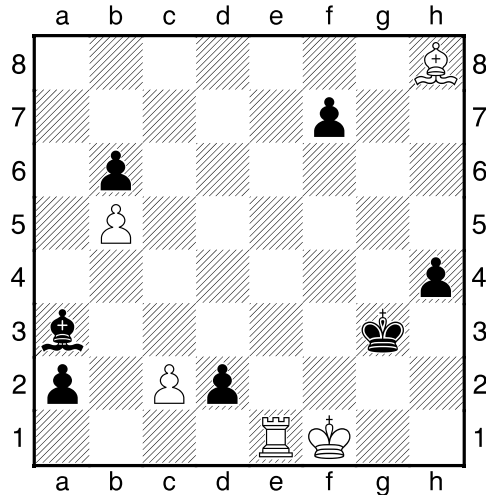


(1) Timman, Jan - 1.p
Benko 90 JT, 2019



1.Rd1 [The reasonable looking 1.Re3+? Kg4 2.Rd3 fails to 2... 2...f6! 3.Bxf6 Be7 4.Ba1 Bg5=]

1...Bc1 2.Ke2 h3 [2...Kg2 3.Bd4+--]

3.Rg1+ [Not 3.c4? Kg2 4.c5 Ba3! draw]

3...Kh2 4.Kf2 [4.Rf1? Kg2=]

4...f6! 5.Bxf6 Bb2 6.c3!! [The logical try: 6.Bxb2 d1N+! 7.Rxd1 a1Q! 8.Rh1+ Kxh1 9.Bxa1 h2 10.Kg3 Kg1 11.Bd4+ Kh1 12.Bc5 bxc5 13.Kf2 c4 14.b6 c3 and stalemate can no longer be avoided]

6...Bxc3 7.Bxc3 d1N+ [2nd main line: 7...a1Q 8.Rxa1 (8.Bxa1? d1N+! 9.Kf1 Ne3+ 10.Kf2 Nd1+=) 8...d1N+ 9.Kf1 Nxc3 10.Ra5!! zz 10...Nd5 11.Ra3 Nc7 12.Rb3 Nd5 13.Kf2 and wins]

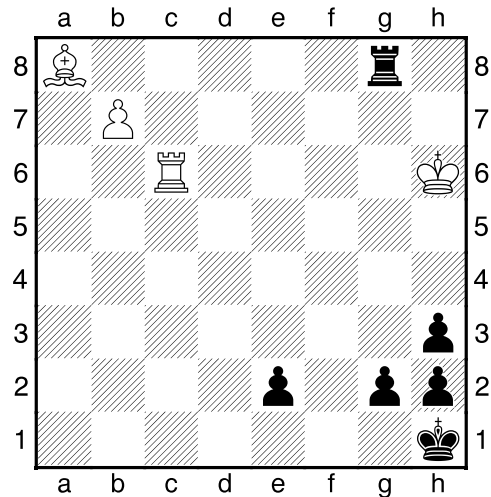
8.Rxd1 a1Q 9.Rh1+! Kxh1 [9...Qxh1 10.Be5#]

10.Bxa1 h2 11.Kg3 Kg1 12.Bd4+ Kh1 13.Bc5! bxc5 14.Kf2 c4 15.b6 c3 16.b7 [and mates in three.]

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(2) Timman

Pervakov 60 JT, special hm, 2020



1.Rc1+ g1B [Main: 1...g1N 2.b8B+! (2.b8R+ Rg2 3.Rb7 Rg8=) 2...Rg2 3.Bg3 e1Q 4.Bxe1+- eg 4...Ne2 5.Ra1 Ng1 6.Be4 Ne2 7.Bh4+ Ng1 8.Ra2 Ne2 9.Rxe2 Kg1 10.Re1#; 1...g1Q 2.b8Q+ (2.b8R+) 2...Rg2 3.Qb1+-]

2.b8R+! [2.b8B+ Rg2 3.Bg3 e1Q 4.Bxe1 Be3+= eg 5.Kh5 Bxc1 6.Bf2 Be3; 2.b8Q+ Rg2 3.Bxg2+ hxg2=]

