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This book is dedicated to all the chess players out there who have ever lost an important game to a simple two move chess tactic.



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This book assumes that you already know the basics of chess (how the pieces move), terms such as “pin”, “fork”, “skewer,” and how to read algebraic notation. If you need a refresher, Wikipedia has a lot of free information on the game, <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Chess>.

Problems are given from the point of view of the side to move. If it is Black to move, the board is shown from Black’s perspective.

Each solution is given on a separate page following the problem. The Kindle previewer doesn’t show this, but the page breaks will show up in your Kindle reader.

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Good luck and have fun with this book.

Happy Tactics!

Tim Brennan and Anthea Carson

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# **Tactics**

## **1-100**



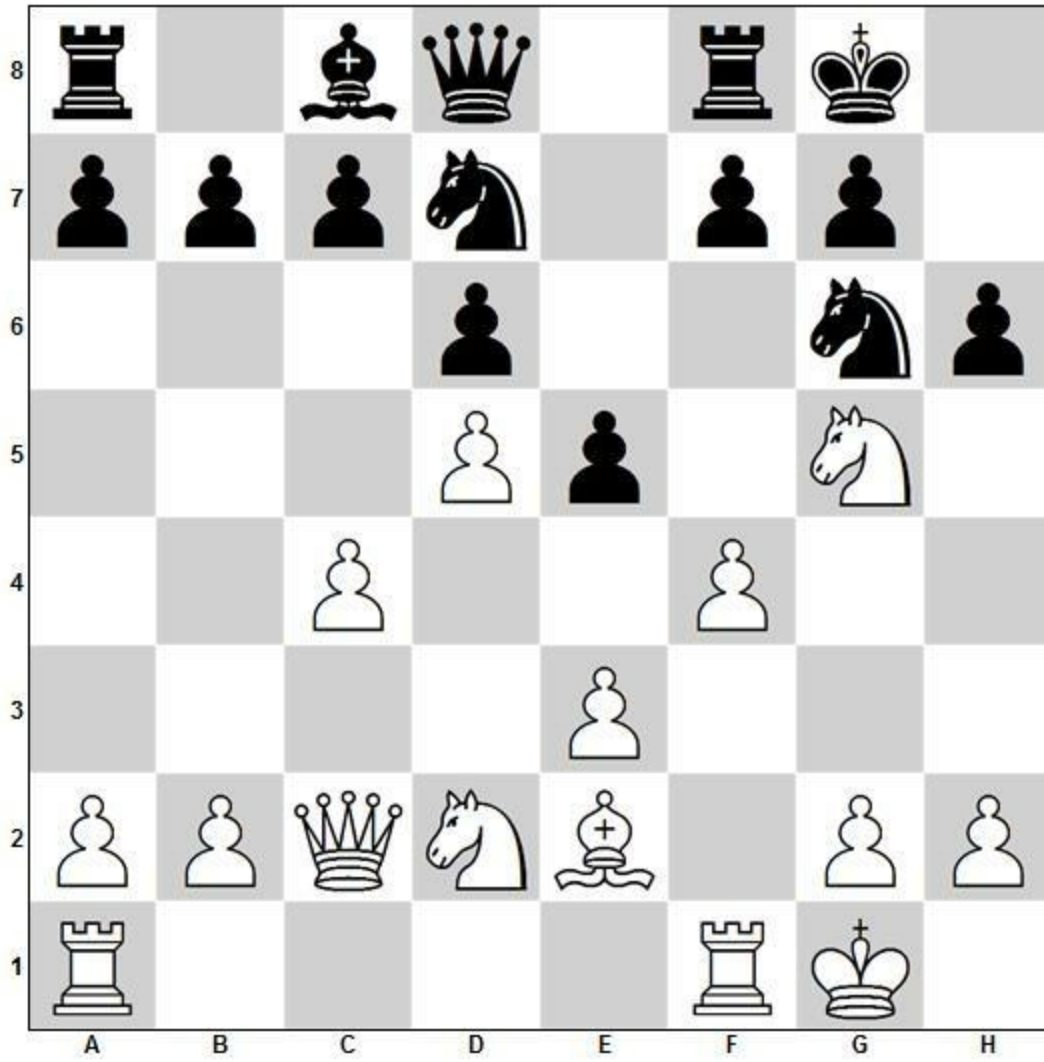
**47...Ne1+** forks the white king and rook.

From the game Paul Covington (1800) – Paul Anderson (1993), Panera Bread Powers, Round 5, July 30, 2014

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/11/22/Game275460512.html>

(2) White to move



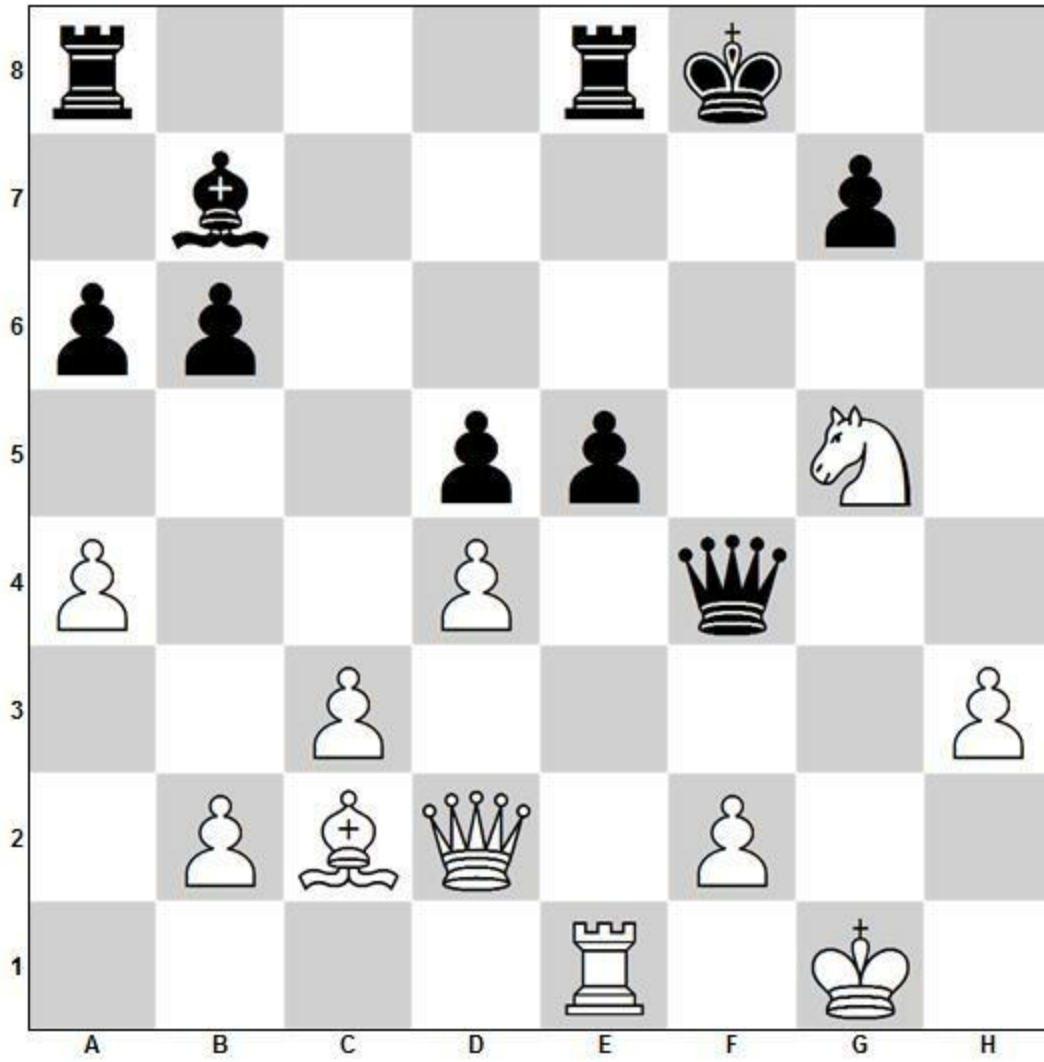
***13.Nxf7*** removes the defender of the knight on g6. If ***13...Rxf7 14.Qxg6***. If ***13...Kxf7 14.fxe5+ Kg8 15.Qxg6***.

From the game Michael Ginat (2179) – Robert Ramirez (2148), 2014  
Colorado Closed, Round 4, April 27, 2014

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2015/4/4/Game61351433.html>

(3) White to move



**31.Ne6+!!** forks the black king and queen. **31...Rxe6 32.Qxf4 exf4 33.Rxe6.**  
White wins back the exchange, and heads into a winning endgame.

From the game Ryan Swerdlin (2062) – Chris Peterson (2190), 2014  
Colorado Challenger, Round 5, April 27, 2014

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<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2015/4/4/Game62312040.html>

(4) White to move



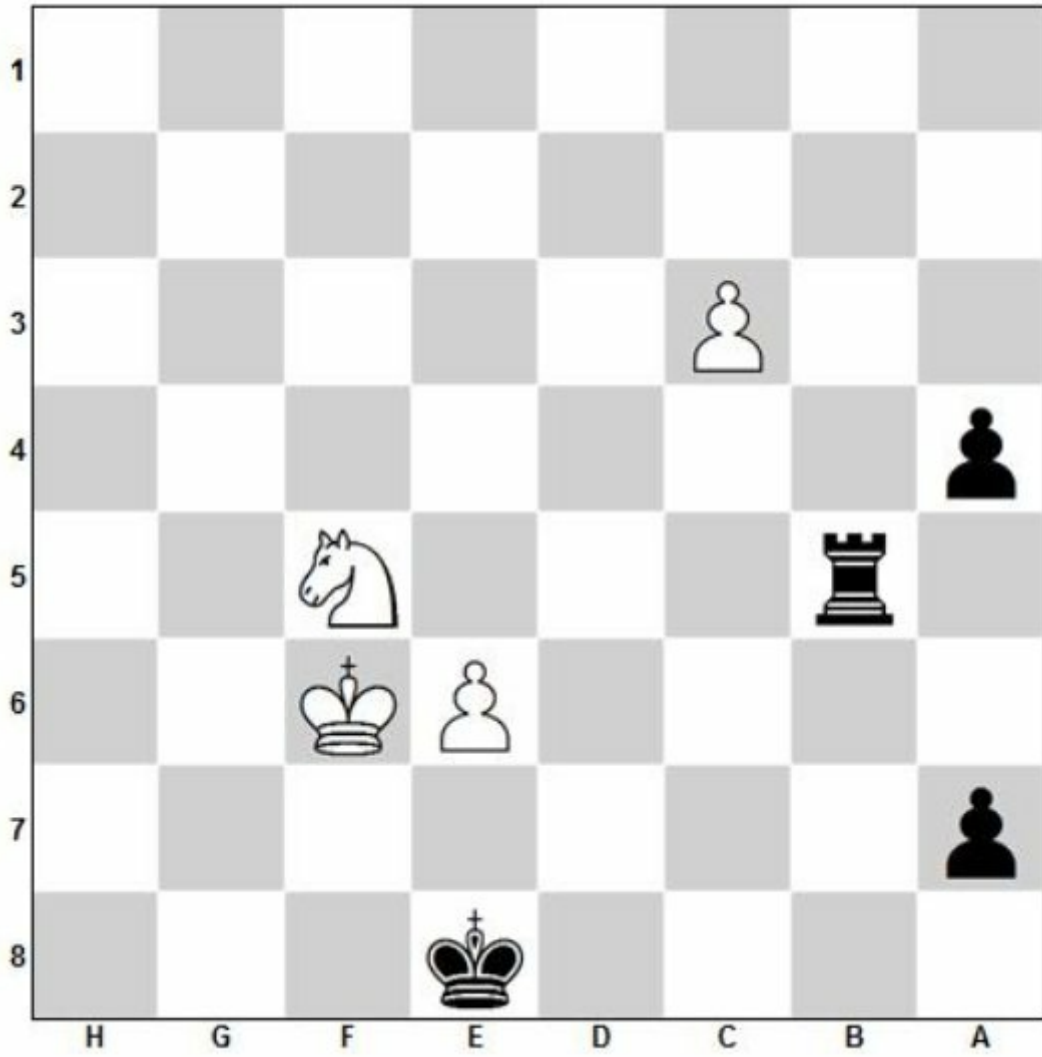
**20.Nxd6** discovered attack on the Black Queen, winning a pawn and the exchange, **20...Qe6 21.Nxe8**

Variation from the game Boris Kreps (2004) – Chris Chase, BCC Championship, Round 5, Boston, MA, 1994

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/1/1/Game142497210.html>

(5) Black to move



**53...Rxf5+** trades down into an easily won endgame **54.Kxf5 a3** and the black pawn cannot be stopped.

From the game Jacob Rasin (2436) – Chris Chase (2415), BCC Championship, Round 2, Boston, MA, 1994

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

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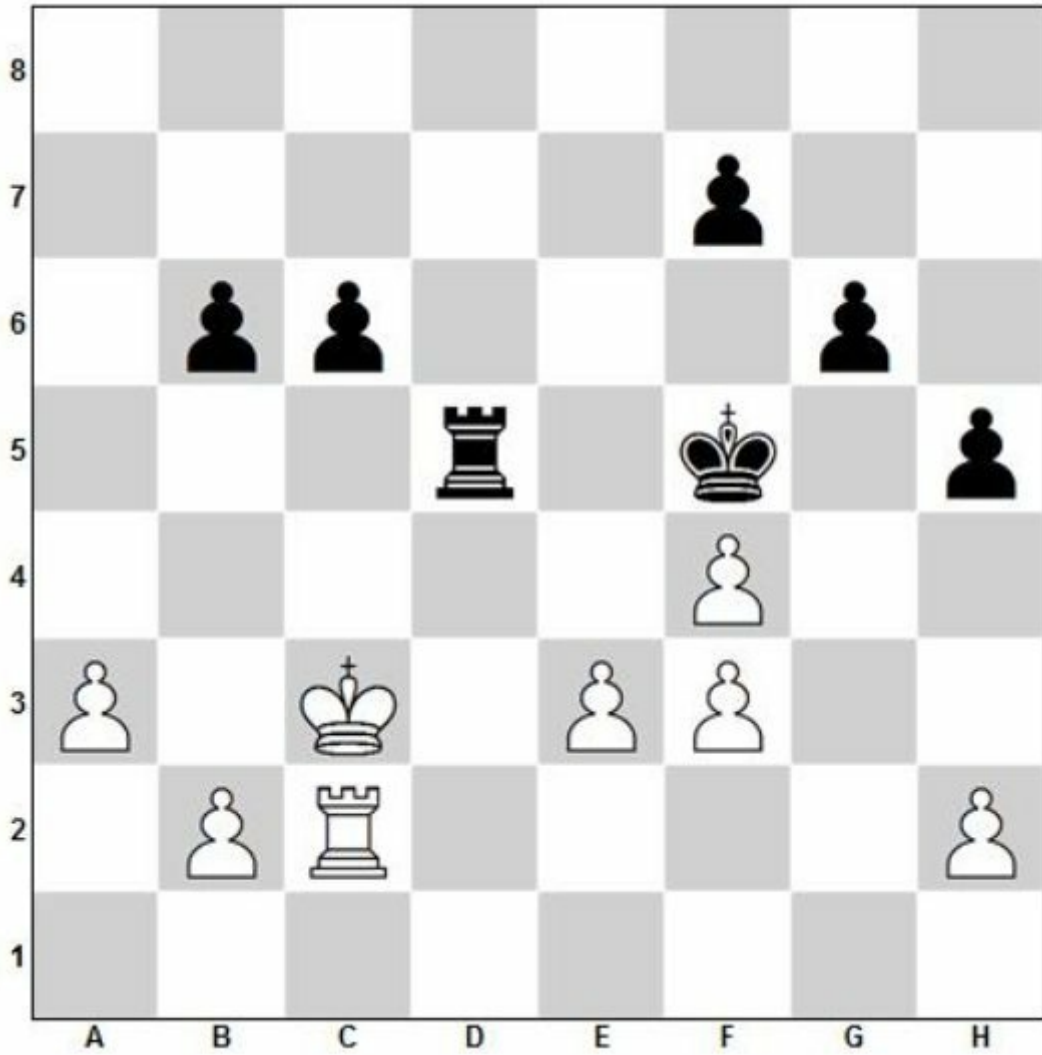
***34.Rxf8+ Qg8 35.Rxg8# (or 35.Qxg8#)***

From the game Eric Godin (2217) – Daniel Woods (2072), BCC  
Championship, Round 2, Boston, MA, 1994

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<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/1/1/Game145189428.html>

(7) White to move



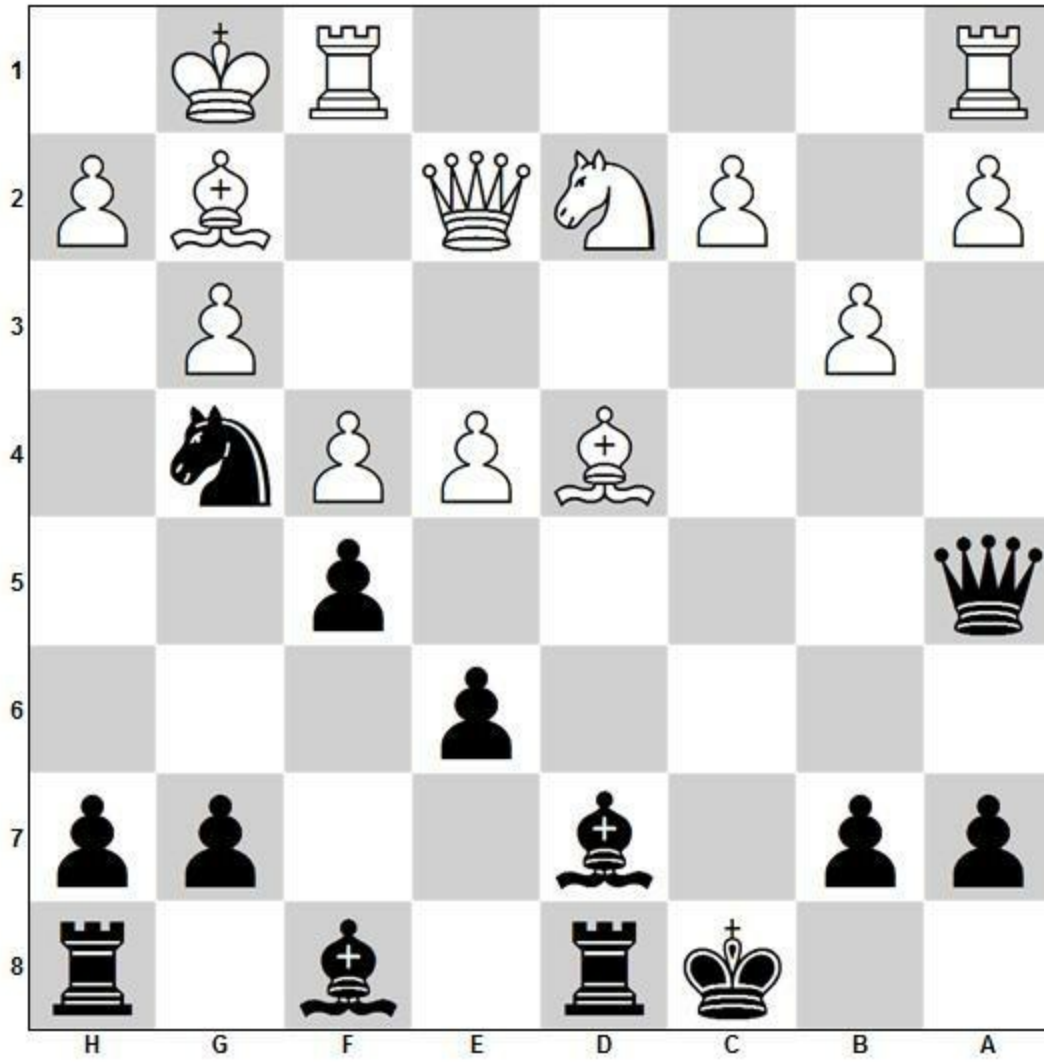
**29.e4+** pawn fork.

From the game Stephen Kesti (1622) – Mohammad Soltani (1373), White Knights Tournament, Round 1, Reno, NV, January 1, 2003

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(8) Black to move



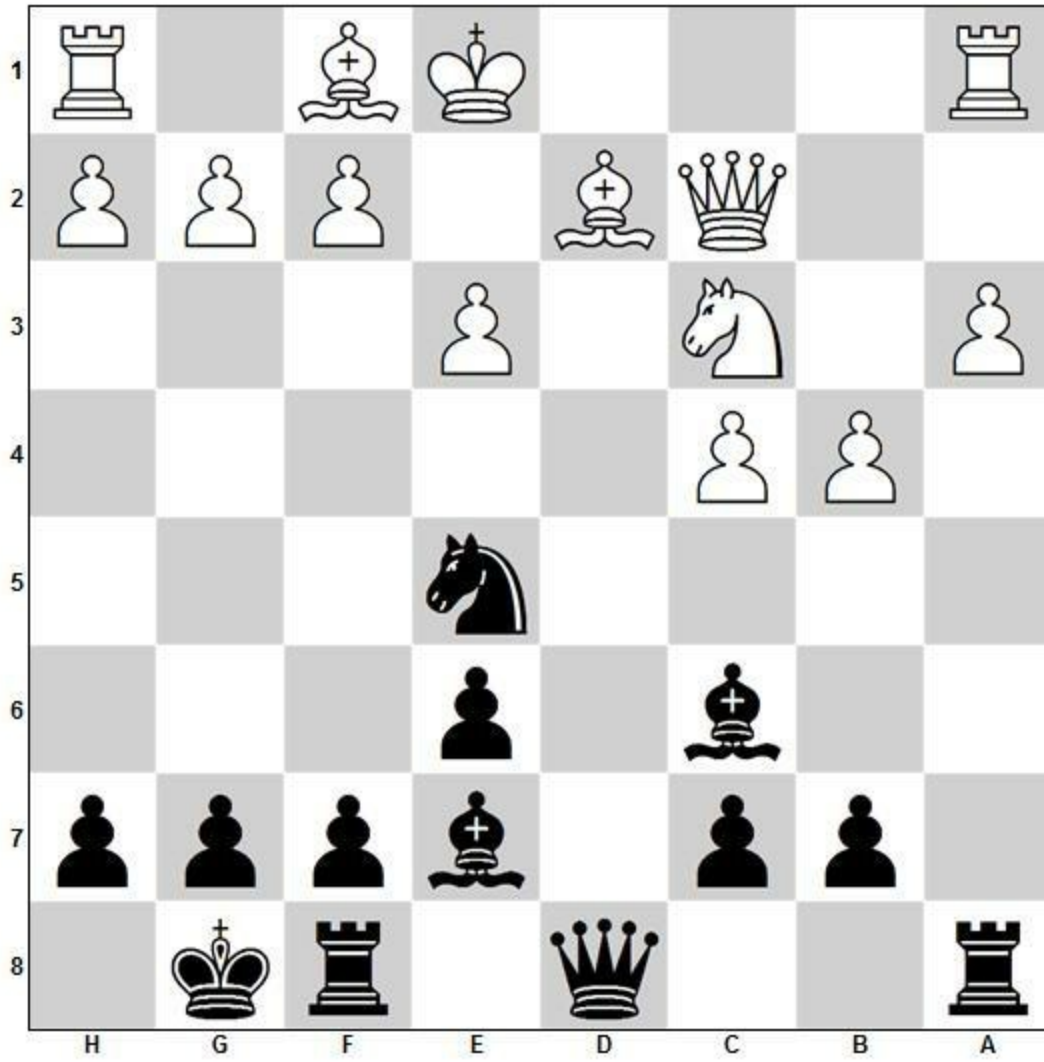
**15...Bb5** skewers the white queen and rook with a discovered attack on the d4-bishop.

Variation from the game Brian Wall (2250) – Katie Wise (1962), Salute to Boris Spassky, Round 3, July 20, 2014

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<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2015/1/10/Game790947689.html>

(9) Black to move



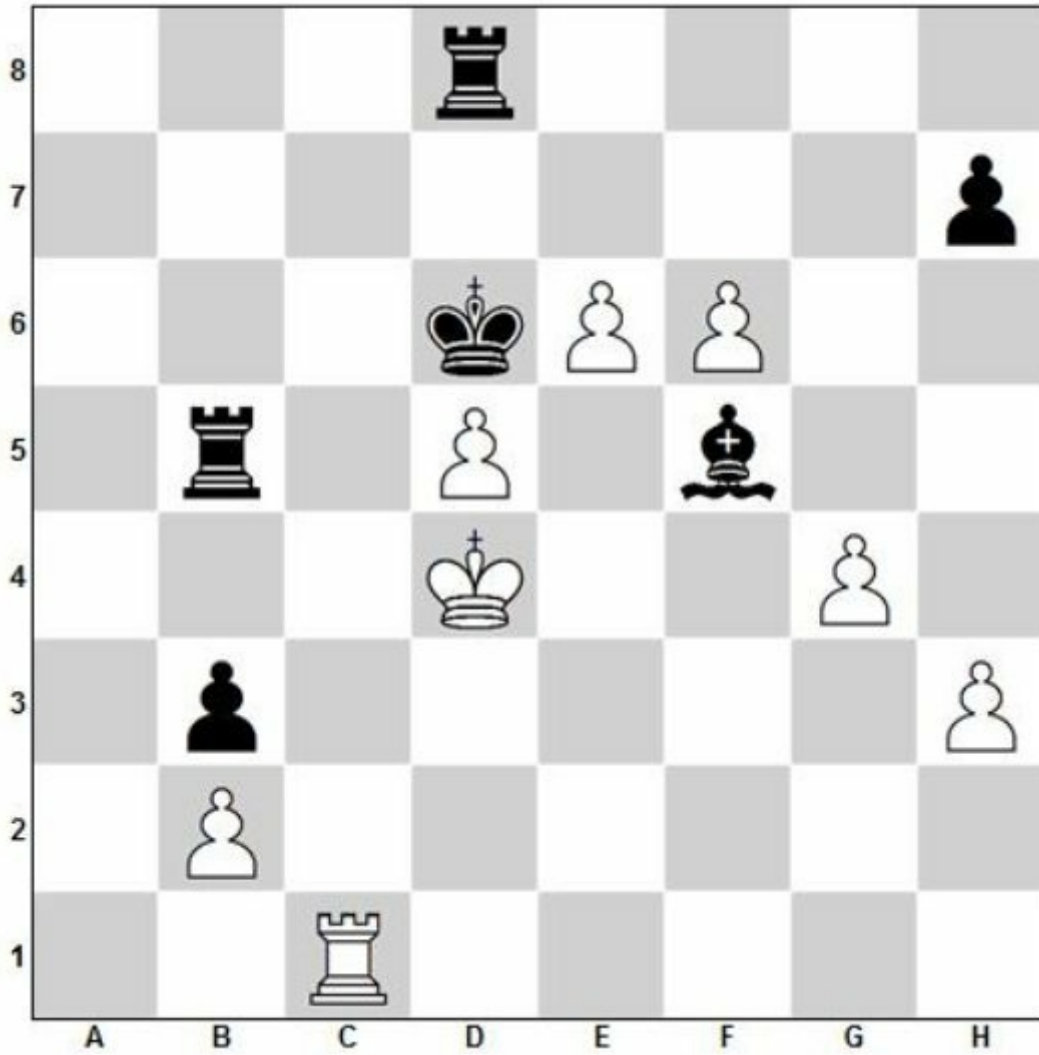
**16...Bxb4** wins a pawn. The a-pawn is pinned to the undefended rook.

From the game Gene Lucas (1597) – Anthea Carson (1763), Salute to Boris Spassky, Round 1, July 19, 2014

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2015/1/10/Game791500619.html>

(10) White to move



### ***43.Rc6#***

Variation from the game Larry Schmitt (2190) – William Paschal (2386),  
BCC Championship, Round 1, Boston, MA, 1994

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/1/1/Game145354056.html>



**40.Ng5+** discovered attack on the Black Queen. **40...Bxg5 41.Qxe6**

From the game Ishmael2006 (1679) – Masterfosse (1544), King's Gambit Banded Thematic I 1600-1700, redhotpawn.com, Round 1, November 2, 2009

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/8/16/Game94535966.html>



**27.Nd7** forks the black rook and bishop.

Variation from the game Victor Huang (1846) – Brian Wall (2116), Denver Chess Club Christmas Present, Round 7, December 21, 2014

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/12/29/Game682826438.html>



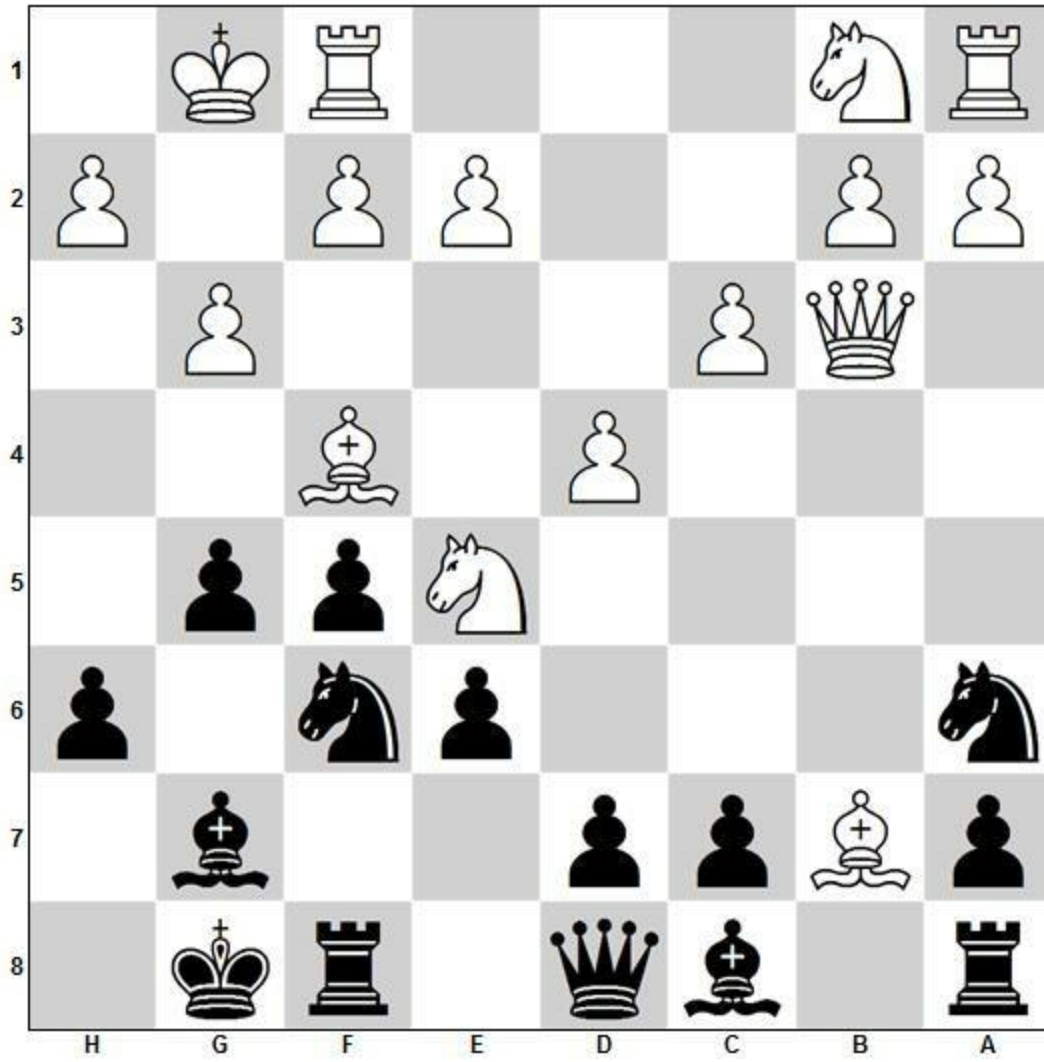
**36...Be4+** and the white king cannot get out of check and maintain protection of the bishop, **37.Kg1 Rxh3**

Missed in the game Victor Huang (1846) – Brian Wall (2116), Denver Chess Club Christmas Present, Round 7, December 21, 2014

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<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/12/29/Game682826438.html>

(14) Black to move



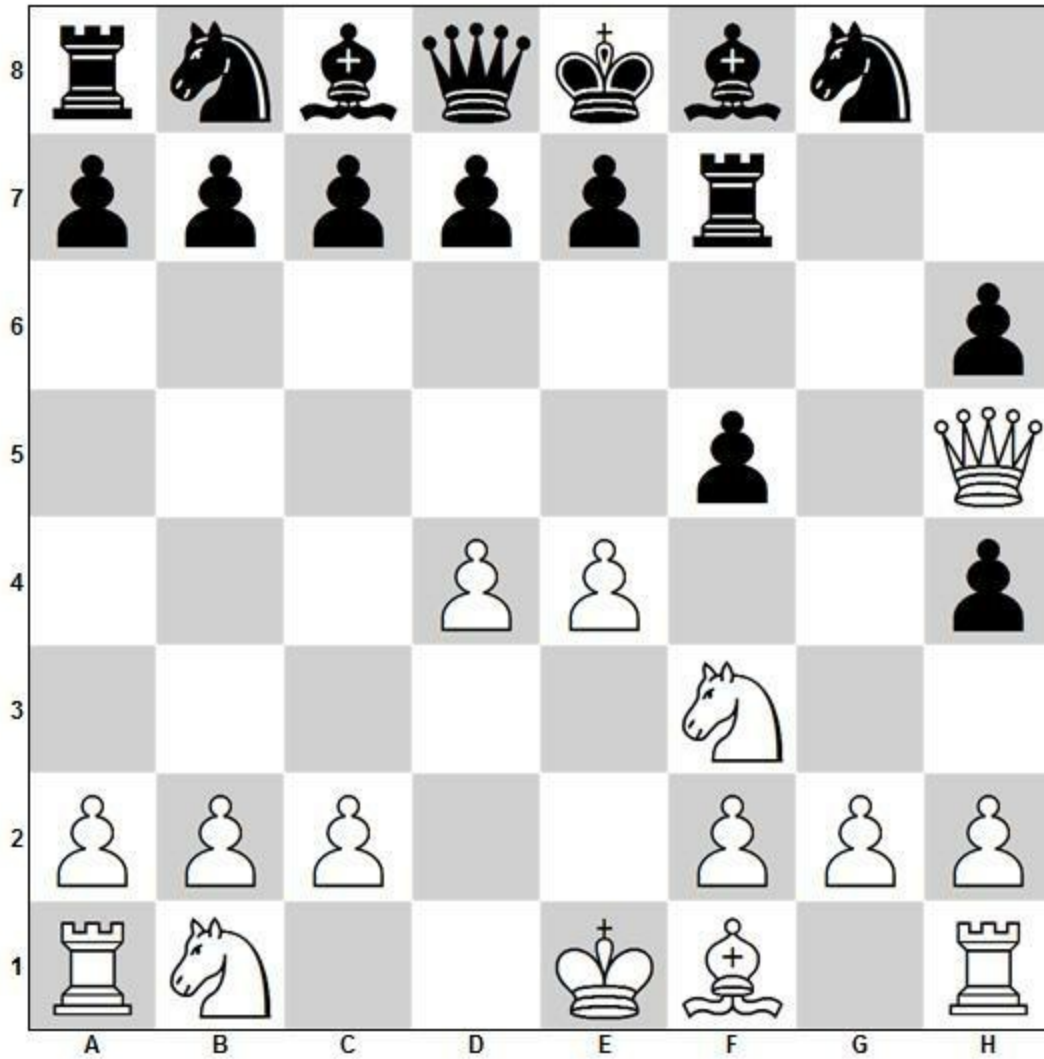
**10...Rb8** attacks and pins the white bishop to the queen. **11.Bd2 Bxb7**

Variation from the game Barry Hepsley (1771) – Brian Wall (2245), Fort Collins Chess Olympiad, Round 3, December 20, 2014

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(15) White to move



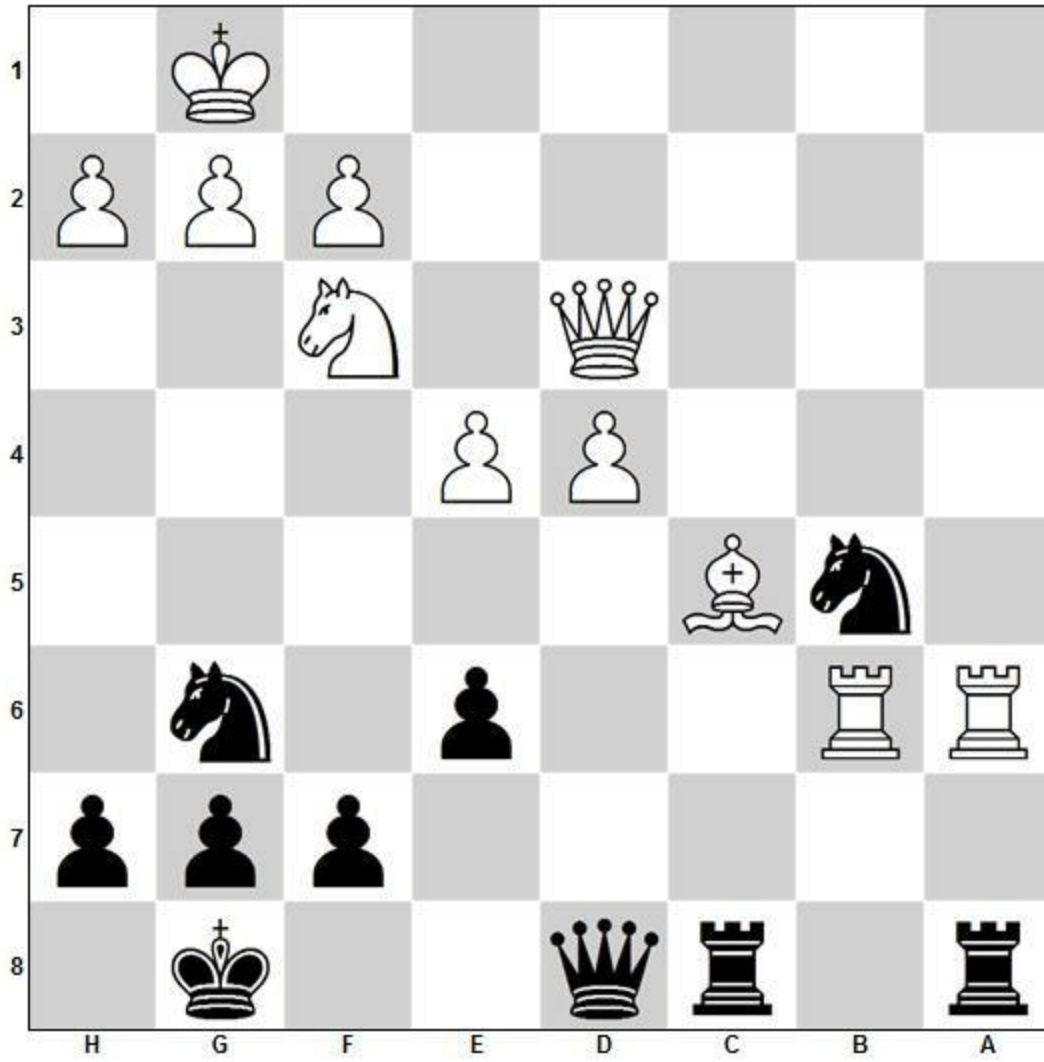
**7.Ne5** and Black cannot stop **8.Qxf7#**

From the game sbelanoff (2325) – Phillidor284 (2783), 2013 Championship, redhotpawn.com, Round 3, December 18, 2013

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<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/12/29/Game688108507.html>

(16) Black to move



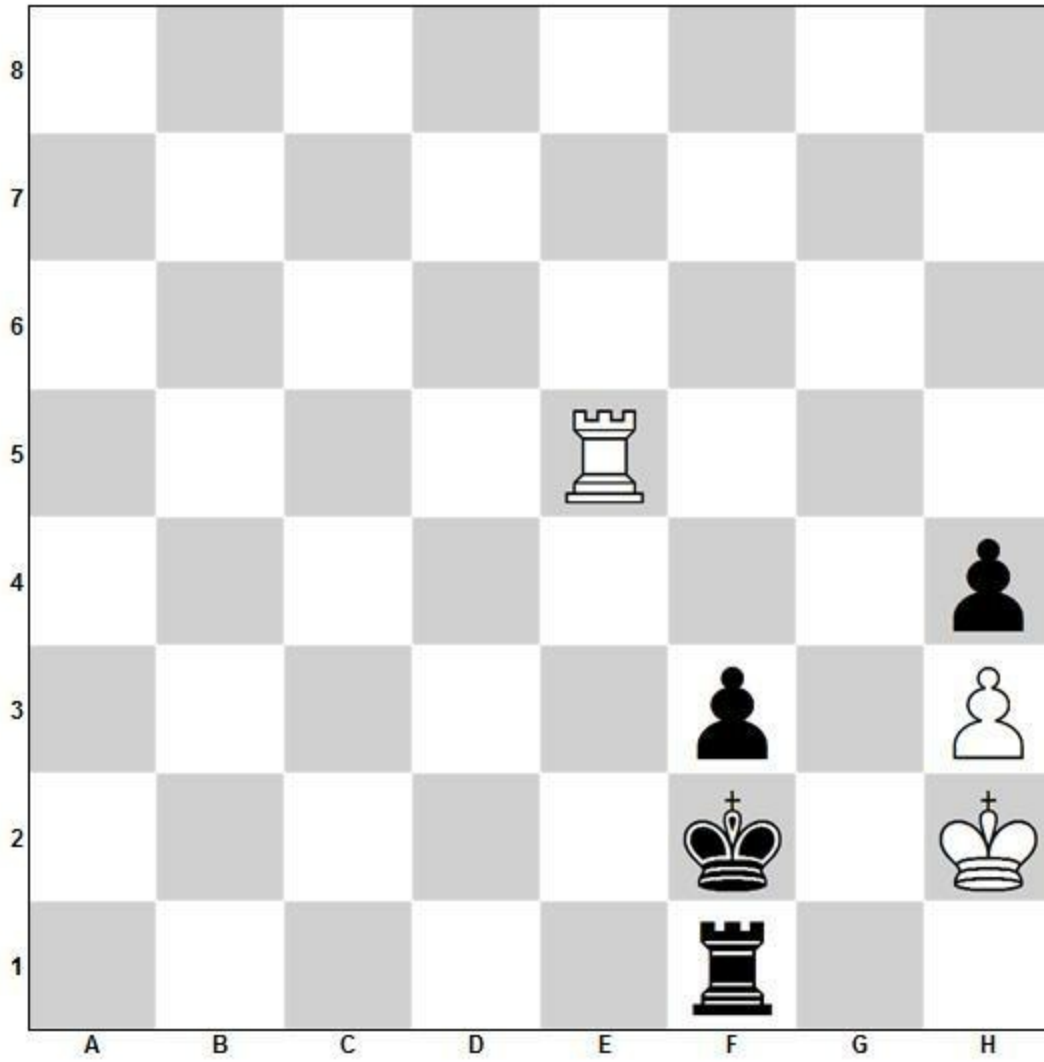
**25...Rxa6 26.Rxa6 Rxc5** the d4-pawn is pinned.

From the game Jason Loving (2106) – Justin Alter (1948), 2014 Colorado Open, Round 4, August 31, 2014

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<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/12/29/Game684673661.html>

(17) White to move



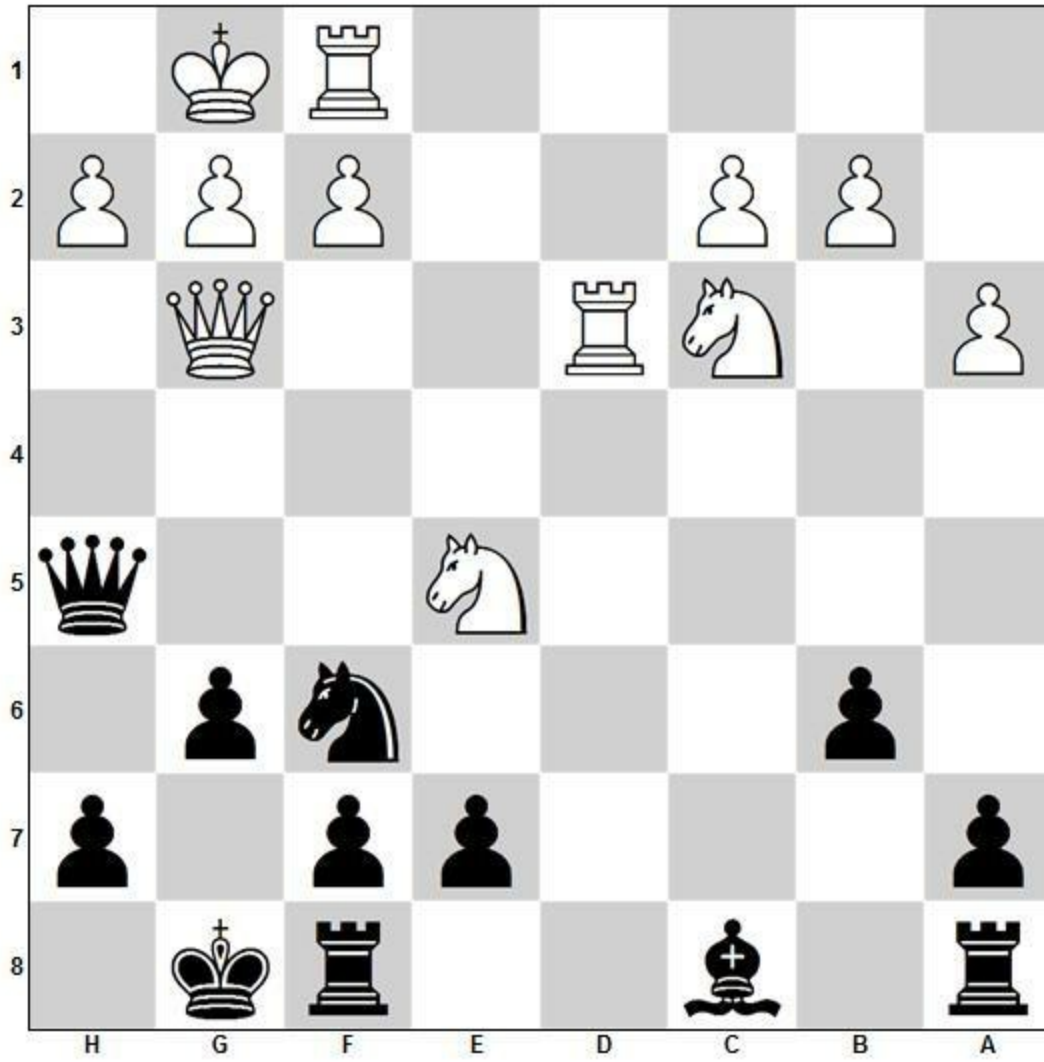
***135.Re2+!*** forces a stalemate after ***135...fxe2*** or ***135...Kxe2***. White missed this shot, and went on to lose the game.

Missed in the game Brian Wall (2240) – Josh Bloomer (2255), 2015  
Colorado Closed, Round 3, April 11, 2015

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<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2015/4/24/Game323558257.html>

(18) Black to move



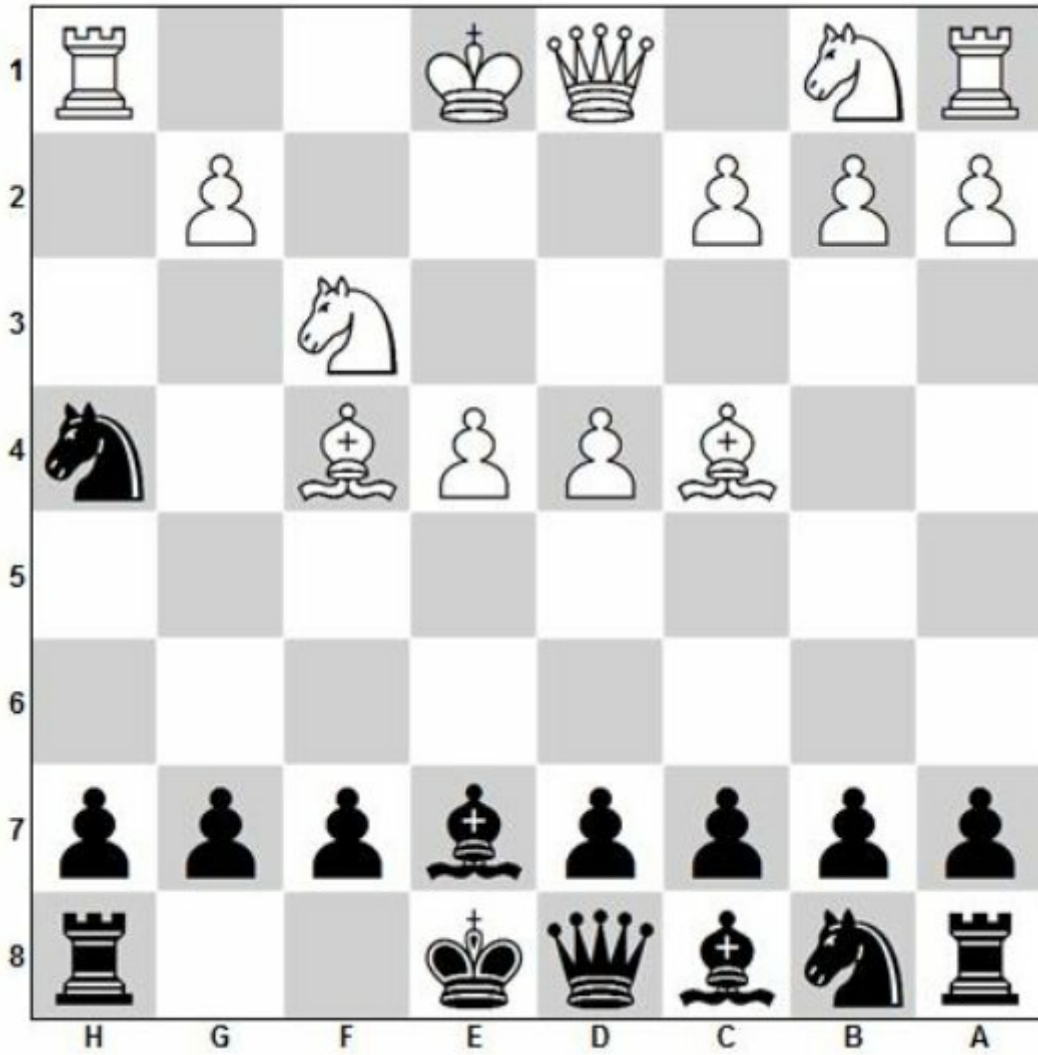
**16...Ba6** skewers the two white rooks.

From the game Jeffrey Baffo (1801) – Dean Brown (1545), Fort Collins Chess Team Olympiad, Round 1, January 24, 2015

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2015/4/4/Game62965778.html>

(19) Black to move



7...*Nxg2*+ takes a pawn, and forks the white king and bishop on f4.

Missed in the game Ron Remmel (1505) – Homer Franck (1175), MCC  
Forward March Swiss, Round 2, March 10, 1998

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/9/14/Game324991376.html>

(20) White to move



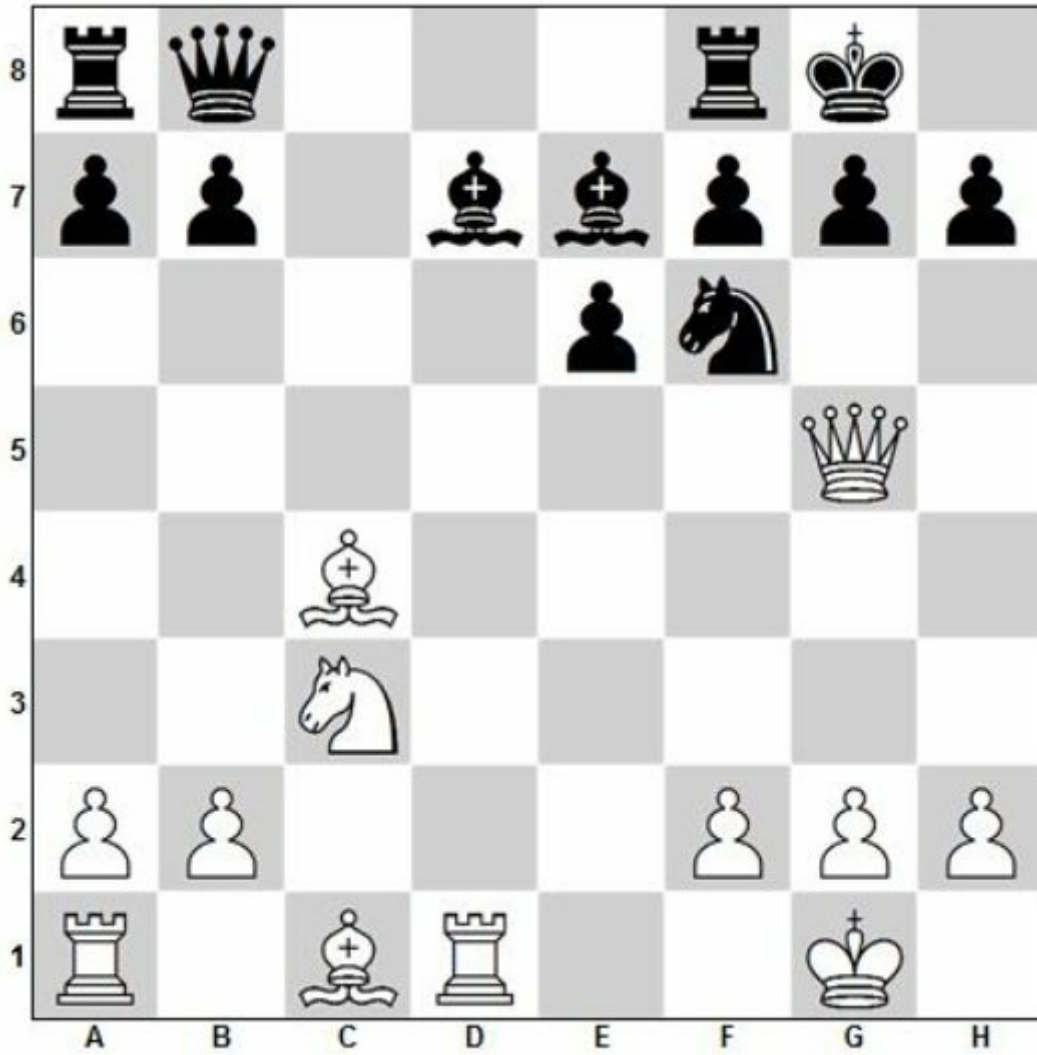
**27.Bb3+** White has two pieces under attack from the rook on c3. This check saves the bishop, and allows White time to protect his queen on the next move.

From the game Tim Brennan (1929) – Josh Brackelsberg (1823), Colorado Open, Round 2, August 30, 2014

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/11/16/Game269886596.html>

(21) White to move



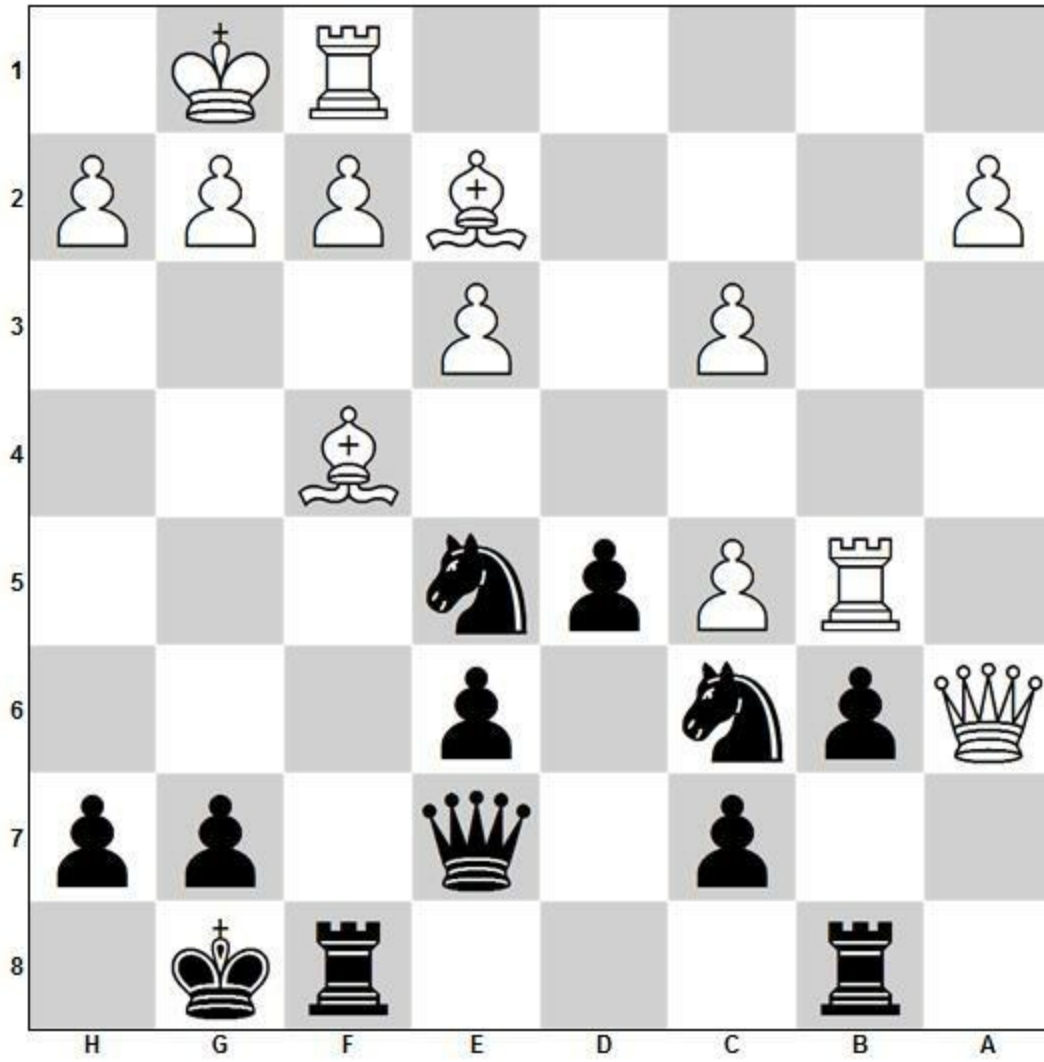
**14.Rxd7 Nxd7 15.Qxe7** wins a bishop and knight for the rook.

Missed in the game Tim Brennan (1929) – Daniel Herman (1826), Panera Bread Academy, Round 4, August 28, 2014

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(22) Black to move



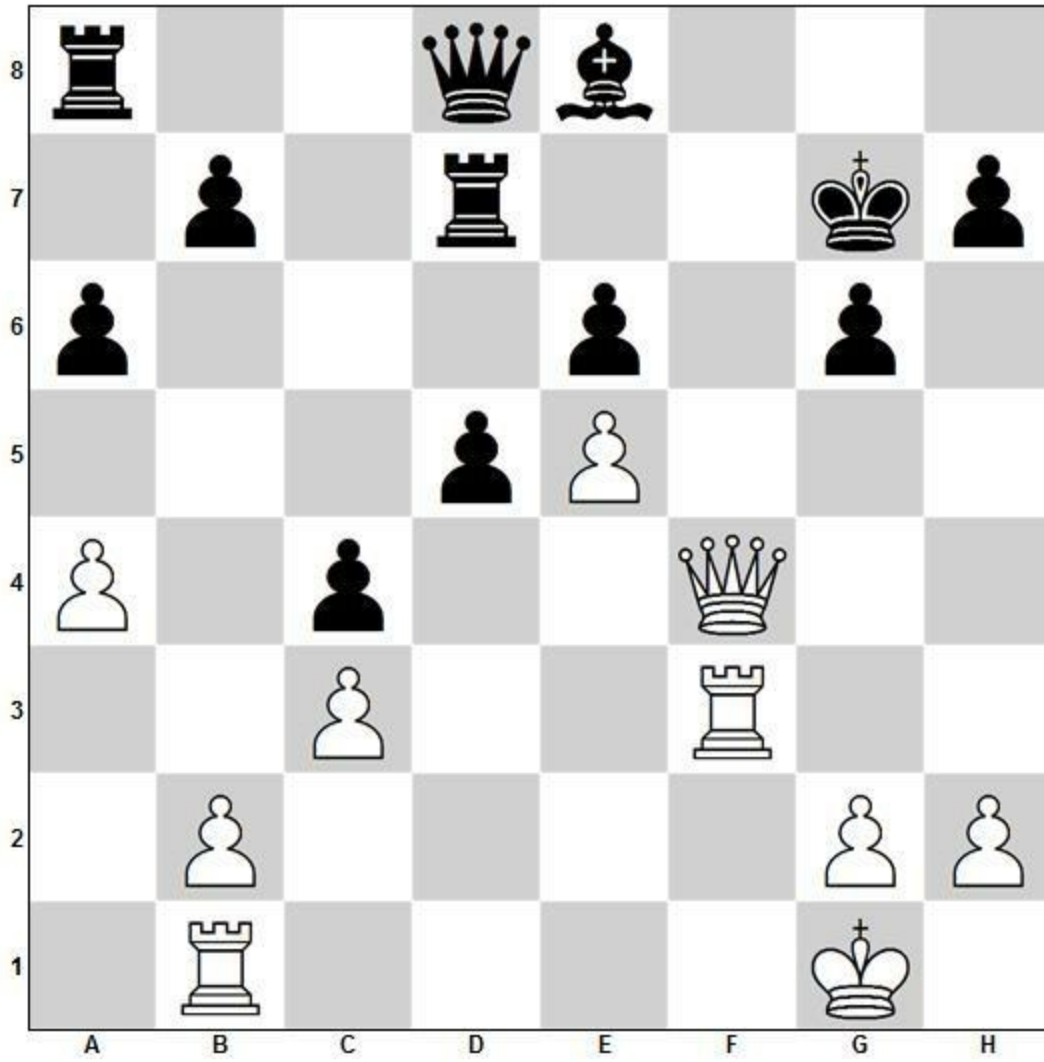
**22...Ra8 23.Qb7 Rfb8** traps the queen.

From the game Daniel Herman (1890) – Anthea Carson (1763), Panera Bread Academy, Round 4, July 24, 2014

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<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2015/1/4/Game268489358.html>

(23) White to move



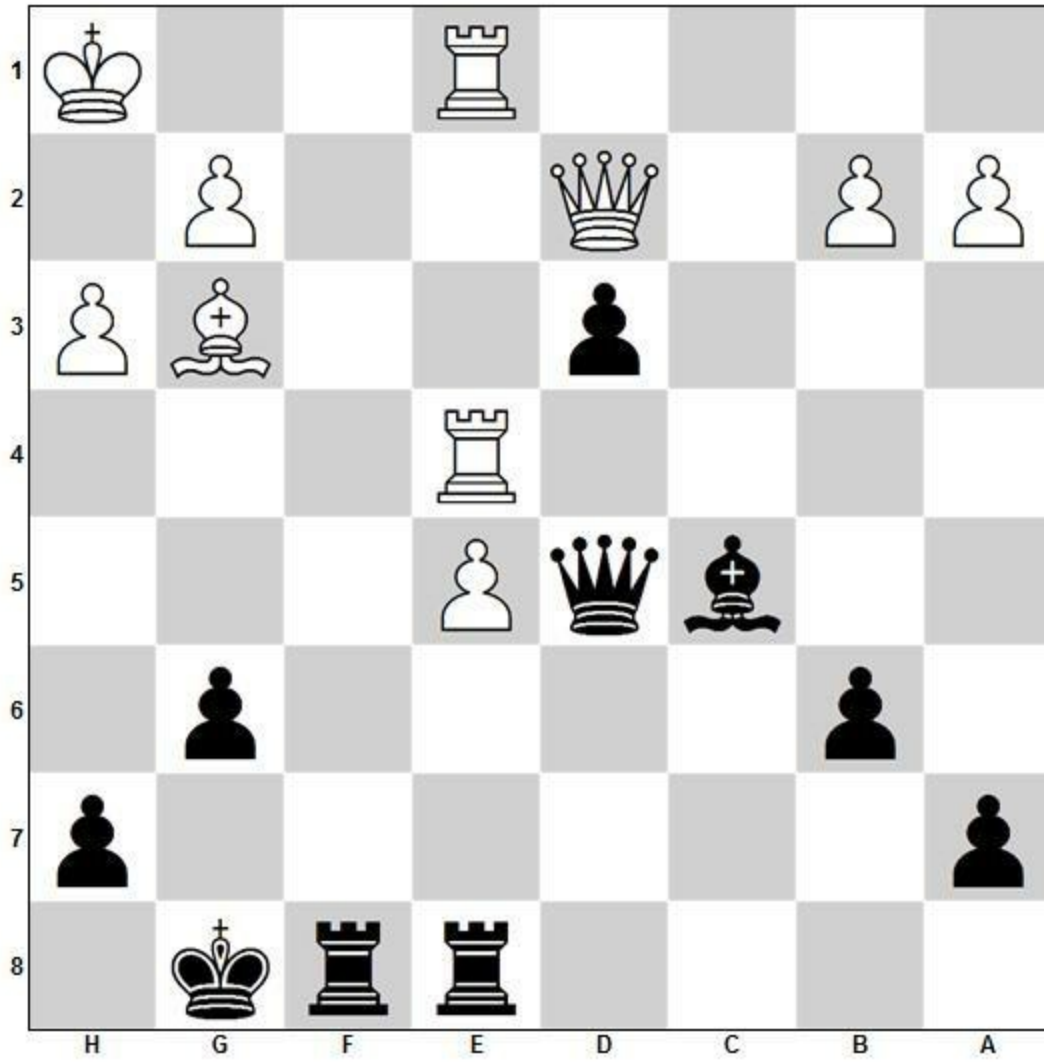
**26.Qf8#.**

Variation from the game Rob Hartelt (1157) – Robert Carlsen (1741), Tri Lakes Open, Round 1, October 4, 2014

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<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2015/1/31/Game607909781.html>

(24) Black to move



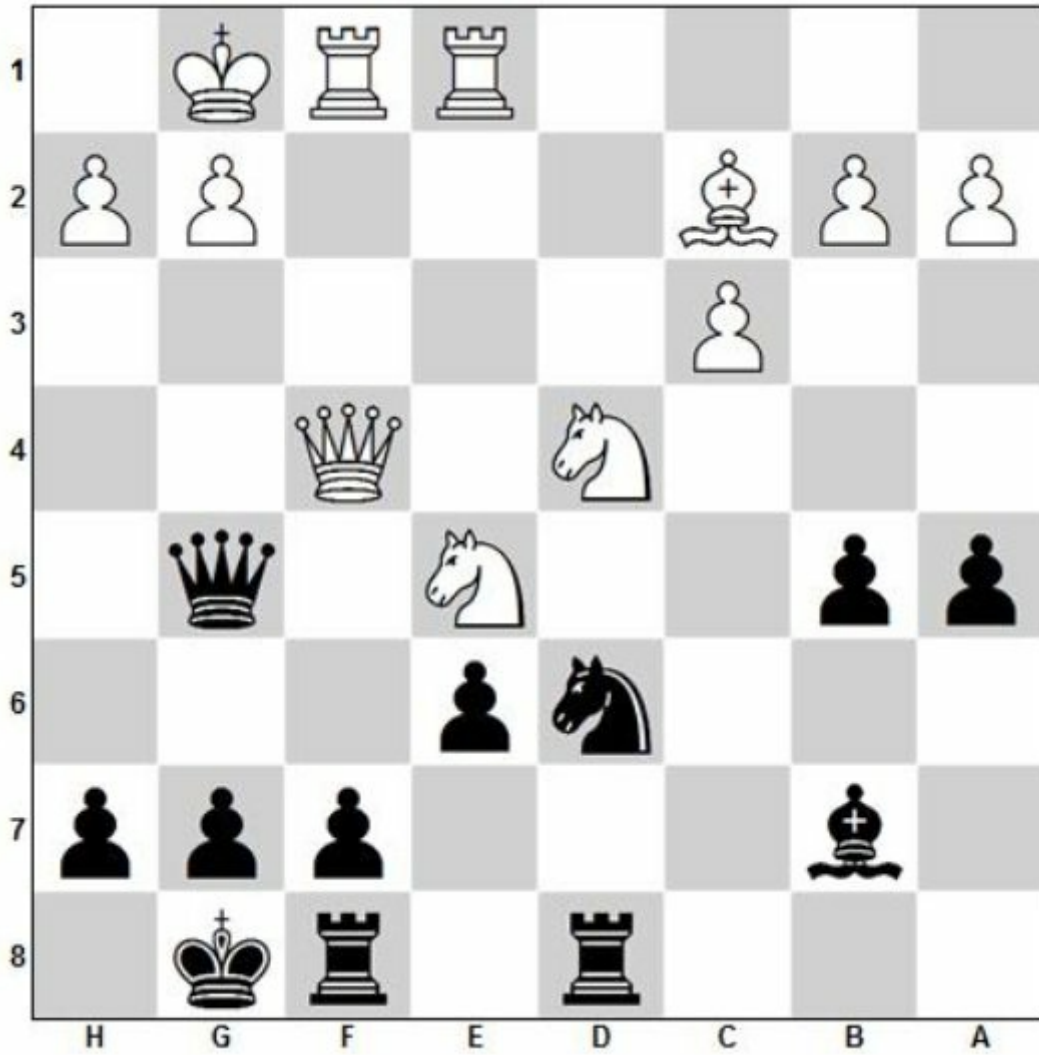
**29...Qxe4!!** wins a rook. If White recaptures **30...Rf1+ Kh2 31. Bg1+ 32.Kh1 Be3+** discovered check getting back the queen. **33. Kh2 Bxd2.**

From the game Dean Clow (1984) – Brian Wall (2250), Half Insanity, Round 1, July 26, 2014

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<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2015/1/4/Game268798817.html>

(25) Black to move



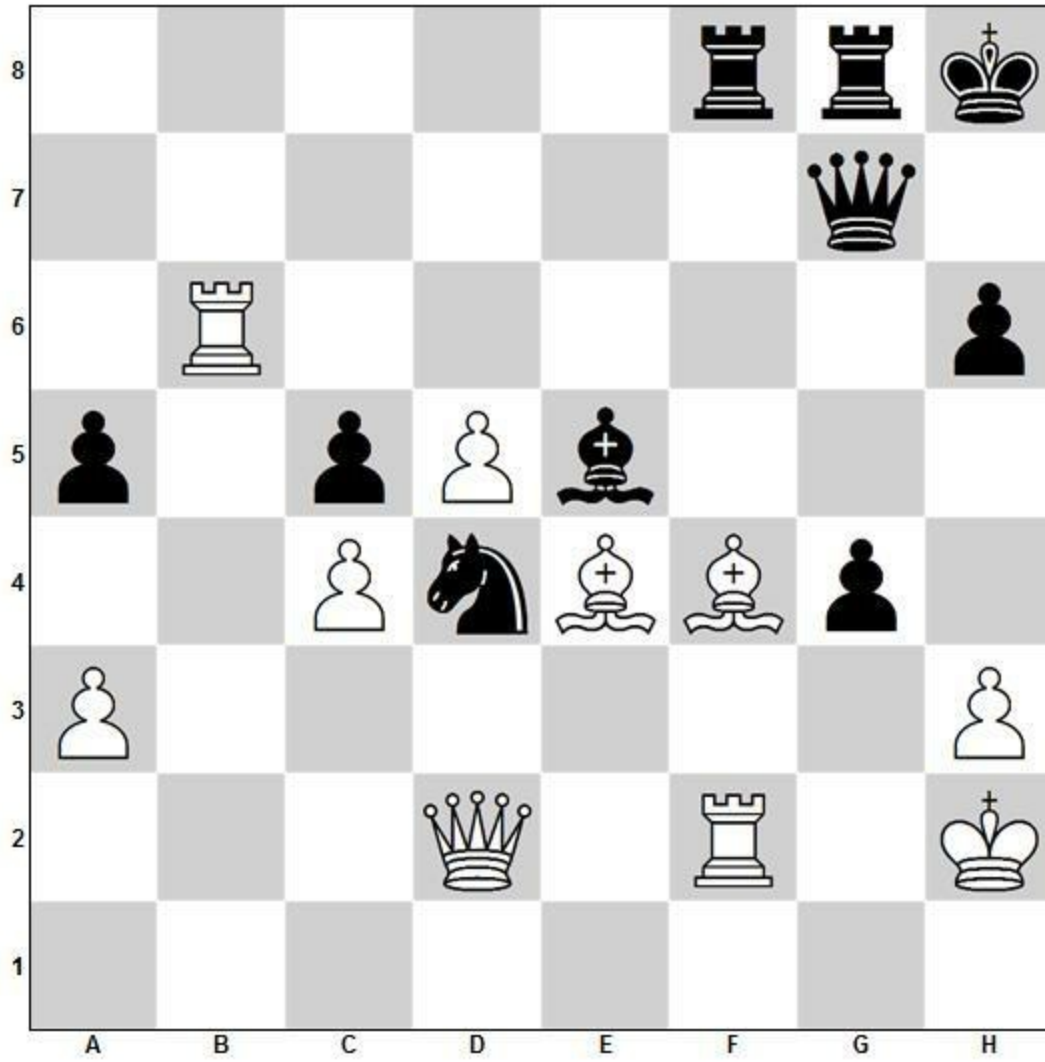
*28...Qxg2#*

Missed in the game Brian Wall (2119) – Josh Bloomer (2048), Village  
Innsanity Quick, Round 3, August 22, 2014

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<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/11/16/Game273919737.html>

(26) White to move



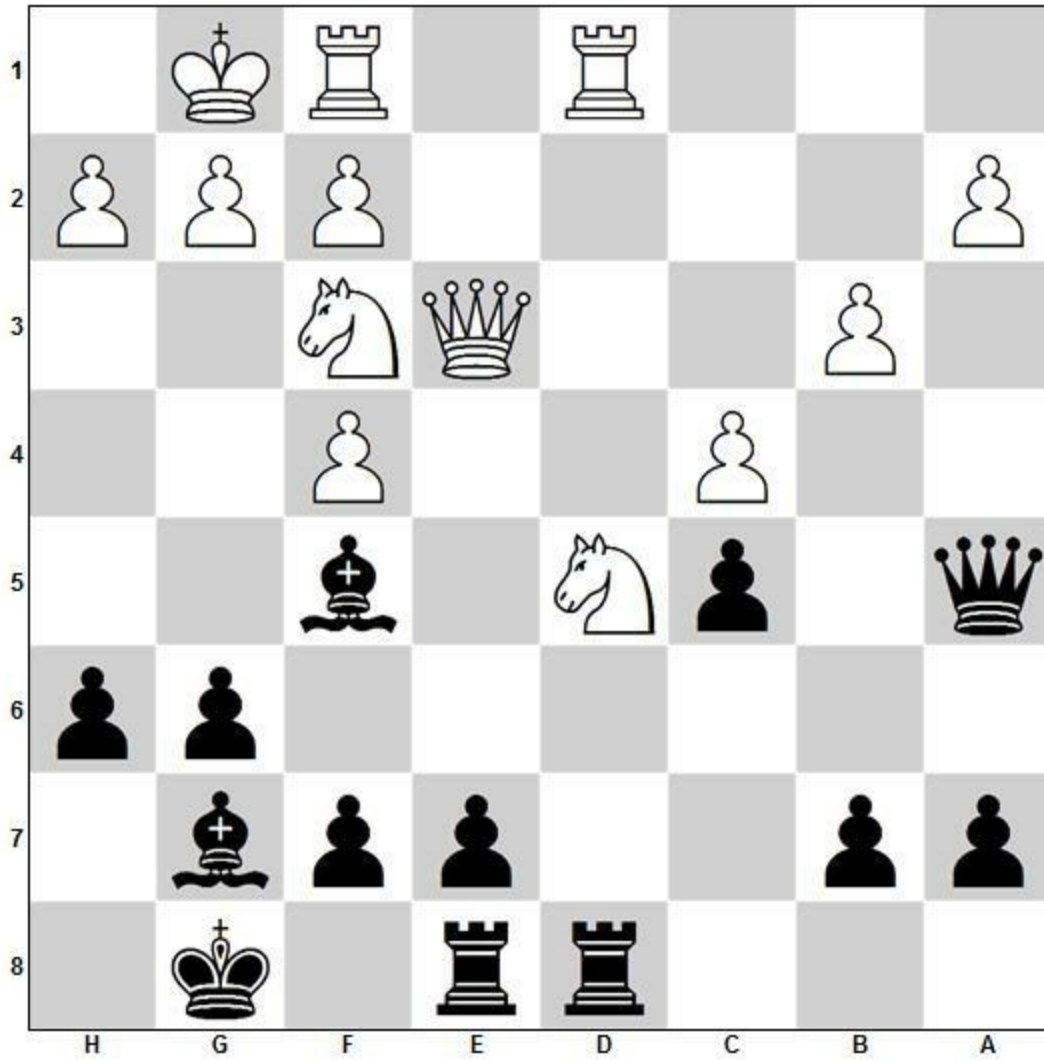
***44.Rxh6+!! Qxh6 45.Bxe5+ Rg7 46.Rxf8#***

From the game Daoud Zupa (2029) – Brian Wall (2245), Denver Chess Club  
Tuesdays, Round 2, December 10, 2013

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<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/12/25/Game346124862.html>

(27) Black to move



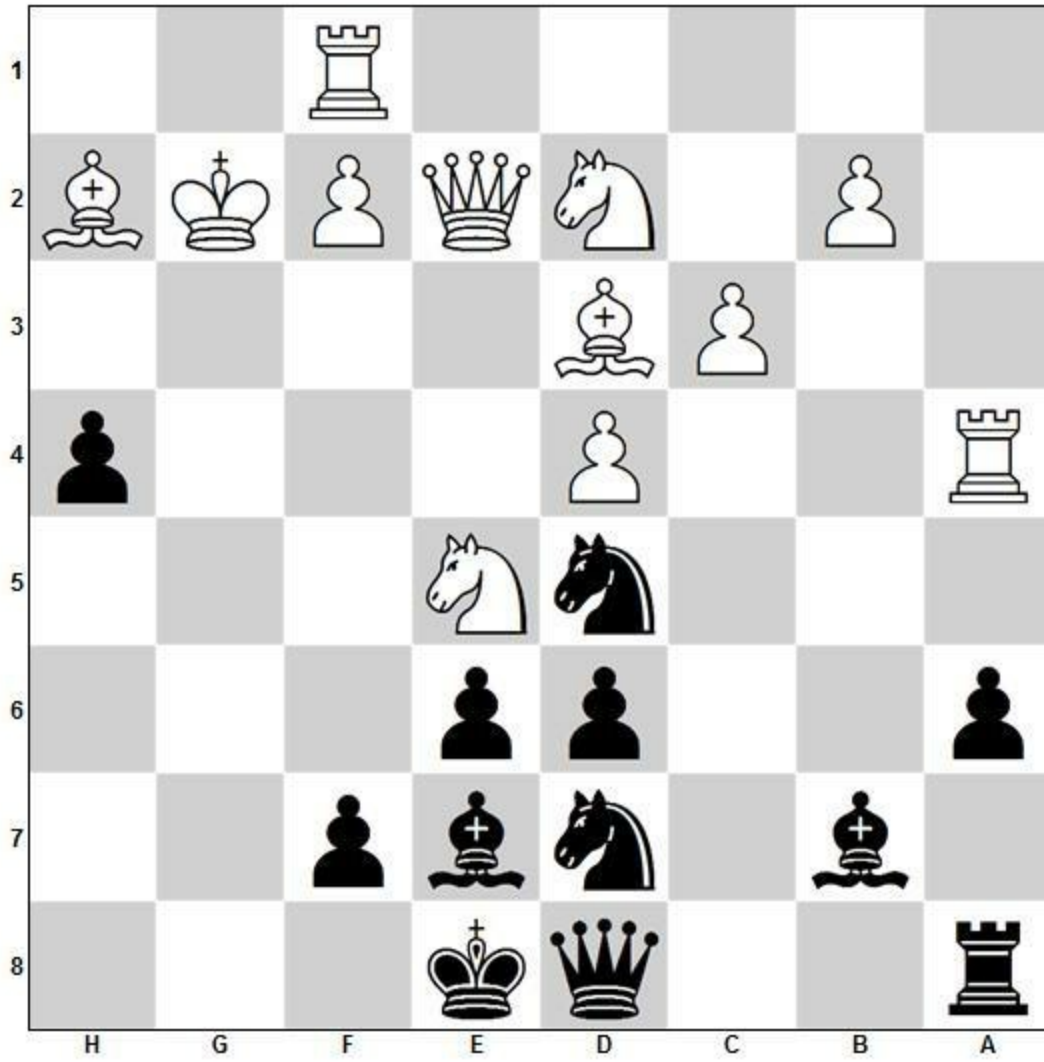
**18...e6** traps the white knight.

From the game Khuslen Tuya (1542) – Carissa Yip (1602), World Youth Chess Championship 2013. Girls U10, Round 7, December 23, 2013

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/12/25/Game347570165.html>

(28) Black to move



***20...Nf4+21.Kg1 Nh3#.***

Variation from the game condor (1799) – MassCarnage (2264), ICC 15 0  
Internet Chess Club, April 13, 2015

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2015/4/24/Game321305478.html>

(29) White to move



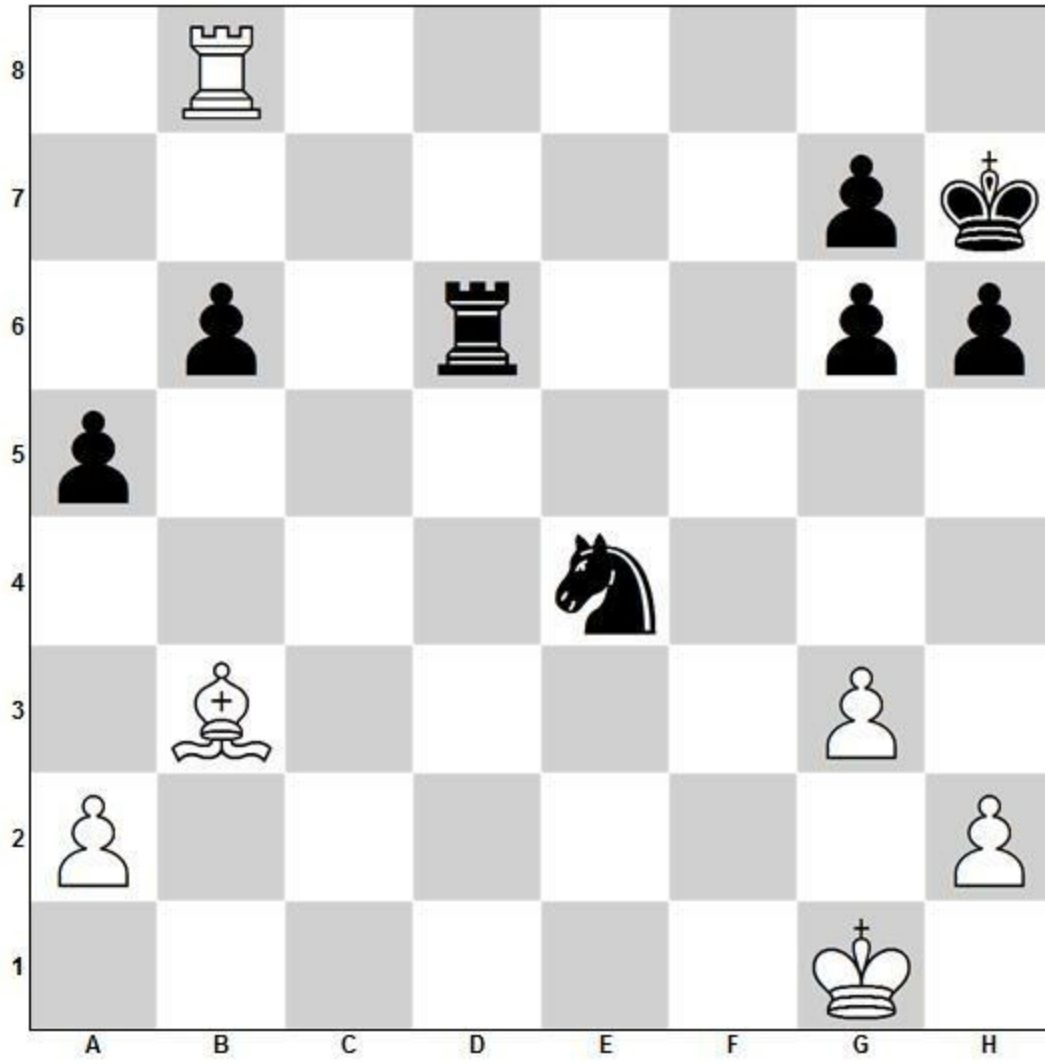
## ***16.Nxf7#***

Variation from the game Barracude (2071) – BrianWall (1983), ICC 15 10,  
December 27, 2013

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<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/12/25/Game347737351.html>

(30) White to move



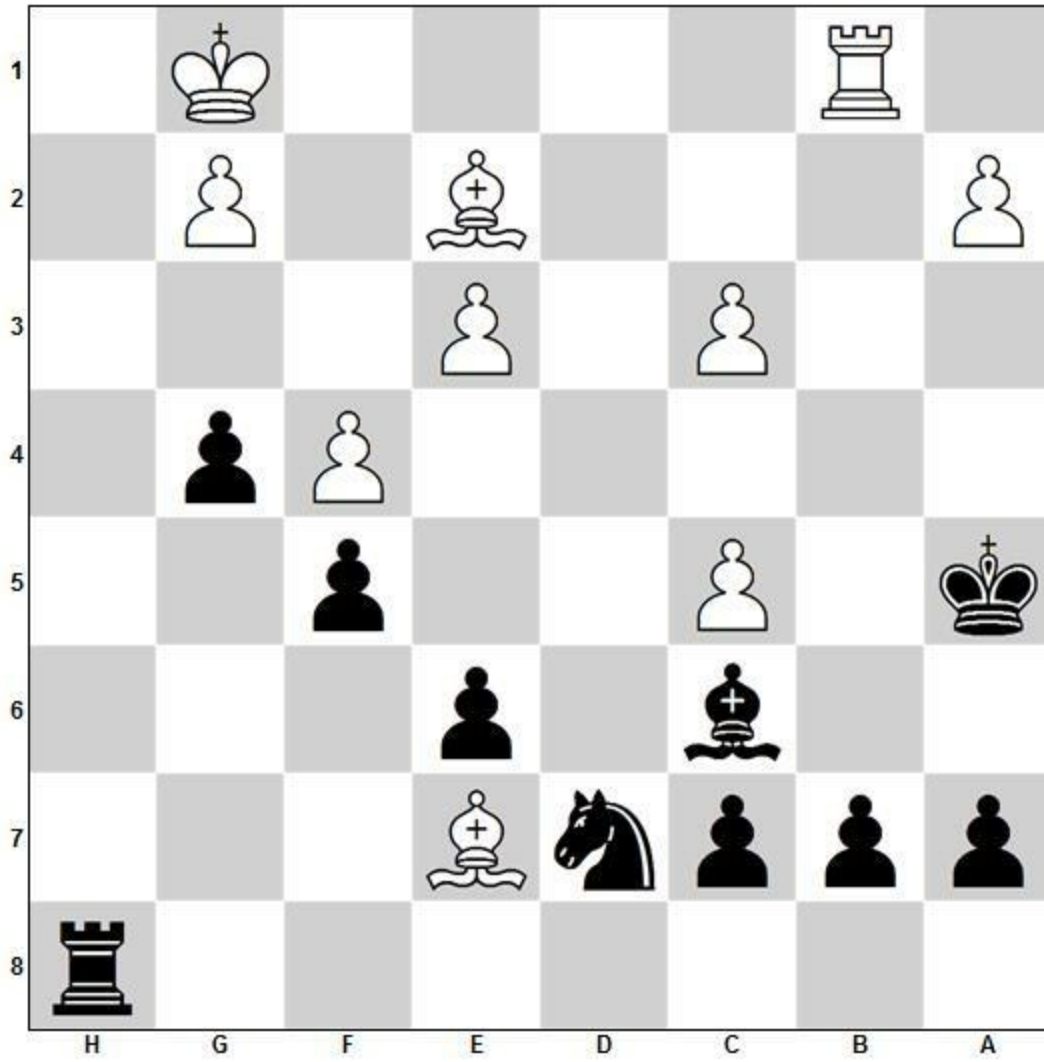
**33.Bg8+ Kh8 34.Bd5+ Kh7 35.Bxe4** wins the knight.

From the game Jack Woehr (1890) – Joshua Samuel (1877), 2014 Colorado Senior Championship, Round 3, April 27, 2014

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<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2015/1/18/Game5573135.html>

(31) Black to move



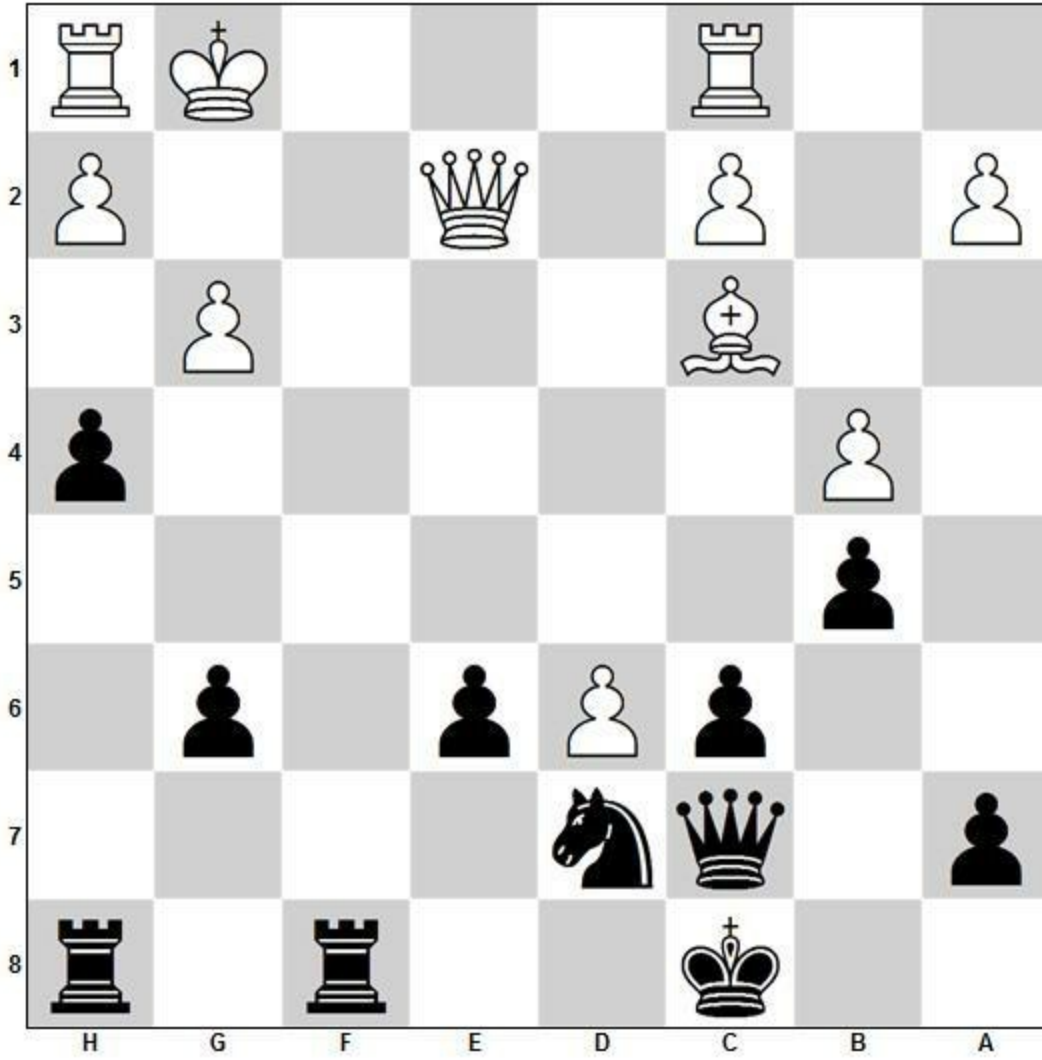
**31...Rh7** attacks the bishop, which cannot move and still defend the c5-pawn,  
**32.Bg5 Nxc5.**

Missed in the game Gene Lucas (1634) – Anthea Carson (1685), 2014  
Colorado Senior Championship, Round 3, April 27, 2014

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<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2015/1/25/Game57466837.html>

(32) Black to move



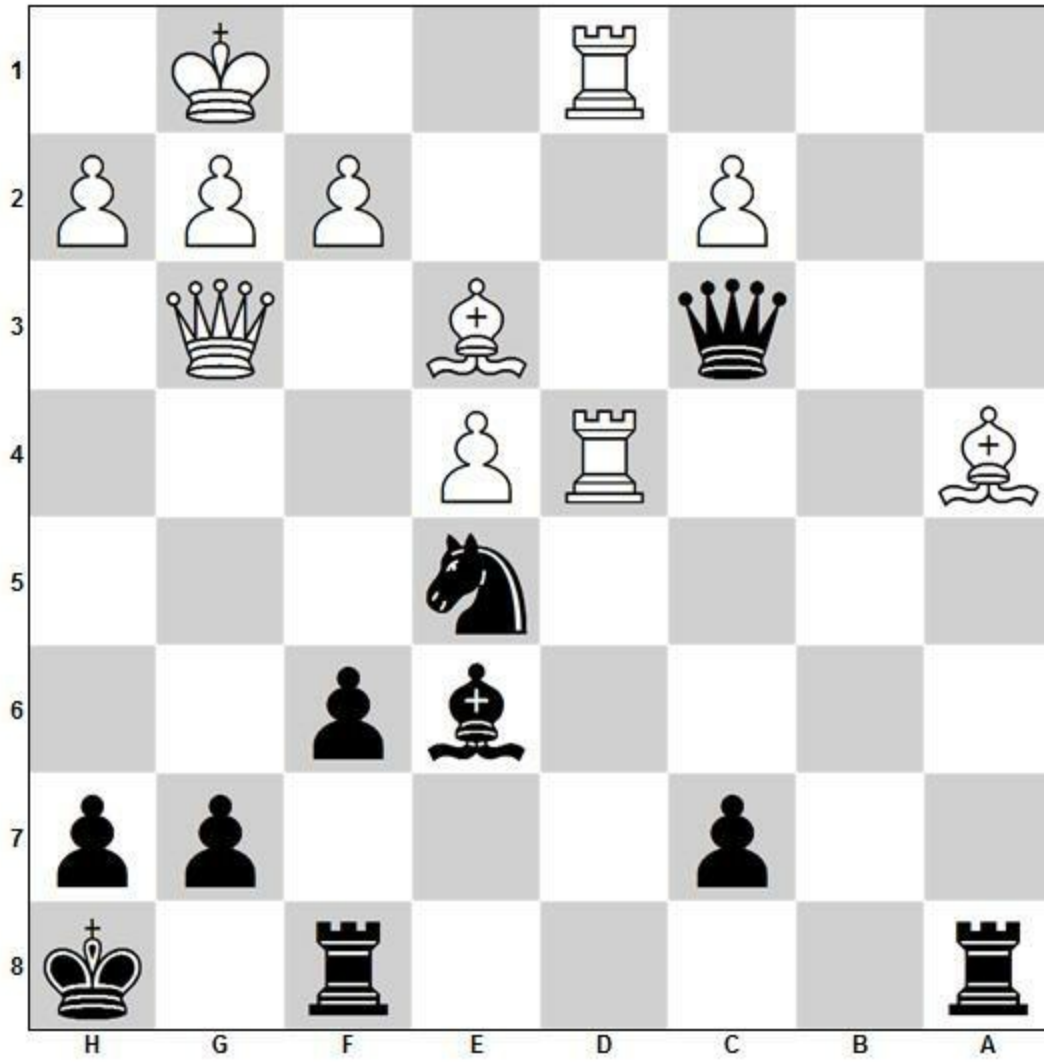
***27...Qb6+ 28.Bd4 Qxd4+ 29.Qe3 Qxe3+ 30.Kg2 h3#.***

From the game Kevin Seidler (2075) – Marc Jimenez (2082), 2014 Colorado Challenger, Round 3, April 26, 2014

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<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2015/1/31/Game606098922.html>

(33) Black to move



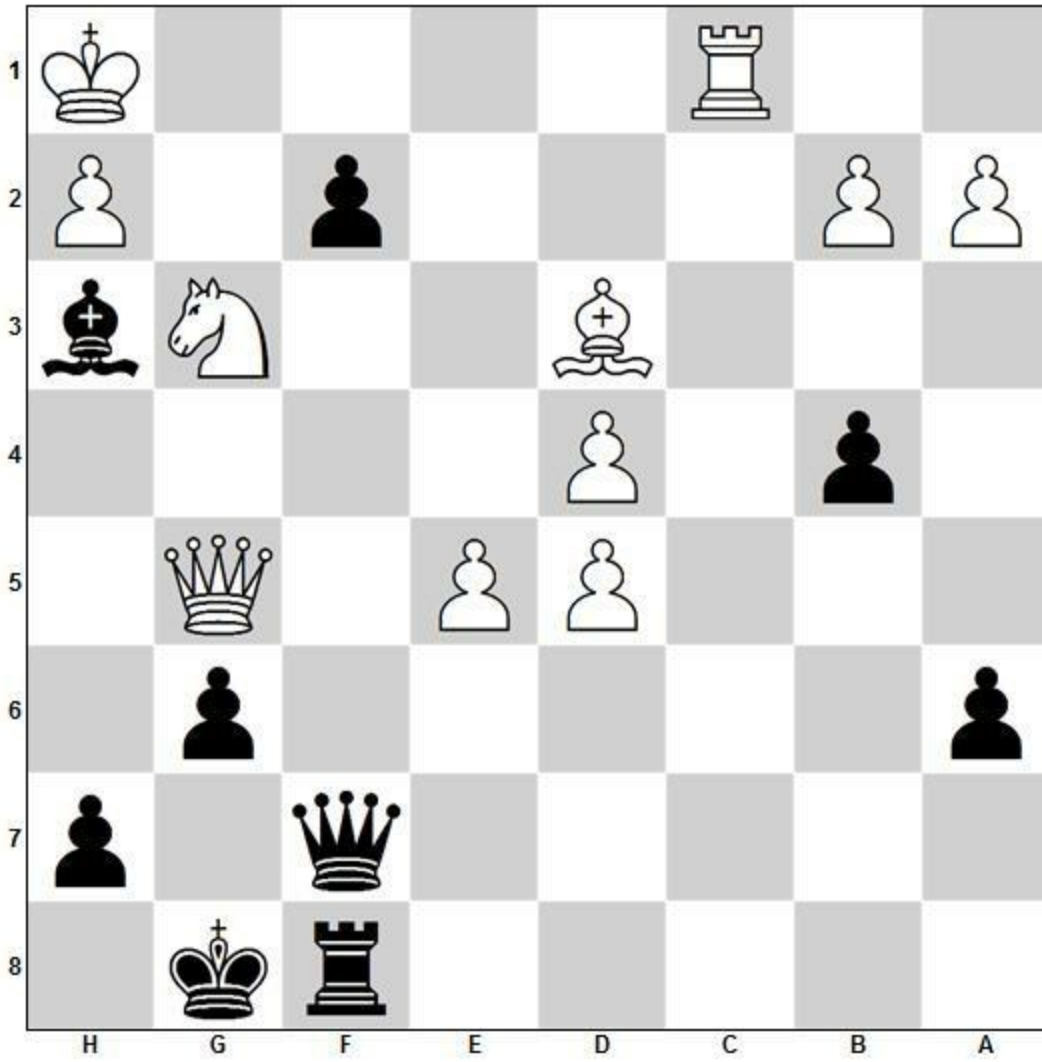
**23...c5** deflects the rook from protecting the bishop on a4. **24.R4d2 Rxa4.**

Variation from the game Mikhail Langer (2308) – Ivan Zuniga (2059), Texas Championship, Round 1, May 5, 2002

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<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2015/4/4/Game79088029.html>

(34) Black to move



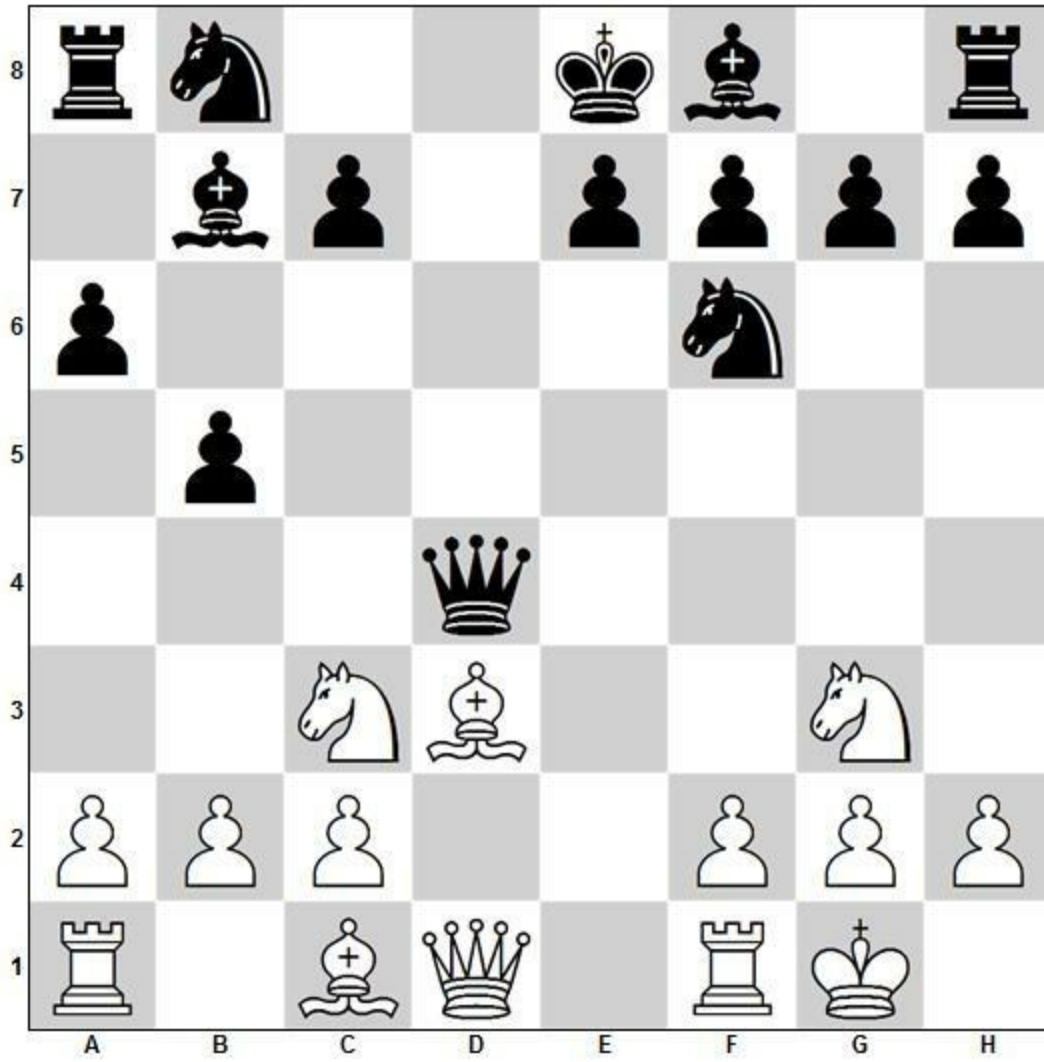
*30...Qf3#.*

From the game Robert Cousins (2123) - Ryan Swerdlin (2062), 2014  
Colorado Challenger, Round 4, April 27, 2014

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<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2015/1/31/Game607076486.html>

(35) White to move



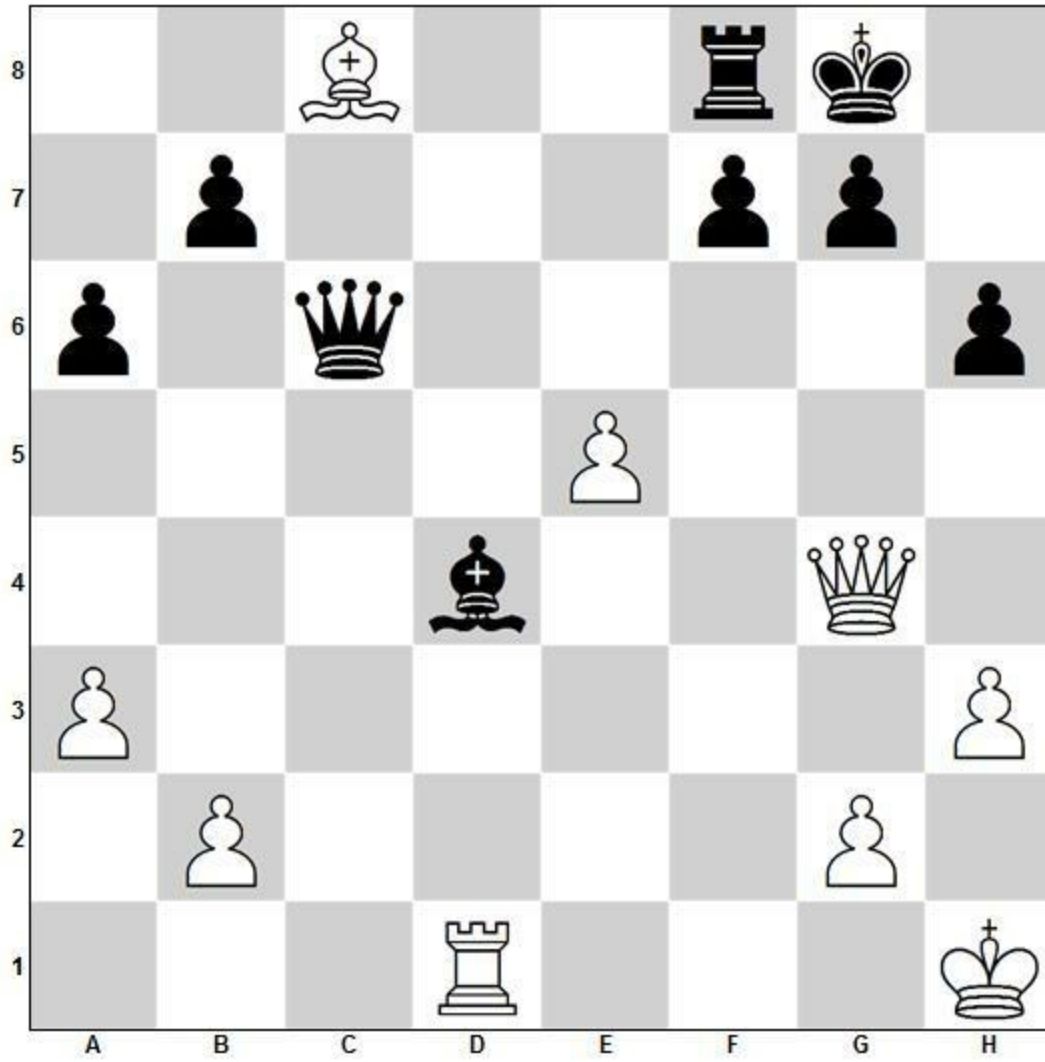
**9.Bxb5+** discovered attack on the black queen. **9...Qd7 10.Bxd7+**.

