of my ability and judgment of all personal feeling on such a subject, and I must let the public judge whether or not I succeed in my efforts. Mr. Gunsberg has made apparently the best score against me of any player whom I have ever met for nearly thirty years, barring the late Professor Anderssen, who won six to my eight, with no draw, in 1866. Still I consider it due, in justice to some masters, dead or living, with whom I have previously contested, to point out that the limitation of the number of games, which were fixed at the maximum of twenty, gave my opponent an opportunity of playing for draws, with the mere object of reducing my score of wins, and this is large odds in the hands of a very skilful player like Mr. Gunsberg. My encounter with Mr. Tschigorin at Havana was also, it is true, played under the same conditions; but the fact that only one draw occurred in that contest, and this one only in the last game, may be taken as evidence that the Russian master did not exert himself to take advantage of the limitation of the number of games. It is also noteworthy that Mr. Tschigorin obtained the lead twice by one game, whereas my late opponent scored a majority of one only once in the early part of the contest. Still, if some people thought that I could have run away with the score against Mr. Gunsberg, they will find themselves, on close analysis of the games, much mistaken. Part of his play, for instance, in the seventeenth game belongs to the highest order that I have ever come across in past records as well as in my own practice. His antecedents as a match and tournament player, were also of such a character as not to warrant any forgone conclusion too much in my favor. His score against Tschigorin alone, with whom he tied in a long match of twenty-three games at Havana would entitle him to rank among the greatest players of the age. Anyhow, he has greatly added to his reputation in the last match, and it is a mere matter of conjecture and of opinion whether or not I could have done better against him under other conditions.

CHESS NEWS.

F. M. Teed gave a simultaneous performance at the Brooklyn Chess Club on Saturday evening, January 17, against twelve of the strongest members of the club. He made the excellent record of nine won and three drawn games. The performer played rapidly, as the games averaged nearly forty moves, and were all finished in two hours and forty minutes. The exhibition was held in the large lodge hall secured by the club for its regular receptions on the third Saturday of each month. Among the prominent spectators were Dr. Otterson, Messrs Gilberg, Bixby, Thompson, Chadwick and others. After the performance the president, C. A. Gilberg, entertained his friends at a supper at the Clarendon Hotel. The next simultaneous play will be given by William M. de Visser at this club on February 21.

Mr. Gunsberg has an engagement at Albany for three days beginning on the 29th inst. After that he will go to Philadelphia and Baltimore, where he will give exhibitions of his skill.

As already stated in our issue of Friday last, the match for the championship of the world was finished on the previous day in favor of Mr. Steinitz, with the score of 6 to 4 and nine draws.

The annual meeting of the Baltimore Chess Association was held on Monday, the 12th inst., and the following officers were elected: President, E. L. Torsch; vice-president, J. Hinrichs; treasurer, H. S. Habersham; recording secretary, G. N. Hughes; corresponding secretary, E. B. Lackett; executive committee, H. G. Dallam, J. R. Morrow, A. W. Schofield and J. Ulihoff. The report of the treasurer shows the association to be in a good financial condition.

CORRESPONDENCE.

L. H. Bingham and H. L. W., New-York:—1 . . . Q—B 4 is the answer to the attack by 1 BxP.

Additional correct solutions to Problem No. 13 have been received from Dr. William P. Kochenour, Rego, Ind., F. N. Chase, Lowell, Mass., and H. C. Fouts, Lanesville, Ind.

S. A. Woods, Spring Mills, Penn.: If 1 K—B 6 1 Kt—K 4 ch. J. W. Gamble, Catawba Island, Ohio: 1 Q—K Kt 3 is impossible. L. K. Bingham, New-York: No mate after 1 Q—B 3 1 Kt—K 6. Henry J. Huff and Tyro, New-York: You are quite right and the only way of mating after 1 . . . K—K 4 is 2 Kt—B 6.

QUIET DAYS AT LAKEWOOD.

AWAITING THE COMING OF THOSE WHO DESERT THE CITY IN LENT—AMONG RECENT ARRIVALS.

Lakewood, Jan. 24 (Special).—Although there are as many people here as is usual at this season at this resort, the village seems to have taken a quiet turn, and to be drifting along smoothly and serenely, with no apparent object beyond the pleasure of enjoying a quiet life. But the season is not yet at its best, nor will it be until Lent. Then the young people will doubtless leave Mayfair behind and come to Lakewood for quiet pleasure, as they have so often done before.

Two fairs—one for All Saints' Memorial Church and one for the Lakewood Fire Company—are in preparation, and an entertainment for St. Mary's-by-the-Lake is in preparation, and will follow each other in quick succession next month.

The Ladies' Athletic Club, which has hitherto been a leading feature of social life here, has not so far been active beyond a few receptions. The club is in charge of the most active and prominent young ladies who make Lakewood their winter home, and will doubtless brighten up before long. There are, in fact, already rumors of a tennis tournament to come.