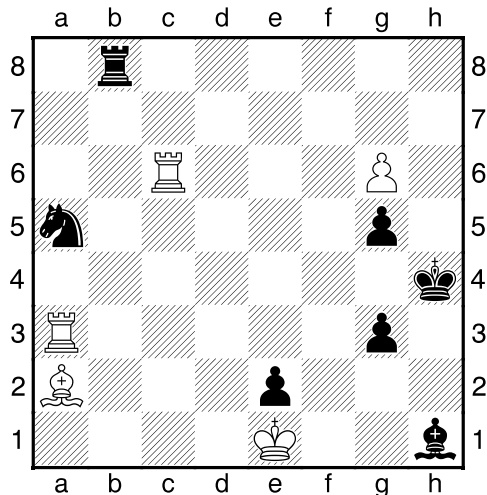
2...Rg2 3.Rb7! Rg8 4.Rc8 Be3+ [Main: 4...Rg2 5.Re8 e1Q 6.Rxe1 Ra2 7.Ra1! Rxa1 (7...Rxa8 8.Rxa8 Kg2 9.Rb2+ Bf2 10.Rg8+ Kf3 11.Rf8+ Ke4 12.Rb4+ Ke5 13.Re8+ Kd6 14.Rd8+ Ke7 15.Rd1+-) 8.Ra7#; 4...e1Q 5.Rg7+-]

5.Kh7 Rg2 6.Rb1+ Bg1 7.Rc6! [Switchback]

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(3) Jan Timman (Netherlands)

2nd prize, Azerbaijan CCC-50 AT, 2020



1.Rcc3 Nb3! 2.Bxb3 [2.Rxg3? Kxg3 3.Bxb3 g4 4.g7 Bf3 5.g8Q Rxg8 6.Bxg8 Kh2= Tablebase]

2...g2 3.Rh3+! Kxh3 4.Be6+ Kh2 5.Rh3+ Kg1 6.g7 g4 7.Rh4! [7.Rh8? Rb1+ 8.Kxe2 Rb2+ 9.Ke1 Rb1+ 10.Kd2 Kf2 11.Rf8+ Kg3 12.g8Q Rd1+! 13.Kc2 Rc1+ 14.Kb2 Rb1+ 15.Ka2 Ra1+ 16.Kxa1 g1Q+ 17.Ka2 Qa7+=]

7...g3 8.Bh3! Rg8 9.Rh7 [Reciprocal zugzwang]

9...Kh2 [Main: 9...Rxg7 10.Rxg7 Kh2 11.Rh7! g1Q+ 12.Bf1#]

10.Be6+ Kg1 11.Kxe2 [Second reciprocal zugzwang]

[11.Bxg8? stalemate]

11...Rh8! 12.Rh3! [12.Kf3? Rd8! 13.Rh8 Kf1 14.Bh3 Rd3+ 15.Kf4 Kf2 16.Bxg2 Rd4+ 17.Kf5 Rd5+! 18.Kf6 Rd6+ 19.Ke7 Rg6=; 12.gxh8Q?; 12.Rxh8? stalemate]

12...Re8 [12...Rxh3 13.Bxh3 Kh2 14.Bxg2]

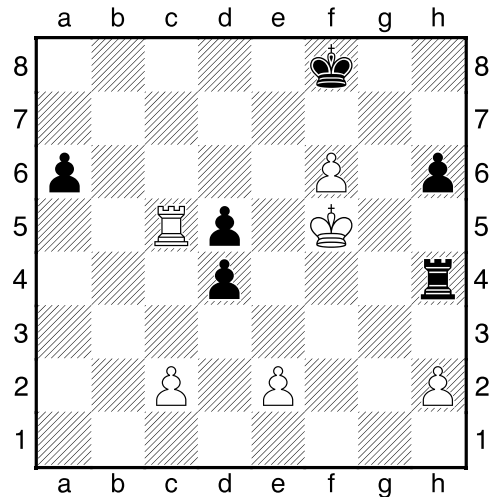
13.Rh6 Rg8 [13...Rb8 14.Bd5! Re8+ (14...Rg8 15.Rg6 Kh2 16.Bxg8! g1Q 17.Rh6+ Kg2 18.Bd5#) 15.Kd2 Re2+ 16.Kd3+-]