Variation from the game Chris Peterson (2123) – Scott Lett (2075), 2014  
Colorado Challenger, Round 2, April 26, 2014

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<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2015/1/31/Game606324515.html>

(36) White to move



**31.Bd7.** White first saves his bishop with tempo, and then has time to capture the bishop on d4. **31...Qc5 32.Qxd4** and White is up a piece.

Missed in the game Daniel Herman (1785) – Victor Creazzi (1289), Tri Lakes Open, Round 2, October 4, 2014

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<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2015/1/31/Game607690865.html>

(37) Black to move



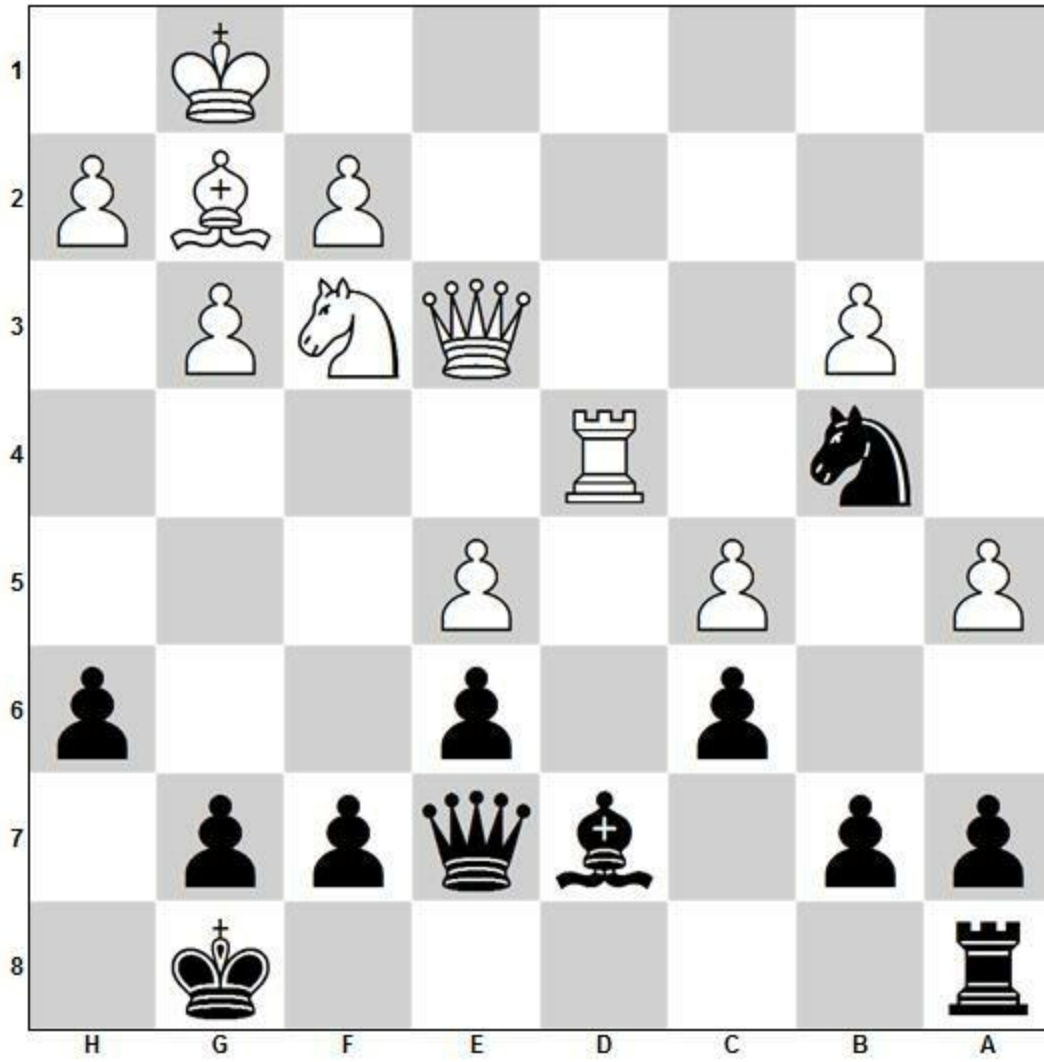
**19...Bxf3** and if White recaptures **20.Rxf3 Qxe1+** winning a rook.

From the game Eric Barkemeyer (1662) – Sean Scott (1940), 2014 Colorado Senior Championship, Round 1, April 26, 2014

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<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2015/1/25/Game56598145.html>

(38) Black to move



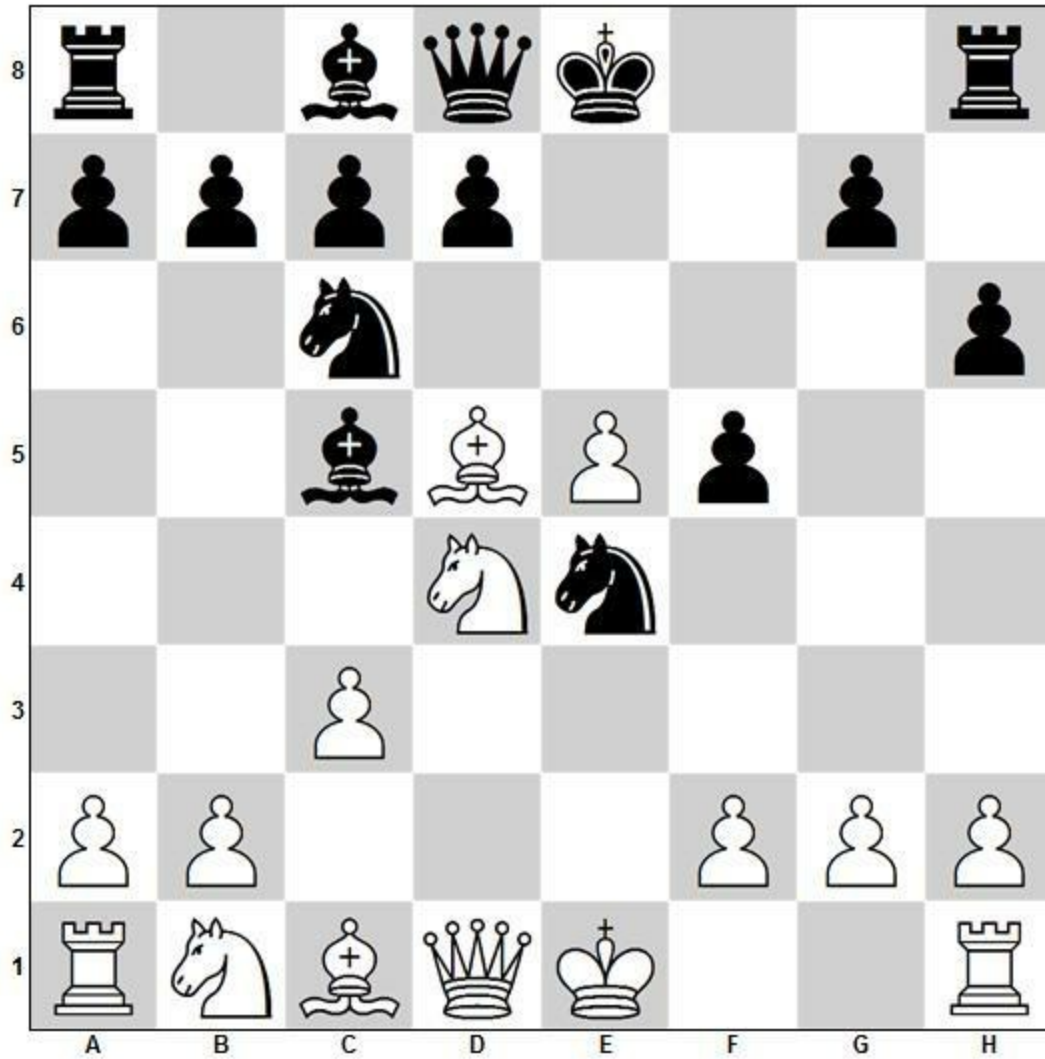
**26...Nc2** forks the rook and queen.

From the game Jack Woehr (1890) – Gene Lucas (1634), 2014 Colorado Senior Championship, Round 1, April 26, 2014

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(39) White to move



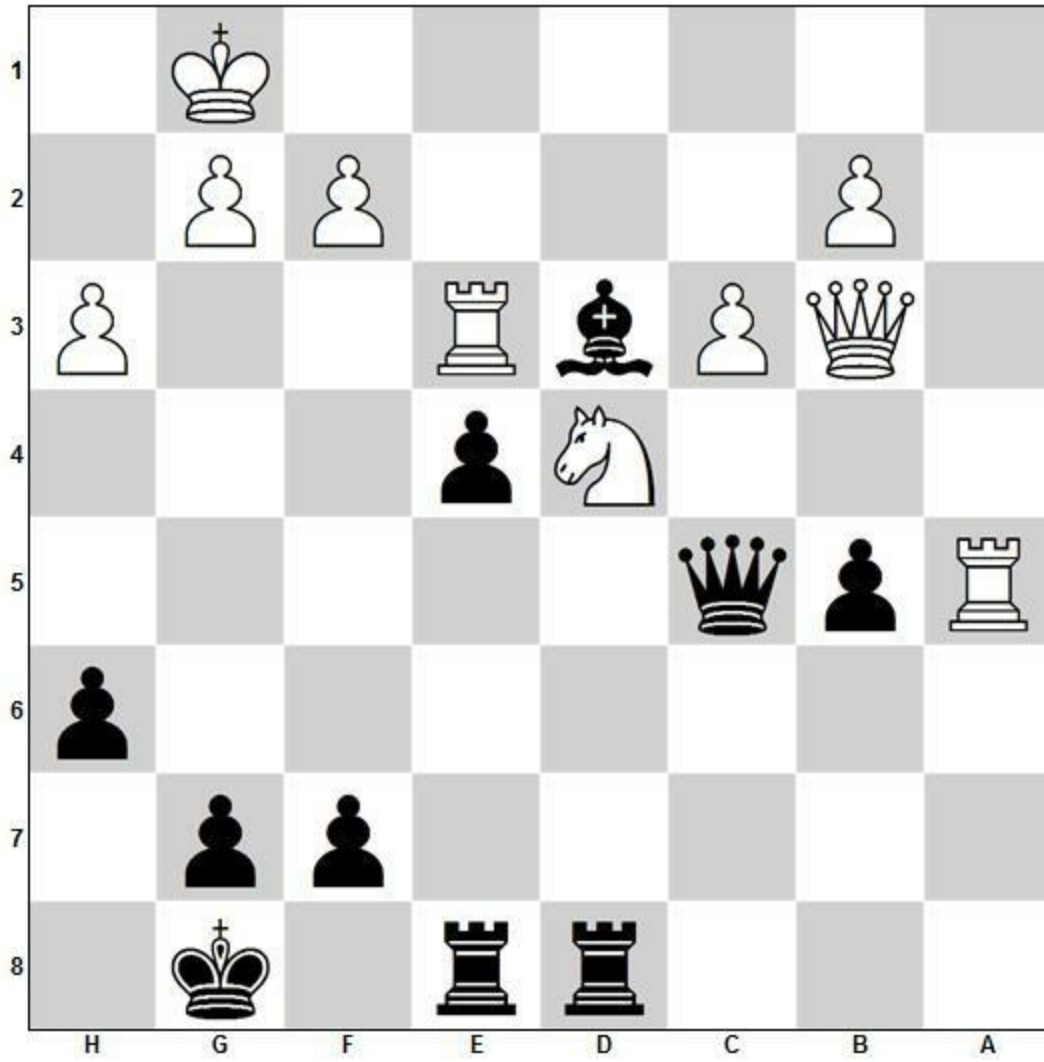
***9.Qh5+ g6 10.Qxg6+ Kf8 11.Qf7#.***

From the game Dean Brown (1479) – Teah Williams (1041), Smashburgers  
Wednesdays G/90; d5, Round 2, January 14, 2015

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2015/1/18/Game6735124.html>

(40) Black to move



**31...Rxd4! 32.cxd4 Qc1+ 33.Kh2 Qc7+ forking the king and rook, 34.Kg1 Qxa5.**

From the game Tom Webb (1640) – Bruce Charnov (1906), Alejandrino Baluran Swiss, May 22, 2014

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2015/1/25/Game57263677.html>

(41) Black to move



***14...g4*** attacks the white knight, the only protector of the d4-pawn ***15.Ng5 Bb4+ 16.Kf1 Qxd4.***

Variation from the game Isaac Martinez (1939) – Brian Wall (2240), 6<sup>th</sup> Monument Open, Round 3, August 17, 2014

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<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/11/22/Game266006150.html>

(42) White to move



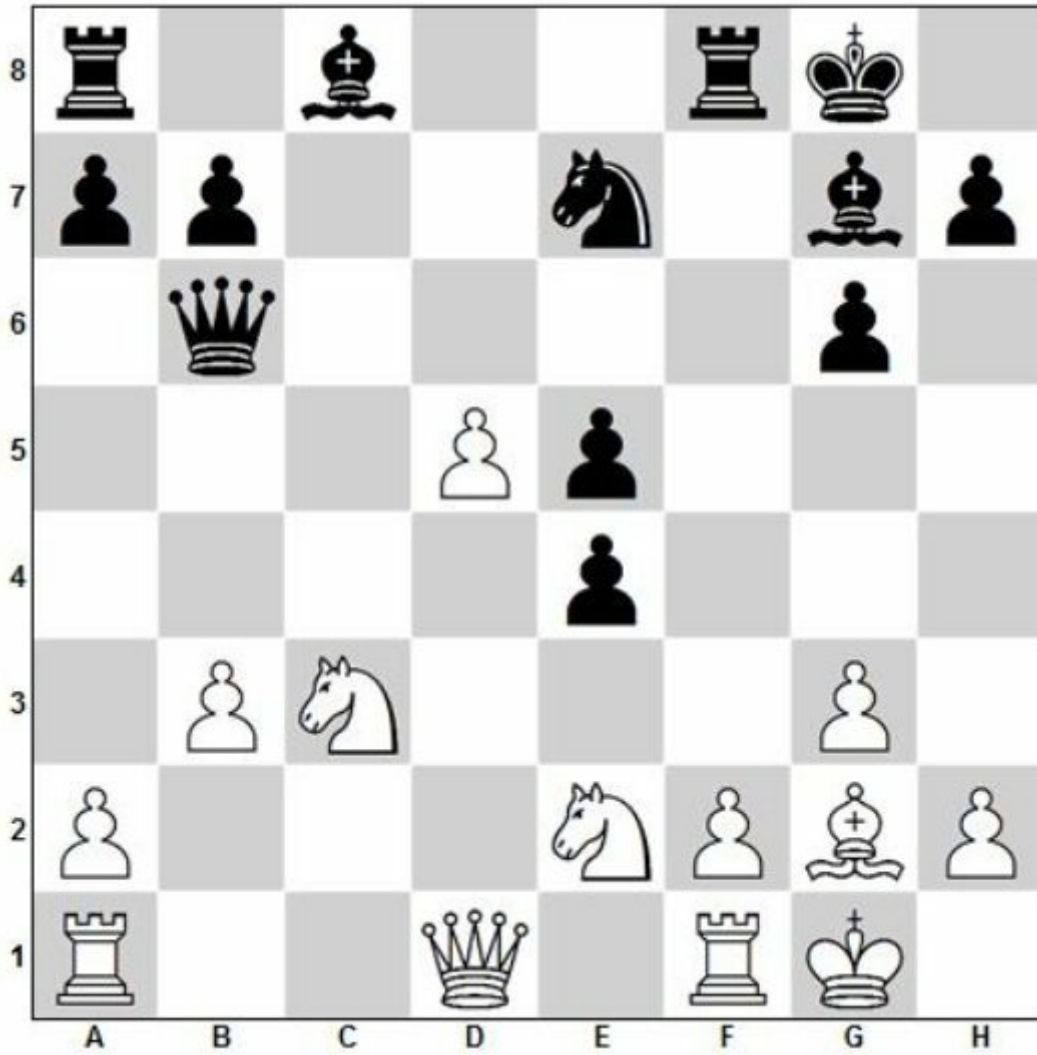
**14.Qxf6** wins a piece. The e7-pawn is pinned. **14...0-0** unpinning the king and protecting the rook on h8 **15.Qxc6** threatening the black rook on a8 and giving white time to save the bishop on c4.

From the game Adam Shaw (1605) – Erik Murrah (1677), Ashland XIX, Round 3, January 20, 2011

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/9/6/Game64041343.html>

(43) White to move



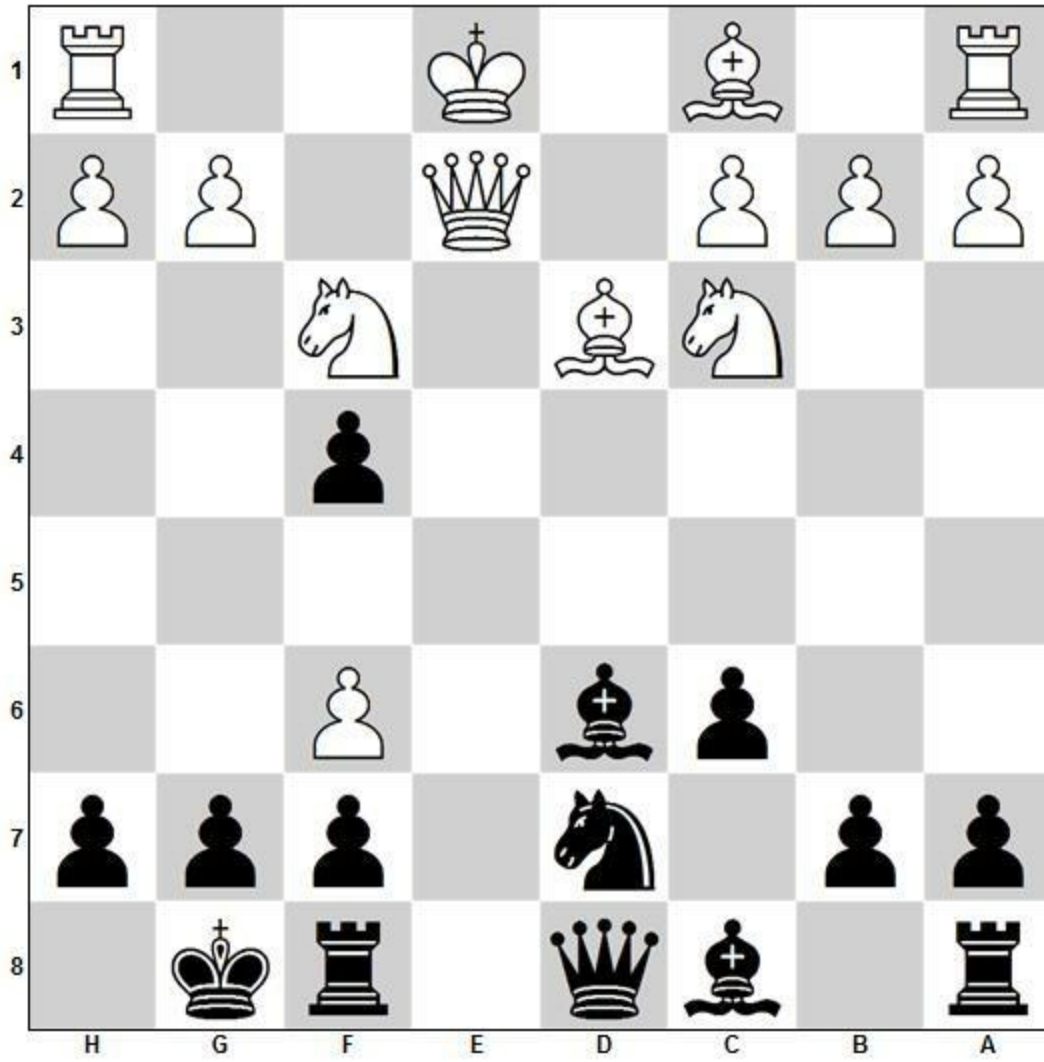
*17.d6* pushes the pawn with tempo. *17...Nf5* *18.d7* traps the black bishop.

Missed in the game stevezhee (1602) – YourMomtothemax (1664), Live Chess, Chess.com, September 1, 2014

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/11/8/Game306734095.html>

(44) Black to move



*10...Re8* pins the white queen to the king.

Variation from the game MassCarnage (2200) – Moheb Amir (2427), ICC Open 2014, Round 2, July 19, 2014

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<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/12/21/Game6258822.html>

(45) Black to move



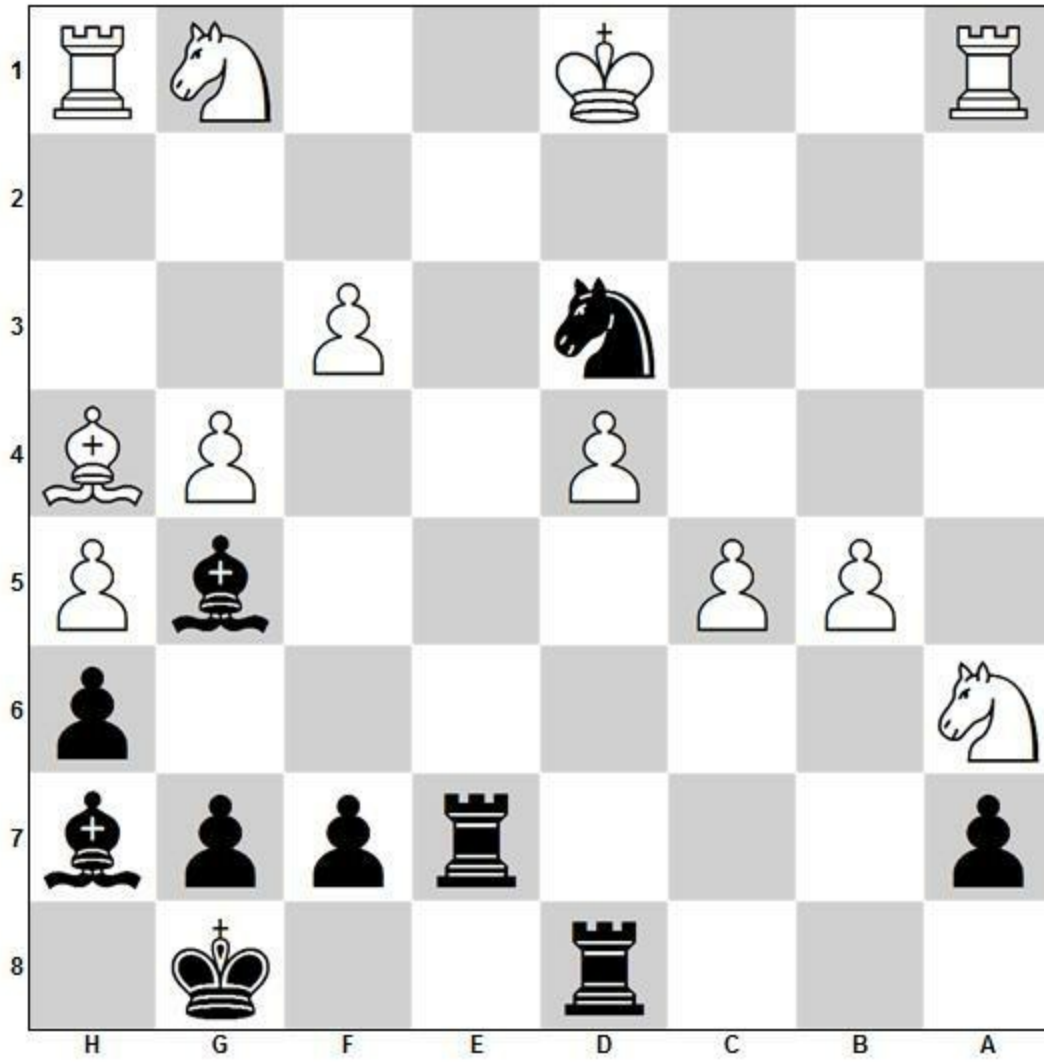
**10...Bxd3** wins a piece. The bishop on e2 is pinned.

Variation from the game Timmybx (1779) – Proper Knob (1655), King's Gambit Banded Thematic 1600-1700, Round 3, redhotpawn.com, November 13, 2010

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/9/15/Game1231144.html>

(46) Black to move



**28...Nb2#**

From the game Brian Wall (2310) – Josh Bloomer (2243), Casual unrated blitz, Round 21, July 22, 2014

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2015/1/4/Game269279565.html>



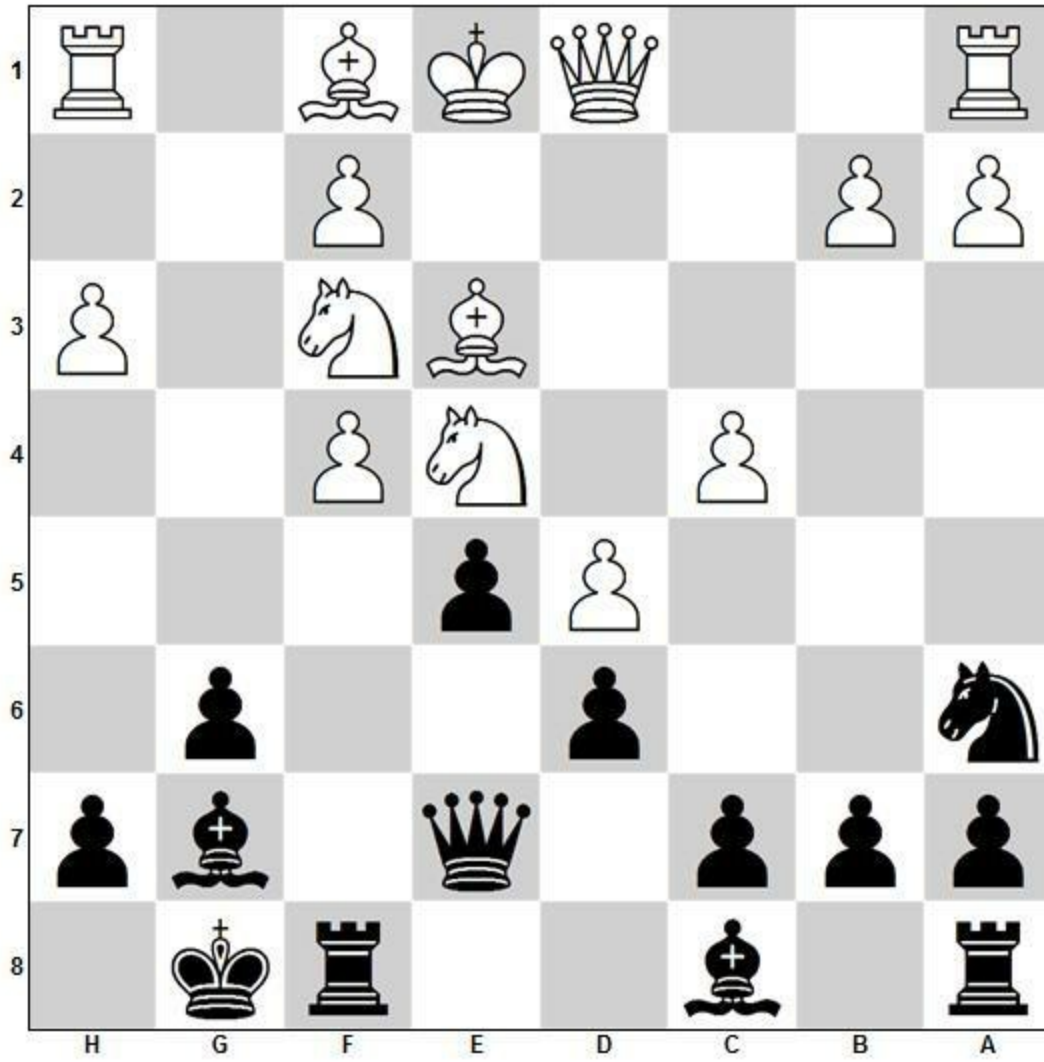
**23.Rxf6!** wins a piece that appears to be defended, but isn't. **23...Qxf5**  
**24.Rxf5.**

From the game Brian Wall (2261) – Chris Peterson (2157), DCC Tribute to Martin Luther King, Round 5, January 18, 2015

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2015/4/4/Game69149689.html>

(48) Black to move



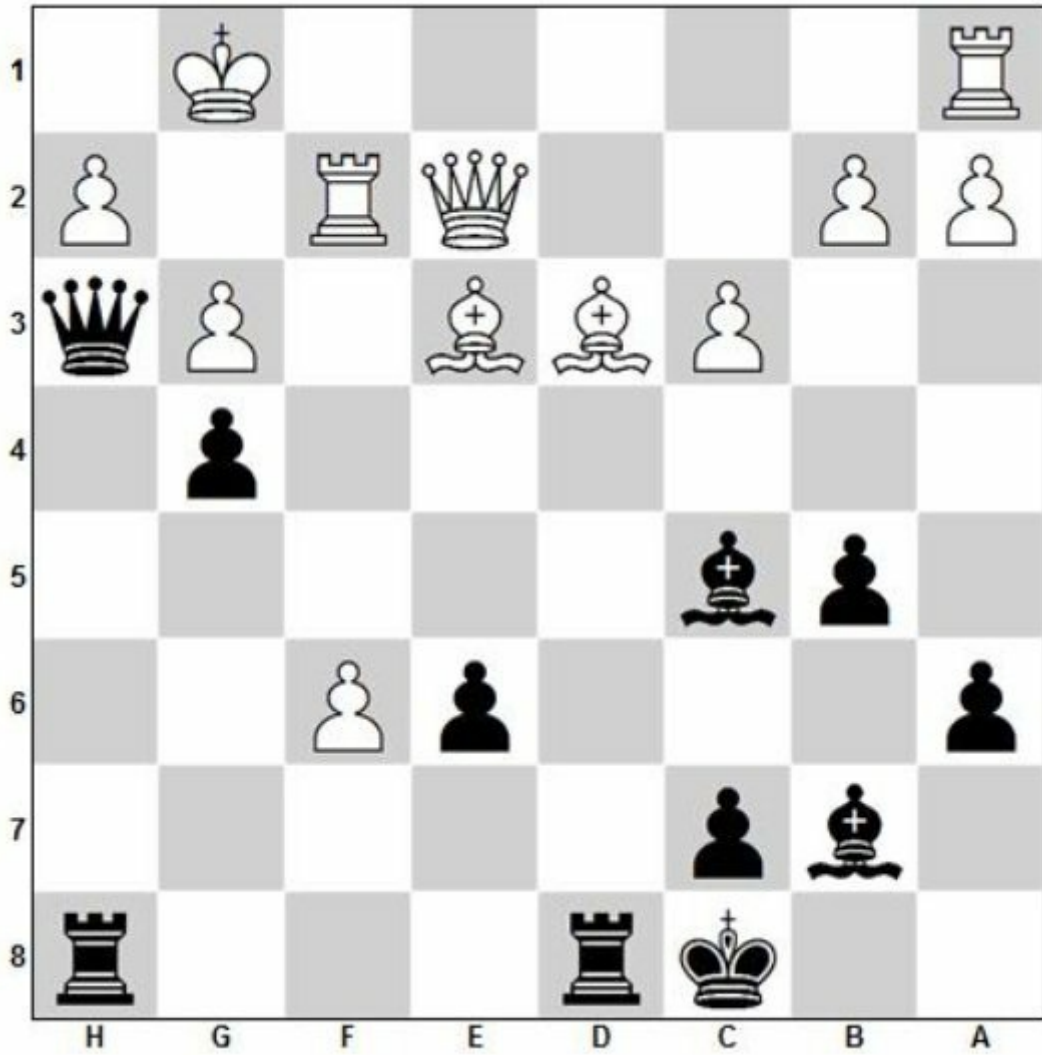
***14...exf4*** double attack on the white knight and bishop. ***15.Bc1 Qxe4+***.

Variation from the game Anthea Carson (1817) – Earle Wikle (2019), DCC  
Tribute to Martin Luther King, Round 3, January 17, 2015

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2015/4/4/Game69799683.html>

(49) Black to move



**23...Qxg3+** wins an important pawn in front of the white king and attacks the bishop on e3 a second time. White cannot capture the queen because of **24.hxg3 Rh1#**, which is what happened in the game.

From the game Snipp89 (2056) – MassCarnage (2200), ICC 3 0, Internet Chess Club, March 30, 2014

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/9/20/Game418029576.html>

(50) White to move



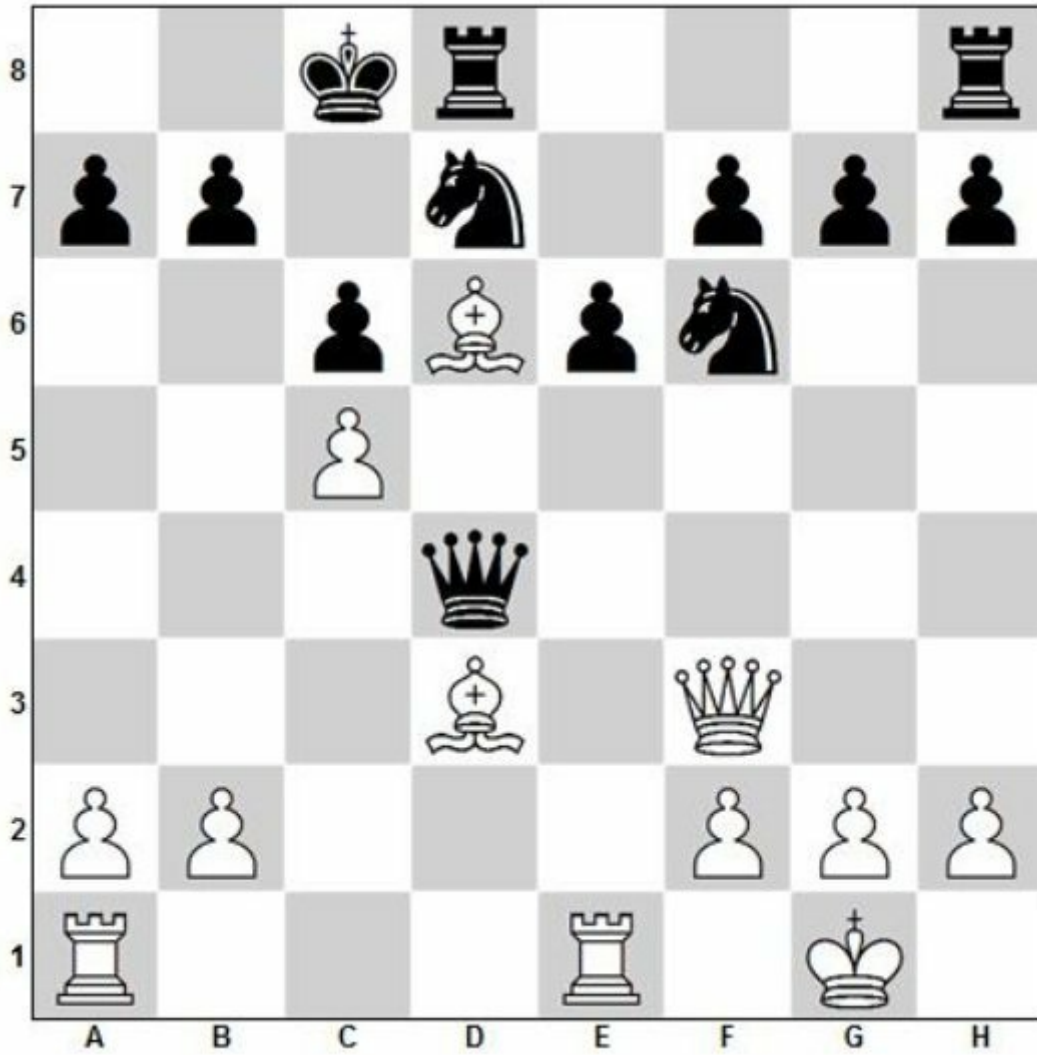
***16.Nxd6*** forks the two Black Rooks.

From the game Alexander Freeman (1755) – Jason Lee (1293), December  
Panera Bread Academy, Round 1, December 5, 2013

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<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/1/1/Game176246637.html>

(51) White to move



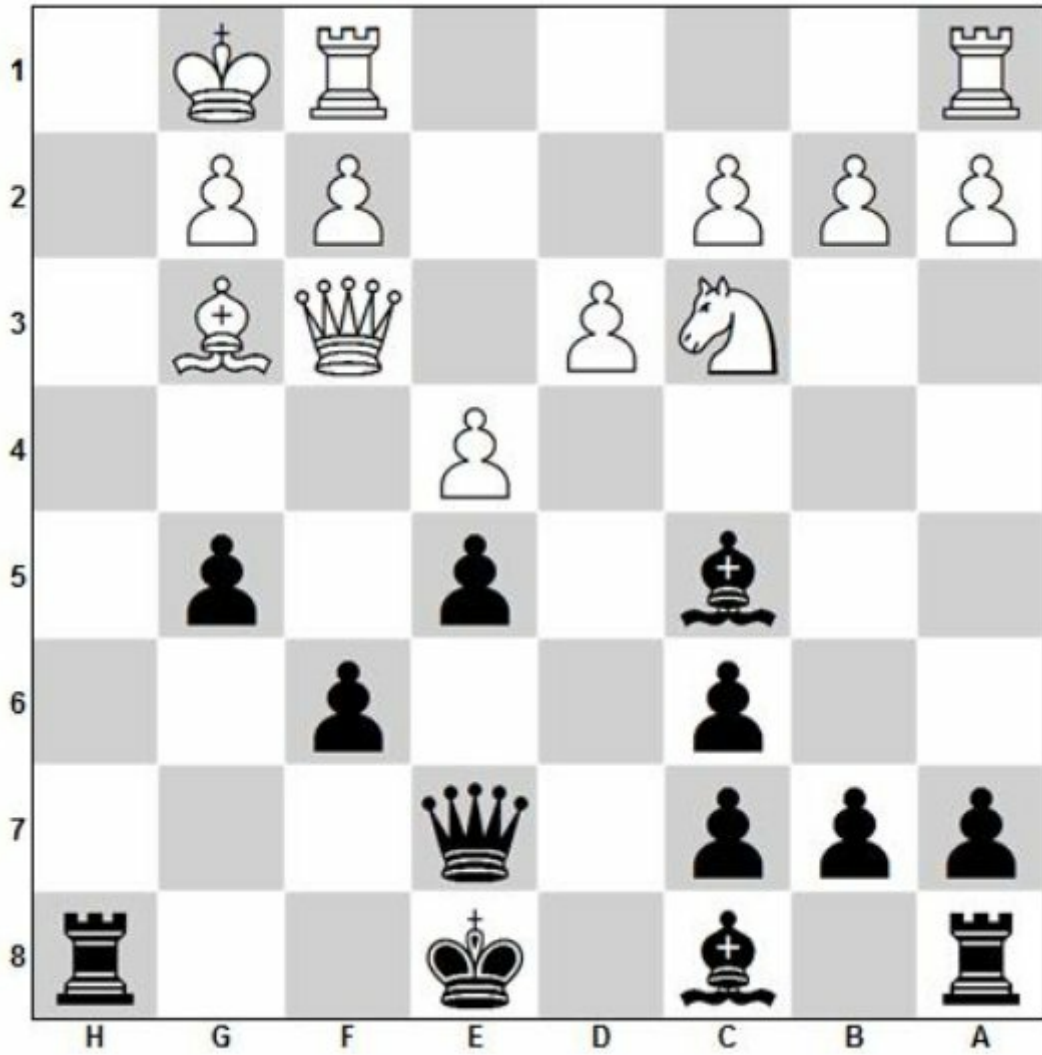
***17.Qxc6+ !! bxc6 18.Ba6#***

From the game Martin Bruedigam (2342) – Uwe Ritter (1945), Lichtenberger Sommer, Round 1, August 16, 2014

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<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/11/22/Game267279492.html>

(52) Black to move



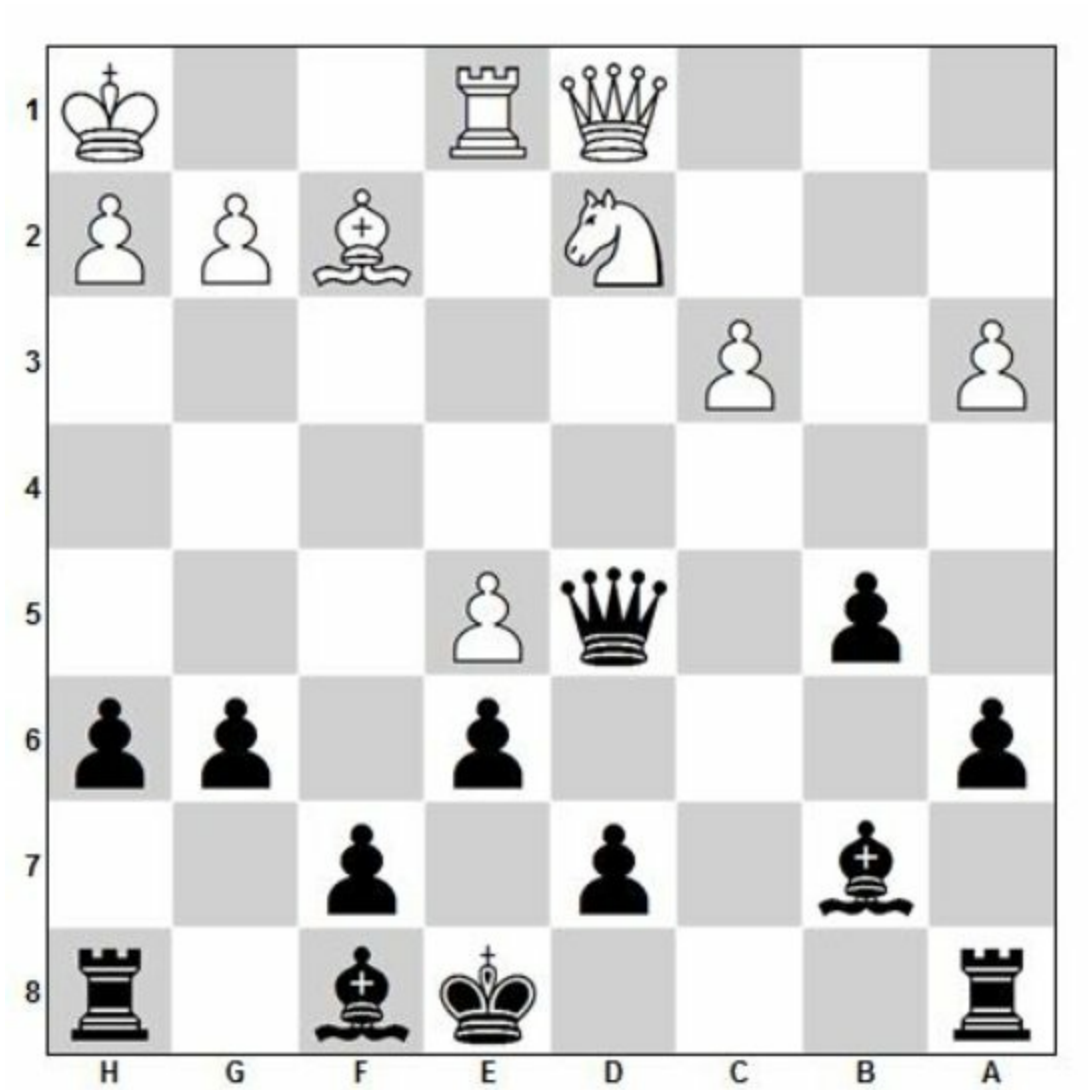
**13...Qh7** forms a killer battery on the h-file. White can only throw pieces in the way to delay mate.

From the game William Benedek (1537) – Brian Wall (2324), Blitz Blast Tonight, Round 1, September 12, 2014

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/9/21/Game514858133.html>

(53) Black to move



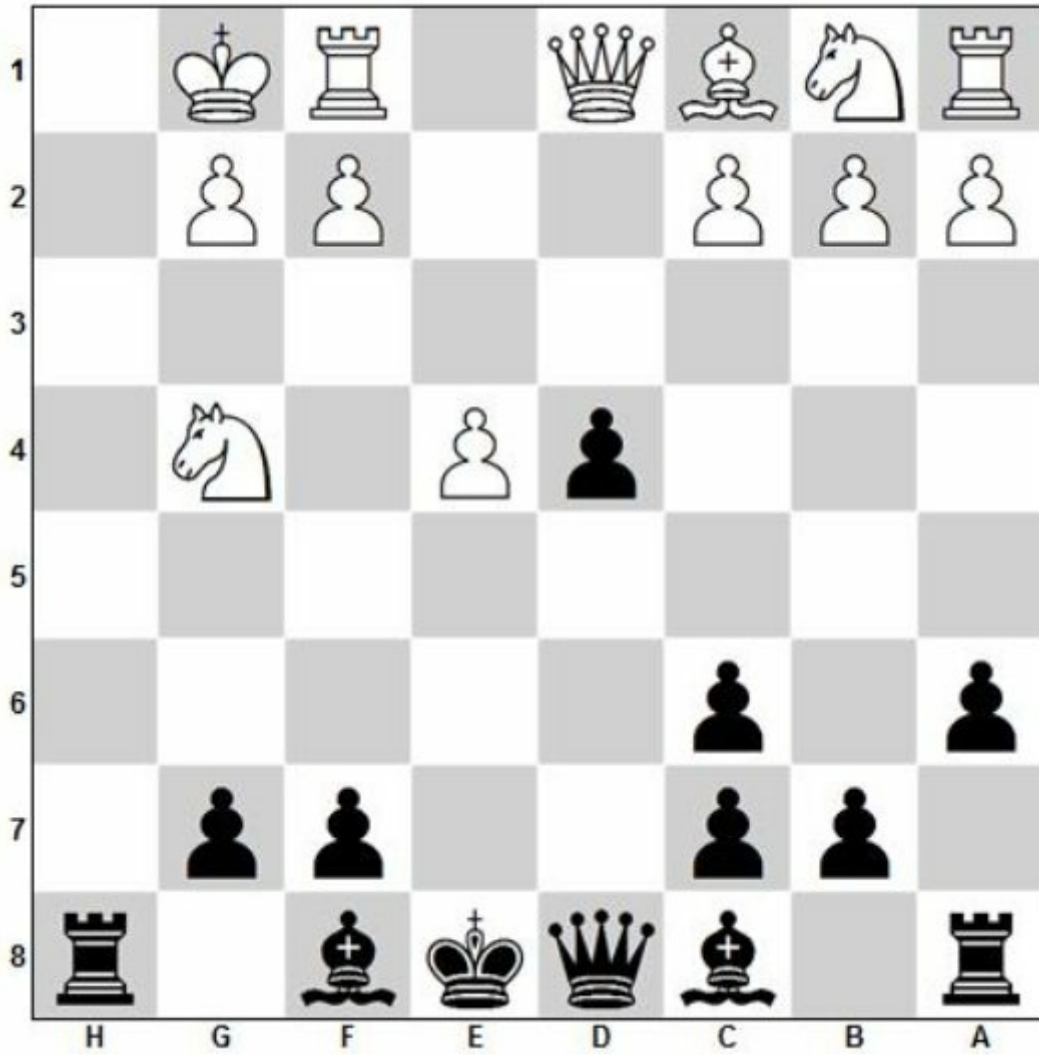
*21...Qxg2#*

Missed in the game Daniel Herman (1755) – William Wolf (1471),  
December Panera Bread Academy, Round 3, December 18, 2013

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<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/1/1/Game177086360.html>

(54) Black to move



*10...Qh4* threatens checkmate, and adds a second attacker to the White Knight. White cannot meet both threats.

Variation from the game IM Pablo Barrionuevo (2055) – Brian Wall (2016), ICC 3 0, September 27, 2013

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2013/9/29/Game170407582.html>

(55) White to move



***18.Qa6+ Kb8 19.Qxa7+ Kc8 20.Qxa8#.***

From the game jbaffo (1422) – bwbwbw (1483), Live Chess Chess.com,  
September 8, 2014

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/10/19/Game127972175.html>

(56) White to move



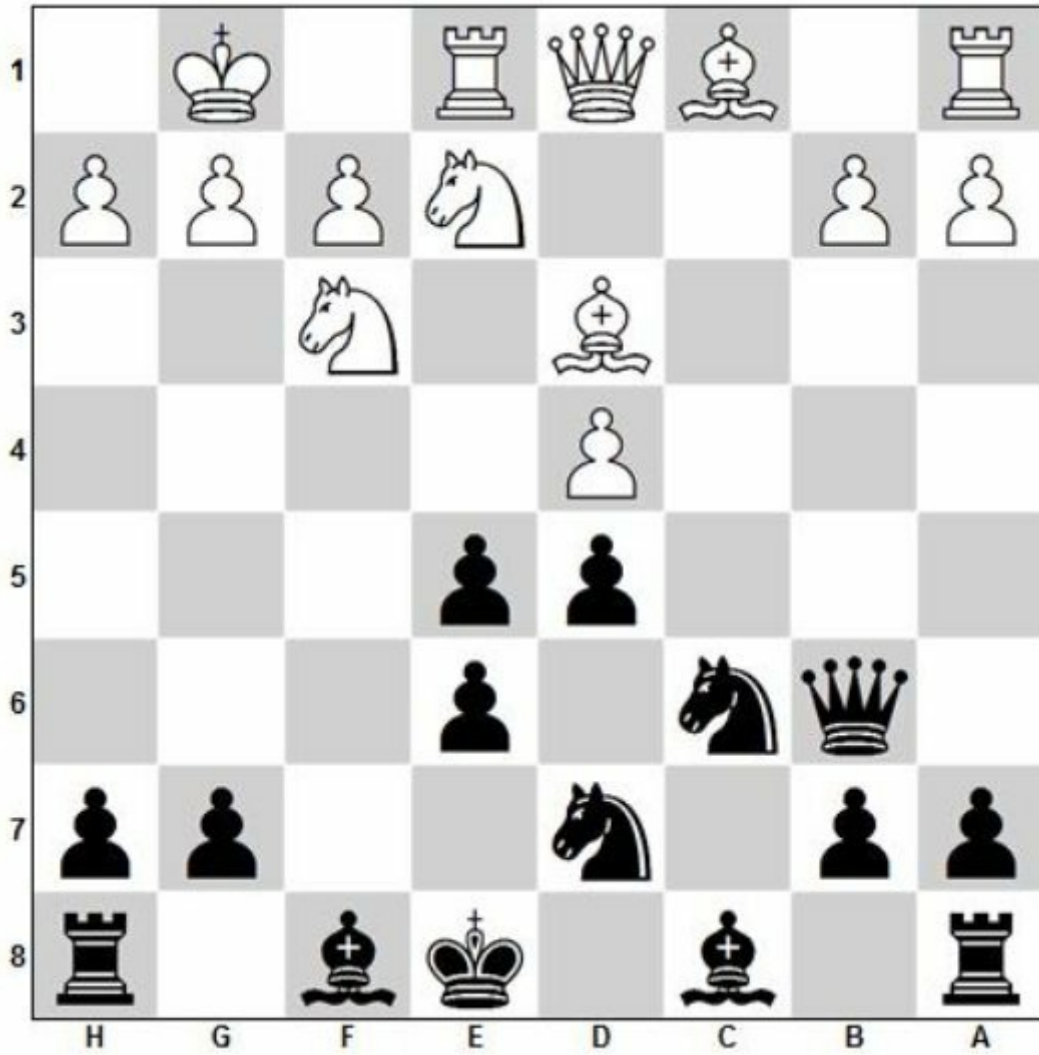
**27.Bb6** and Black will have to give up their bishop to avoid an immediate checkmate. **27...Be7 28.dxe7**

From the game Jeff Baffo (1745) – Katie Wise (1959), 2014 Colorado Open, Round 1, August 30, 2014

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<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/10/26/Game705182988.html>

(57) Black to move



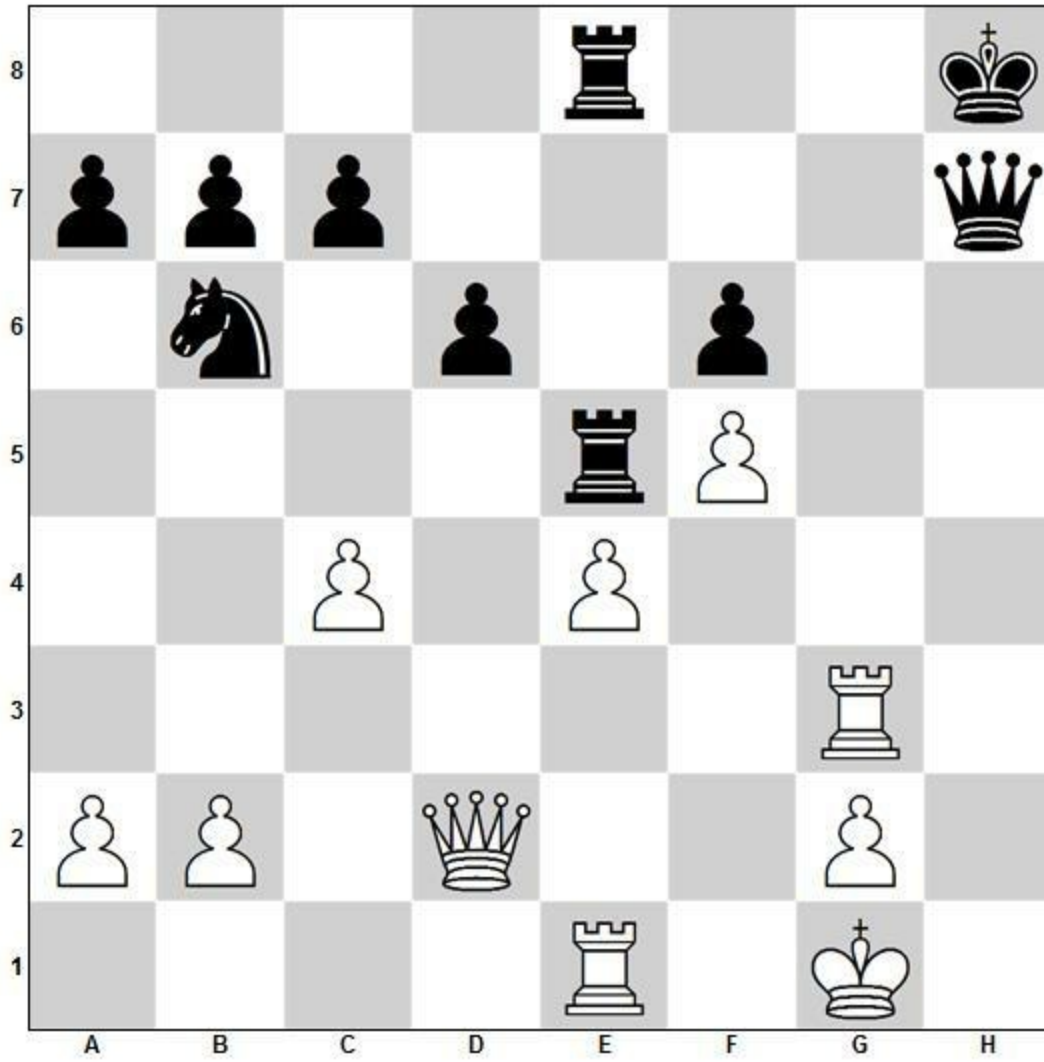
*11...e4* forks the knight and bishop.

From the game Isaac Martinez (1911) – Clifton Ford (1843), 2014 Colorado Open, Round 3, August 30, 2014

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(58) White to move



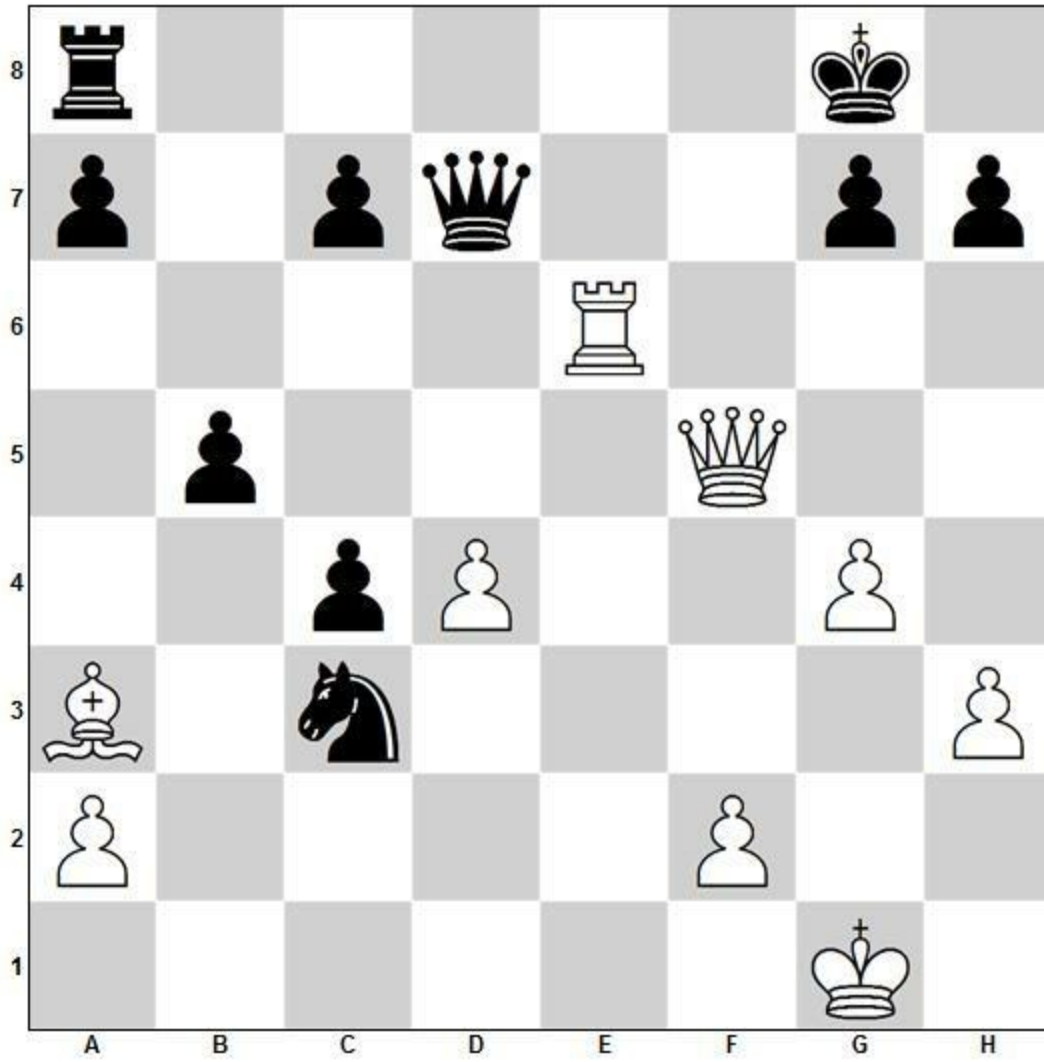
**26.Rh3** pins the black queen to the king.

Variation from the game Avinaya Subedi (2116) – Brian Wall (2261), DCC  
Tribute to Martin Luther King, Round 4, January 18, 2015

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<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2015/4/4/Game68619707.html>

(59) White to move



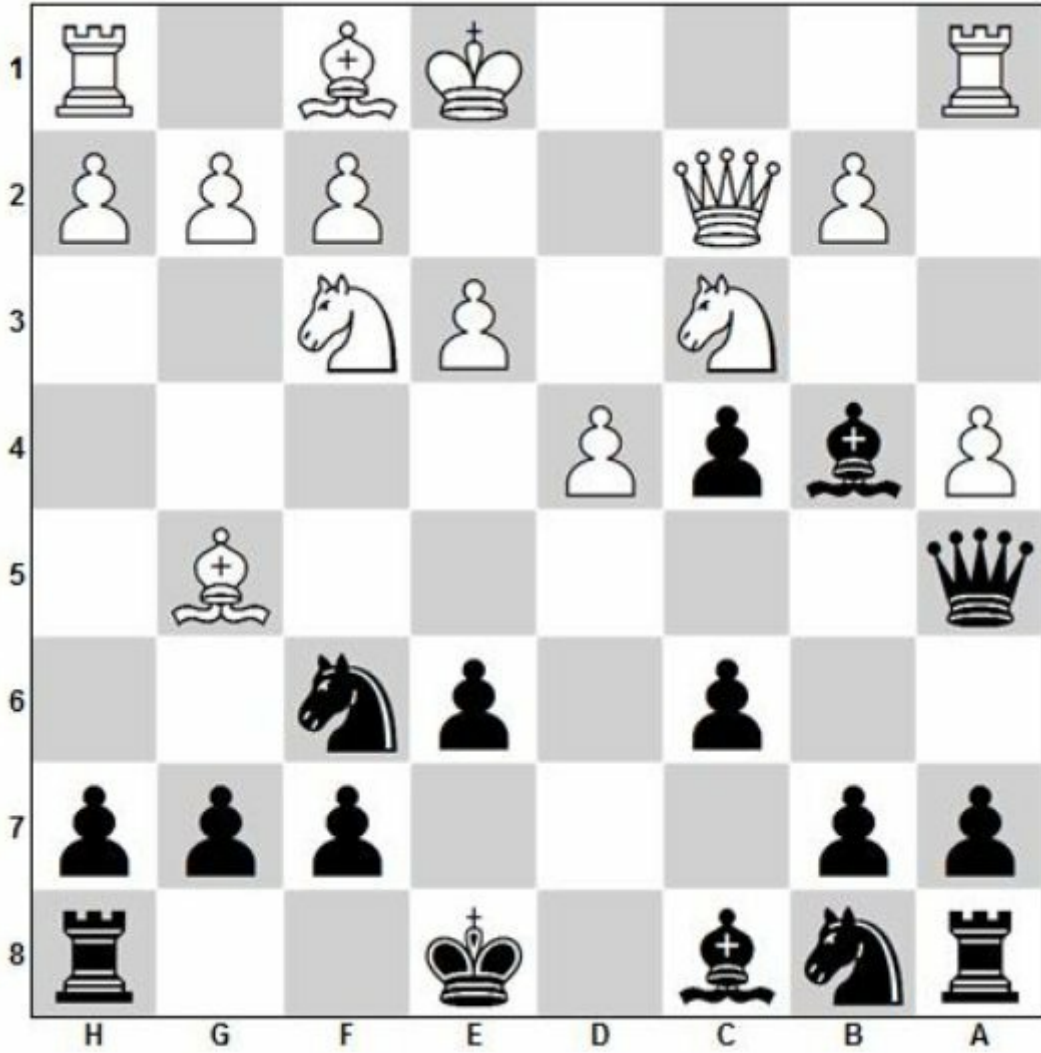
**24.Qf3** forks the black rook and knight. **24...Qxe6** **25.Qxa8+ Kf7** **26.Qf3+** forking the king and knight. **26...Kg6** **27.Qxc3**.

Variation from the game Brian Wall (2261) – Chris Peterson (2157), DCC Tribute to Martin Luther King, Round 5, January 18, 2015

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<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2015/4/4/Game69149689.html>

(60) Black to move



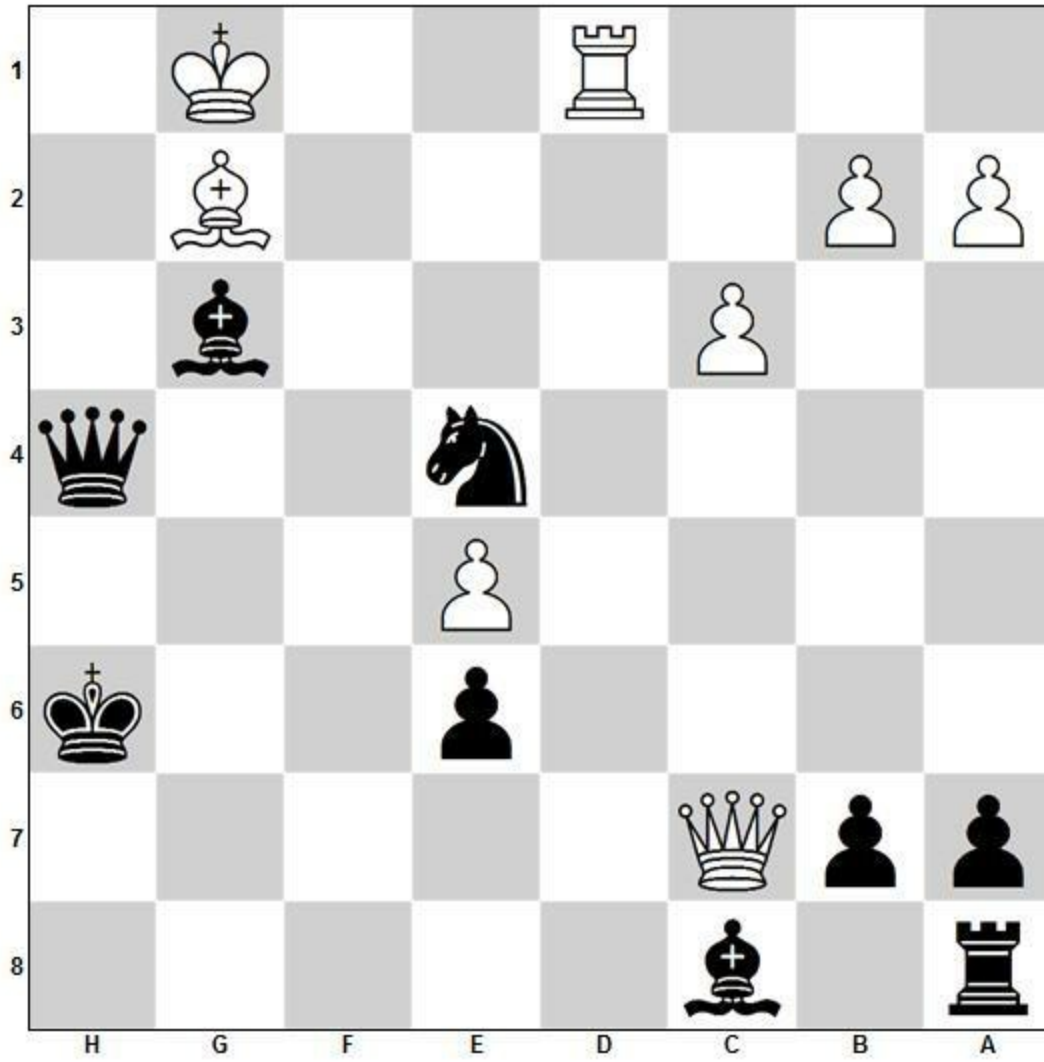
**8...Ne4** increases the pressure on the pin while also putting a double attack on the bishop on g5. White has no good response, and will lose material.

From the game Alexander Freeman (1800) – Morgan Robb (2002), 2014  
Colorado Open, Round 2, August 30, 2014

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<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/10/26/Game706827613.html>

(61) Black to move



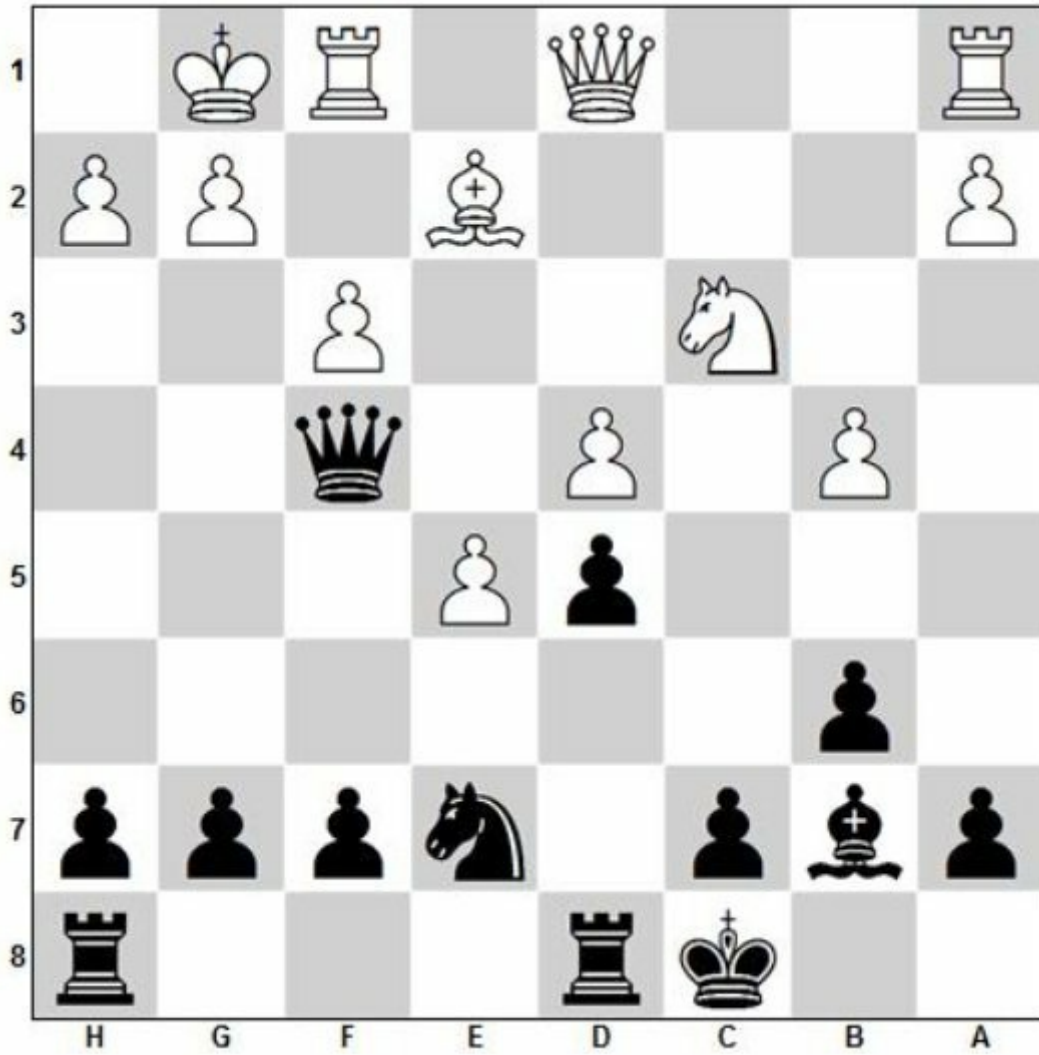
***30...Bh2+ 31.Kh1 Ng3# or 31...Nf2#. If 31.Kf1 Qf2#.***

From the game Mark Krowczyk (1845) – Brian Wall (2245), Round 1, Fort Collins Chess Olympiad, December 20, 2014

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

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(62) Black to move



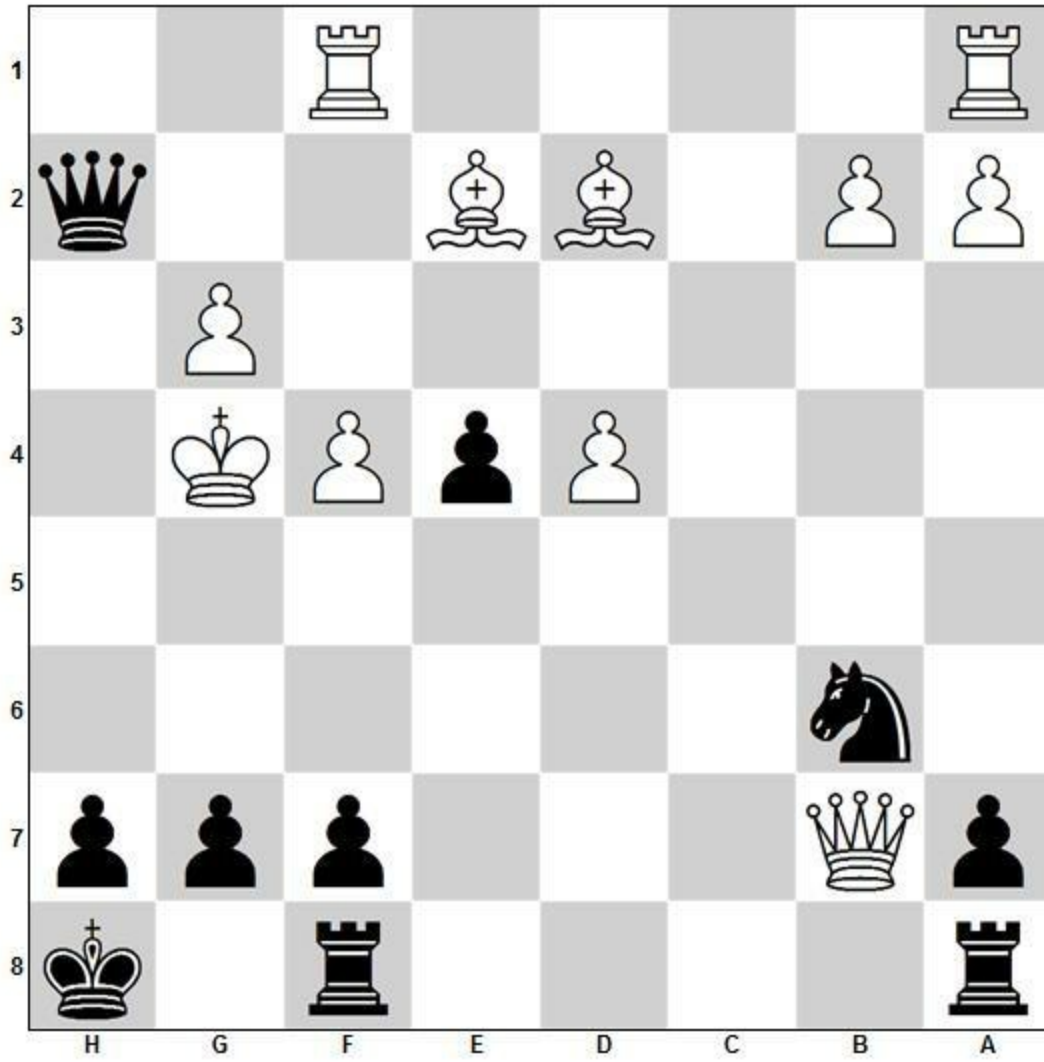
*14...Qe3+* forks the white king and knight.

From the game Joe Pahk (1666) – Brian Wall (2123), 2014 Colorado Quick Championship G/10, Round 1, August 29, 2014

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<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/11/9/Game376418712.html>

(63) Black to move



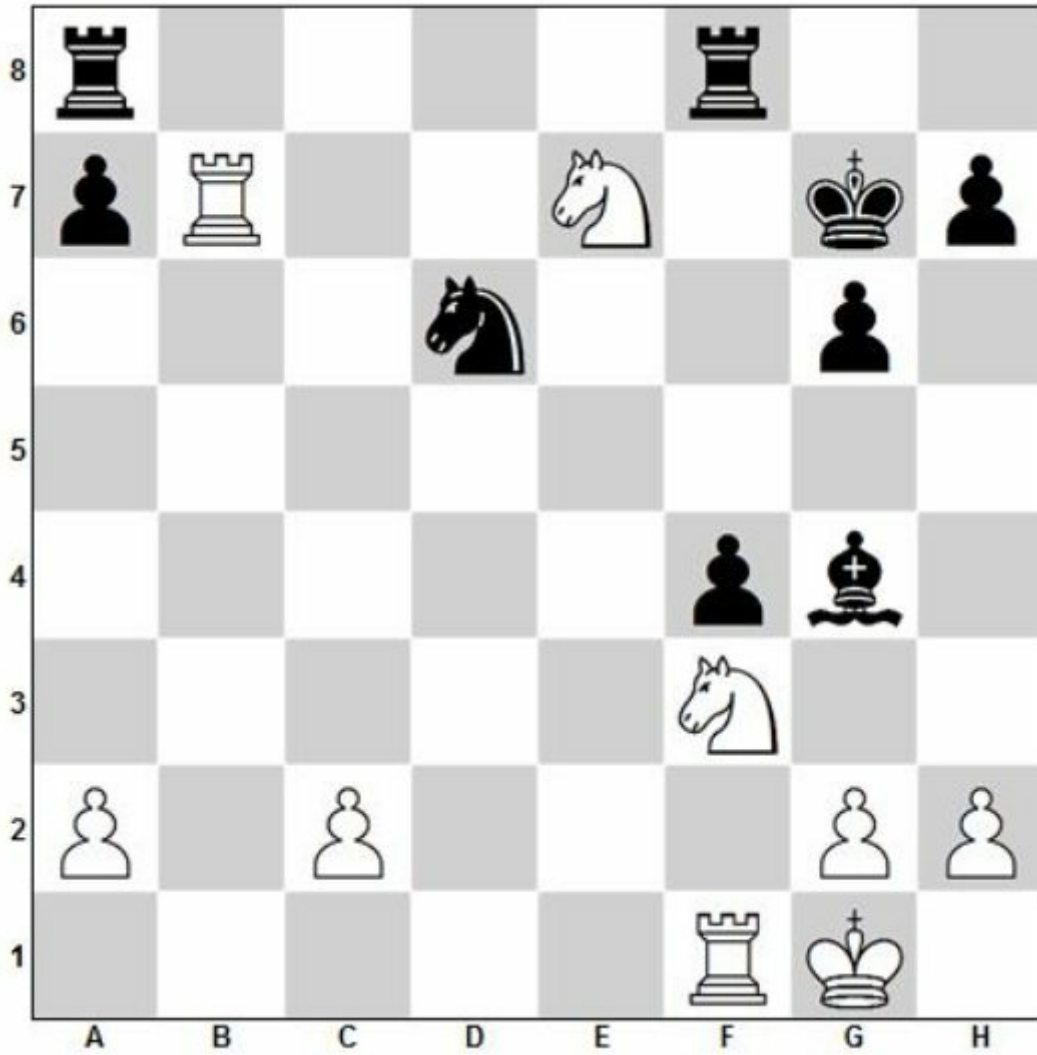
***26...f5+27.Kg5 Qh6#.***

Variation from the game Suhaas Naryanan (1997) – Elizabeth Scott (1414),  
Zombie Apocalypse, Round 1, March 14, 2015

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<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2015/4/17/Game194268169.html>

(64) White to move



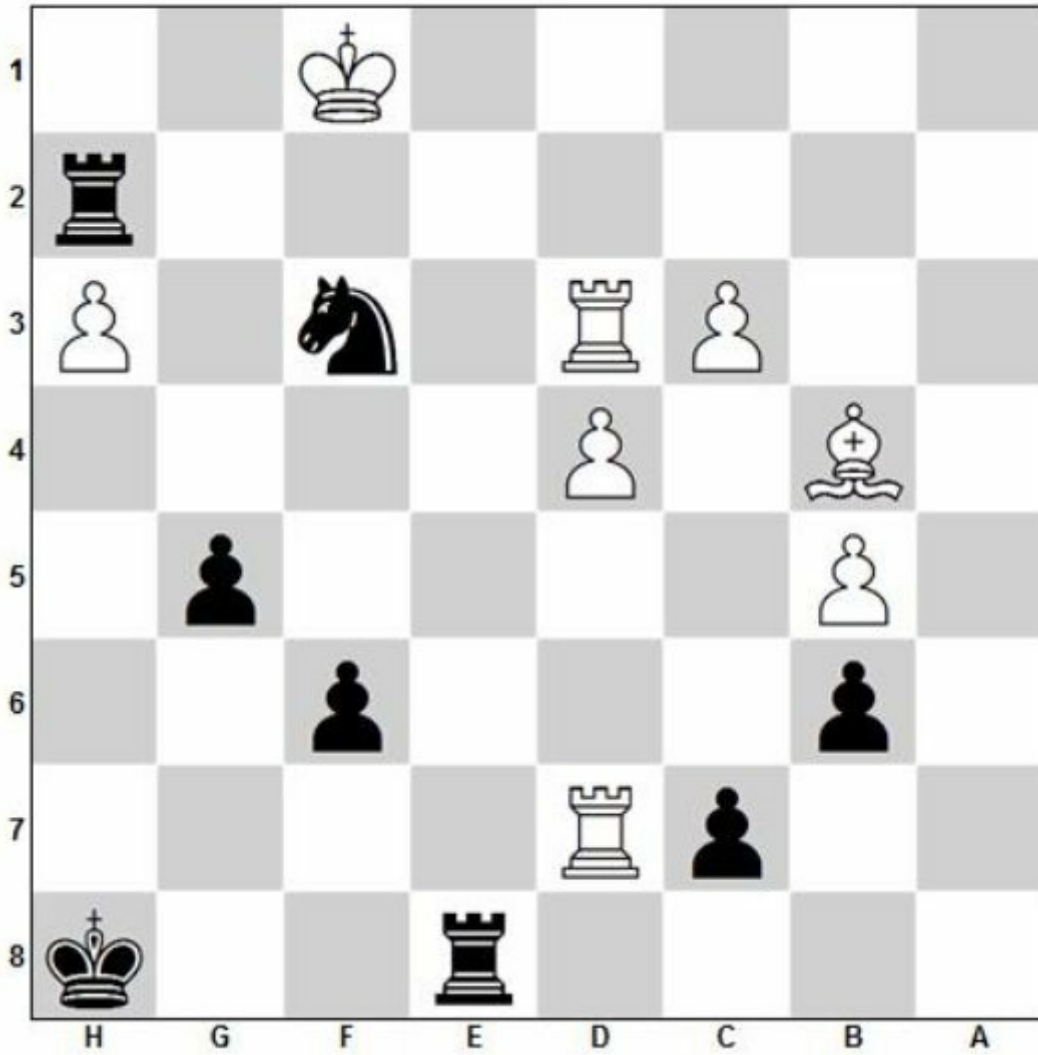
**22.Nf5+** double discovered check. **22...Kg8 23.Nxd6** wins a piece.

From the game Jesse Cohen (1981) – Brian Wall (2123), 2014 Colorado Quick Championship G/10, Round 3, August 29, 2014

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<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/11/9/Game377143087.html>

(65) Black to move



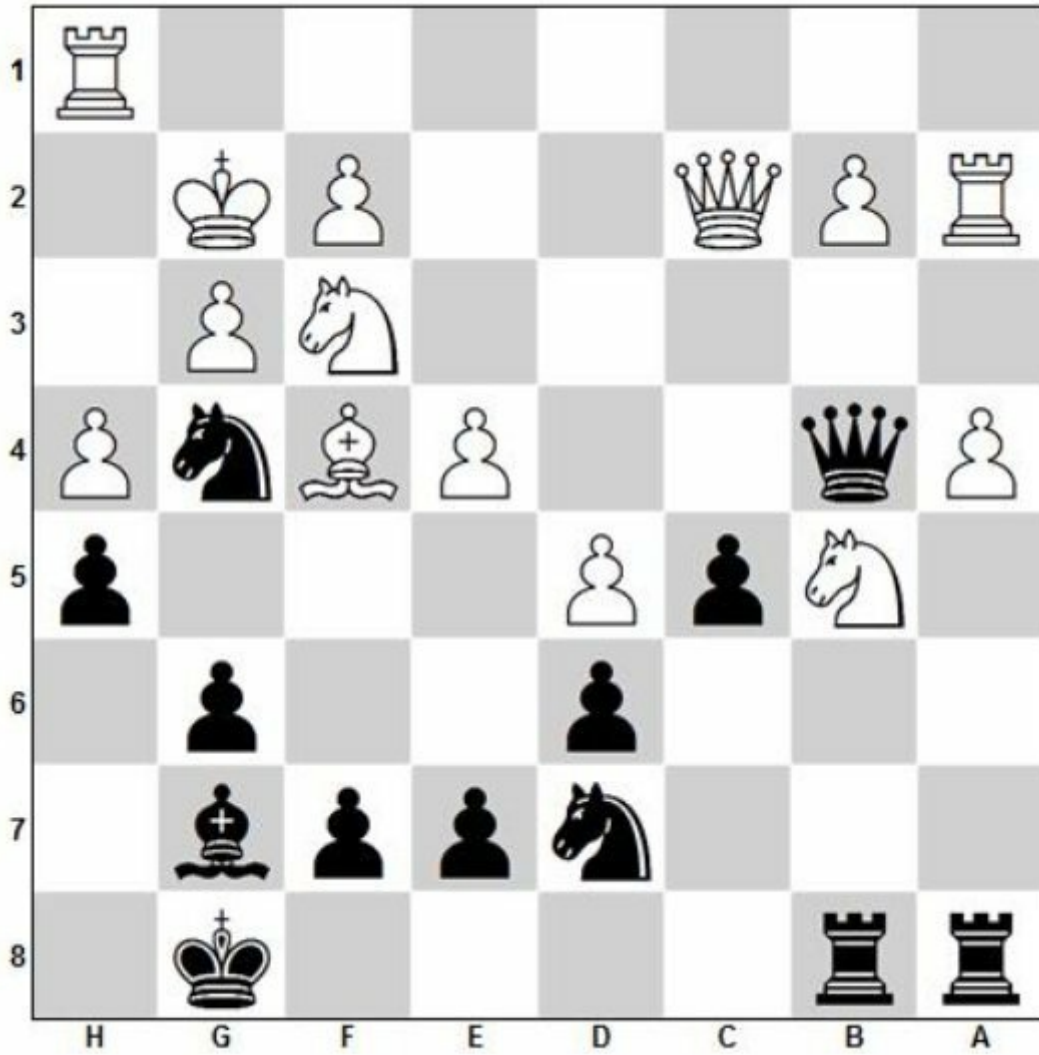
***39...Re1#.***

From the game Carlos Santillan (1883) – Brian Wall (2123), 2014 Colorado Quick Championship G/10, Round 5, August 29, 2014

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(66) Black to move



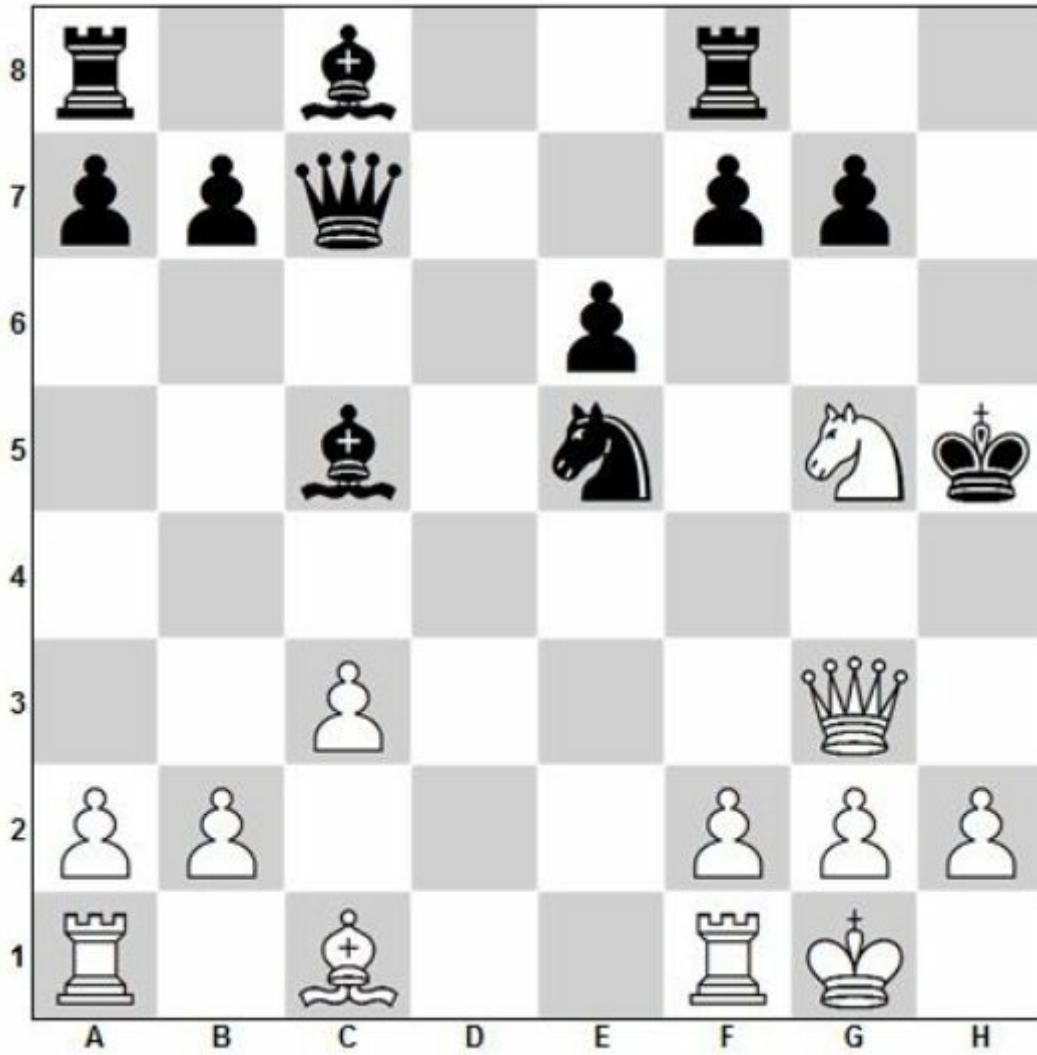
*17...Rxb5* wins a piece. The a-pawn is pinned.

From the game Ryan Thompson (1738) – Troy Oberg (1404), Ye Olde Pueblo, Round 1, July 18, 2014

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<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/11/9/Game378894198.html>

(67) White to move



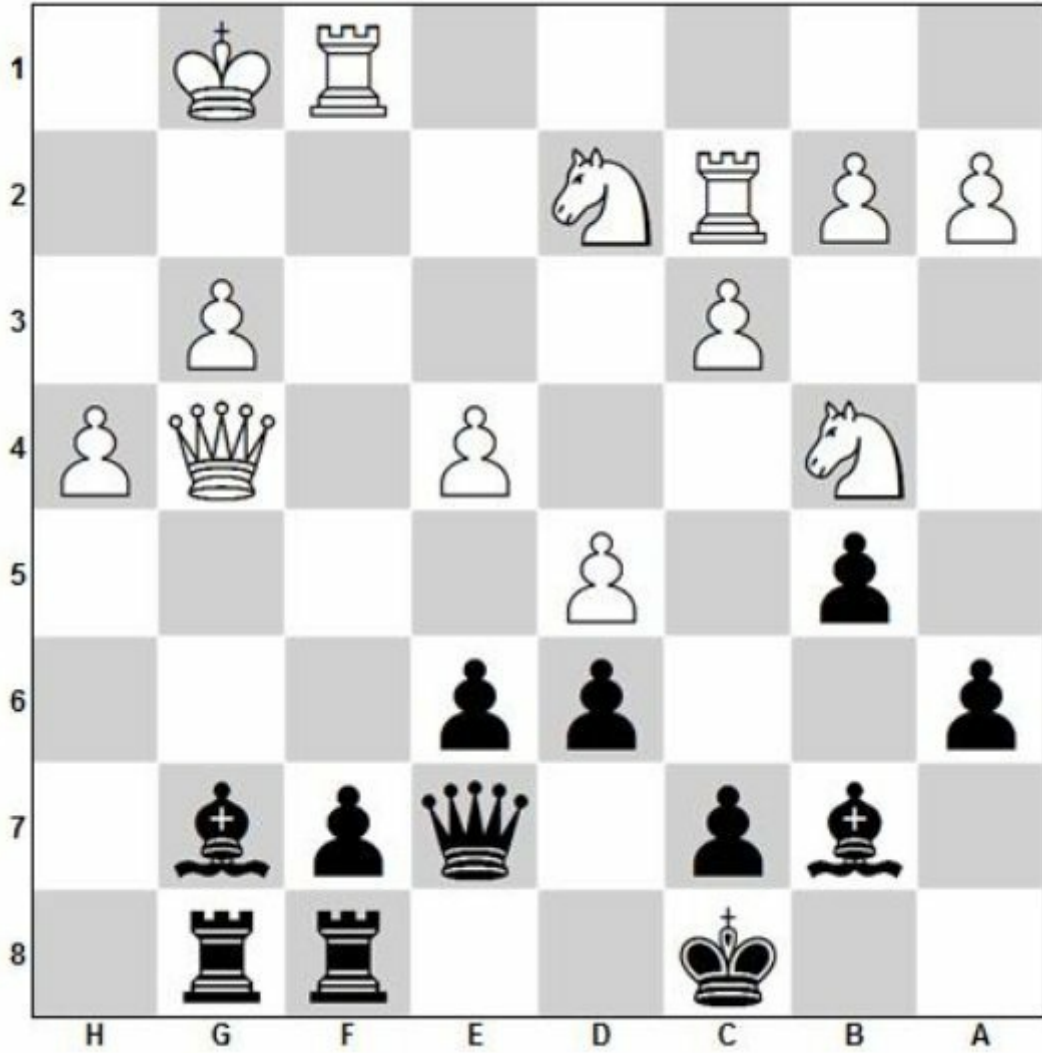
**16.Nxe6** clears the g5 square threatening **17.Qg5#**, attacks the black queen, and also threatens **17.Ng7#** Black cannot meet all of these threats.

