

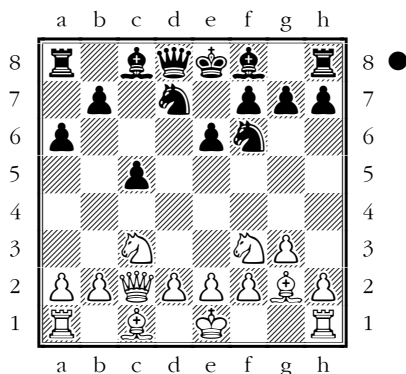
# Kandidatenturnier 2020, bzw. 2021

"Super-Dienstag", 22. Juni 2021, Rolf Knobel

## Nepomniachtchi, Ian (2774) – Alekseenko, Kirill (2698) [A13]

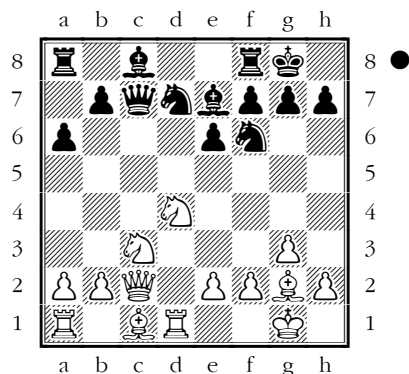
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**1.c4 ♘f6 2.g3 e6 2...d5 3.cxd5 ♘xd5 (3...♗xd5 4.♘f3 e5 5.♘c3 ♗a5 6.♙g2±) 4.♙g2 e5 5.♘f3 ♘c6 6.0-0 ♘b6 7.b3 1/2-1/2 (63) Carlsen,M (2863) –Nakamura,H (2736) chess24.com INT 2020 3.♙g2 d5 4.♘f3 dxc4 4...♙e7 5.0-0 0-0 6.b3!? 5.♗a4+ Schwarz muss sich entscheiden zwischen drei vernünftigen Zügen. 5...♘bd7 5...c6 6.♗xc4 b5 7.♗b3 ♙b7 8.0-0 ♘bd7 9.d4 ♙e7 10.♙d1 0-0 11.♘e5 ♘xe5 12.dxe5 ♘d7 13.♙f4 ♗c7 14.♘c3 (14.♘d2 ♙fd8 15.♘e4) 14...♘c5 15.♗c2 b4 16.♘b1 ♙a6 17.♙f3 1-0 (49) Caruana,F (2822)–Duda, J (2758) Wijk aan Zee 2020; 5...♙d7 6.♗xc4 c5 7.♘e5 ♗c8 8.♗d3!? 6.♗xc4 a6 6...c5 7.d3!? a6 8.♗b3± 7.♗c2 Es drohte b5 7.♗c2= ♙b7 7...c5 8.♘c3**

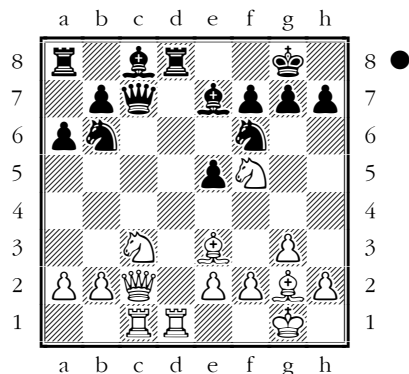


**8...♙e7?! 8...♗c7! 9.0-0 b6 10.d4 ♙b7 11.♙f4 ♙d6 12.♙xd6 ♗xd6 13.♙fd1 0-0= 14.e4 cxd4 15.♘xd4 ♗c7 16.♙ac1 ♙ad8 17.♗e2 (17.f4!? e5 18.♘d5 ♗xc2 19.♘xc2 exf4 20.gxf4 ♘c5 21.♘ce3 ♙xd5 1-0 (51) Giri, A (2779)–Karljakin,S (2748) Riga 2019(21...♘cxe4=) ) 17...♗b8 18.♙c2 (18.e5 ♙xg2 19.exf6 ♙a8 20.fxg7 ♙fe8=) 18...b5= 0-1 (42) Donchenko,A (2668)–Esipenko,A (2677) Wijk aan Zee 2021 **9.0-0 0-0 10.d4** 10.♙d1!? e5 11.a4± **10...cxd4?! 10...b5!?** war objektiv besser. Aber alle weissen Fortsetzungen müssten dafür genau berechnet werden. 11.♘e5 **a)** 11.♘g5!? ♙a7 12.dxc5 ♙xc5 13.♙f4± e5 14.♙xe5!? ♘xe5 15.♘d5 ♙xf2+ 16.♙xf2 ♘g6∞ 17.♘xf6+ (17.♙xf6!? gxf6 18.♘e4 ♘g7 19.♗c5 ♙b7!∞) 17...gxf6 18.♘e4 (18.♙d1 ♙c7) 18...f5 19.♙d1 ♙c7 20.♘f6+ ♘h8 21.♙xd8 ♙xc2 22.♙xf8+ ♘xf8=; **b)** 11.dxc5 ♙b7□=; 11...♘xe5 12.dxe5 ♘d5 13.♘xd5 exd5 14.♙e3 ♙e6! 15.♙xc5 ♗c7 16.b4 a5⇒ 17.♗d3 axb4 18.♙xe7 ♗xe7 19.♙xd5 ♙fd8 20.e4 ♙xd5 21.exd5 ♗xe5 22.♙fd1 ♗c3 23.♗xb5 h5⇒ **11.♘xd4 ♗c7****