14.Rg6 Kh2 15.Bxg8! g1Q 16.Rh6+ Kg2 17.Bd5#

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(4) Timman=J

1.p Kalandadze MT, 2021



1.Rc8+ Kf7 2.Rc7+ Kf8! [2...Kg8 3.Ke6 Re4+ 4.Kxd5 Rxe2 5.Kxd4 Rd2+ 6.Ke5 Re2+ 7.Kd6 Rd2+ 8.Ke7 Re2+ 9.Kd8 Kf8 (9...a5 10.c4 a4 11.c5 a3 12.Ra7 a2 13.h4+-) 10.c4 Rxh2 11.c5+-]

3.h3! [3.Ke6 Re4+ 4.Kxd5 Rxe2 5.Kxd4 Rxh2 6.c4 Rd2+ 7.Ke5 Re2+=]

3...Rxh3 4.c4! [4.e4 dxe4 5.Ke6 Rc3!]=]

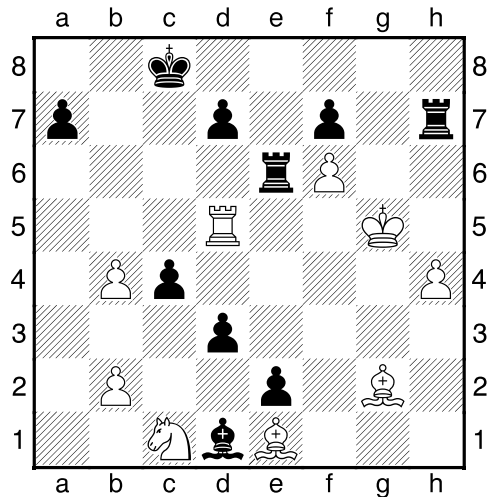
4...dxc4 [4...dxc3 5.e4 dxe4 6.Ke6+-]

5.e4! dxe3 6.Ke6 Kg8 7.Rg7+ Kh8 [7...Kf8 8.Rd7 Kg8 9.f7+ Kg7 10.Rd1 Rf3 11.Rg1+ Kh7 12.Ke7+-]

8.Rg1 e2 9.f7 Rf3 10.Ke7 Re3+ 11.Kf6 Rf3+ 12.Kg6 Rf1 13.Rh1! e1Q 14.Rxh6#

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(5) Timman=J
 2.p Neidze MT, 2021



1.Bh3 [1.Bf3 Rh8 2.Rc5+ Kb8 3.Rb5+ Kc7 4.Rc5+ Kb6--+]

1...Rh5+! 2.Kxh5 Re5+! 3.Rxe5 d2 4.Re8+ Kb7 5.Bg2+ Ka6 6.b5+! Kxb5 7.Rb8+ Ka4 [7...Kc5 8.Bf2+=]

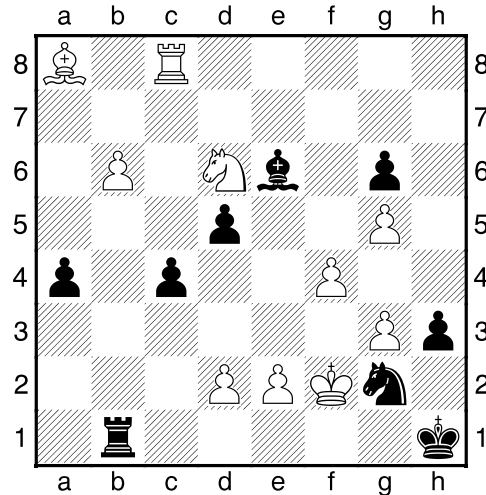
8.Bc6+! [Try 8.Rb4+? Ka5 9.Nb3+ cxb3 10.Bxd2 e1Q+ 11.Rg4+ Qxd2--+]

8...dxc6 9.Rb4+ Ka5 10.Nb3+! cxb3 11.Bxd2 e1Q+ 12.Rg4+ Qxd2 [stalemate.]