From the game John Krue (1800) – Vibi Varghese (1492), 2014 Colorado Open, Round 3, August 30, 2014

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/10/26/Game718133021.html>

(68) Black to move



**24...Bd4+** discovered attack. **25.cxd4 Rxd4**

Variation from the game Dean Brown (1582) – Tim Brennan (1904), Panera Bread Academy, Round 1, September 5, 2014

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/10/27/Game822556206.html>

(69) White to move



**15.Qc1** attacks the hanging knight on c7, and adds a second attacker to the knight on h6. Black cannot defend both.

From the game Brian Wall (2250) – Kevin Seidler (2100), Salute to Boris Spassky, Round 4, July 20, 2014

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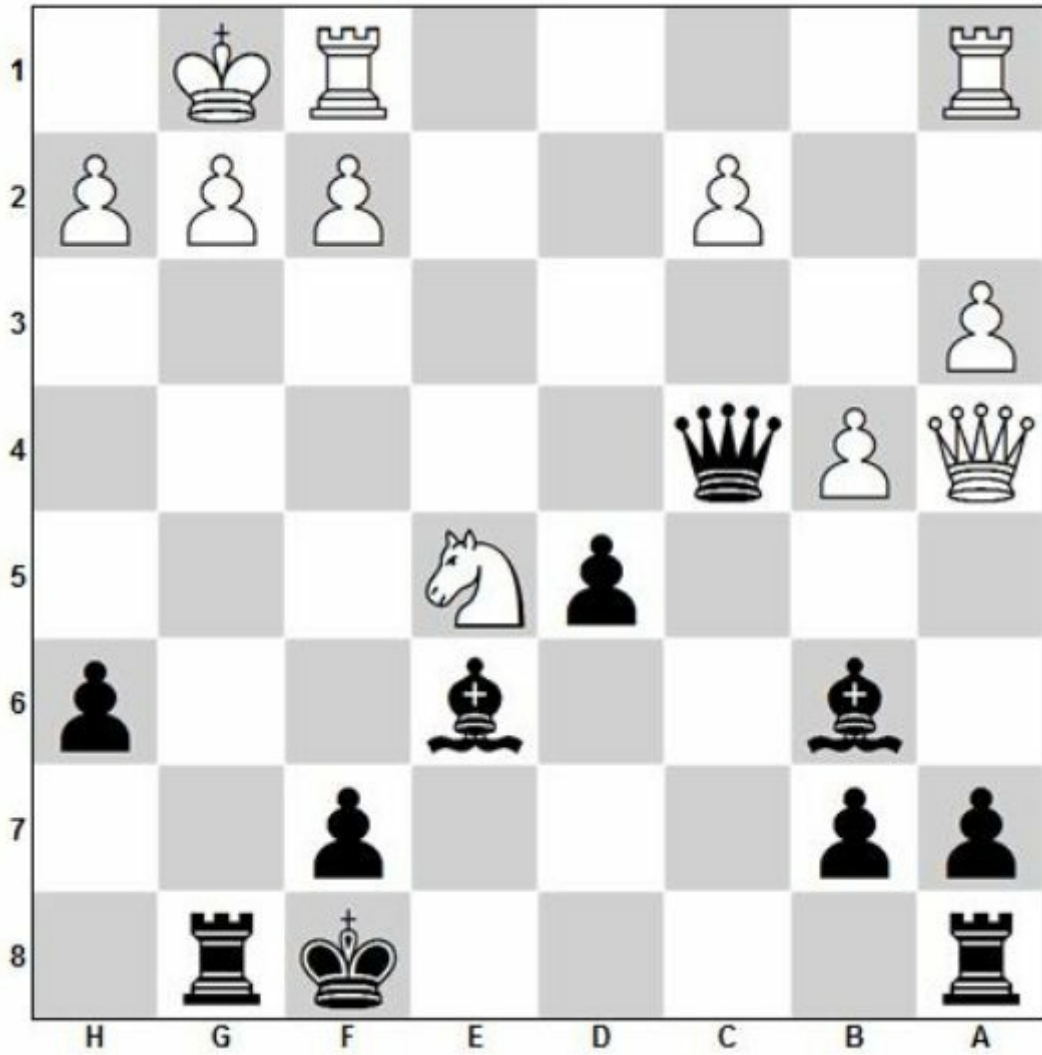
***39.Rxh7+ Kxh7 40.Qh5#***

From the game Shaun MacMillan (1931) – Tim Brennan (1872), Salute to Boris Spassky, Round 2, July 19, 2014

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(71) Black to move



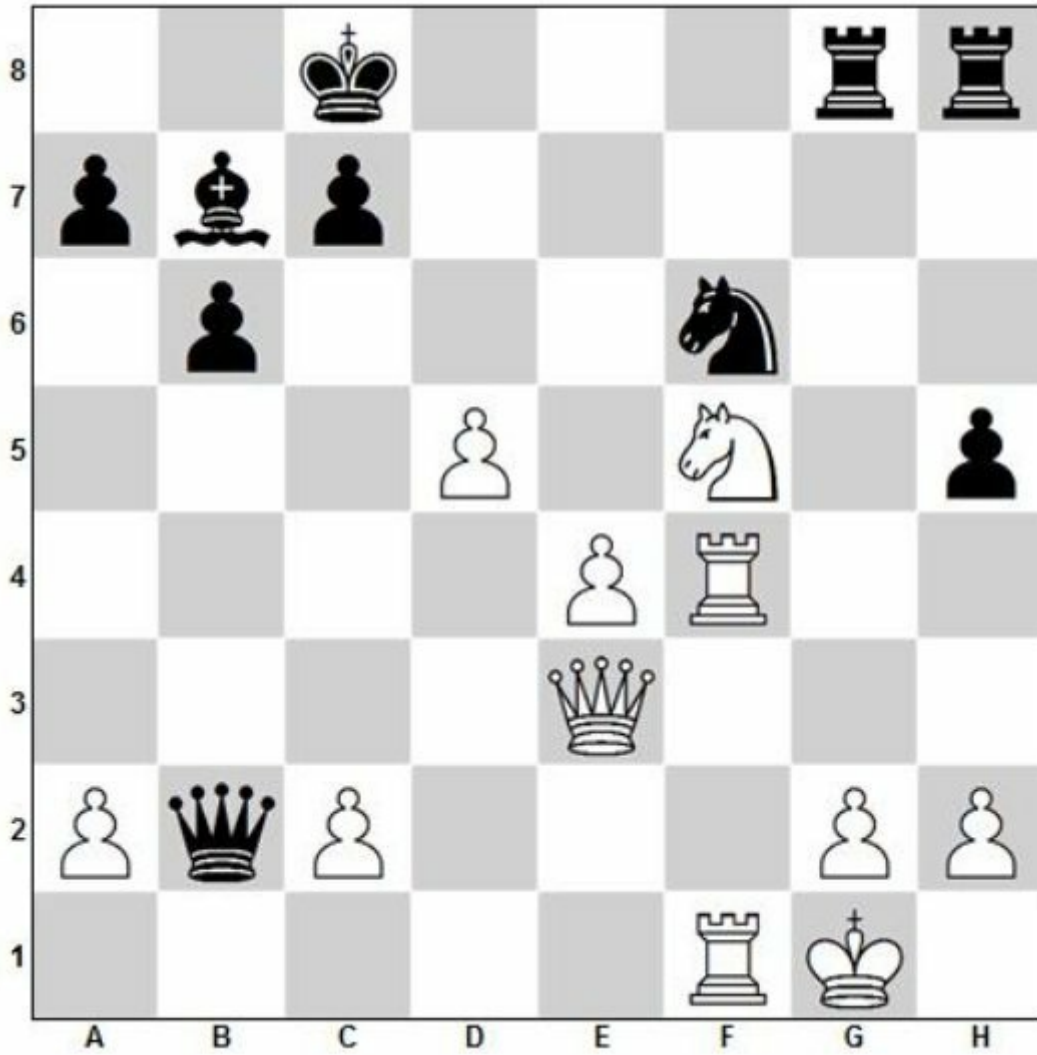
22...*Qe4* threatens both checkmate on g2 and the knight on e5.

From the game Karl Irons (1889) – Katie Wise (1959), 2014 Colorado Open,  
Round 3, August 30, 2014

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/10/26/Game720932584.html>

(72) White to move



**23.***Ne7+* forks the black king and rook.

Variation from the game Ryan Swerdlin (2114) – Jesse Cohen (2201), 2014  
Colorado Open, Round 4, August 31, 2014

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<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/10/26/Game721662809.html>

(73) White to move



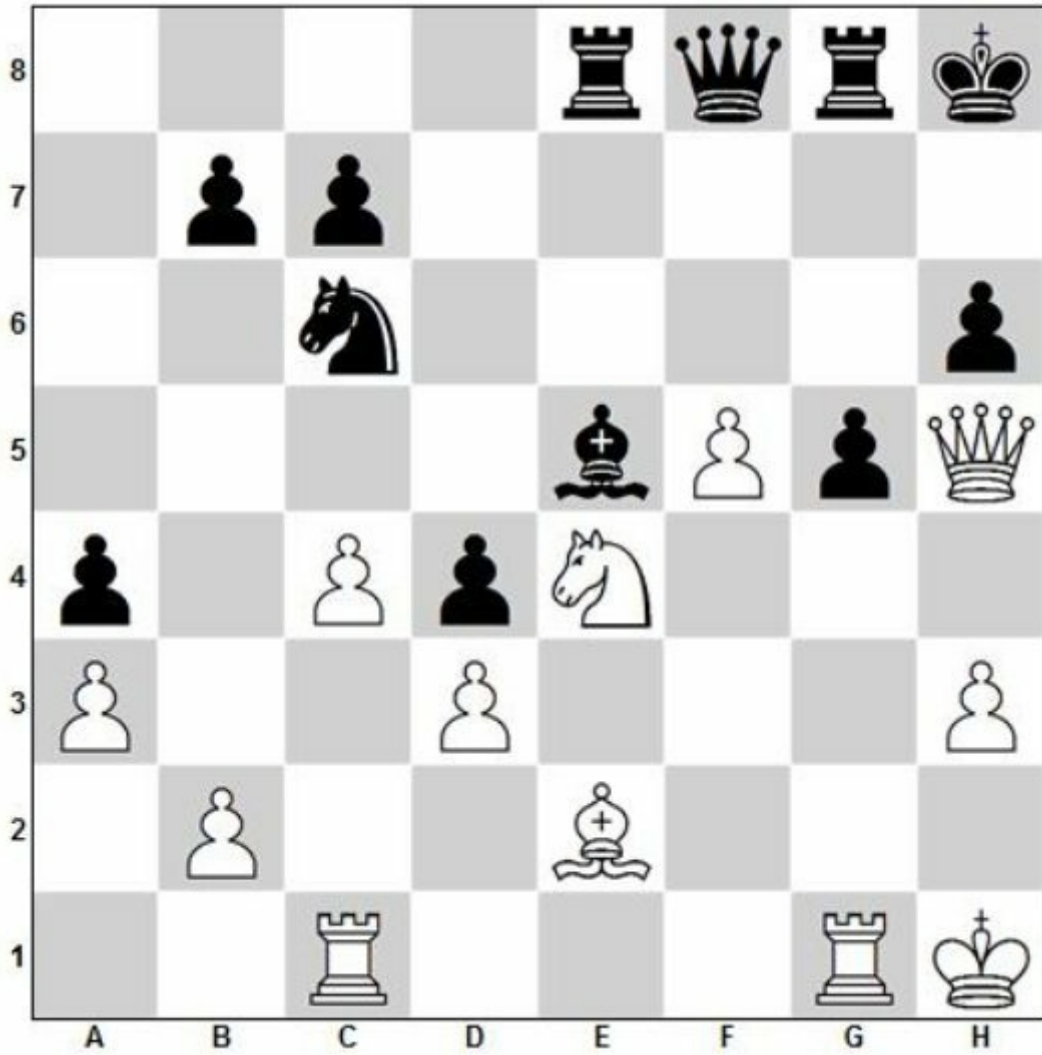
*13.Nxd5* wins a valuable pawn. If *13...Bxd2 14.Nxf6+ gxf6 15.Bxd2*. If *13...cxd5 14.Qxb4*.

Missed in the game Jeff Baffo (1745) – Josh Samuel (1940), 2014 Colorado Open, Round 4, August 31, 2014

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/10/26/Game722326562.html>

(74) White to move



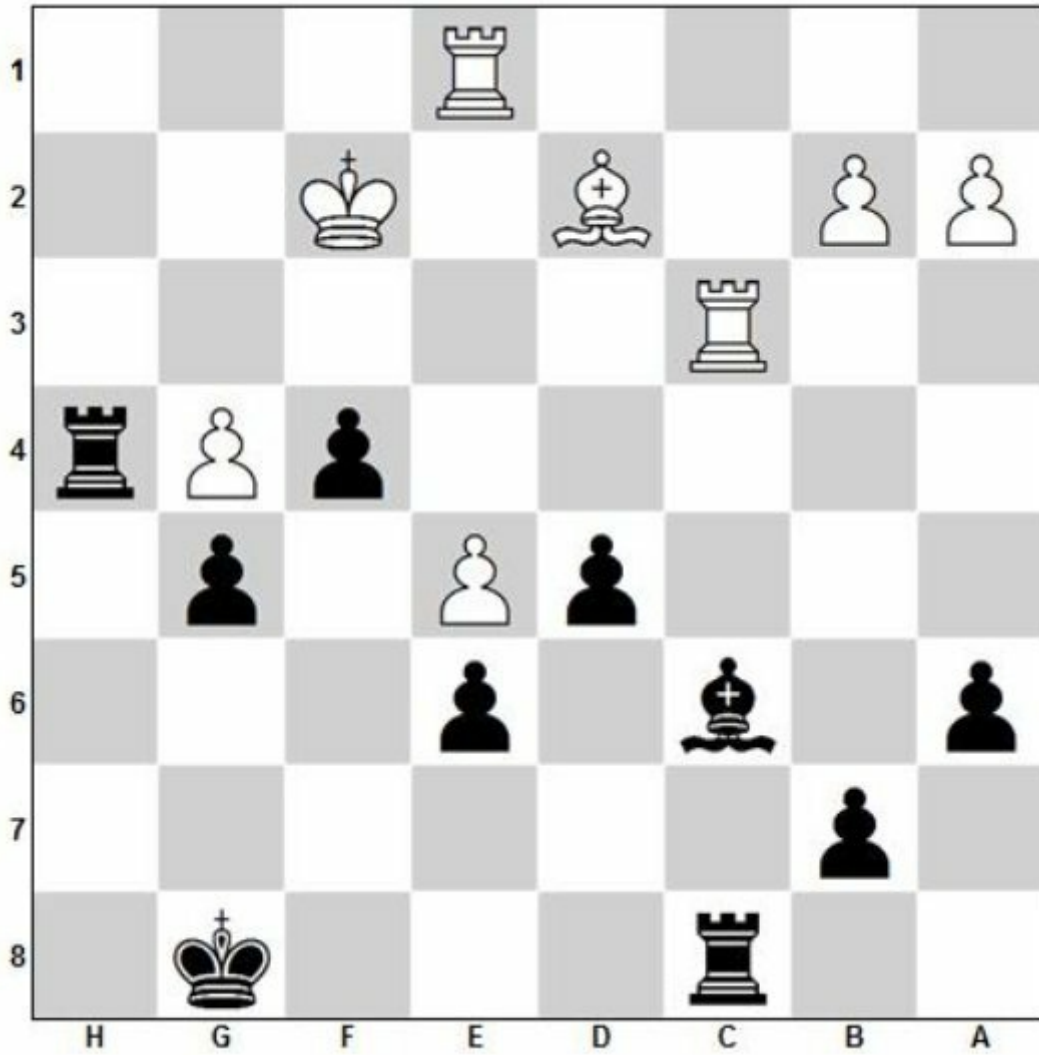
**33.Rxg5** The h pawn is pinned. If **33...Rxg5 34.Nxg5**.

From the game Victor Huang (1999) - Jeff Baffo (1745), 2014 Colorado Open, Round 5, August 31, 2014

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(75) Black to move



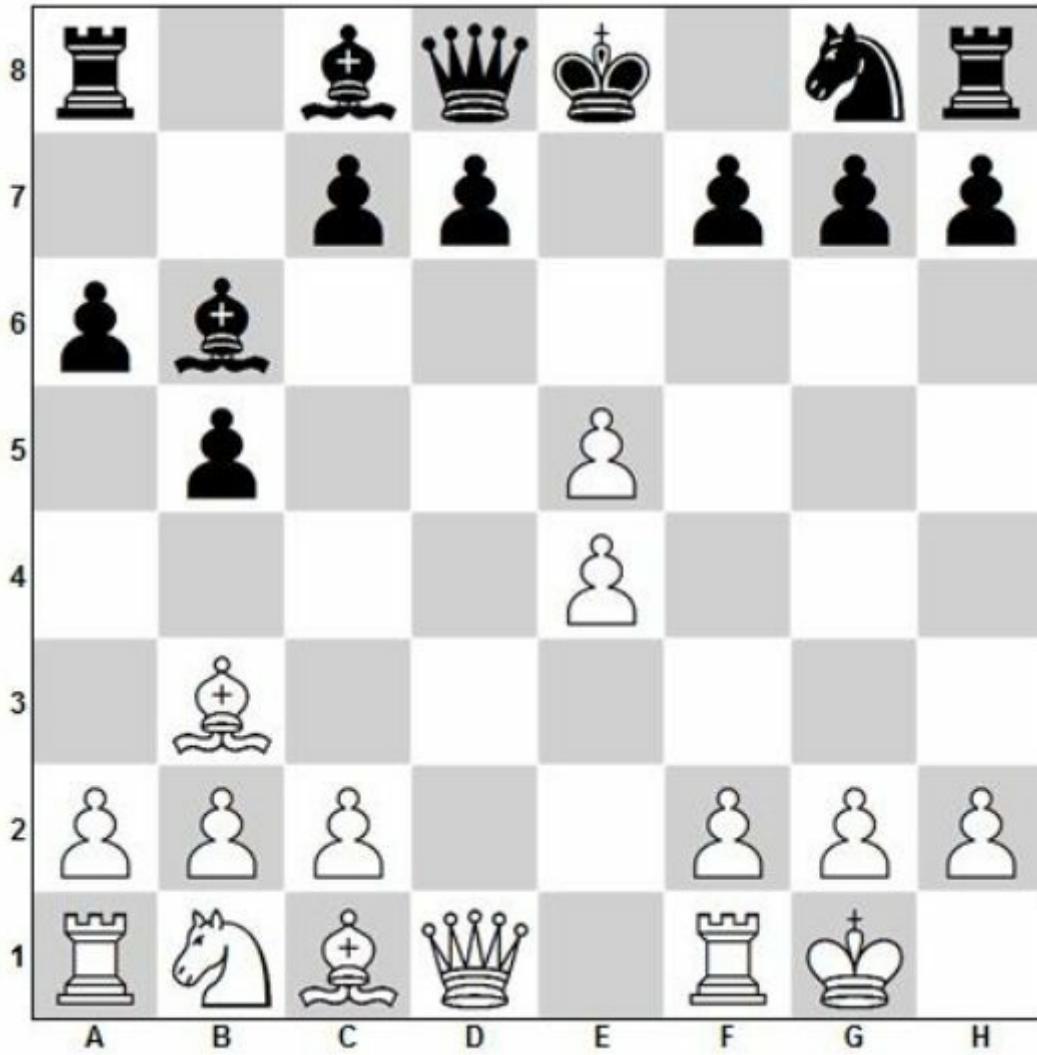
**34...Rh2+** skewers the king and bishop. There is no way for the king to guard the bishop when moving out of check.

From the game Anthea Carson (1591) – Brian Wall (2100), Tara's 14 Quick Birthday Open, Round 5, September 28, 2014

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(76) White to move



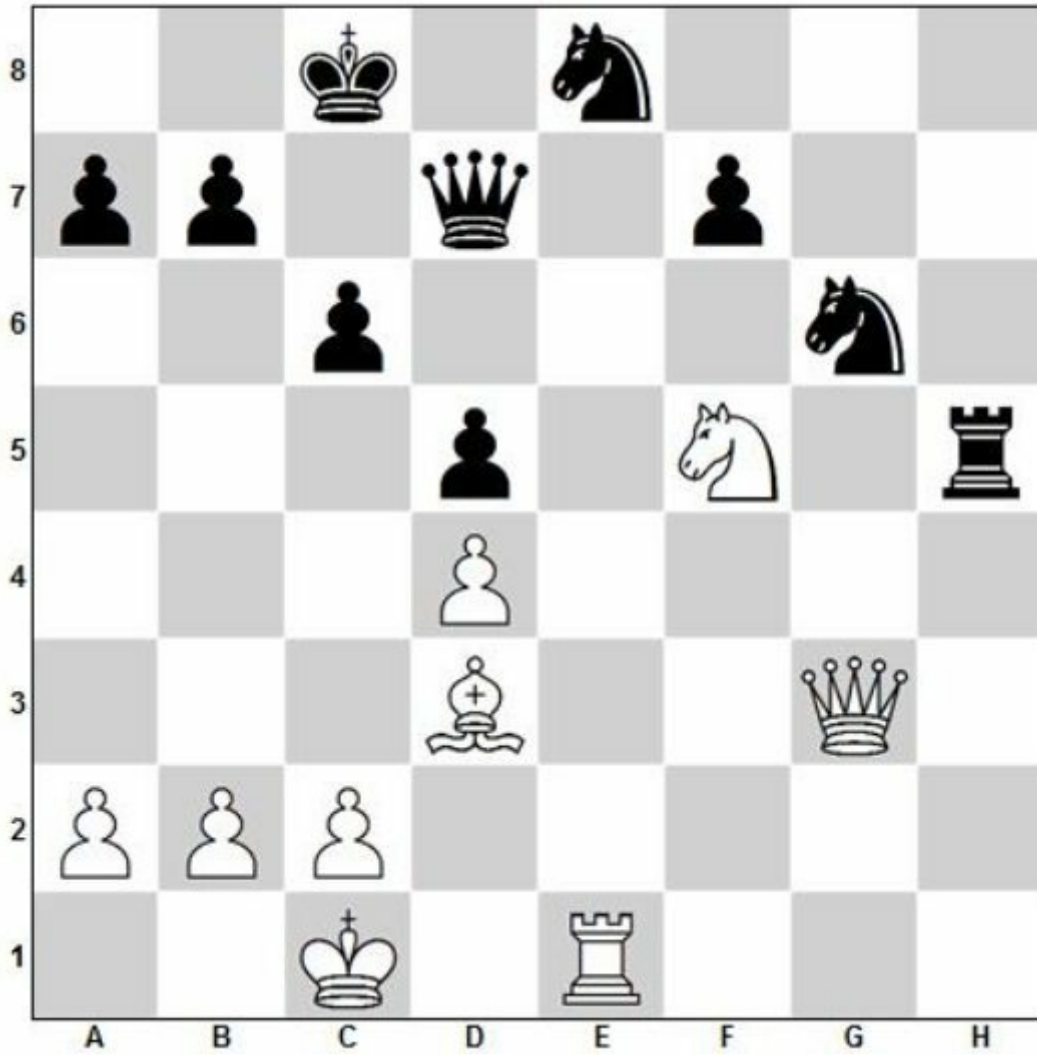
**10.Qd5** threatens the rook on a8 and checkmate on f7. Black cannot meet both threats.

From the game Gunnar Andersen (1952) - Anthea Carson (1591), Tara's 14 Quick Birthday Open, Round 2, September 28, 2014

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(77) White to move



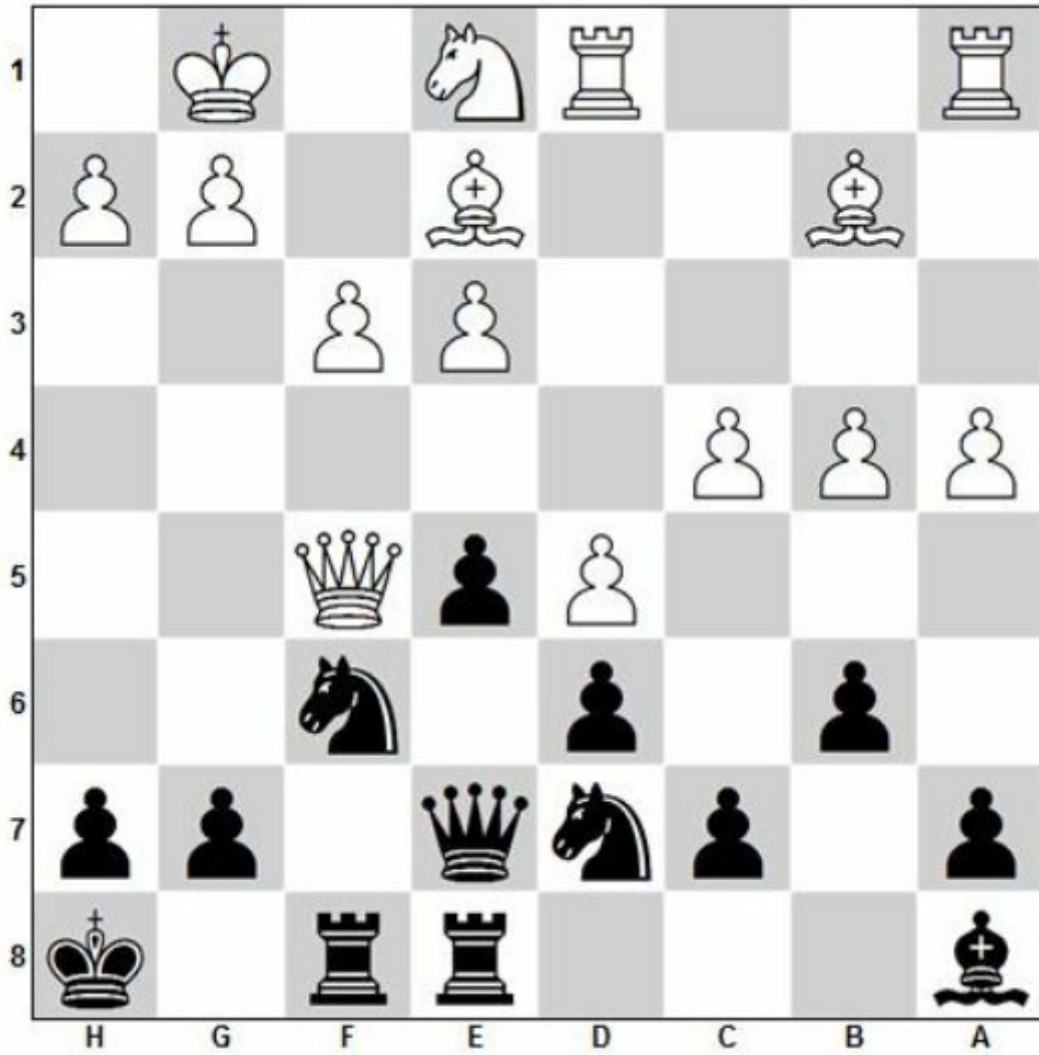
**29.Rxe8+ Qxe8 30.Nd6+** forks the black king and queen.

From the game Josh Bloomer (2256) – Mark McGough (1769), Colorado Springs City Championship, Round 1, October 14, 2014

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<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/10/19/Game128395577.html>

(78) Black to move



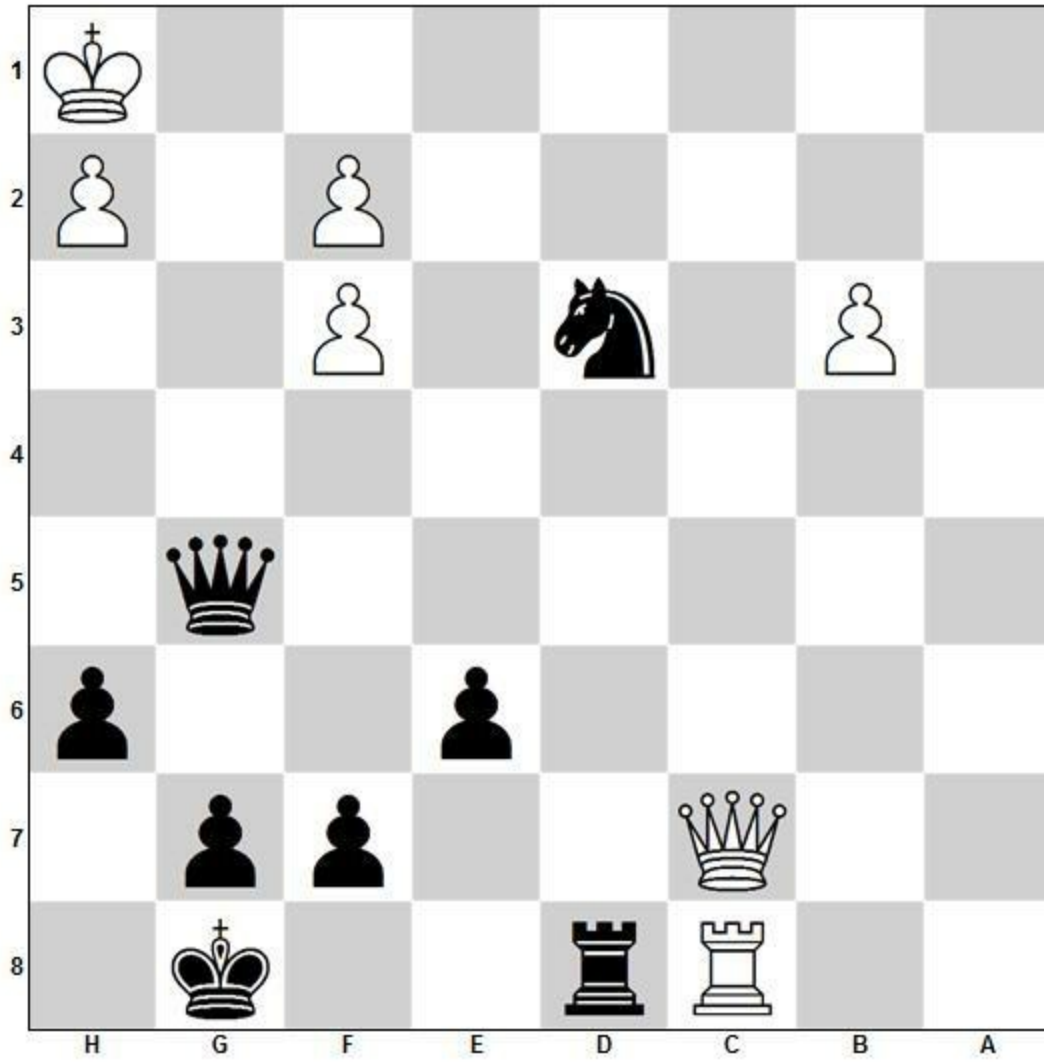
**18...Nxd5** discovered attack on the queen, picking up a pawn.

Variation from the game George Margvelashvili (2641) – Andrew Lu (2150), Southwest Open, Round 1, Irvine, TX, August 30, 2014

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/10/26/Game701406968.html>

(79) Black to move



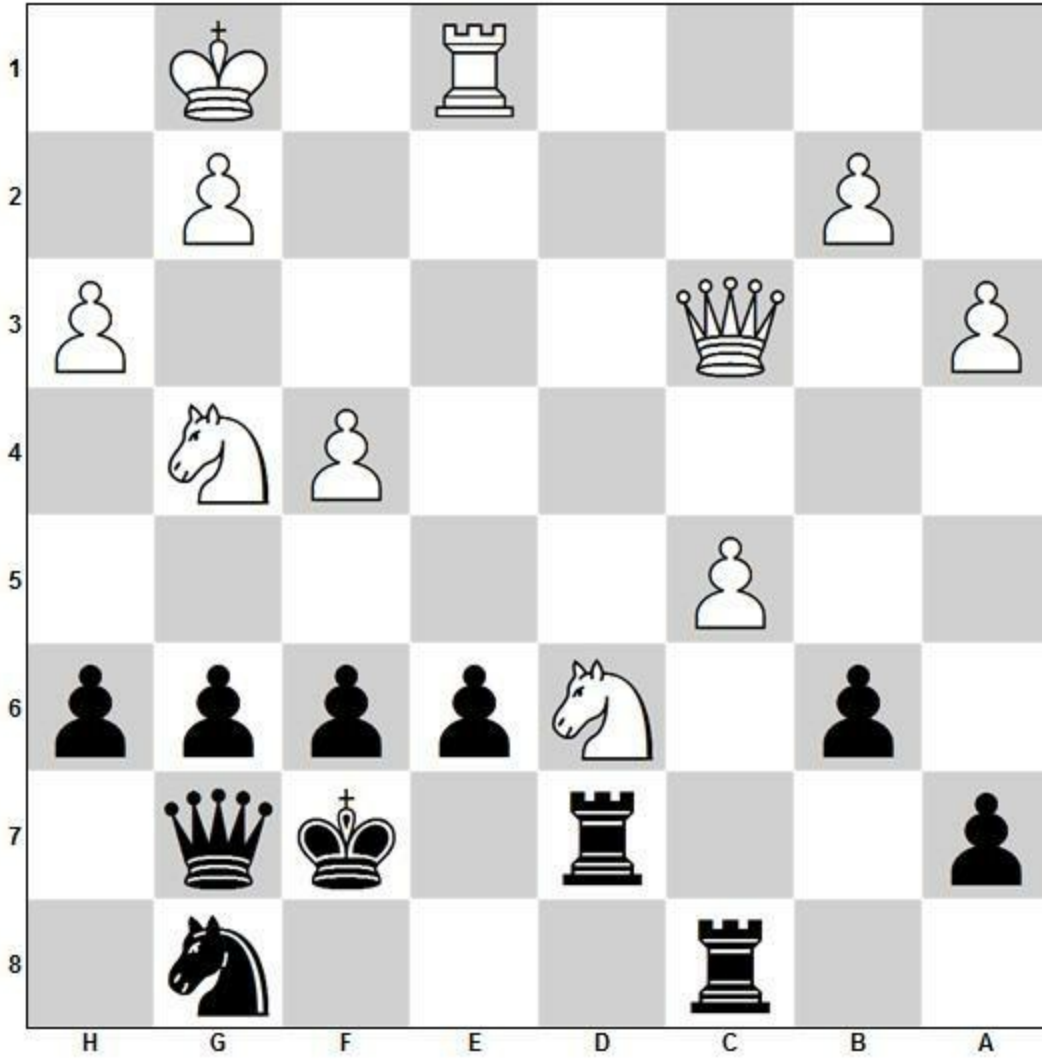
*25...Nxf2#*

From the game Sayers40 (1428) – IJTreasure (1472), ICC 10 12, August 1, 2014

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(80) Black to move



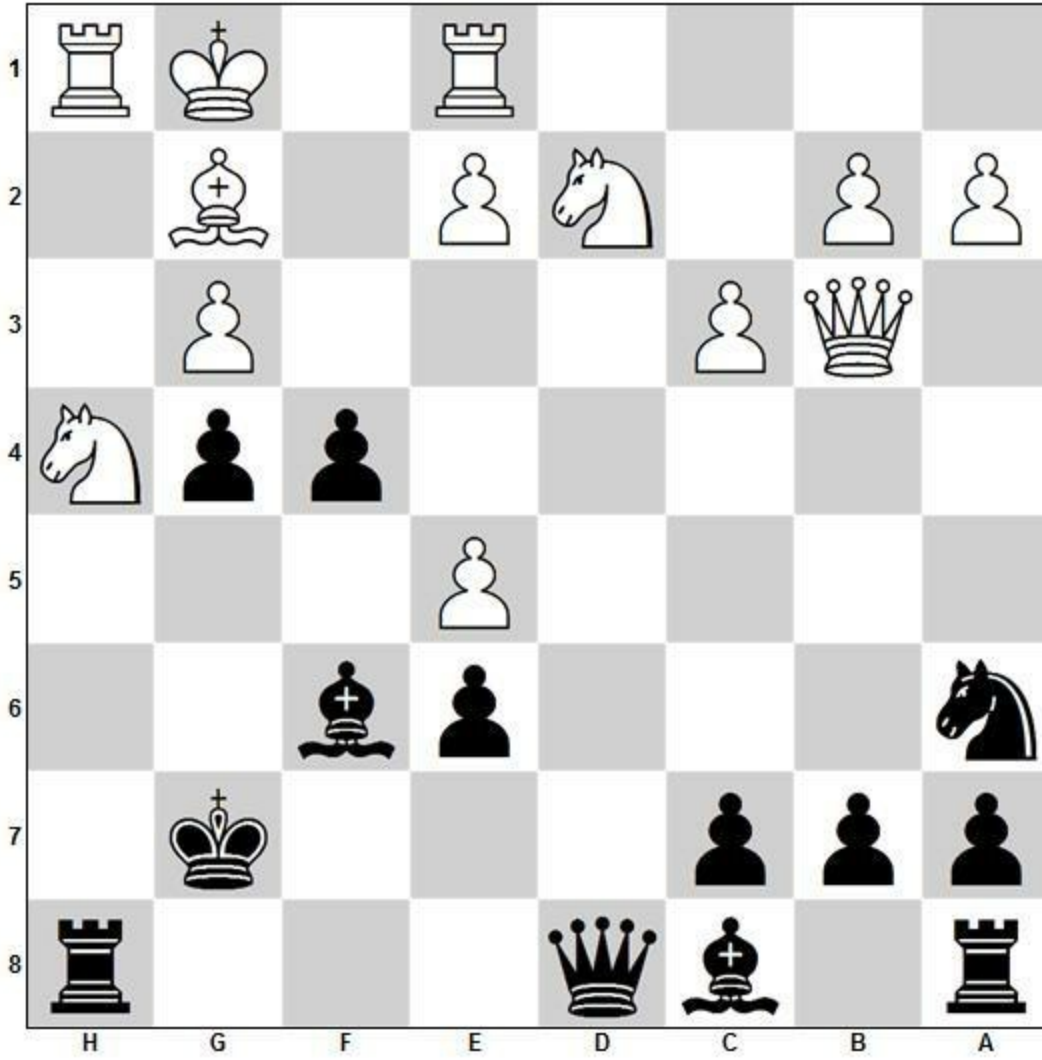
**32...Rxd6** wins a piece. The c5-pawn is pinned.

From the game Jeffrey Baffo (1801) – Dean Brown (1545), Fort Collins Chess Team Olympiad, Round 1, January 24, 2015

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<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2015/4/4/Game62965778.html>

(81) Black to move



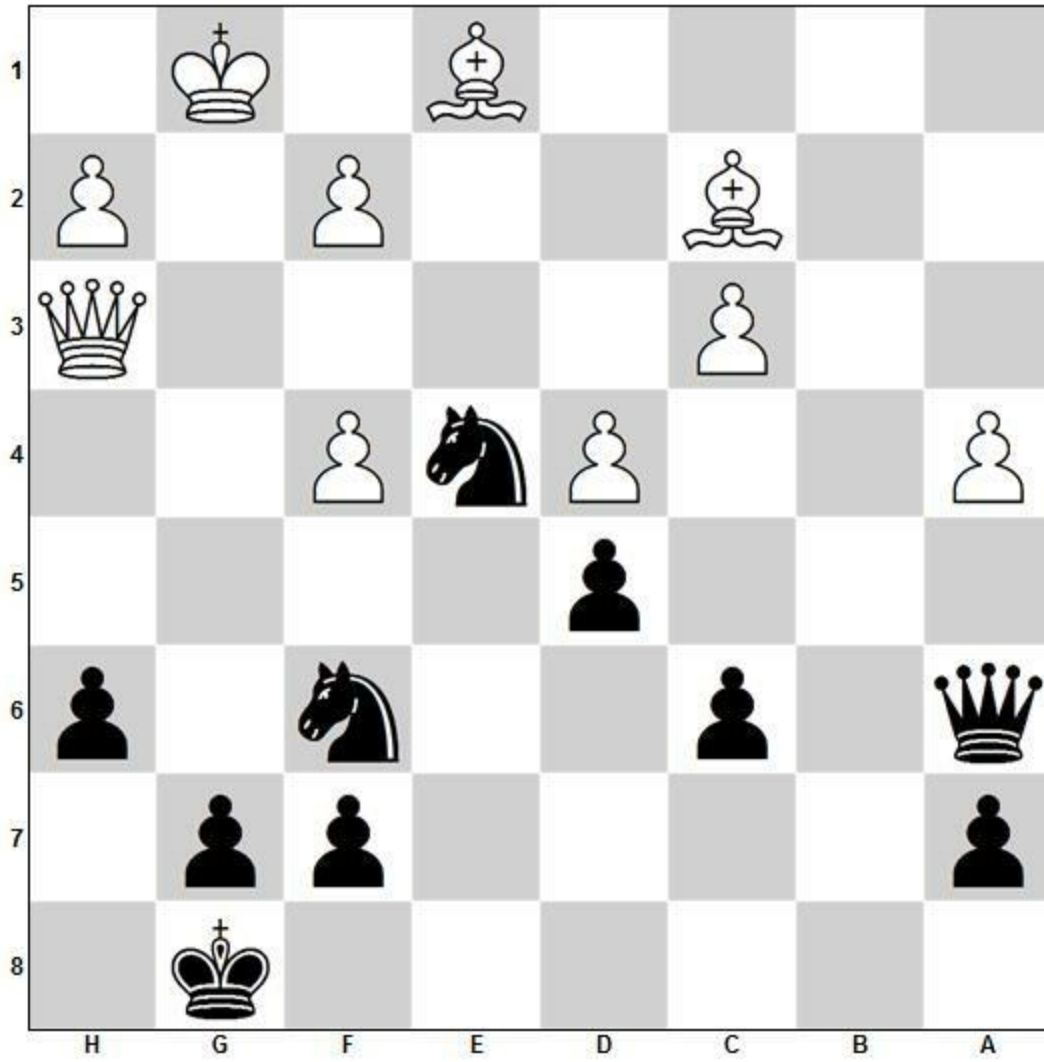
**21...Bxh4** White doesn't have time to recapture and protect the hanging knight on d2.

From the game Mark Krowczyk (1845) – Brian Wall (2245), Round 1, Fort Collins Chess Olympiad, December 20, 2014

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

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(82) Black to move



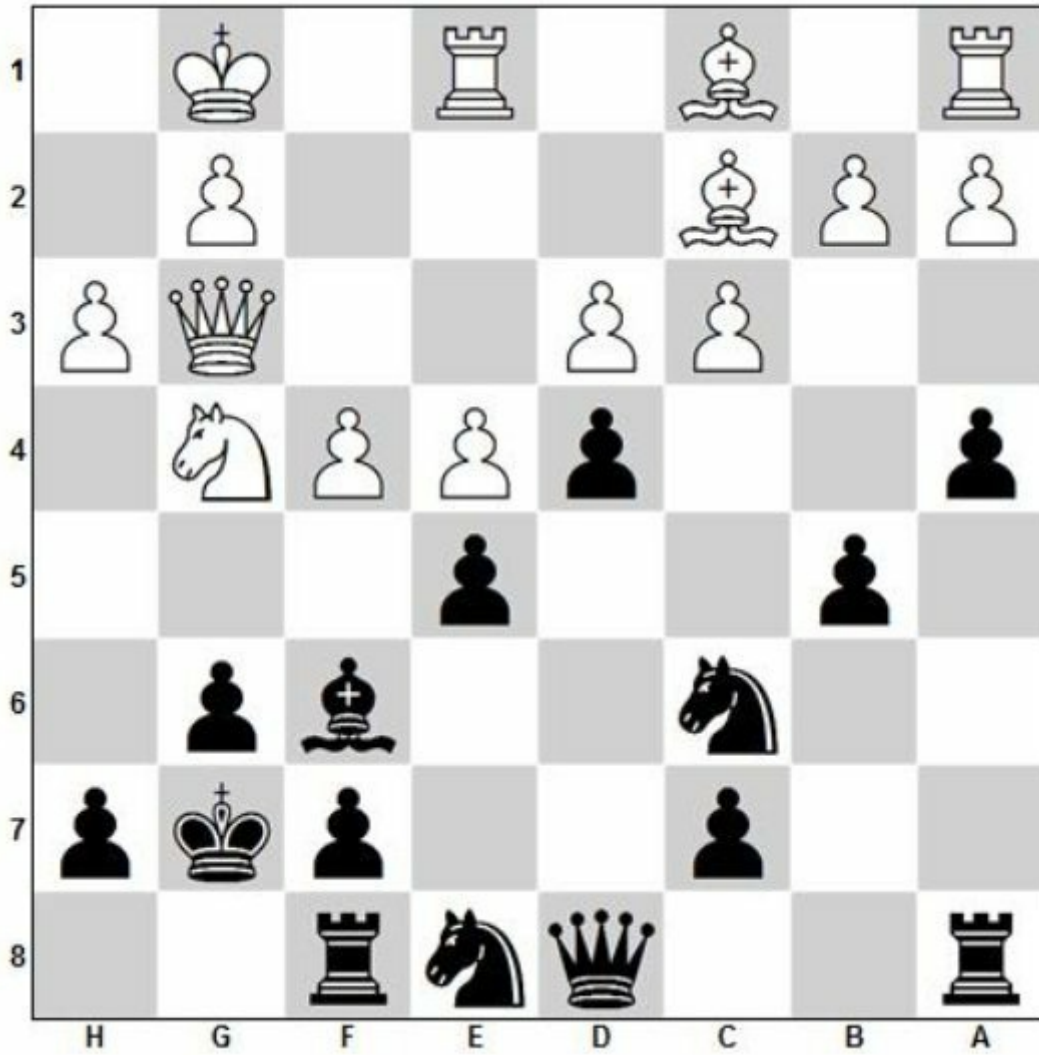
**26...Qe2** forks the two bishops.

Missed in the game FridayKnights (1486) – dcap (1488), Live Chess Chess.com, January 17, 2015

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<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2015/4/4/Game66243078.html>

(83) Black to move



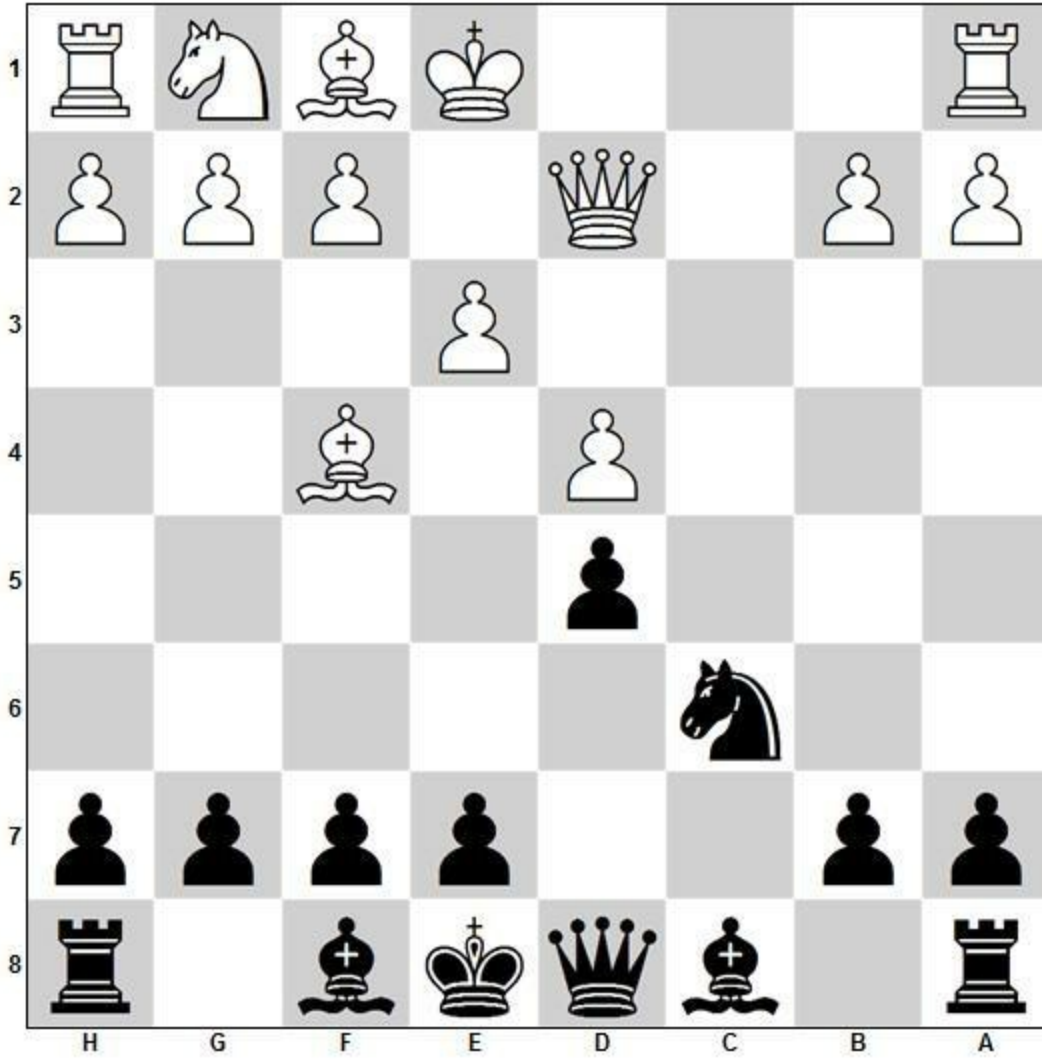
**20...Bh4** skewers the white queen and rook. **21.Qf3 Bxe1**

From the game Phillip Brown (1651) – Francisco Baltier (1638), 2014  
Colorado Open, Round 4, August 31, 2014

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/10/26/Game702705910.html>

(84) Black to move



**8...e5!** attacks the bishop and threatens **9...Bb4** pinning the queen to the king. White cannot meet both threats.

From the game Henry Poston (1697) – Gunnar Andersen (2198), Round 1, Colorado Springs Open, March 7, 2012

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2015/4/4/Game104469080.html>

(85) White to move



***14.Nxc7***+ the queen is pinned. ***14...Kd8 15.Qxd7+ Kxd7 16.Nxa8 Bxa8*** and White is up a pawn and the exchange.

From the game Devon Wall (1214) – K.W. Cowin (1353), 2014 Colorado Open, Round 1, August 30, 2014

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/10/26/Game703724035.html>

(86) Black to move



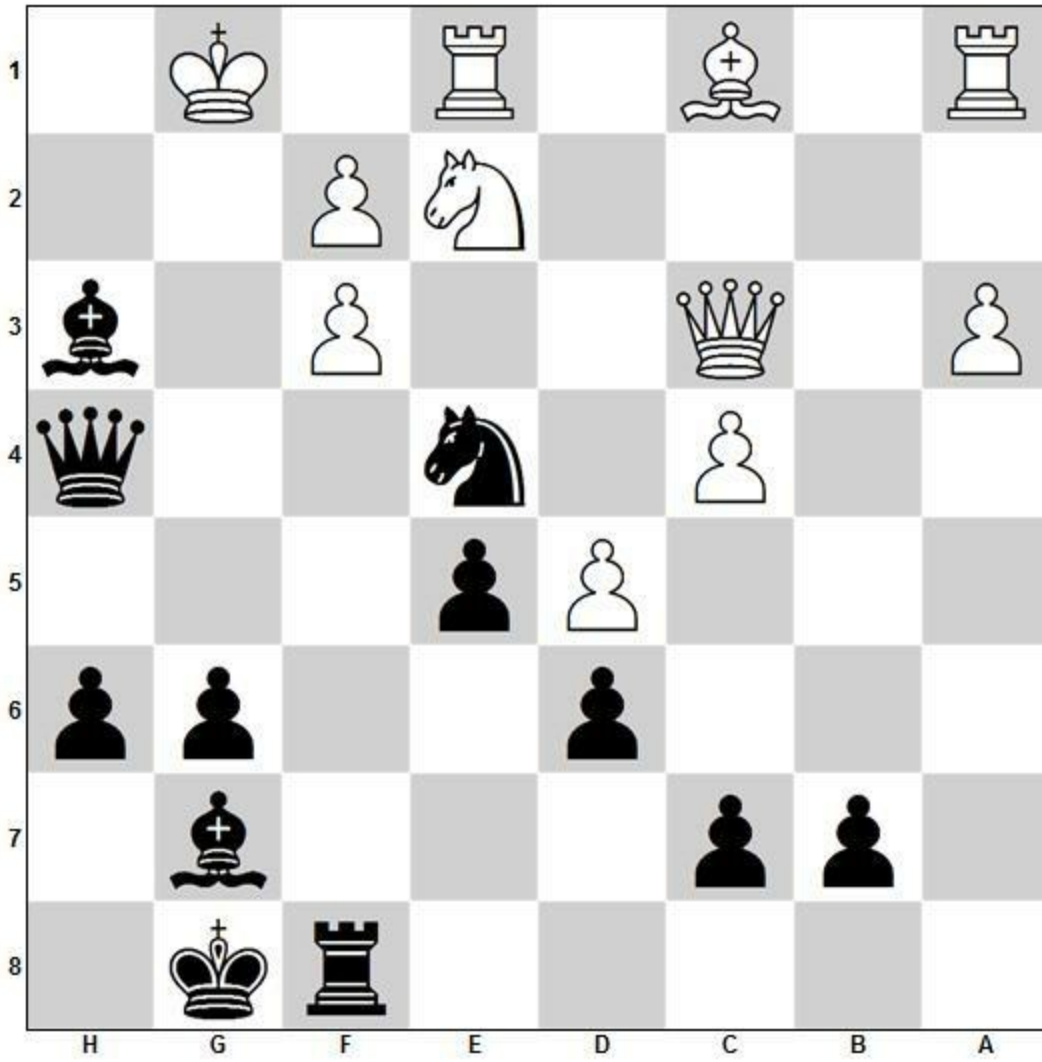
**11...Re8** pins the White knight to the king. **12. Bf4 f6.**

Variation from the game Dorel Oltean (2193) – Brian Wall (2052), ICC 3 0,  
September 17, 2013

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2013/9/29/Game204124718.html>

(87) Black to move



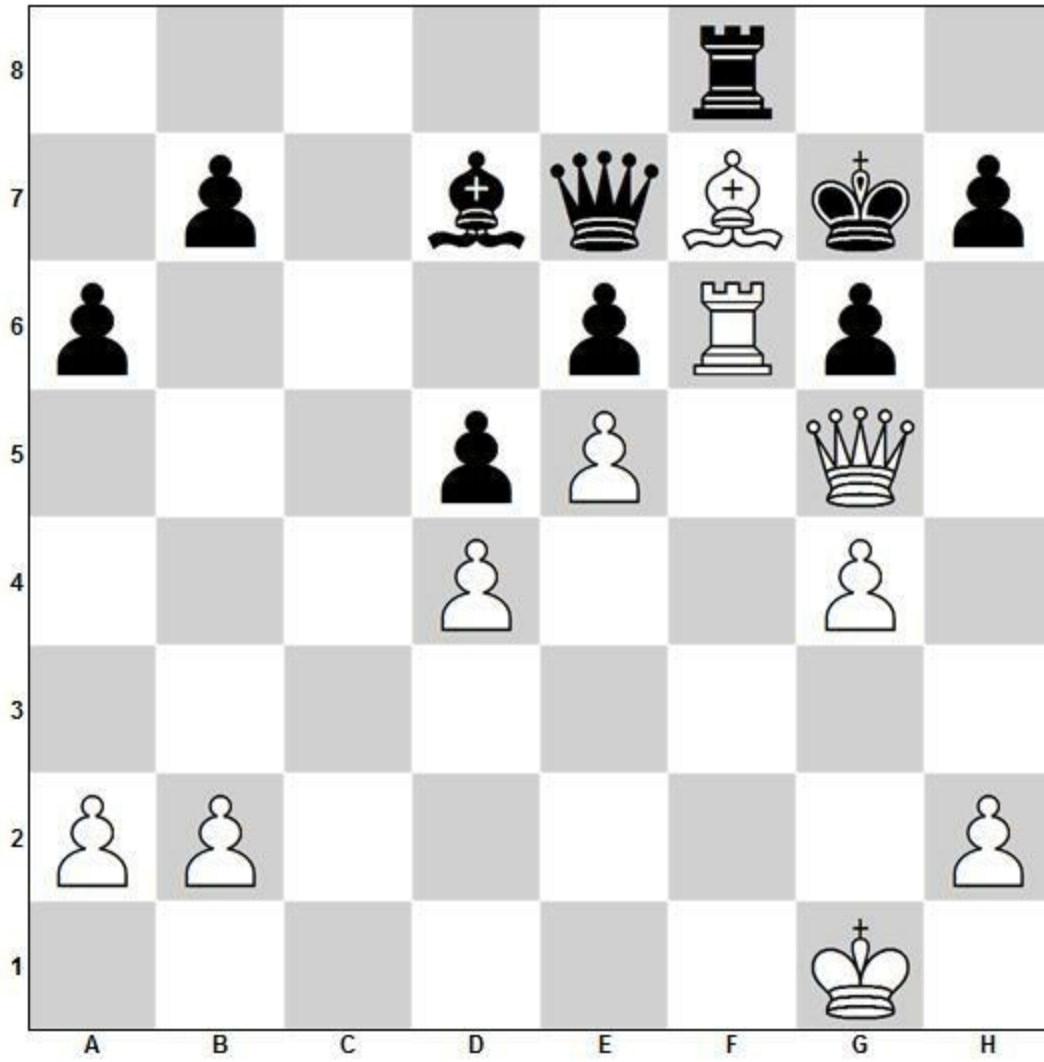
***24...Qxf2+ 25.Kh1 Qg2#***

Variation from the game nissk (1829) – FearNoEvil12 (2200), Summer Chess Classic 2014, Round 1, June 26, 2014

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/12/24/Game254538719.html>

(88) White to move



**32.Rxg6+ hxg6 33.Qxg6+ Kh8 34.Qh6#**

**If 32...Kxf7 33.Rg7+ Ke8 34.Qxe7#**

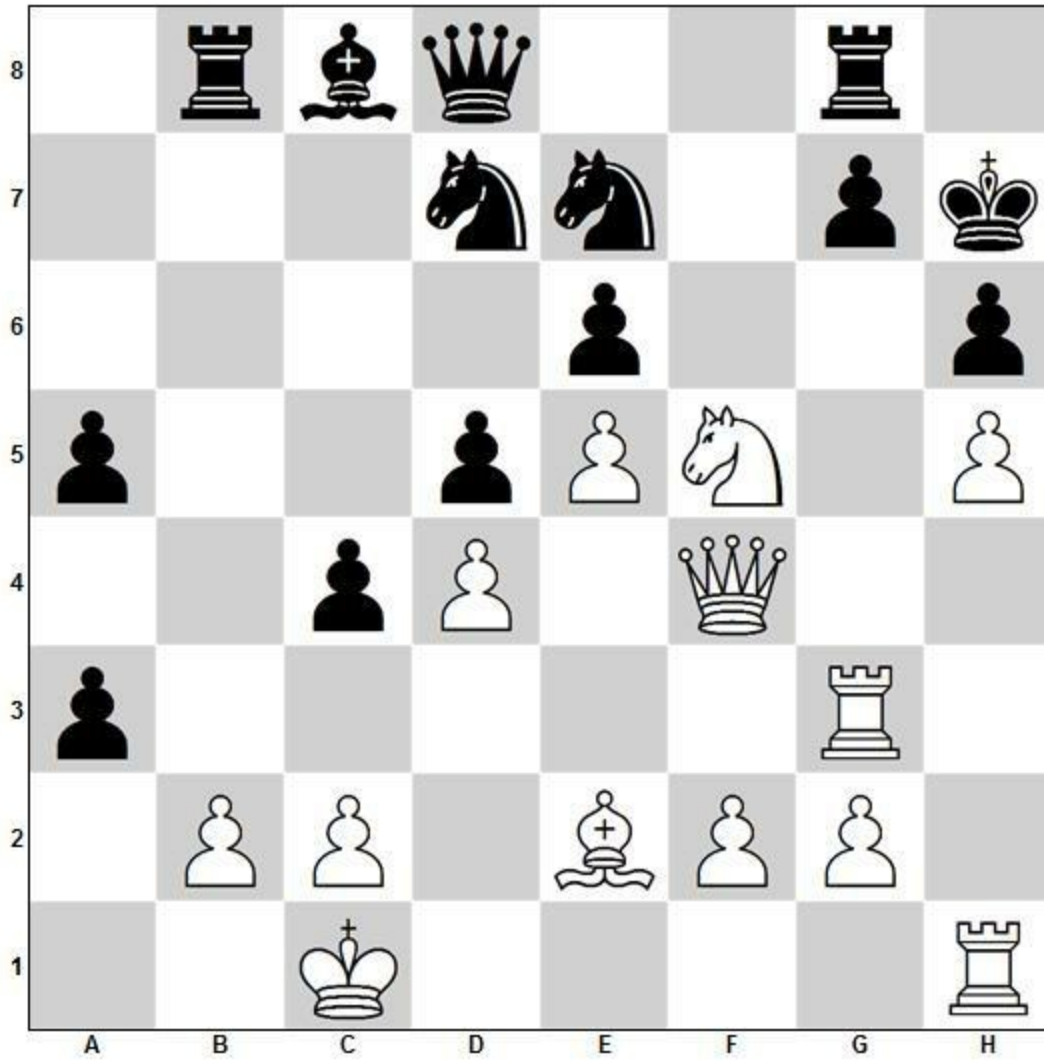
**If 32...hxg6 33.Qxg6+ Kh8 34.Qh6#**

From the game FearNoEvil12 (2200) – djsniper800 (1700), Fast French Tarrasch, Chess.com, June 16, 2014

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/12/24/Game256608743.html>

(89) White to move



***24.Rxg7+ Rxg7 25.Qxh6+ Kg8 26.Qxg7#***

Variation from the game Mania (2136) – Amethystic (2267), ICC 3 1  
unrated, July 5, 2014

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/12/24/Game257228894.html>



**38.Rxa2** simply takes the hanging piece.

From the game Dorel Oltean (2193) – Brian Wall (2052), ICC 3 0, September 17, 2013

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2013/9/29/Game204124718.html>

(91) White to move



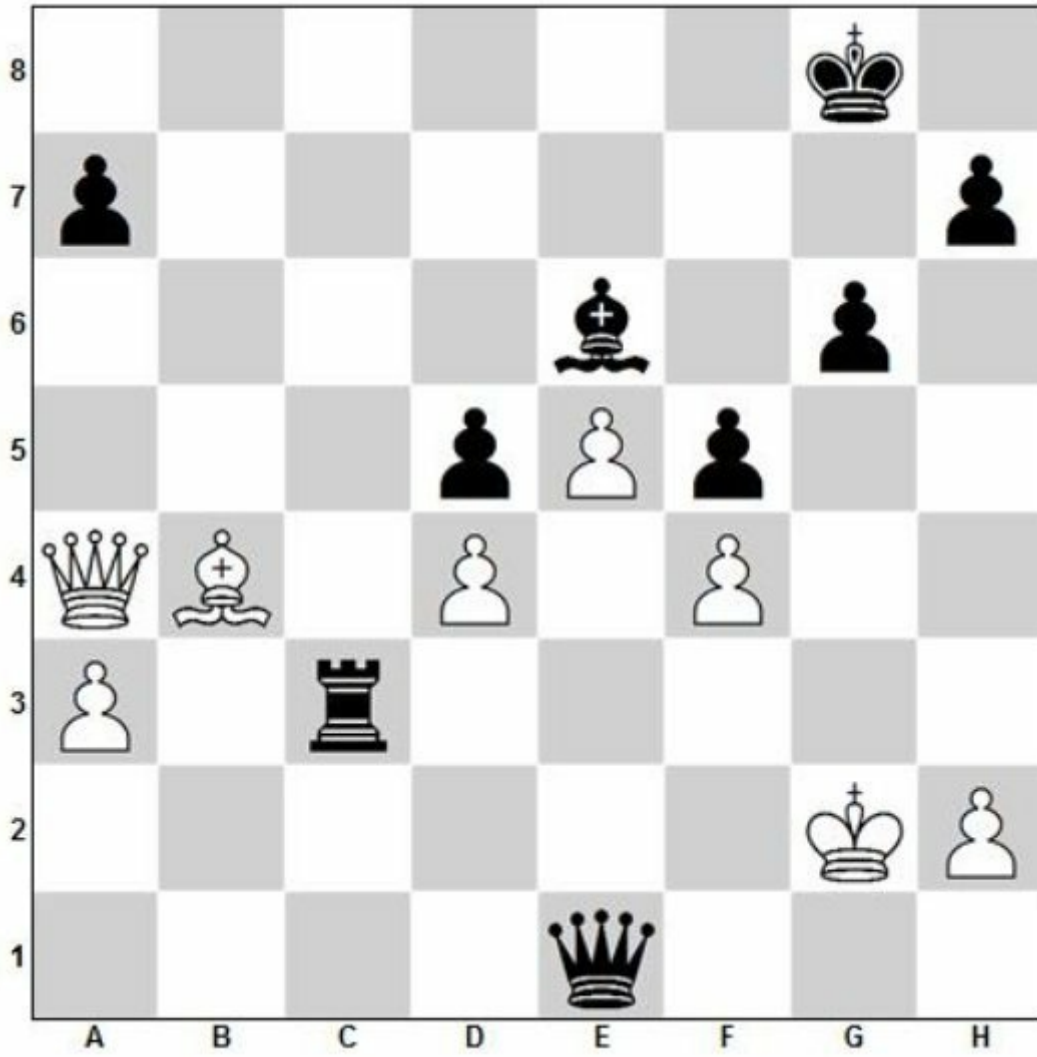
### ***23.Qxe8#***

Missed in the game Kingwalker (2116) – BrianWall (2177), ICC 3 0,  
September 9, 2013

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<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2013/9/11/Game1263241823.html>

(92) White to move



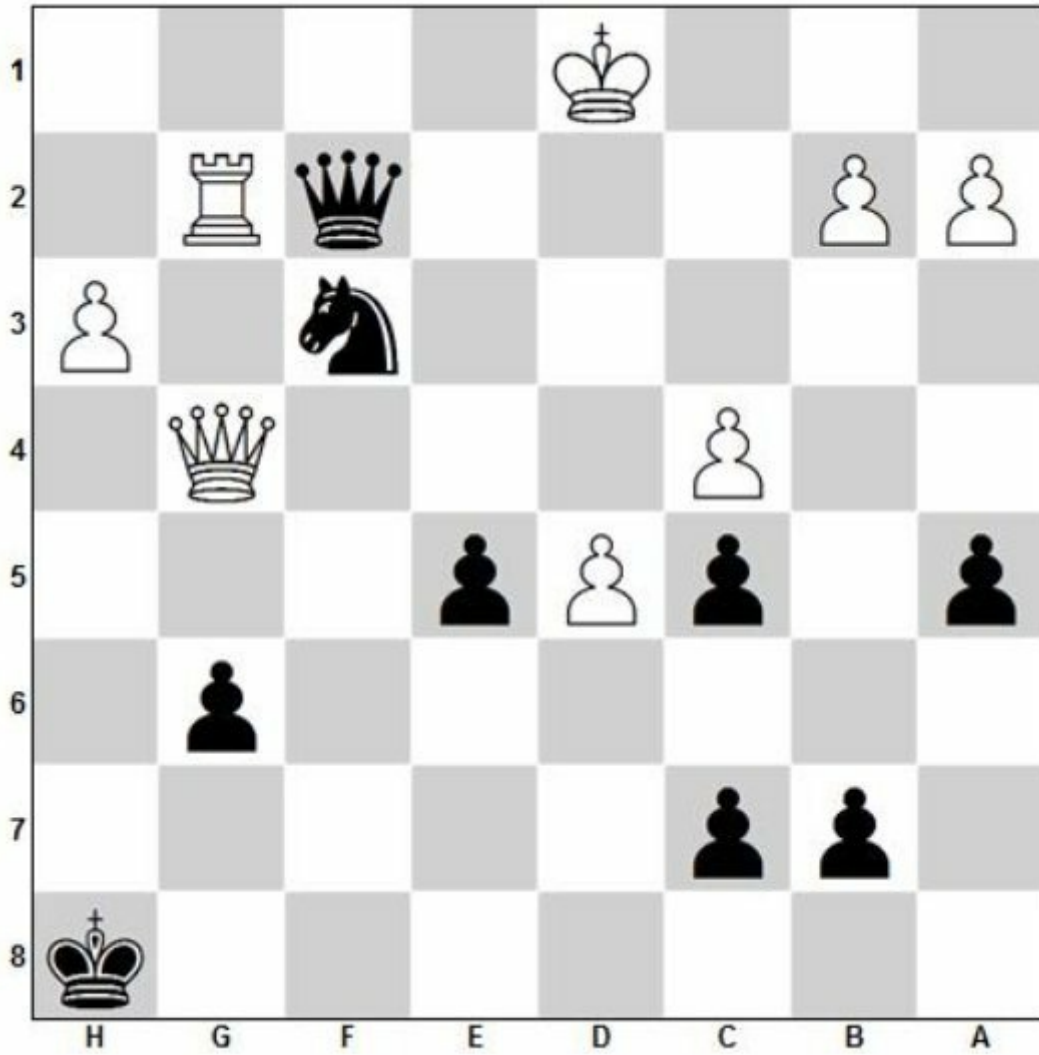
***46.Qe8+ Kg7 47.Qf8#***

Variation from the game Becca Lampman (2059) – Claudia Munoz (2076),  
2014 US Girls Junior Closed Championship, Round 9, July 21, 2014

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<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/11/28/Game813179407.html>

(93) Black to move



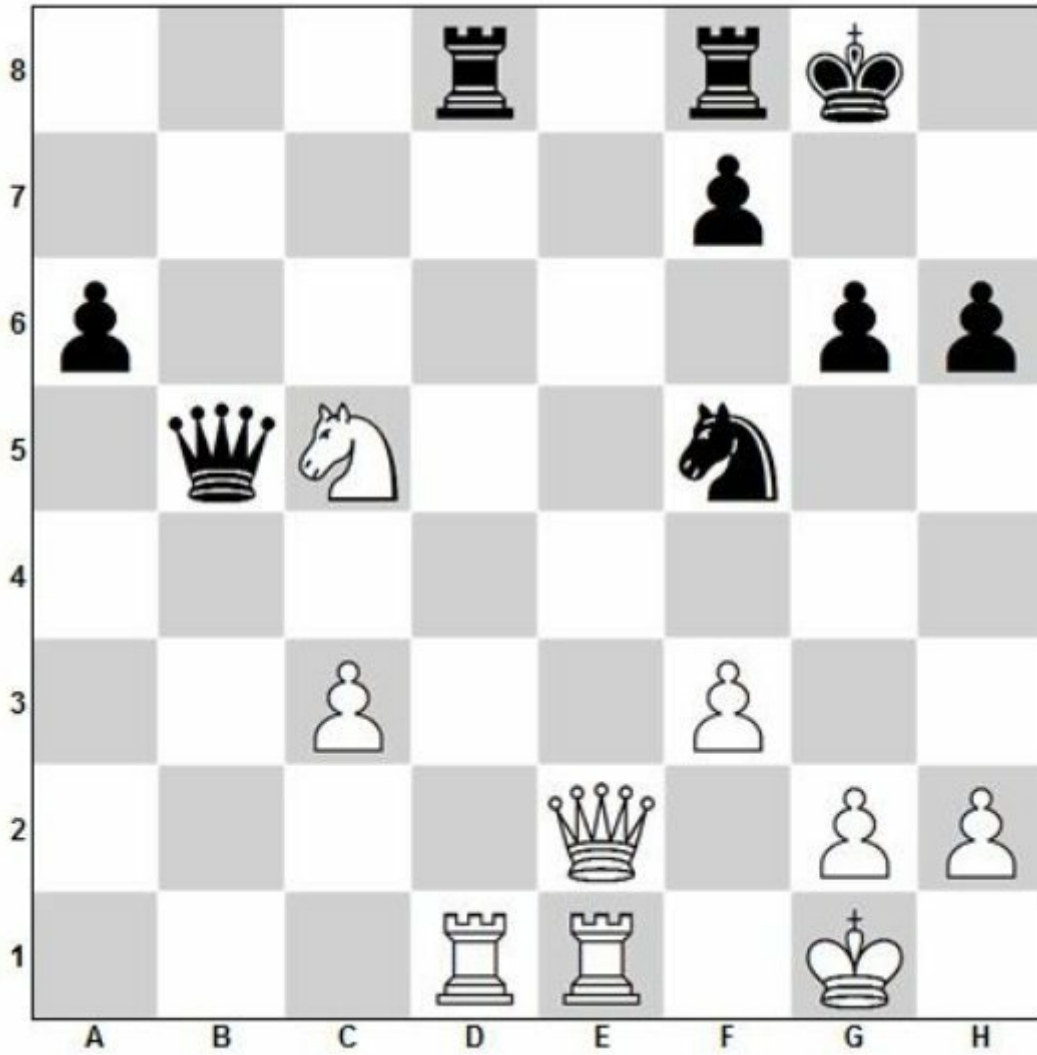
**29...Qf1+ 30.Kc2** only move **30...Qxg2+!** **31.Qxg2 Ne1+** forks the white king and queen. Black comes out ahead a piece.

Missed in the game Anthea Carson (1820) – Jason Loving (2106), Monument Open VI, Round 2, August 16, 2014

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<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/11/28/Game818999055.html>

(94) White to move



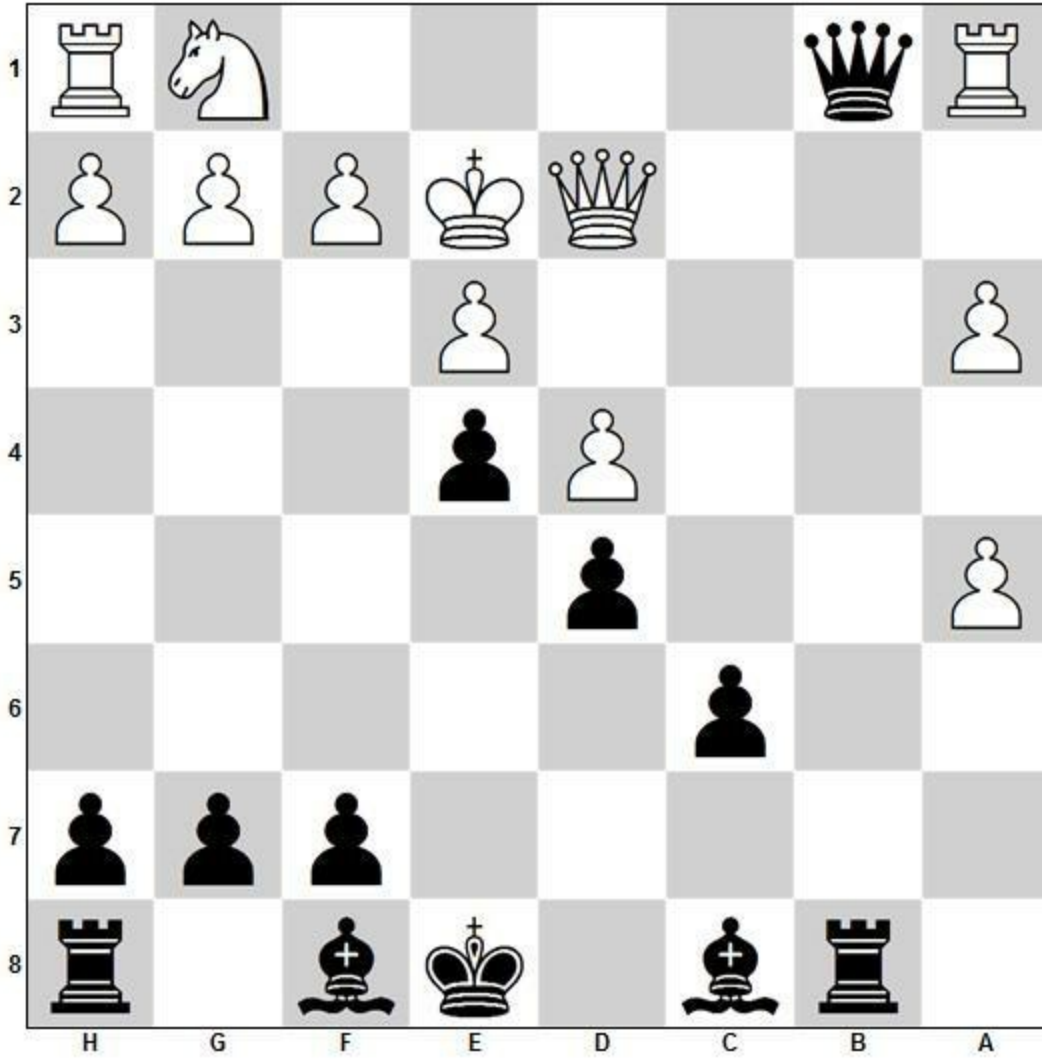
**31.Qxb5** removes the Black Queen from defense of the d7 square. **31...axb5**  
**32.Nd7** wins the exchange. If **32...Re8** **33.Nf6+** forks the Black king and  
rook.

From the game Hikaru Nakamura (2772) – Levon Aronian (2813),  
Sinquefield Cup, St Louis, MO, Round 1, September 9, 2013

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(95) Black to move



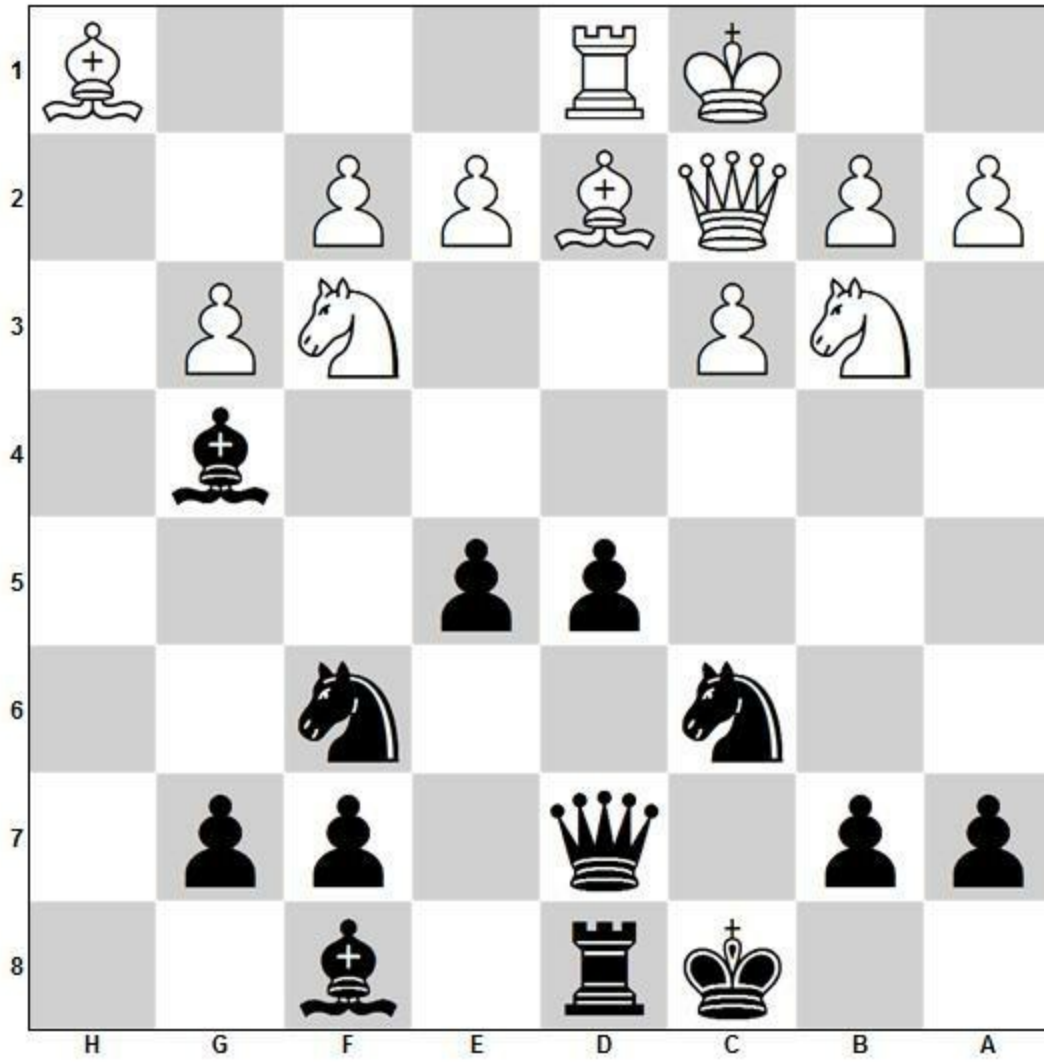
***17...Ba6+ 18.Qd3 Rb2#***

Variation from the game Henry Poston (1697) – Gunnar Andersen (2198),  
Round 1, Colorado Springs Open, March 7, 2012

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<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2015/4/4/Game104469080.html>

(96) Black to move



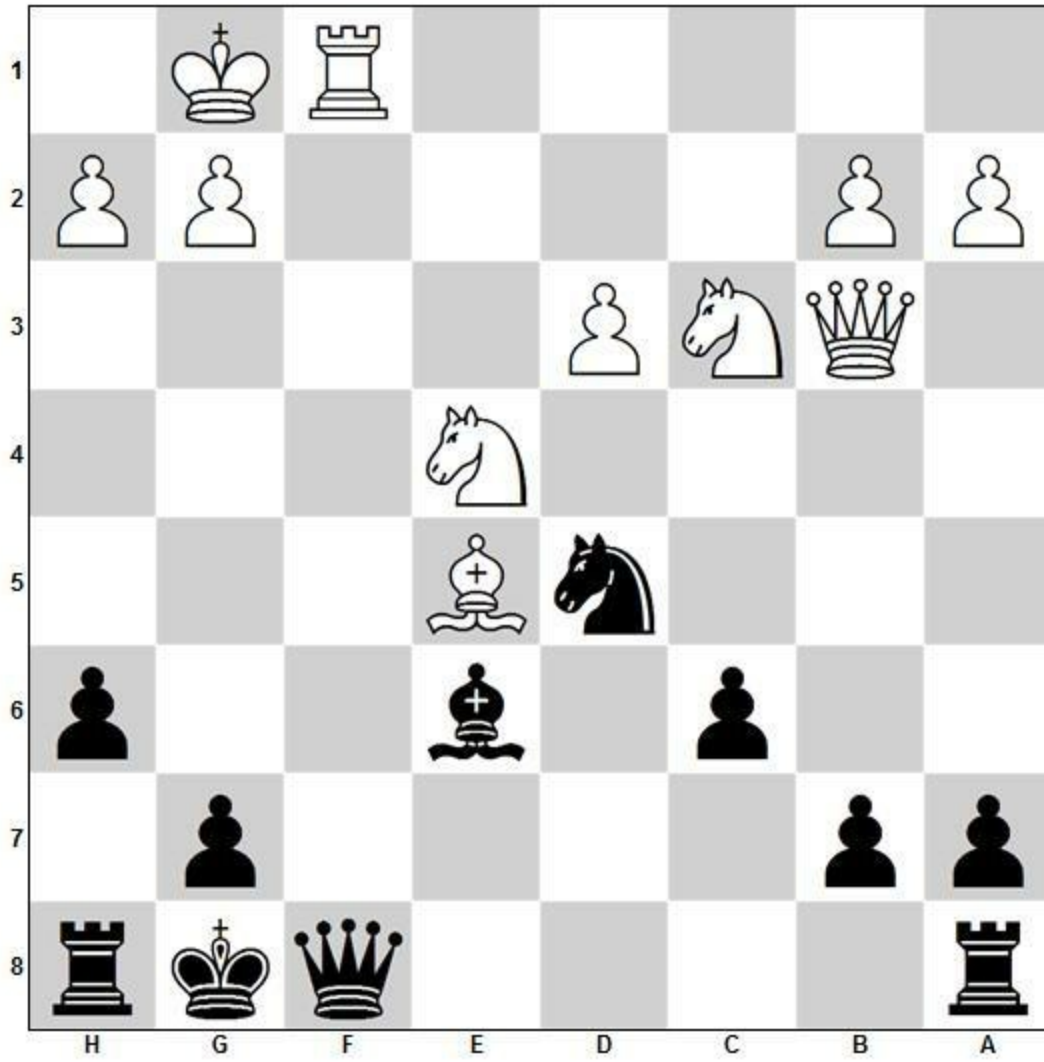
*14...Bf5* traps the white queen.

Missed in the game macbaren53 (1516) – jbaffo (1566), Live Chess Chess.com, March 29, 2015

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2015/4/4/Game105232018.html>

(97) Black to move



**18...Qxf1+! 19.Kxf1 Ne3+ 20.Ke2 Bxb3 21.Kxe3 Be6.** Black comes out ahead the exchange.

Missed in the game Machinegun (2169) – BrianWall (2062), ICC 3 0 Internet Chess Club, April 20, 2015

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2015/4/24/Game324879913.html>



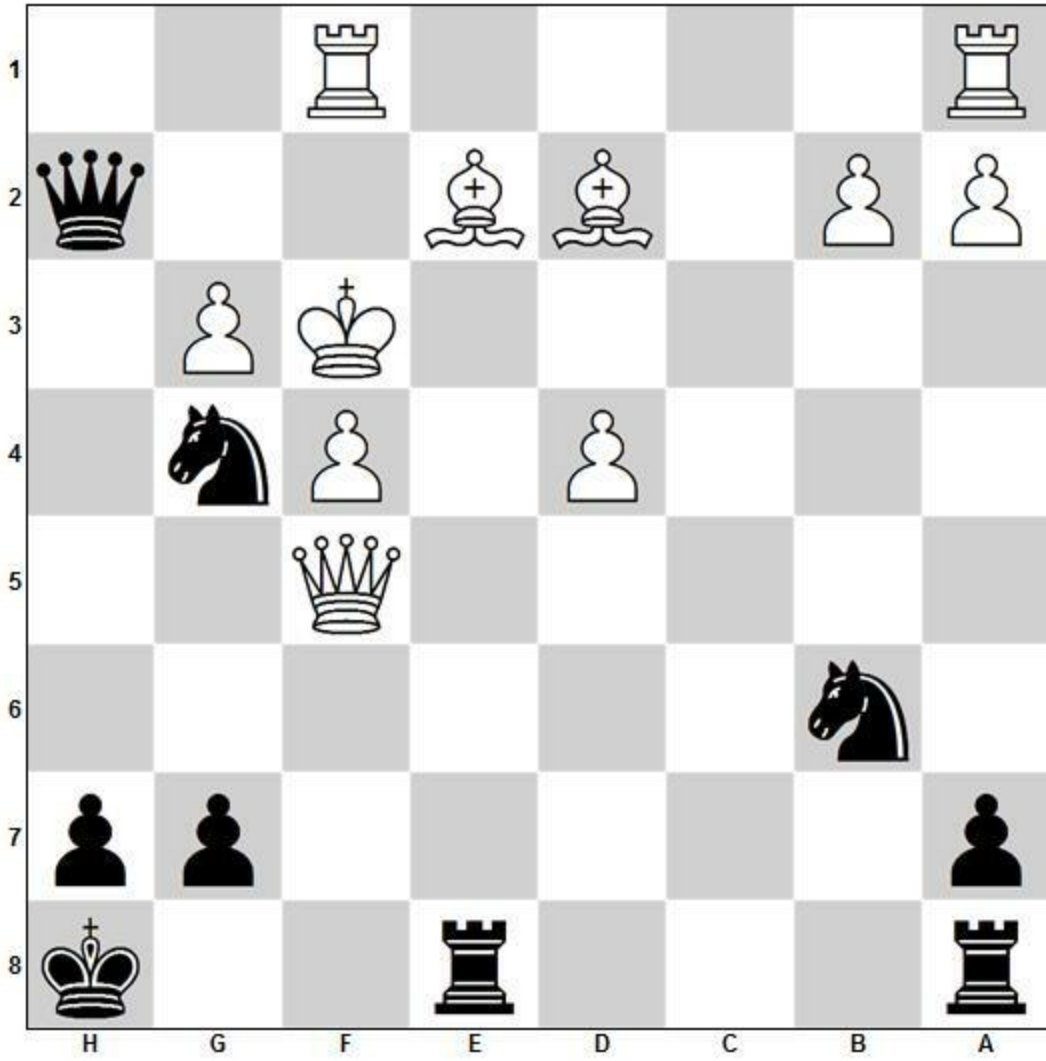
*50...Bf3#.*

From the game insolente (2202) – BrianWall (2062), ICC 3 0 Internet Chess Club, April 20, 2015

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2015/4/24/Game323681076.html>

(99) Black to move



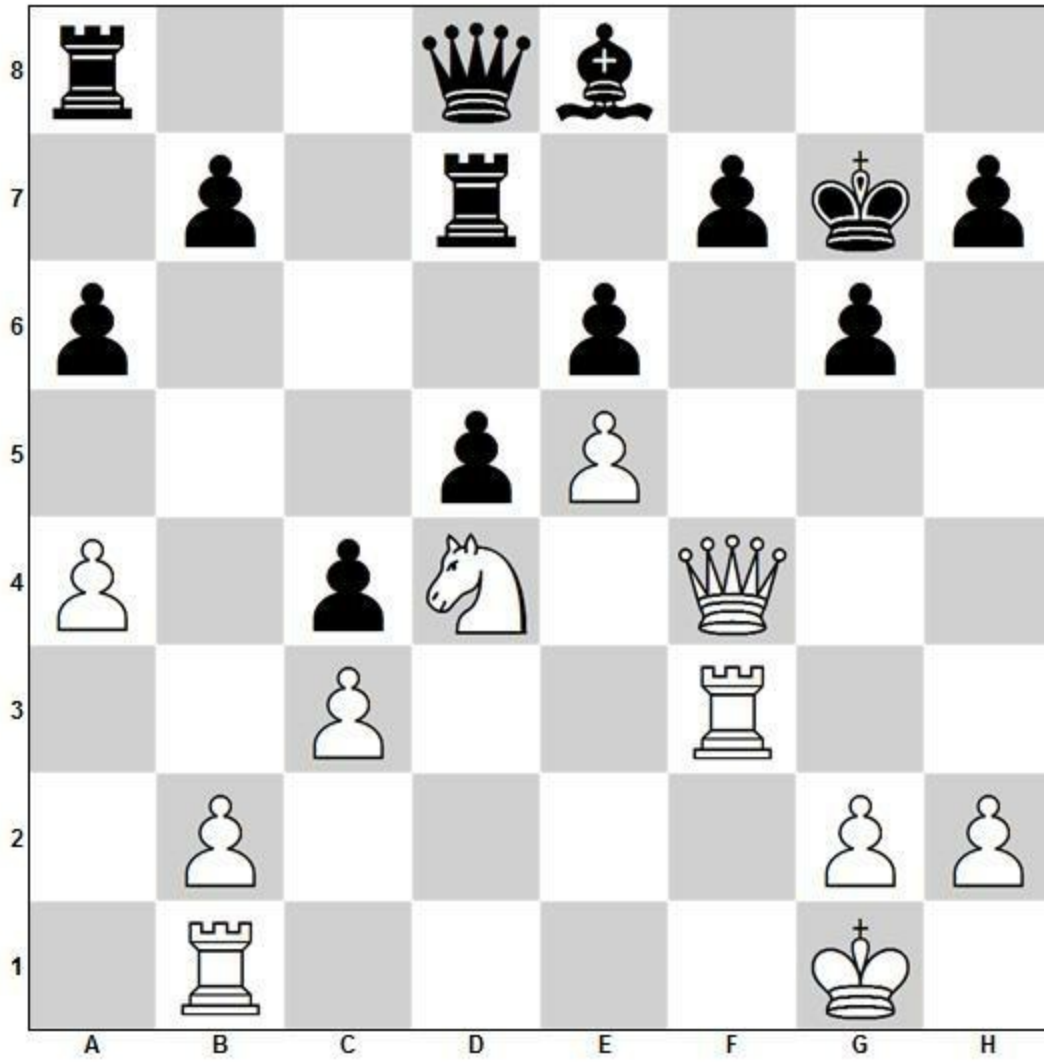
*28...Qxe2#.*

Variation from the game Suhaas Naryanan (1997) – Elizabeth Scott (1414),  
Zombie Apocalypse, Round 1, March 14, 2015

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2015/4/17/Game194268169.html>

(100) White to move



**25.Nxe6+!** captures a pawn and forks the black king and queen. Black cannot take the knight with **25...fxe6** because of **26.Qf8#**. White wins a queen and pawn for a knight.

From the game Rob Hartelt (1157) – Robert Carlsen (1741), Tri Lakes Open, Round 1, October 4, 2014

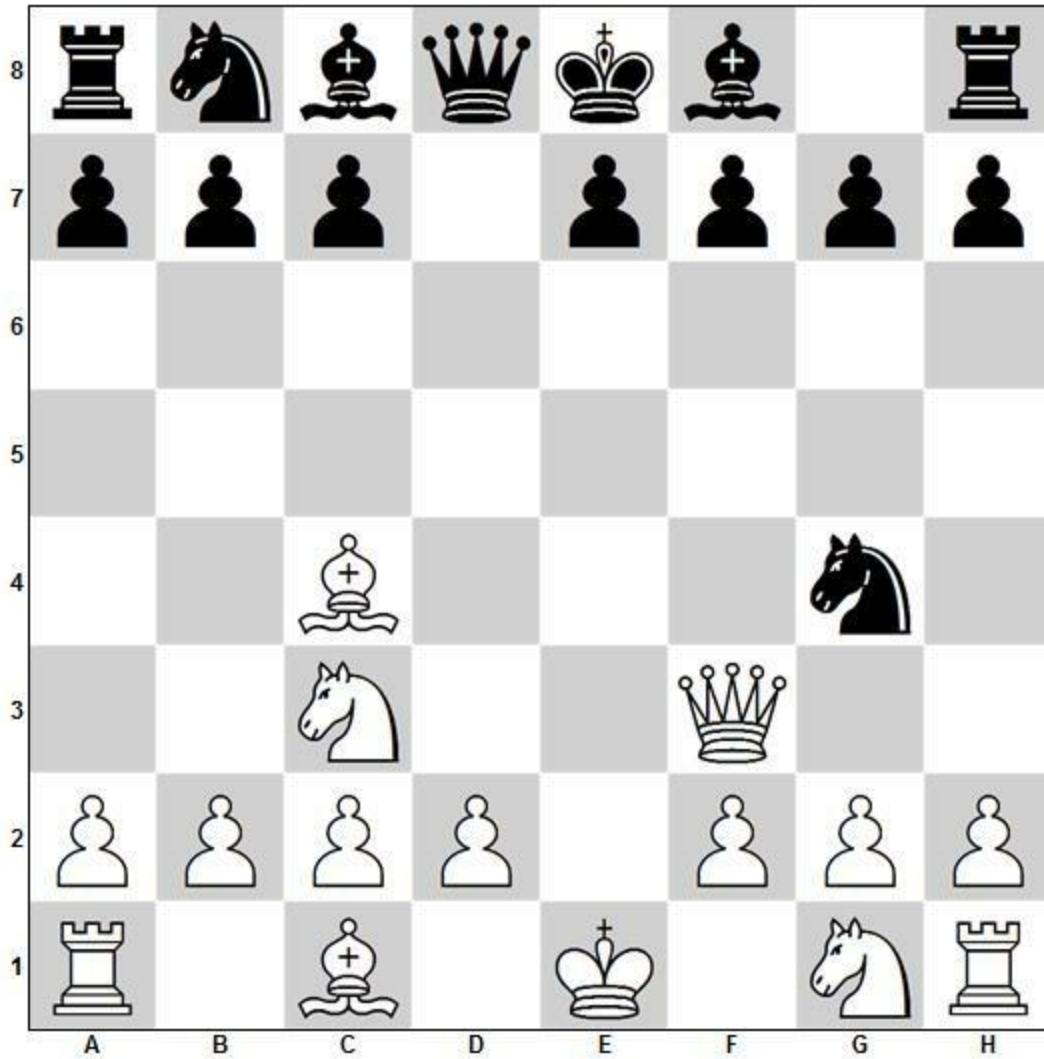
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(101) White to move



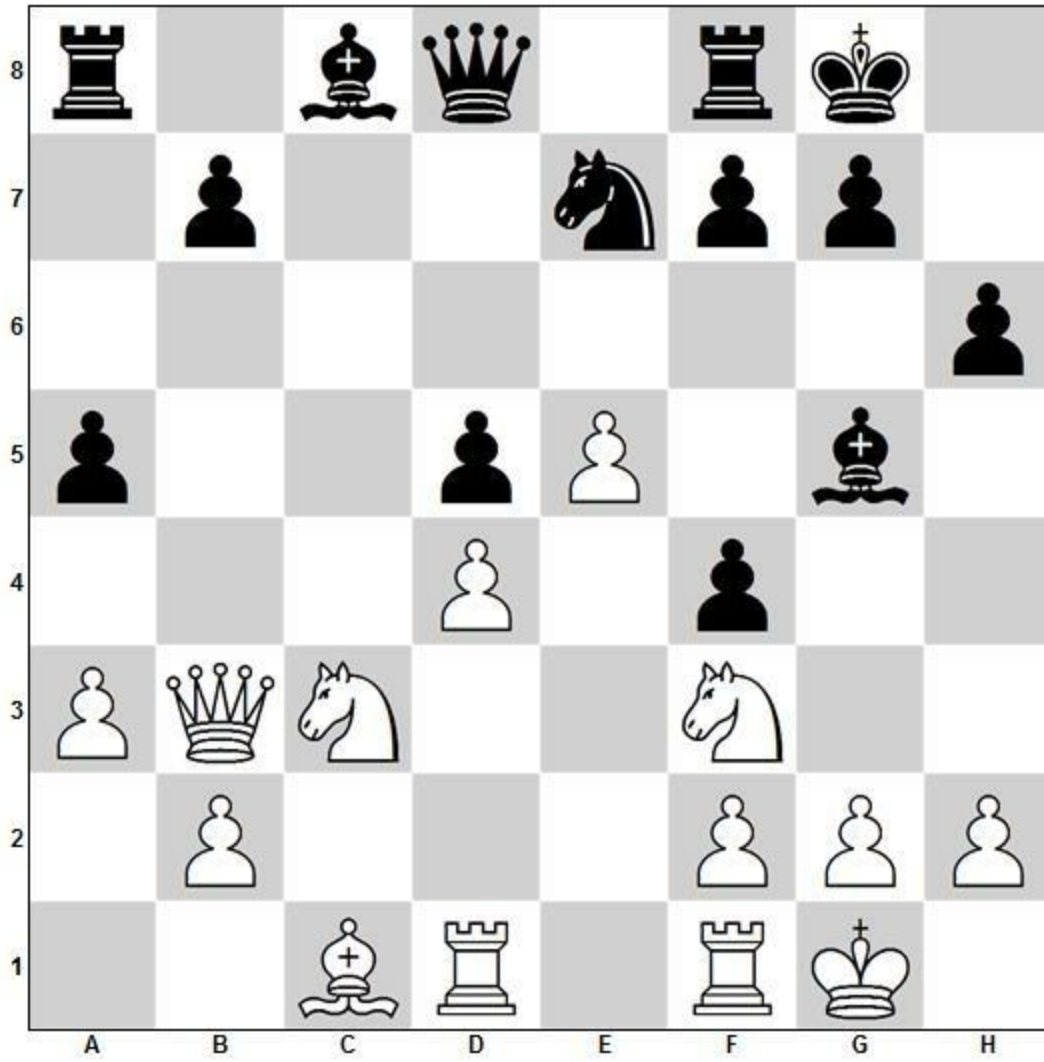
***6.Bxf7+ Kd7 7.Qd5#***

From the game Rick Dulz (1383) – Todd Burge (1391), Denver Chess Club casual game, January 27, 2015

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<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2015/1/31/Game609653436.html>

(102) White to move



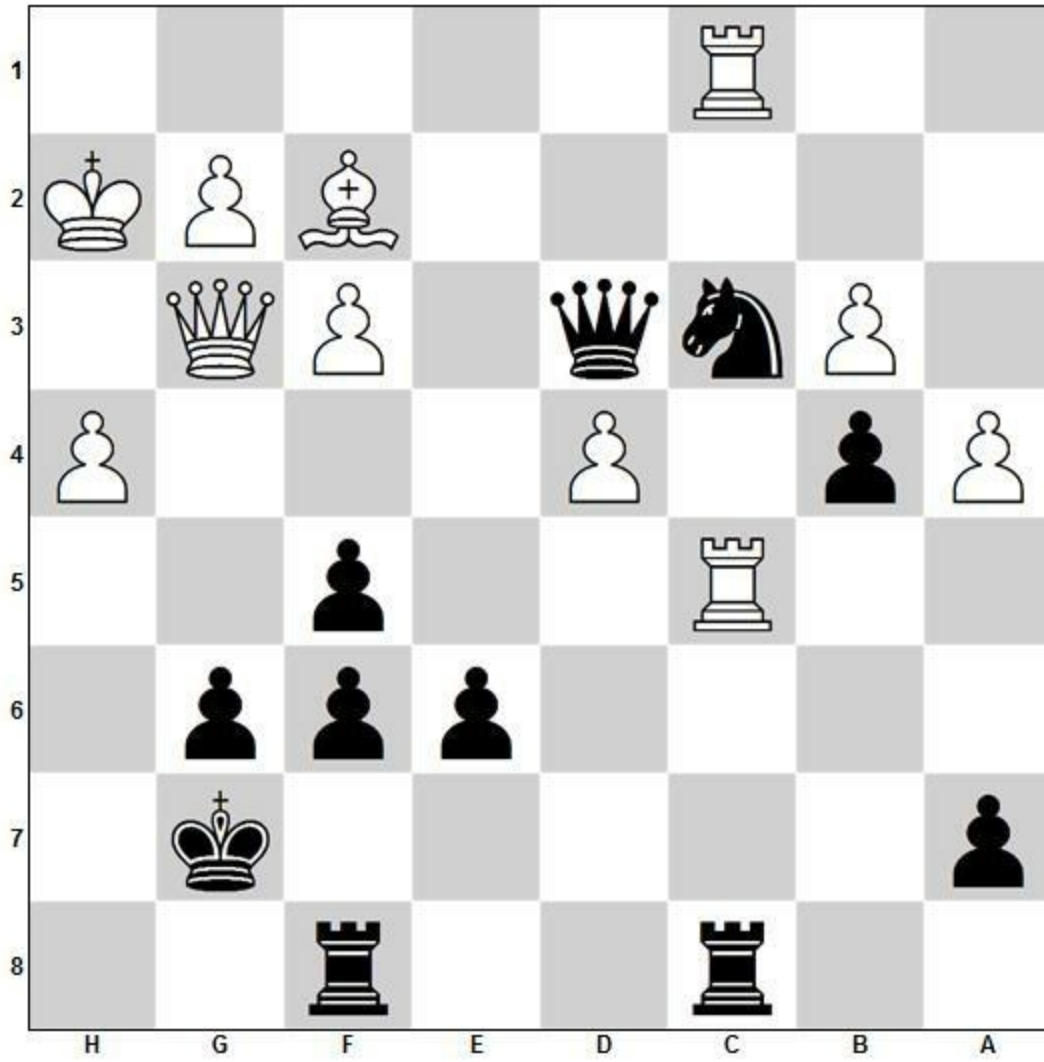
**16.h4** traps the black bishop.