The week has been pleasantly enlivened, on one evening at least, by an entertainment in the interest of All Saints' Church. It was given by the Sunday-school children, and drew a well-pleased and liberal audience. All Saints' has just been the recipient of a handsome brass pulpit, which was presented by W. H. Platt, of Massachusetts, who frequently visits his son, Dr. I. H. Platt, a practising physician here. The church, to which extensive repairs have been made in the last four months, is receiving the final touches in the way of furniture. The interior is being made attractive.

The new colored church organization begins auspiciously. The matter is in good hands, and is receiving merited attention from townspeople and others.

Prominent among the guests at the Lakewood this week were G. H. Daniels, general passenger agent of the New-York Central; J. W. Broderick, general passenger agent of the Delaware and Hudson River; and J. Van Horn, vice-president of the Western Union Telegraph Company.

F. S. Bangs, of the law firm of Bangs, Stetson, Tracy & McVeagh, and Mrs. Bangs are stopping at the Laurel House.

Professor Addison Ballard, of Lafayette College, and Mrs. Ballard are stopping at the cottage of Mrs. Boggs, in Madison-ave.

General R. A. Donnelly, clerk of the Supreme Court, B. F. Lee and John Moses, of Trenton, N. J., were at the Lakewood this week.

Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Lambert and Mrs. William Lambert, of New-York, are at the Laurel House, and Dr. Z. B. Bosworth and Mrs. Bosworth, of that city, are at the Lakewood.

On Tuesday evening Allan Latham, of Joyce's orchestra, entertained a large audience in the music-room of the Lakewood with a lecture, which includes many views of different points of interest at home and abroad. These illustrated recitals are to be a feature of the entertainments at the Lakewood this season. Joyce's orchestra gives morning and evening concerts.

Charles F. Naething, who has reluctantly, and only temporarily, resigned, vacated his pretty villa, Minjonhoe, here, and who goes to Florida in a few days, gave a dinner party at Delmonico's on Tuesday evening to a number of friends. Mrs. Naething was the hostess of the occasion. Mr. Naething has just been elected vice-president of the Forty-second Street Traction Railway, of which he was for some time the secretary.

Among the late arrivals at the Laurel House are the following: From New-York—R. Conger, A. J. Griggs, Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Ralston, Clinton B. Sears, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Nichols, Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Shoemaker, Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Bangs, I. B. Dunbar, Samuel C. Waldron, the Rev. Dr. Gilbert, Mrs. Gilbert, Mrs. H. O. Moss, Mr. and Mrs. William Grant Cook, George W. Smith, D. T. Wane, Dr. Walter Wood, E. S. Mason, Mrs. Robert B. Higbee, Henry C. Yale, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Valentine, Osborne E. Bright, O. W. Bright, C. W. Baker, Mr. and Mrs. H. V. C. Black, John V. Black, Charles S. Cox, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Shipman, Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Halsey, Miss Belle Holsey, Franklin D. Lovett, George J. Laughton, Captain James H. Salters, Mrs. Salters, A. C. Rounds, R. S. Rounds; from other points—A. W. Westervelt, C. A. Schanze, Newark; Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Cohen, Miss Cohen, Miss Lillie Cohen, Long Island City; Mrs. J. D. Keyler, Miss Ella Hedden, Miss Lillie Hedden, East Orange; Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Brodie, Miss C. H. Taylor, Montclair; Mr. and Mrs. James M. Bruce, Yonkers; R. and King, Newport.

At the Lakewood the following are among the latest arrivals: From New-York—Mr. and Mrs. Daniel S. Thompson, R. A. Cunningham, Thomas W. Myers, William N. Clark, Mr. and Mrs. George F. Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. M. King, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. de Lima, Miss de Lima, James Schermerhorn, Cornelius Morrison, Charles Arbuckle, Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Landis, Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Nye, Mr. and Mrs. William Desmond, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Holt, Dr. W. F. Duncan, Isidor Wormser, Colonel Finley Anderson, John Bradford, S. M. Schaefer, Simon Schaefer, M. J. Elcas, E. T. Hoddick, H. L. Bridgman, H. L. Craft, William Hicks, Charles Cahn, David Romer, F. C. Rogers, Joseph Seligman, Mr. and Mrs. William Krams, Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Wetcher, R. E. Barrow, George J. Stanbury, Miss Rene Seabury, Ratcliffe Hicks, B. K. Wiley, Lewis May, Mr. and Mrs. J. Somers, Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Smith, Henry Walters, H. L. Hoyt, J. W. Mack, A. J. Cluoyer, J. H. Griffin, John A. Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. A. Abraham, George N. Barnes, Whiteman W. Kenyon, E. T. Riddick, H. L. Bridgman, L. H. Craft, William Prentice, Harrington Putnam; from other points are Mrs. Frederick Sterry, H. L. Evans, George H. Lovell, Albany; Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Young, Buffalo; Mr. and Mrs. George H. Cooper, Cooperstown.

A NEW RESORT IN FLORIDA.