## 12.♙d1



**12...♙d8N 12...♘b6 13.♙e3!?** **a)** 13.♙g5 ♙d7 14.♙ac1 ♙ac8 15.♗b3 ♘c4 16.♗xb7± (16.♘e4 1-0 (41) Cuellar Gacharna,M–Medina Garcia,A Caracas 1957) ; **b)** 13.♙d2 ♙d8 14.♘f3 e5 (14...♘c4!±) 15.♙ac1± 1-0 (44) Fressinet,L (2660) –Zatonskih,A (2443) Nancy 2017; 13...♘g4 14.♙d2 ♙d8 15.♙e1 ♘f6 16.♙ac1 ♙d7 17.♘b3± **13.♙e3 ♘b6** 13...♘e5 14.♘a4 ♗xc2 15.♘xc2 ♘ed7 16.♙ac1± **14.♙ac1± e5**□ 14...♘g4? 15.♗b3! ♘xe3 16.fxe3 ♙d7 17.♘d5+-; 14...♙d7?! 15.♗b3 ♘c4 16.♘b1 ♙ac8 17.♙xb7 ♙b8 18.♙f4 e5 19.♙xc4 ♗xb7 20.♙xe5+- **15.♘f5**



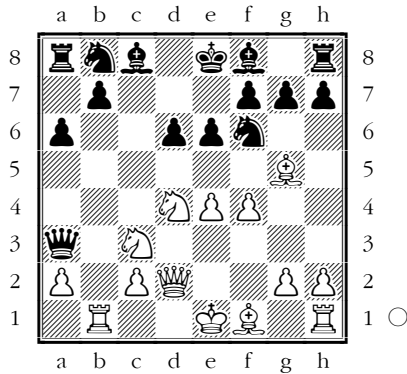
**15...♙xf5** 15...♙f8 16.♙xd8 (16.♘g7!? ♘xg7 (16...♙xg7? 17.♘e4 ♙xd1+ 18.♗xd1 ♗e7 19.♙xb6+-) 17.♗b3 ♘c4 (17...♘fd7 18.♘e4+-; 17...♘bd7 18.♘e4+-) 18.♙xd8 ♘xe3 19.♙xf8 ♘xf8 20.fxe3±) 16...♗xd8 17.♙g5 h6 18.♙xf6 ♗xf6 19.♘e3± **16.♗xf5 ♘c4 17.♙g5 ♙xd1+ 18.♘xd1 ♙d8 19.♙xf6 ♙xf6 20.♙e4+- ♗a5 21.♘c3! ♘f8 22.♘d5 b5 22...♙xd5 23.♙xd5 ♗xd5 24.♗c8+ ♘e7 25.♙xc4+- 23.♗xh7 23.♙c3!? ♘xb2 24.♙f3+- **23...♙xd5 24.♙xd5 ♗d2 25.♙xc4 bxc4 26.e4!+- ♗xb2 27.♗h8+ ♘e7 28.♗c8 ♗b6 28...♗xa2 29.♗c7+ ♘e8 30.♙c6+ ♘f8 31.♗c8+ ♘e7 32.♗d7+ ♘f8 33.♗e8# 29.♗xc4 ♗b5 30.♗c7+ ♗d7 31.♗c5+ 31.♗c5+ ♗d6****

(31...♖d8 32.♗f8+ ♘c7 33.♖g2+-) 32.♗a7+ ♗d7 33.♗xa6+- 1-0

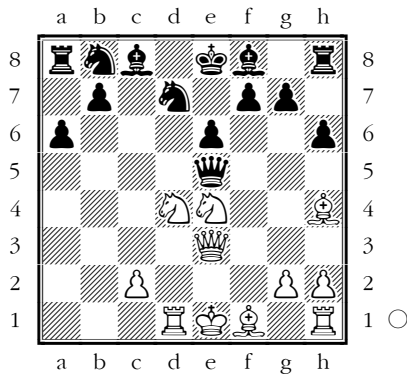
**Caruana, Fabiano (2842) – Vachier Lagrave, Maxime (2767) [B97]**

