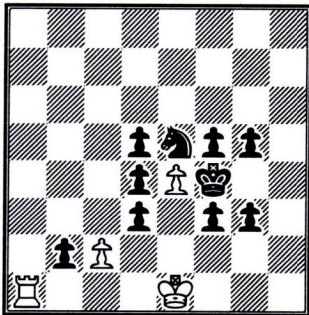


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H # 2

b) bPb2 – a2

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a)

1.d:e4 Ta4 2.e3 T:d4 #

Try: 1.d:e3 e.p.? Td1 2.d:c2 T:d4? The “en passant” capture is illegal since it is not possible to prove that the last white move was e2-e4.

1.d:e3 e.p. O-O-O? 2.d:c2 T:d4? does not work because castling is not possible.

b)

1.d:e3 e.p.! O-O-O! (Td1?) 2.d:c2 T:d4 #

At first sight, the “en passant” capture cannot be justified as both wK / wT might have moved before. Nevertheless the upcoming castling (which needs no evidence of no previous moves by the related pieces) proves “a posteriori” that no move other than c2-c4 was left for White in a retro (after “a posteriori”) analysis. An unusual situation.

1.d:e4 Ta4? 2.e3 T:d4? does not work anymore because of the bPa2.