From the game Gunnar Andersen (2131) – Isaac Martinez (1916), 2014  
Colorado Scholastic Closed, Round 4, April 27, 2014

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<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2015/1/31/Game609880136.html>

(103) Black to move



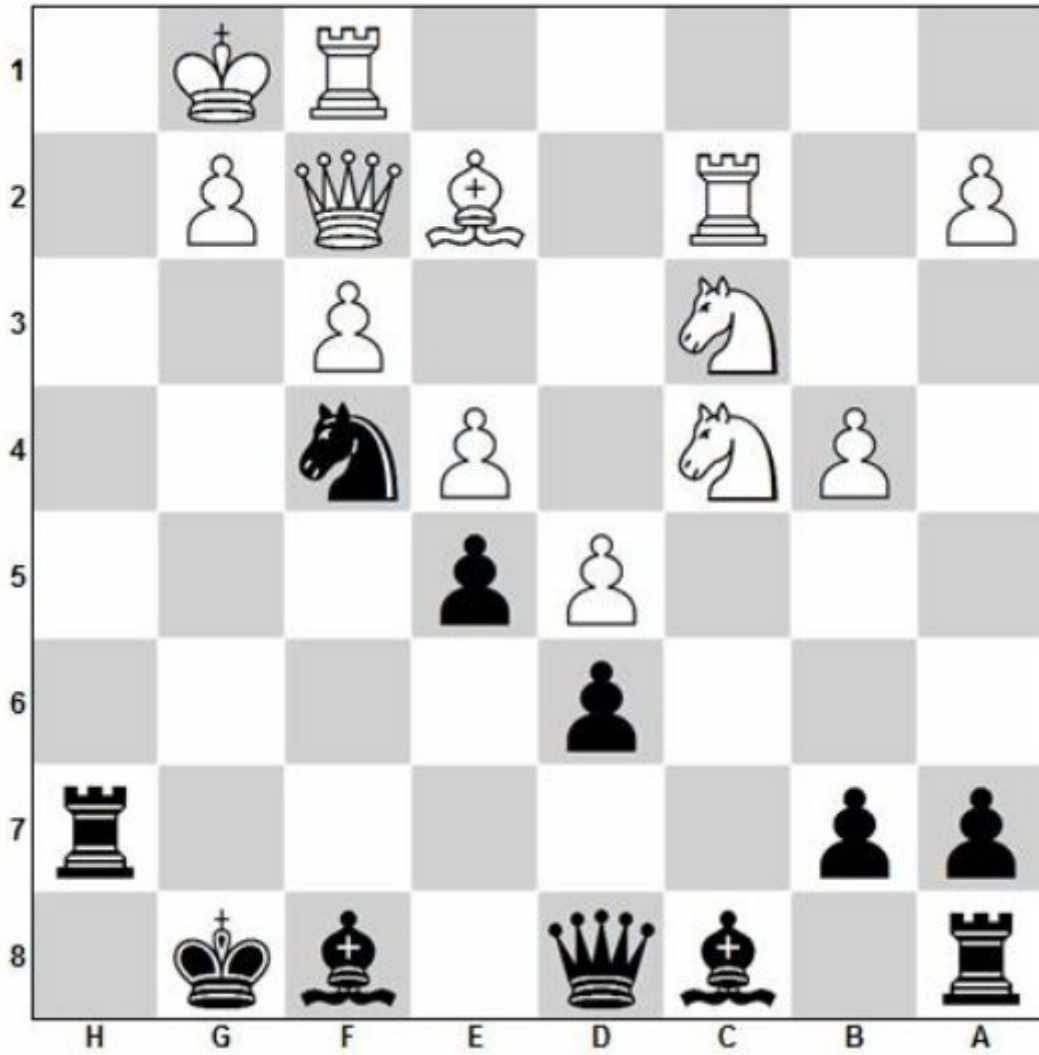
**33...Rxc5 34.dxc5 Ne2** forks the queen and rook.

Missed in the game Victor Huang (2008) – Daniel Herman (1899), 2015  
Colorado Scholastic Closed, Round 4, April 12, 2015

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<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2015/4/24/Game325125318.html>

(104) Black to move



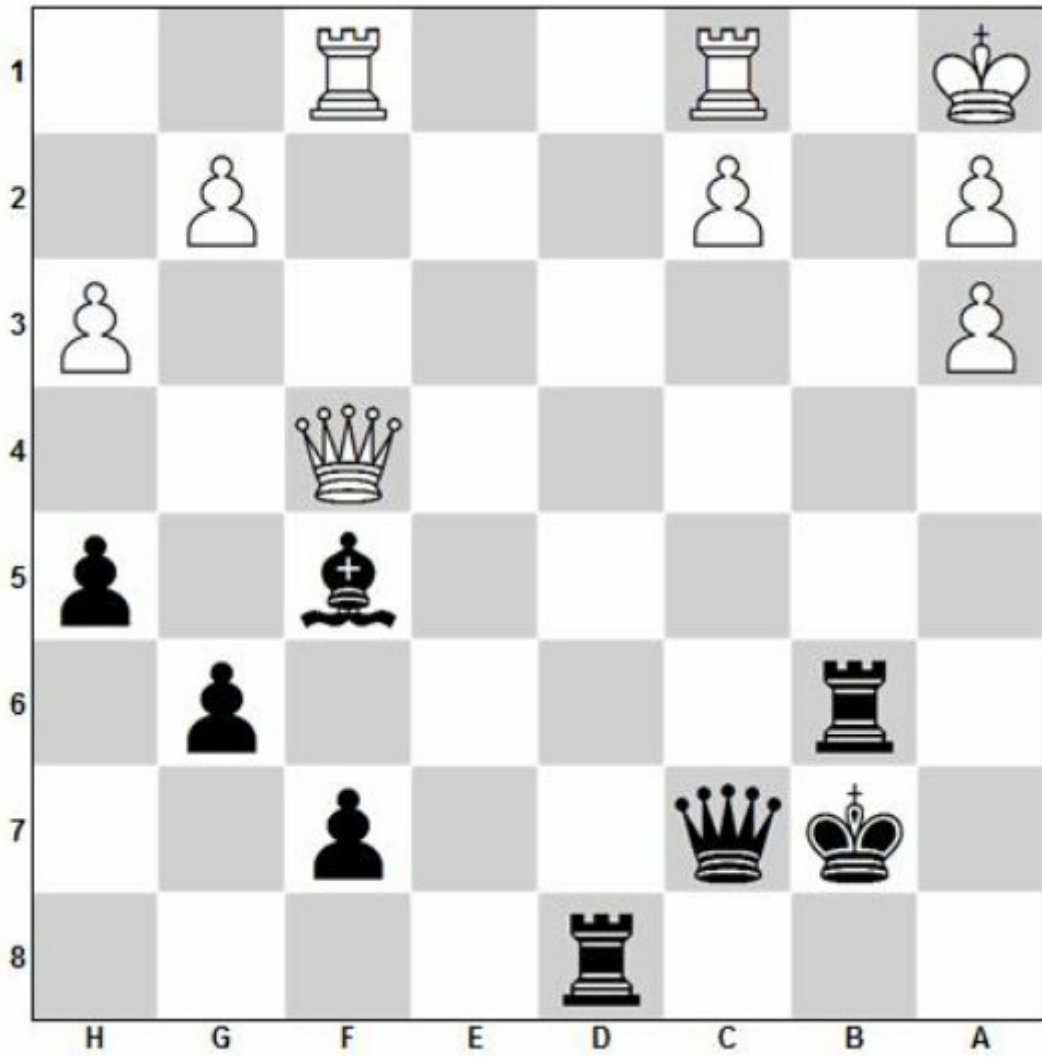
**29...Qg5** and White cannot stop the threat of **30...Nh3+** forking the white king and queen. White cannot move the queen because of **30...Qxg2#**

From the game Alex Cacas (1800) – Josh Bloomer (2256) October Academy Panera Bread, Round 3, October 16, 2014

You can play through the game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/10/19/Game129010143.html>

(105) Black to move



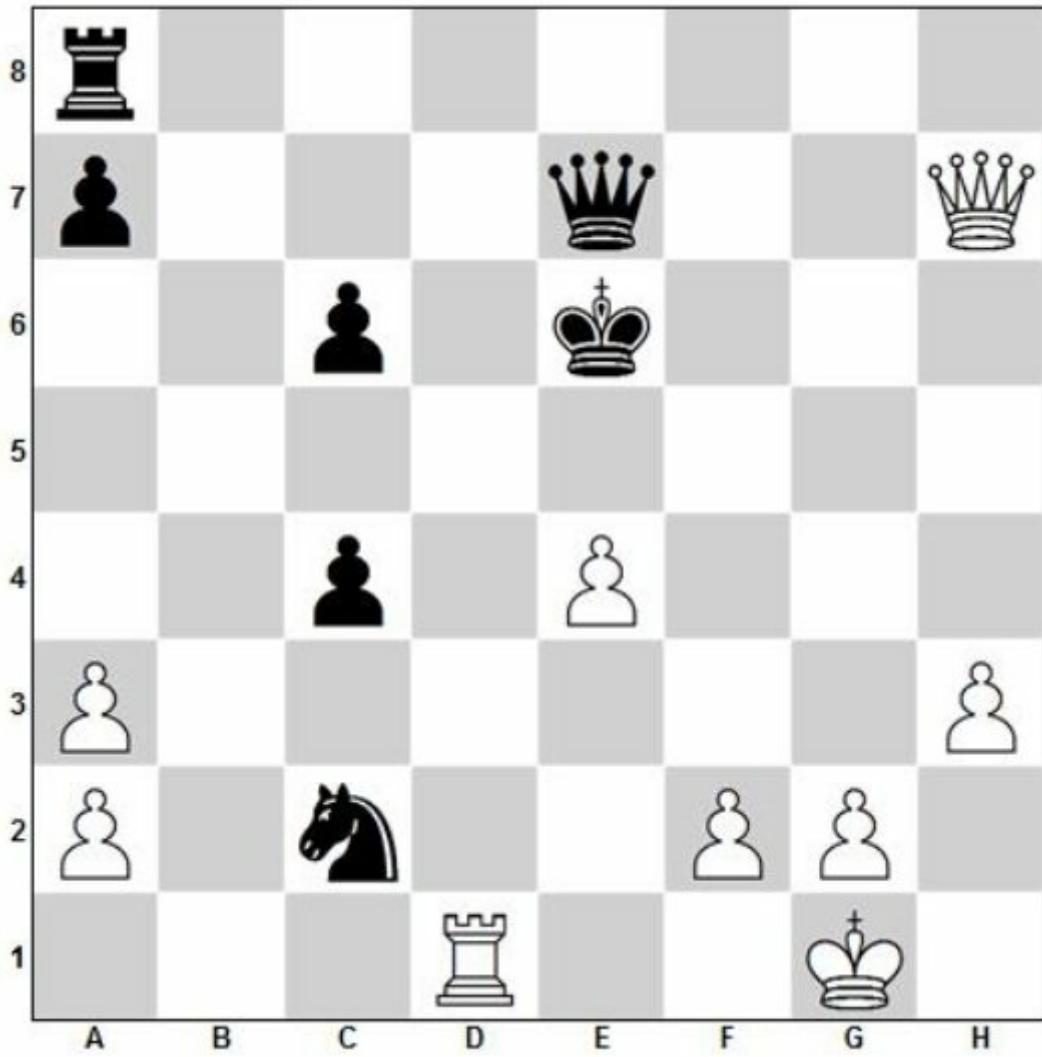
*33...Qc3#*

Variation from the game John Linscott (1901) – Doug Given (1812) NE  
Closed, Aug 14, 2011

You can play through the game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/1/2/Game1545515625.html>

(106) White to move



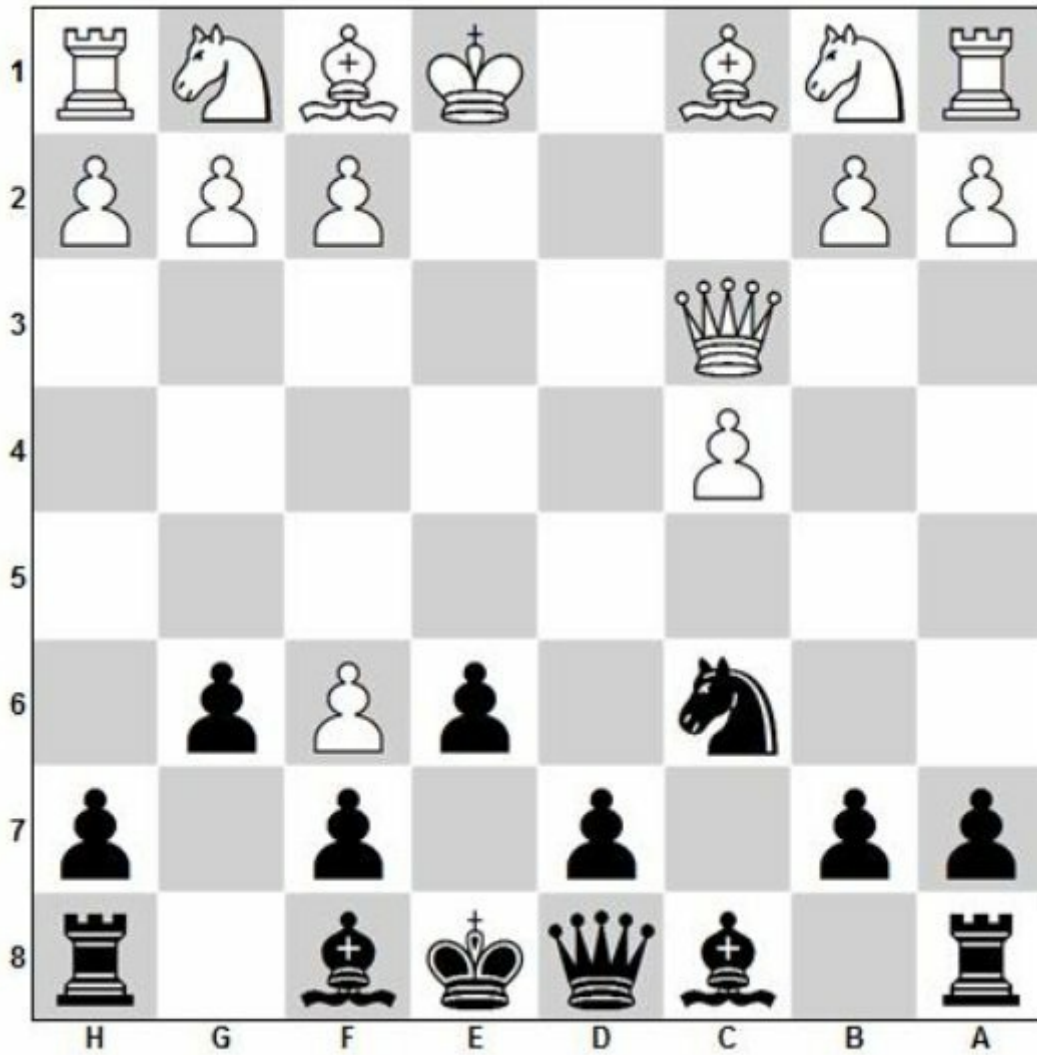
## *22.Qf5#*

From the game The Baron (904) – Pagan13 (1342), 2012 Championship,  
Round 1, redhotpawn.com, February 1, 2012

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<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/8/20/Game474654476.html>

(107) Black to move



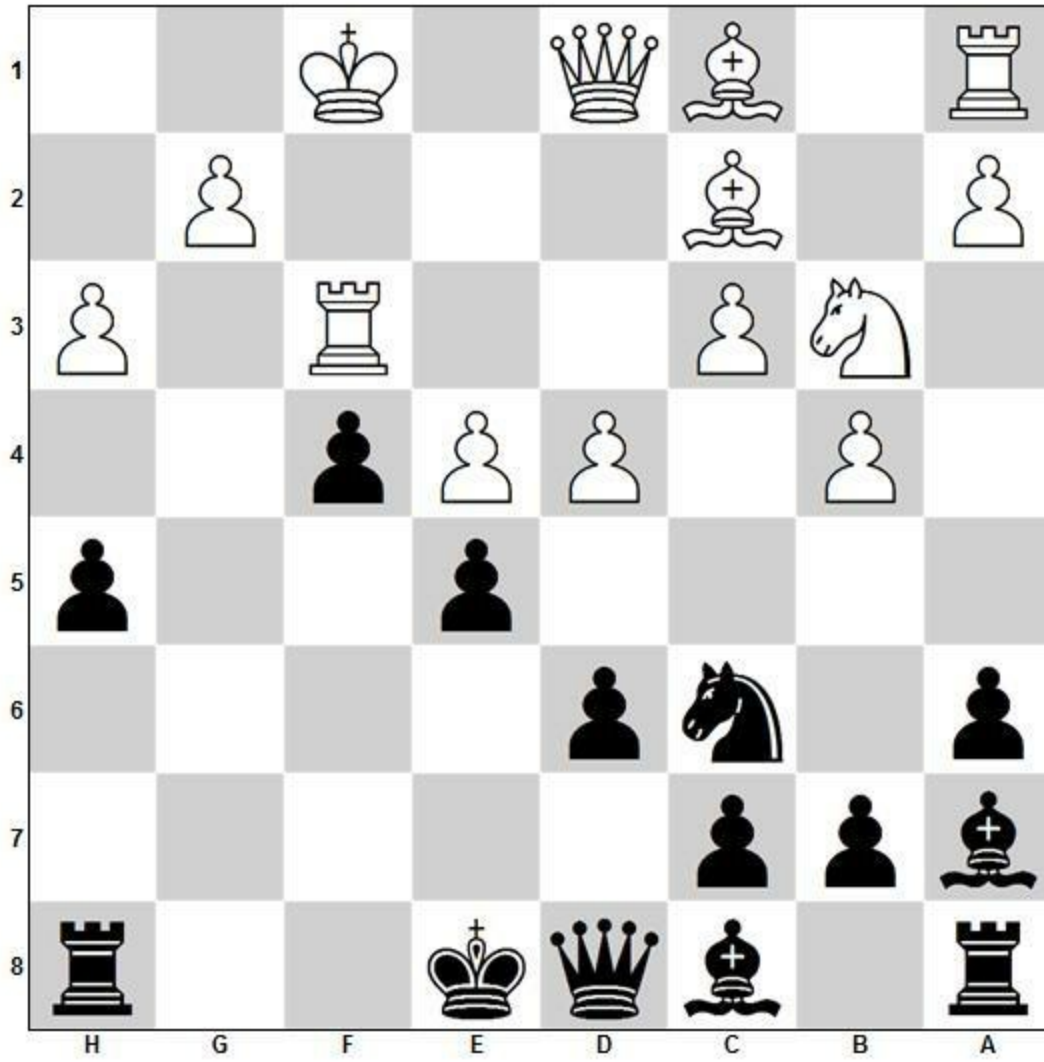
7...**Bb4** pins the queen to the king.

From the game Pauline Calf (1553) – mulgabill (1714), 2012 Championship, Round 1, redhotpawn.com, February 1, 2012

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/8/16/Game95106446.html>

(108) Black to move



**16...Bg4** pins the rook to the queen. White cannot play **17.hxg4** because of **17...hxg4 18.Rf2 Rh1+** skewering the king and queen. **19.Ke2 Rxd1**.

From the game Nyana (2017) – BrianWall (2009), ICC 3 0, April 17, 2015

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2015/4/17/Game195500655.html>

(109) White to move



## *10.Qe5#*

From the game jbaffo (1382) – Irie(1360), Live Chess, chess.com, August 31, 2014

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<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/11/11/Game5683896.html>



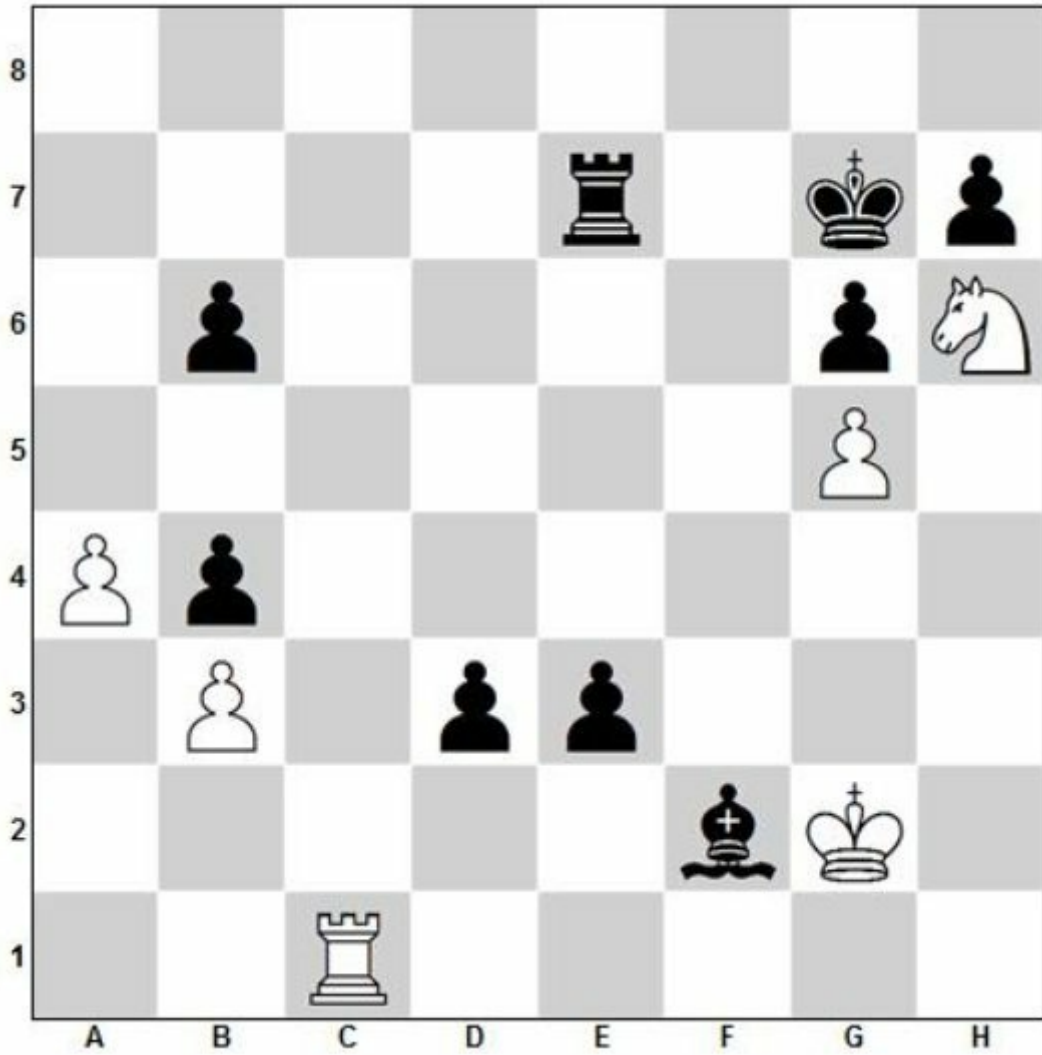
**85...Nf2+** forces the white king from the knight. **86.Kxc3 Kxe3.**

From the game Pauline Calf (1553) – cabandmush (1580), 2012  
Championship, Round 1, redhotpawn.com, February 1, 2012

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/8/20/Game475723629.html>

(111) White to move



***47.Rc8*** and checkmate cannot be stopped. ***47...Re8 48.Rxe8 d2 49.Rg8#***

From the game Anthea Carson (1763) – Gunnar Andersen (2145), First North Gate Open, Round 2, July 12, 2014

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/11/9/Game384430721.html>



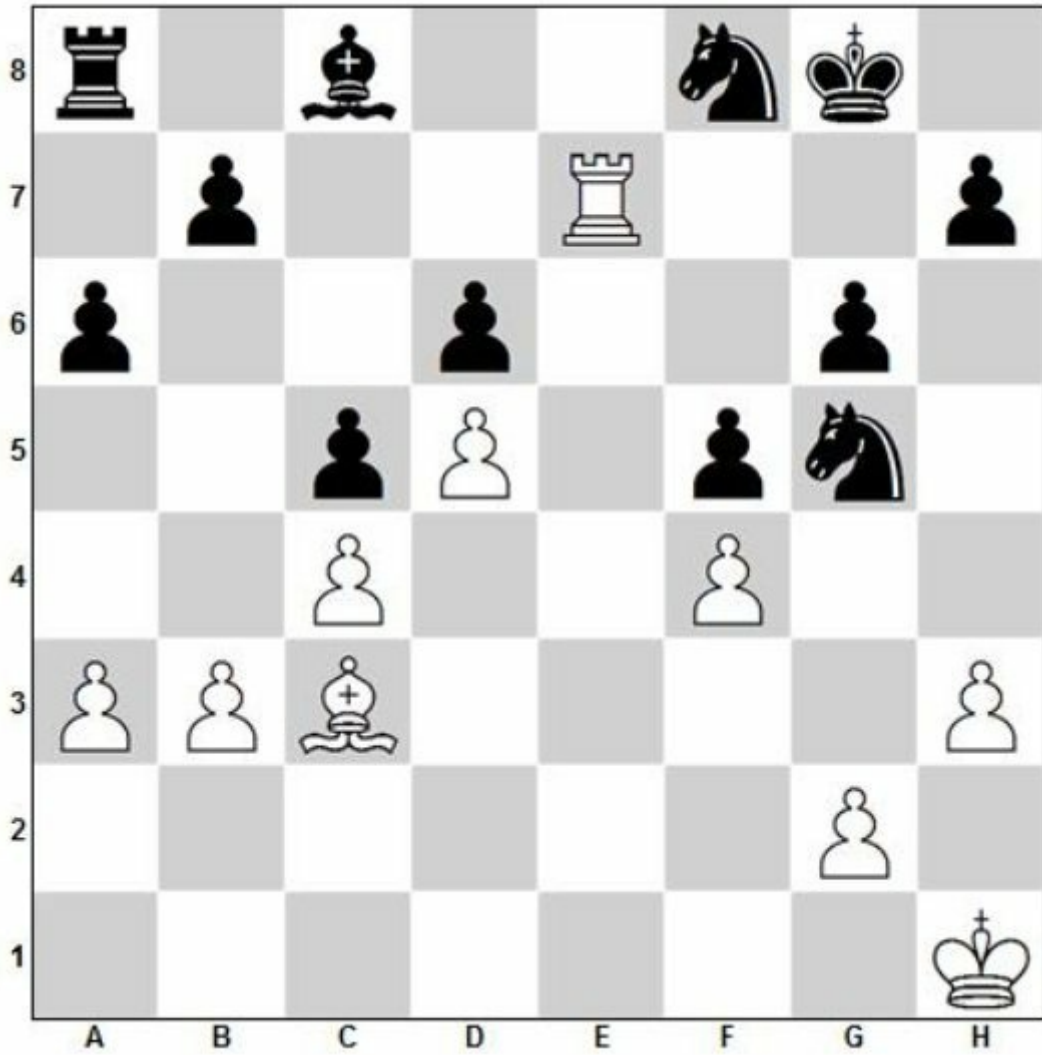
**34.Bd6** attacks the rook, which cannot move and still defend the bishop.

From the game Brian Wall (2230) – Lior Lapid (2277), 2015 Colorado Closed, Round 5, April 12, 2015

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2015/4/17/Game195207389.html>

(113) White to move



**26.Rg7+ Kh8 27.Rxg6#**

From the game Paul Covington (1905) – Brad Lundstrom (1950), 2011  
Colorado Class, Round 5, March 31, 2011

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/11/9/Game386153065.html>

(114) Black to move



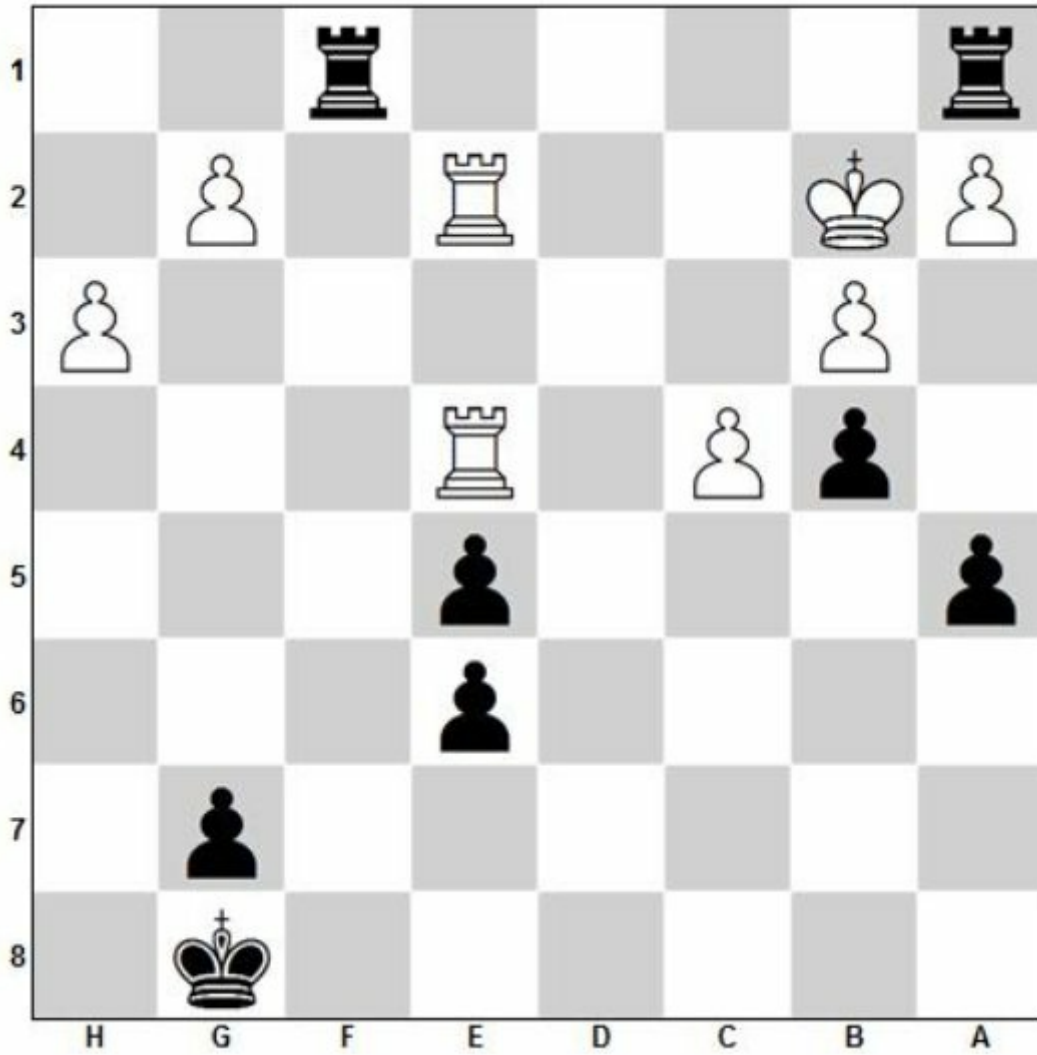
**28...Nf2+ 29.Kg1 Nxh3+ 30.Kh1 Qg1+ 31.Nxg1 Nf2#** smothered mate!

From the game Paul Covington (1800) – Brian Wall (2240), Panera Bread Powers, Round 3, August 20, 2014

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<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/11/9/Game386527000.html>

(115) Black to move



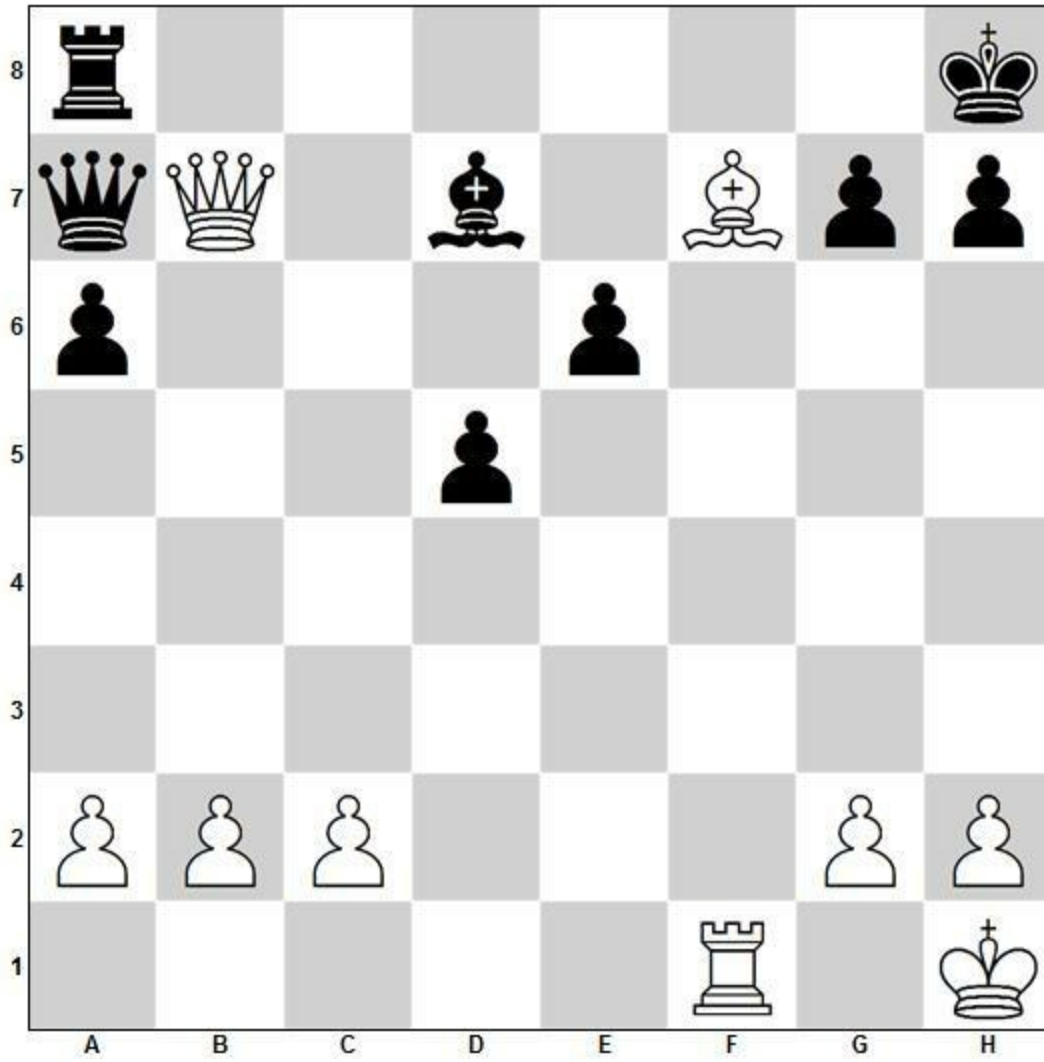
**32...Rfc1** and White cannot stop **33...Rab1#**.

From the game Jack Mo (2124) – Ruifeng Li (2420), 2014 US Open, Round 6, July 31, 2014

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<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/11/9/Game393349298.html>

(116) White to move



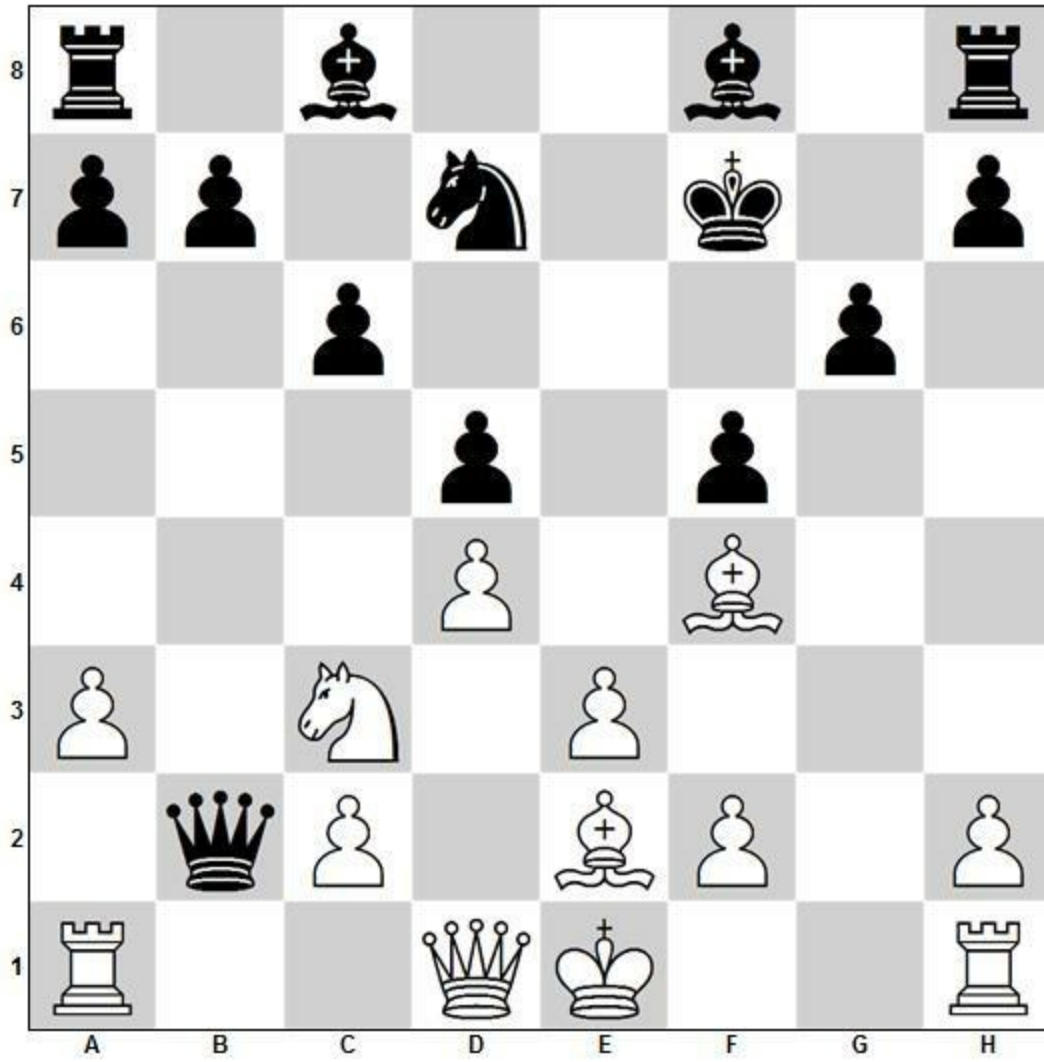
**24.Be8!!** threatening **25. Rf8#**. If **24...Rxe8** **25.Qxa7**. If **24...h6** or similar, **25.Qxd7** winning a piece.

From the game Ruifeng Li (2420) - Gabriel Ewing (2158), 2014 US Open, Round 9, August 3, 2014

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/12/24/Game258748593.html>

(117) White to move



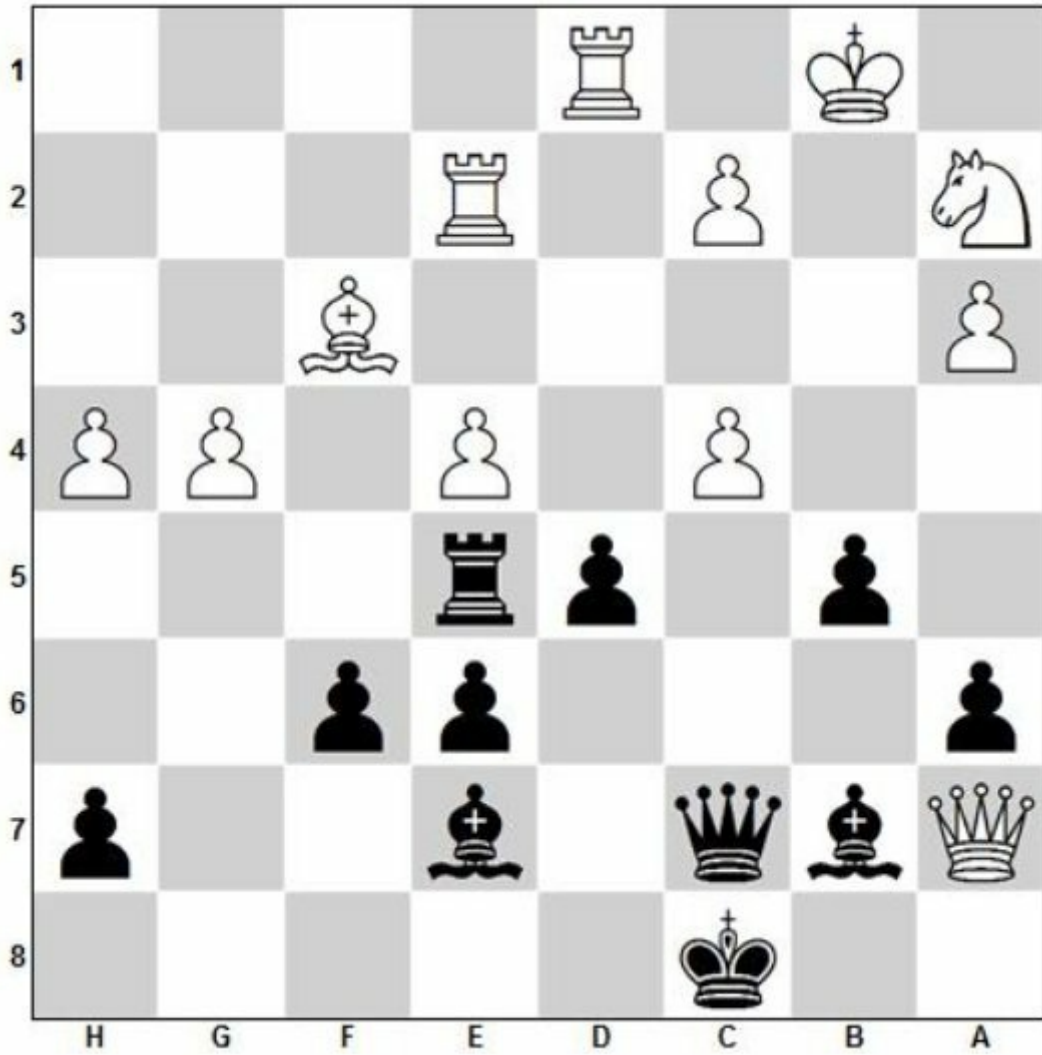
**13.Na4** traps the black queen.

From the game Giorgi Margvelashvili (2641) - Gabriel Ewing (2158), 2014  
US Open, Round 5, July 30, 2014

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<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/12/24/Game259745907.html>

(118) Black to move



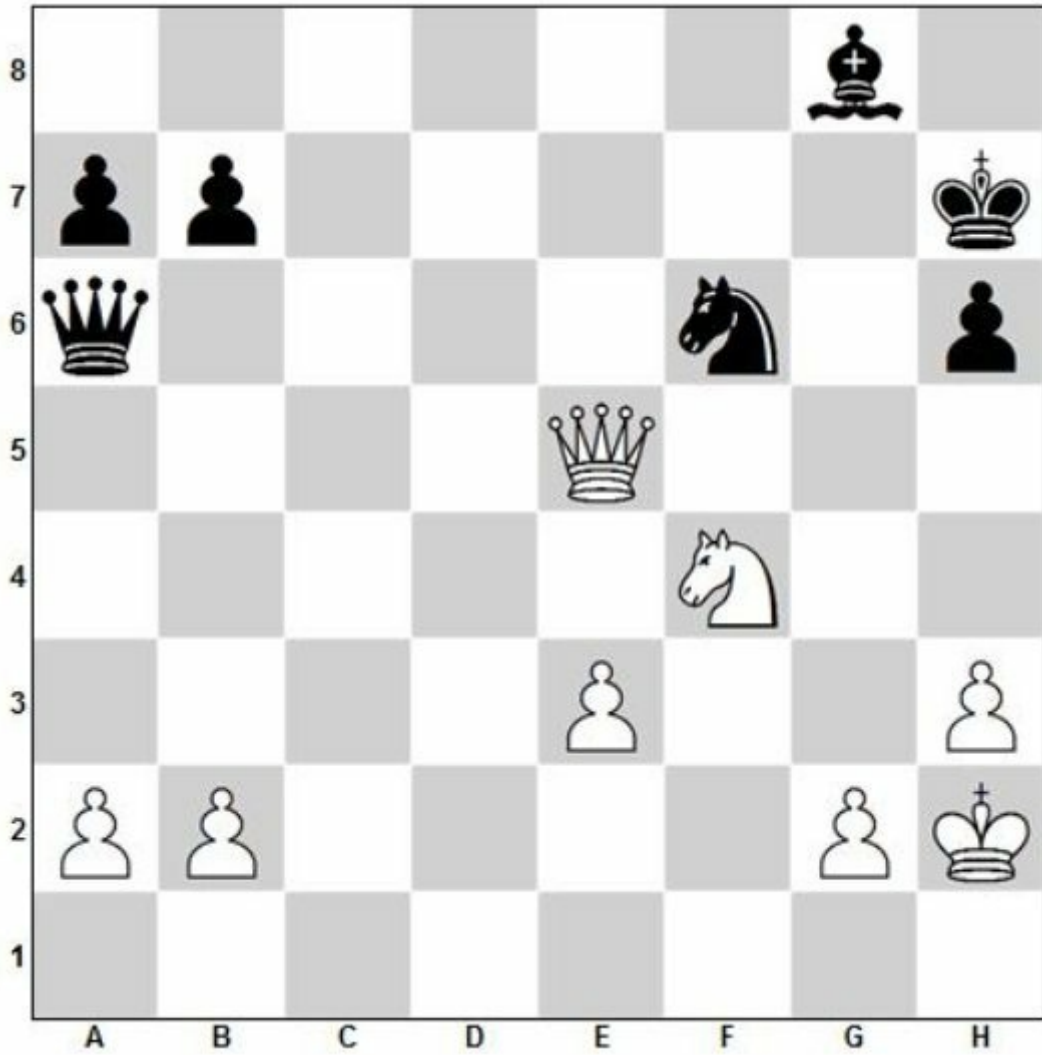
**26...Bc5** traps the white queen.

Variation from the game Joshua Sheng (2316) – Giorgi Margvelashvili (2641), 2014 US Open, Round 6, July 31, 2014

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/11/9/Game397358399.html>

(119) White to move



**35.Qe7+ Bf7 36.Qxf7+ Kh8 37.Ng6#**

From the game Dion Su (2180) – Utkarsh Kaniyar (1821), Southwest Open,  
Round 1, August 29, 2014

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/11/9/Game398465007.html>



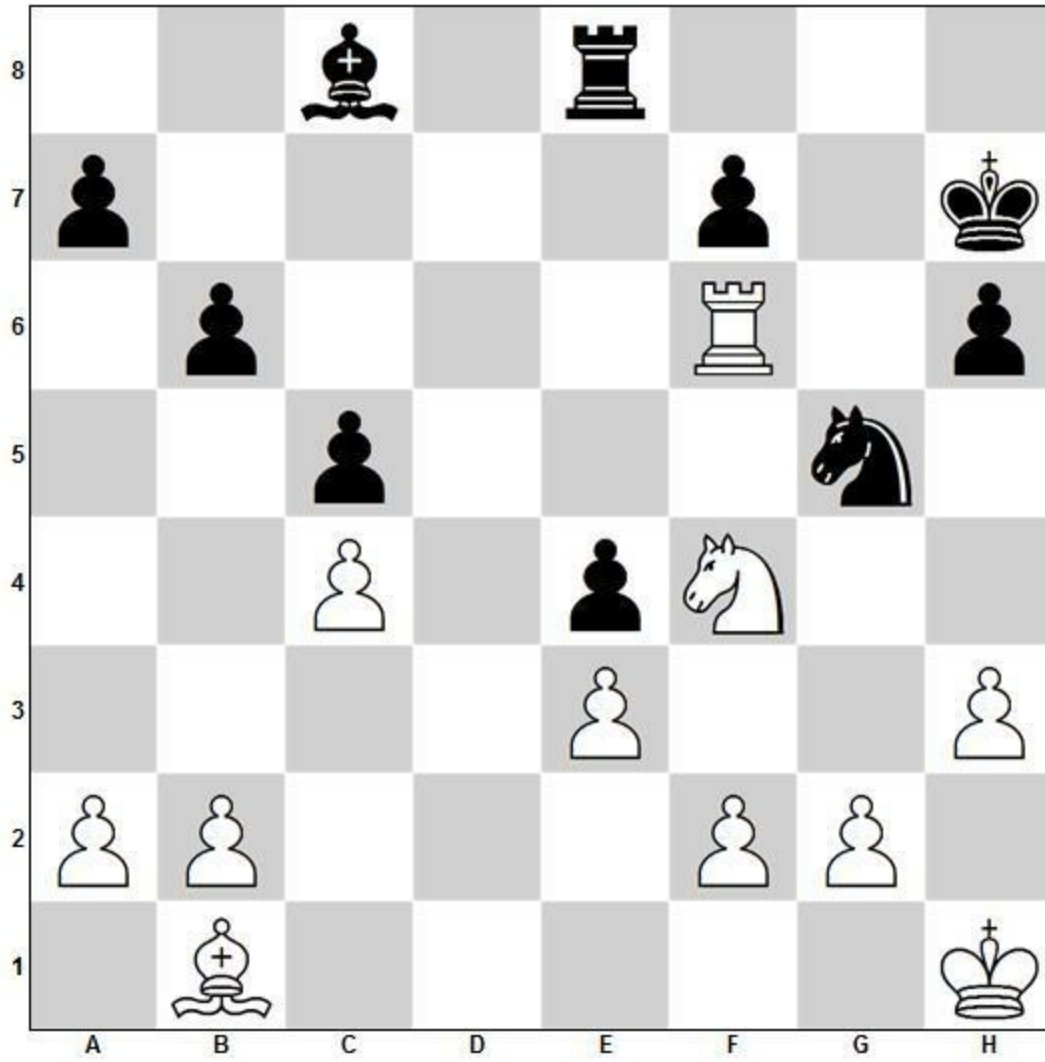
**38.Rc6+** forks the king and bishop.

From the game Conrad Holt (2645) – Michael Mylyar (2544), 2014 US Open, Playoff, August 3, 2014

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/11/9/Game393742436.html>

(121) White to move



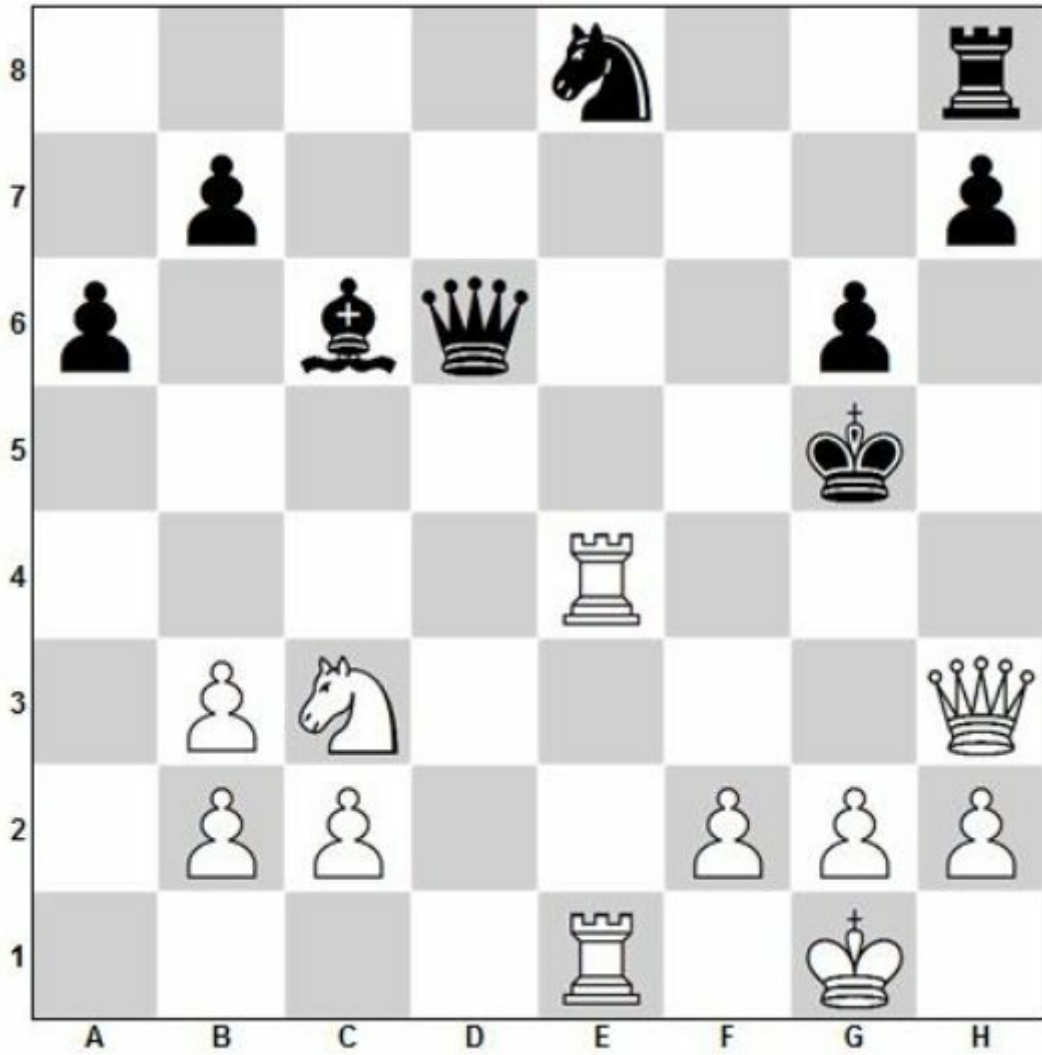
**32.h4** kicks the knight from defending the f7 and e4 pawns. **32...Ne6**  
**33.Bxe4+**

From the game Tim Brennan (1872) - Alemayehu Mekonnen (1672), Round 3, Panera Bread Academy, July 17, 2014

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2015/1/25/Game56163947.html>

(122) White to move



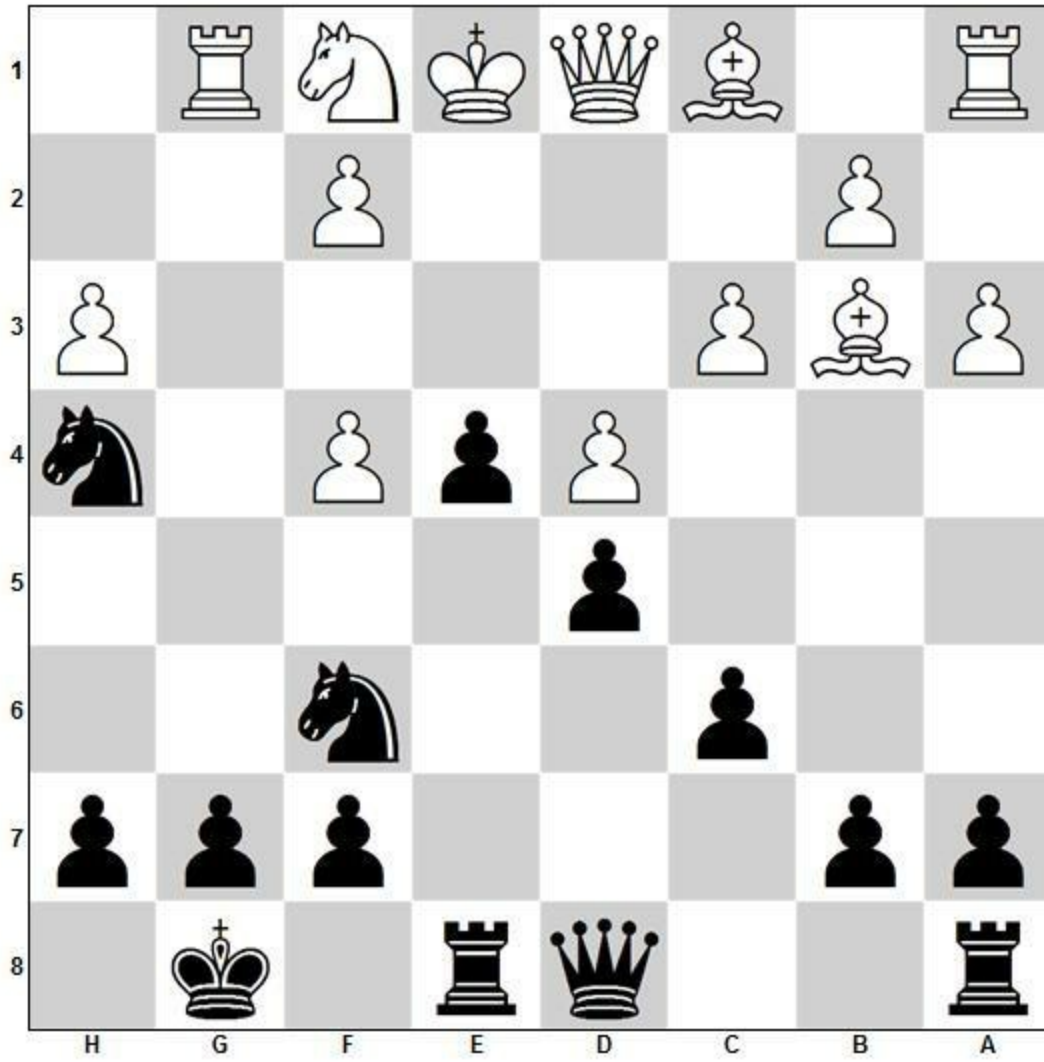
***28.Qh4+ Kf5 29.g4#***

From the game Jeffrey Baffo (1773) – Jason Loving (2090), DCC Saturday #1, Round 2, November 8, 2014

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<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/11/9/Game387316209.html>

(123) Black to move



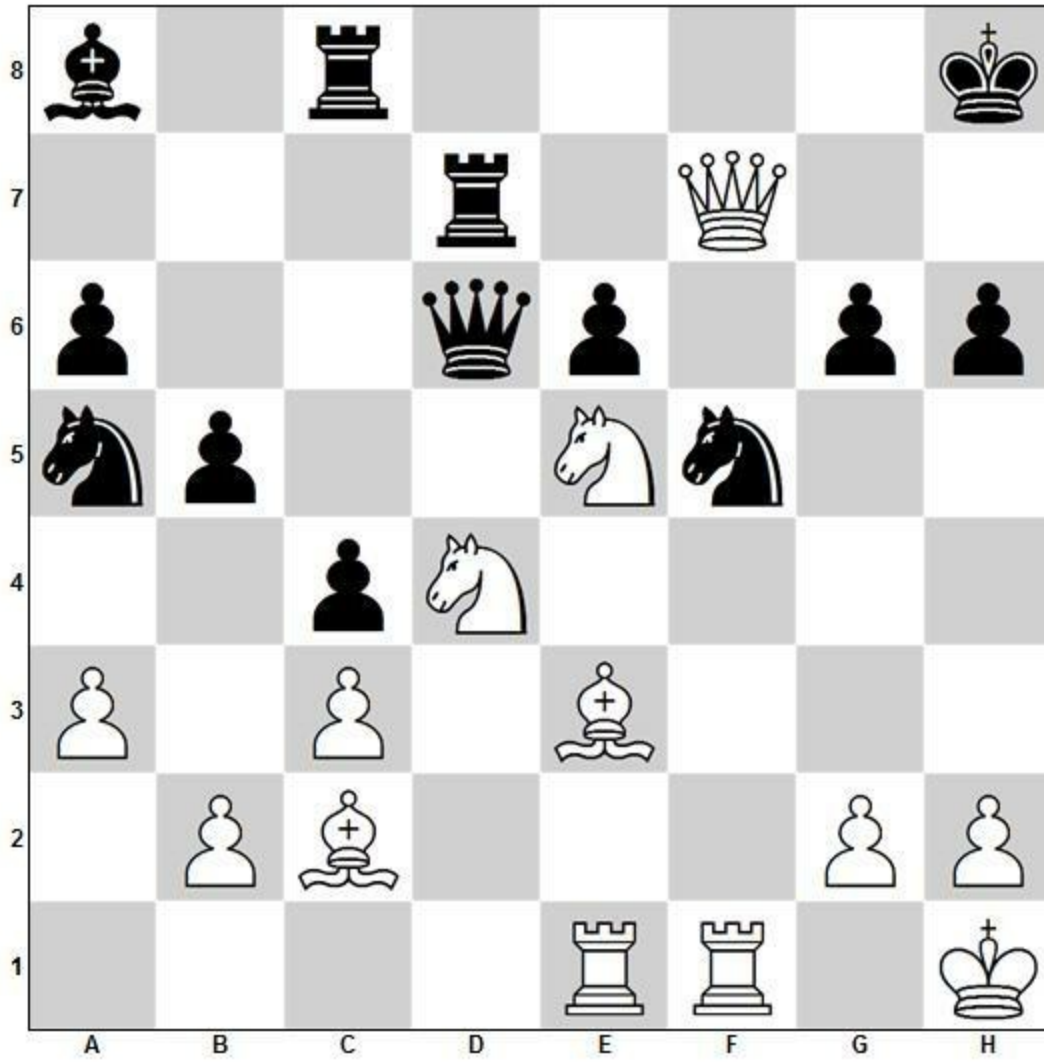
**15...Nf3+** forks the white king and rook.

Variation from the game Cory Kohler (1423) – Gunnar Anderson (1896),  
2012 Monument Open, Round 1, August 18, 2012

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/12/25/Game354506125.html>

(124) White to move



### ***31.Nxg6#***

Variation from the game Cory Kohler (1423) – Gunnar Anderson (1896),  
2012 Monument Open, Round 1, August 18, 2012

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/12/25/Game355391524.html>



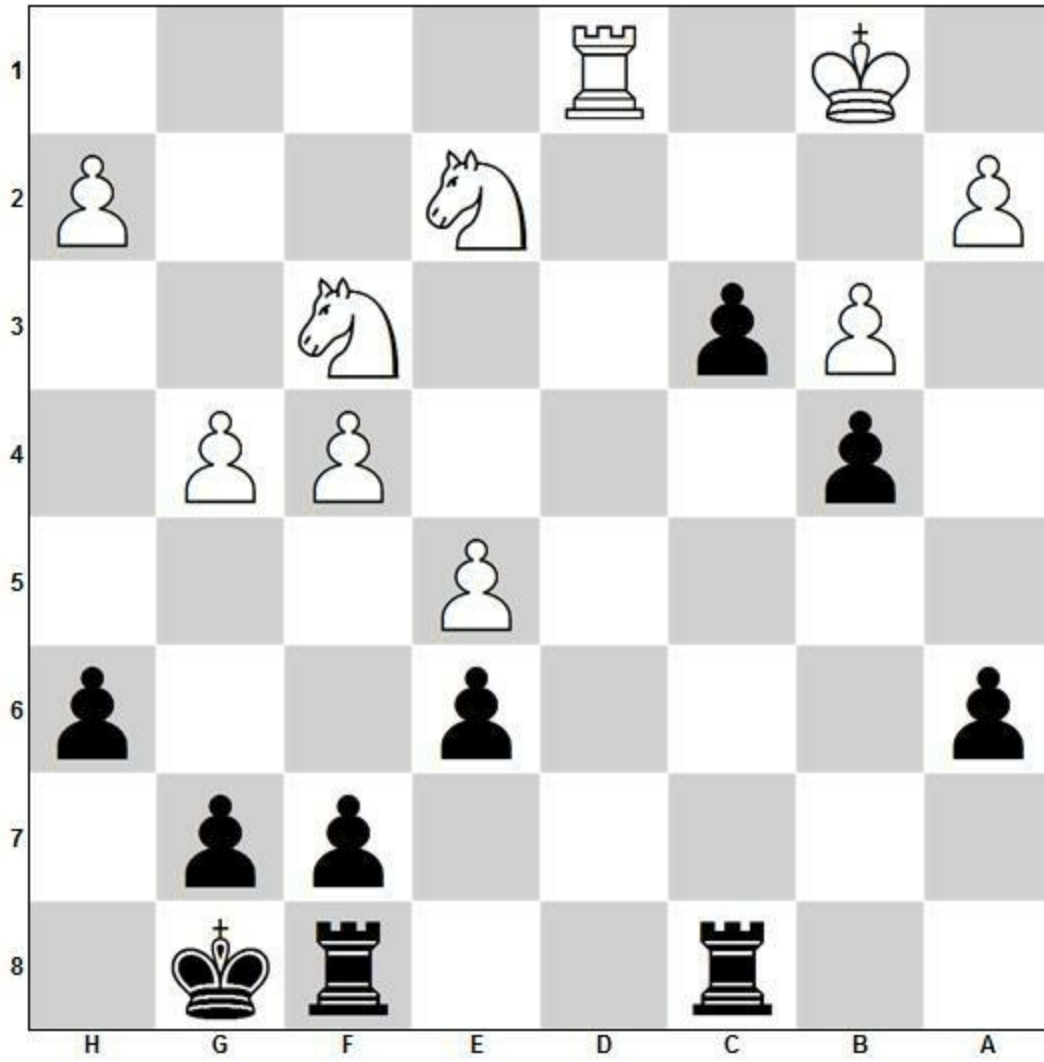
***57...Ra7+ 58.Kxa7 Qa5#. If 58.Kb5 Ra5#.***

Variation from the game Dean Clow (1736) – Rhett :Langseth (1909), 2012  
Monument Open, Round 2, August 17, 2012

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/12/25/Game357448632.html>

(126) Black to move



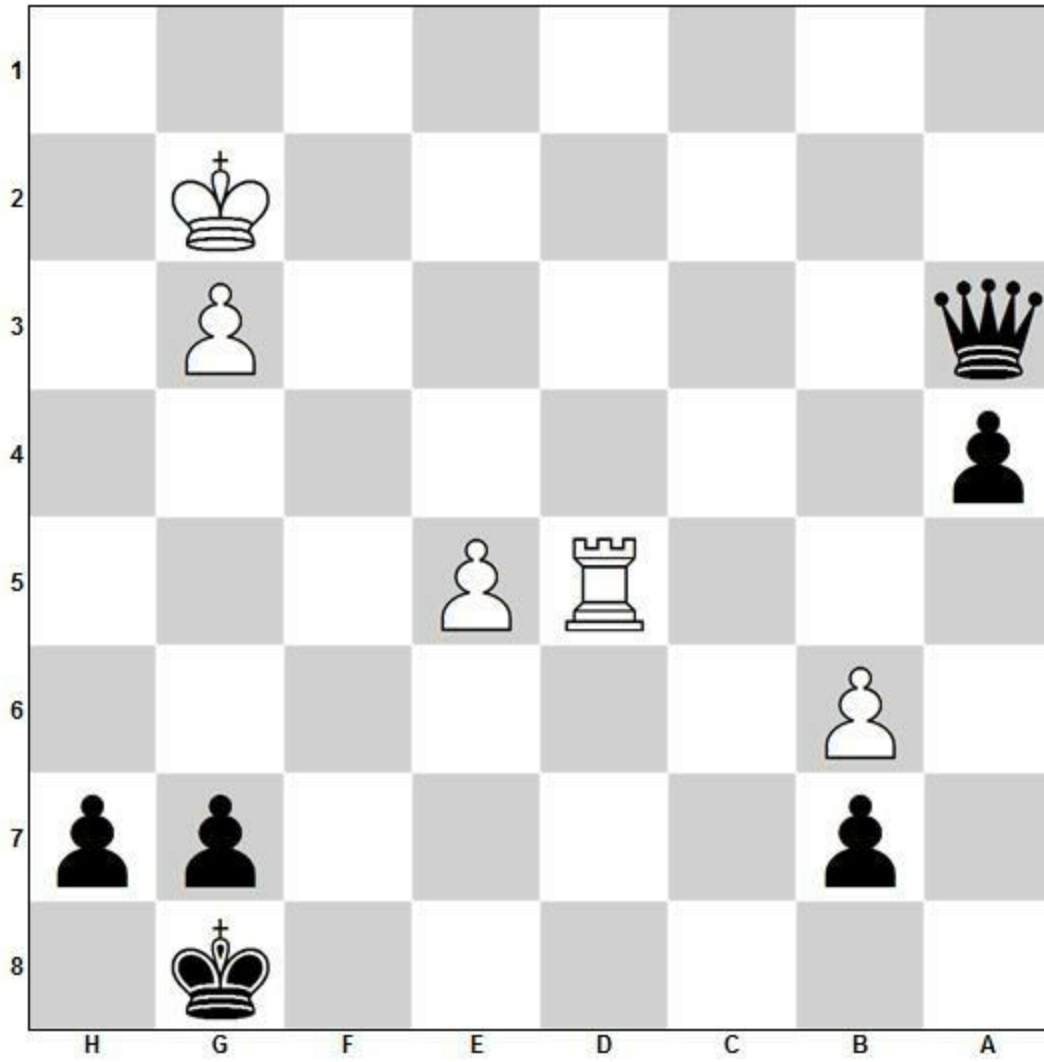
**28...c2+** forks the king and rook.

From the game Larry Wutt (1918) – Hongbiao Zeng (1632), 2012 Monument Open, Round 2, August 17, 2012

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/12/25/Game357679014.html>

(127) Black to move



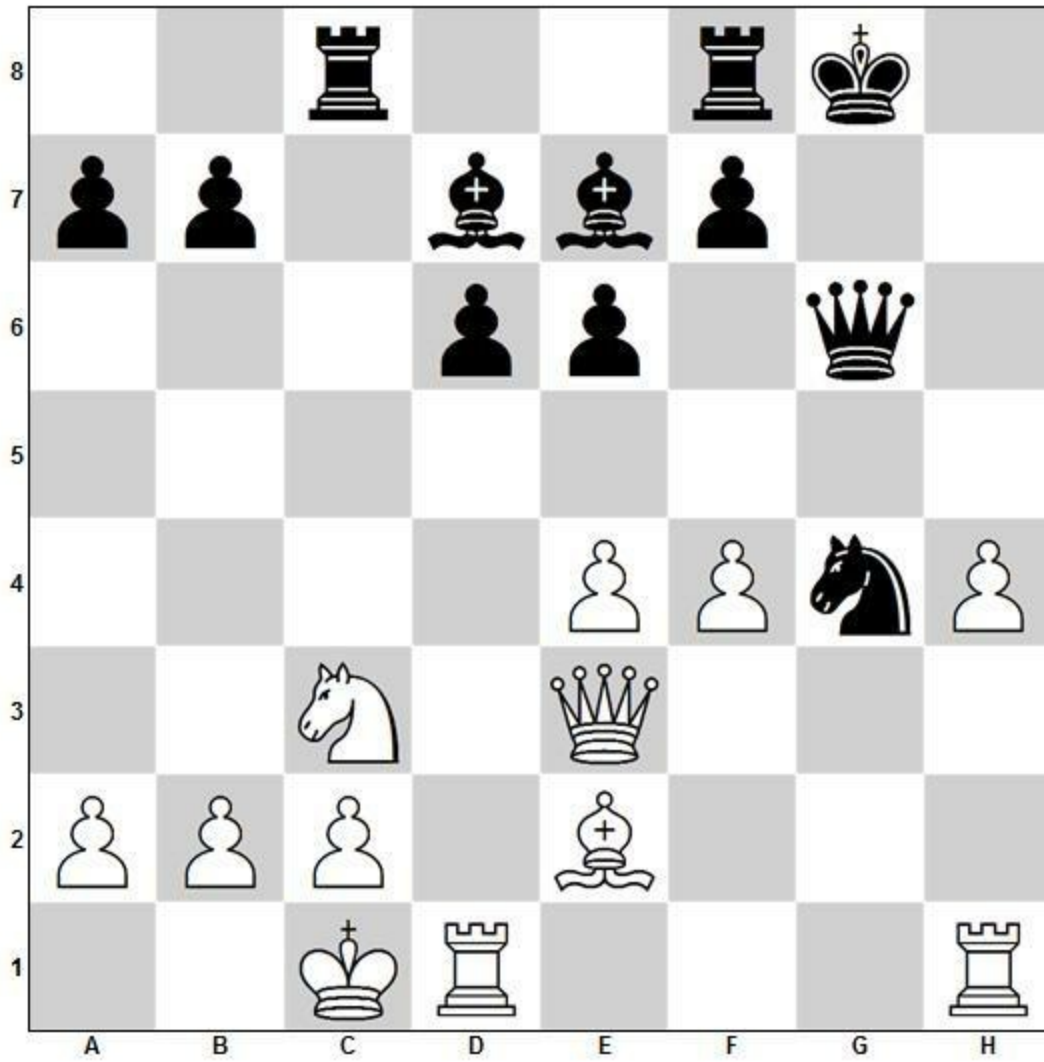
*41...Qa2*+ forks the white king and rook.

From the game Hans Morrow (1900) – Steve Hornyak (1715), 2012  
Monument Open, Round 2, August 17, 2012

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<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/12/28/Game583464877.html>

(128) White to move



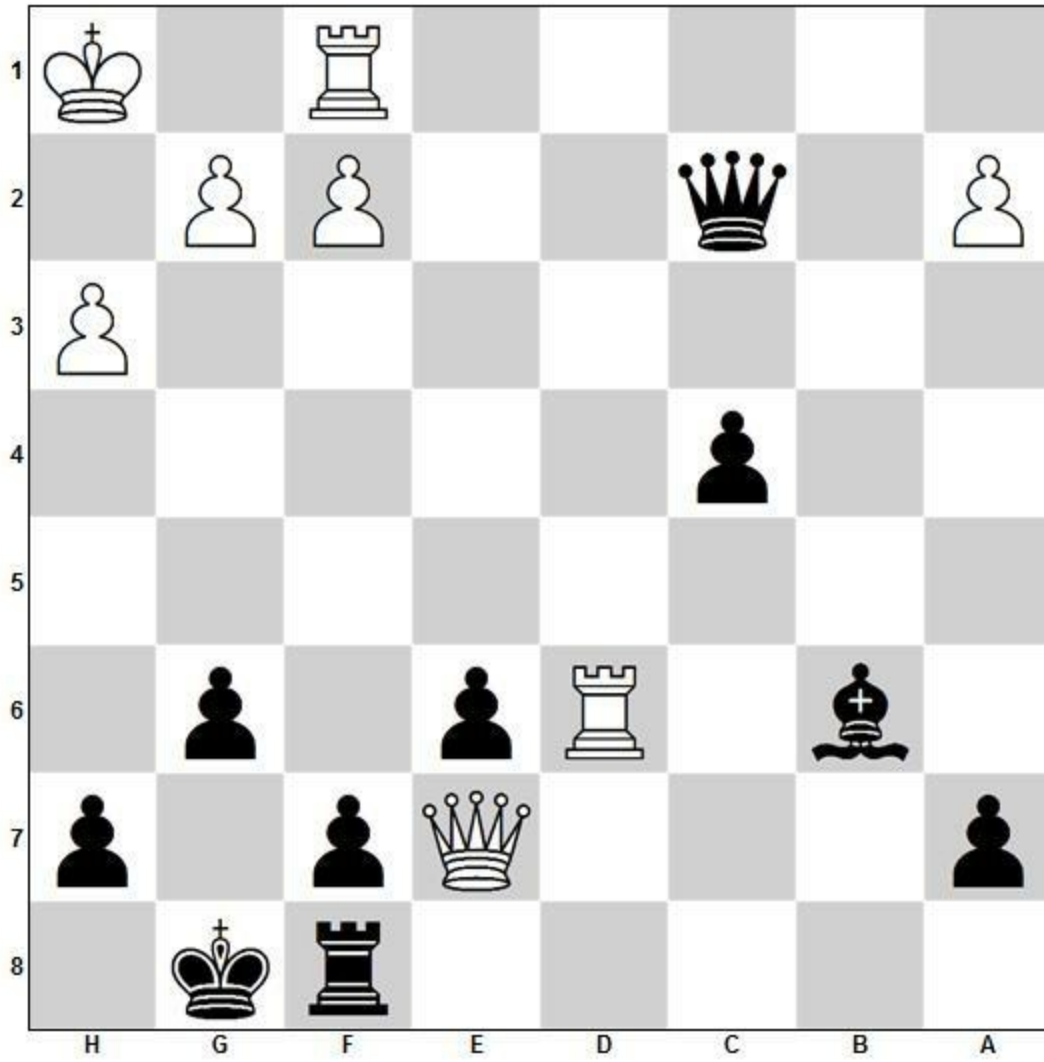
**21.Bxg4** and black cannot recapture because of **21...Qxg4 22.Rdg1** pinning the black queen to the king.

From the game BrianWall (1909) – Silverkronan (1842), ICC 5 0, December 6, 2012

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/12/28/Game584248283.html>

(129) Black to move



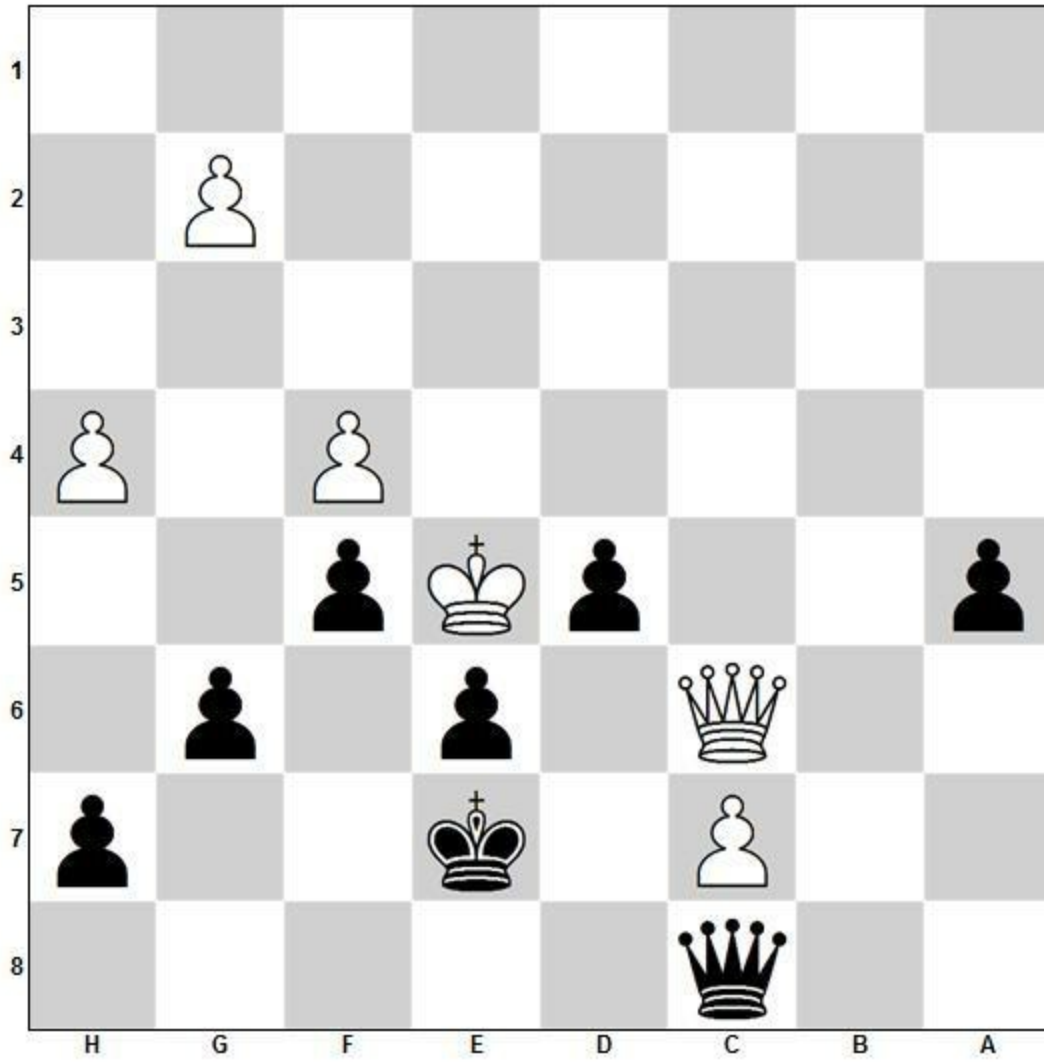
**26...Bc5** pins the white rook to the queen. **27.Qc7 Bxd6**.

From the game Flea12 (1429) – TimmyBx (2099), Ladder, redhotpawn.com,  
December 7, 2012

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/12/28/Game584914033.html>

(130) Black to move



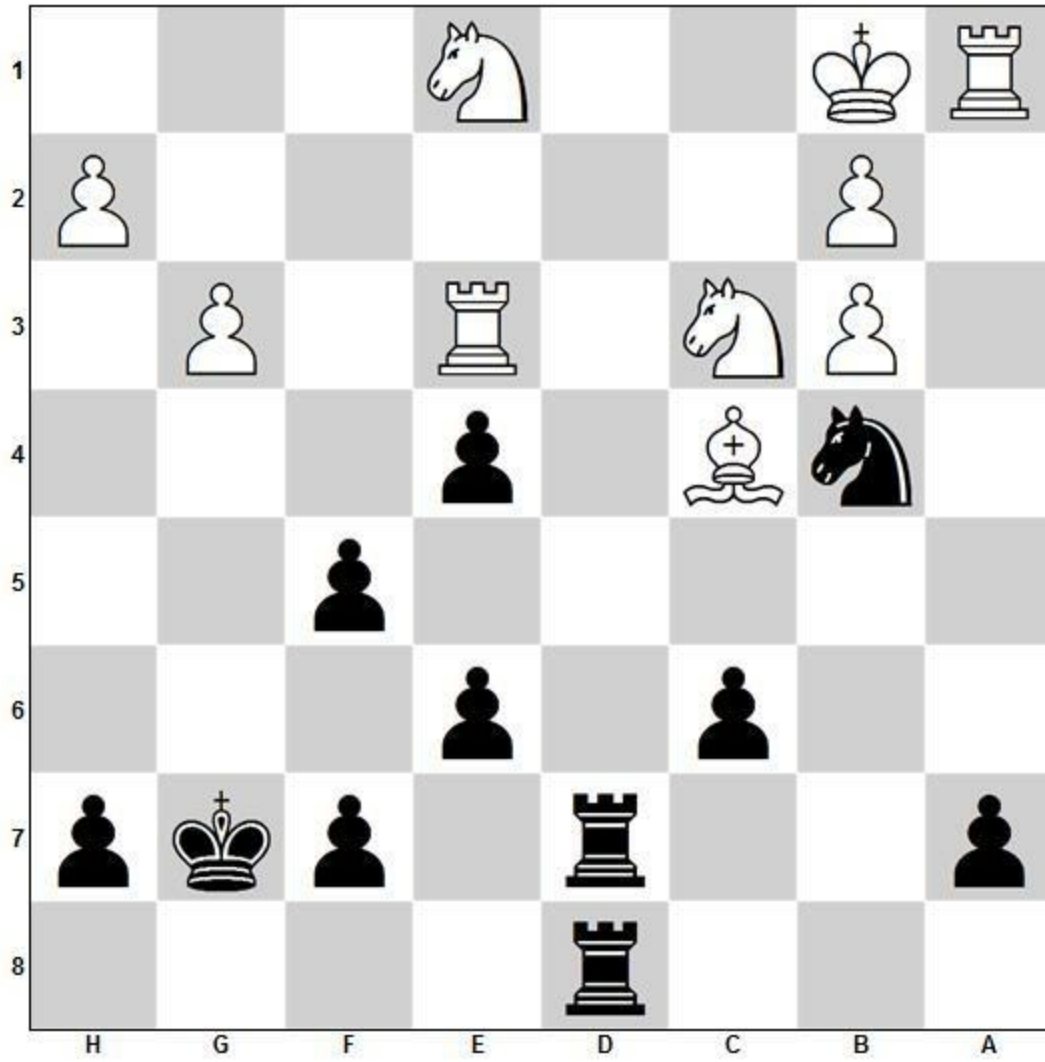
***39...Qh8#***

Missed in the game Steven Coles (181) – Peter Horecky (155), Thames Valley League, December 11, 2012

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

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(131) Black to move



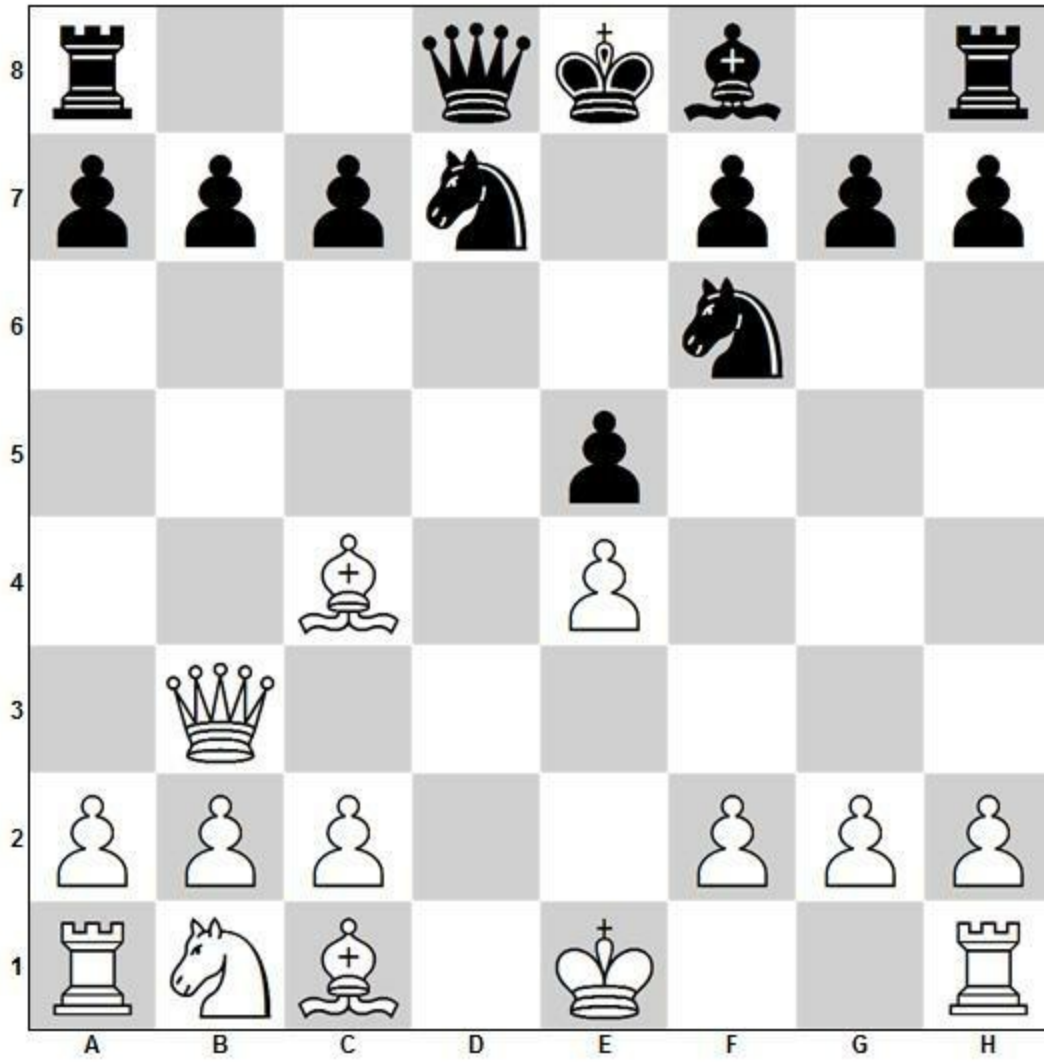
***29...Rd1+ 30.Nxd1 Rxd1#***

Variation from the game Ted Doykos (1889) – Kevin Seidler (2079), Round 1, 2012 Winter Springs Open, December 1, 2012

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(132) White to move



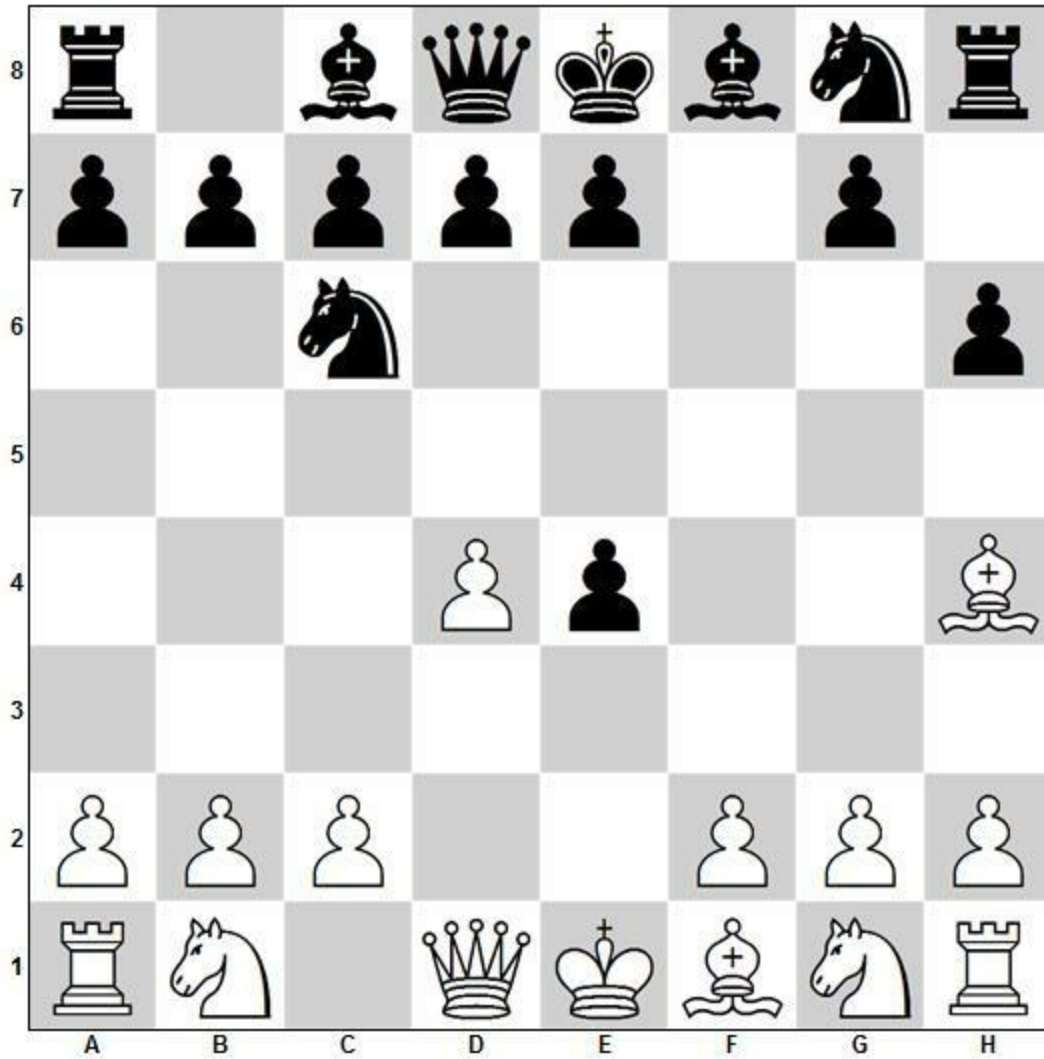
***8.Bxf7+ Ke7 9.Qe6#***

From the game greenpawn34 (1989) – kaminsr (1260), 2013 Championship, redhotpawn.com, Round 1, June 6, 2013

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<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/12/29/Game688391633.html>

(133) White to move



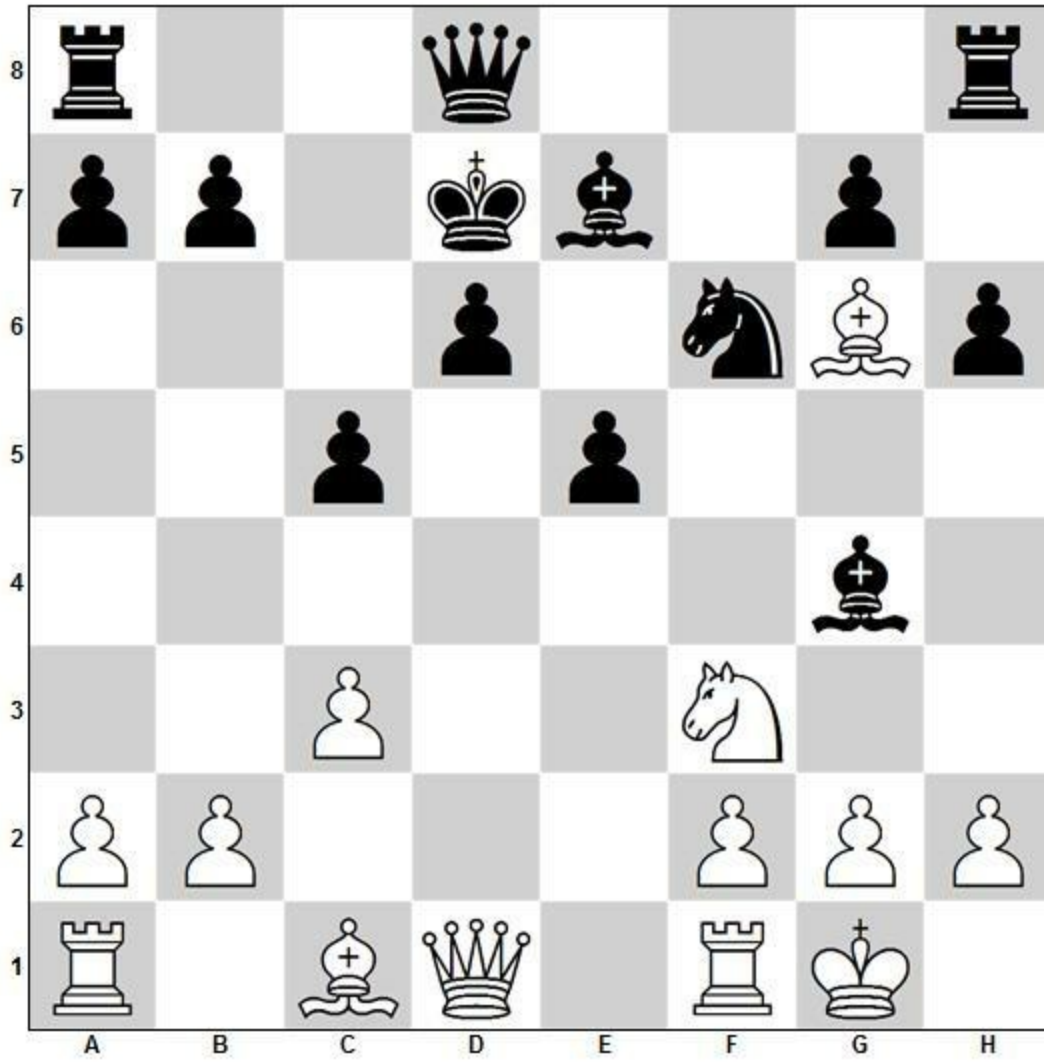
**5.Qh5+ g6 6.Qxg6#**

From the game Burnsider (2138) – Margheim (1349), 2013 Championship, redhotpawn.com, Round 1, June 6, 2013

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(134) White to move



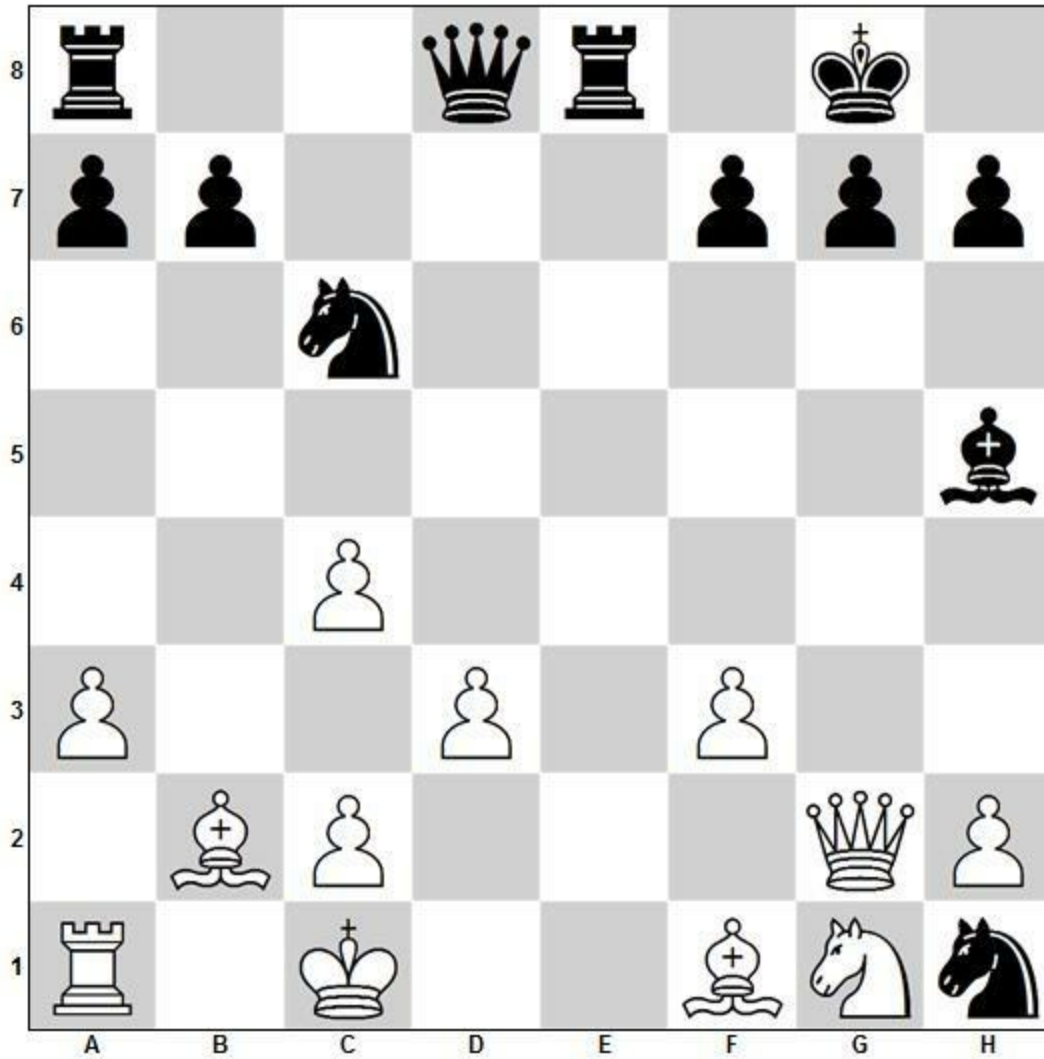
*15.Nxe5*+ the d6-pawn is pinned. *15...Kc7 16.Nxg4* wins a piece.