Tallahassee, Fla., Jan. 24 (Special).—An important new sporting club, the Juno Beach Company, has recently filed its articles of incorporation here. The capital stock is entirely furnished by wealthy New-Yorkers, who intend to have Juno Beach rival the famous Jekyl Island Club in fashion and attractiveness. The incorporators are Samuel Barton, president; C. Vanderbilt Barton, secretary and treasurer, and the following directors: Chauncey M. Depew, Frederick W. Vanderbilt, Samuel Barton, H. Walter Webb and A. Van Santvoord, all of New-York. The new resort is just north of Fort Worth, on a line directly east from Lake Okeechobee. The game preserves extend from the Indian River well back into the Everglades, and afford an endless variety of hunting and fishing where game is abundant and the climate so healthful that all sport is beneficial. It is understood that a clubhouse will be built at once and direct communication established with Fort Worth.

MAILS FOR CHINA AND JAPAN.

Postmaster Van Cott has been informed by the Post-office Department that the agents of the steamers sailing from San Francisco for China and Japan decline to delay their departure in order to await the arrival there of trains bringing the mails from the East for those countries. The hour of sailing is 3 p. m., and departure will not be postponed beyond that time. The postmaster therefore suggests that mail matter for China and Japan be posted, as far as possible, twenty-four hours in advance of the advertised time of closing of mails for those places at New-York, as any serious delay met by the last train due to arrive in San Francisco before the steamers sail may result in the failure of the mail matter forwarded by that train of dispatch by the steamer for which it was intended. The last closing of the next mails for China and Japan at New-York will be at 6.30 p. m. on January 28.

THE CAPTAIN WANTS HIS SALVAGE.

Captain Reed, of the American ship T. F. Oakes, has handed to Marshal Jacobus a lot of nautical instruments and other things which he took from the abandoned British bark Claudine on December 1, and will bring suit to have them sold, so that he can obtain his salvage. He came near running into the bark on the night of December 1, 300 miles east of the Banks of Newfoundland, and boarded her. She was waterlogged and had a cargo of lumber. The only living thing on board was a cat. The log showed that the Claudine belonged in Barnstable, England, and was bound from Nova Scotia to England. The last entry in the log was dated November 25. The crew had evidently been taken off by another vessel. Captain Reed took back to his ship all the bark's instruments, her steel hawser and some provisions. The Oakes was bound from Antwerp to New-York with a general cargo. The articles taken from the Claudine were worth several hundred dollars, and most of the proceeds will probably go for salvage.

THE PARSON'S STUDY.

SUGGESTIVE NOTES AND INCIDENTS.

Up Massachusetts way they have been trying an old-time church choirmaster for wilfully, persistently and maliciously singing off the key during divine service. His name it is Gibbs, of North Blandford, and he is a veritable old timer. Four years ago, in its ungodly hankering for new-fangled music, the church dismissed the old man, who had for so many years raised his Ebenezer in the good old way of our forefathers, before even Lowell Mason came on the scene. It seemed rough to Gibbs, and it was rough. The very existence, not to say stability, of Christianity seemed to be involved in the issue. Were the fathers who snuggled Tate and Brady's version of the Psalms through their noses wrong? Were their methods of making a cheerful noise unto the God of Jacob to be set aside by a parcel of trundle-bed trash? Never, while Gibbs was alive, and he was very much alive. So the other Sunday, while the people were rendering "Coronation" in the modern "hifalutin" style, Gibbs joined in lustily, and gave it in the way of the fathers, generously throwing in a number of rests and quavers unrecognized by the modern school, and for that he was haled before a tobacco-scented police court, on the charge of singing off the key! Poor, picturesque, pathetic Gibbs from way-back, fighting against the irresistible march of the age, hail and farewell!

My friend the heretic—he is a heretic in the Church, and therefore only a heretic by courtesy—is feeling very happy these days; for he thinks everything is going his way. "You old fogies," he said to me the other day, as he lit one of my clerical perfectos, "you old fogies are not in it. Look at the movement in all the churches. Clear away from an infallible tradition, and in the direction of a rational and reasonable faith. Look at the English Church and Lux Mundi; look at the Scottish Church and its free thought. Look at the Presbyterians in this country throwing overboard their confession of faith, and the Episcopalians, every man believing what is good in his own eyes. Why I feel like yelling whoopee! and throwing up my hat." "My dear sir," I replied, "you ignore the fact that there is a tremendous opposition to the so-called new theology movement, an opposition so great that you will have hard work to overcome it." "Oh, that's all right," he replied, airily. "Let me show you how little all that amounts to. The men who are most active in opposing the new theology movement are (1) the well-fed and well-to-do Church members generally, who look upon the Church as a big religio-social corporation that must be upheld, irrespective of the truth of its creed, because it stands for property and vested rights and acts as a bulwark against the intellectual and social unrest of the times; (2) the traditionalists in all the denominations, who honestly believe that their views of Christianity are in literal accord with divine revelation; and (3) the clergy, who doubt in secret themselves, and who, therefore, are down on the