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1.Rh8! [1.b7? a3 2.Rc5 Bg4! 3.b8Q Rxb8 4.Bxd5 Bxe2! 5.Kxe2 Kg1 6.Rxc4 Rb1=]

1...c3 [Main- 1...Kh2 2.f5! a3! (2...gxf5 3.Nxc4! dxc4 4.Bxg2+-) 3.Bc6! gxf5 4.Nb5! (Try: 4.b7 Ne3! 5.dxe3? (5.Kxe3 a2 6.Ra8 Kg2= eg 7.Bb5 h2 8.b8Q h1Q 9.Kd4 a1Q+) 5...f4 6.exf4 c3+-) 4...c3! (4...Ne3 5.dxe3 a2 6.Ra8+-) 5.dxc3 (5.Nd4 f4 6.Nf3+ Kh1 7.dxc3 Ne3 8.gxf4 Rxb6=) 5...a2 6.Ra8 Ne3! 7.Kxe3 Kxg3 8.b7 (8.Kd4 h2 9.b7 h1Q 10.b8Q+ Kg4 11.g6 a1Q 12.Rxa1 Qe4+ 13.Kc5 Rxa1=) 8...f4+ 9.Kd4 h2 10.b8Q (or 10.Rxa2 first) 10...h1Q 11.Rxa2 Qe4+ 12.Kc5 Qc4+ 13.Kd6 Qxa2 14.Kxe6 d4+ 15.Kf6! Qc4! (15...dxc3 16.Nxc3+-) 16.Qe8! (16.Qd6? dxc3 17.Na3 Rd1 18.Qxd1 Qxc6+=) 16...dxc3 17.g6 c2 18.g7 c1Q 19.g8Q+ Qxg8 20.Qxg8+ Kf2 21.Qg2+- eg 21...Ke1 22.Qh1+ Kd2 23.Qd5+ Ke1 24.Nd4 Qc3 25.Qe5 winning the f-pawn, guaranteeing an easy technical win.]

2.dxc3 [2.f5? h2! 3.dxc3 a3= eg 4.Bc6 Rf1+ 5.Kxf1 Ne3+ 6.Kf2 Ng4+]

2...Ne3! 3.Kxe3 Kg1 [3...a3 4.Kf2+-]

4.Nc4! [4.f5? a3! 5.Bc6 a2 6.Ra8 h2= eg 7.fxe6 h1Q 8.e7 d4+ 9.cxd4 Qxc6 10.e8Q Qxd6 11.Rxa2 Qxg3+ 12.Ke4 Qg4+]

4...dxc4 5.f5! Bxf5 [5...gxf5 6.Rd8 a3 7.Rd2 h2 8.g6 h1Q 9.Bxh1 Kxh1 10.Kf2+-]

6.g4! Bxg4 7.b7 a3 8.Rd8! a2 9.Rd1+ Kh2 [9...Rxd1 10.b8Q a1Q 11.Qg3+- The diagonal b8-h2 was cleared by White's pawn sacrifices on move 5 and 6.]

10.Kf2! Bf3! [Starting to play for stalemate.]

[10...a1Q 11.Rh1+! Kxh1 (11...Rxh1 12.b8Q#) 12.b8Q+-]

11.Kxf3 Rxb7! 12.Ra1! [12.Bxb7? a1Q 13.Rxa1 Stalemate.]

12...Rb1 [12...Rf7+ 13.Ke3+-]

13.Rxa2 Ra1! 14.Rb2! [14.Rd2? Rxa8 15.e4+ Kg1 16.Kg3 Kf1 17.Kxh3 Ke1=; 14.Rxa1 Stalemate.]

14...Rxa8 15.e4+ Kg1 16.Kg3 Kf1 17.Kxh3 Ra3 18.Kg4! [18.Kg3? Rxc3+ 19.Kf4 Rd3! (1) 20.e5 c3 21.Rc2 Ke1 22.Ke4 Rg3 23.e6 Kd1 24.e7 Kxc2 25.e8Q Rxc5 26.Kd4 Rg4+! =; 18.e5? Ra5 =]

18...Rxc3 19.e5 [19.Kf4? Rd3! = Similar to (1)]

19...Re3 [19...Rd3 20.Rb6! c3 21.Rxc6+ -]

20.Kf4 c3 21.Rc2 [Published on 15.12.'21, as can be seen on the UAPA website.]

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