Missed in the game Alemayehu Mekonnen (1452) – Rebecca Herman (1217),  
Round 1, Panera Bread, January 2, 2013

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/12/28/Game586532013.html>

(135) White to move



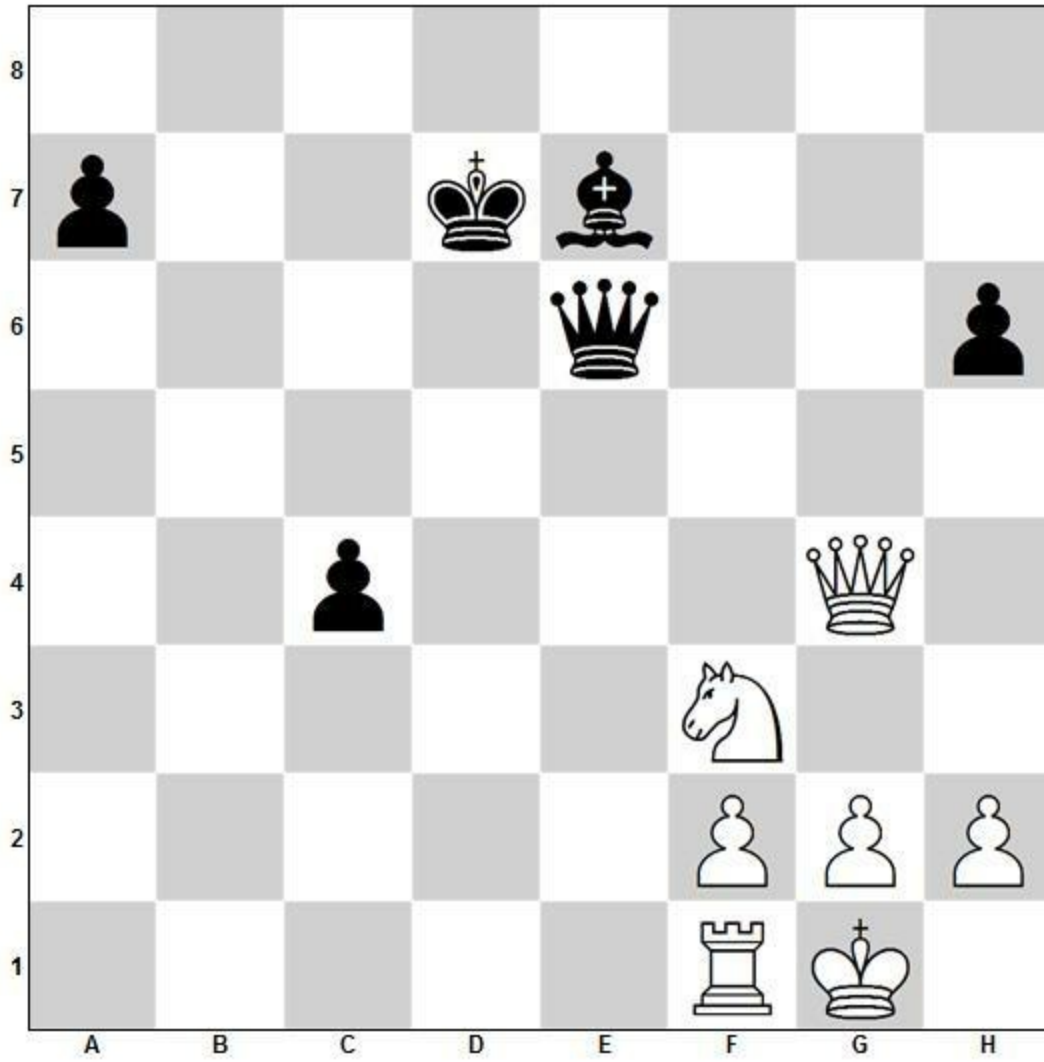
## *17.Qxg7#*

From the game machijv (1429) – Kraparov (1374), Live Chess, Chess.com, September 4, 2013

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<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2015/1/4/Game267710086.html>

(136) White to move



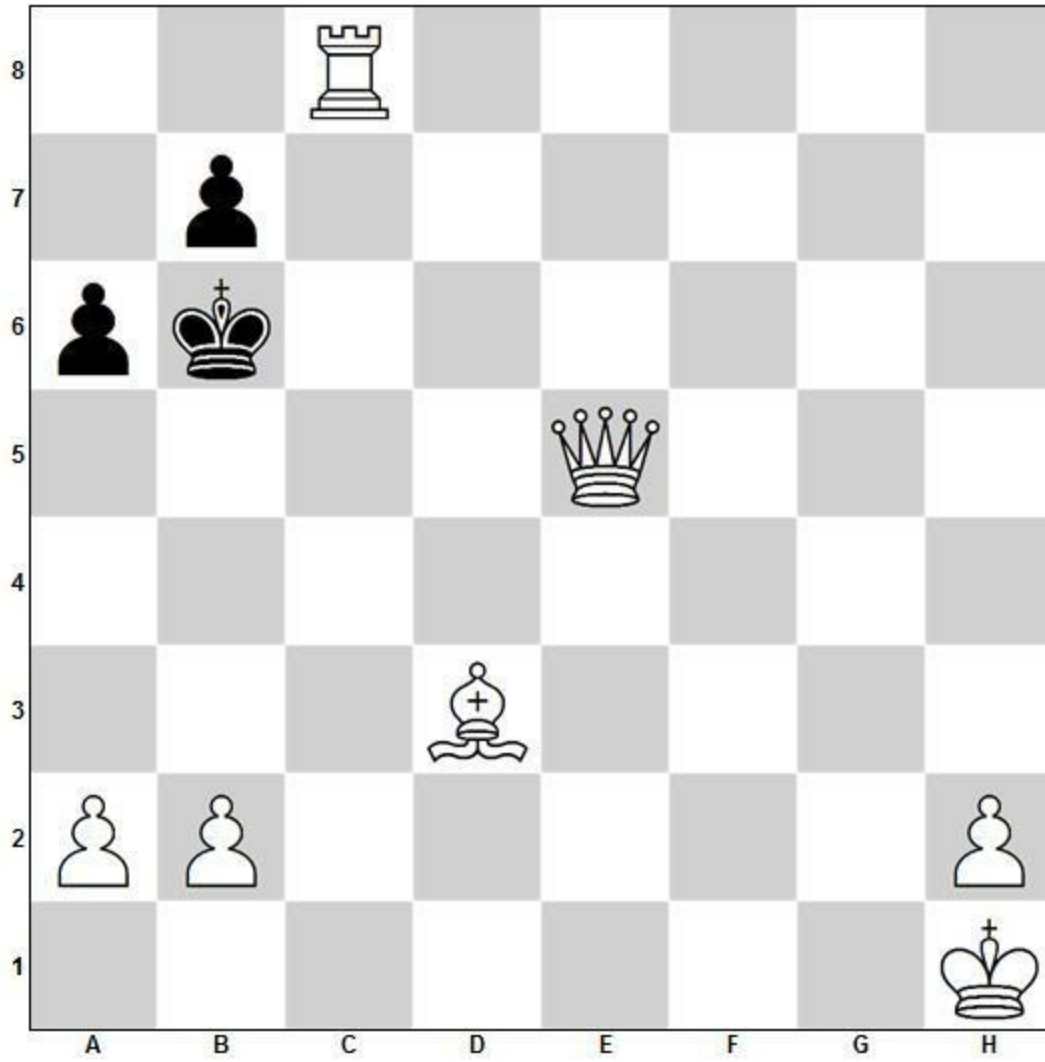
**38.Ne5+ Kd6 39.Rd1+ Kxe5 40.Re1+** skewers the black king and queen.

Missed in the game Alemayehu Mekonnen (1452) – Rebecca Herman (1217),  
Round 1, Panera Bread, January 2, 2013

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(137) White to move



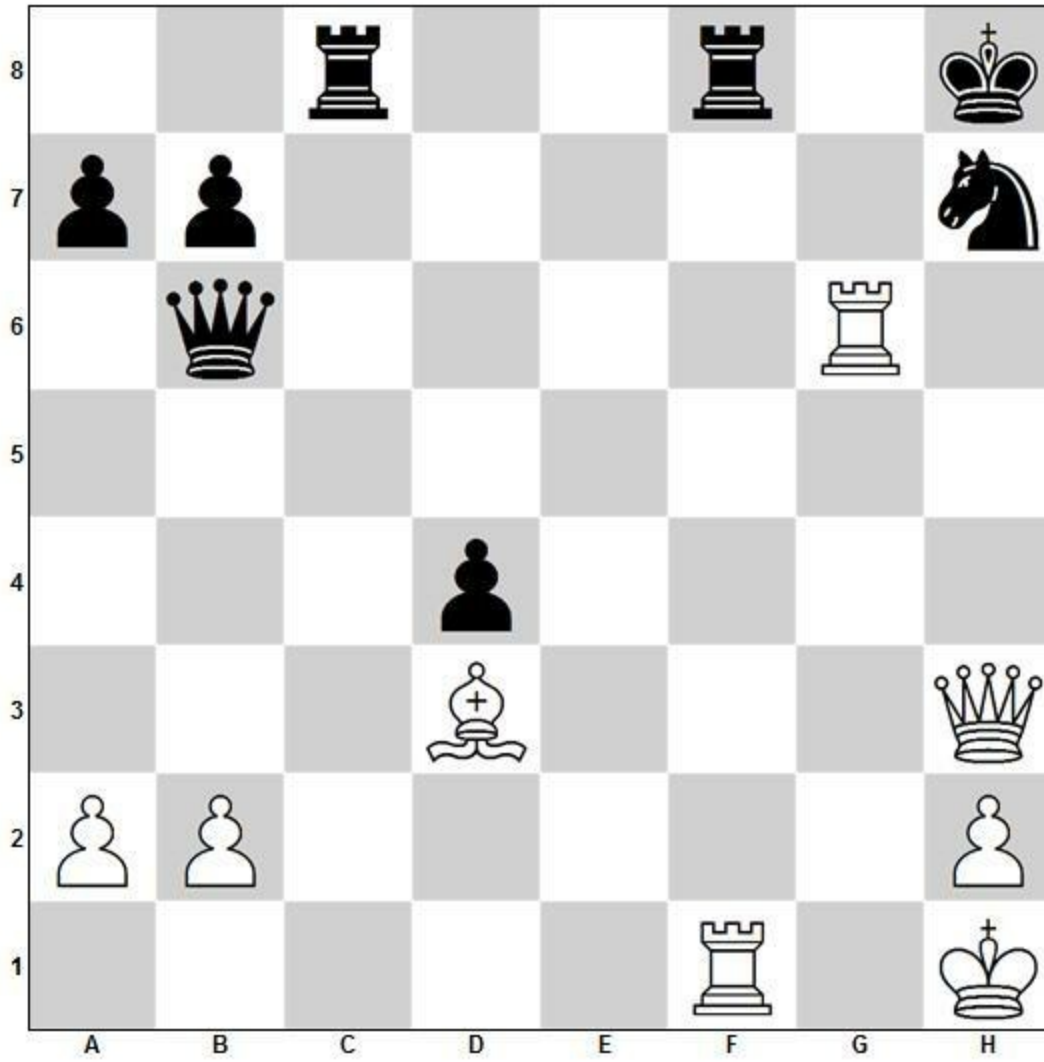
## *42.Qc5#*

Variation from the game Brian Wall (2200) – Howard Zhong (1955), Round 8, 4<sup>th</sup> Thanksgiving, November 25, 2012

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<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/12/28/Game587931778.html>

(138) White to move



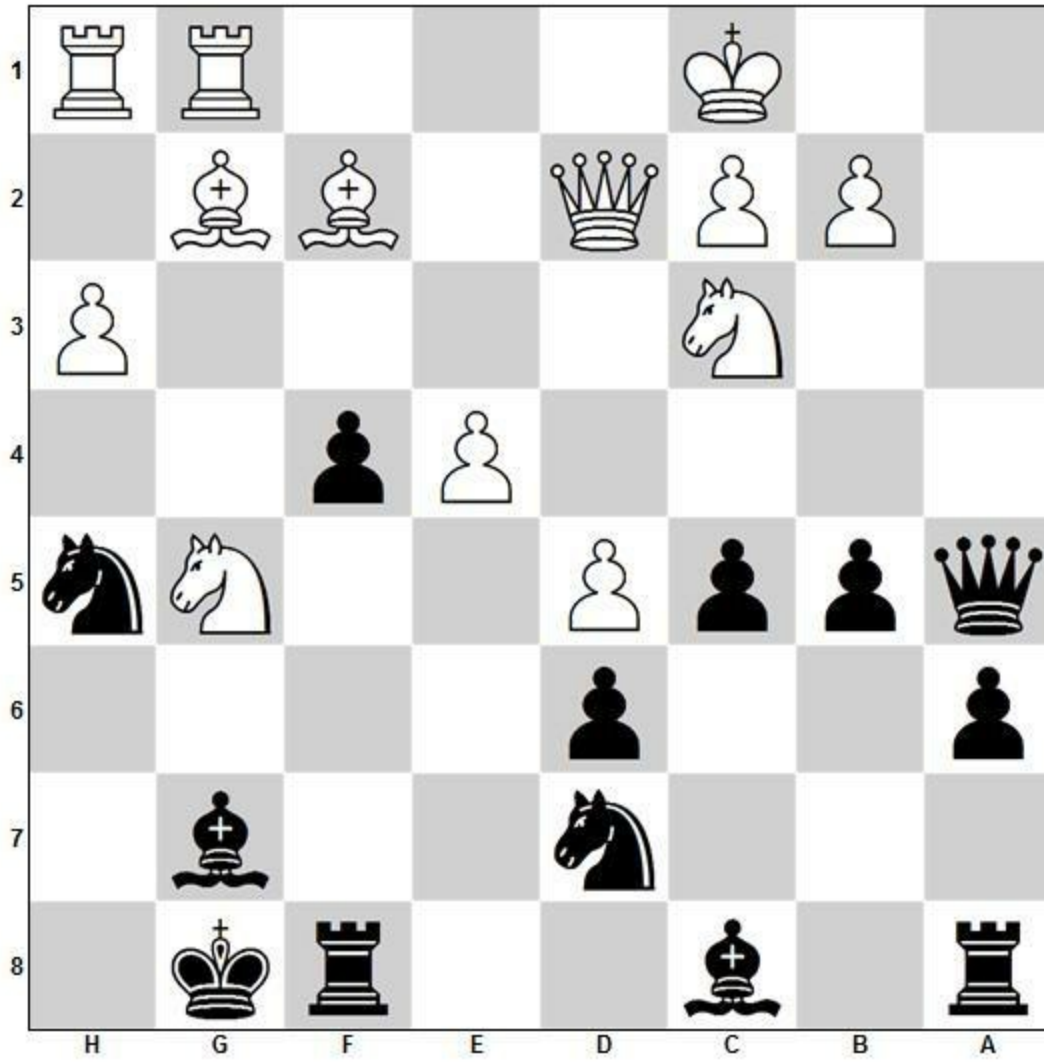
***34.Rg8+!! Kxg8 35.Qxh7#***

From the game Brian Wall (2200) – Howard Zhong (1955), Round 8, 4<sup>th</sup>  
Thanksgiving, November 25, 2012

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(139) Black to move



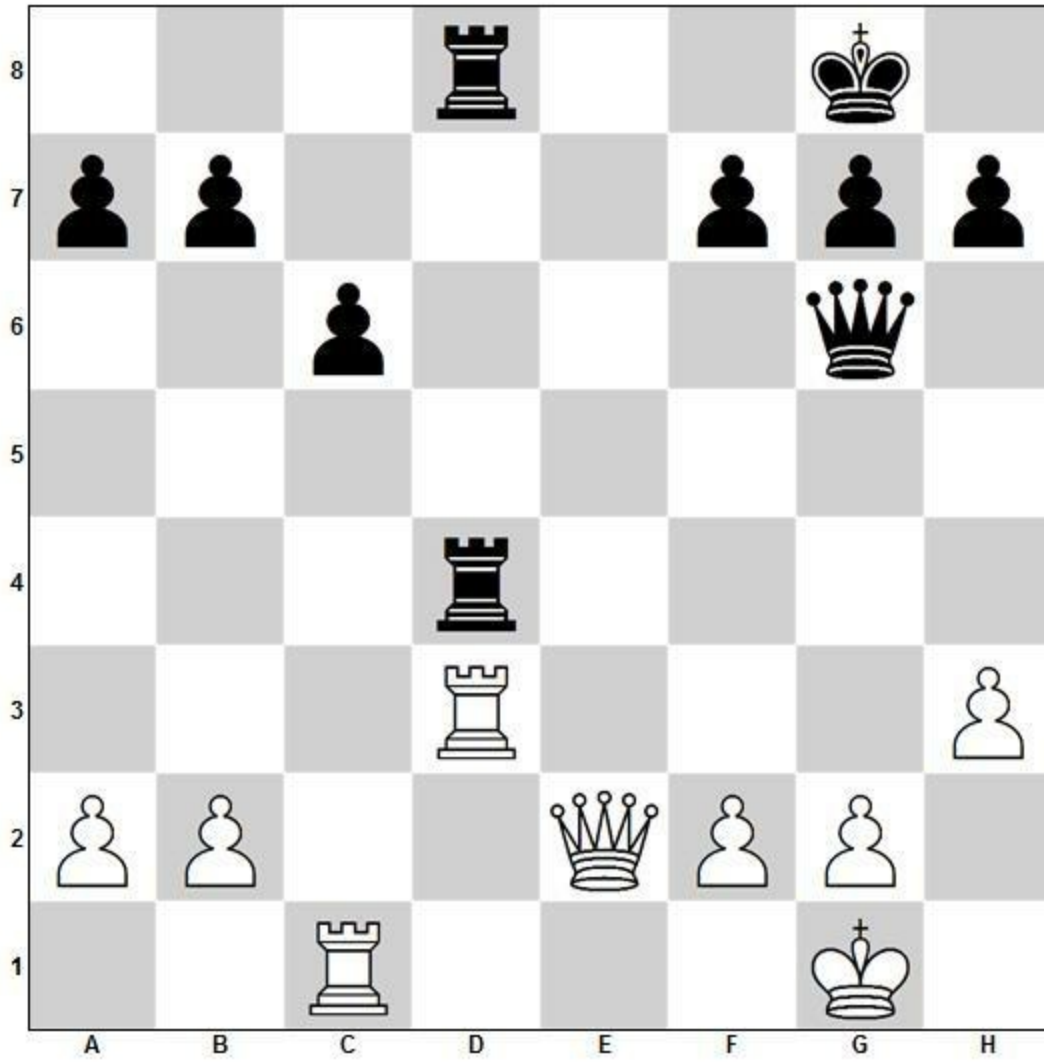
***21...Qa1+ 22.Nb1 Qxb2+ 23.Kd1 Qxb1+***

From the game KASPARRANO (1934) – BrianWall (2155), Live Chess, Chess.com, December 27, 2014

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/12/28/Game602603875.html>

(140) White to move



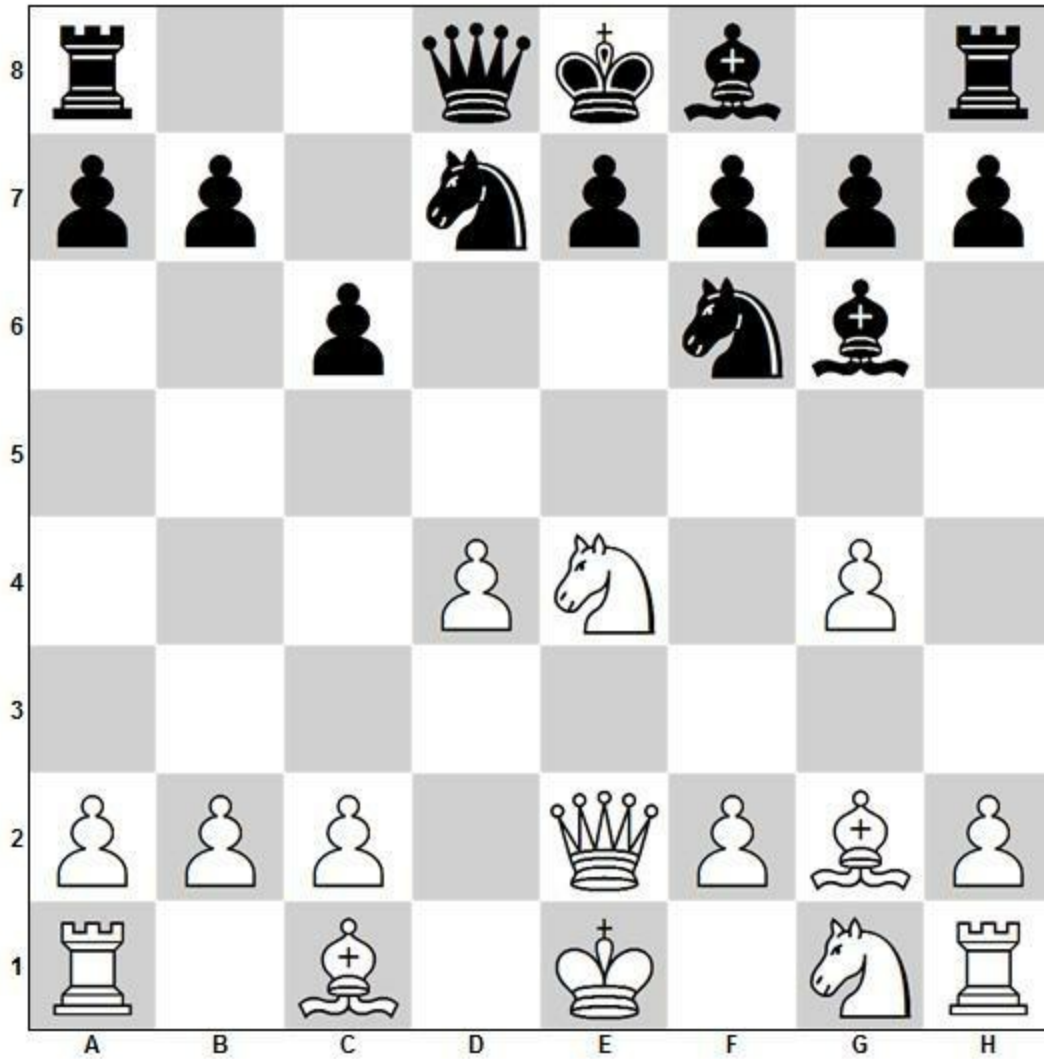
***24.Rxd4*** and Black cannot recapture because of ***24...Rxd4 25.Qe8#***

Variation from the game TheBlazedAssassin (2035) – BrianWall (2163),  
Live Chess, Chess.com, December 27, 2014

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/12/28/Game602682921.html>

(141) White to move



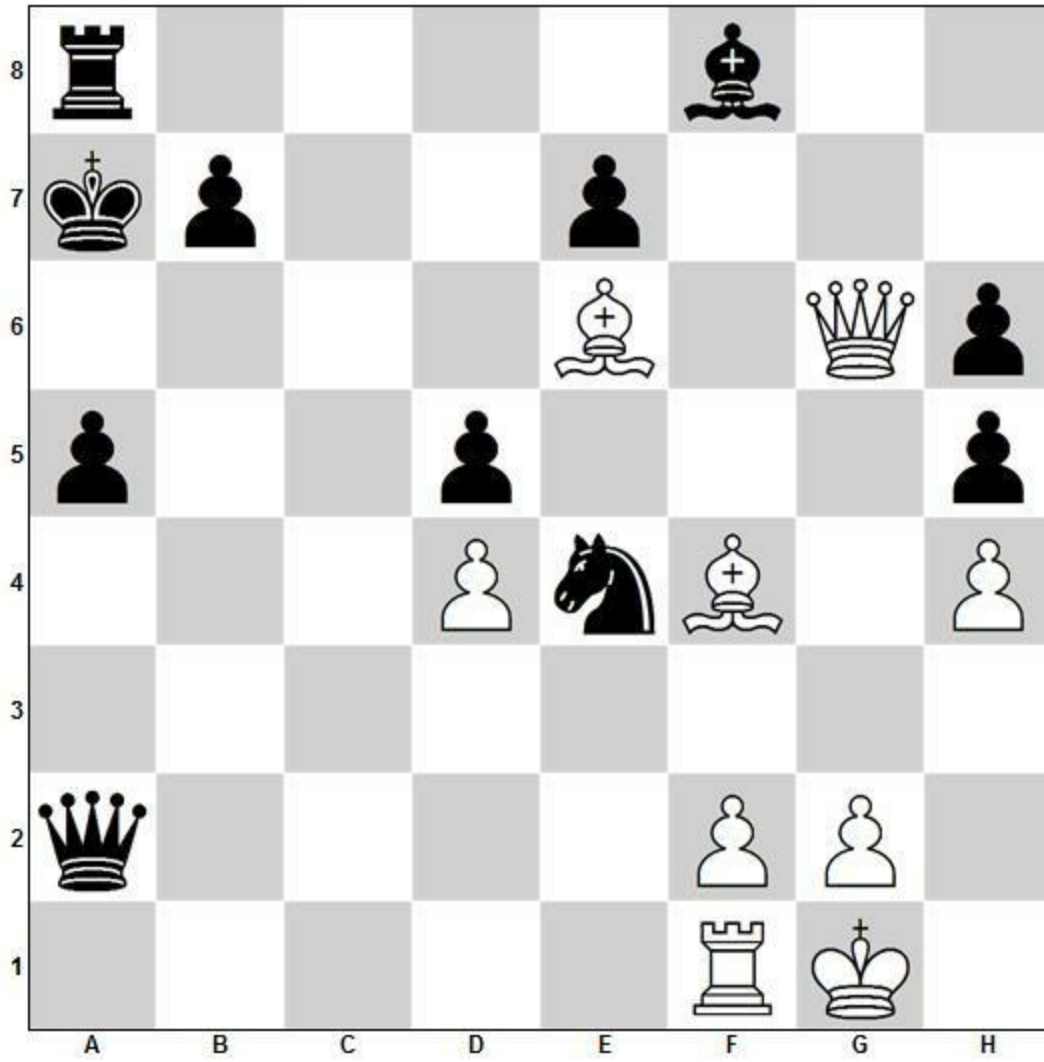
***8.Nd6#***

From the game Brian Wall (2310) – Tim Puente (1295), Corner Bakery Blitz,  
Round 7, August 3, 2014

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<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2015/1/4/Game268137248.html>

(142) White to move



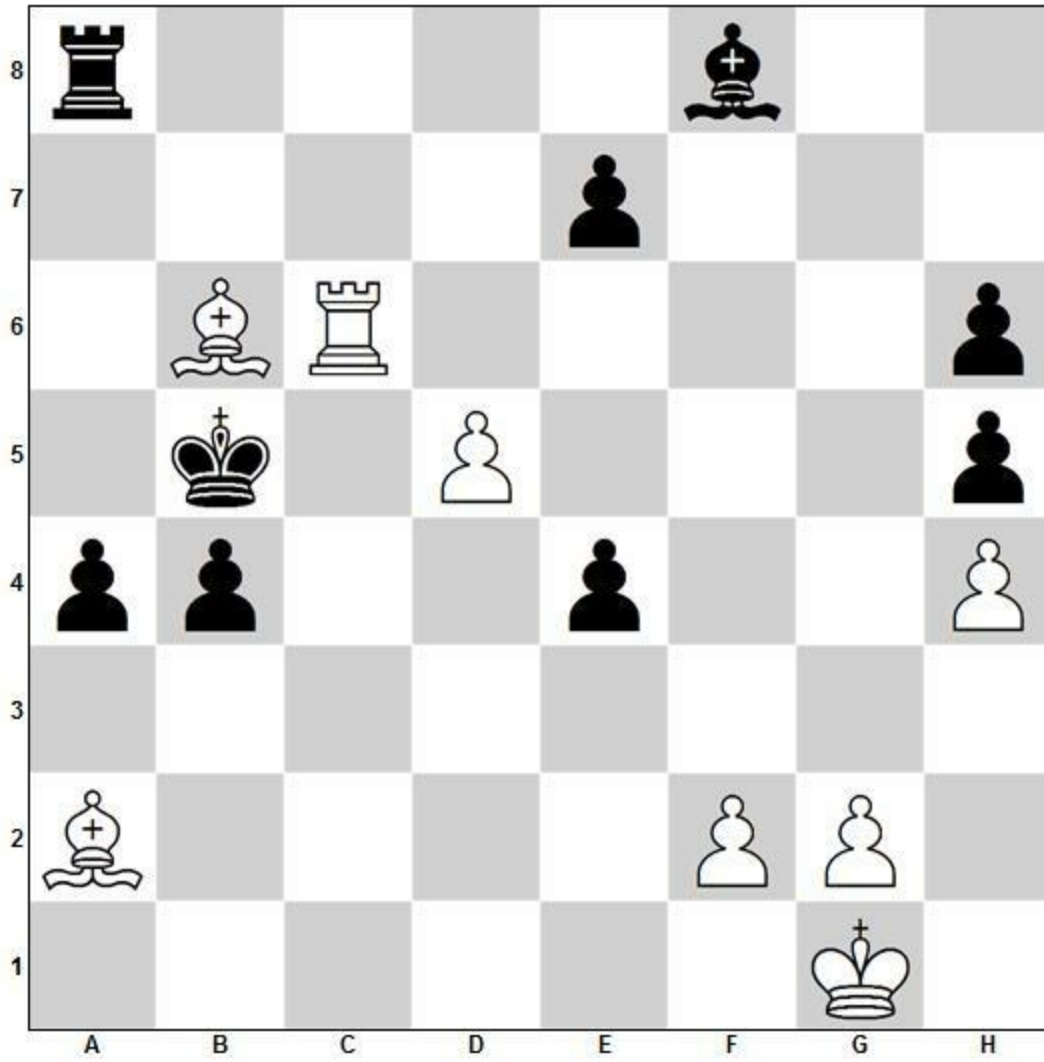
***24.Qxe4*** wins the knight ***24...dxe4 25.Bxa2***

From the game BrianWall (2184) – andreslo2000 (2133), Live Chess, Chess.com, December 27, 2014

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/12/28/Game604193947.html>

(143) White to move



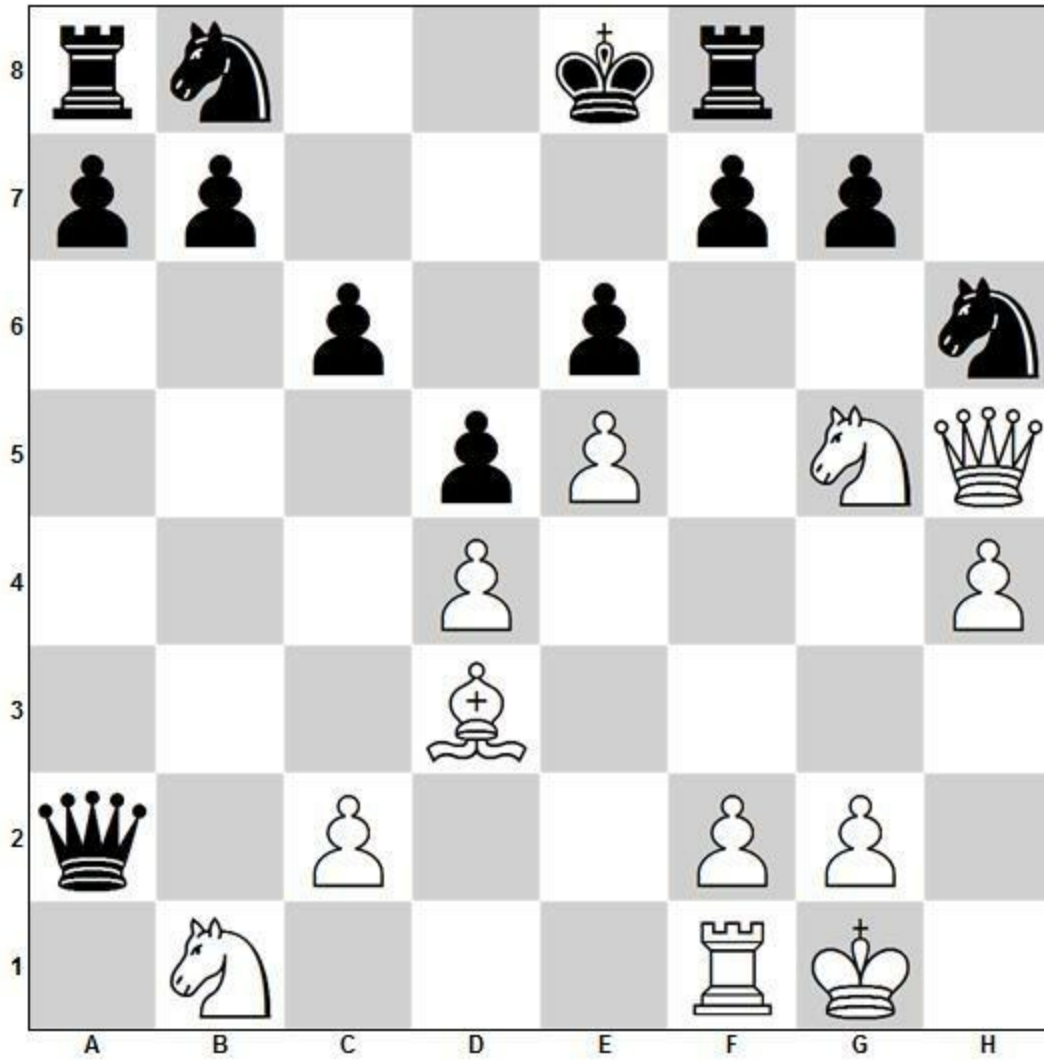
### ***31.Bc4#***

From the game BrianWall (2184) – andreslo2000 (2133), Live Chess, Chess.com, December 27, 2014

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(144) White to move



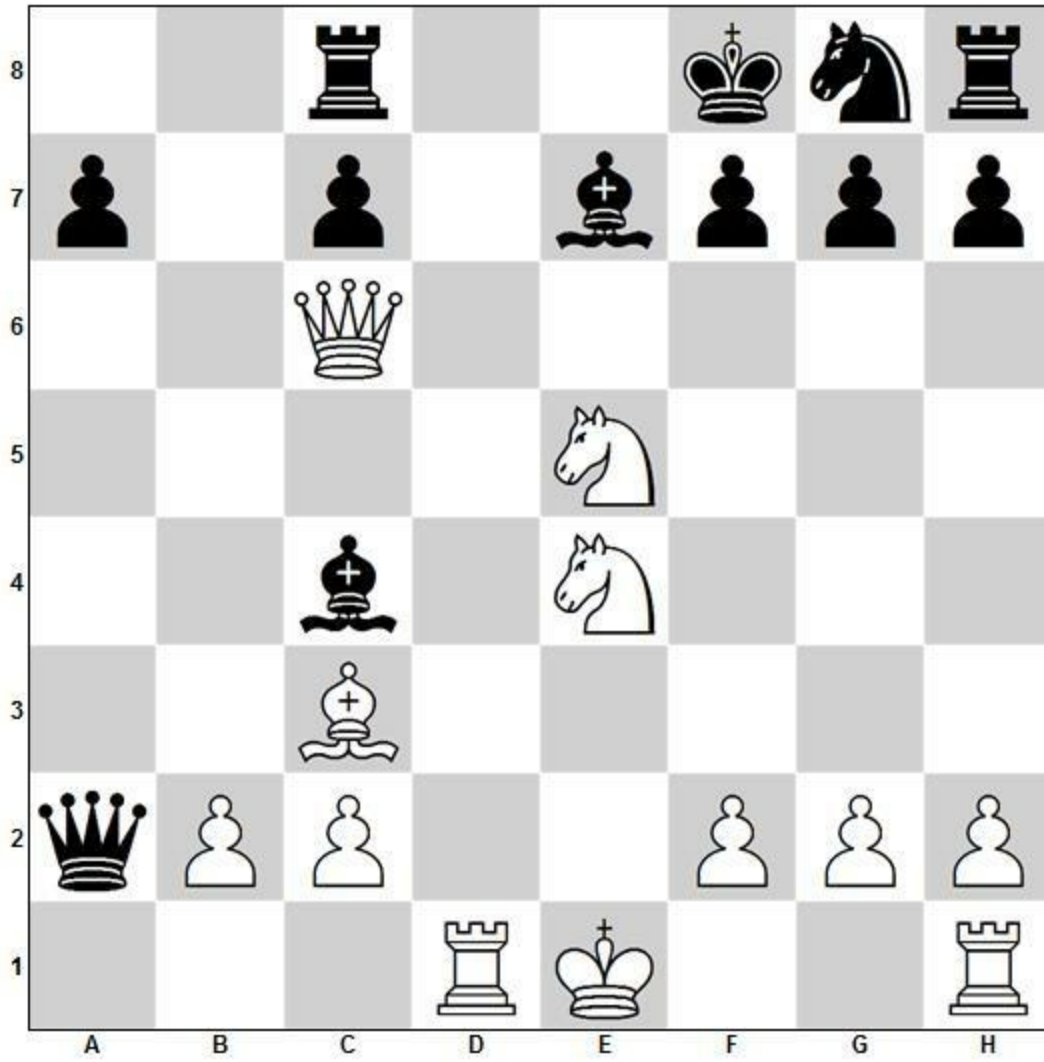
**14.Nxe6** wins a pawn and threatens moves like 15.Nc7+ and 15.Nxg7+.

From the game BrianWall (2181) – andreslo2000 (2136), Live Chess, Chess.com, December 27, 2014

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/12/28/Game605372285.html>

(145) White to move



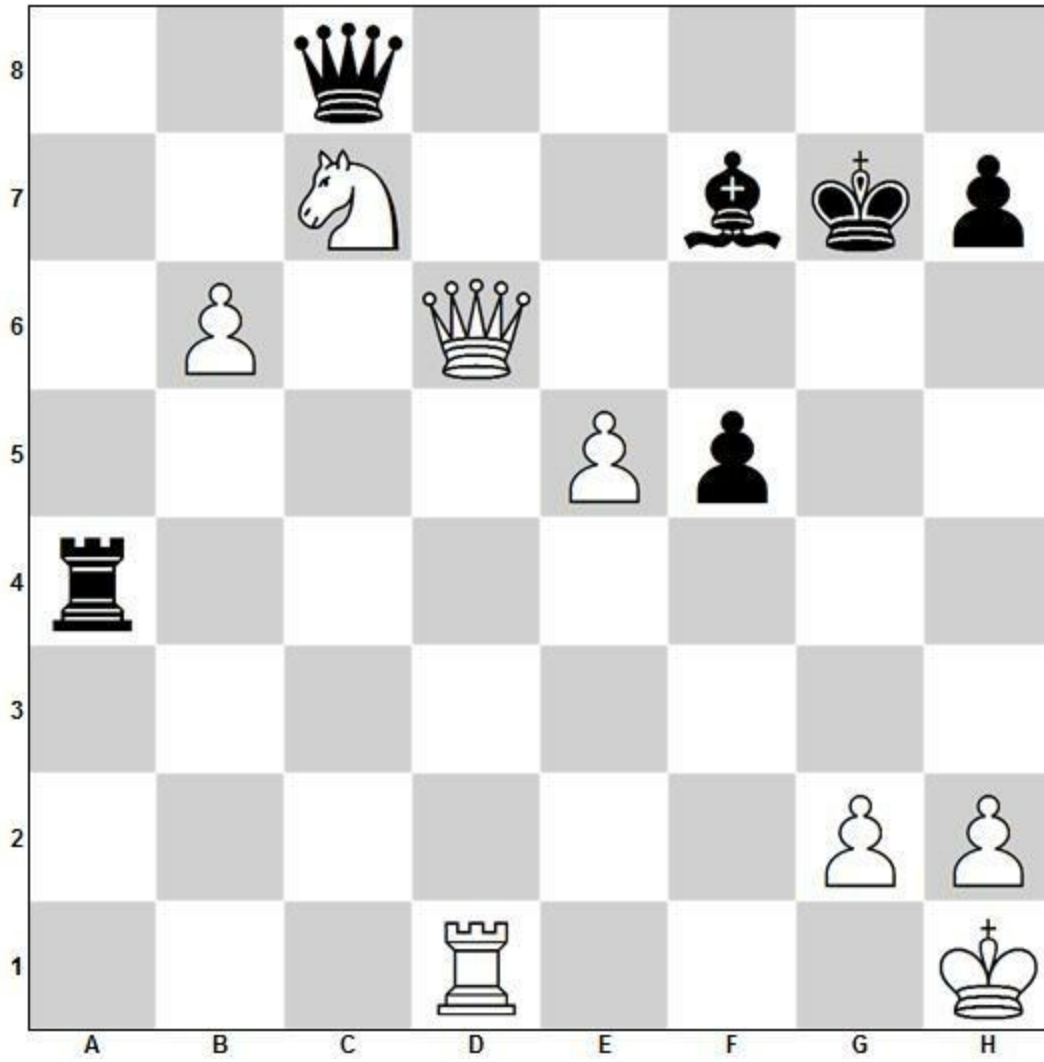
***16.Nd7+ Ke8 17.Ndf6+ Kf8 18.Qe8+!! Rxe8 19.Nd7#*** smothered mate.

From the game greenpawn34 (1929) – DepecheMode (1486), Open invite, redhotpawn.com, December 7, 2014

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/12/28/Game605546896.html>

(146) White to move



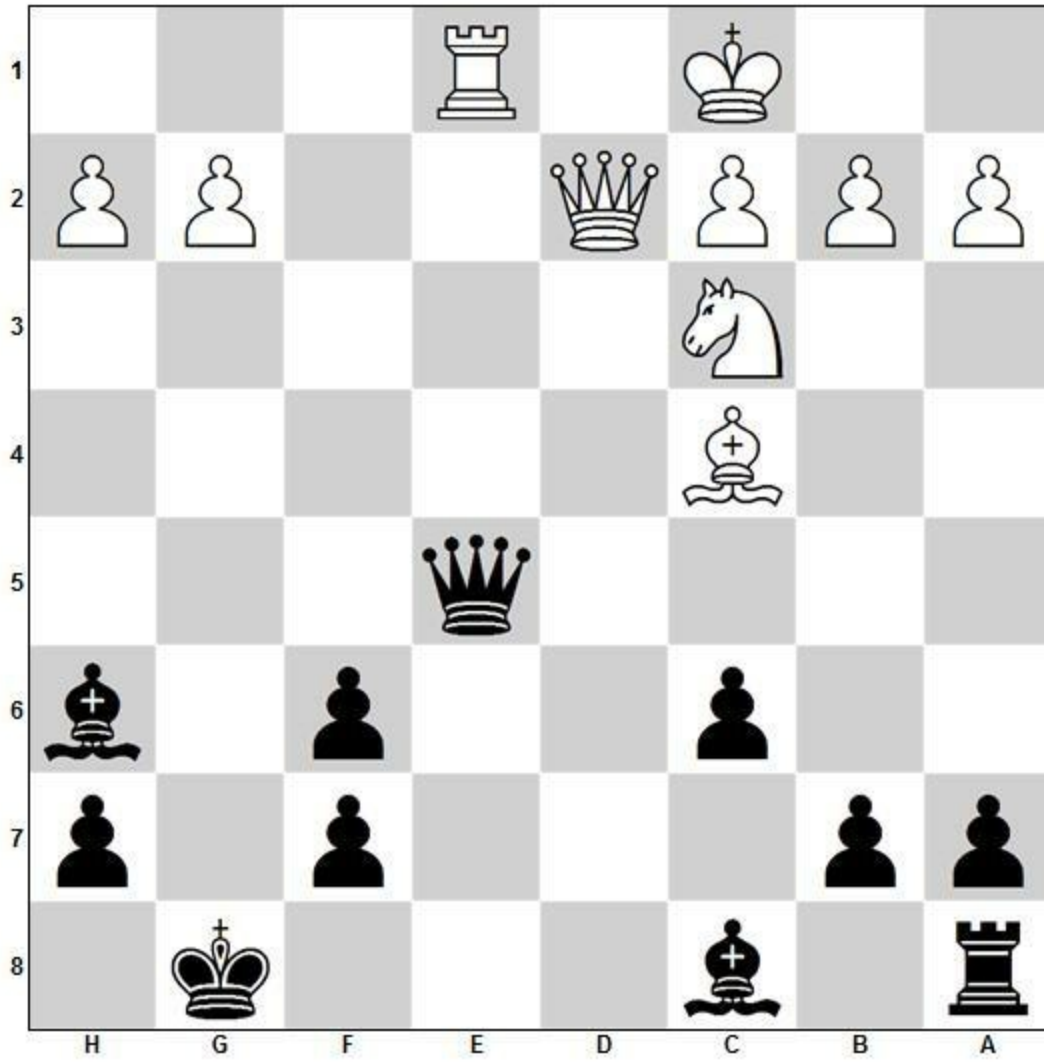
**39.Qf6+ Kg8 40.Rd8+** forks the black king and queen.

From the game Brian Wall (2116) – Carlos Santillan (1844), Denver Chess Club Christmas Present, Round 3, December 21, 2014

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/12/28/Game606338212.html>

(147) Black to move



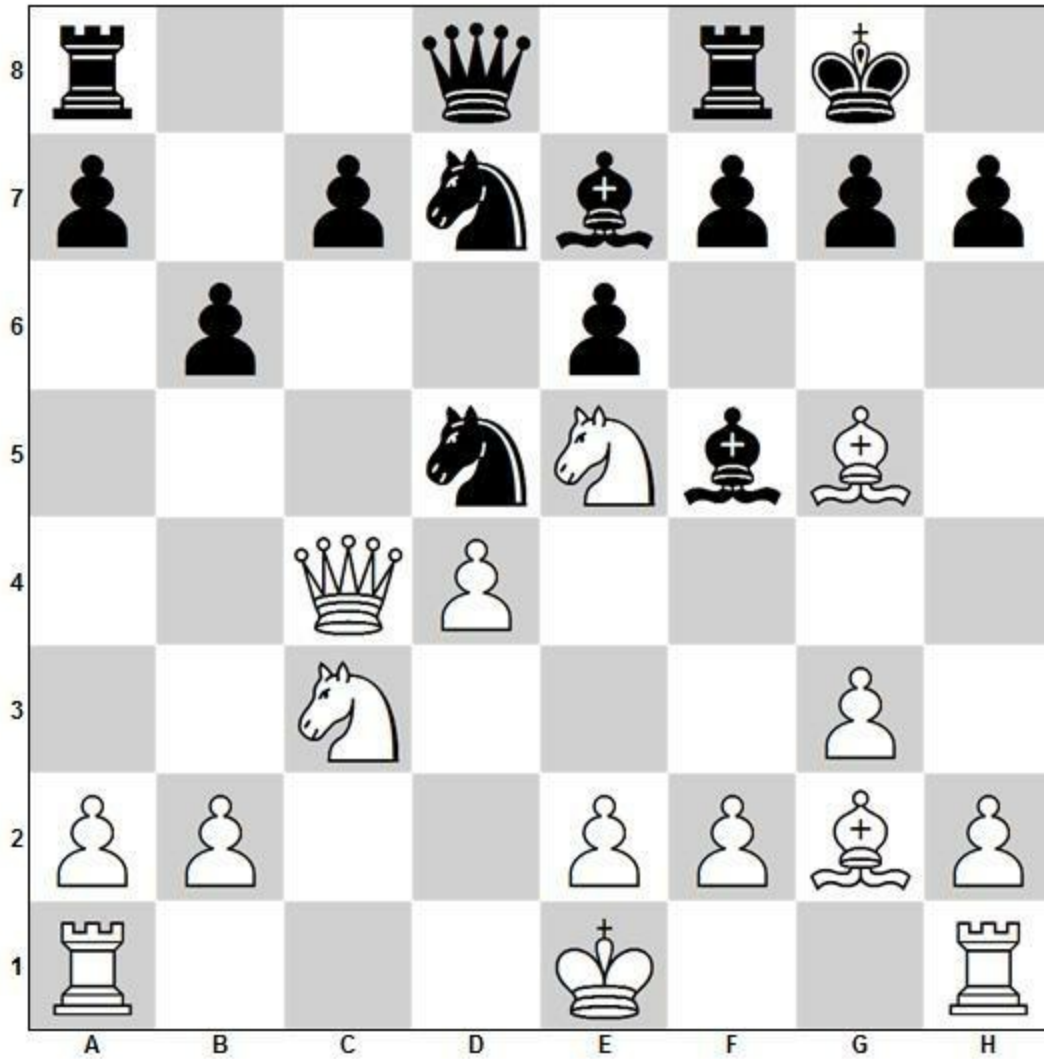
**18...Qxe1**+ the white queen is pinned. **19.Nd1 Bxd2 20.Kb1 Qxd1#.**

Variation from the game Gunnar Anderson (1896) – Eric Montany (2186),  
2012 Monument Open, Round 2, August 18, 2012

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/12/25/Game355103032.html>

(148) White to move



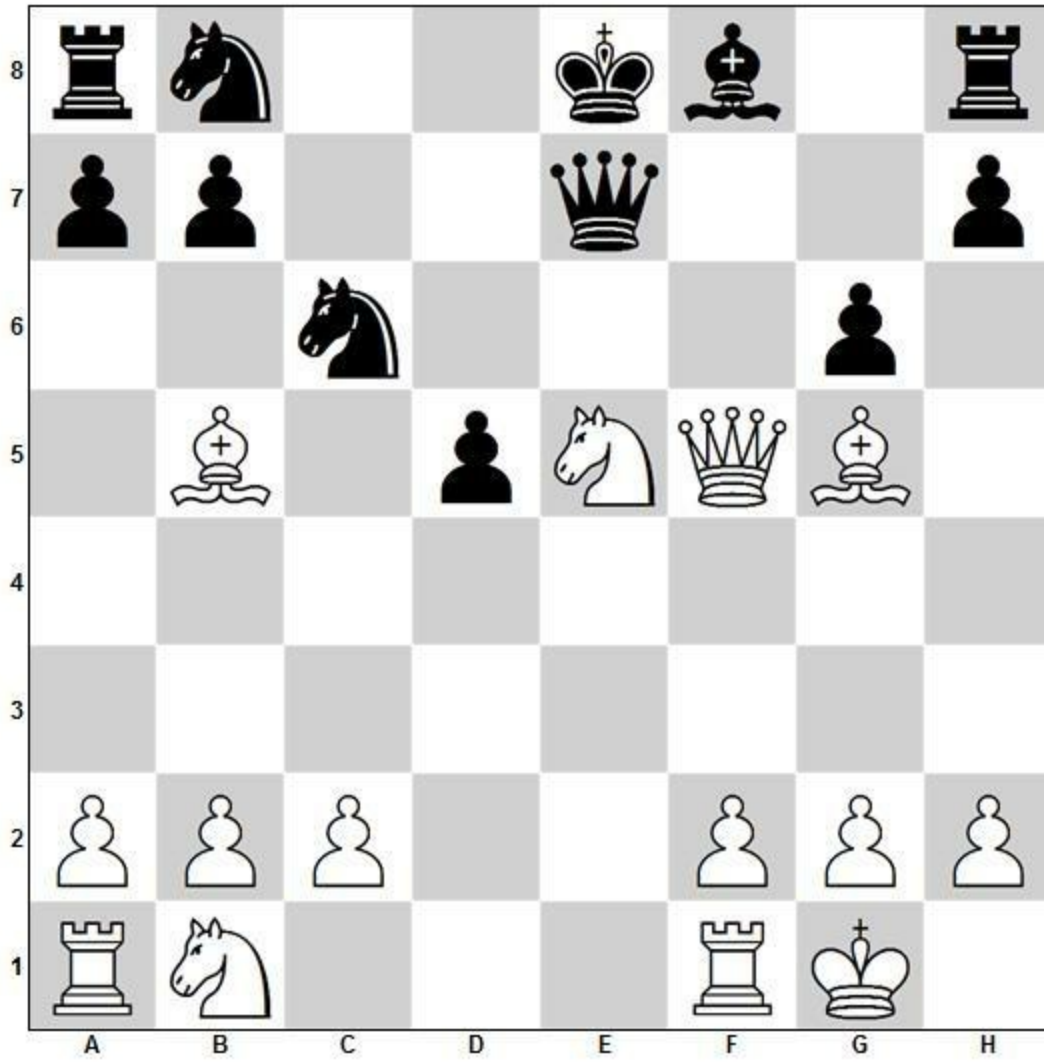
*11.Nc6* forks the black queen and bishop, which is attacked for a second time, *11...Qe8 12.Nxe7+* winning a piece.

From the game Ken Doykos (1772) – Deanna Alter (1618), Winter Springs Open, Round 4, December 7, 2014

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/12/28/Game608392932.html>

(149) White to move



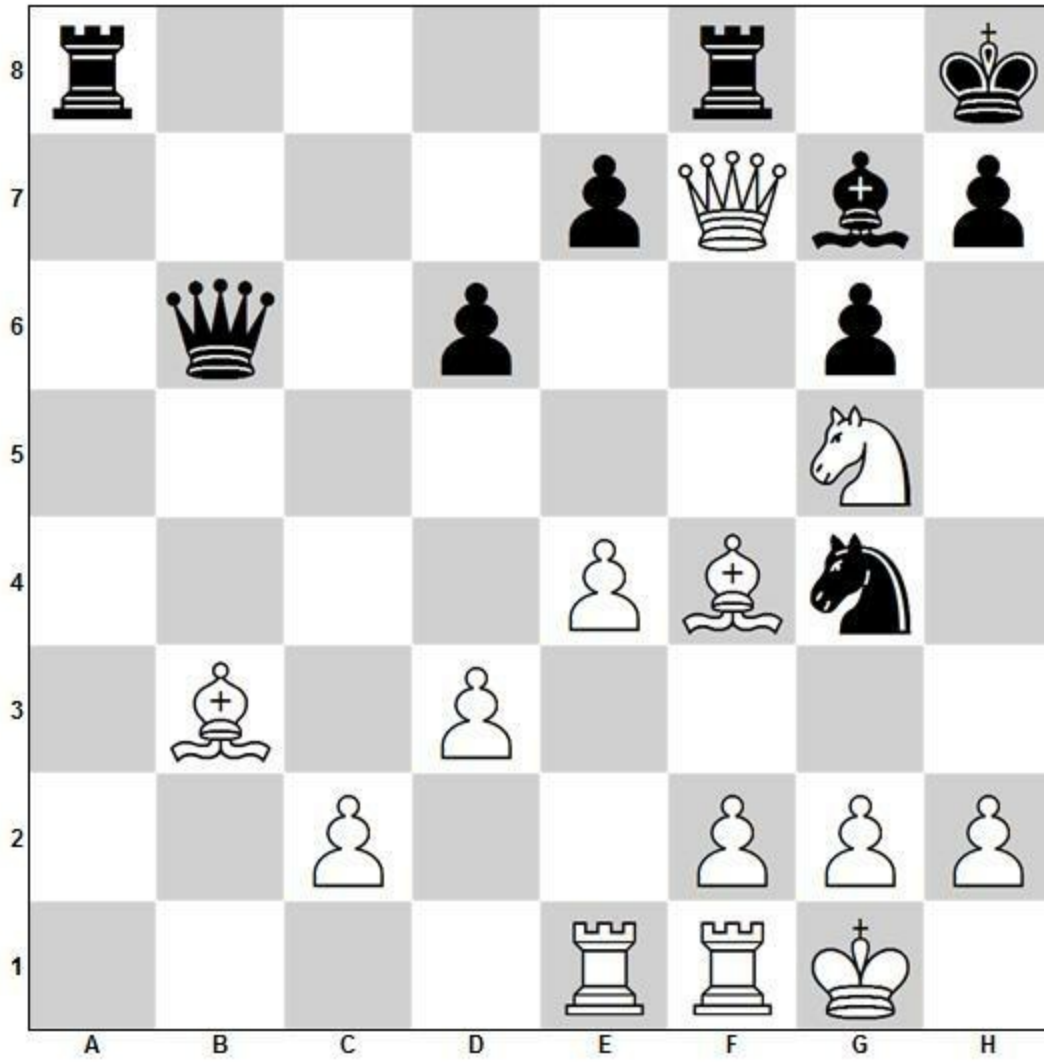
***13.Qc8+Qd8 14.Qxd8#***

From the game greenpawn34 (1989) – mikeysjfc (1284), 2013  
Championship, redhotpawn.com, Round 1, June 6, 2013

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/12/29/Game688567446.html>

(150) White to move



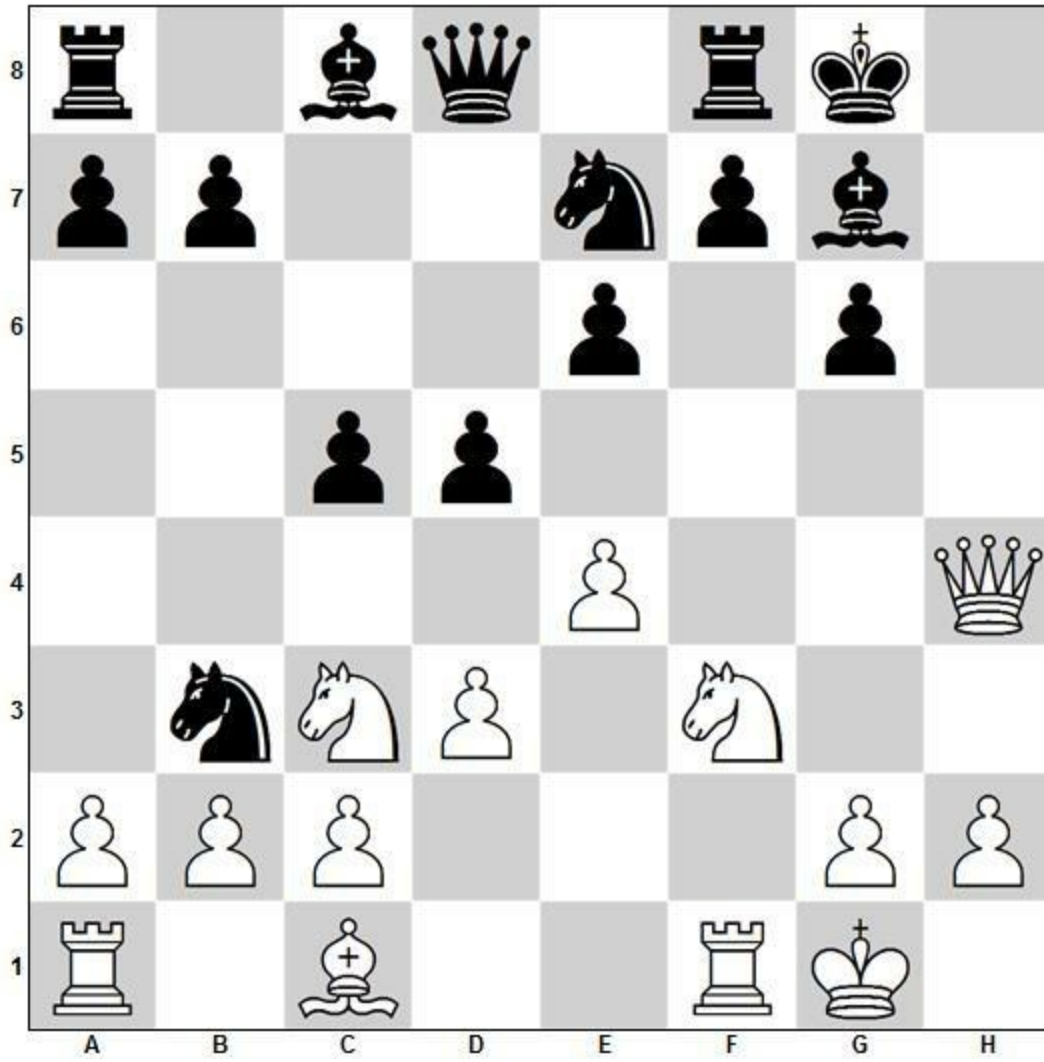
***23.Qg8+! Rxf8 24.Nf7#.***

From the game Devon Wall (1225) – Miles Thomas Brown, 2013 Winter Springs Open, Round 2, December 7, 2013

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<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2015/4/18/Game321205528.html>

(151) White to move



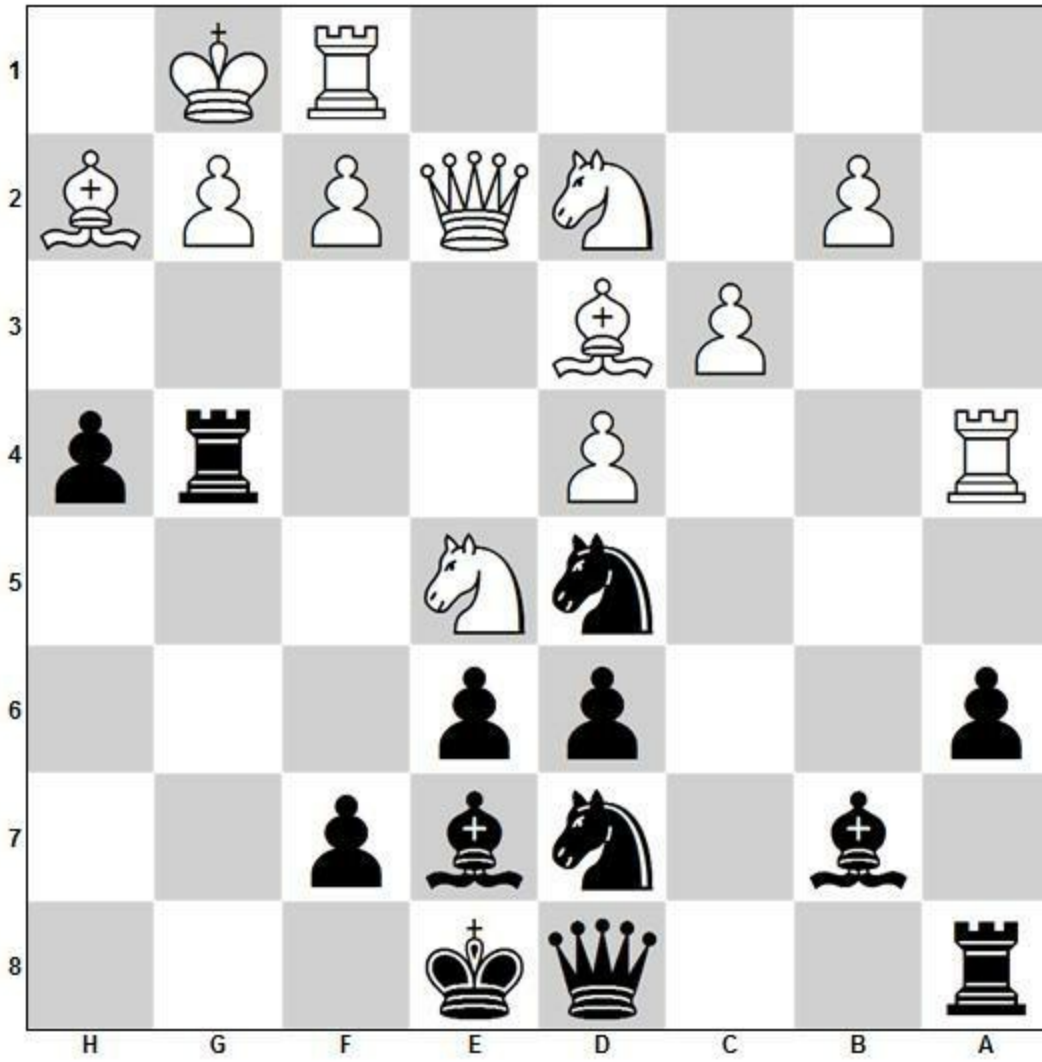
***13.Ng5*** and mate cannot be stopped. For example, ***13...Bd4+ 14.Kh1 Re8 15.Qh7+ Kf8 16.Rxf7#***.

From the game MysteryMan (2200) – Mondrogan, ICC 3 0, November 16, 2009

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2015/4/18/Game322027637.html>

(152) Black to move



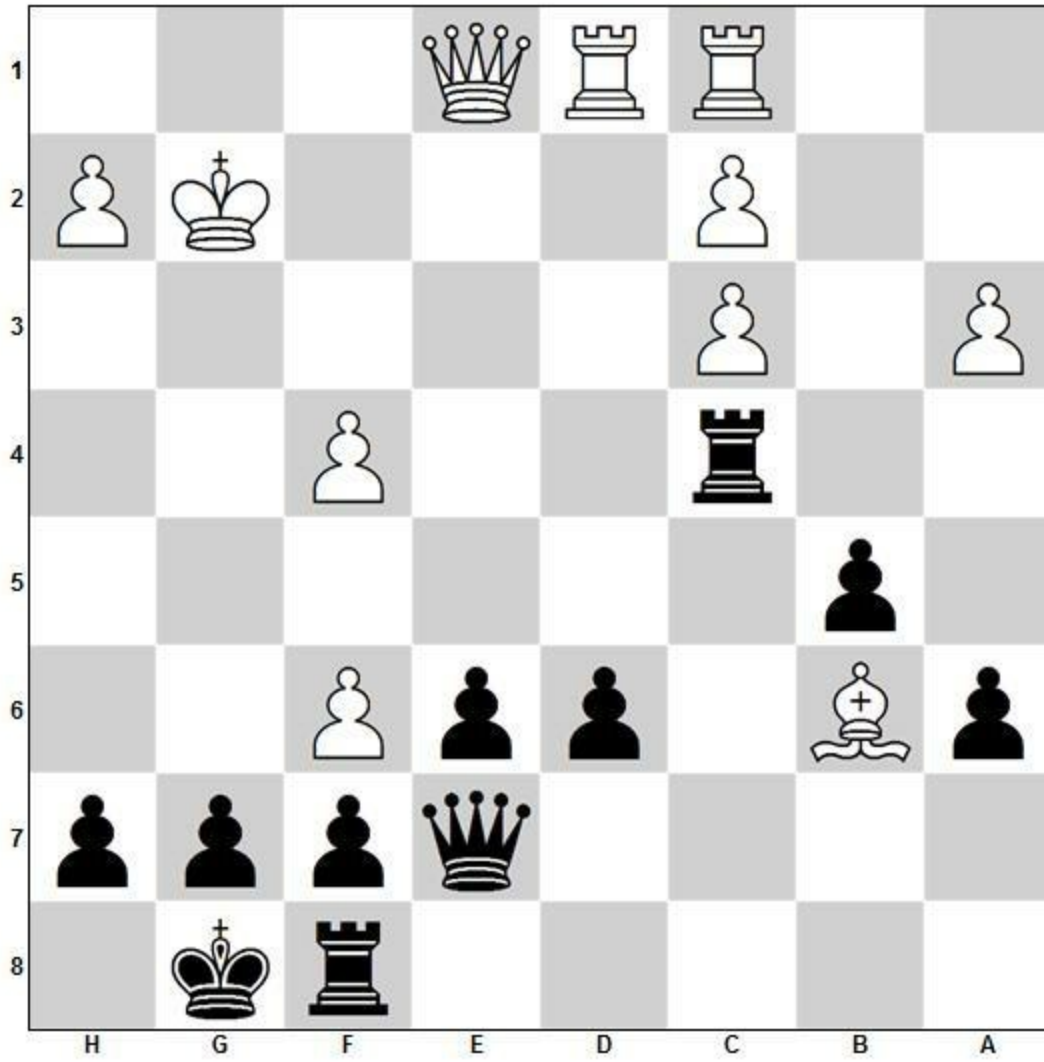
**19...Rxf2+!! 20.Kxf2 Nf4+21.Kg1 Nh3#.** If **20.Kh1 Nxc3** forking the queen and rook. If **21.bxc3** then **21... Rxf2+** discovered check also winning the queen.

From the game condor (1799) – MassCarnage (2264), ICC 15 0 Internet Chess Club, April 13, 2015

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2015/4/24/Game321305478.html>

(153) Black to move



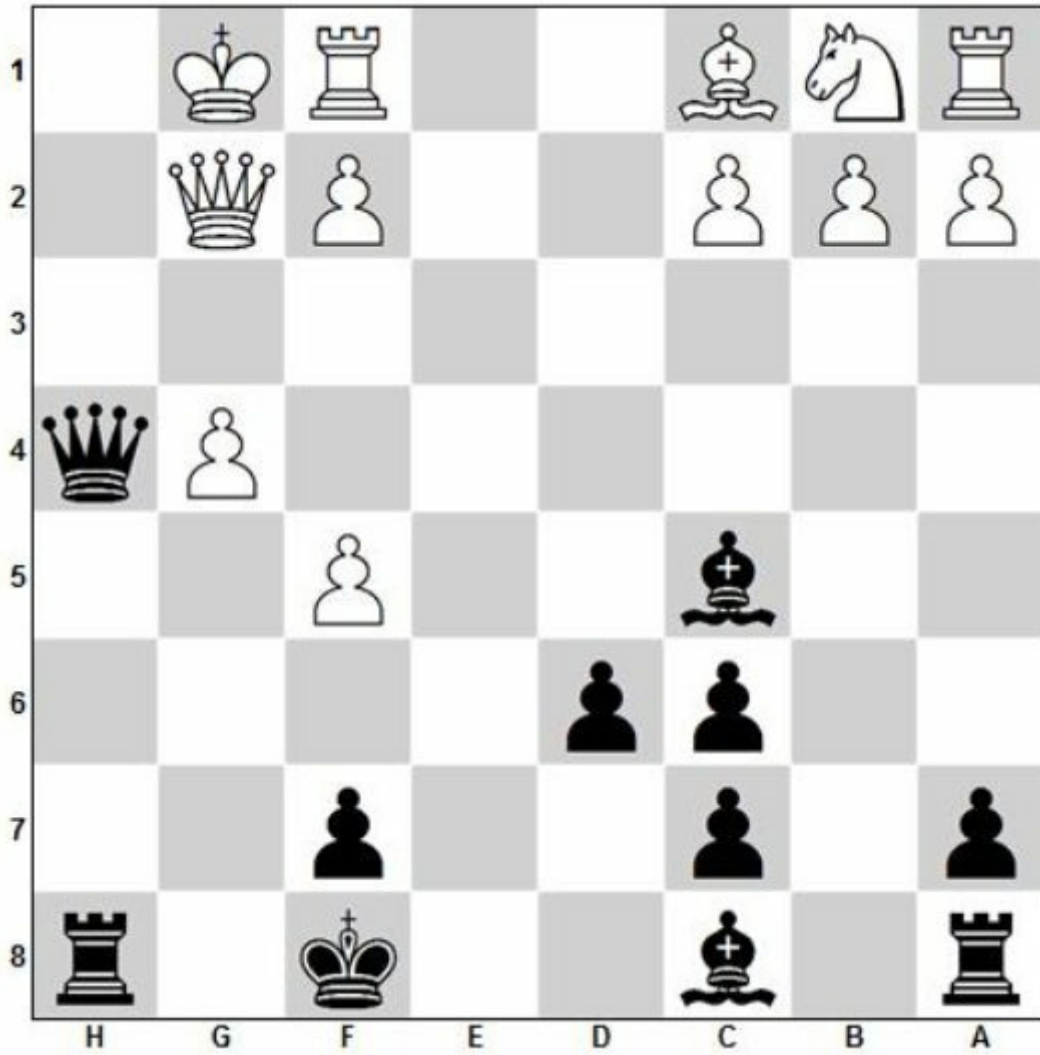
**26...Qb7+** forks the king and bishop **27.Kh3 Qxb6**

From the game Josh Samuel (1939) – Abhinaya Subedi (2142), Winter Springs Open, Round 4, December 7, 2014

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<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/12/28/Game608928749.html>

(154) Black to move



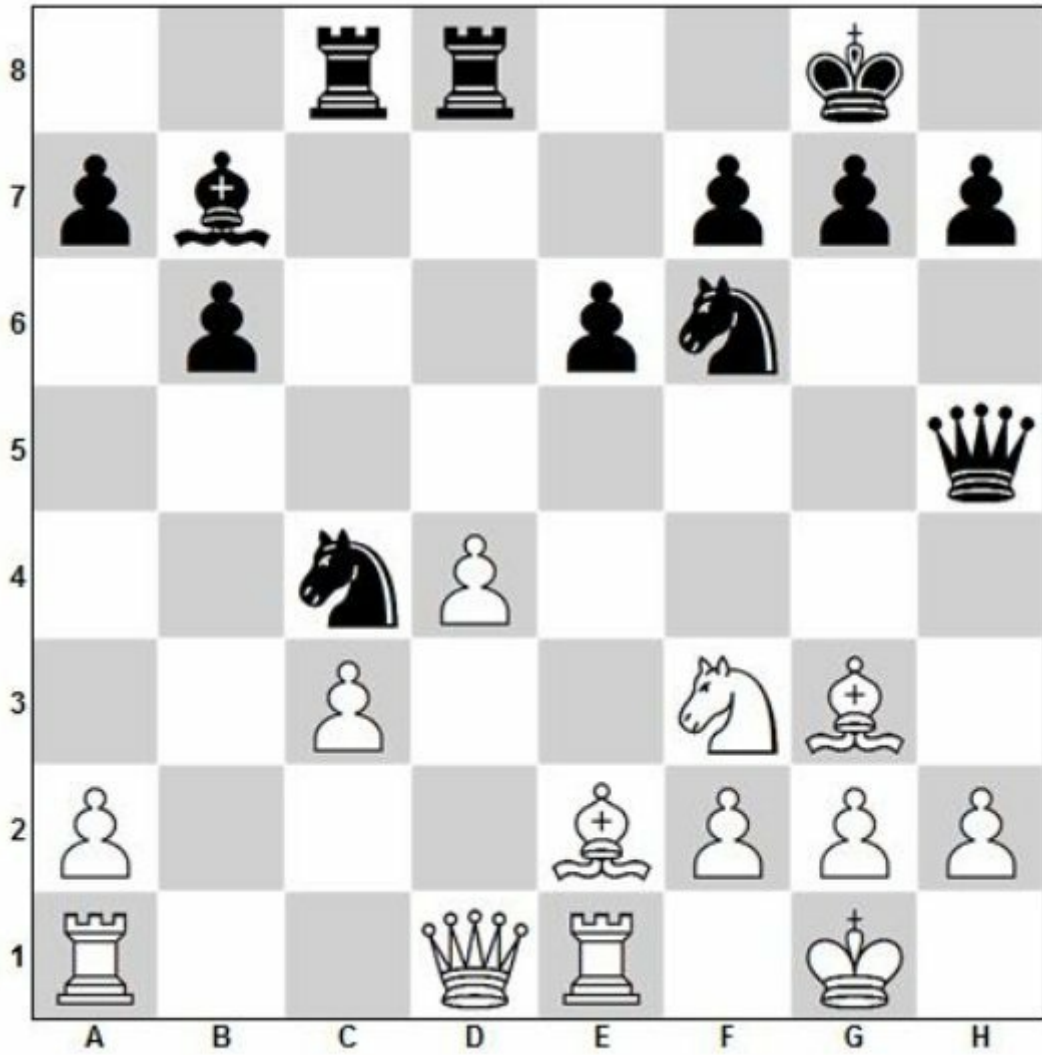
**16...Bxf5** and if **17.gxf5 Rg8** pinning the white queen to the king.

Variation from the game Deeppurple123 (1929) – BrianWall (2104), Live Chess, Chess.com, August 14, 2014

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/11/28/Game820864063.html>

(155) White to move



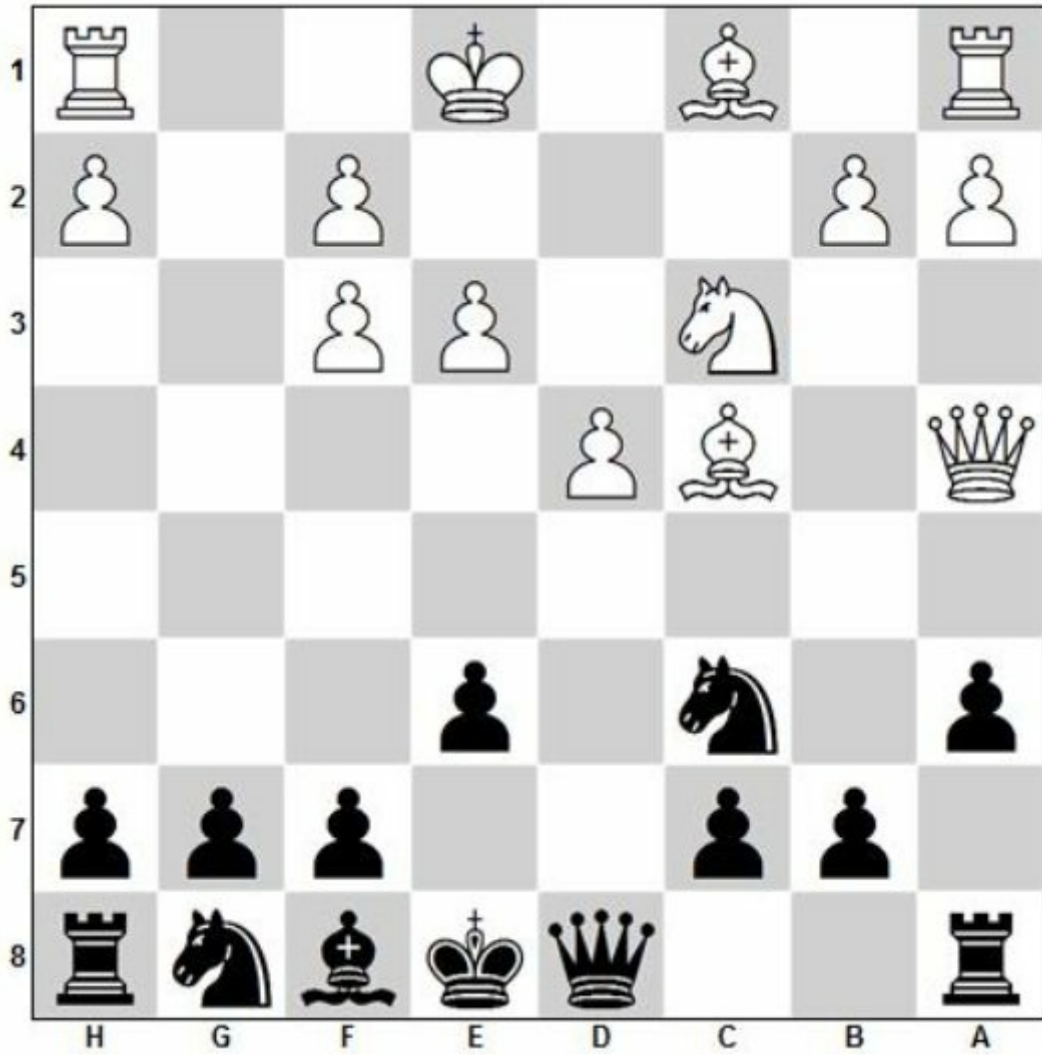
**17.Ne5** discovered attack on the black queen and black knight c4. Black cannot meet both threats. **17...Nxe5 18.Bxh5**

Variation from the game Andrew Smith (1978) – Mark Krowczyk (1900), 2014 Colorado Open, Round 5, August 31, 2014

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(156) Black to move



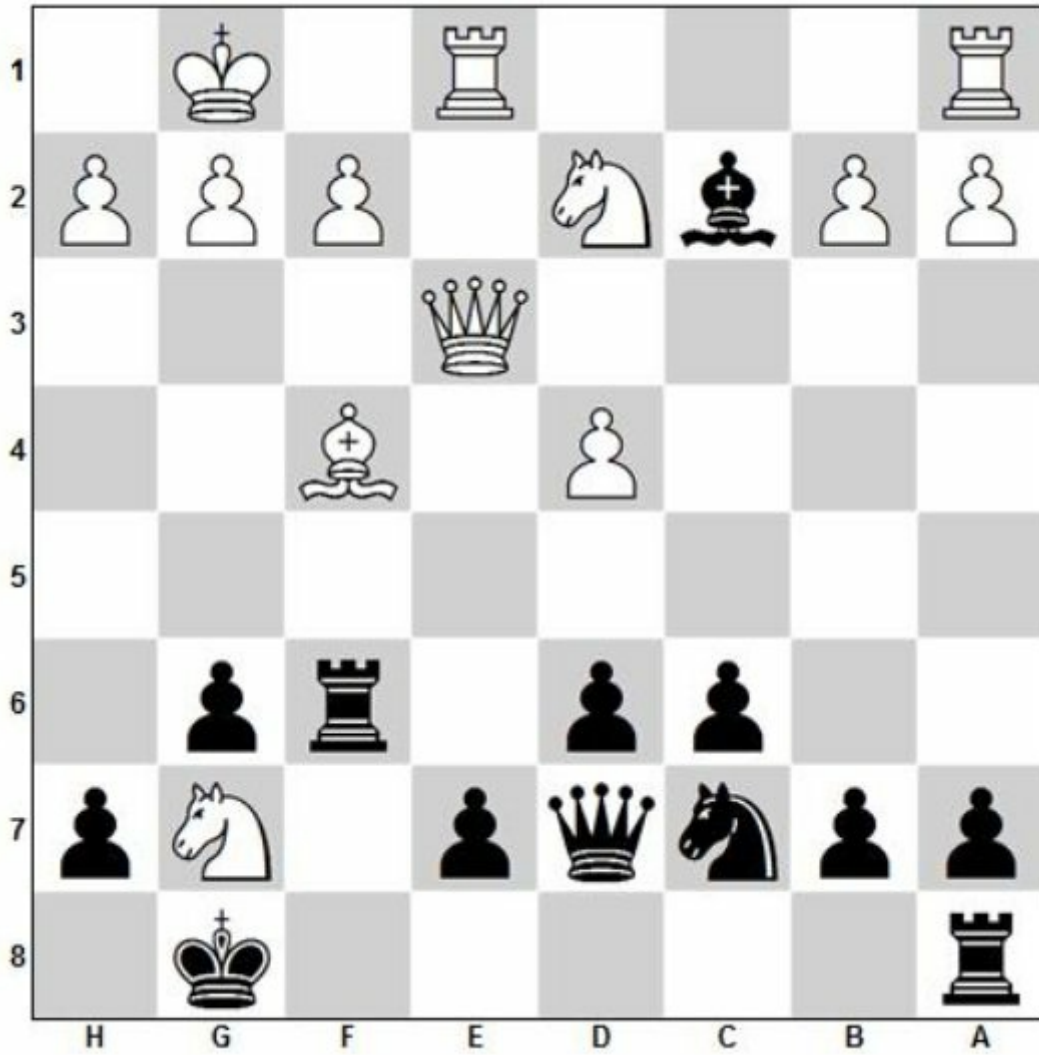
**8...b5** pawn fork.

Variation from the game Katie Wise (1959) – Mark Krowczyk (2132), 2014  
Colorado Open, Round 4, August 31, 2014

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(157) Black to move



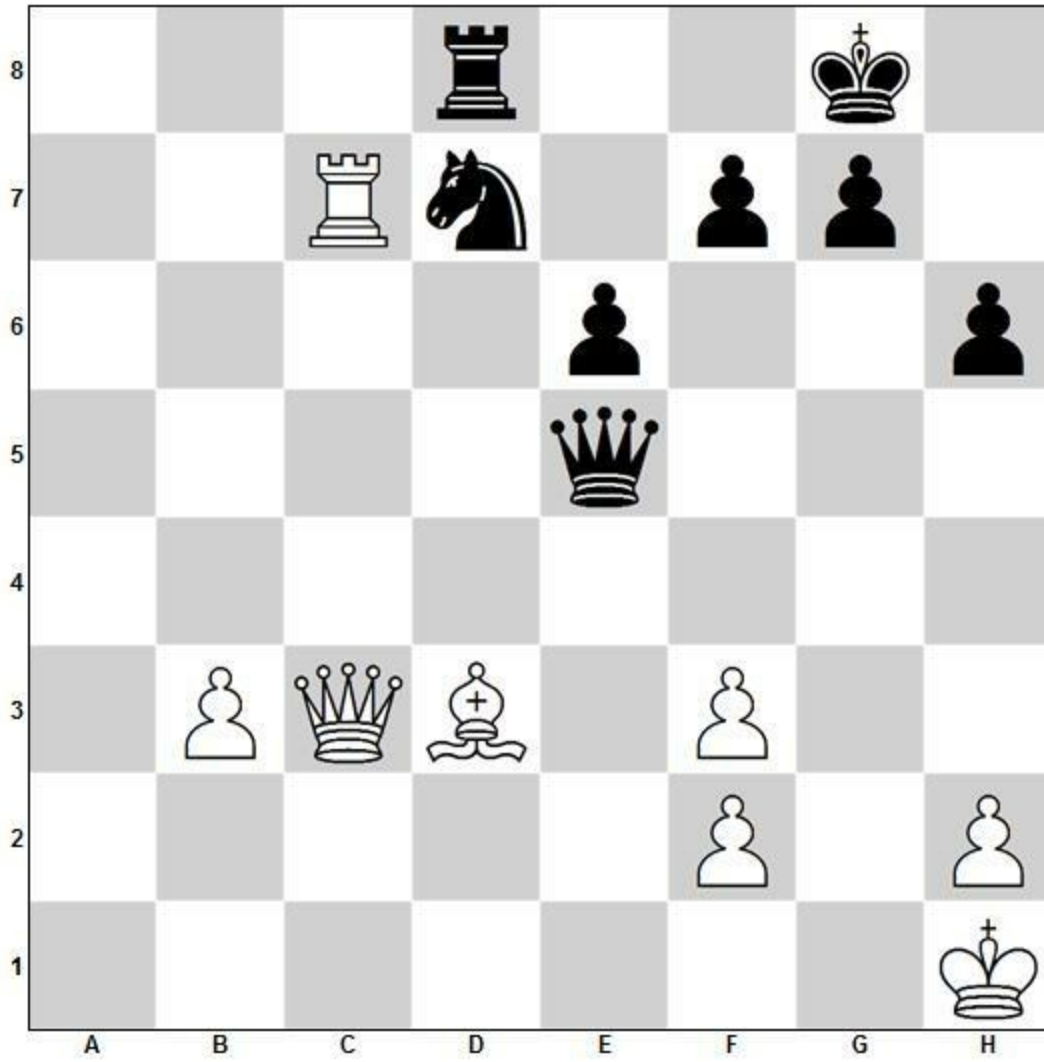
**15...Nd5** attacks the white queen and adds a second attacker to the white bishop. White cannot meet both threats, and will lose a piece.

From the game Kurt Kondracki (1976) – Brian Wall (2250), 2014 Pikes Peak Open, Round 5, August 10, 2014

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/12/1/Game1074535339.html>

(158) White to move



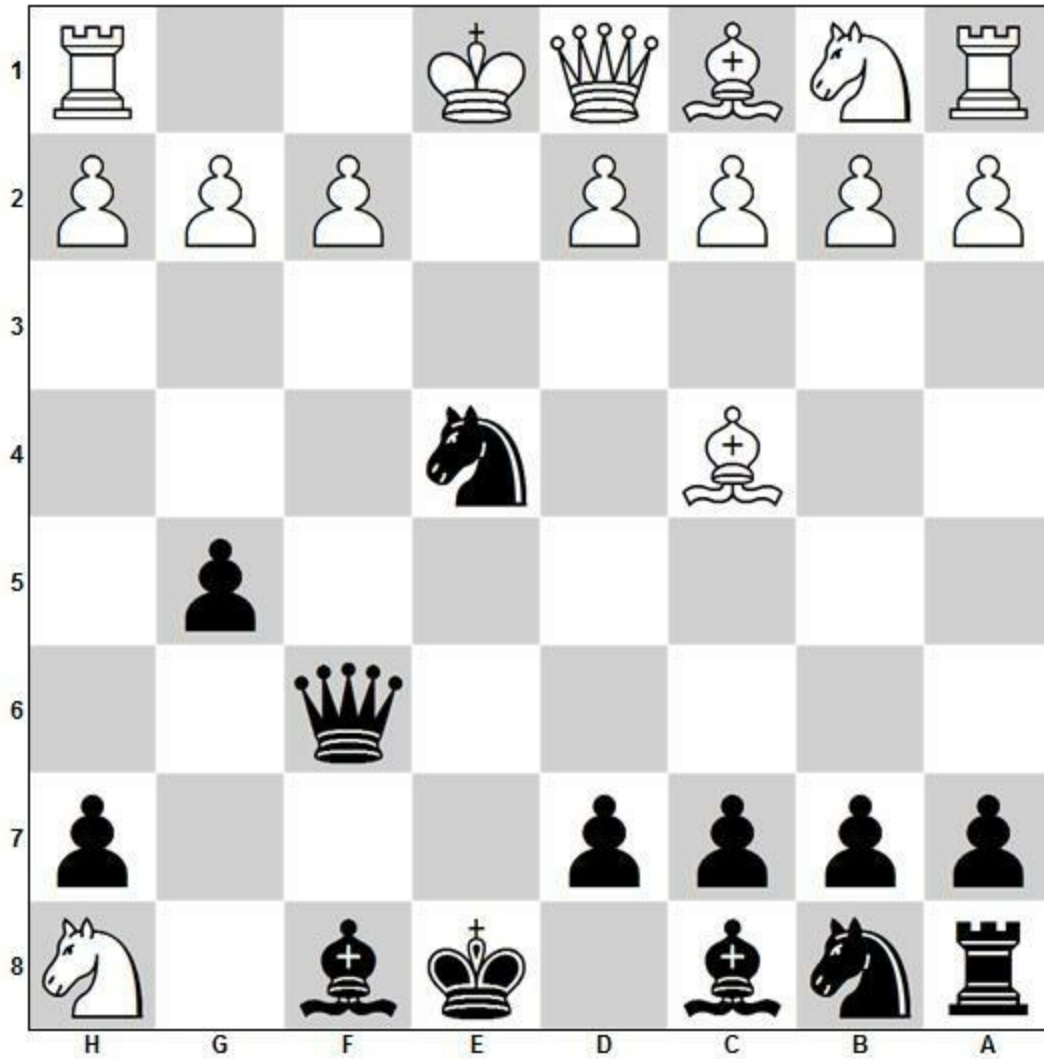
**24.Rxd7** wins a piece. If **24...Rxd7 25.Qc8+ Rd8 26.Qxd8#**. If **24...Qxc3 25.Rxd8#**.

Variation from the game Sayers40 (1428) – IJTreasure (1472), ICC 10 12, August 1, 2014

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/12/24/Game262204062.html>

(159) Black to move



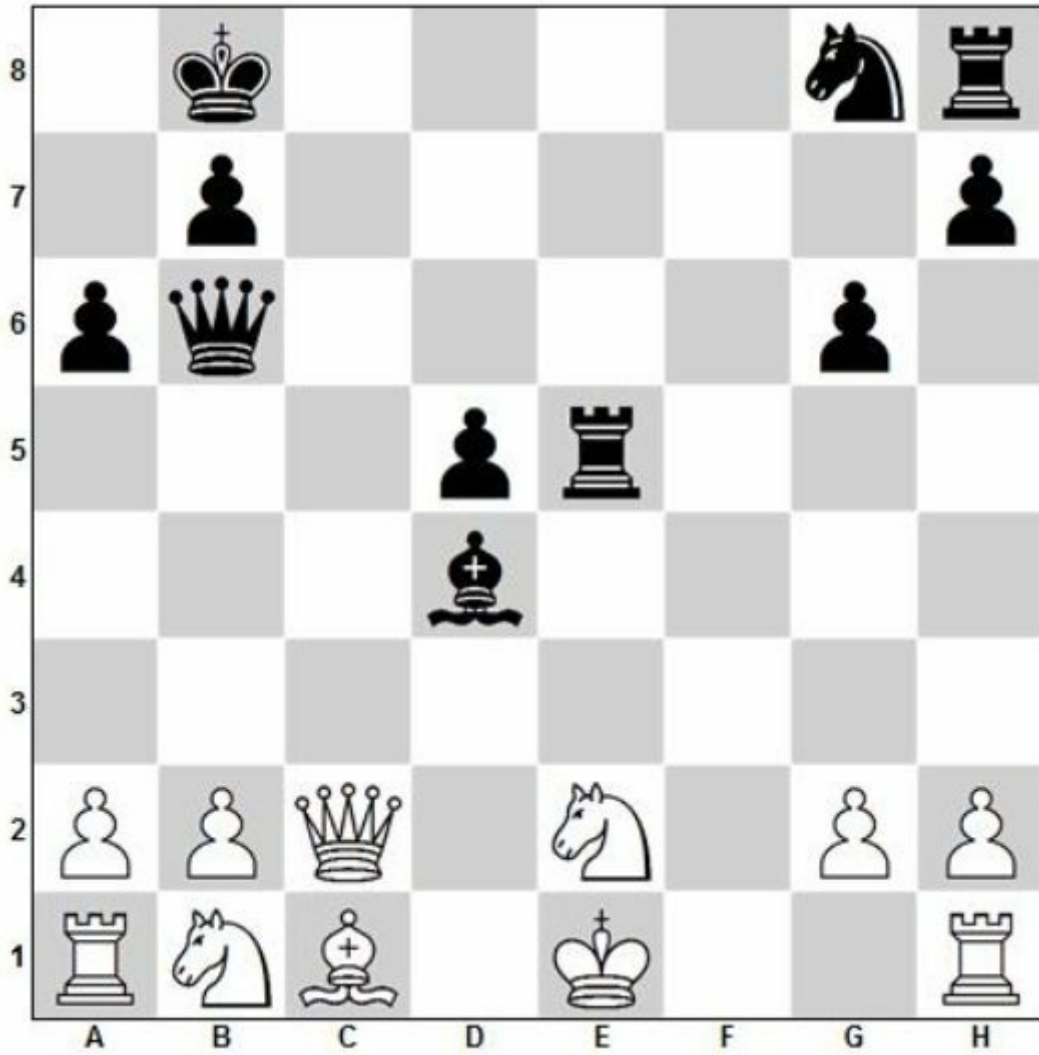
**6...Qxf2#.** White got greedy grabbing the h8-rook on the previous move, missing this checkmate.

From the game *runninfend* (1601) – *dwainer* (869), 2013 Championship, *redhotpawn.com*, Round 1, June 6, 2013

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2015/1/10/Game794293255.html>

(160) White to move



**20.Bf4** pins the rook to the king.

Variation from the game Ryan Green (1097) – Jon Wooldridge (1198), 2014  
Colorado Open, Round 4, August 31, 2014

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/12/7/Game1607472163.html>



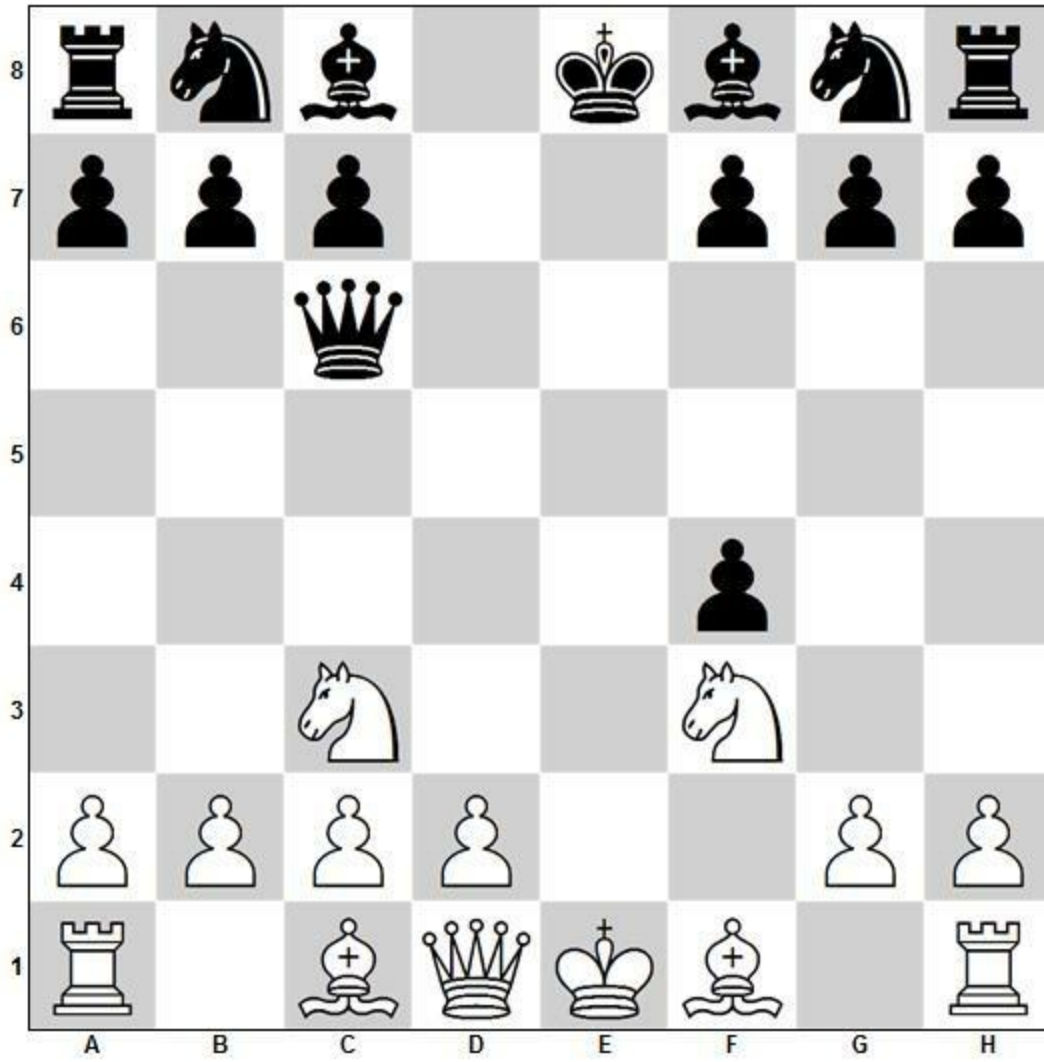
**43.Rc8** adds a second attacker to the pinned rook, which cannot be defended a second time.

From the game Mark Krowczyk (1812) – Clifton Ford (1844), Winter Springs Open, Round 3, December 7, 2014

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<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/12/28/Game612004839.html>

(162) White to move



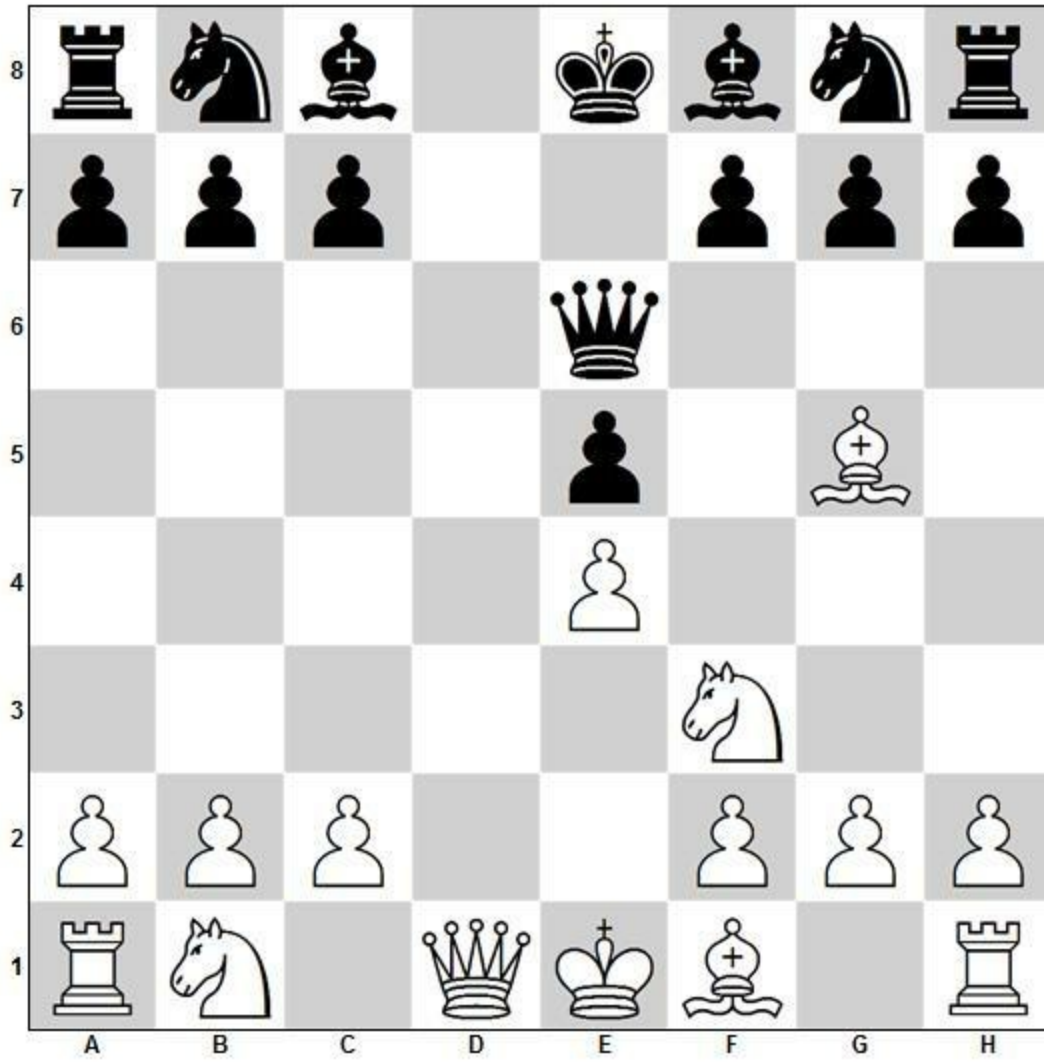
**6.Bb5** pins the queen to the king.

From the game dhay (1743) – Pianoman1 (1496), 2013 Championship, redhotpawn.com, Round 1, June 6, 2013

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(163) White to move



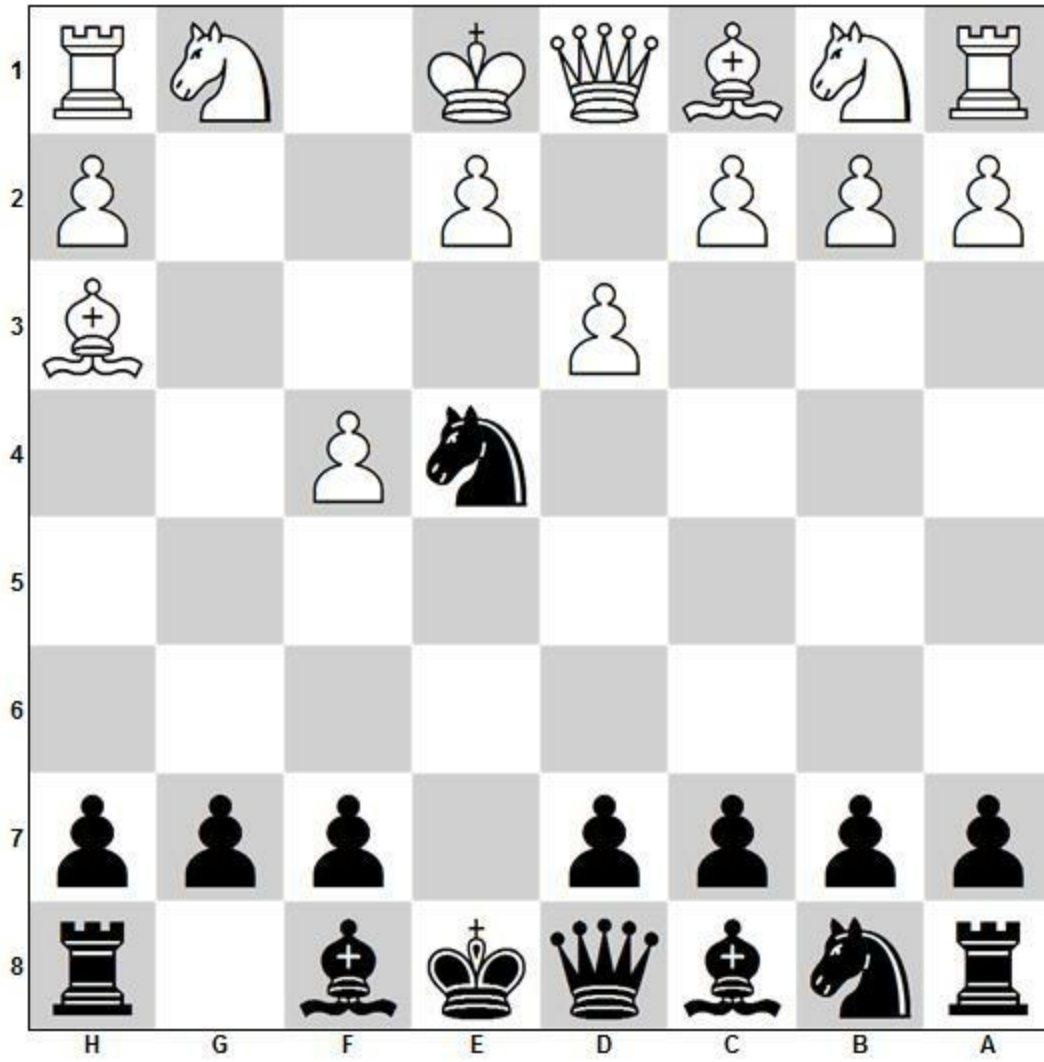
## ***6.Qd8#***

From the game CPK (1254) – bundydog16 (1225), 2013 Championship, redhotpawn.com, Round 1, June 6, 2013

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2015/1/10/Game795272114.html>

(164) Black to move



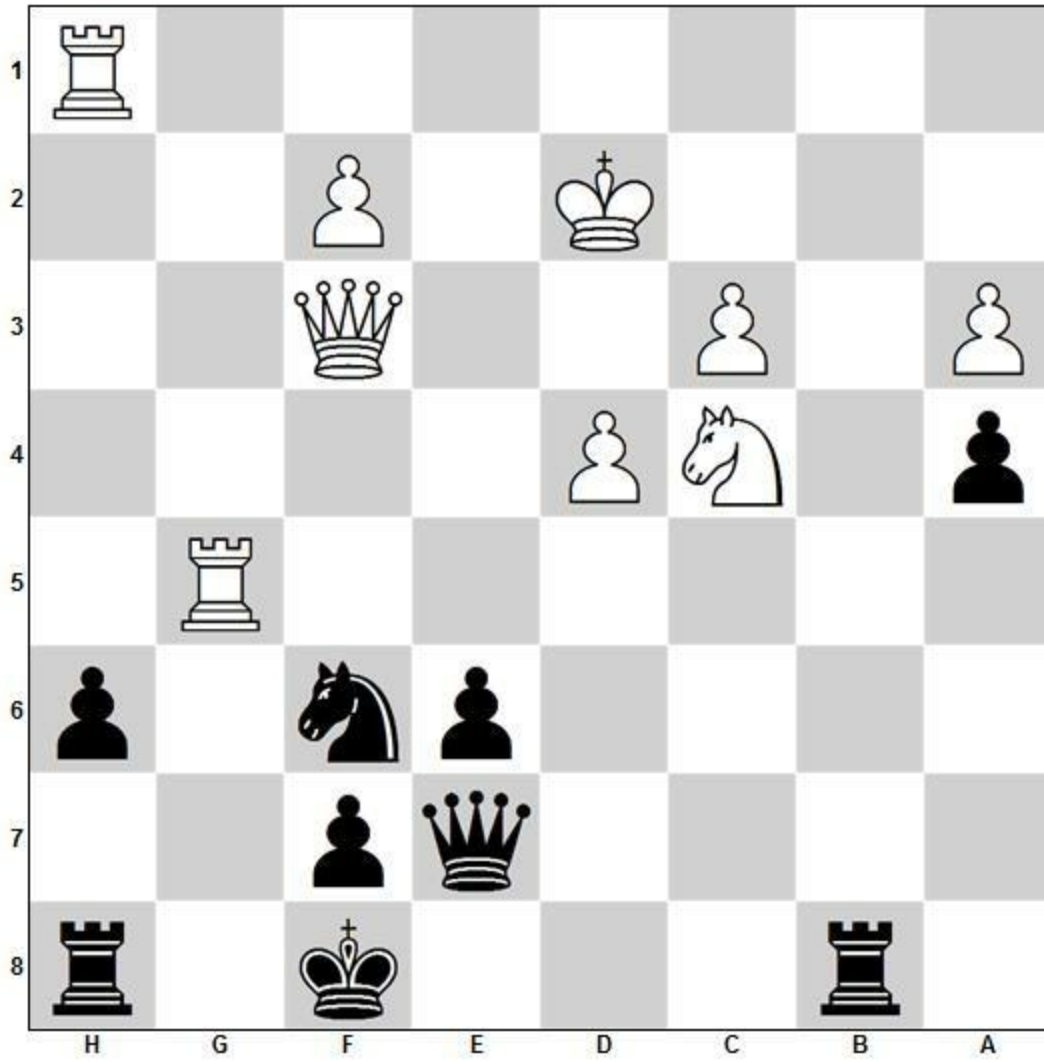
*5...Qh4+ 6.Kf1 Qf2#*

From the game DidiSavoie (1169) – yournightmare (1692), 2013  
Championship, redhotpawn.com, Round 1, June 6, 2013

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

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(165) Black to move



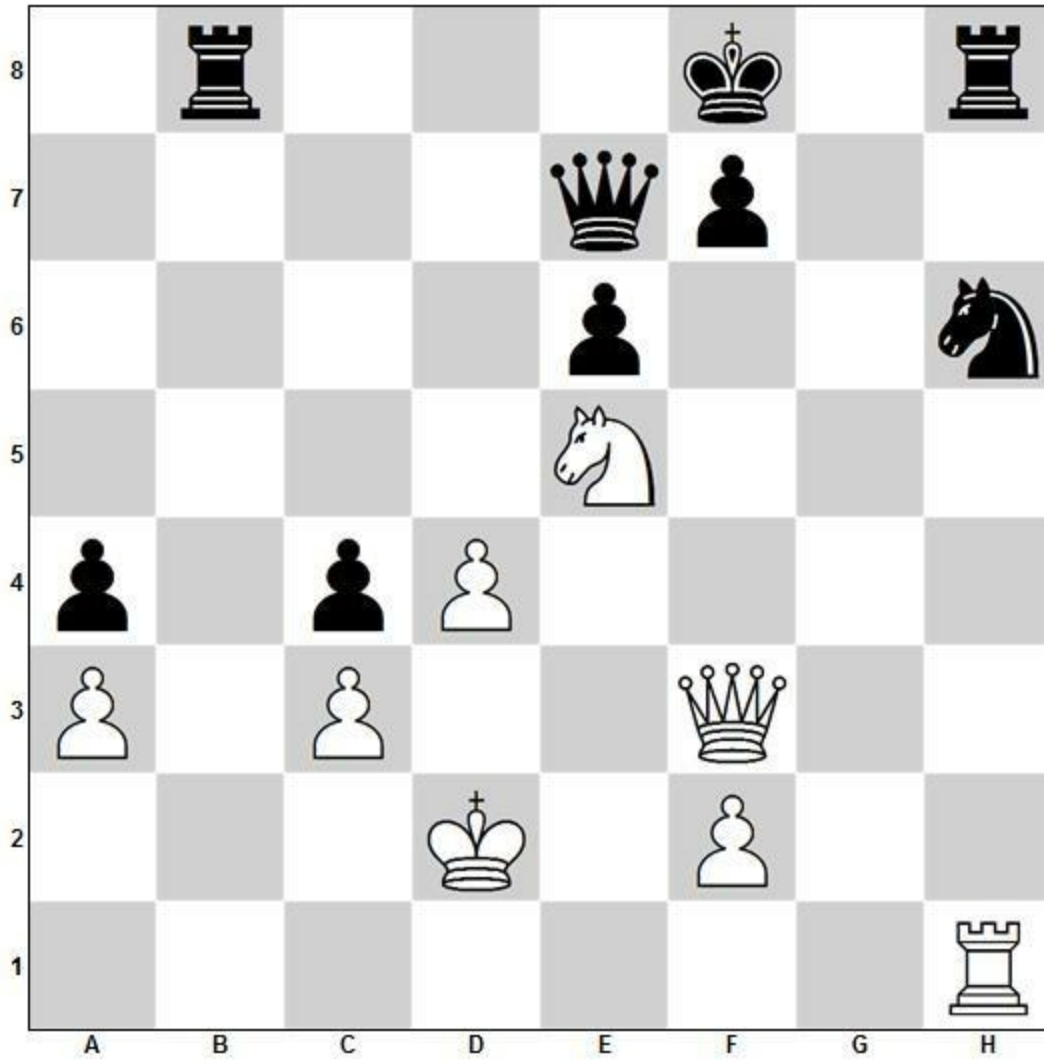
**35...Ne4+** discovered attack **36.Qxe4 Qxg5+** wins the exchange.

Variation from the game David Logan (1623) – Ted Doykos (1888), Winter Springs Open, Round 3, December 7, 2014

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/12/28/Game612501764.html>

(166) White to move



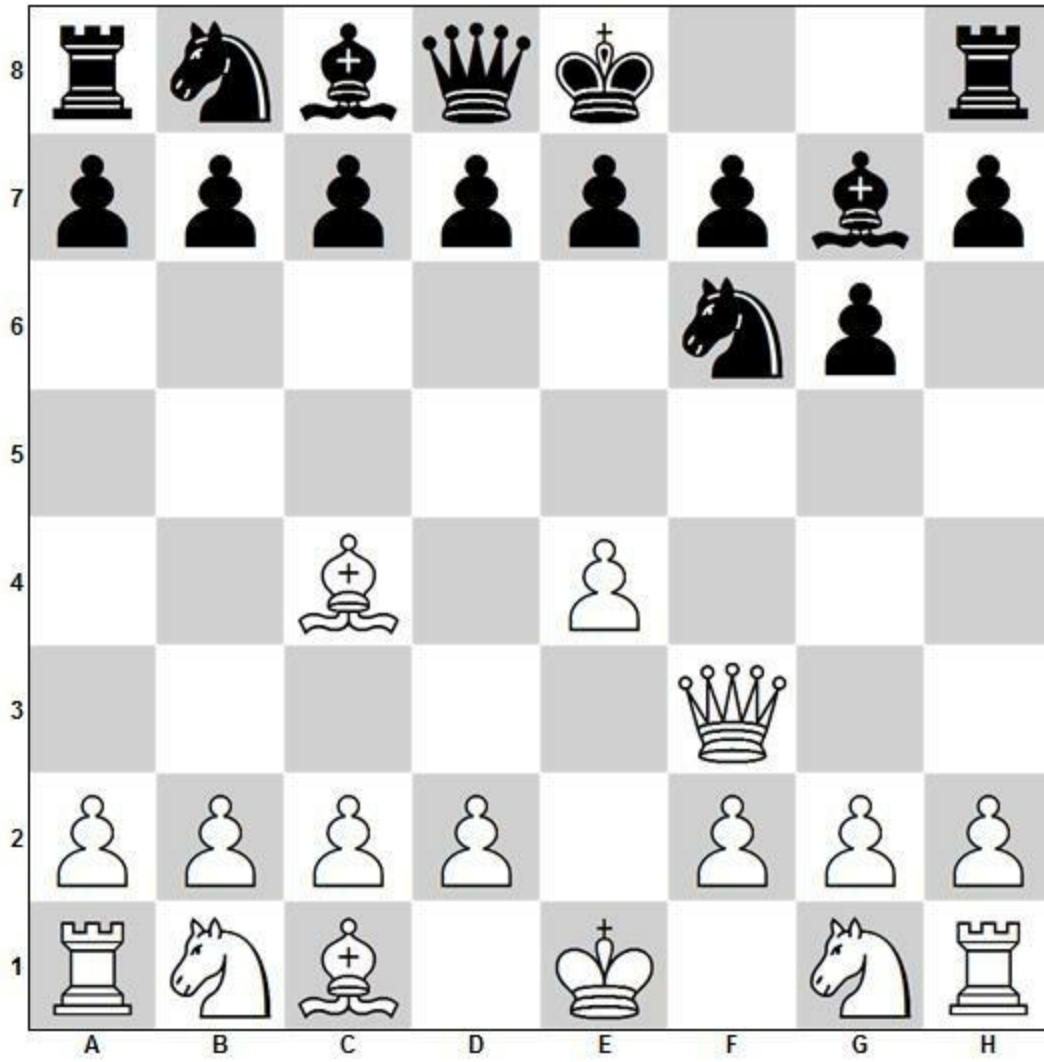
**37.Ng6+** forks the black king and queen. The f7-pawn is pinned.

Variation from the game David Logan (1623) – Ted Doykos (1888), Winter Springs Open, Round 3, December 7, 2014

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(167) White to move



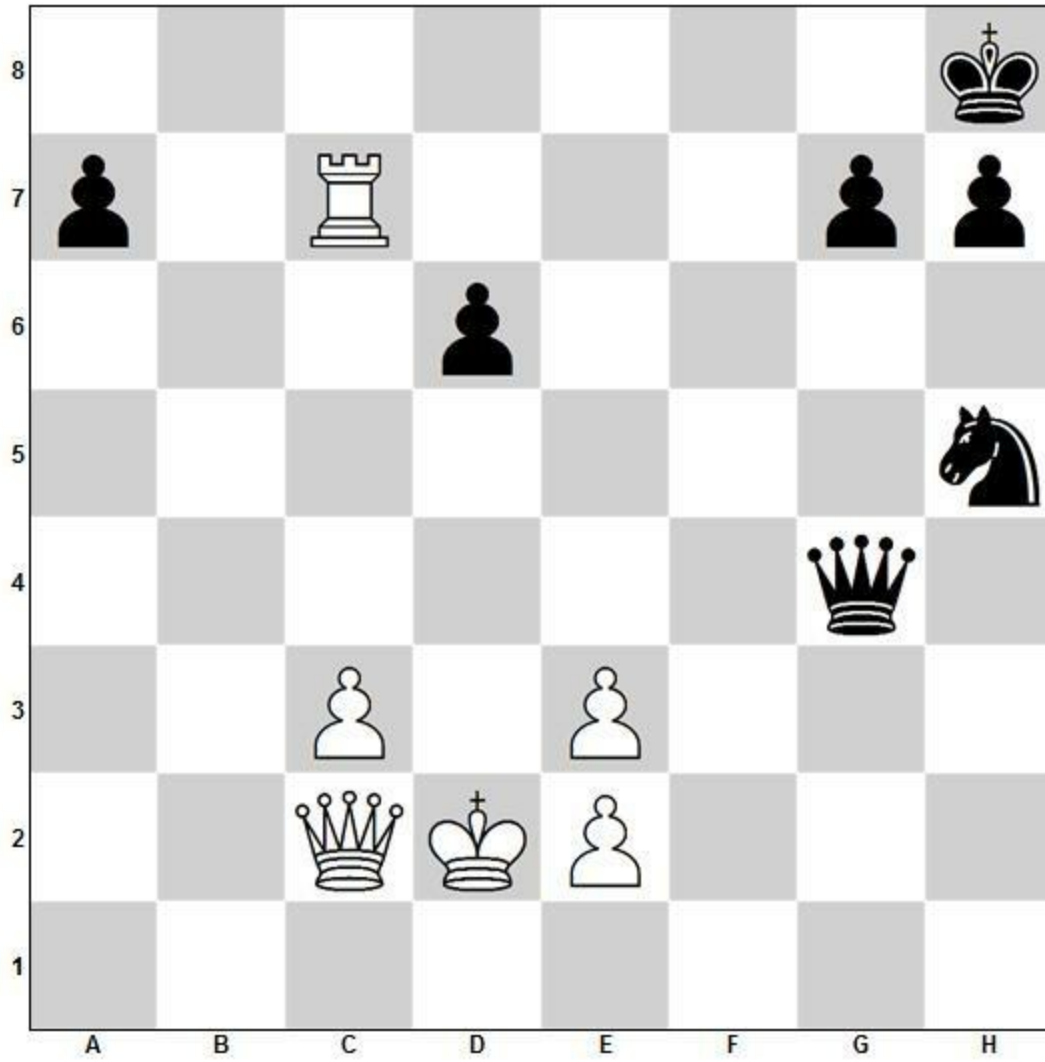
*4.e5* and the black knight cannot move because of the threat *5.Qxf7#*.

Missed in the game Wesley1975 (862) – simonjtaylor69 (1255), 2013 Championship, redhotpawn.com, Round 1, June 6, 2013

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2015/1/10/Game793415047.html>

(168) White to move



**29.Qe4!** attacks the black queen and creates multiple back rank mate threats.  
For example if **29...Qxe4 30.Rc8+ Qe8 31.Rxe8#**.

Missed in the game Daniel Herman (1767) – Ken Doykos (1772), Winter Springs Open, Round 2, December 6, 2014

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

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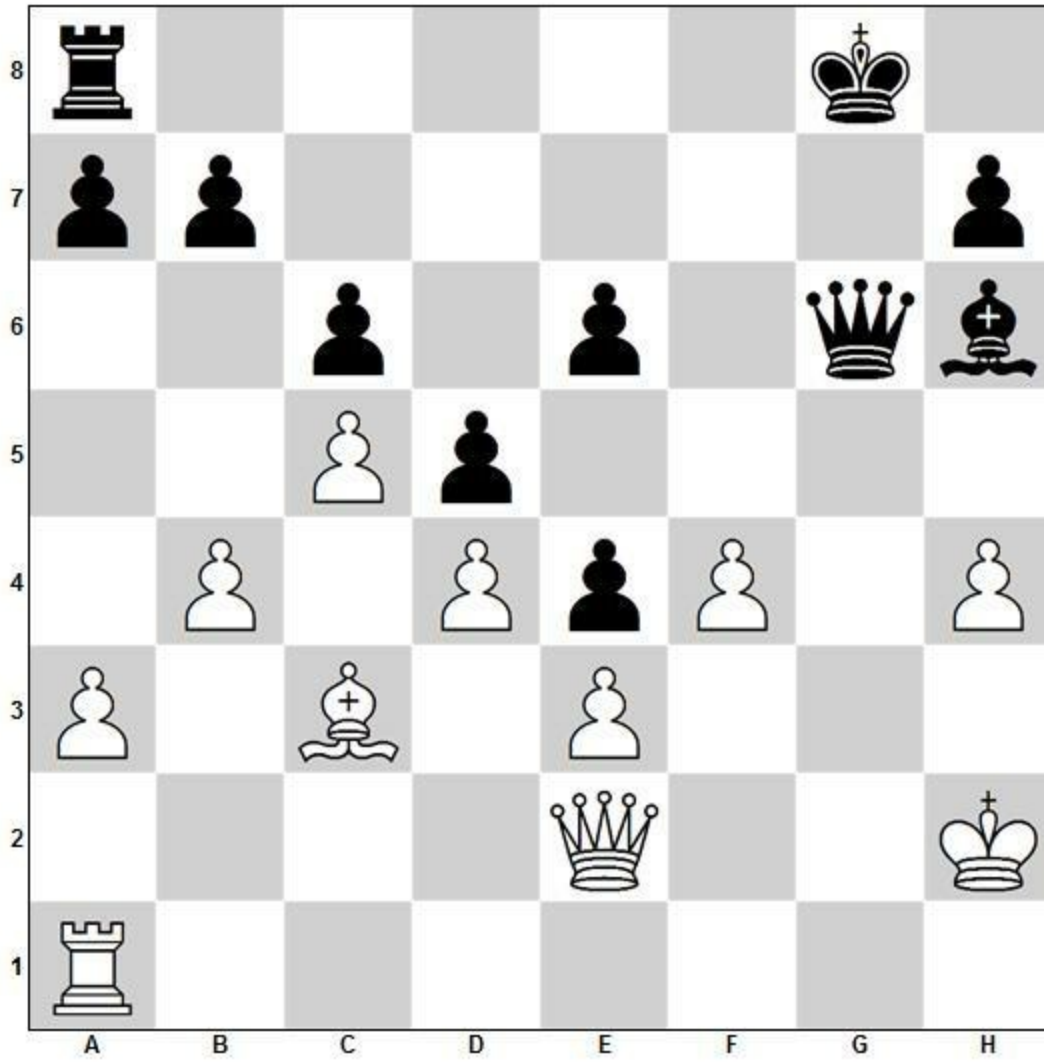
***19...Nd3***+ discovered attack ***20.Rxd3 Qxa3***.

Variation from the game David Logan (1632) – Robert Carlson (1710),  
Winter Springs Open, Round 1, December 6, 2014

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(170) White to move



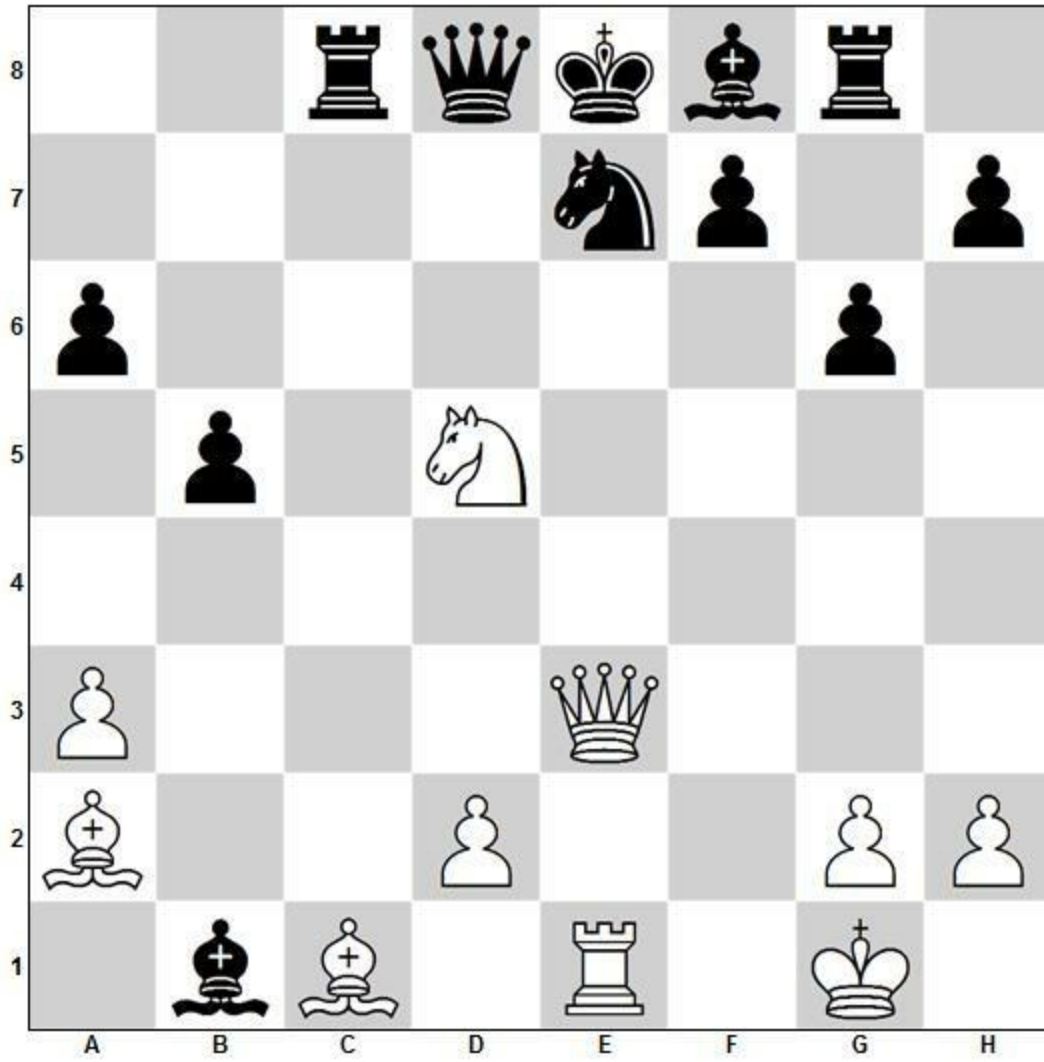
**29.Rg1** pins the black queen to the king.

Variation from the game DuWayne Langseth (1952) – Paul Anderson (2086),  
Colorado Springs Club Tournament, Round 3, December 16, 2014

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<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/12/28/Game617313865.html>

(171) White to move



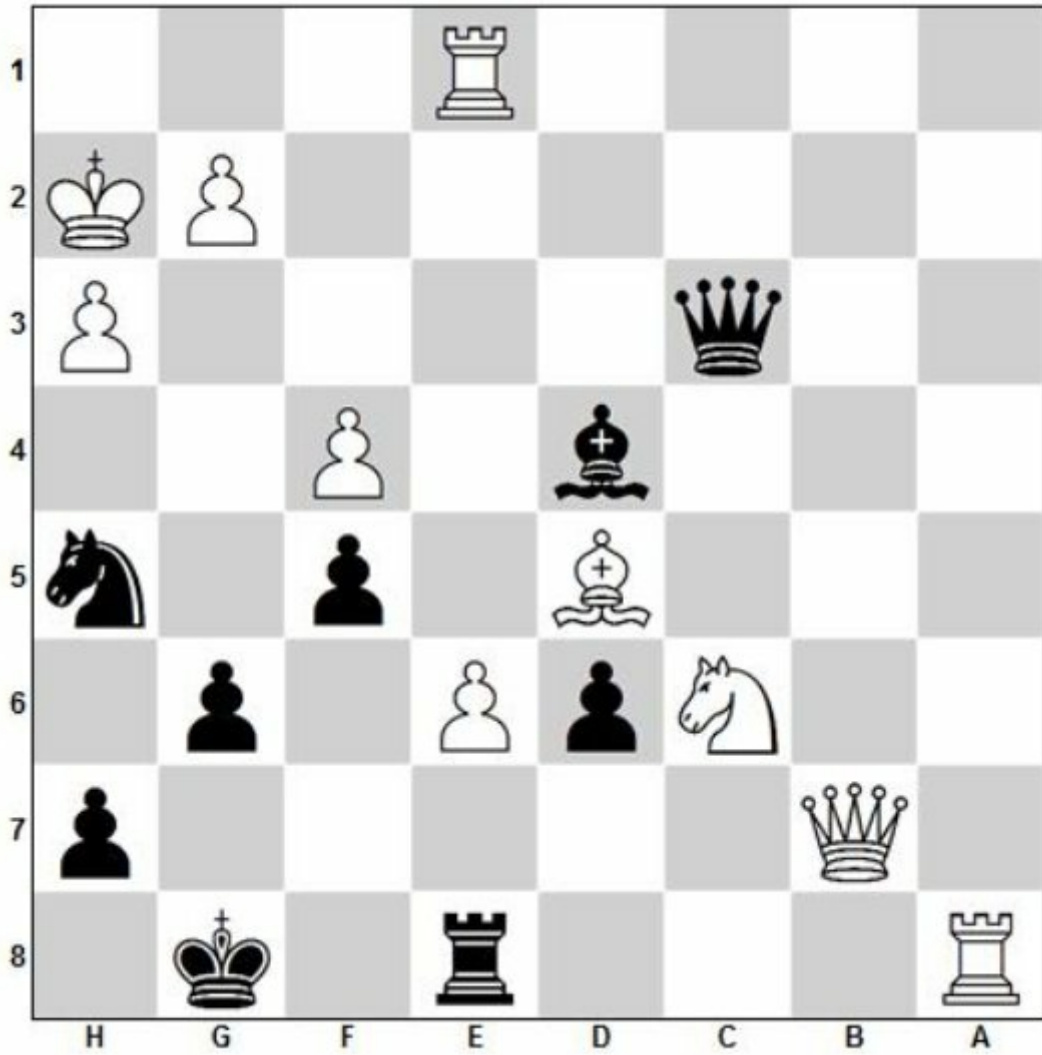
**25.Nf6#**

From the game William Wolf (1491) – Sara Herman (1504), Winter Springs Open, Round 2, December 6, 2014

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(172) Black to move



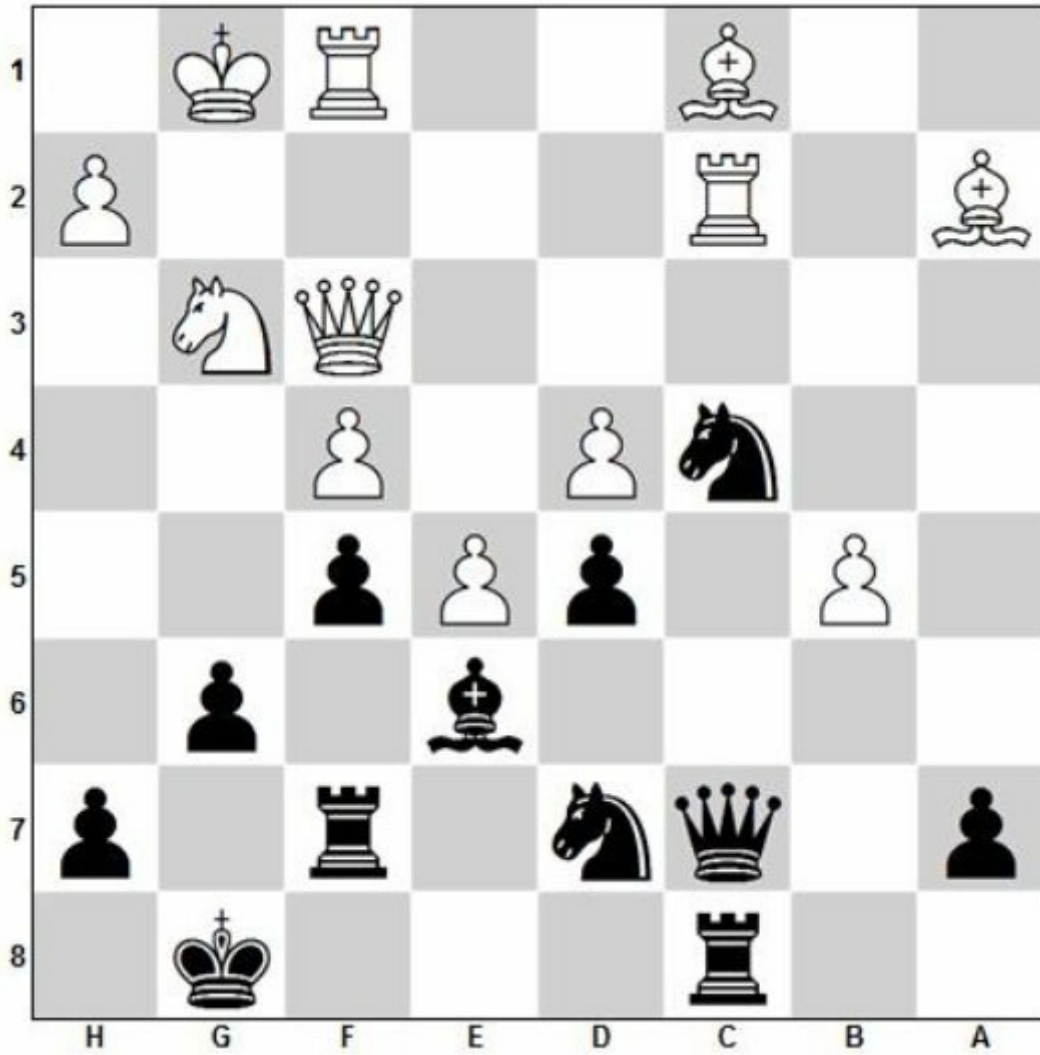
***33...Qg3+ 34.Kh1 Qxe1+ 35.Kh2 Qg1#***

Variation from the game Claudia Munoz (2076) – Kimberly Ding (2087),  
2014 US Girls Junior Closed Championship, Round 2, July 18, 2014

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(173) Black to move



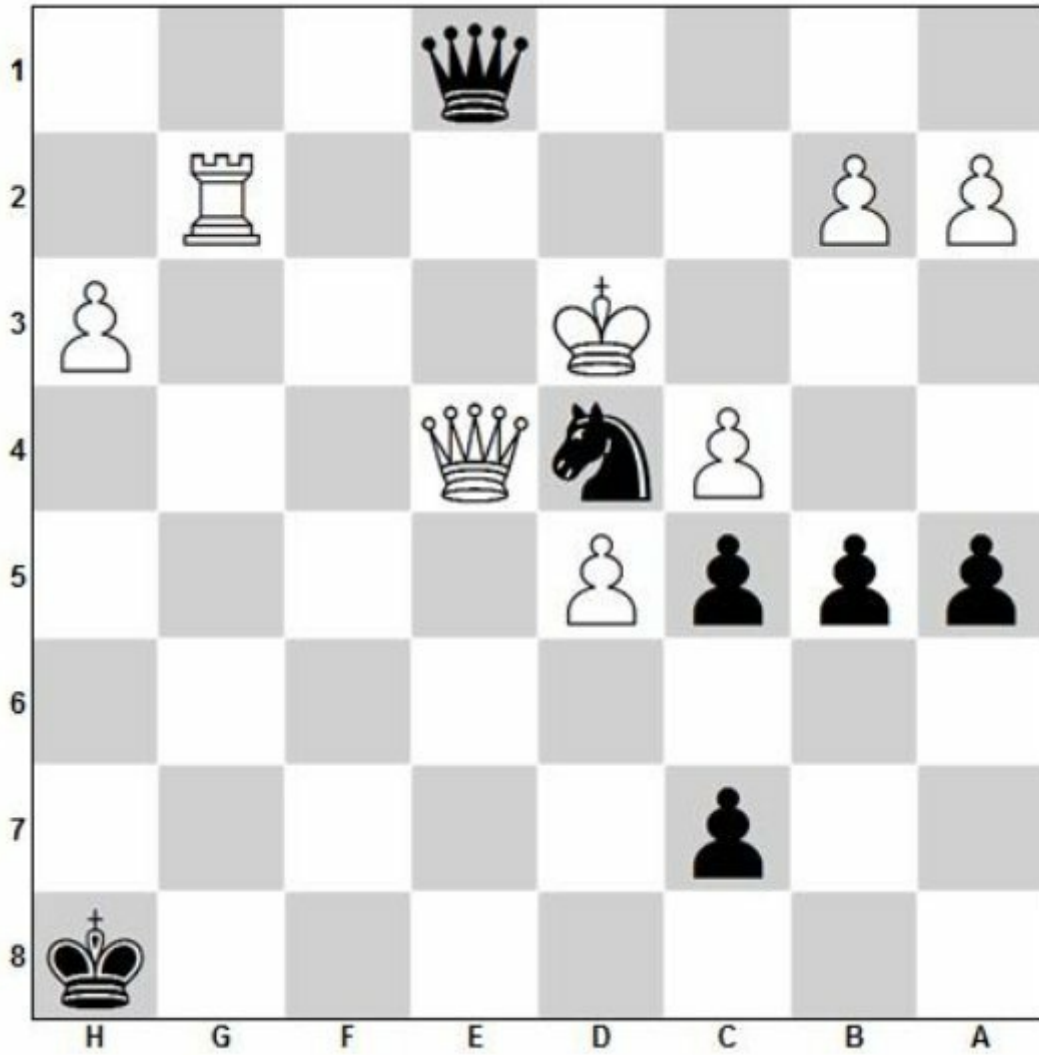
*27...Nxe5* discovered attack. If *28.fxe5 Qxc2* wins a rook and pawn for the knight. If *28.Rxc7 Nf3+ 29.Rxf3 Rxc7*.

Variation from the game Becca Lampman (2059) – Claudia Munoz (2076), 2014 US Girls Junior Closed Championship, Round 9, July 21, 2014

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/11/28/Game813179407.html>

(174) Black to move



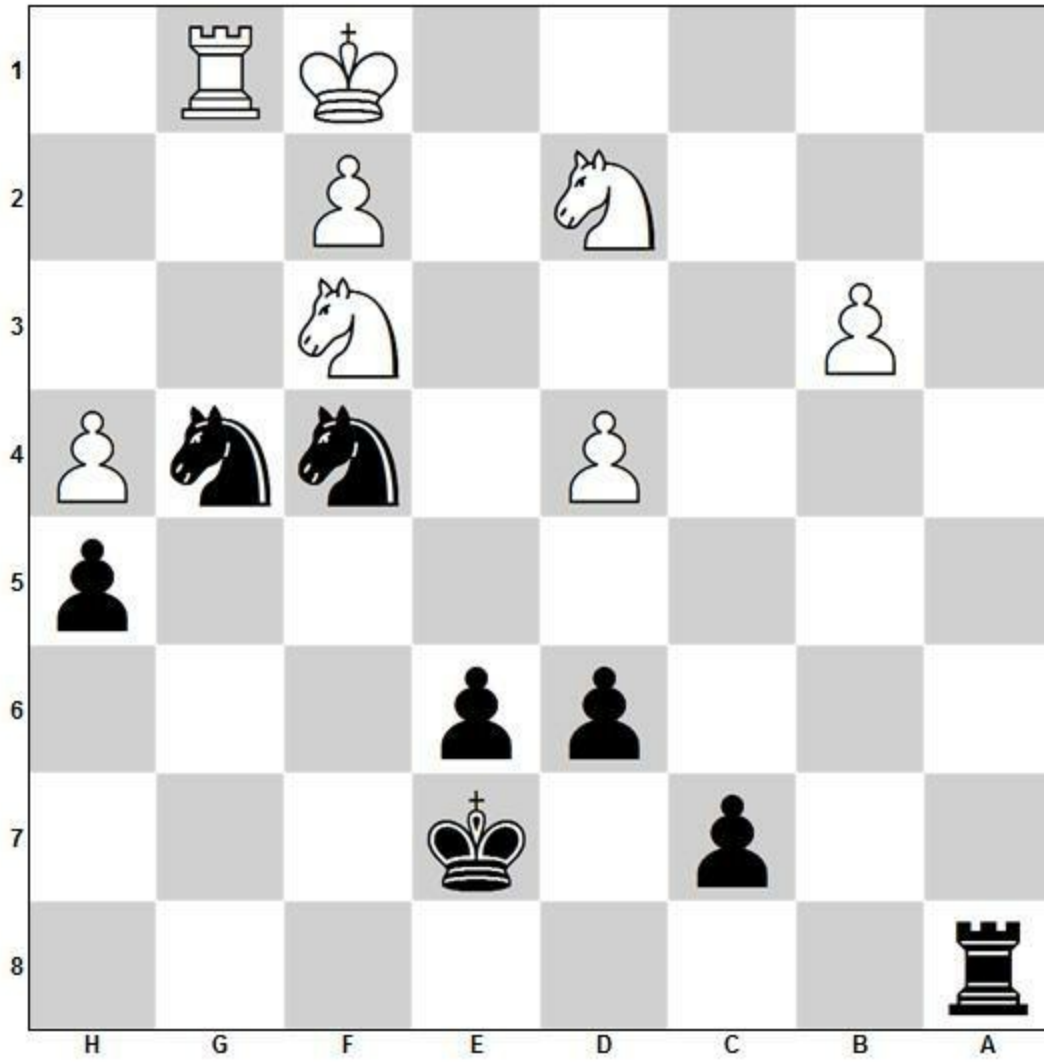
**35...bxc4+** overloads the white king. **36.Kxc4 Qxe4**

From the game Anthea Carson (1820) – Jason Loving (2106), Monument Open VI, Round 2, August 16, 2014

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<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/11/28/Game818999055.html>

(175) Black to move



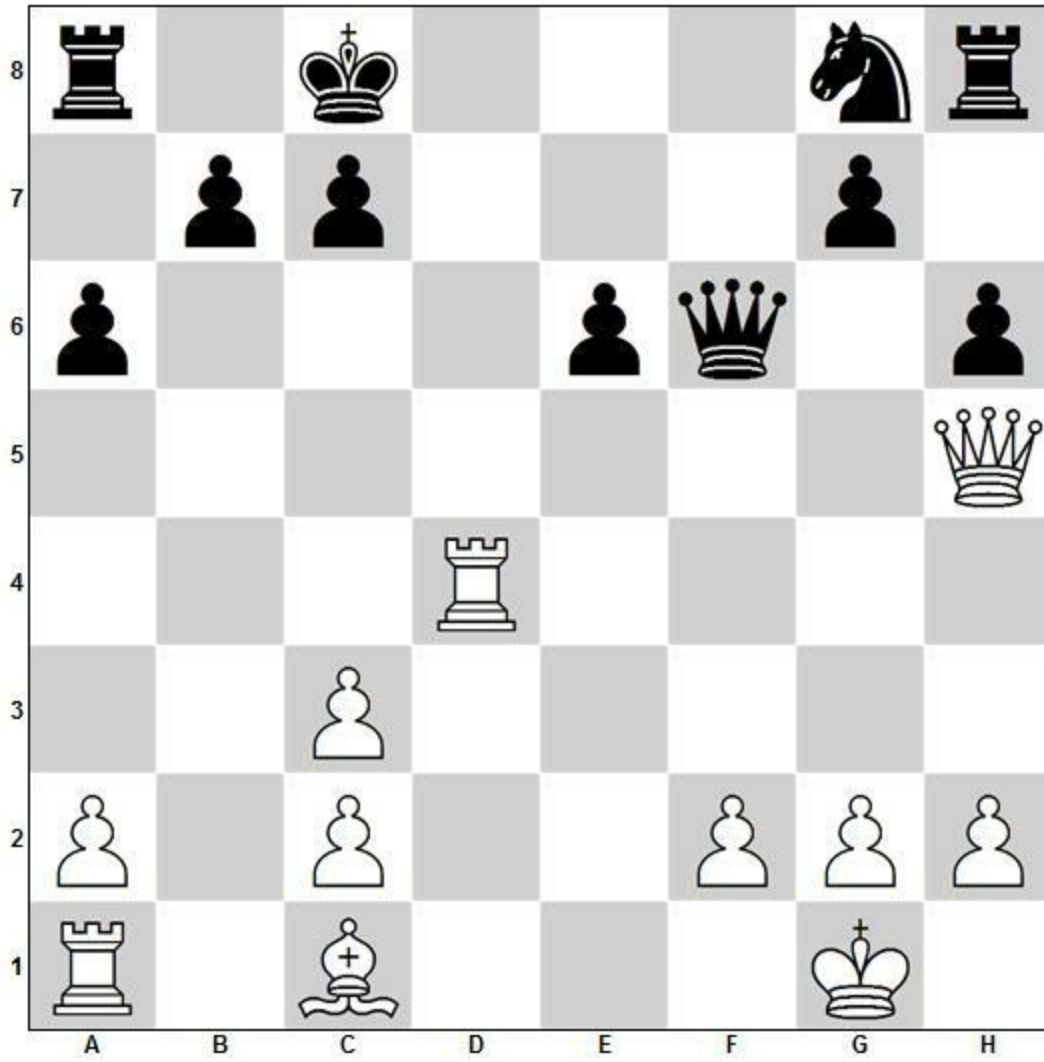
***36...Ra1+ 37.Nb1 Rxb1+ 38.Ne1 Nh2# .***

From the game Hareaum (1819) – MassCarnage (2200), ICC 3 0 Internet Chess Club, April 13, 2015

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<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2015/4/24/Game322169349.html>

(176) White to move



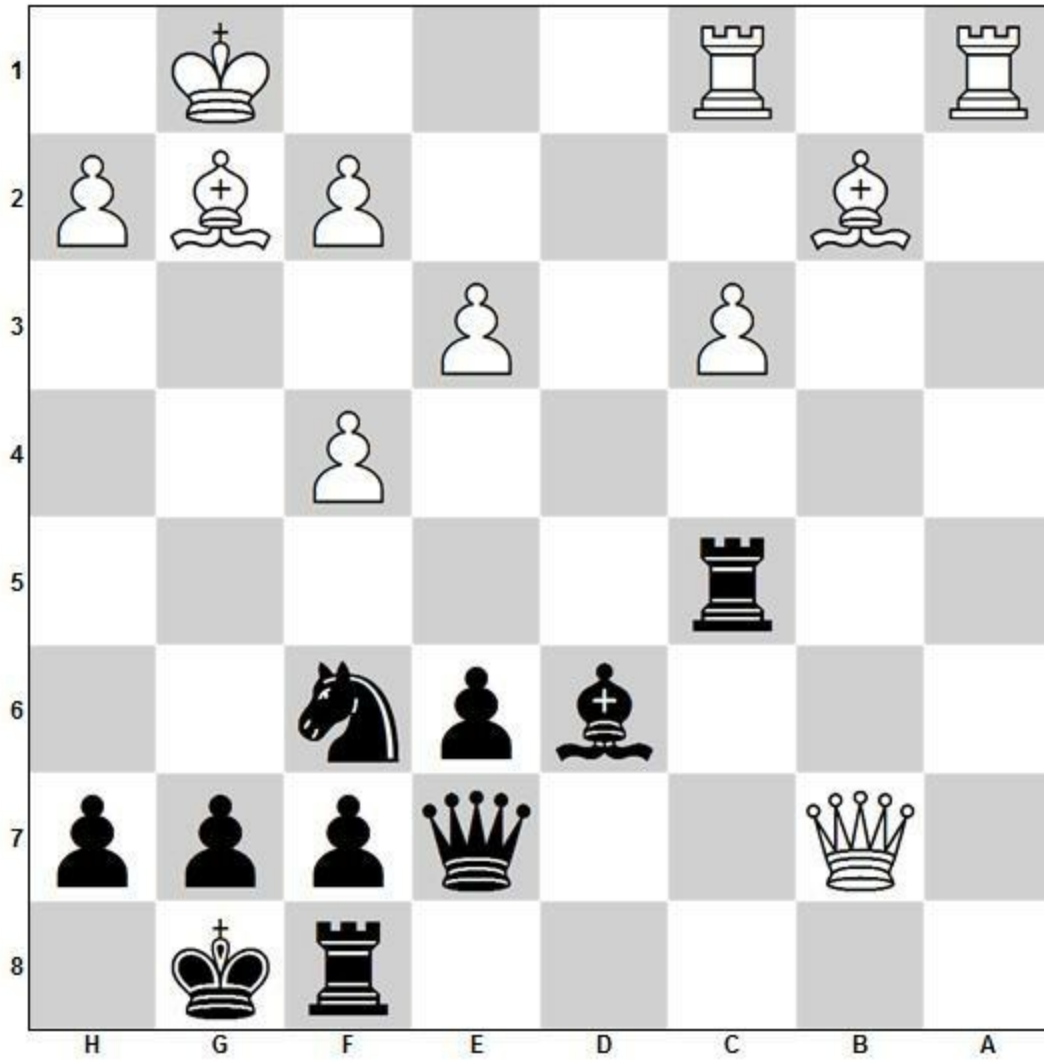
***16.Qe8+ Qd8 17.Qxd8#***

From the game greenpawn34 (1989) – maomaobiao (1284), 2013  
Championship, redhotpawn.com, Round 1, June 6, 2013

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<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/12/29/Game688913300.html>

(177) Black to move



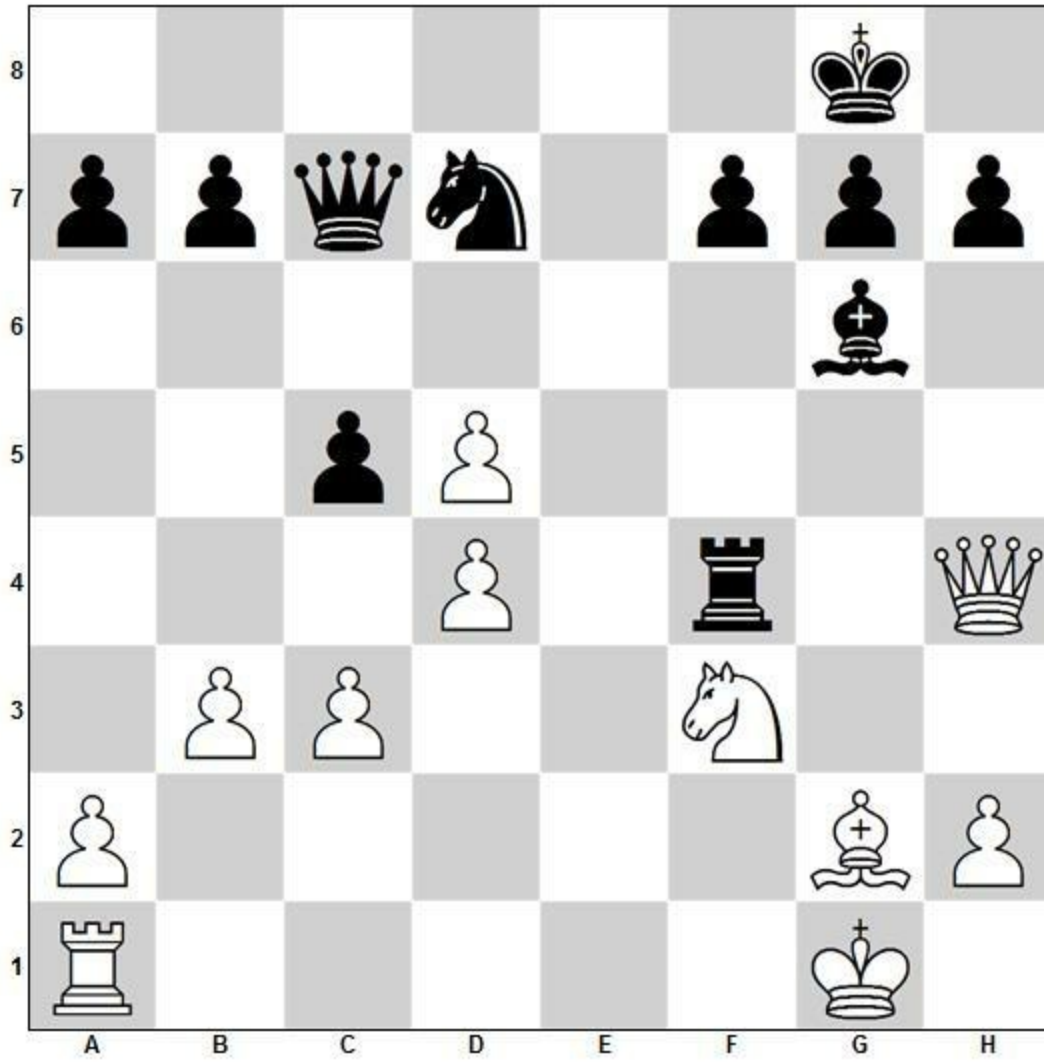
**20...Qxb7 21.Bxb7 Rb5+** forks the two bishops.

Variation from the game Katie Wise (1959) – Gunnar Andersen (2132), 2014  
Colorado Open, Round 4, August 31, 2014

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<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2015/4/4/Game92795213.html>

(178) White to move



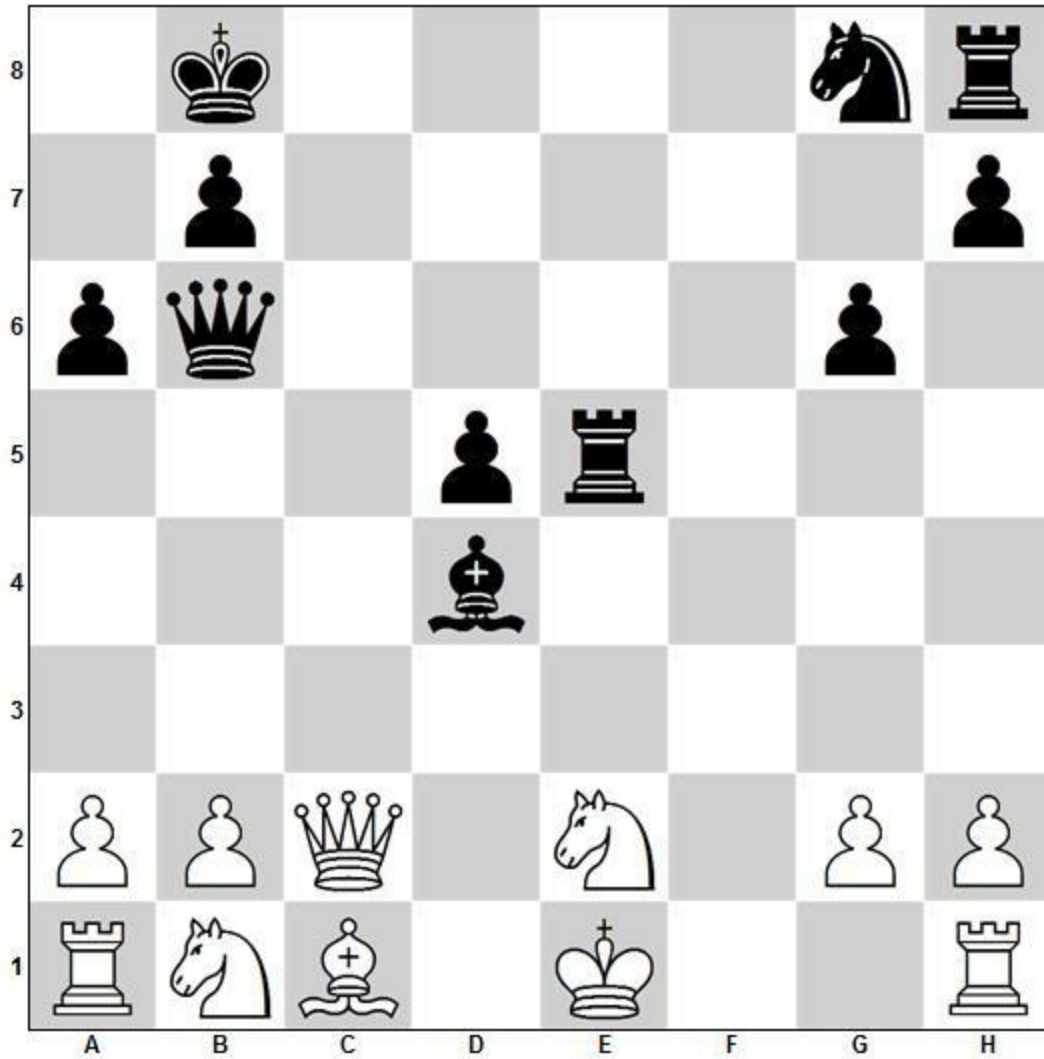
**23.d6!** interferes with the queen's defense of the rook. **23...Qxd6** **24.Qd8+** **Qf8** the knight is pinned. **25.Qxd7** wins a piece.

From the game K.W. Cowin (1312) – Todd Burge (1386), 2014 Colorado Open, Round 4, August 31, 2014

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2015/4/4/Game93229130.html>

(179) White to move



**20.Bf4** pins the rook to the king.

Variation from the game Ryan Green (1097) – Jon Wooldridge (1198), 2014  
Colorado Open, Round 5, August 31, 2014

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2015/4/4/Game98006083.html>



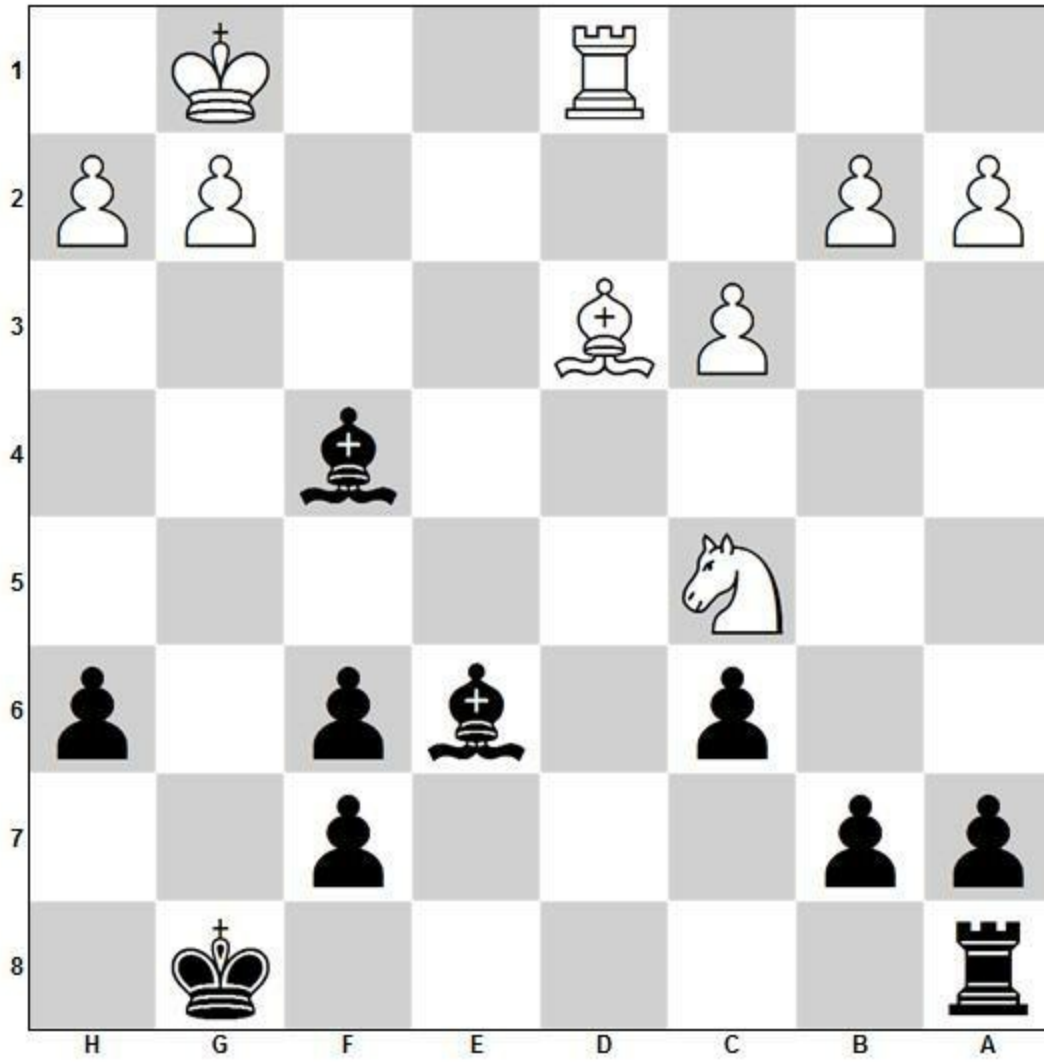
## ***48.Qc4#***

From the game ZorroTheFox (1494) – AleMac (1434), 2013 Championship, redhotpawn.com, Round 1, June 6, 2013

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<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/12/29/Game689297702.html>

(181) Black to move



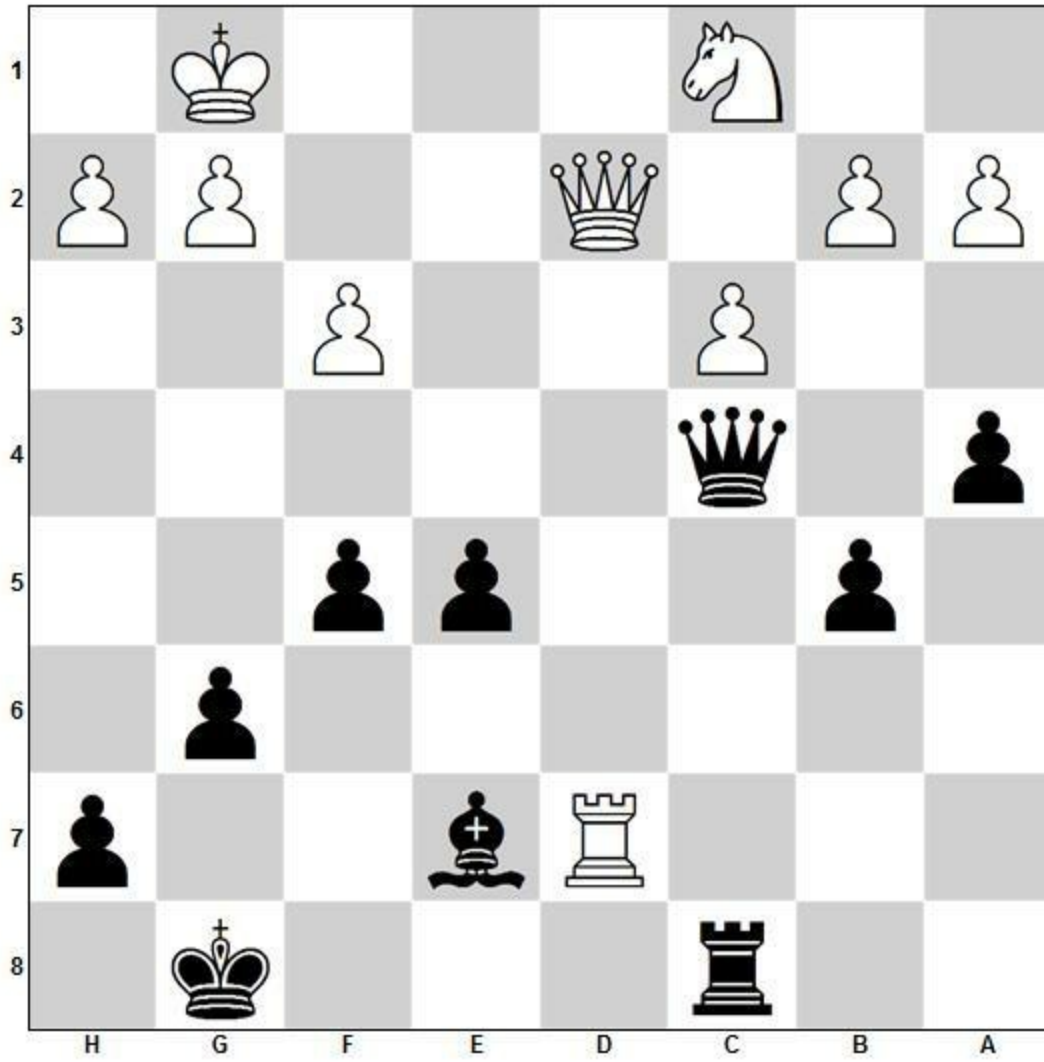
**22...Be3+** forks the king and knight.

From the game ZorroTheFox (1494) – armeng (1737), 2013 Championship, redhotpawn.com, Round 1, June 6, 2013

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(182) Black to move

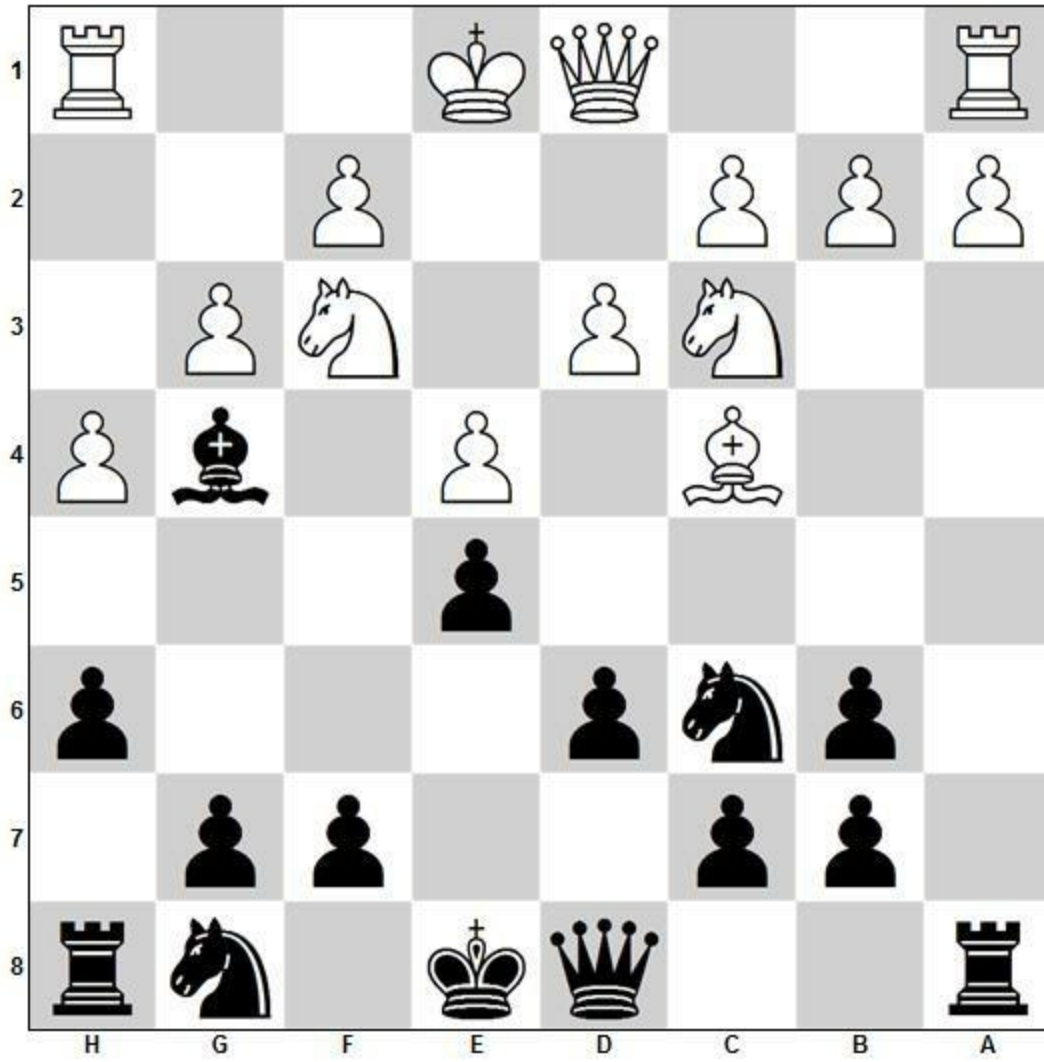


**28...Bc5+** and White has to give up the rook or queen to get out of check. If  
**29.Kh1 Qf1#**

From the game ZorroTheFox (1494) – LincolnRhyme (2108), 2013  
Championship, redhotpawn.com, Round 1, June 6, 2013

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<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/12/29/Game699399719.html>

(183) Black to move



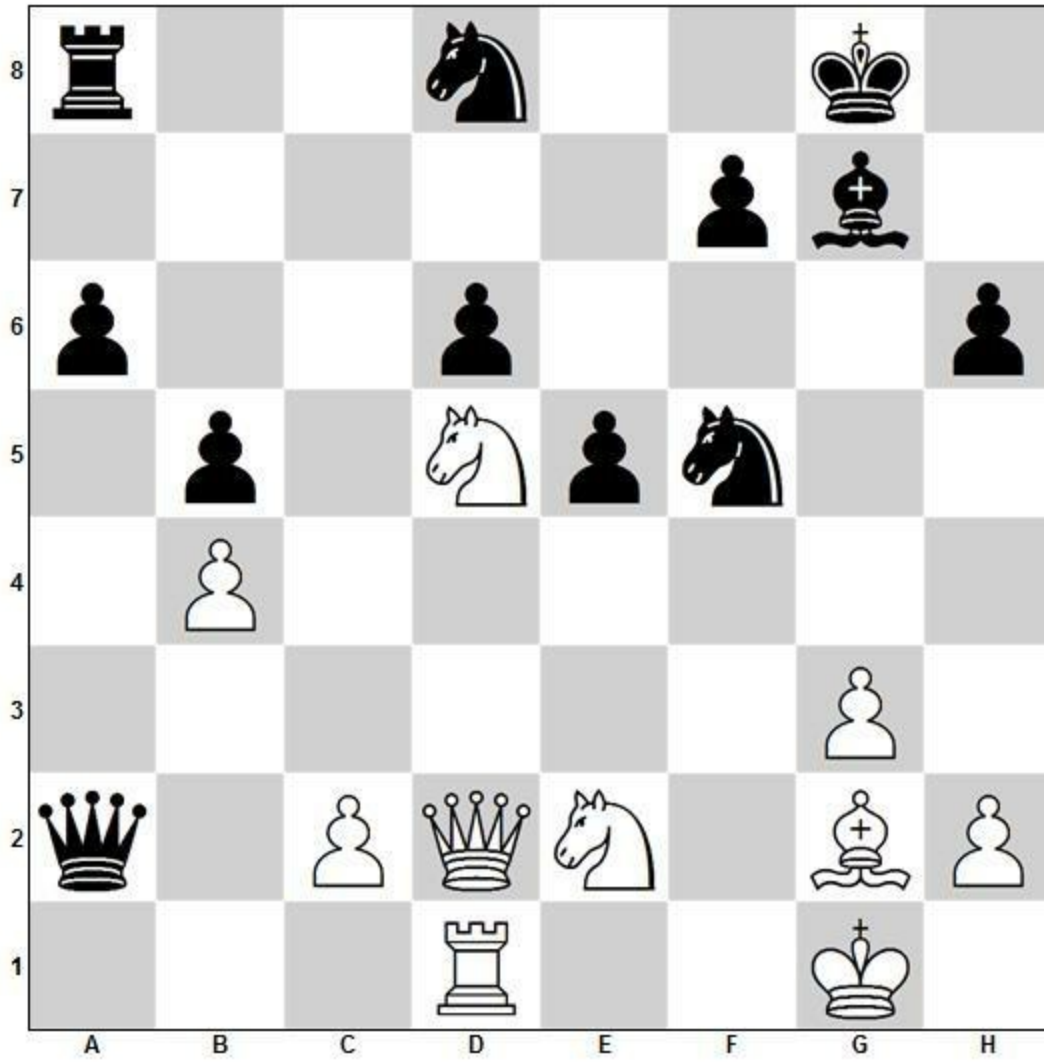
**9...Nd4** adds a seconder attacker to the pinned knight, which can't be defended a second time.

From the game Larry Kasparov (1189) – Marko Karle (1618), 2013  
Championship, redhotpawn.com, Round 1, June 6, 2013

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<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/12/29/Game700735836.html>

(184) White to move



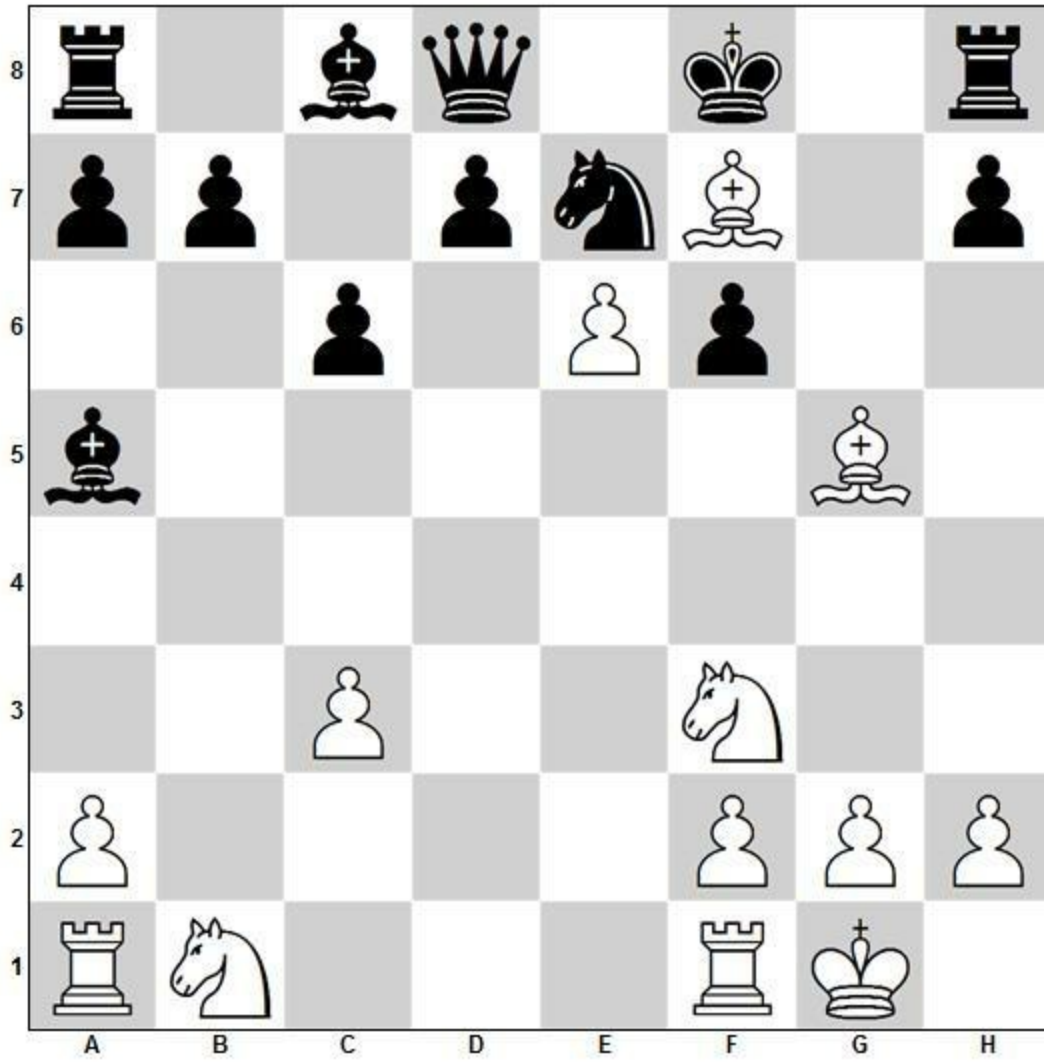
**22.Ndc3** double discovered attack on the black queen and rook. **22...Qc4**  
**23.Bxa8**

Variation from the game Joel Johnson (2234) – Richard Cowan (2161),  
Valley Chess Thursday Swiss, Round 2, April 24, 2013

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<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/12/29/Game702056135.html>

(185) White to move



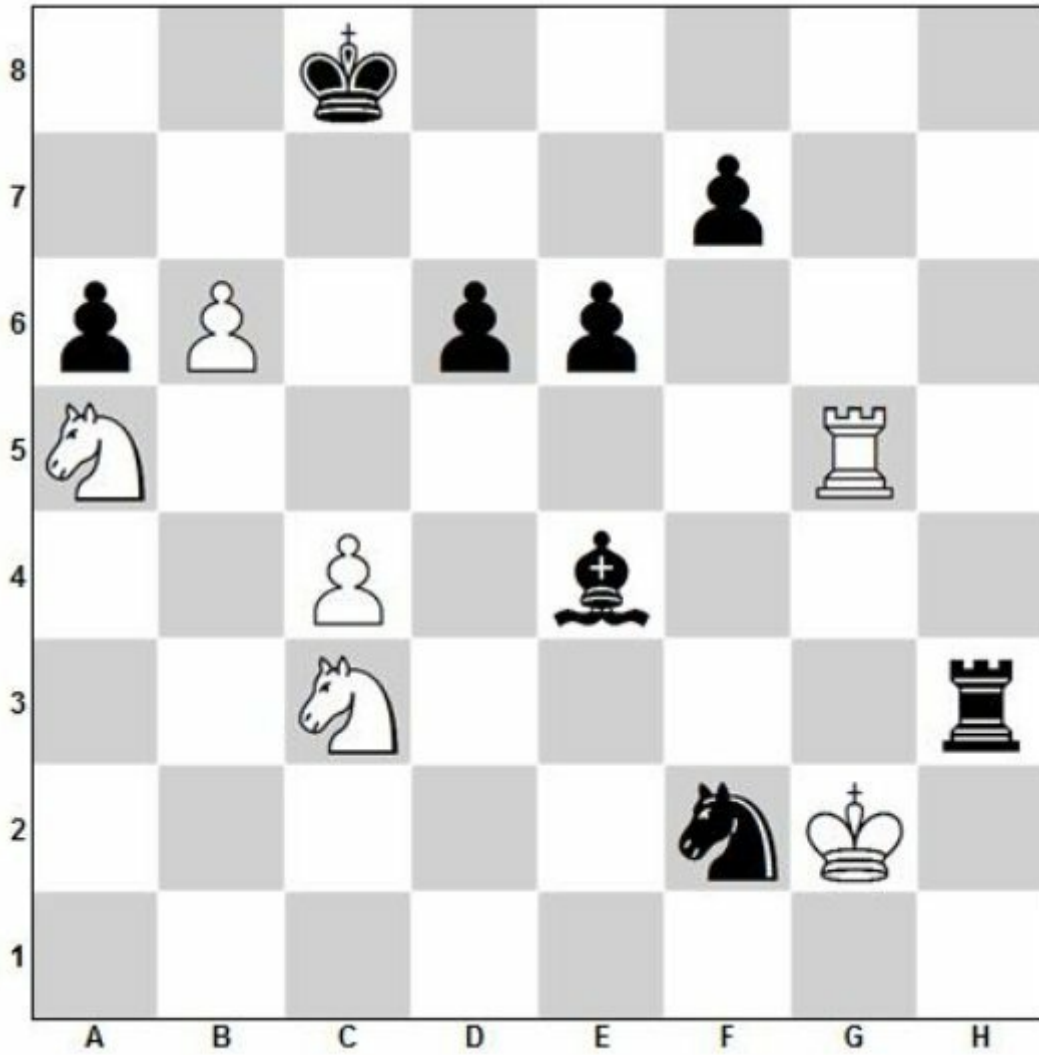
### ***14.Bh6#***

Variation from the game Exuma (1738) - ZorroTheFox (1494), 2013  
Championship, redhotpawn.com, Round 1, June 6, 2013

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<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/12/29/Game699977952.html>

(186) White to move



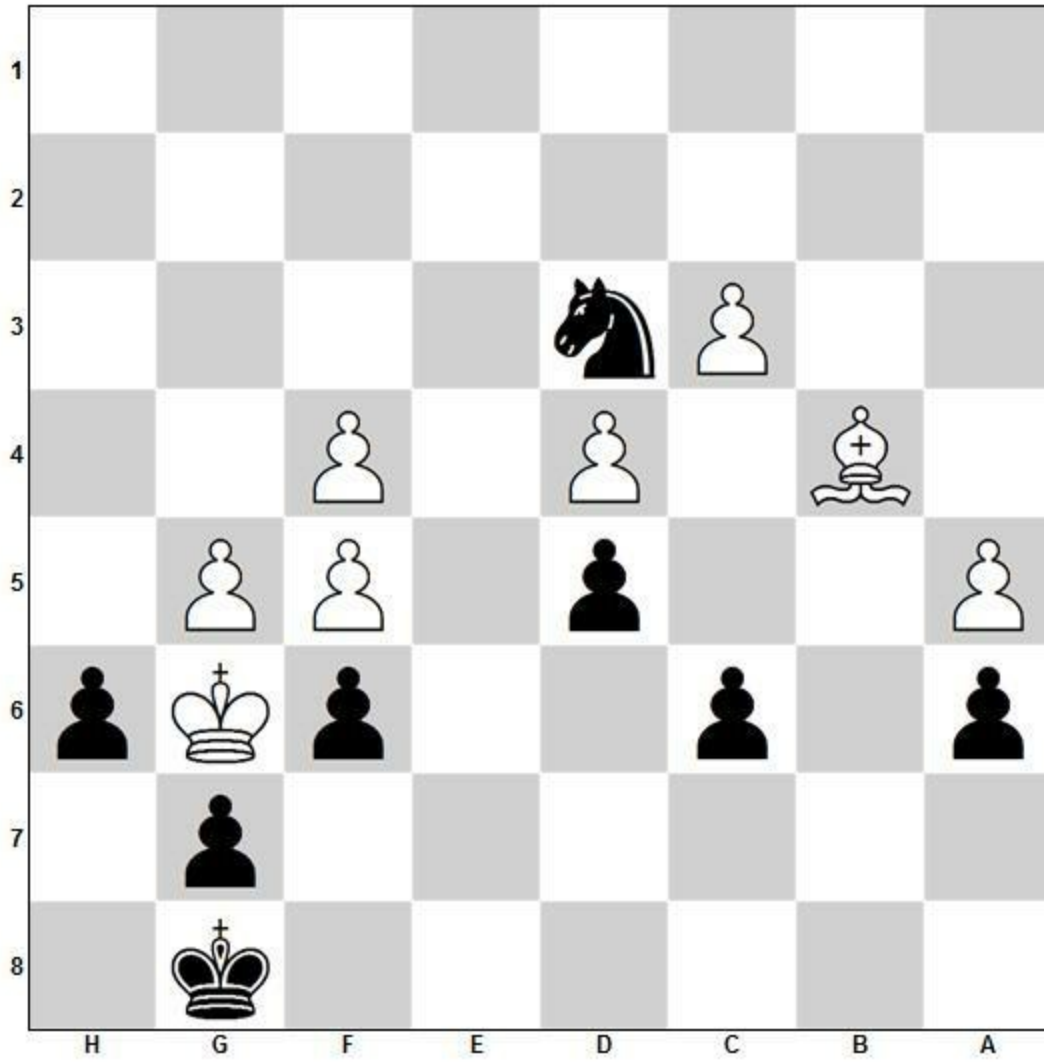
**36.Nxe4** takes advantage of the overloaded black knight which cannot recapture on e4 and defend the rook on h3. White wins a piece. Note that this is better than **36. Kxf2 Rxc3** which doesn't win a piece.

Variation from the game Brian Wall (2254) – Tim Brennan (1929),  
Monument Open VI, Round 2, August 16, 2014

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/11/28/Game820000160.html>

(187) Black to move



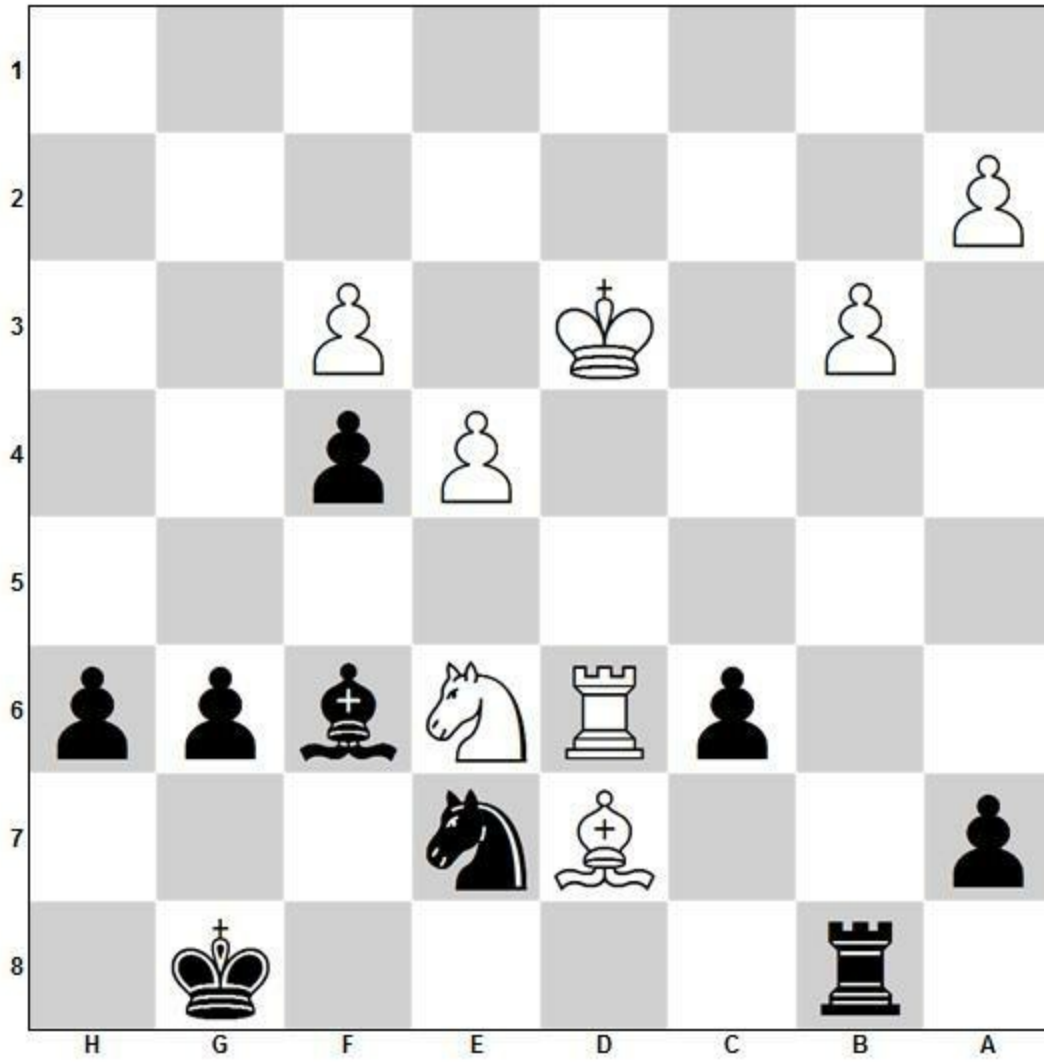
*50...Nxf4#*

From the game FridayKnights (1486) – dcap (1488), Live Chess Chess.com,  
January 17, 2015

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2015/4/4/Game66243078.html>

(188) Black to move



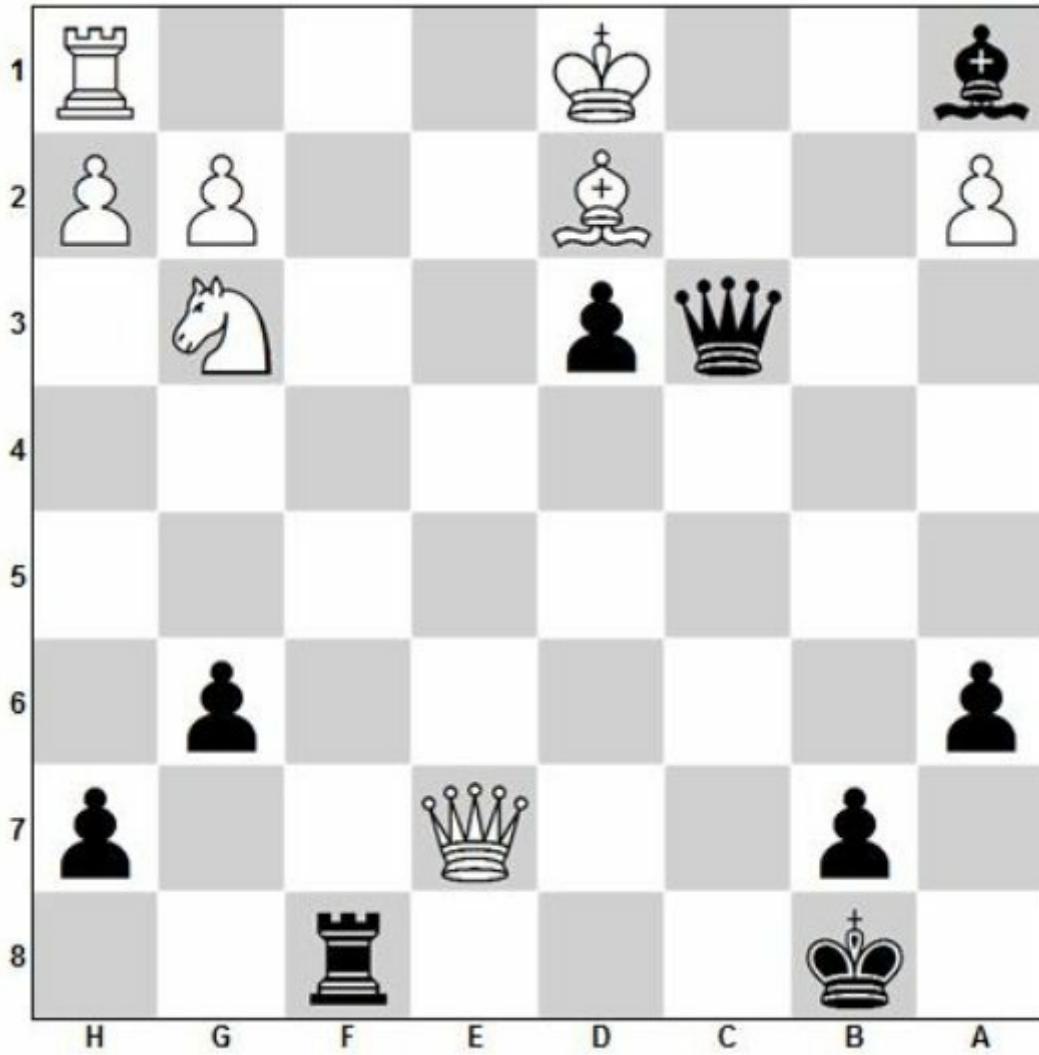
**39...Be5** traps the white rook.

From the game mysystem (1968) – BrianWall (2156), Live Chess Chess.com,  
January 23, 2015

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<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2015/4/4/Game68339201.html>

(189) Black to move



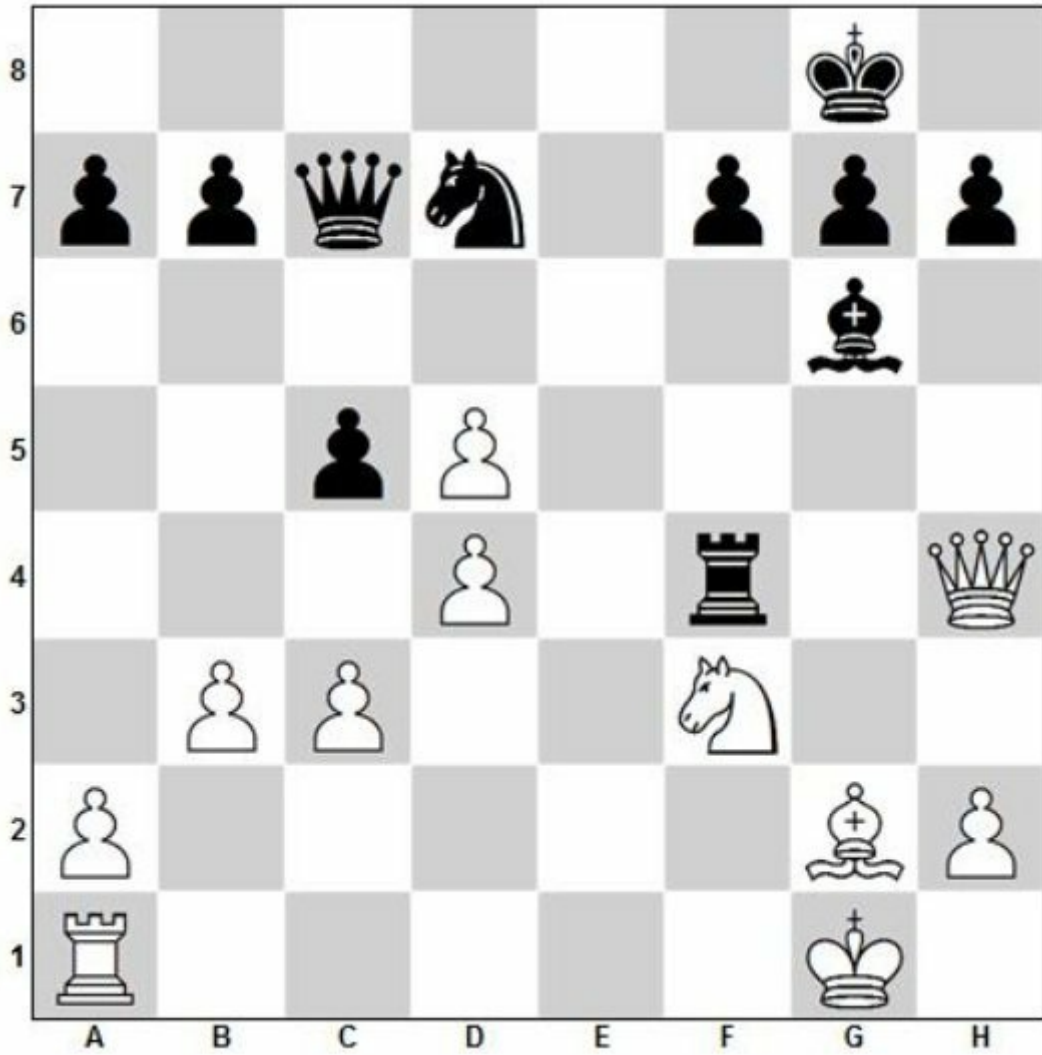
*31...Qc2+ 32.Ke1 Qb1+ 33.Bc1 Qxc1#*

From the game Ryan Green (1097) – Jon Wooldridge (1198), 2014 Colorado Open, Round 4, August 31, 2014

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(190) White to move



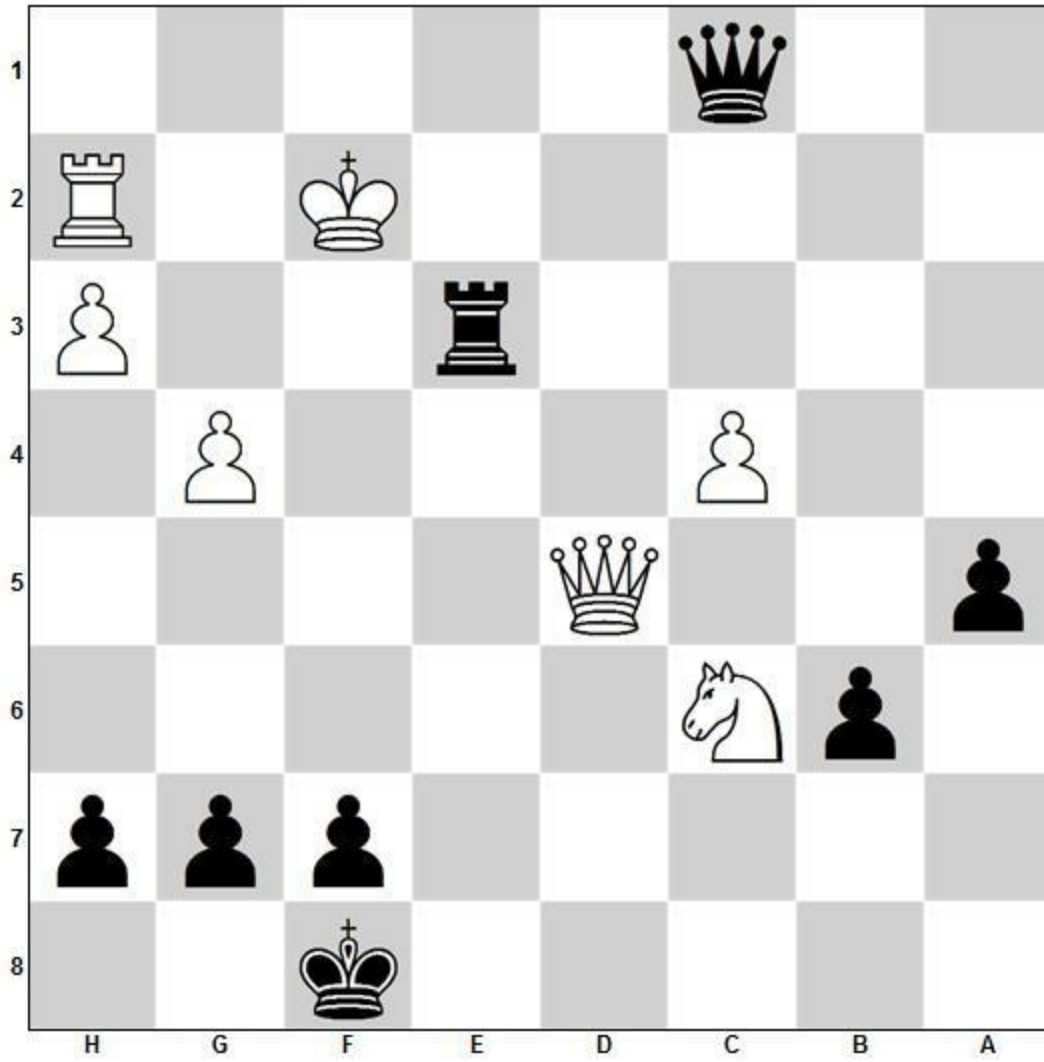
**23.d6!** is a nice deflection and interference move. If **23...Qxd6 24.Qd8+Qf8 25.Qxd7** wins the knight. If **23...Rxf4 24.dxc7** and Black doesn't have time to stop the pawn, and save the rook, which is under attack.

From the game K.W. Cowin (1312) – Todd Burge (1386), 2014 Colorado Open, Round 4, August 31, 2014

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/12/7/Game1611480499.html>

(191) Black to move



***37...Qe1+ 38.Kg2 Rg3#.***

From the game Tim Brennan (1905) – Devon Wall (1175), Inaugural Corner Bakery Open, Round 1, November 2, 2013

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2015/4/18/Game320321392.html>



**45.Nxc5** There are multiple pieces under attack. White ignores the attack on his queen, and takes the rook, which also attacks Black's queen, winning a piece.

From the game Brian Wall (2245) - Victor Huang (2019), 2015 Boulder Open, Round 2, March 28, 2015

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2015/4/4/Game103441564.html>

(193) White to move



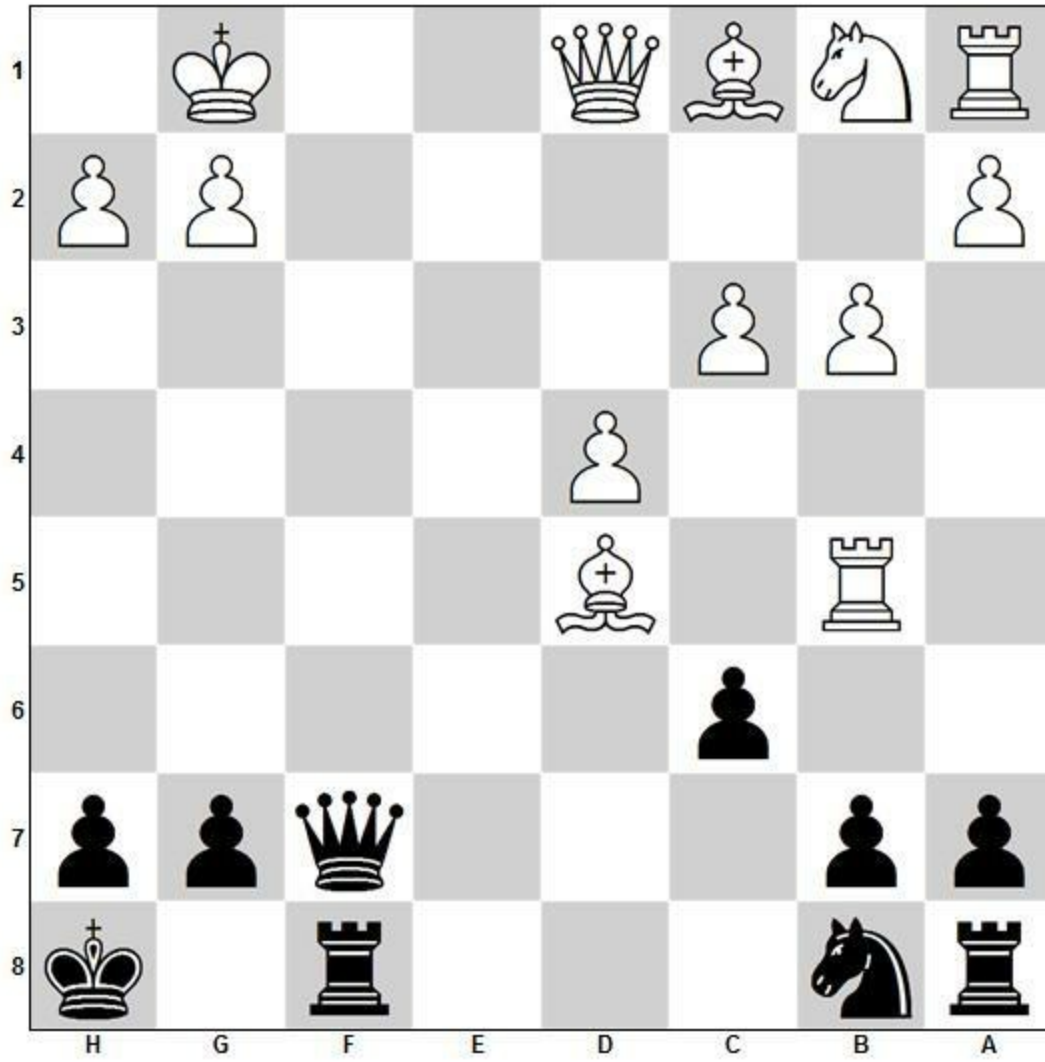
**9.Qa4+** forks the king and bishop. If **9...Nc6 10.d5** attacking the pinned knight.

Missed in the game AWannous (1505) - cobipal (1530), Live Chess Chess.com, April 3, 2015

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2015/4/4/Game104127874.html>

(194) Black to move



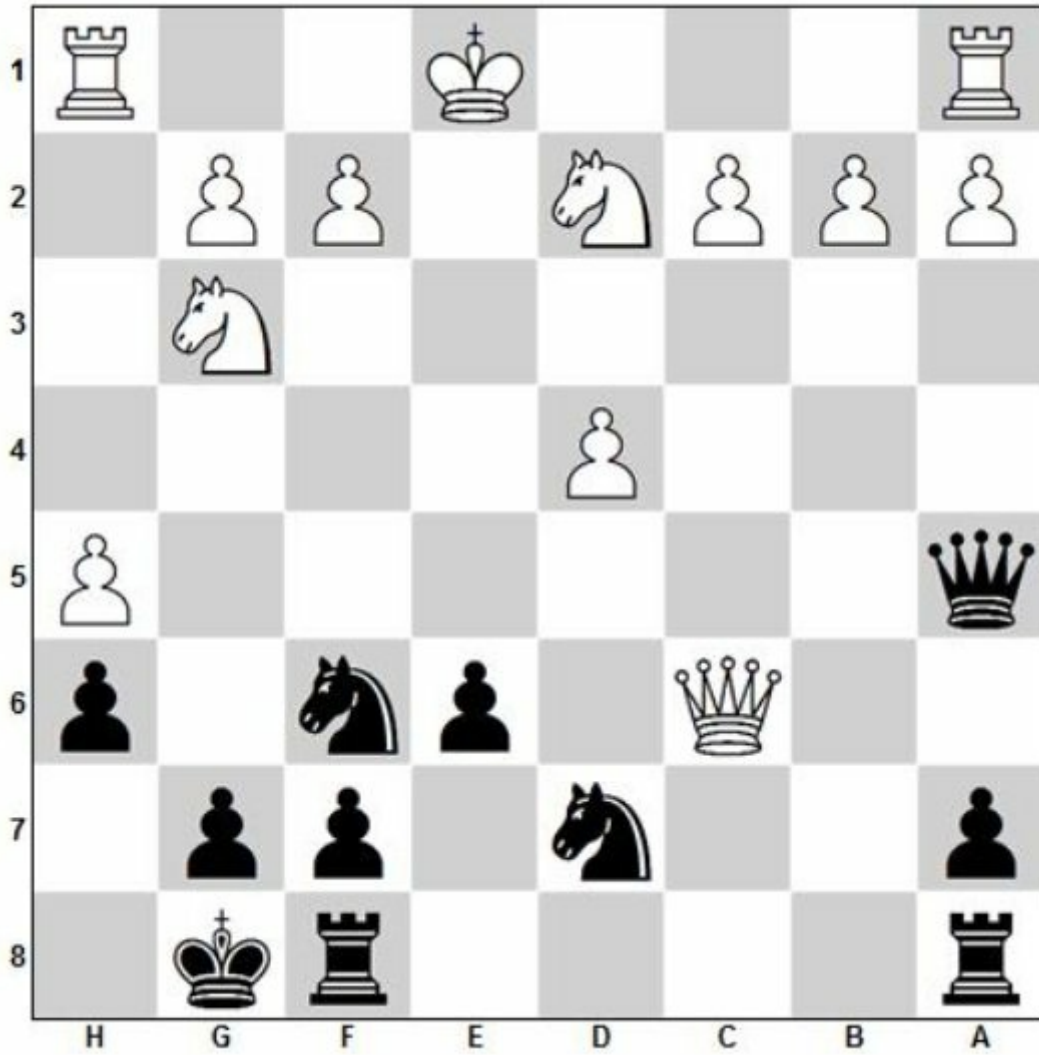
***18...Qf2+ 19.Kh1 Qf1+ 20.Qxf1 Rxf1#***

From the game AWannous (1505) - cobipal (1530), Live Chess Chess.com,  
April 3, 2015

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(195) Black to move



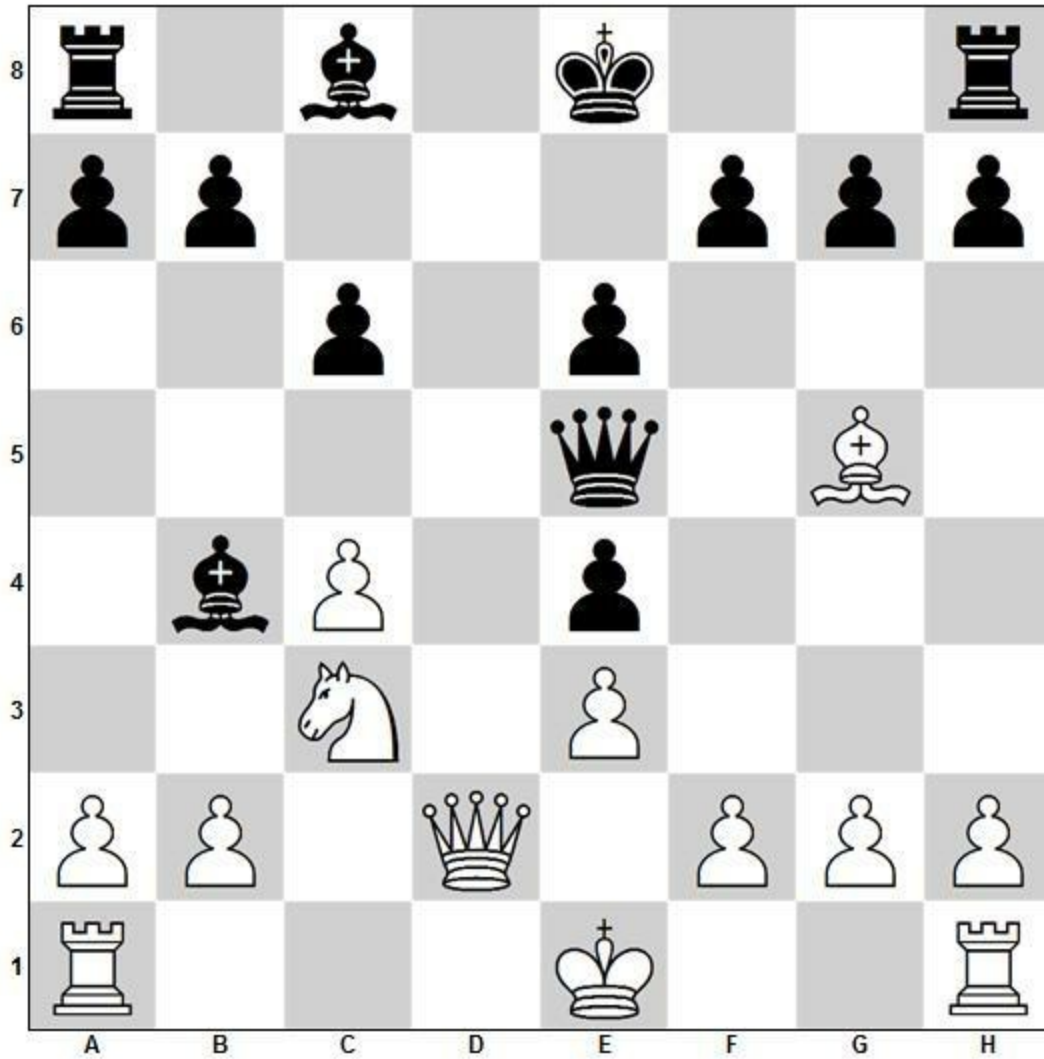
**16...Rac8** skewers the white queen and the c2 pawn. **17.Qd6 Rxc2.**

From the game Andrew Lin (1597) – Ted Doykos (1896), 2014 Colorado Open, Round 4, August 31, 2014

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/12/7/Game1611928160.html>

(196) White to move



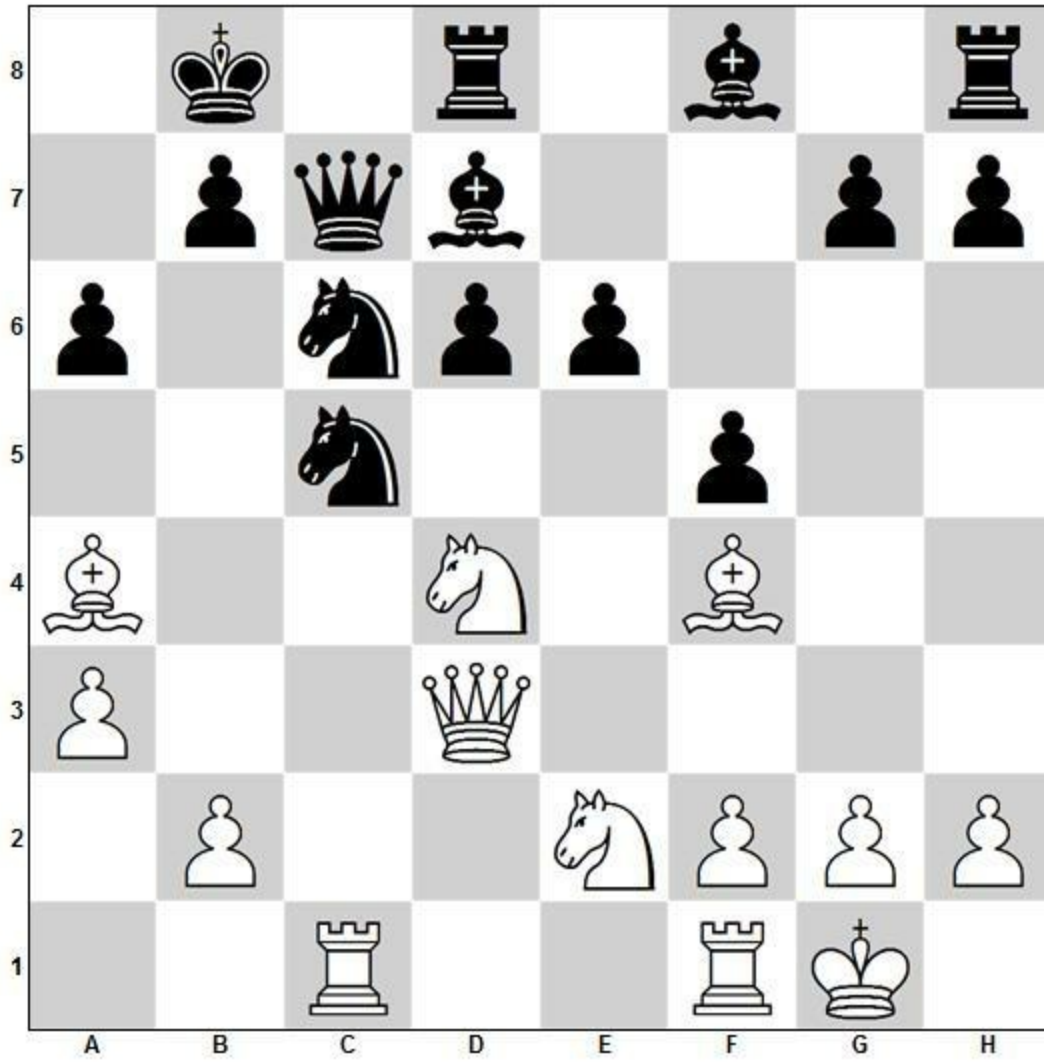
***12.Qd8#***

From the game Jofrel Landingin (1796) – Stephen Buck (1721), Washington Open, Round 6, May 31, 2010

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<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/12/25/Game352131603.html>

(197) White to move



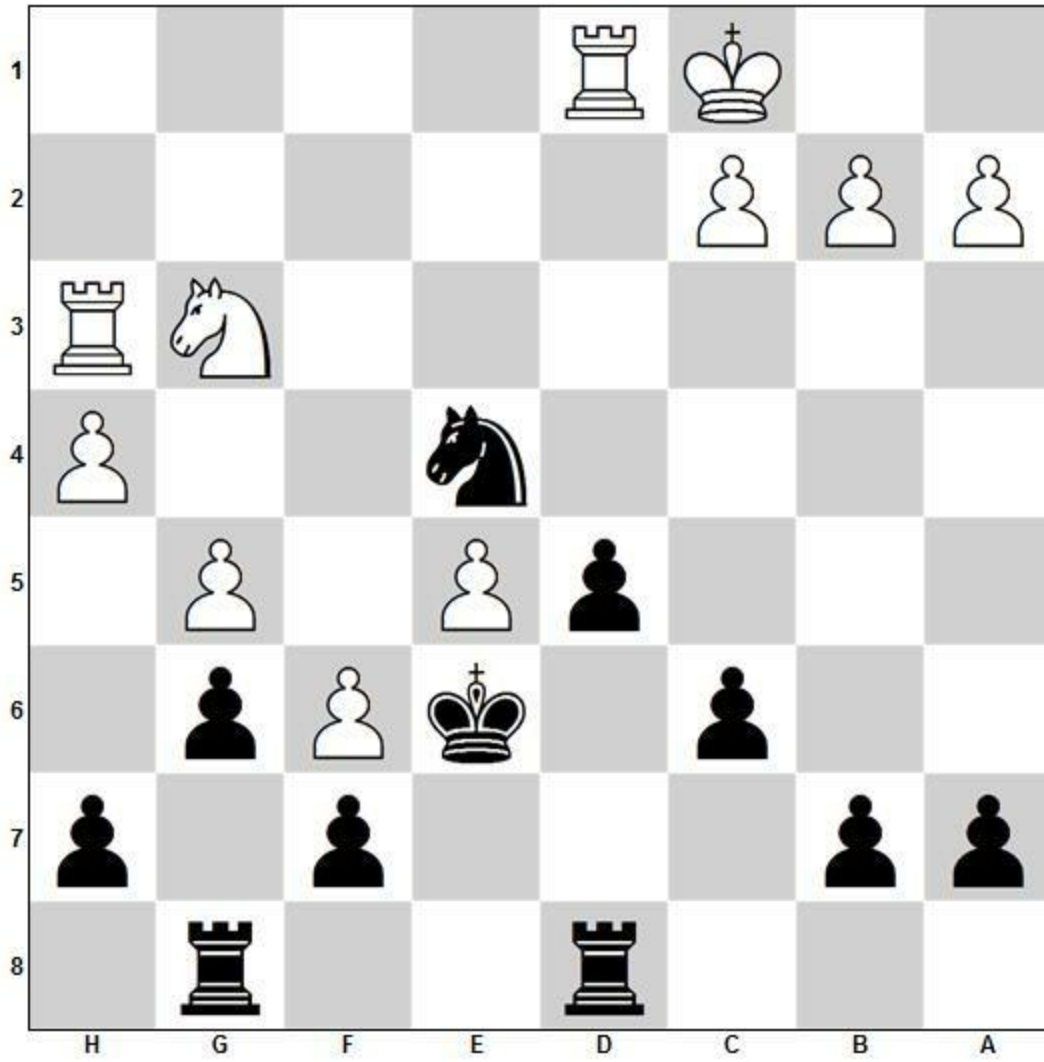
**16.Rxc5** the d6-pawn is pinned.

From the game Murlin Varner (1532) – Jason Presley (1181), Washington Open, Round 1, May 29, 2010

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/12/25/Game352420751.html>

(198) Black to move



**28...Nf2** forking the two white rooks.

From the game Craig Patton (1136) – Mike Mayfield (1391), Ashland XIII, Round 4, February 4, 2010

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/12/25/Game353560494.html>

(199) White to move



***16.Qxh6 g6 17.Rh3 dxc2 18.Qh8#***

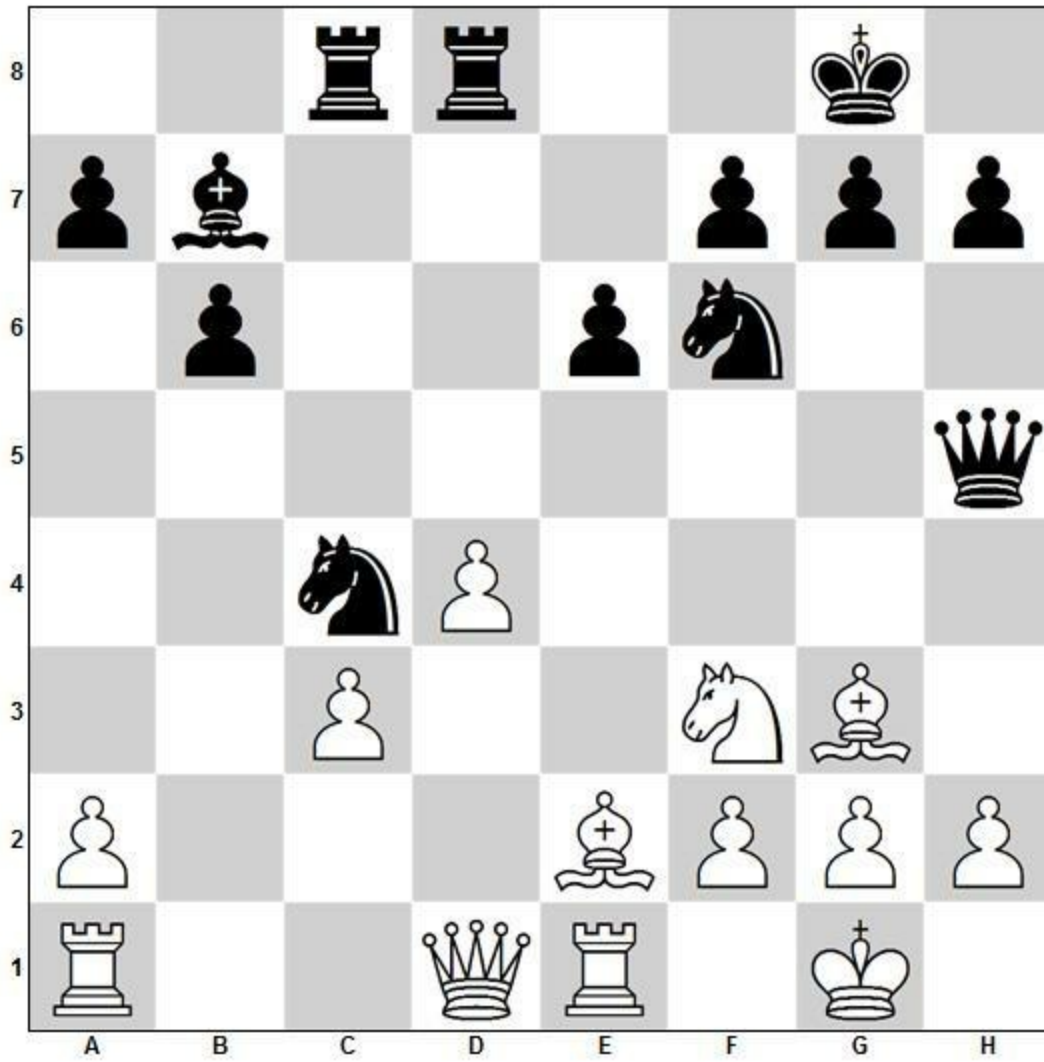
***If 16...Ne8 17.Rxg7+ Nxc7 18.Qxg7#***

From the game Ralph Buske (1402) – Ben Caiello (1365), Ashland XIII,  
Round 2, January 21, 2010

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/12/25/Game354151816.html>

(200) White to move



*17.Ne5* double attack on the black queen and knight, which is attacked twice and defended once. Black doesn't have time to defend both attacks and will lose a piece.

Variation from the game Andrew Smith (1978) – Mark Krowczyk (1900),  
2014 Colorado Open, Round 5, August 31, 2014

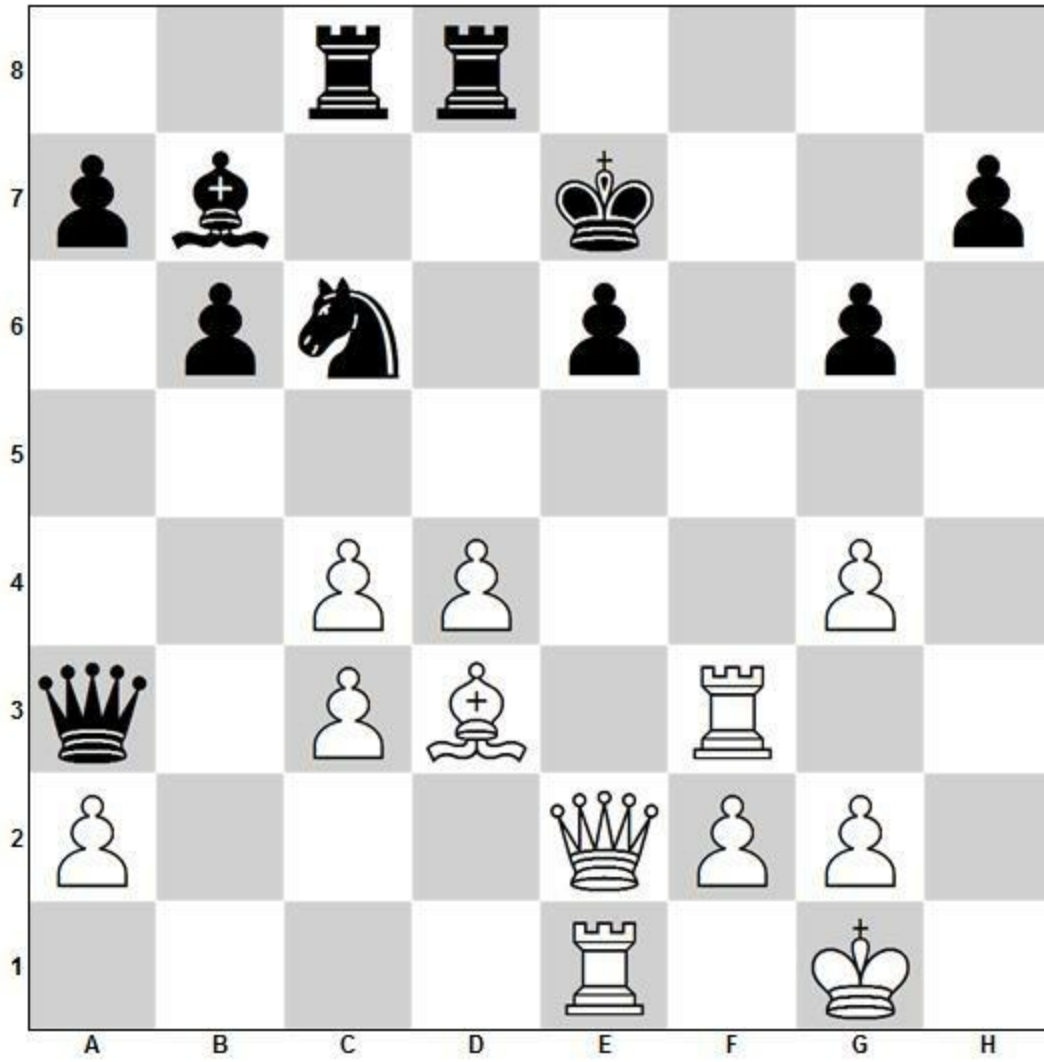
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**Tactics**  
**201-250**

(201) White to move



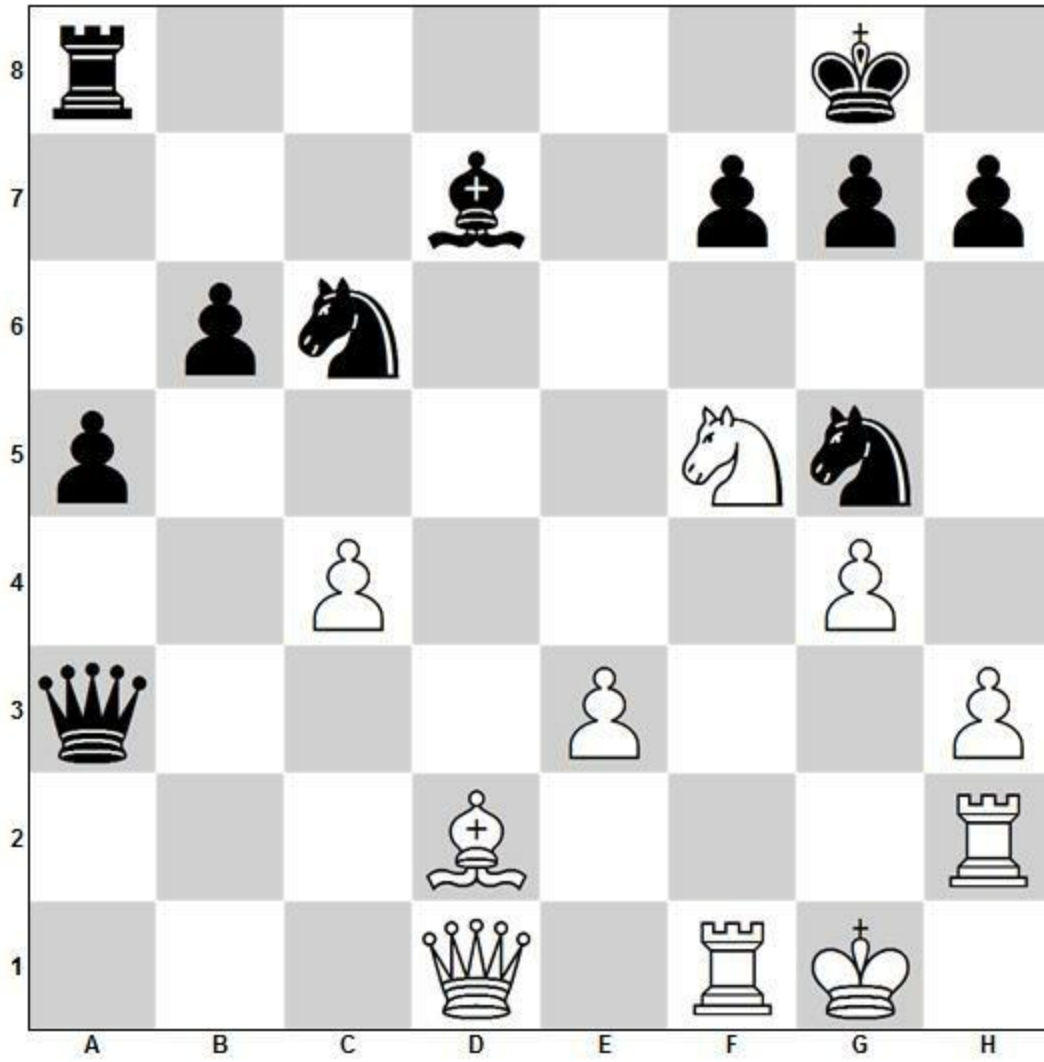
## *27.Qxe6#*

Variation from the game Andrew Smith (1978) – Mark Krowczyk (1900),  
2014 Colorado Open, Round 5, August 31, 2014

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(202) White to move



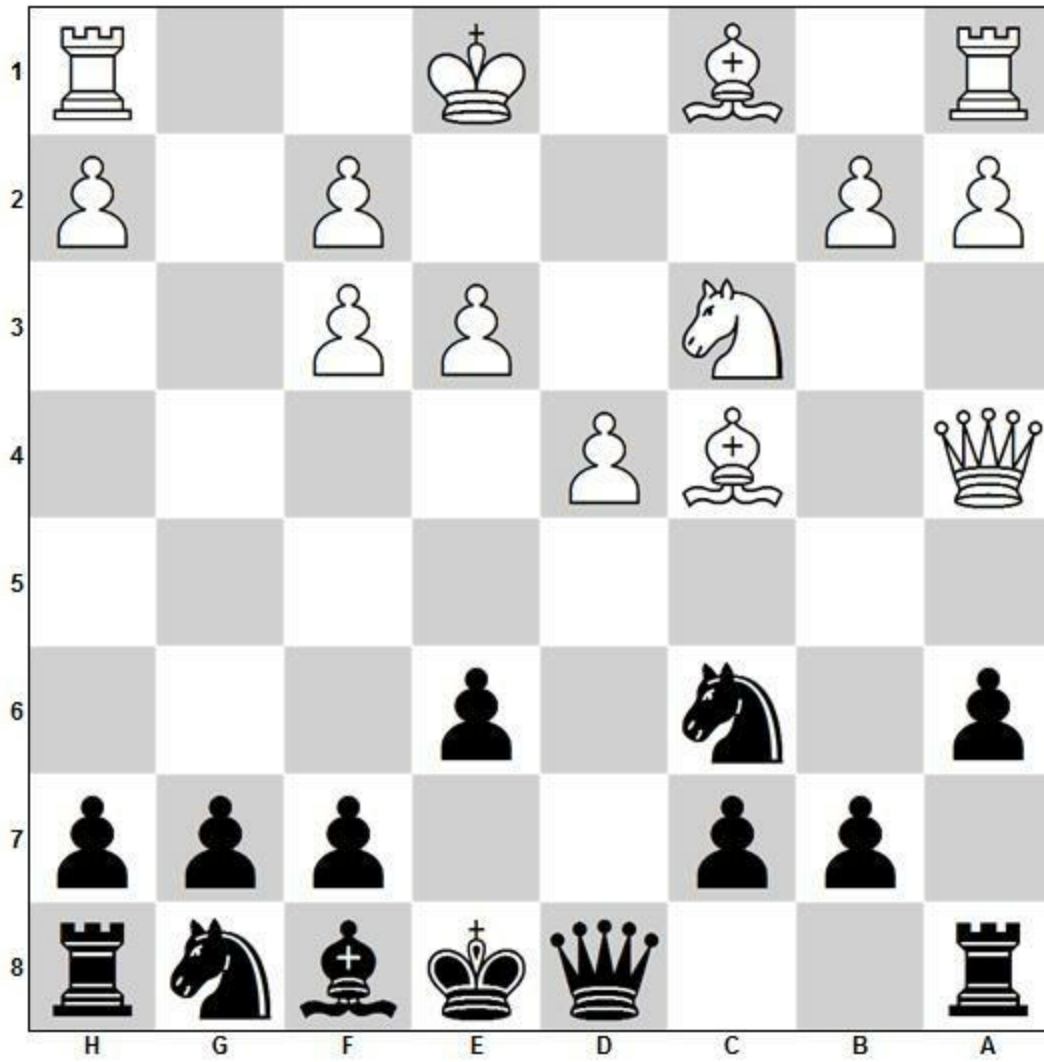
***27.Bc1*** discovered attack ***27...Qa1 28.Qxd7***.

From the game Tim Brennan (1905) – Devon Wall (1175), Inaugural Corner Bakery Open, Round 1, November 2, 2013

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2015/4/18/Game320321392.html>

(203) Black to move



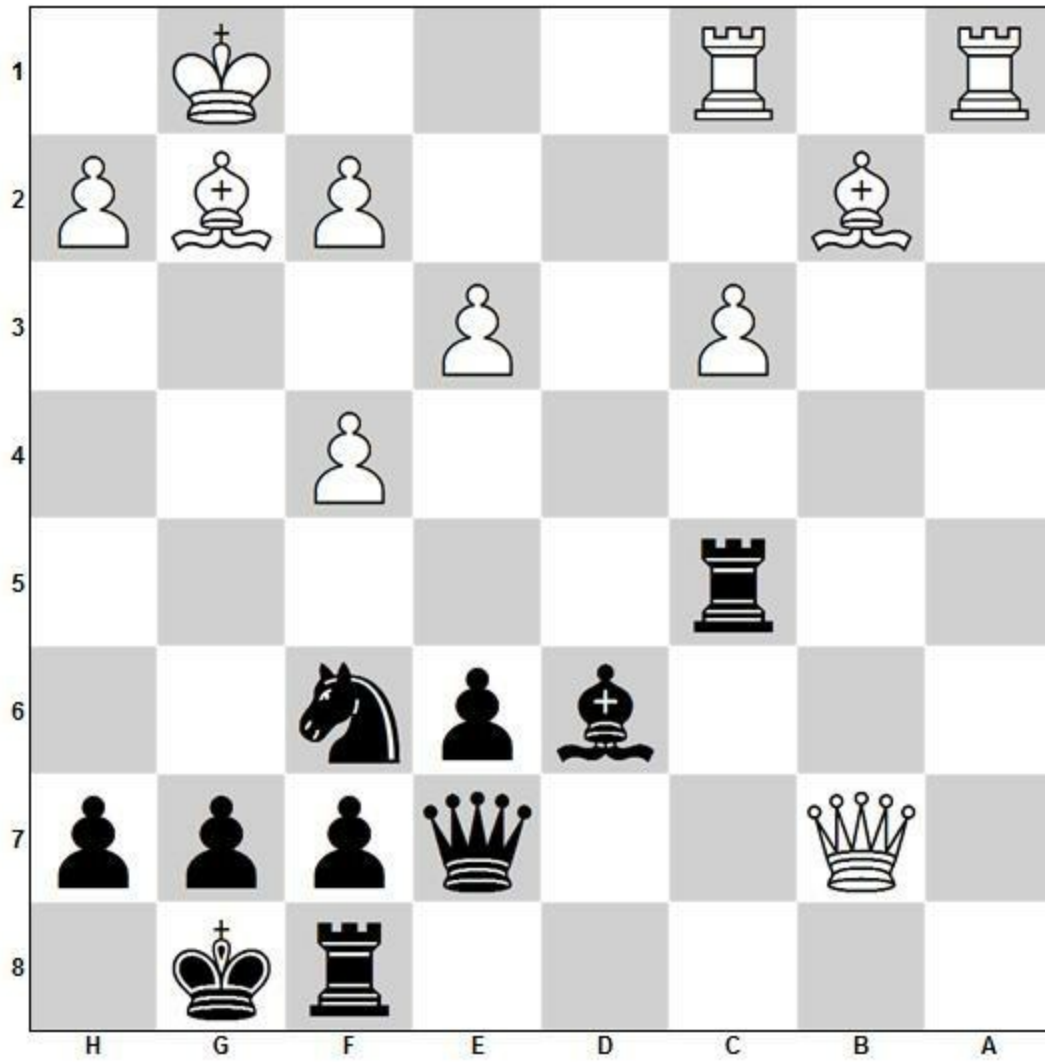
**8...b5** forks the queen and bishop.

Variation from the game Katie Wise (1959) – Gunnar Andersen (2132), 2014  
Colorado Open, Round 4, August 31, 2014

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<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/12/29/Game671136175.html>

(204) Black to move



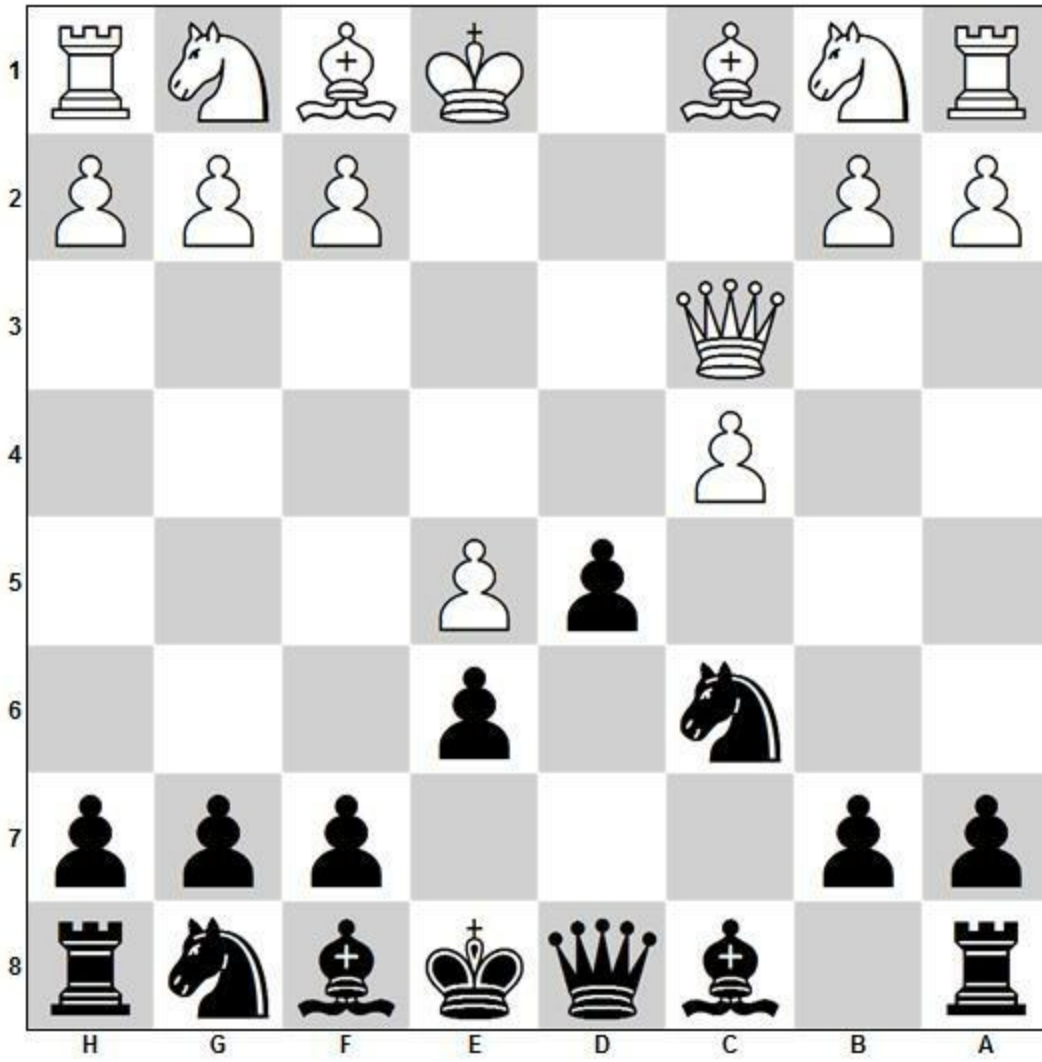
**20...Qxb7 21.Bxb7 Rb5** forks the two bishops.

Variation from the game Katie Wise (1959) – Gunnar Andersen (2132), 2014  
Colorado Open, Round 4, August 31, 2014

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(205) Black to move



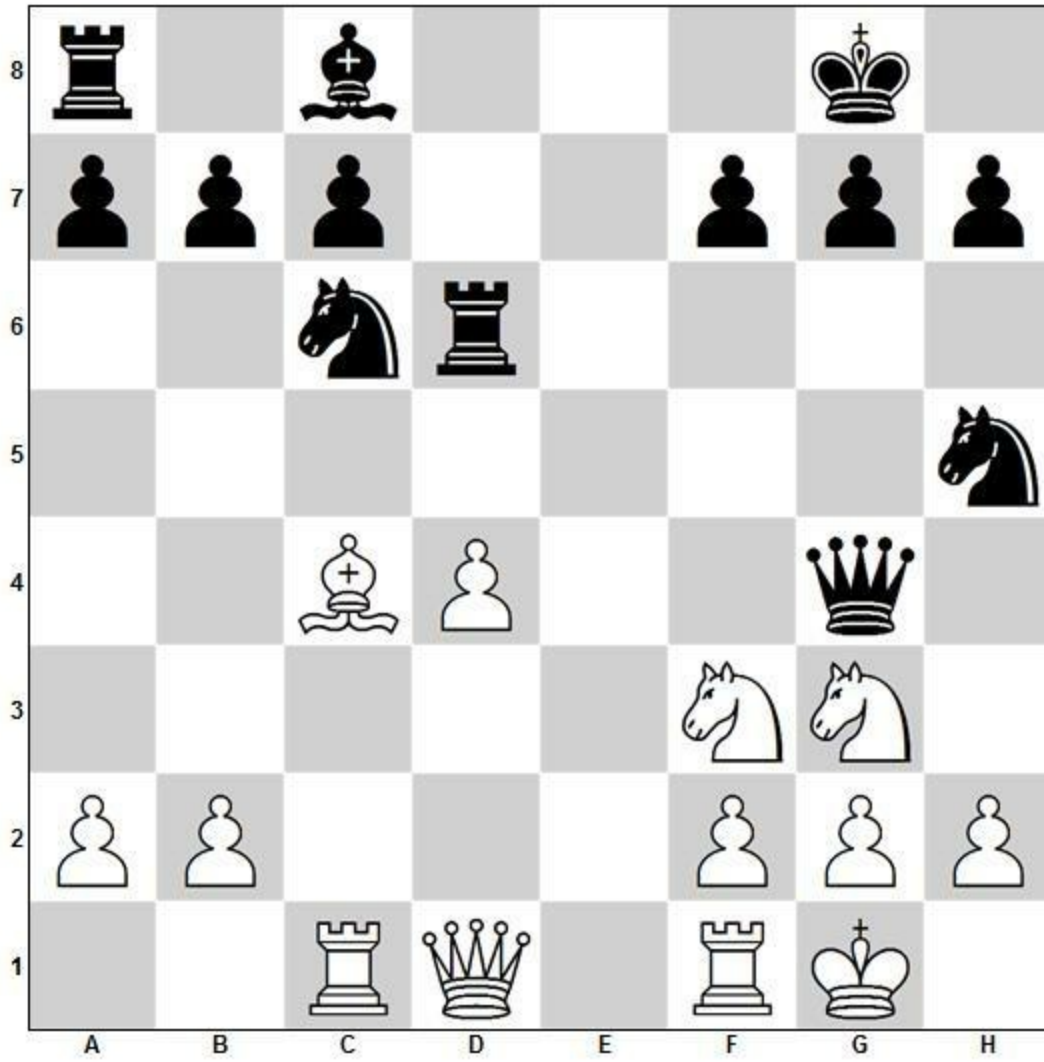
**6...Bb4** pins the queen to the king.

From the game Margheim (1349) – Burnsider (2138), 2013 Championship, redhotpawn.com, Round 1, June 6, 2013

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2015/1/10/Game795398460.html>

(206) White to move



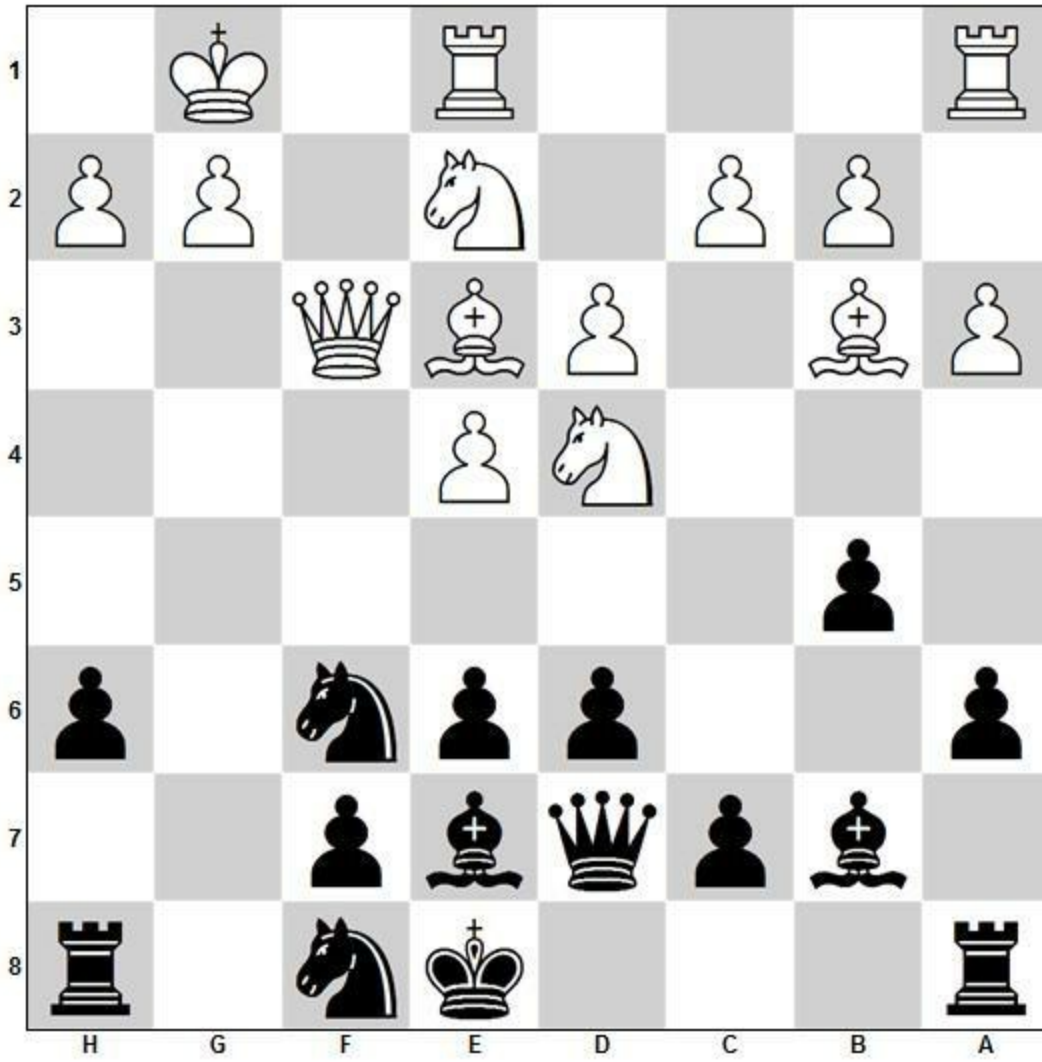
**16.Bxf7+! Kxf7 17.Rxc6!** removing the defender with the threat **17...Rxc6**  
**18.Ne5+** family fork.

From the game Richard Brown (1571) – Javier Holliness (1641), Colorado Open, Round 5, August 31, 2014

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/12/29/Game666197059.html>

(207) Black to move



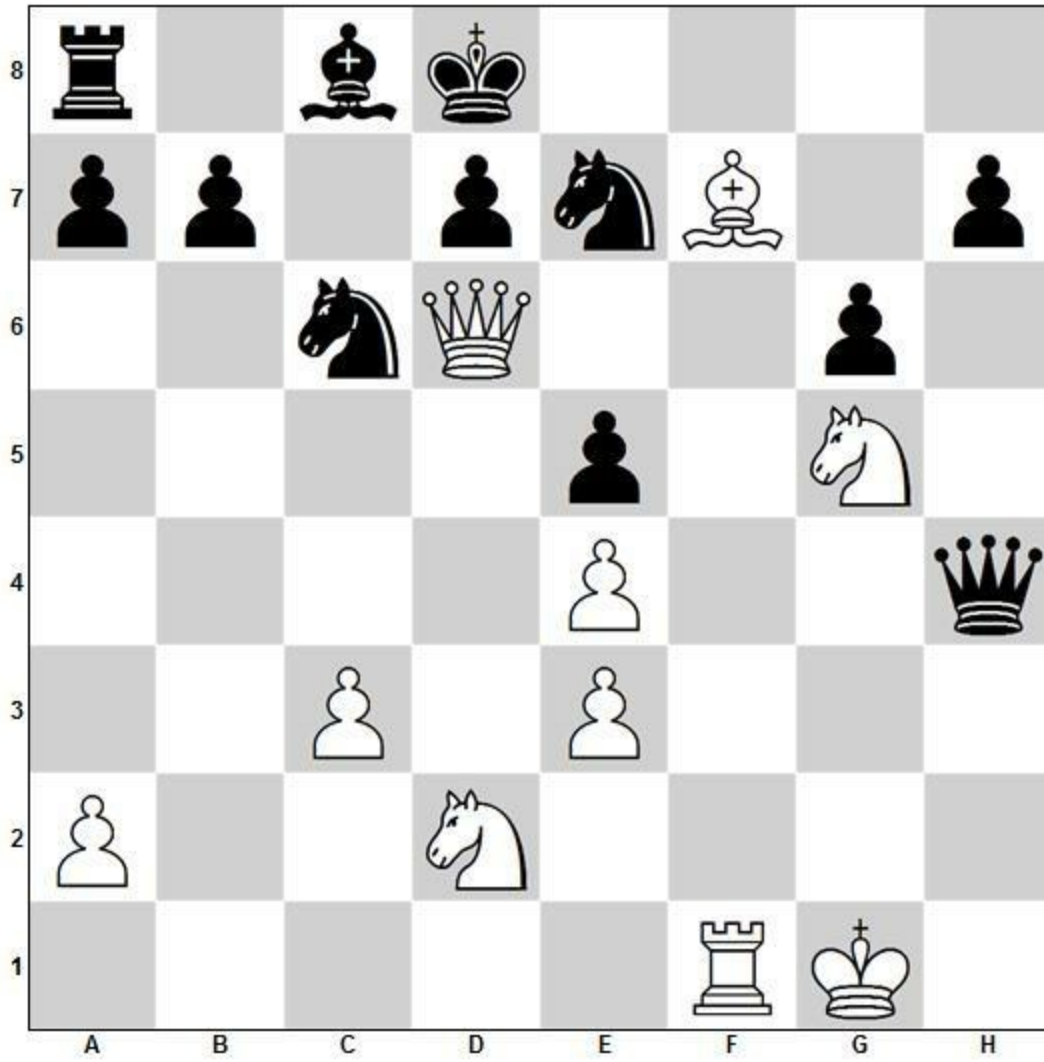
*15...c5* traps the white knight.

From the game MichaelMcRoberts86 (1663) – FearNoEvil12 (2200), Royal Chess Club Open Tournament, Chess.com, April 24, 2014

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<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/12/29/Game675185446.html>

(208) White to move



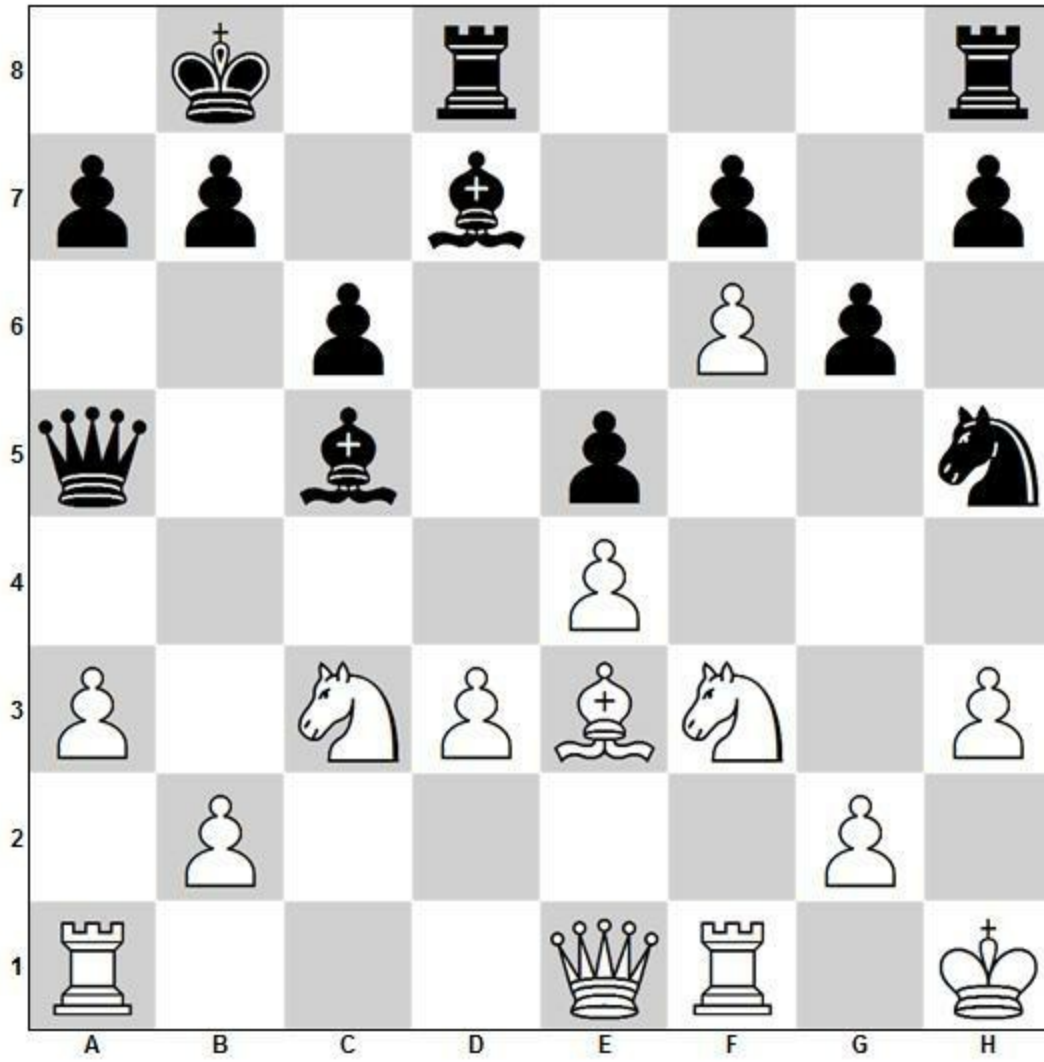
### ***23.Ne6#***

From the game Mania (2136) – Petrozjan (2049), ICC 3 3, July 10, 2014

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<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/12/24/Game264351525.html>

(209) White to move



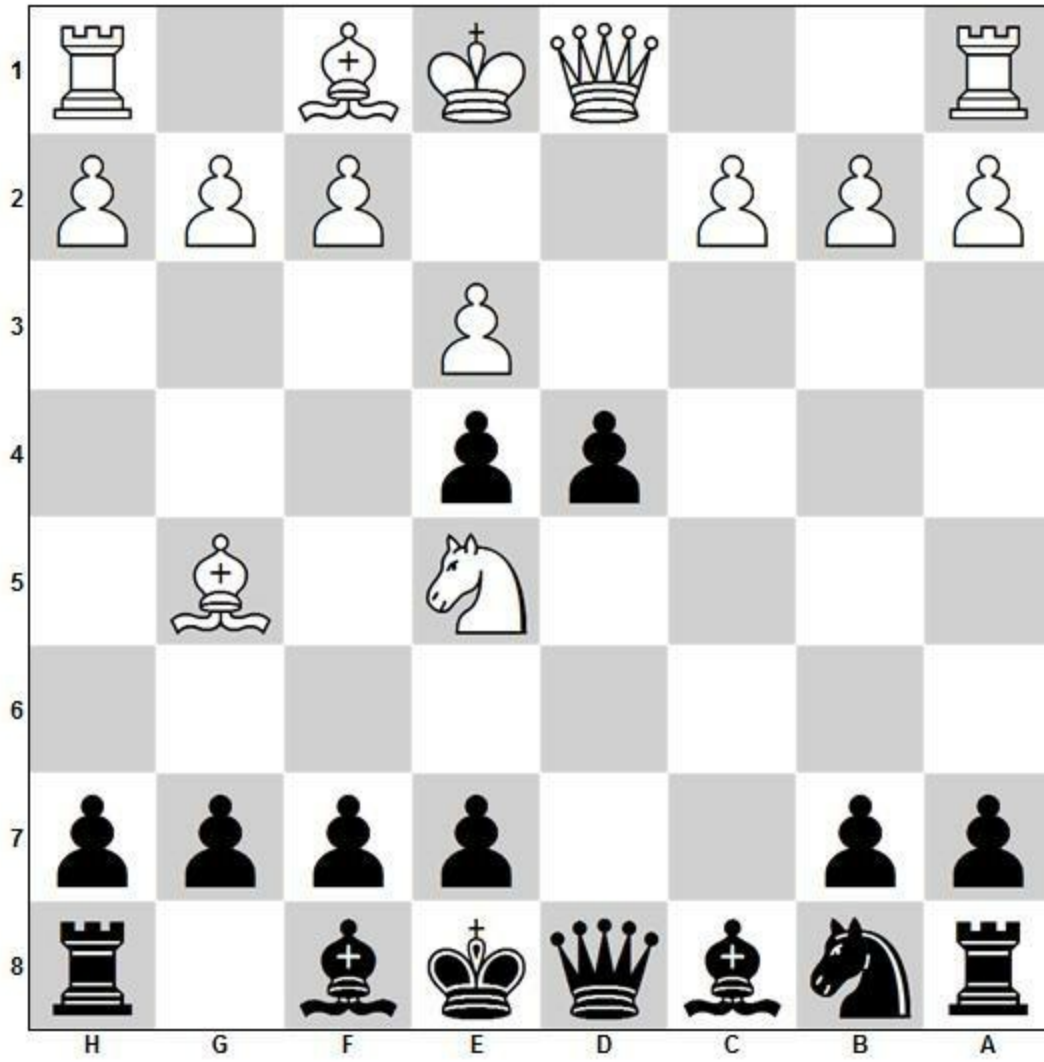
*17.b4* forks the black bishop and queen.

From the game MassCarnage (2200) – Moheb Amir (2427), ICC Open 2014,  
Round 2, July 19, 2014

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<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/12/21/Game6258822.html>

(210) Black to move



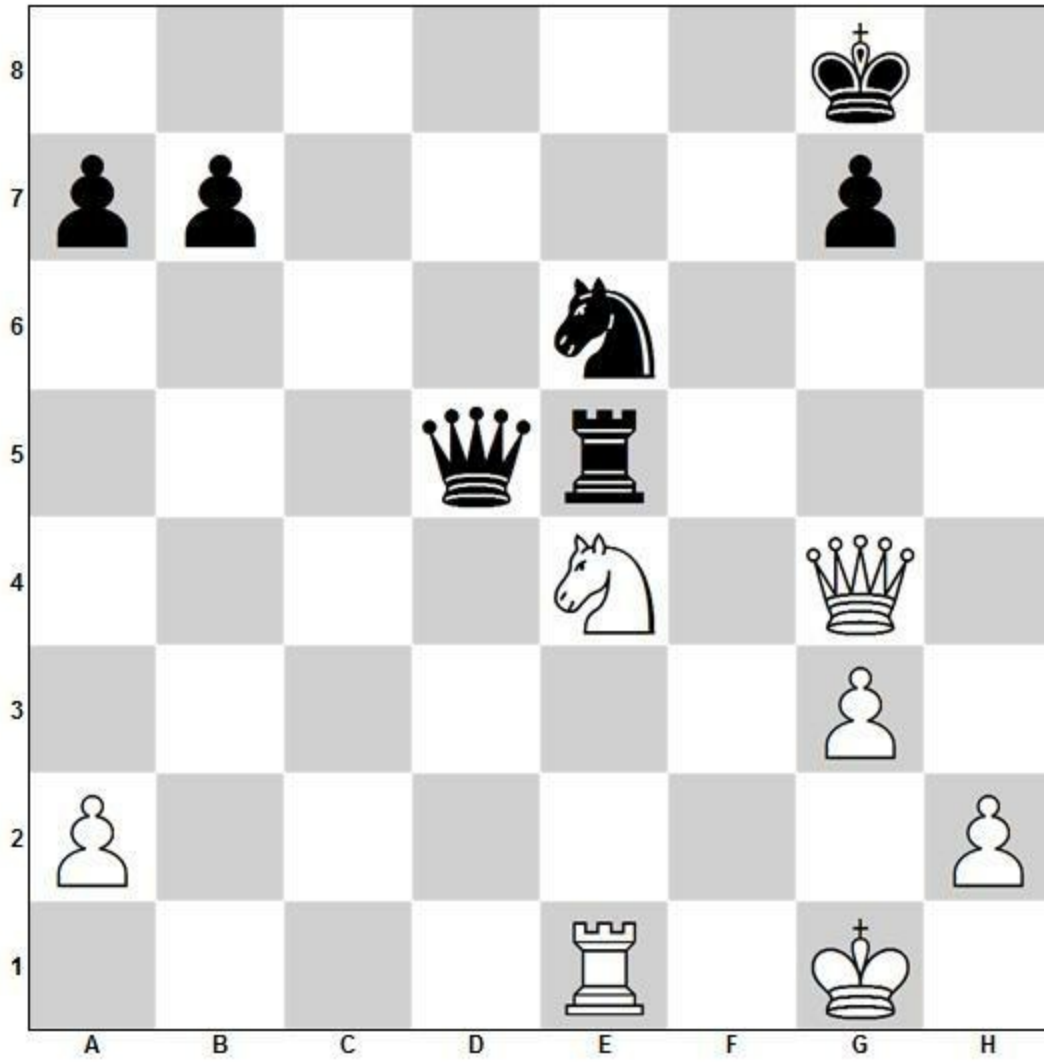
7...*Qa5*+ forks the king and knight 8.*Qd2 Qxe5*.

From the game hrhpablo (924) – David Tebb (2352), 2013 Championship, redhotpawn.com, Round 1, June 6, 2013

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2015/1/10/Game795877648.html>

(211) White to move



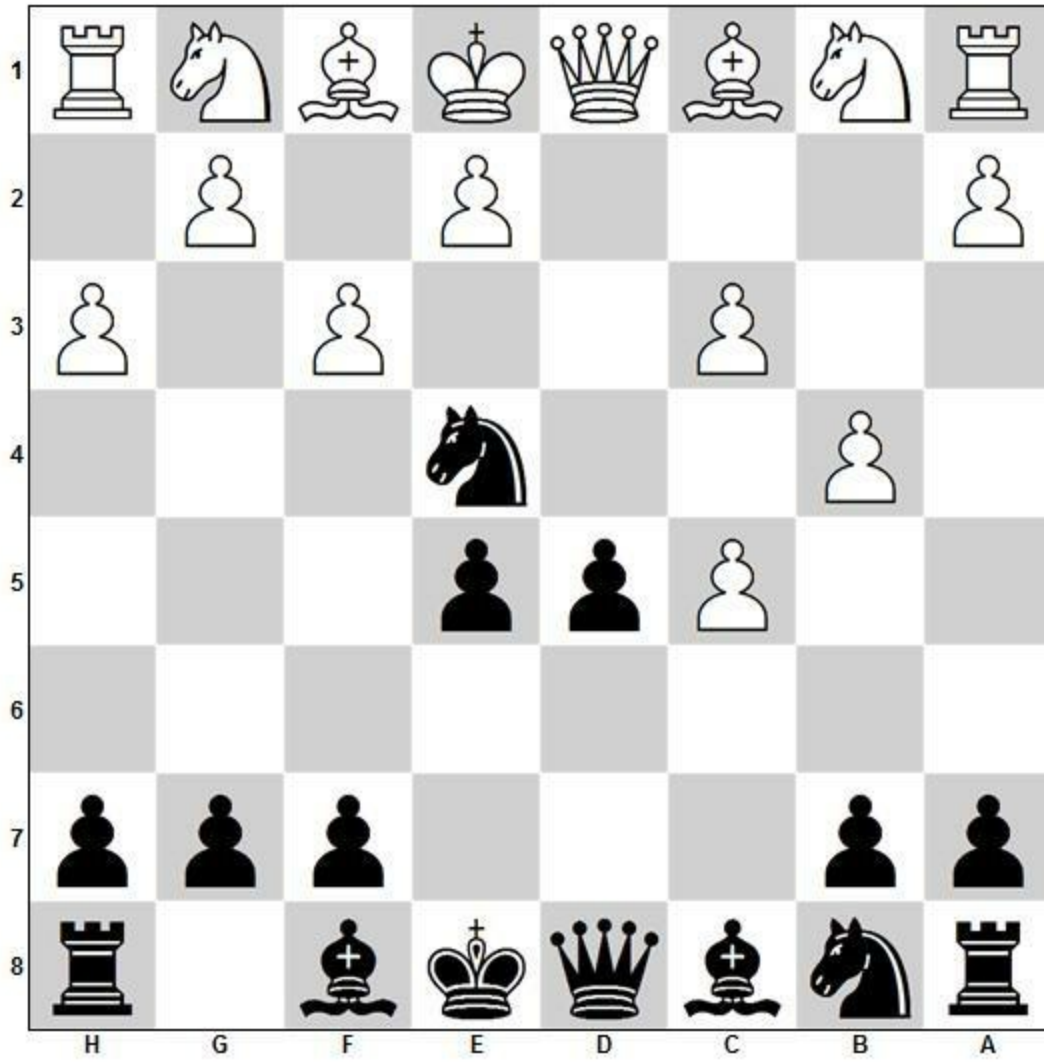
**29.Nf6+** forks the black king and queen. The g7-pawn is pinned.

From the game MassCarnage (2200) – Richadov (2170), ICC Open 2014, Round 10, July 19, 2014

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/12/21/Game6570902.html>

(212) Black to move



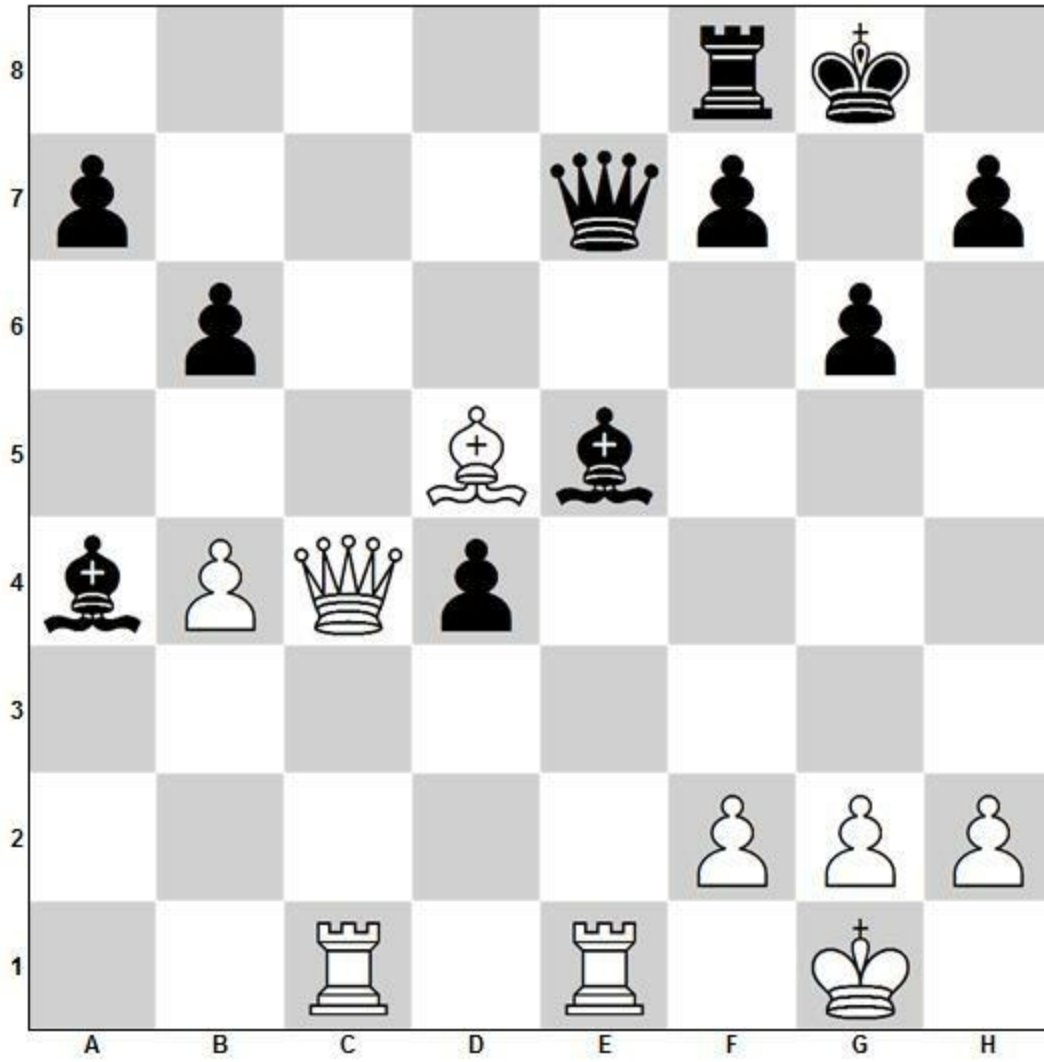
**6...Qh4+ 7.g3 Qxg3#** Oh fudge!

From the game fudge (749) – goso (1327), 2013 Championship,  
redhotpawn.com, Round 1, June 6, 2013

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2015/1/10/Game797392948.html>

(213) White to move



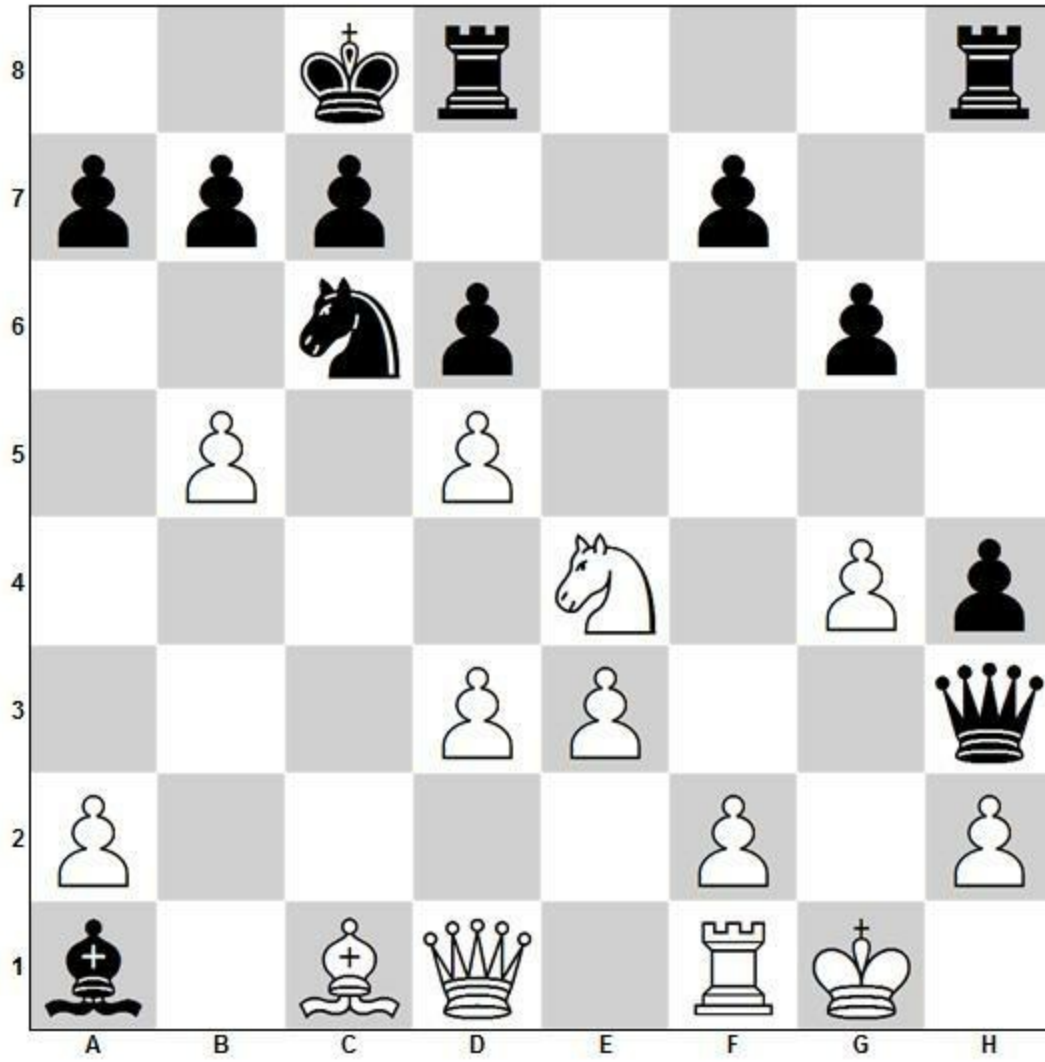
**28.f4** attacks the pinned bishop.

Variation from the game Mark Diesen (2472) – Larry Moss (2200), Texas Championship, Round 2, May 24, 2002

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<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2015/4/4/Game79335884.html>

(214) White to move



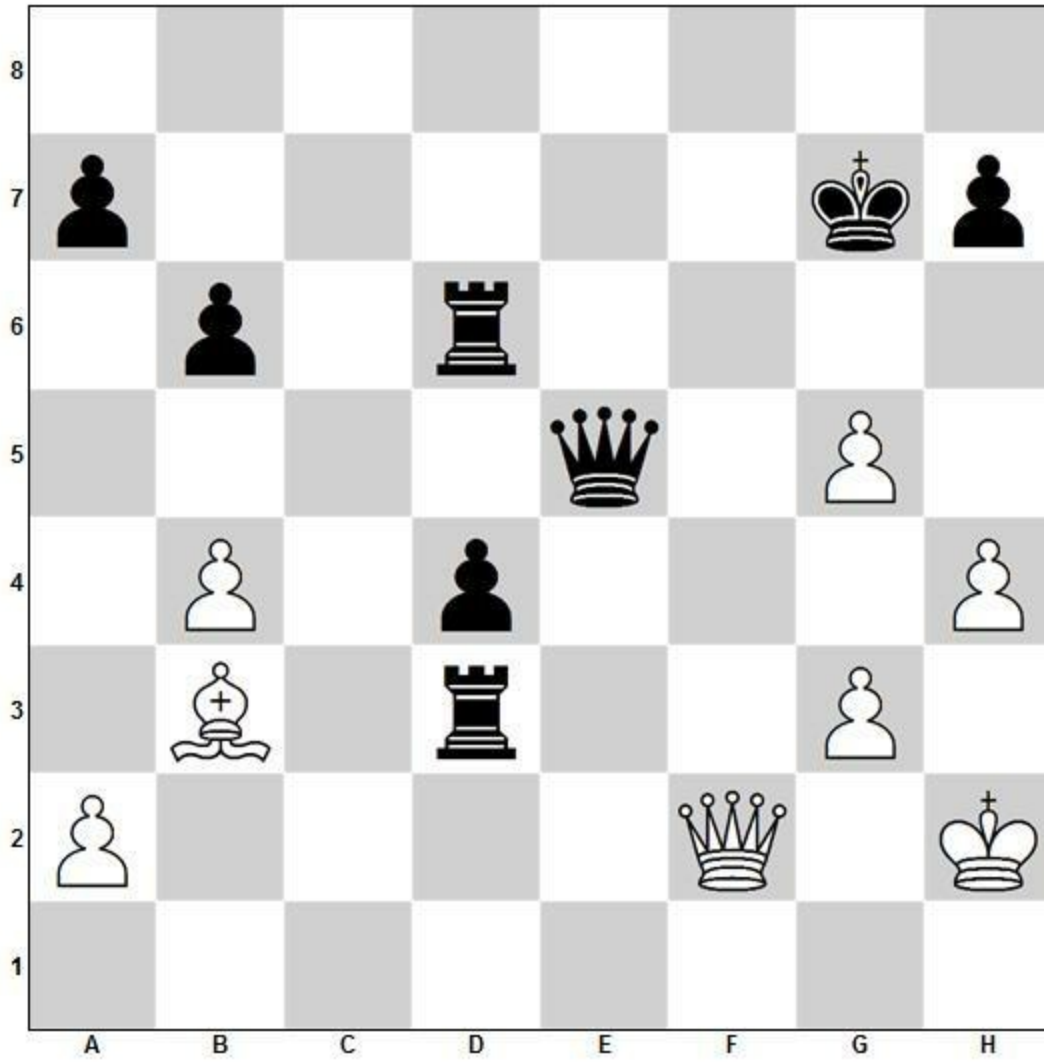
*17.Ng5* traps the black queen.

Variation from the game Mitchell Vergara (2138) – Timothy Redman (2000),  
Texas Championship, Round 4, May 26, 2002

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<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2015/4/4/Game90166175.html>

(215) White to move



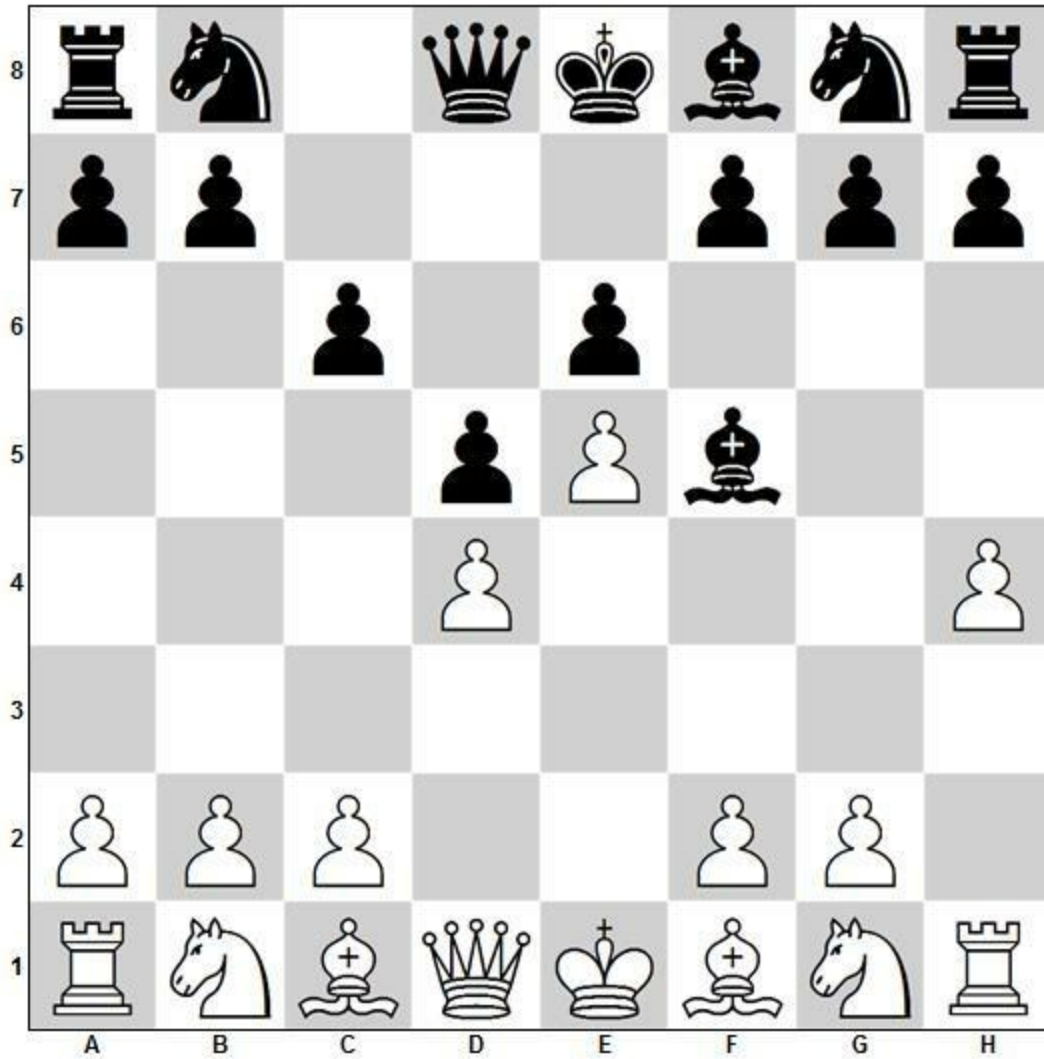
***43.Qf7+ Kh8 44.Qf8#***

Variation from the game Drew Sarkisian (2178) – Andrey Dokuchayev (2234), Texas Championship, Round 6, May 27, 2002

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<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2015/4/4/Game90491796.html>

(216) White to move



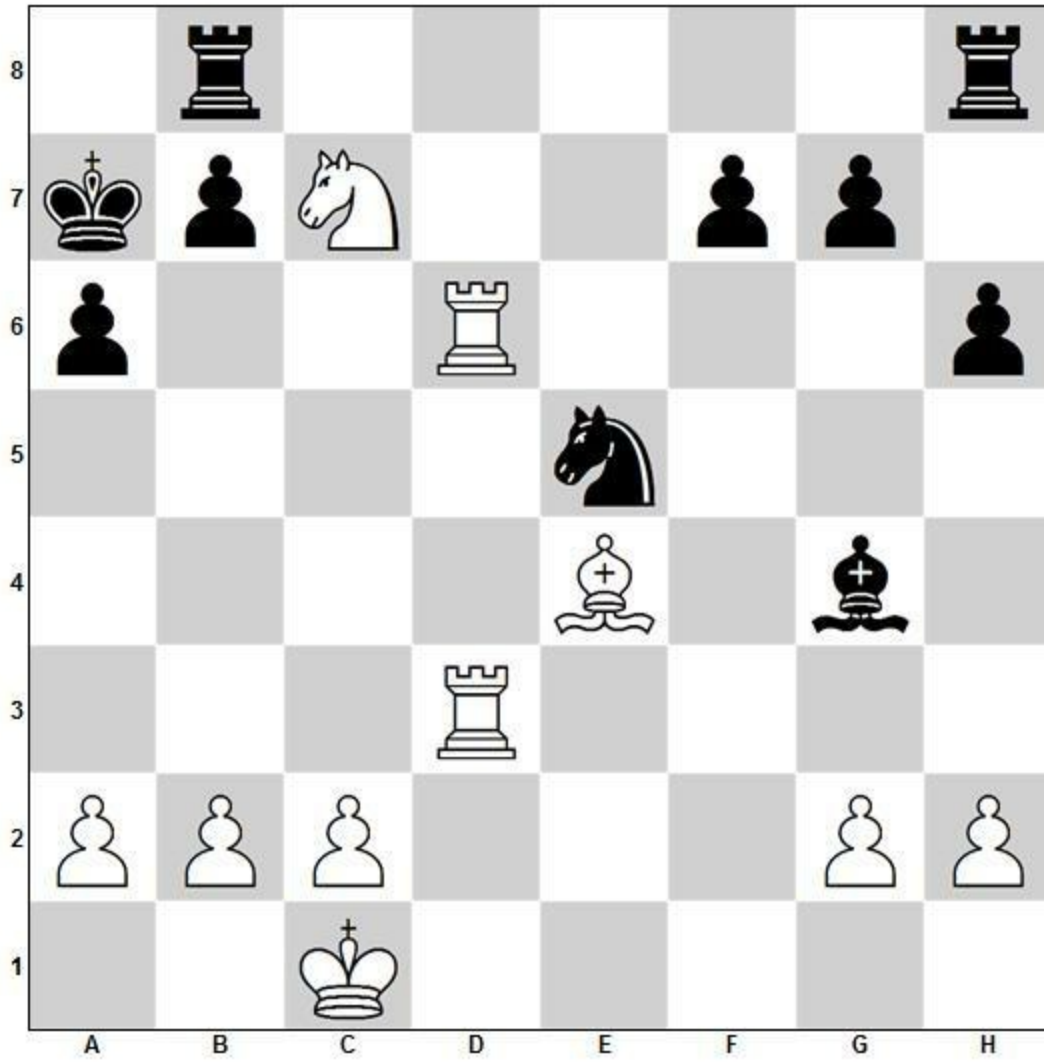
**5.g4** and the black bishop will run out of safe squares. For example, **5...Be4**  
**6.f3 Bg6 7.h5.**

From the game Brian Wall (2200) – Brian Walker Sr. (1798), Denver Chess Club Saturday #1, Round 1, November 8, 2014

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<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2015/4/4/Game90901096.html>

(217) White to move



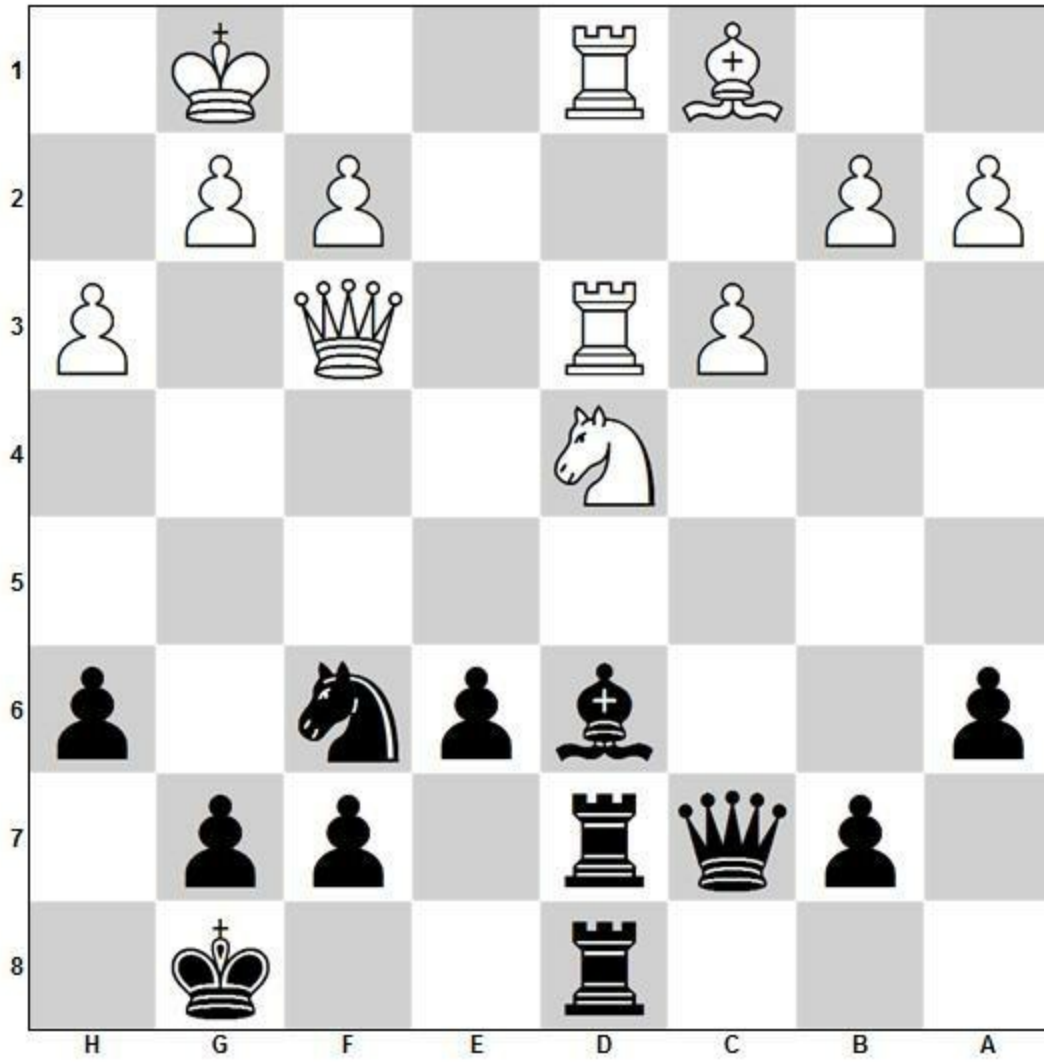
***27.Nb5+!! Ka8 28.Rxa6#. If 27...axb5 28.Ra3#***

From the game James Huddleston (2055) – Richard Weaver (2200), Texas Championship, Round 6, May 27, 2002

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<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2015/4/4/Game91148778.html>

(218) Black to move



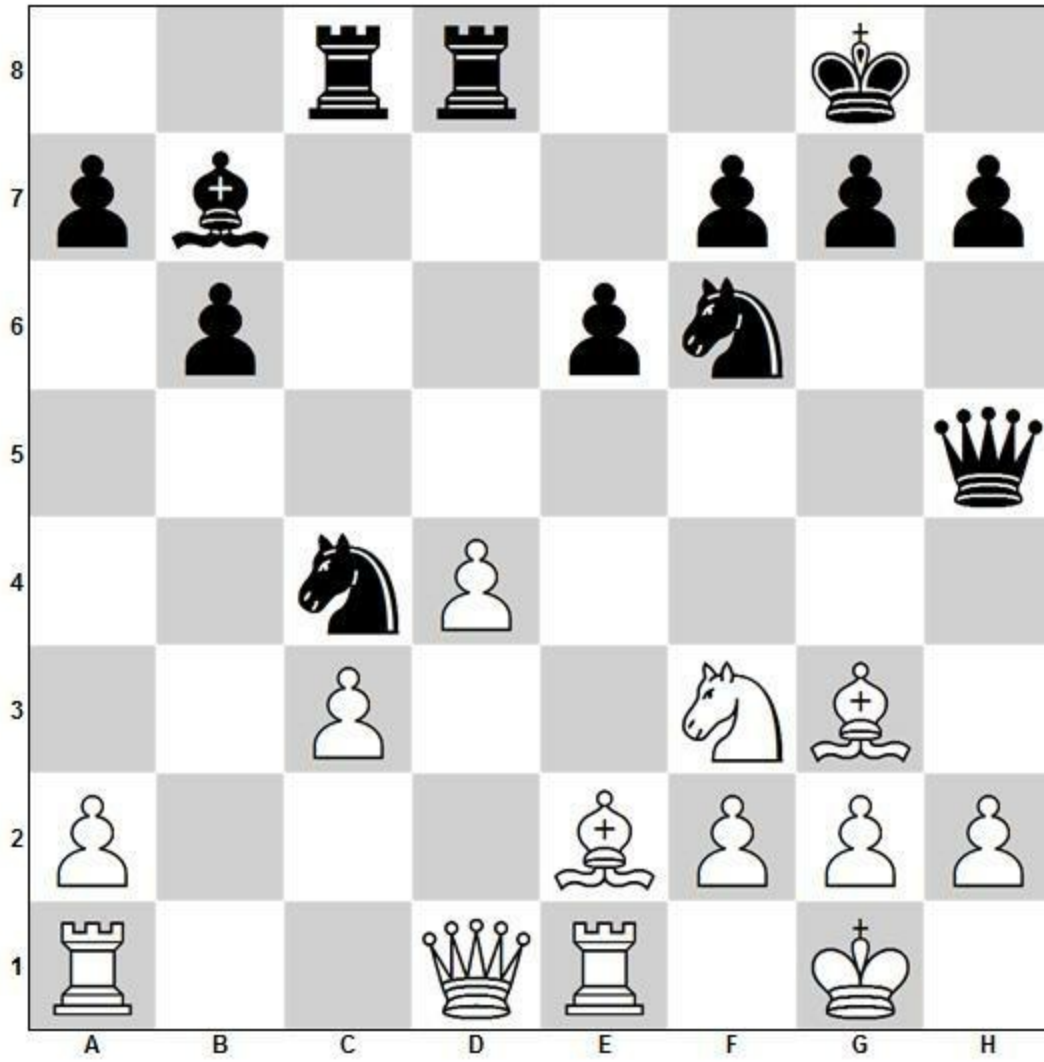
**27...e5** attacks the white knight and sets up a pawn fork of rook and queen on the next move. For example, if **28.Nb3 e5**.

Missed in the game Albert Yeh (1983) – Drew Sarkisian (2178), Texas Championship, Round 4, May 25, 2002

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<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2015/4/4/Game79917908.html>

(219) White to move



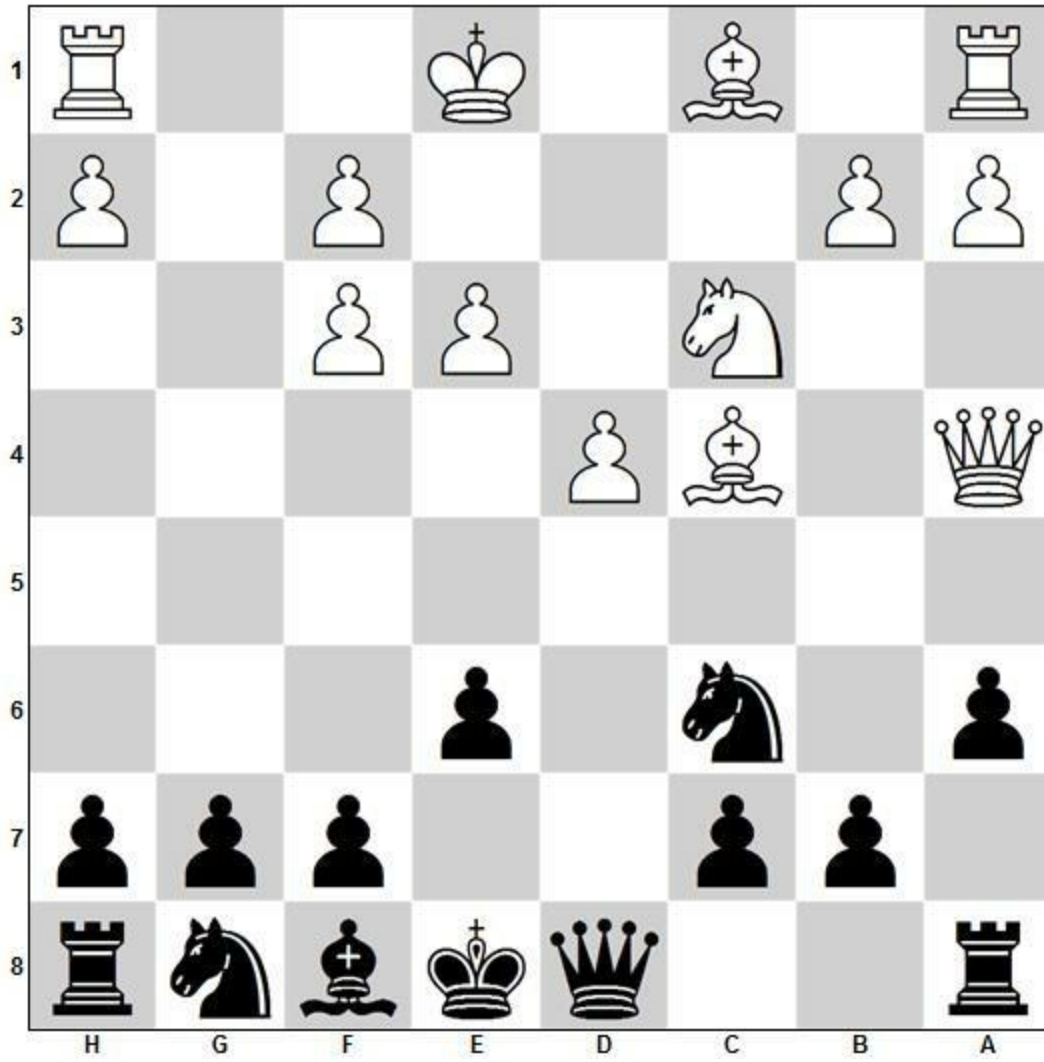
*17.Ne5* attacks the knight on c4, with a discovered attack on the queen.  
Black cannot meet both threats.

Variation from the game Andrew Smith (1978) – Mark Krowczyk (1900),  
2014 Colorado Open, Round 5, August 31, 2014

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<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2015/4/4/Game91676623.html>

(220) Black to move



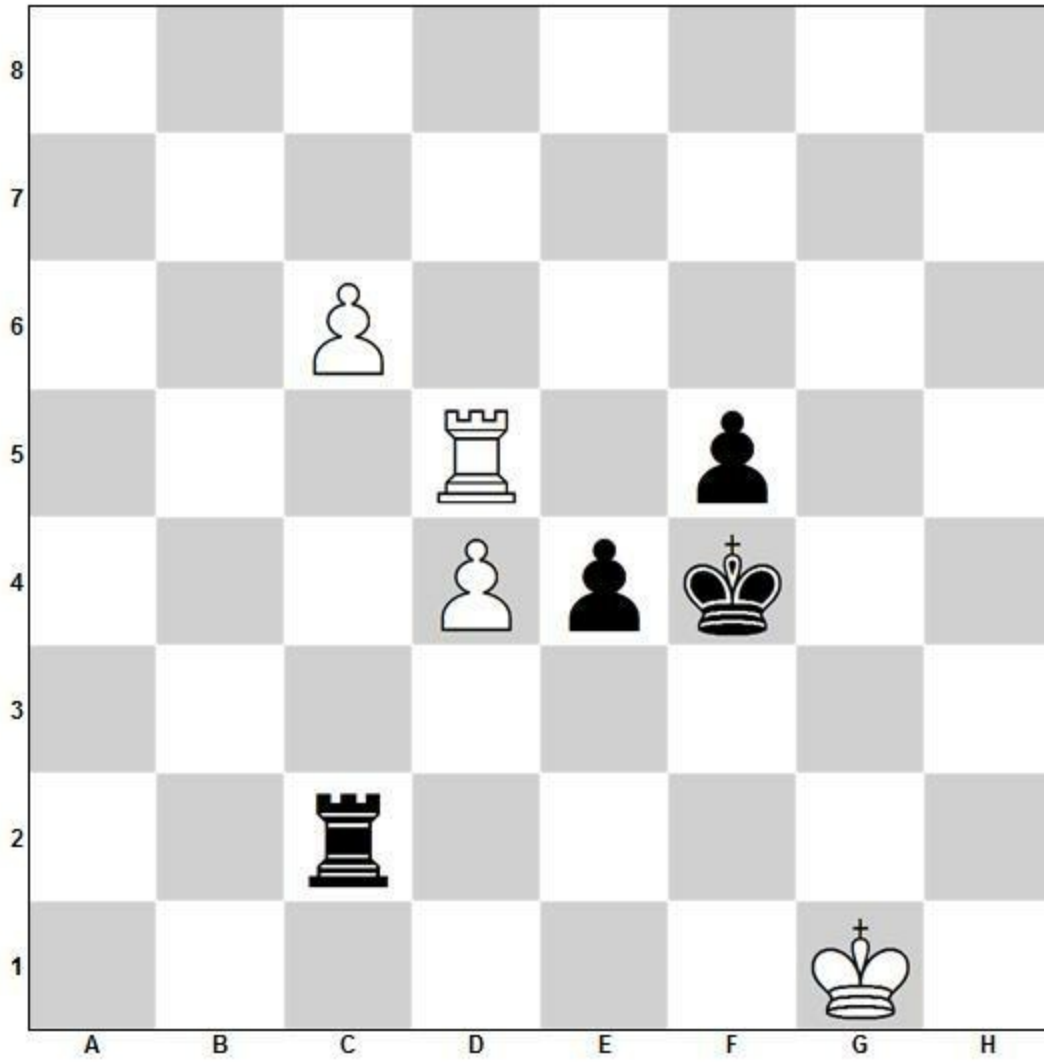
**8...b5** forks the queen and bishop.

Variation from the game Katie Wise (1959) – Gunnar Andersen (2132), 2014  
Colorado Open, Round 4, August 31, 2014

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<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2015/4/4/Game92795213.html>

(221) White to move



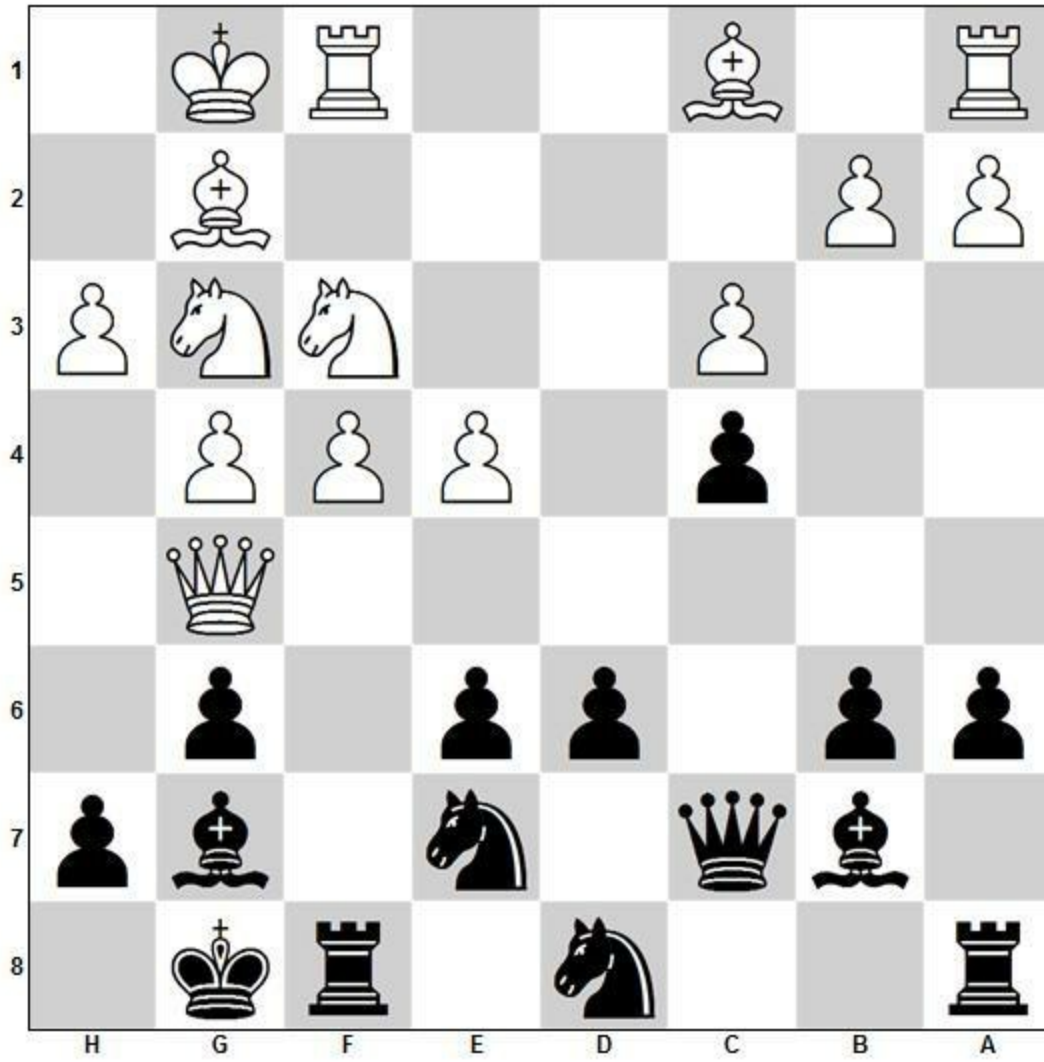
**62.Rc5** protects the c6 pawn, which black cannot stop from queening.

From the game DuWayne Langseth (1952) – Paul Anderson (2086),  
Colorado Springs Club Tournament, Round 3, December 16, 2014

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/12/28/Game617313865.html>

(222) Black to move



**17...Bf6 18.Qh6 Nf7** traps the queen.

From the game Gary Bagstad (1700) – Rebecca Herman (1495), 2014 Bobby Fischer Memorial, Round 3, May 4, 2014

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2015/4/4/Game82970473.html>



***31.Qxg6+ Kh8 32.Qg7#***

From the game Katie Wise (1927) – Dean Clow (1939), 2014 Bobby Fischer Memorial, Round 4, May 4, 2014

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2015/4/4/Game85547563.html>



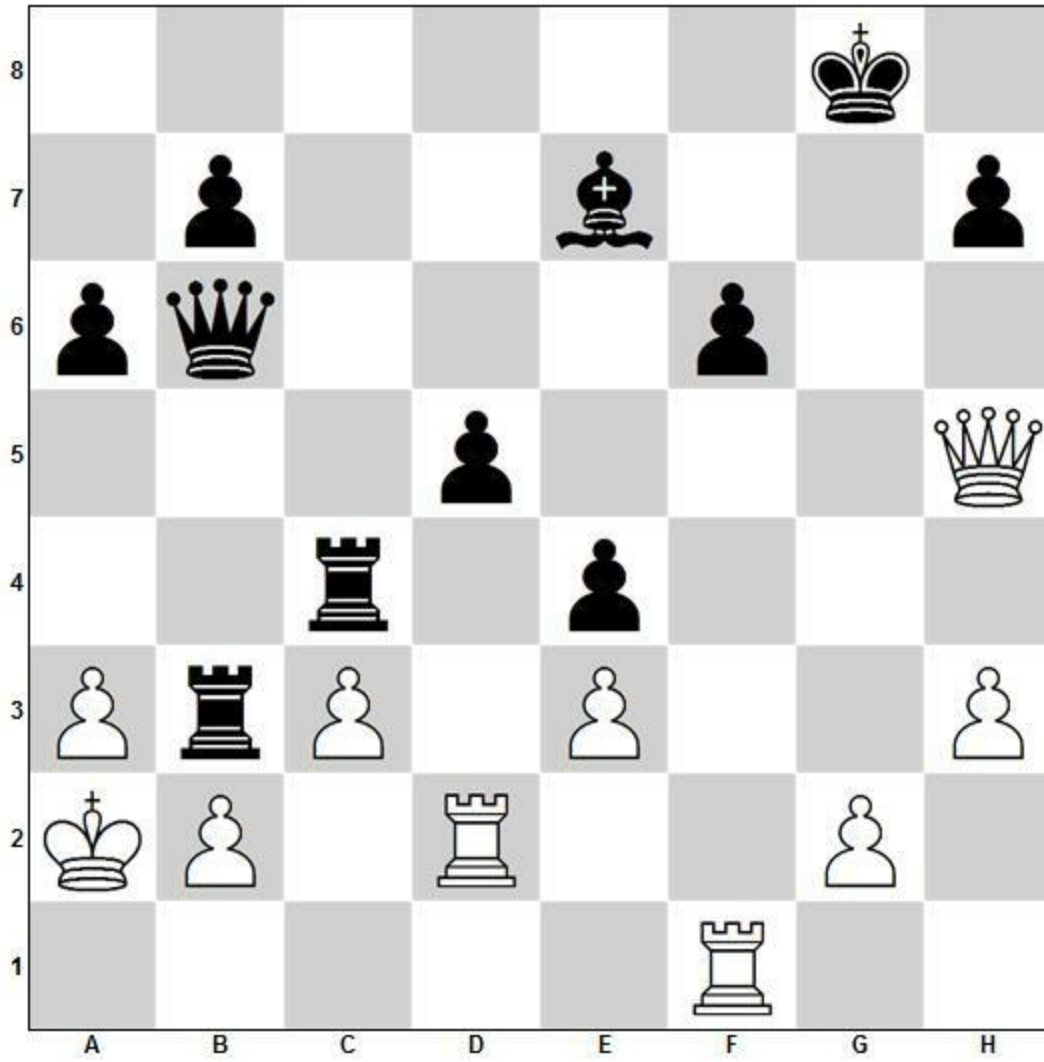
**32...Nd3!!** adds a third attacker to the f2 pawn, which cannot be defended a third time. The knight cannot be taken because of **33.Qxd3 Qxf2+ 34.Kh3 Qh2+ 35.Kg4 h5+ 36.Kg5 f6#**

From the game Michael Ginat (2179) – Lior Lapid (2295), 2014 Colorado Closed, Round 3, April 26, 2014

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<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2015/4/4/Game85920733.html>

(225) White to move



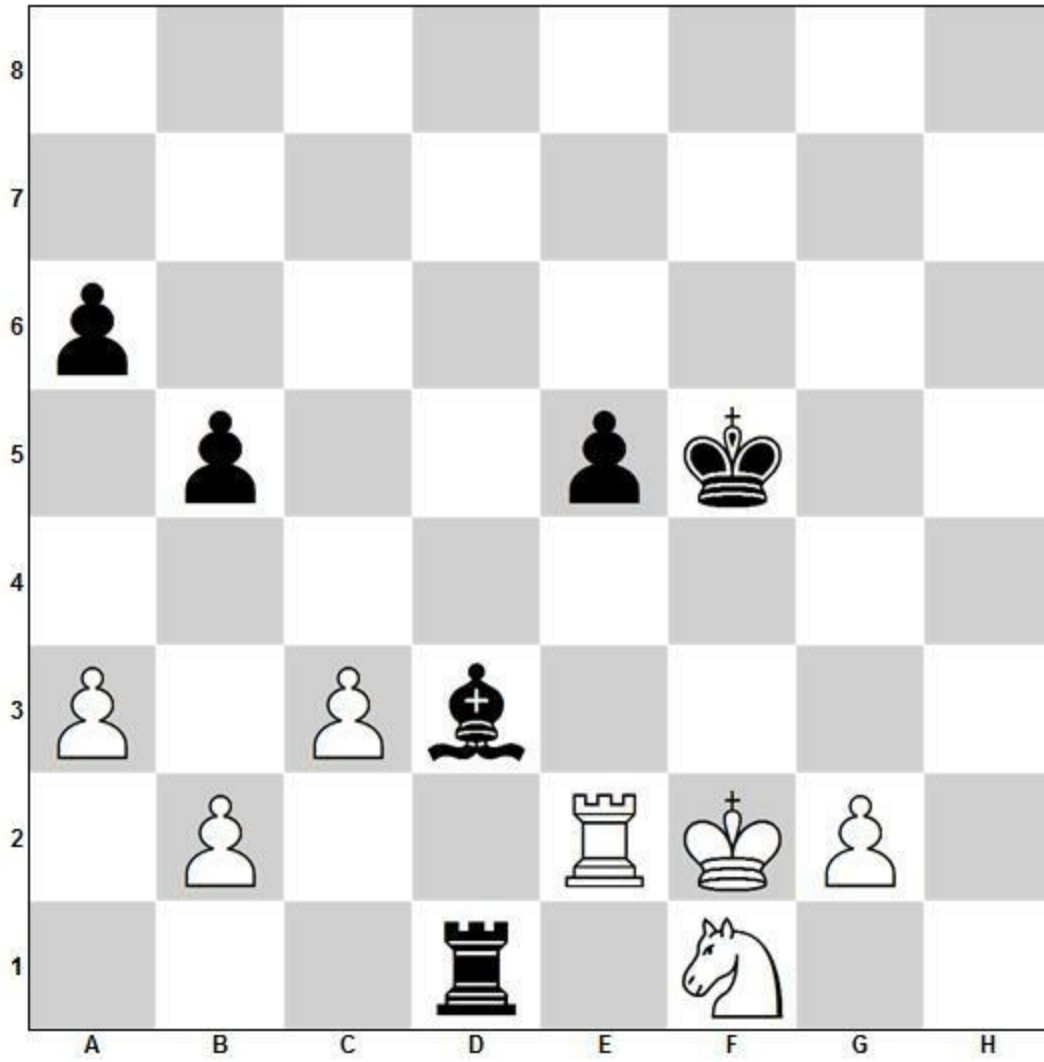
**29.Qxd5+** forks the king and rook. **29...Kg7 30.Qxc4**

From the game Robert Carlson (1686) – Andre Patin (1765), 2014 Bobby Fischer Memorial, Round 4, May 4, 2014

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<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2015/4/4/Game86085360.html>

(226) White to move



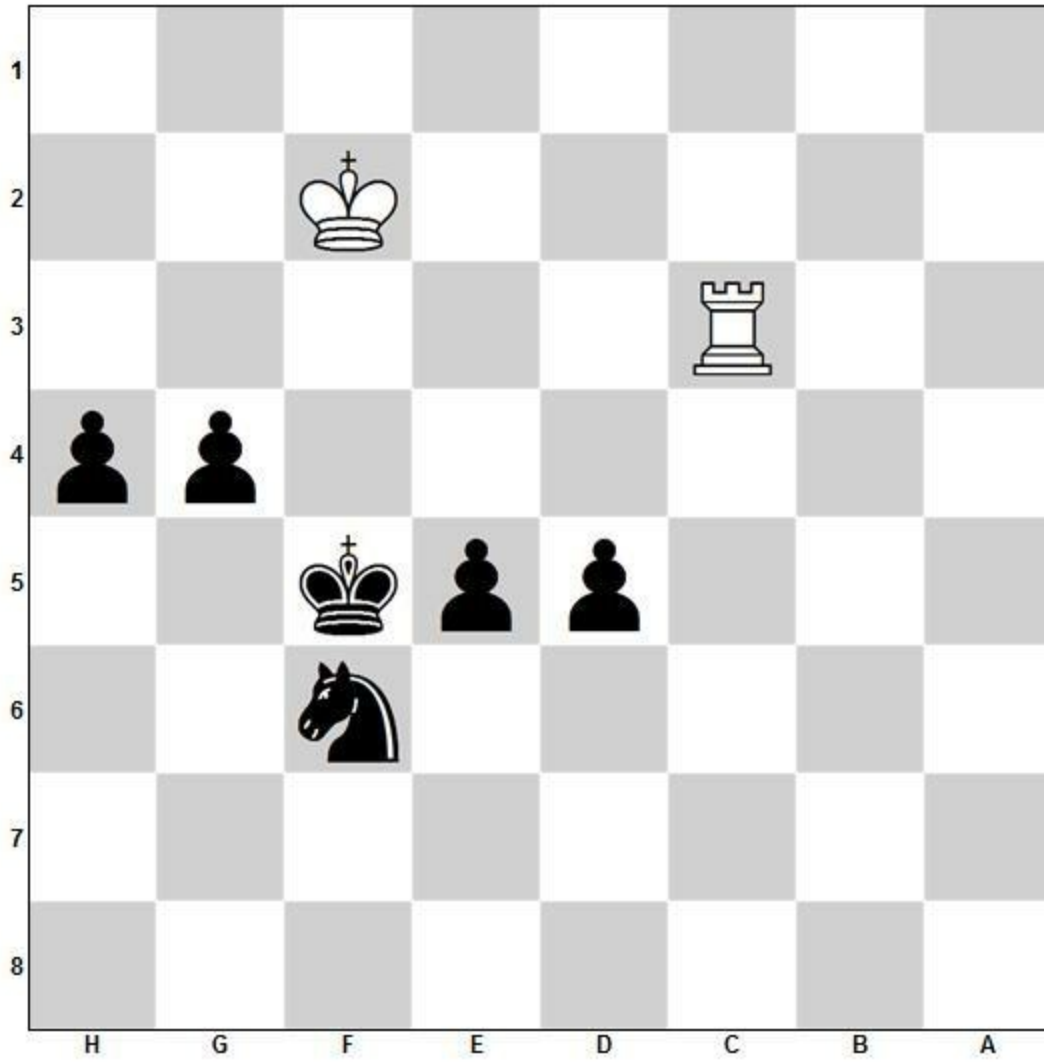
*43.Ne3+* forks the king and rook. *43...Kf4 44.Nxd1*.

From the game Andrew Lin (1450) – Barry Hepsley (1830), 2014 Bobby Fischer Memorial, Round 4, May 4, 2014

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(227) Black to move



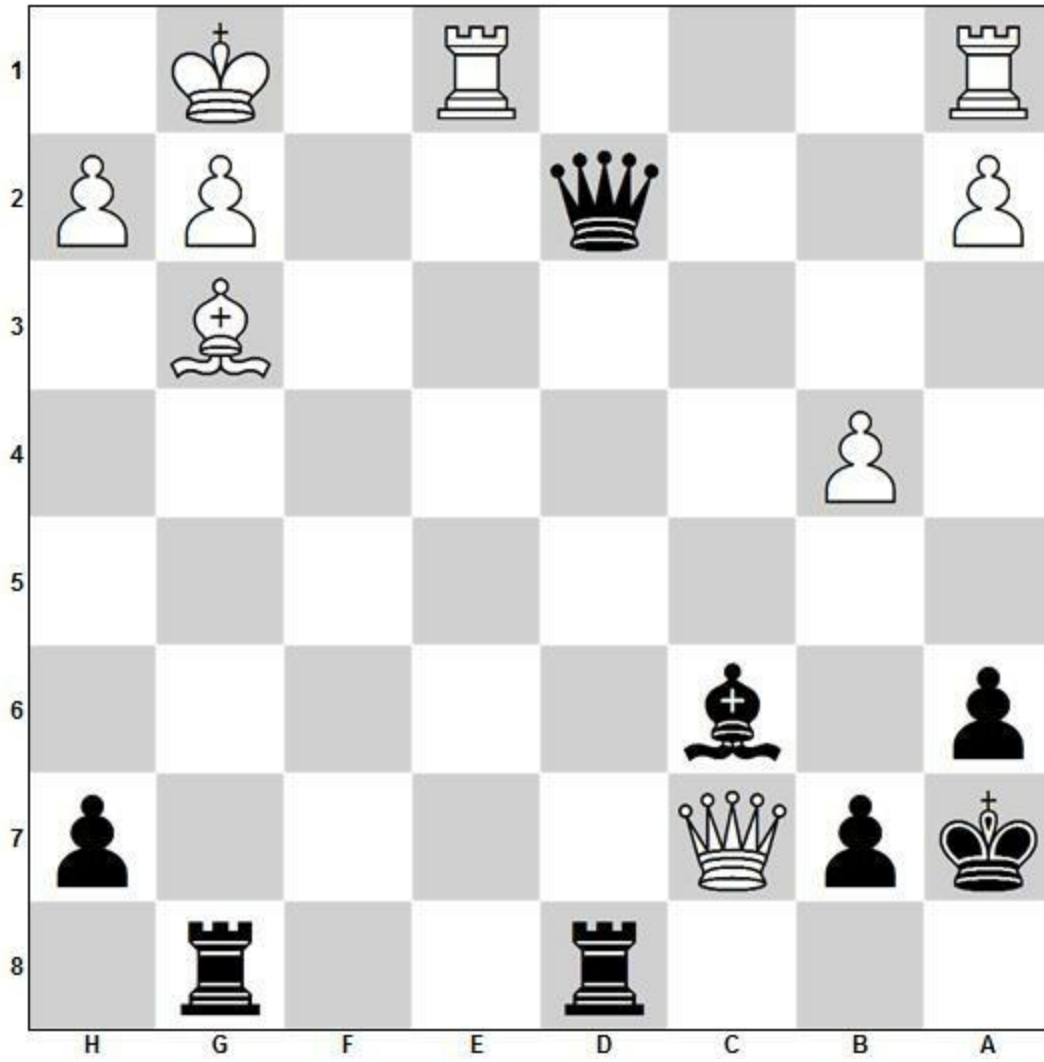
**58...Ne4+** forks the king and rook.

Variation from the game Chris Peterson (2182) – Brian Wall (2230), Denver Chess Club Tuesdays, Round 4, December 2, 2014

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<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/12/28/Game620133115.html>

(228) Black to move



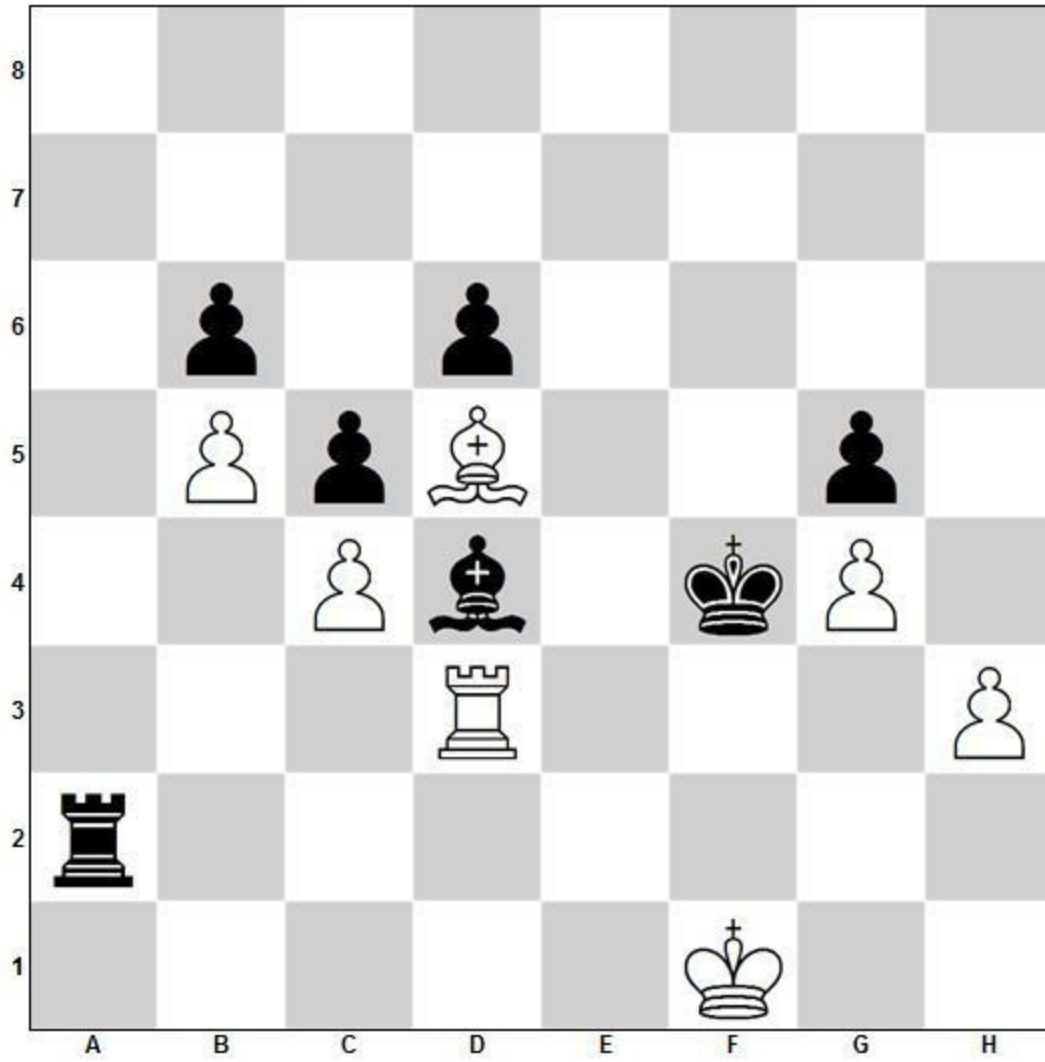
*24...Qxg2#*

From the game Alexander Marsh (1285) – Devon Wall (1048), 2014  
Colorado Open, Round 5, August 31, 2014

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(229) White to move



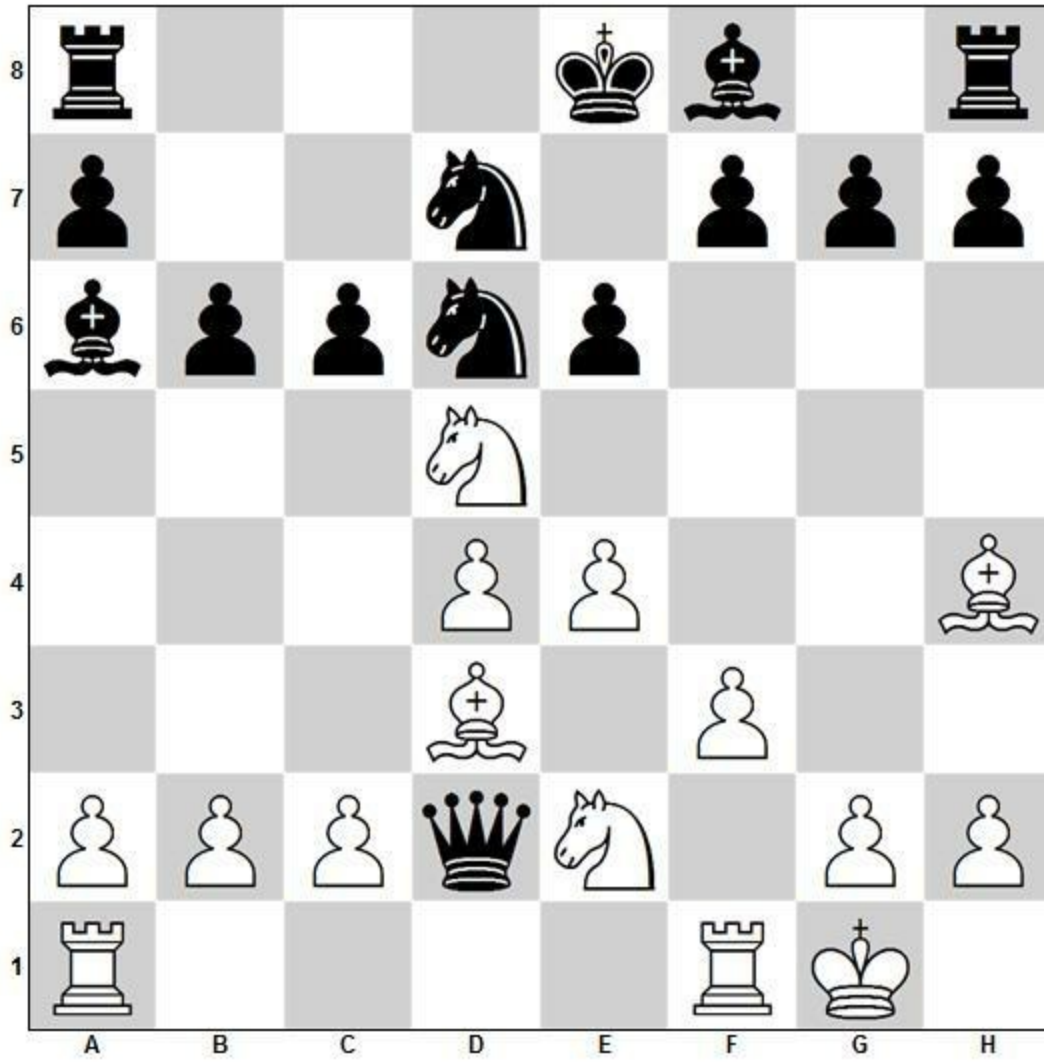
***42.Rf3+Ke5 43.Rf5#.***

From the game TB79 (1450) – dekirox (1413), Chess.com, April 16, 2015

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<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2015/4/18/Game318976539.html>

(230) White to move



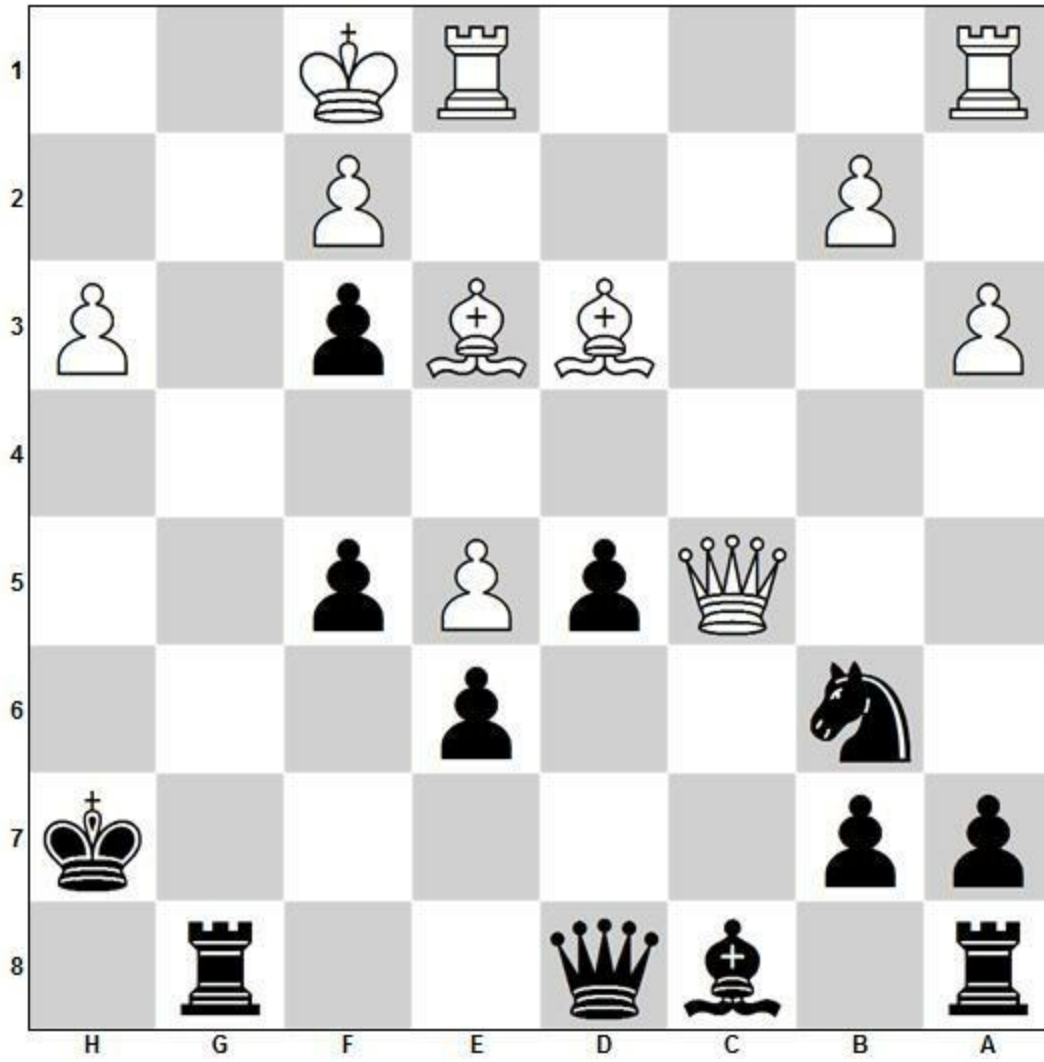
*12.Nc7#*

From the game cschessnews (1930) – Karpovsdog (1916), Live Chess,  
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<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/12/28/Game619182242.html>

(231) Black to move



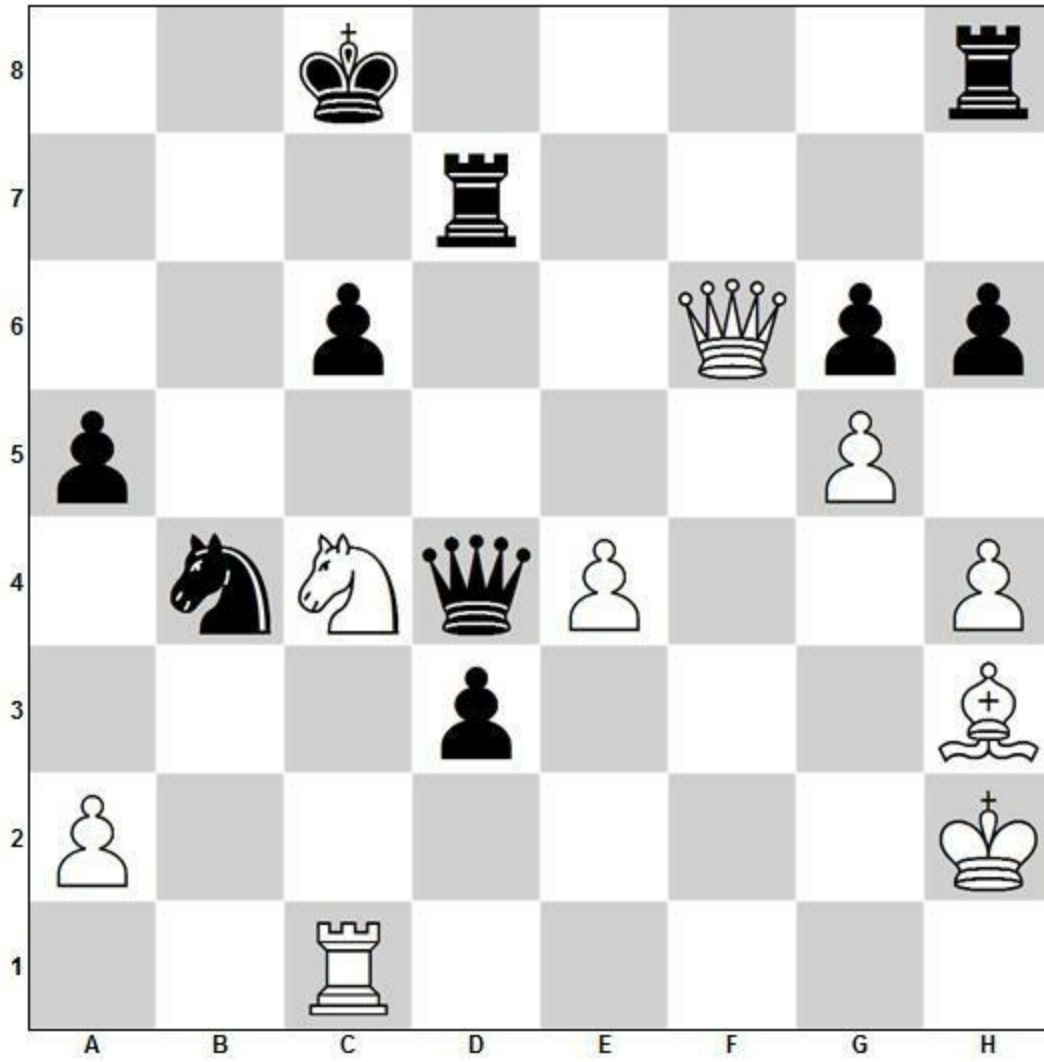
***23...Rg1+!! Kxg1 Qg8+ 25.Bg5 Qxg5+ 26.Kh2 Qg2#***

From the game Lou Frisco (1730) – Earle Wikle (1939), Ohio Chess Congress, Round 2, August 30, 2014

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<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/12/28/Game618781350.html>

(232) White to move



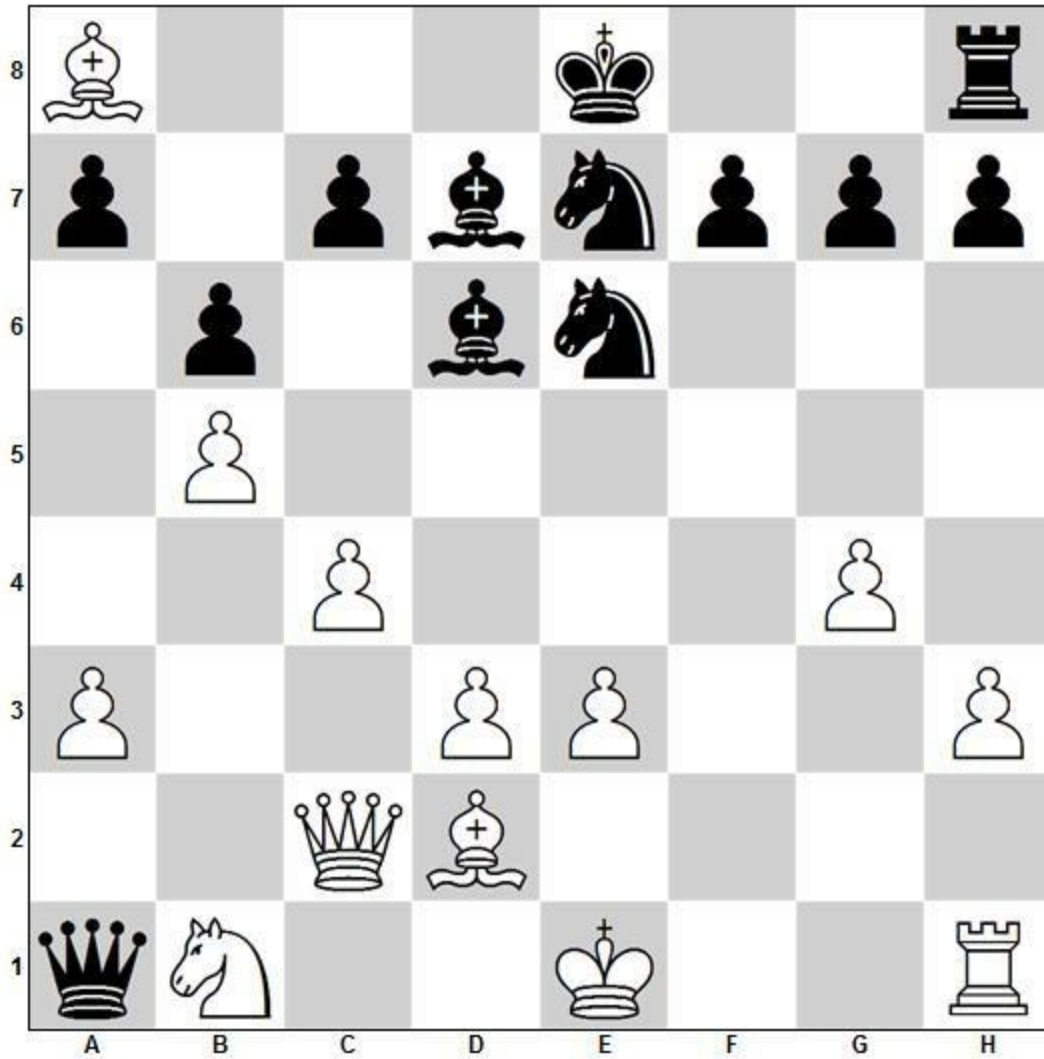
**30.***Qxd4* simply takes the queen. The rook is pinned, and cannot recapture.

From the game Chris Peterson (2150) – Brian Wall (1883), 2015 Loveland Open, Round 1, February 7, 2015

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<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2015/4/18/Game320116142.html>

(233) White to move



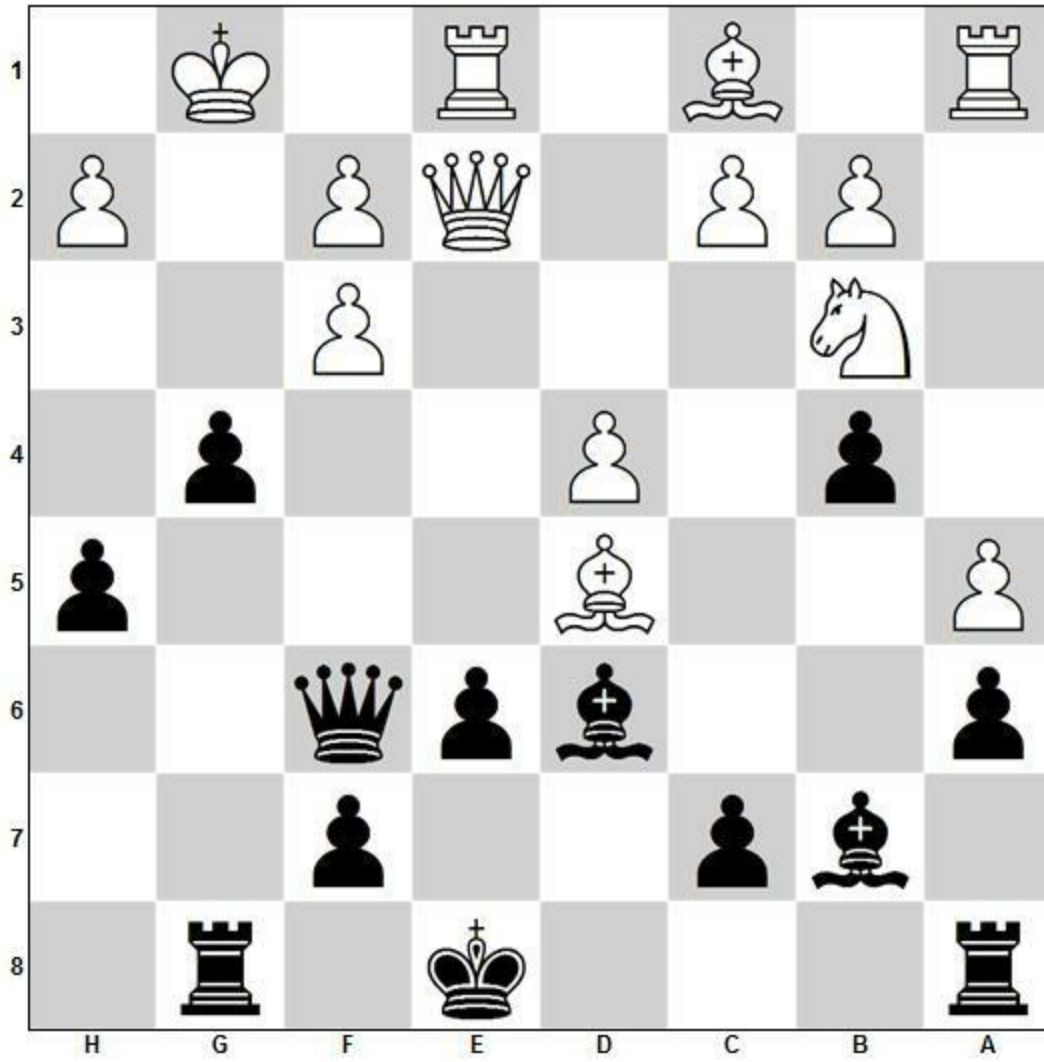
*17.Bc3* traps the queen.

Variation from the game Tim Brennan (1905) – Devon Wall (1175),  
Inaugural Corner Bakery Open, Round 1, November 2, 2013

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<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2015/4/18/Game320321392.html>

(234) Black to move



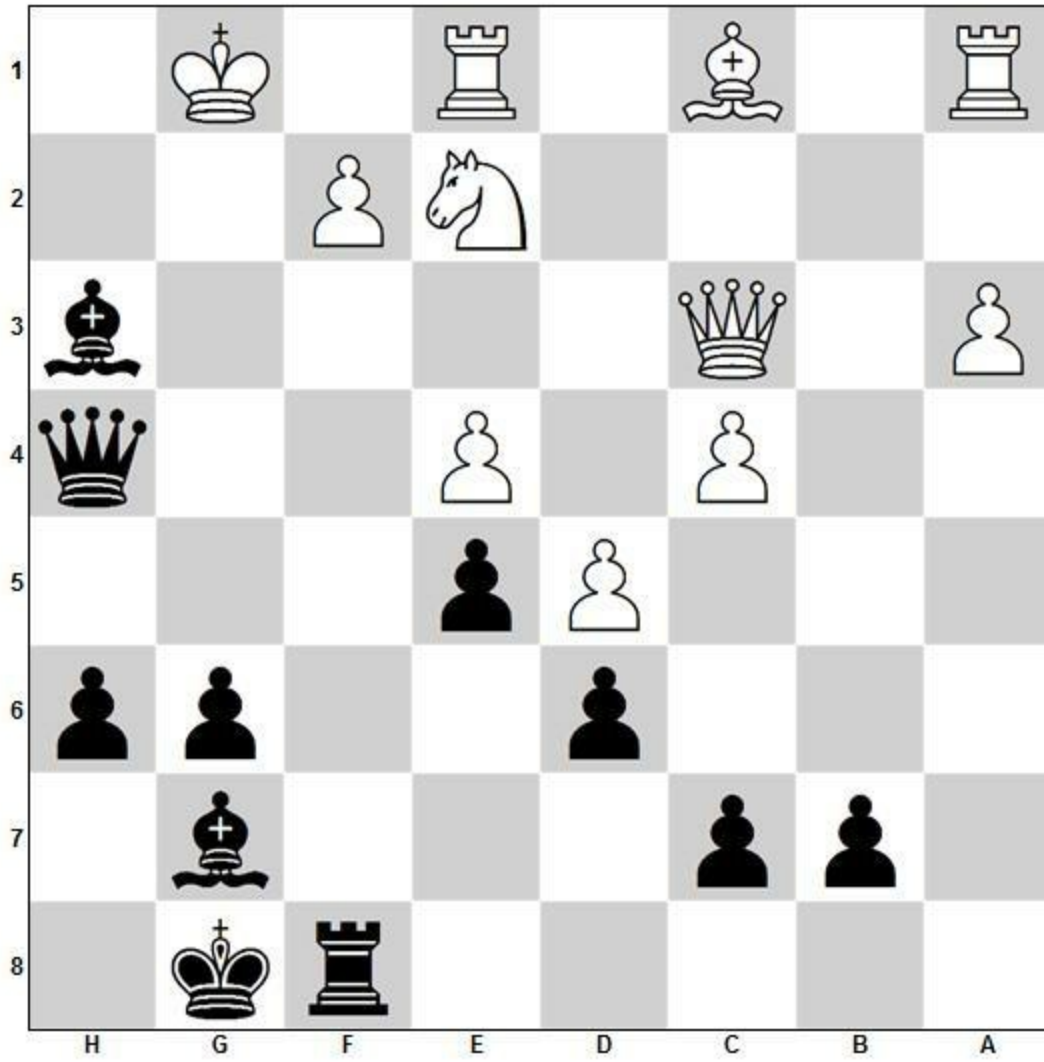
*19...gxf3*+ discovered check, winning the queen, *20.Kh1 fxe2*.

From the game Lelo (1880) - MassCarnage (2200), ICC 15 5, May 3, 2014

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<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/12/24/Game251226365.html>

(235) Black to move



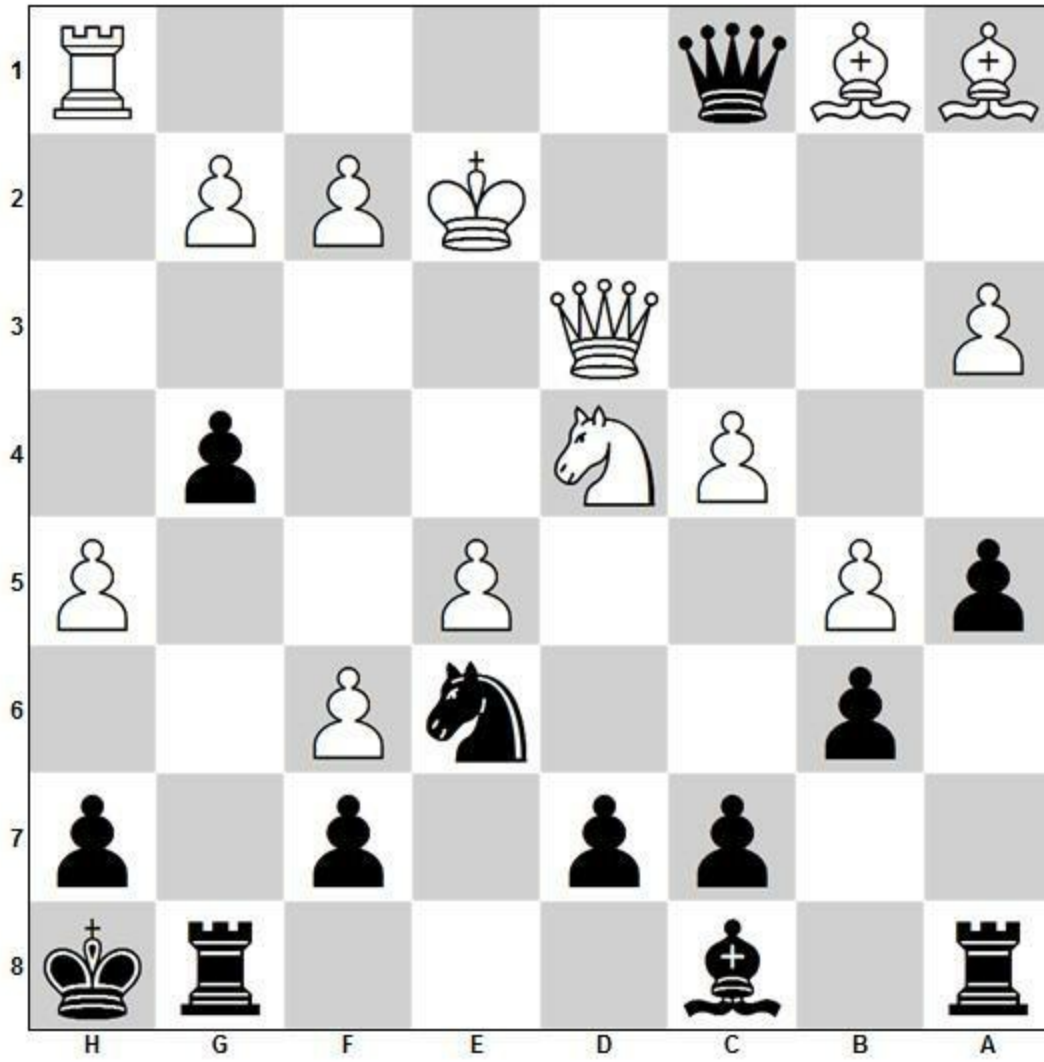
***24...Qxf2+ 25.Kh1 Qg2#***

Variation from the game nissk (1829) – FearNoEvil12 (2200), Summer Chess Classic 2014, Round 1, June 26, 2014

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<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/12/24/Game254538719.html>

(236) Black to move



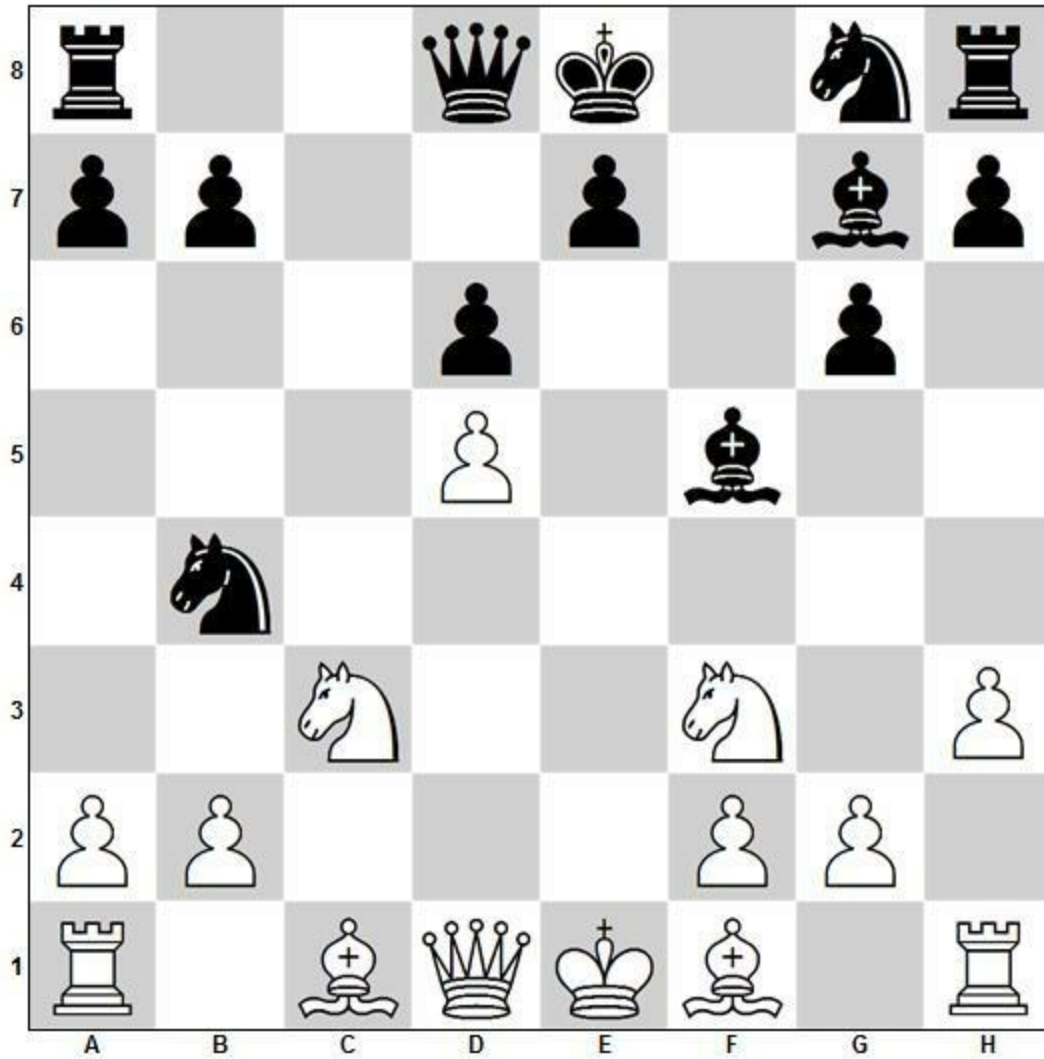
**25...Nf4#**

From the game Barracude (2071) – BrianWall (1983), ICC 15 10, December 27, 2013

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/12/25/Game347737351.html>

(237) White to move



*10.Qa4*+forks the king and knight.

From the game Brian Wall (2247) – Joe Pahk (1798), New Year Kickoff,  
Round 1, January 1, 2015

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<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2015/1/10/Game797833214.html>



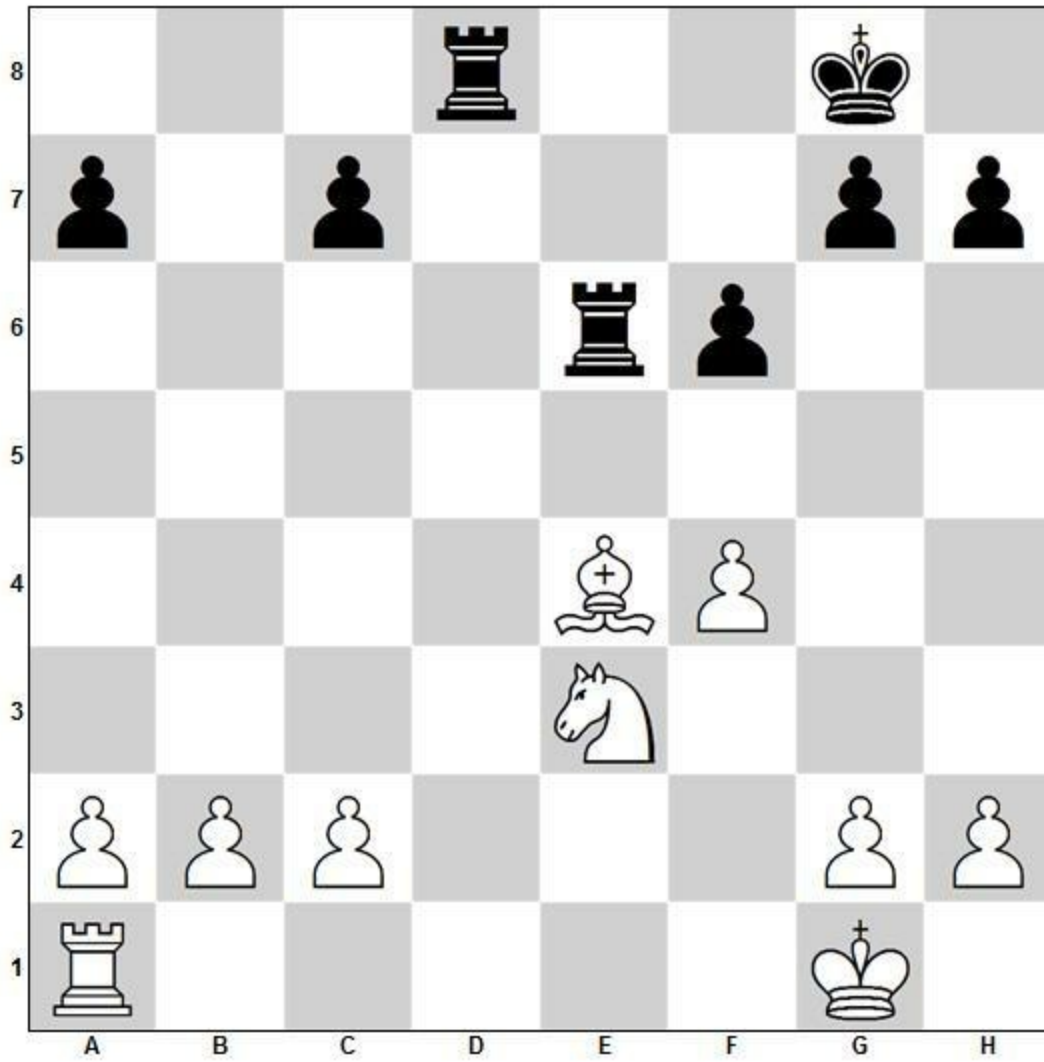
***25...Rxb5+ 26.Ka1 Bb2+ 27.Kb1 Na3#***

From the game marcoscleite (1411) – jbaffo (1407), Live Chess, chess.com, January 3, 2015

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<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2015/1/10/Game798101926.html>

(239) White to move



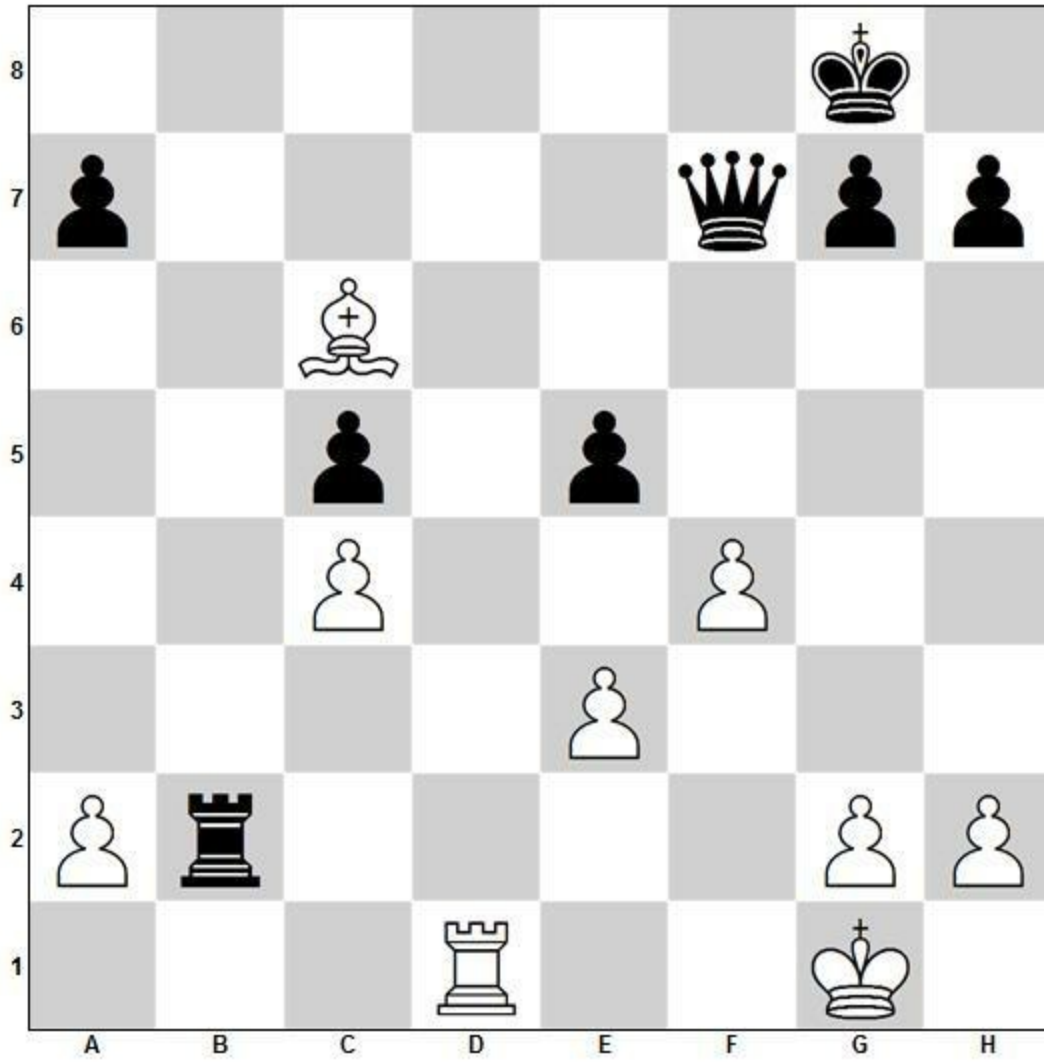
**20.Bd5** pins the black rook to the king. If **20...Rxd5 21.Nxd5** winning the exchange.

Variation from the game MysteryMan (2227) – lancerisimo (2025), ICC 3 0, February 5, 2009

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/12/24/Game255862372.html>

(240) White to move



***31.Rd8+ Qe8 32.Rxe8+ Kf7 33.Rxe5.***

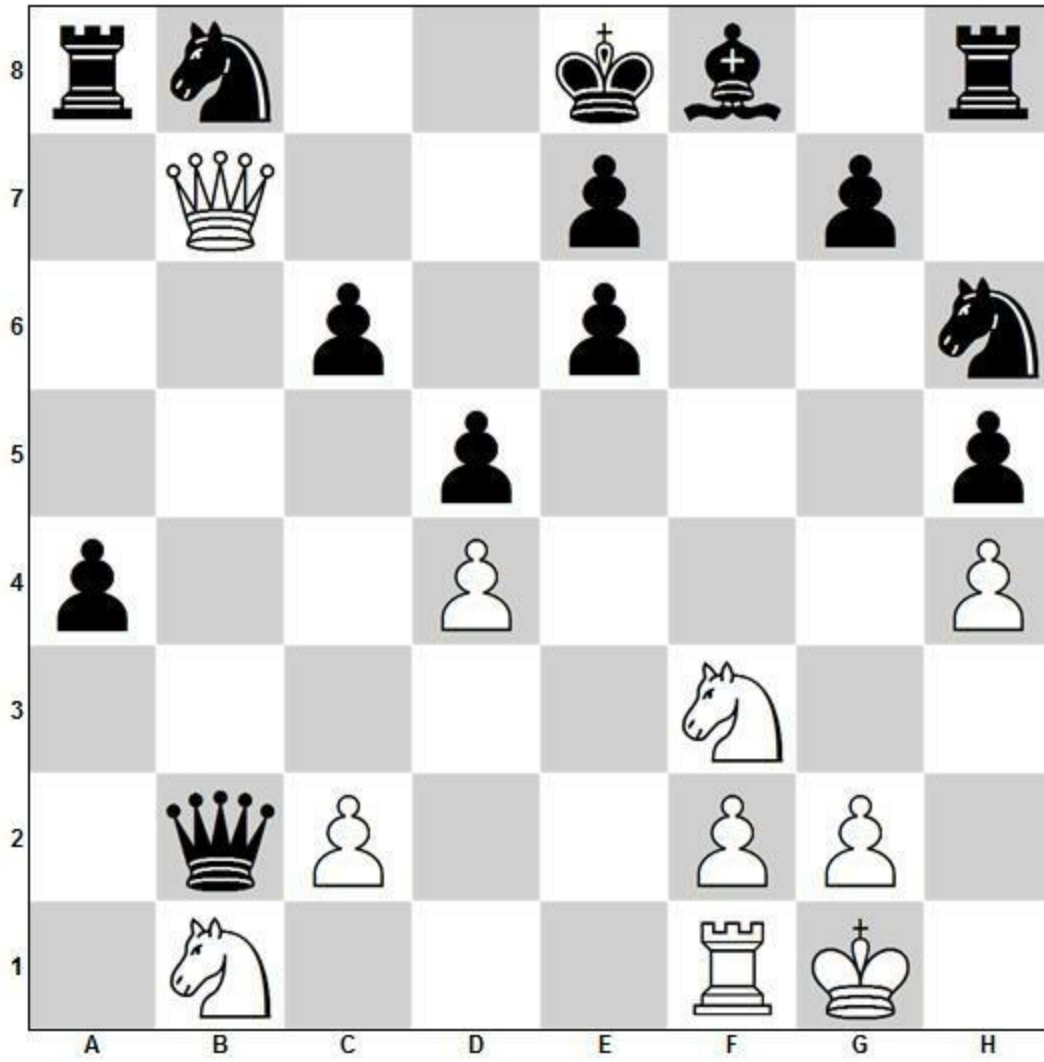
***If 31...Qf8 32.Bd5+ Kh8 33.Rxf8#.***

Variation from the game Anthea Carson (1820) – Samuel Dorchuck (1430),  
Salute to Boris Spassky, Round 4, July 20, 2014

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(241) White to move



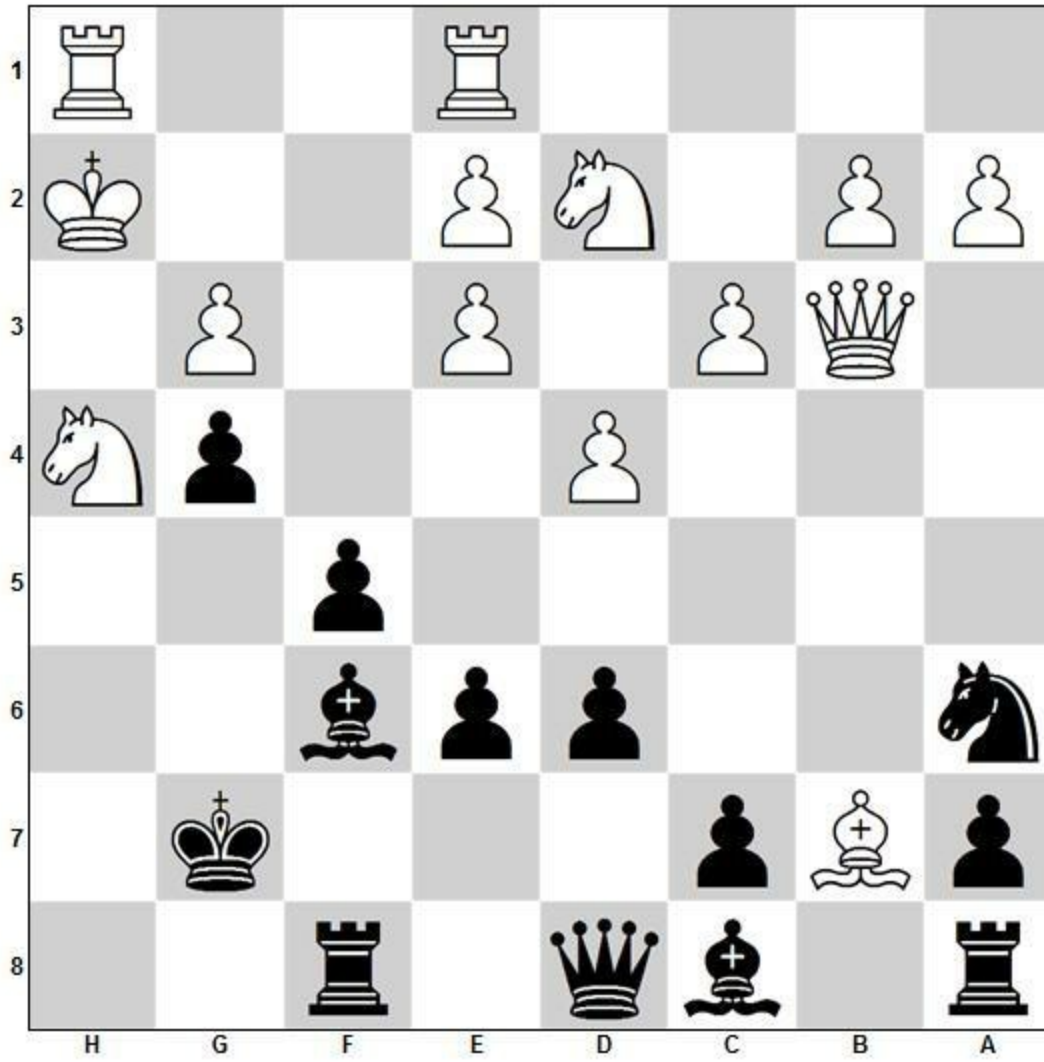
***16.Qc8+*** ignores the hanging black queen, and goes for checkmate instead.  
***16...Kf7 17.Ng5+ Kg8 18.Qxe6+ Nf7 19.Qxf7#***

From the game Chris Peterson (2183) – Ted Doykos (1635), Round 8, Casual Blitz during 2015 Boulder Open, March 28, 2015

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2015/4/17/Game189623832.html>

(242) Black to move



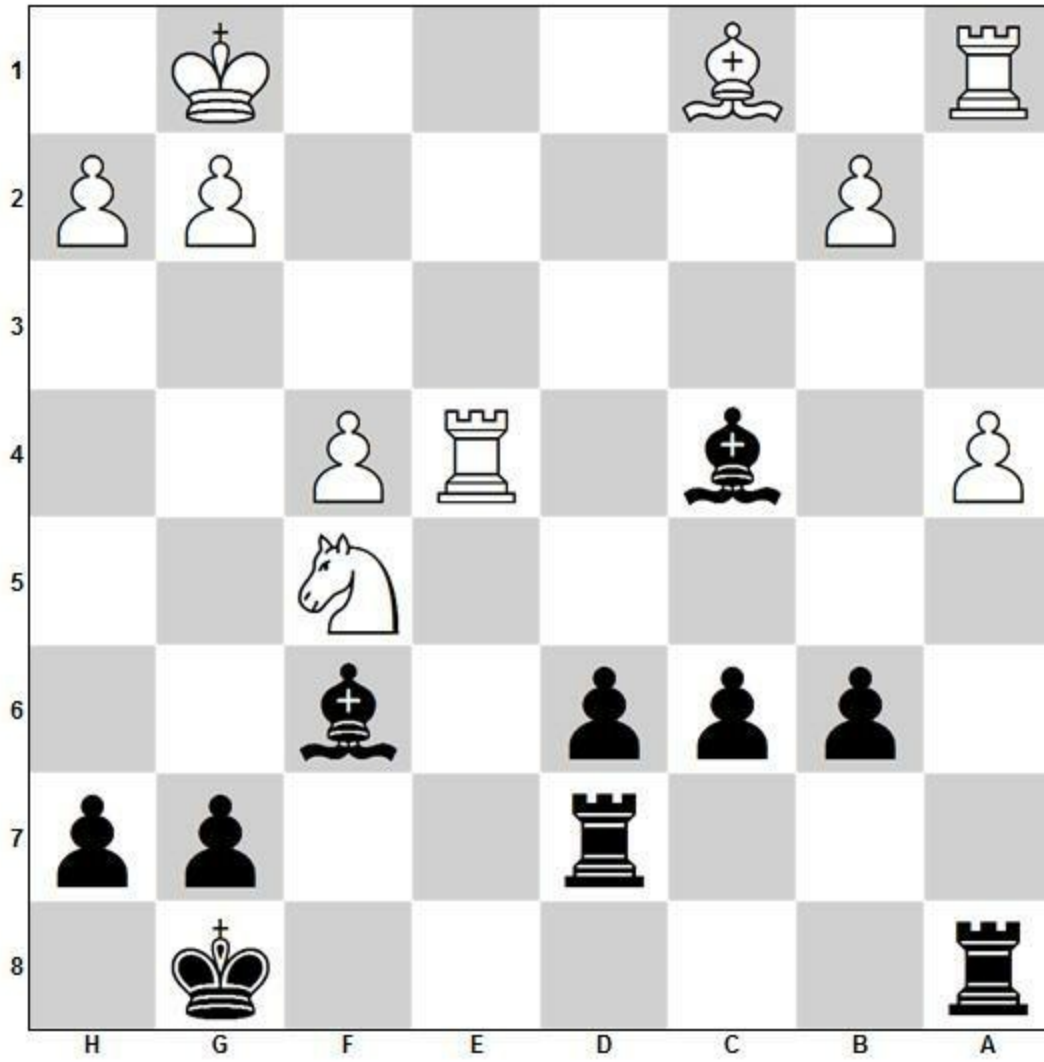
**18...Rb8** pins and wins the bishop.

Variation from the game Mark Krowczyk (1845) – Brian Wall (2245), Round 1, Fort Collins Chess Olympiad, December 20, 2014

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(243) Black to move



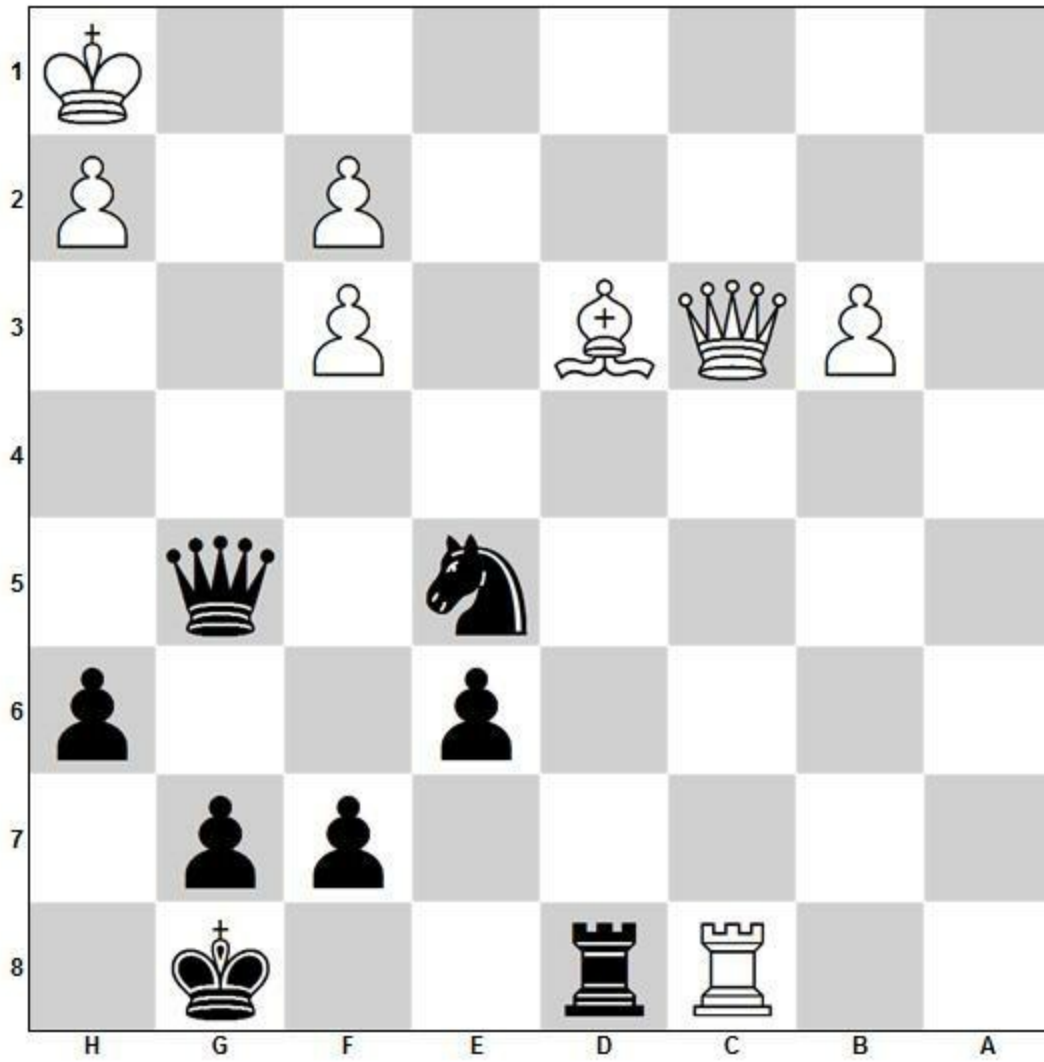
**22...Bd3** skewers the rook and knight.

From the game Sam Kater (1285) – Brian Wall (2250), Salute to Boris Spassky, Round 2, July 19, 2014

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(244) Black to move



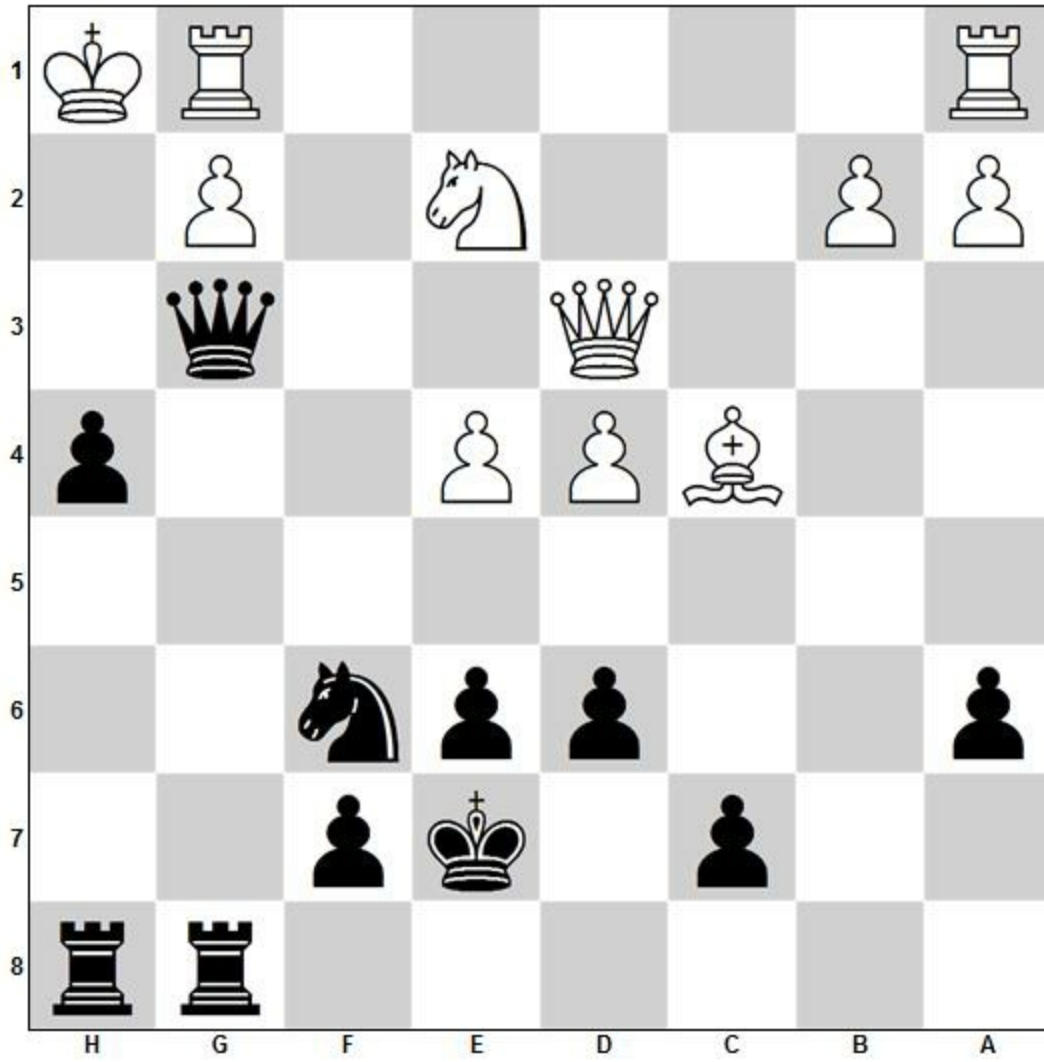
**24...Nxd3** takes advantage of the over loaded white queen, which can't defend both the knight and rook.

From the game Sayers40 (1428) – IJTreasure (1472), ICC 10 12, August 1, 2014

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<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/12/24/Game262204062.html>

(245) Black to move



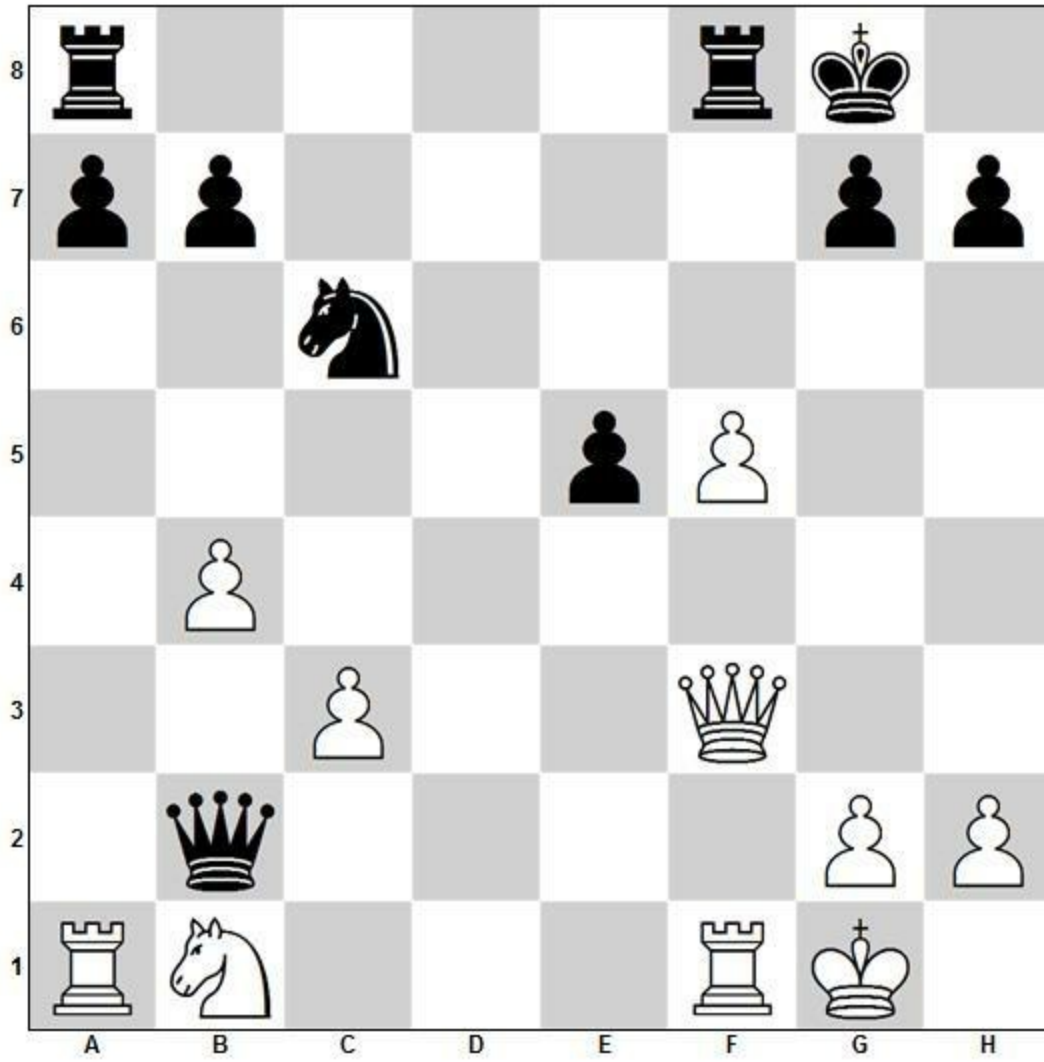
**24...Ng4!!** threatening Qh2# **25.Nxg3 hxg3#**

From the game freakypawn (1616) – MassCarnage (2200), ICC 45 0, May 30, 2014

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<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/12/28/Game590199846.html>

(246) White to move



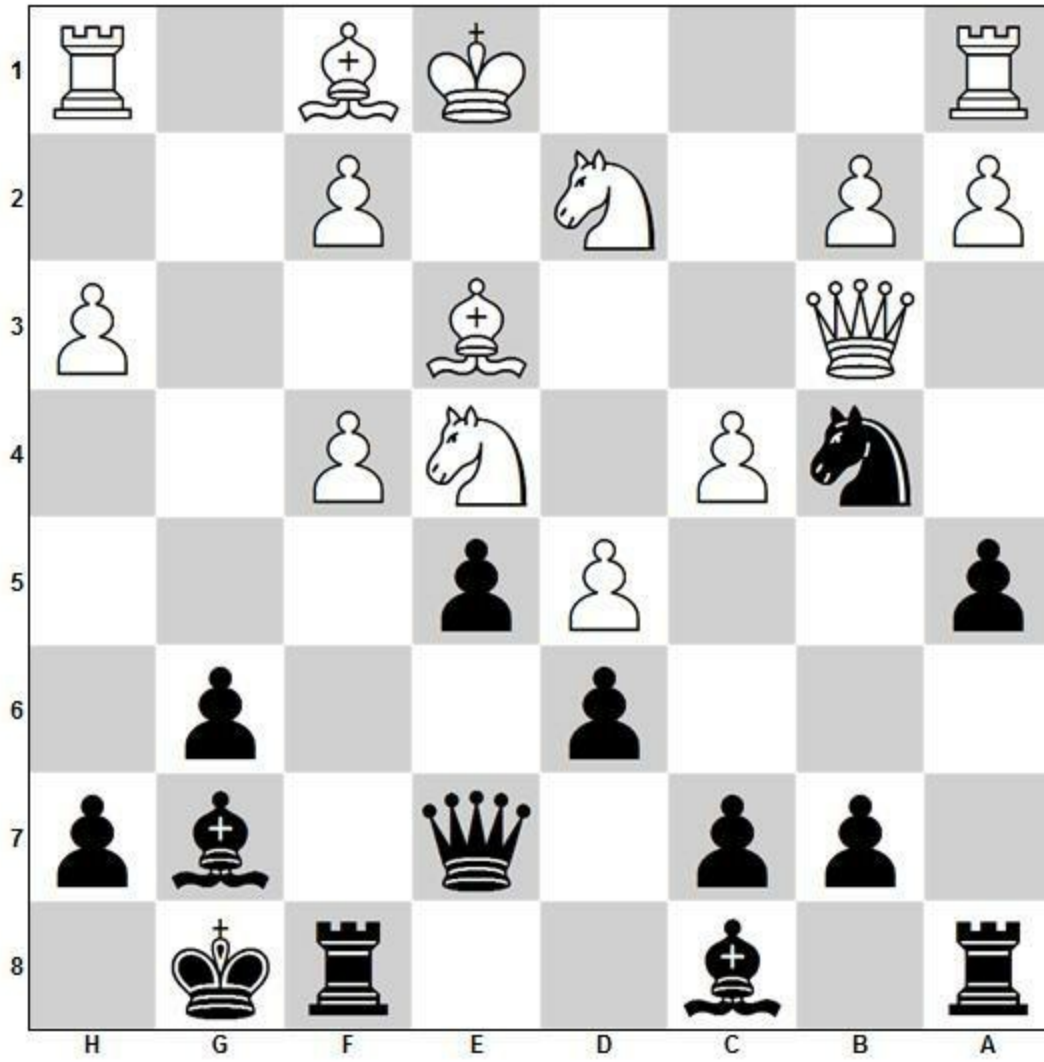
**20.Qd5+ Kh8 21.Ra2** traps the black queen. Black's defense is to give up the knight with **21...Nxb4 22.cxb4 Qxb4 23.Qxe5**.

From the game Hywel2 (1724) – FearNoEvil (2200), Sicilian Defense TEST  
Chess.com, Round 2, May 11, 2014

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<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2014/12/28/Game591293740.html>

(247) Black to move



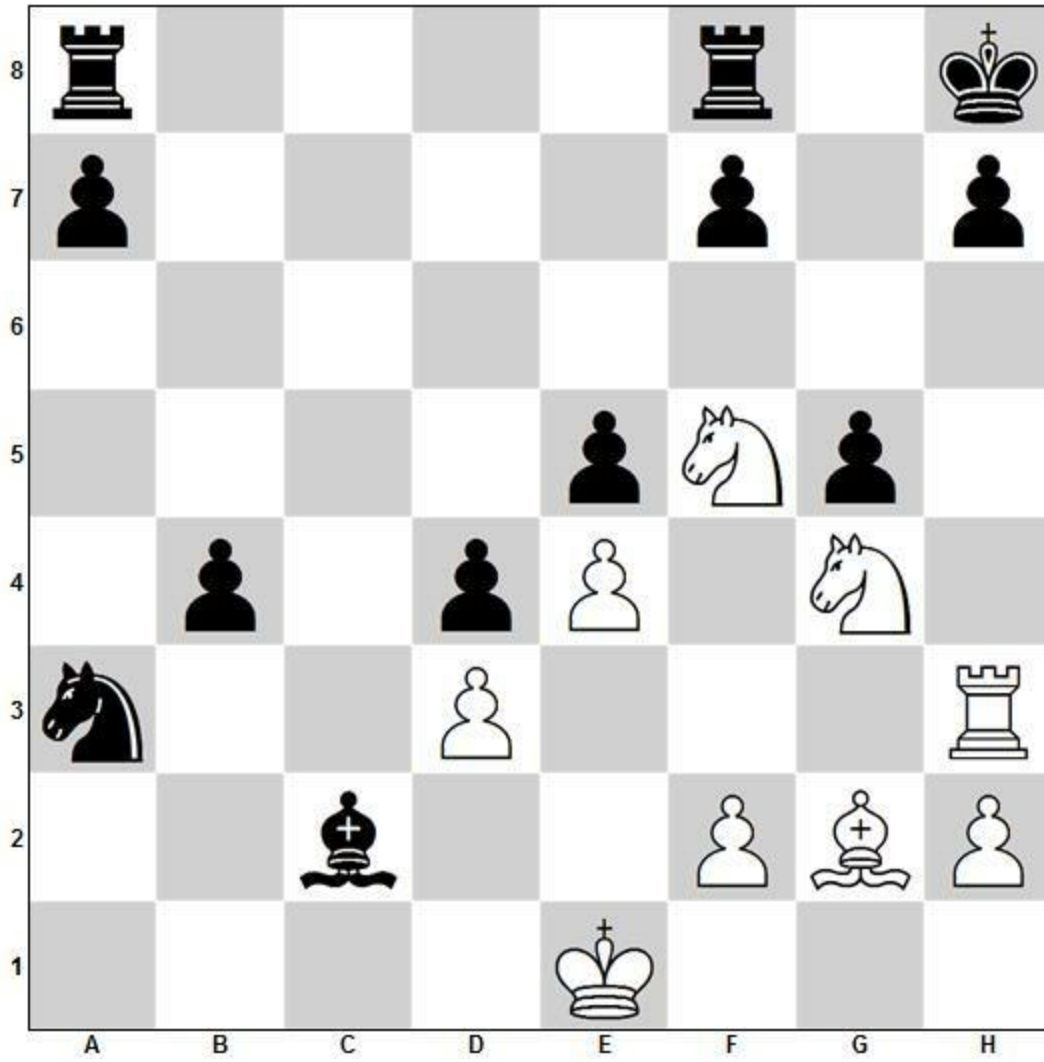
*16...exf4* attacks the bishop which has no escape squares.

Variation from the game Anthea Carson (1817) – Earle Wikle (2019), DCC  
Tribute to Martin Luther King, Round 3, January 17, 2015

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<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2015/4/4/Game69799683.html>

(248) White to move



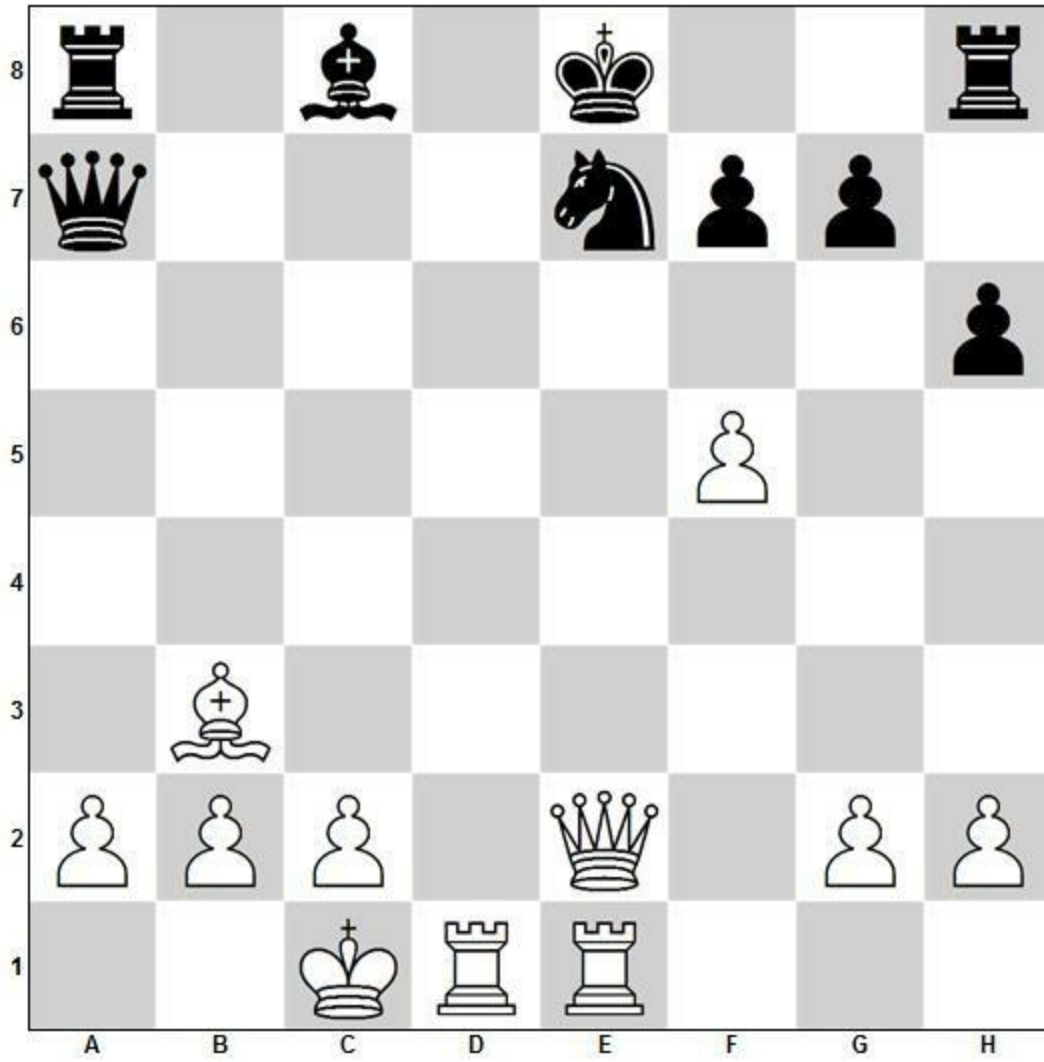
**30.Nf6** and black cannot stop **31.Rxh7#**.

Variation from the game Tim Brennan (1805) – Aiden Marco (1711), DCC  
Tribute to Martin Luther King, Round 4, January 18, 2015

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<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2015/4/4/Game98157997.html>

(249) White to move



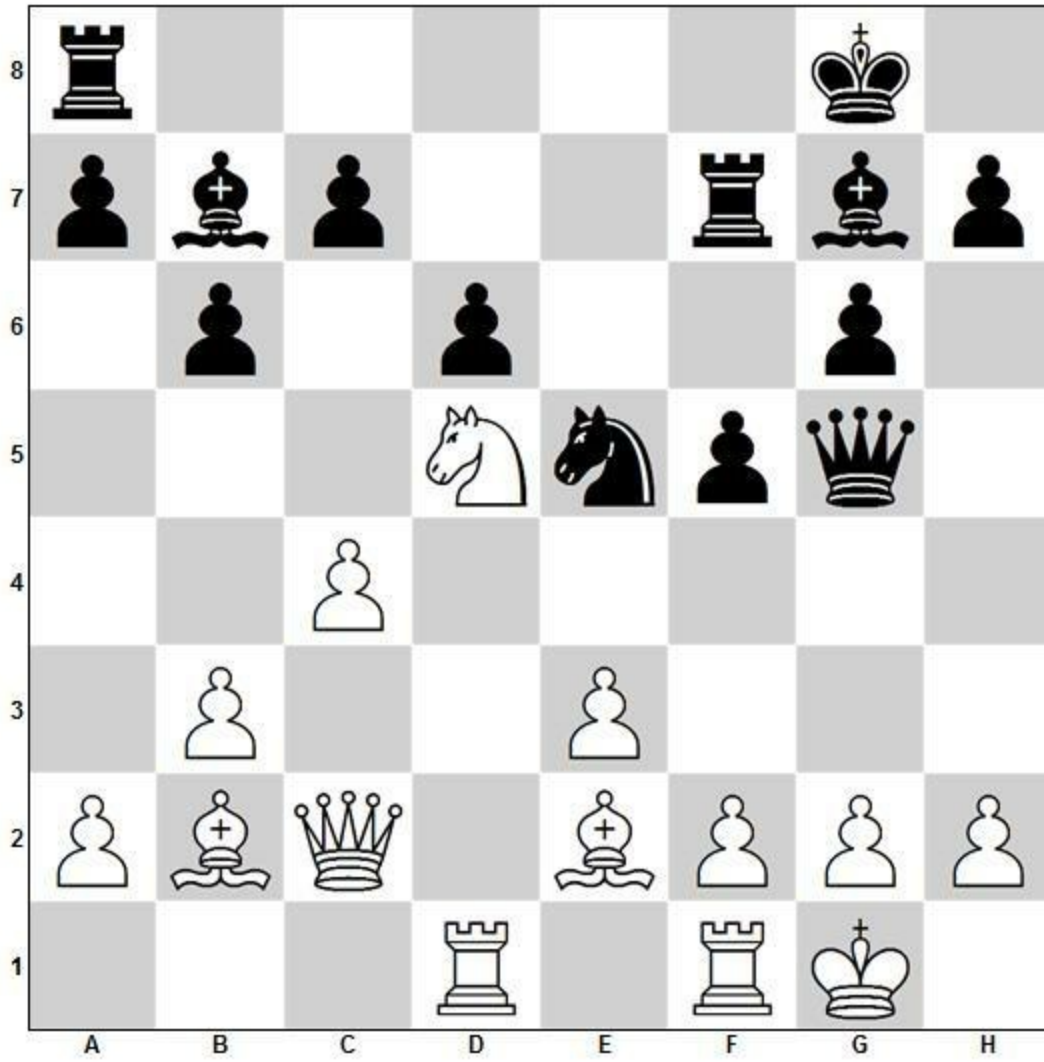
**22.Ba4+!! Qd7 [22...Bd7 or 22...Qxa4] 23.Qxe7#. If 22...Kf8 23.Rd8#.**

From the game Nick DesMarais (2124) – Richard Cowen (2154), Valley Chess New Years, Round 3, January 1, 2015

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<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2015/4/4/Game98955162.html>

(250) White to move



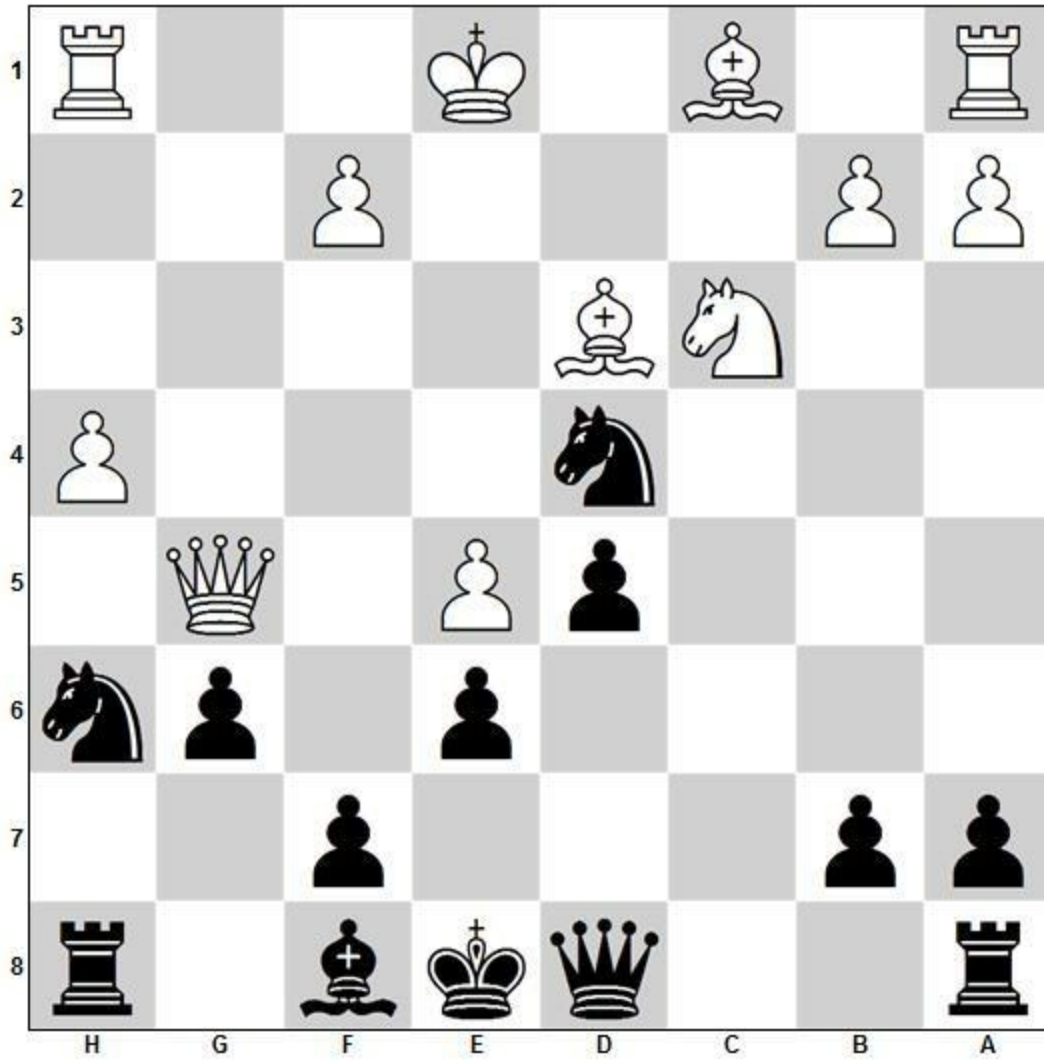
*17.f4* forks the queen and knight.

From the game Akshay Malhotra (2225) – Dev Thimmisetty (1659), 18<sup>th</sup>  
Annual Texas Grade and Collegiate, Round 4, November 2, 2014

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<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2015/4/4/Game78854667.html>

(251) Black to move



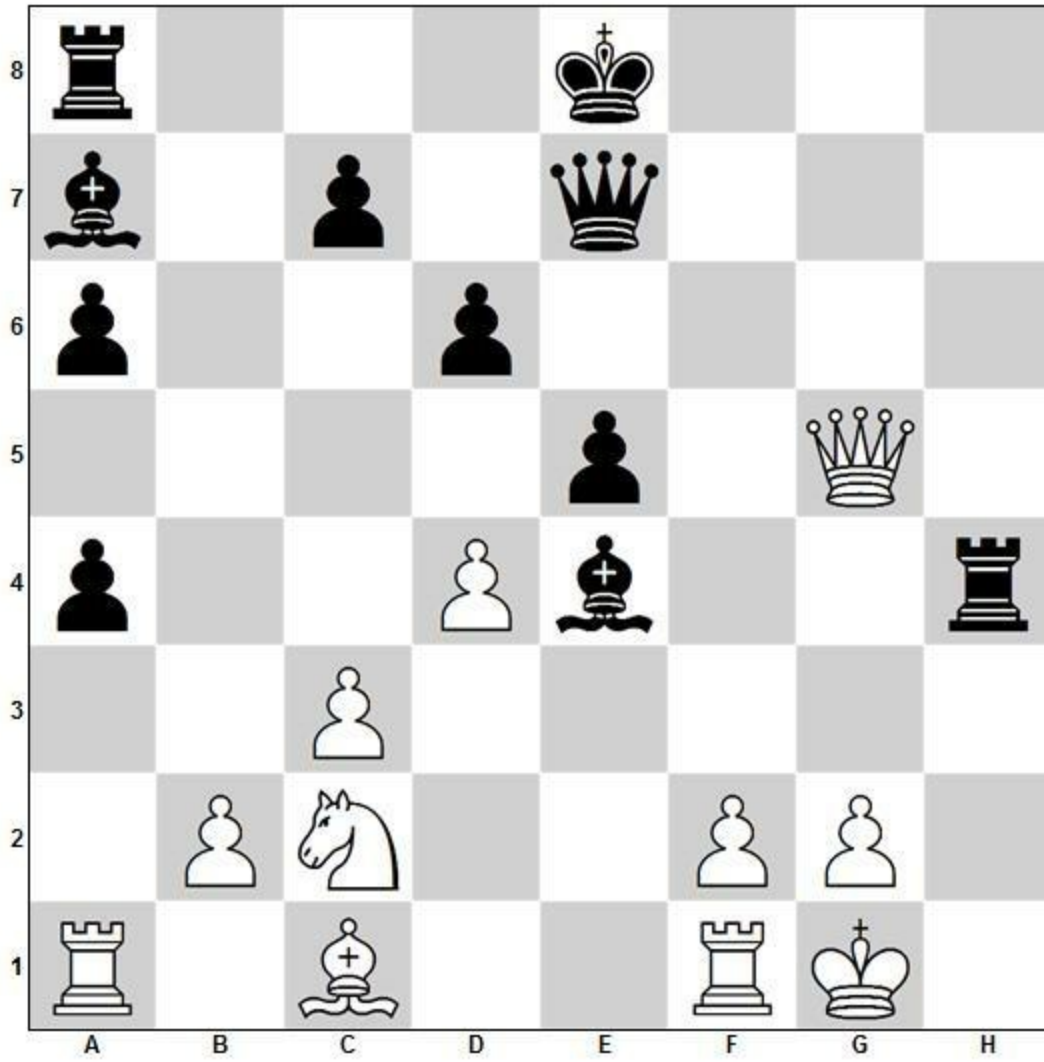
**14...Nf3+** forks the king and queen.

From the game Chris Peterson (2183) – Brian Wall (2324), 80<sup>th</sup> Corner Bakery Blitz, Round 17, January 31, 2015

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2015/4/18/Game319421578.html>

(252) White to move



**21.Qxe7+ Kxe7 22.Bg5+** forks the king and rook.

Variation from the game insolente (2202) – BrianWall (2062), ICC 3 0  
Internet Chess Club, April 20, 2015

You can play through this game and download the PGN here:

<http://www.viewchess.com/cbreader/2015/4/24/Game323681076.html>



**Final Thoughts**

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