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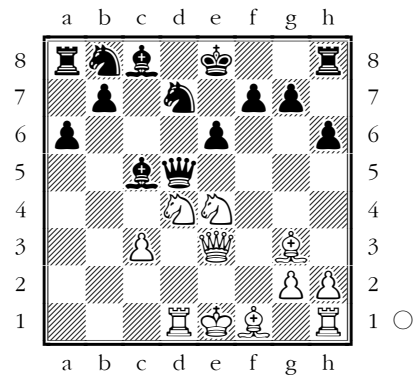
1.e4 c5 2.♗f3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.♗xd4 ♗f6 5.♗c3 a6 6.♖g5 e6 7.f4 ♗b6 8.♗d2 ♗xb2 9.♖b1 ♗a3



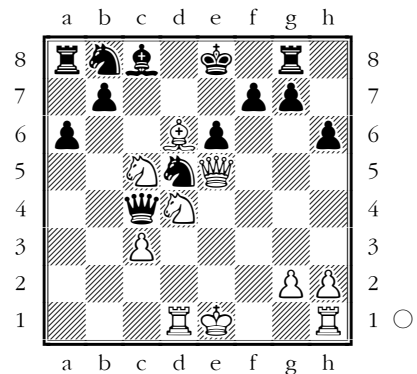
10.e5!? 10.f5 ♖e7 11.fxe6 ♖xe6 12.♗xe6 fxe6 13.♖c4 ♗bd7 14.♖xe6 ♗c5 15.♖b3 ♖c8 16.0-0 ♗xb3 17.♖xb3 ♗c5+ 18.♖e3 ♗c4∞ 1-0 (35) Grandelius,N (2663)-Vachier Lagrave,M (2784) Wijk aan Zee 2021 **10...h6!** 10...dxe5 11.fxe5 ♗fd7 12.♗e4 ♗xa2 13.♖d1 ♗d5 14.♗e3 ♗xe5 15.♖e2 ♖c5 16.0-0 ♗c6? 17.♗xc5 ♗xe3+ 18.♖xe3 ♗xc5 19.♗xc6+- **11.♖h4 dxe5 12.fxe5 ♗fd7 13.♗e4** Es drohte ♖b4 **13...♗xa2** um auf d5 die Stellung zusammenzuhalten. **14.♖d1 ♗d5 15.♗e3 ♗xe5**



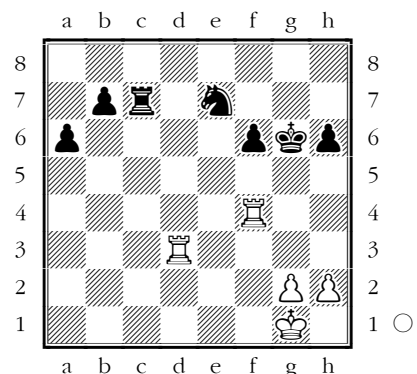
**16.c3!?** 16.♖e2 ♖c5 17.♖g3 (17.0-0 ♗c6?) 17...♗d5 (17...♖xd4 18.♖xd4 ♗a5+ 19.♖d2 0-0 20.♖d6 ♖d8 21.♗g3 ♗c6∞) 18.c4 ♖xd4 19.♖xd4 ♗a5+ 20.♖d2 0-0 21.♖d6 f5!? (21...♖d8) 22.♖xf8 ♗xf8 23.♗d6 ♗bd7 0-1 (46) Radjabov,T (2765)-Ding,L (2791) chess24.com INT 2020 **16...♖c5** 16...♖e7!? 17.♖xe7 ♖xe7 18.♗f3 ♗c7 19.♖e2 ♗f6 20.♗d6 ♖d8 21.♗f5+ ♖f8 22.♖xd8+ ♗xd8 23.♗c5+ ♖g8 24.♗xc8 ♗bd7 25.♗xd8+ ♖xd8∞ **17.♖g3 ♗d5**



**18.♖c4!?** 18.♖d6 ♖xd6 19.♗b5 ♗xd1+ 20.♖xd1 ♖e5 21.♗bd6+ ♖e7 22.♗c4 ♗c6∞ **18...♗xc4 19.♖d6 ♗f6!** 19...♖xd4 20.♖xd4 ♗b3 21.♗g3 ♗b1+ 22.♖d2 ♗a2+ 23.♖e3 g5! 24.♖c5 f5 25.♗d6+ ♖d8 26.♗xf5 ♗c6=; 19...f5 20.♗xc5 ♖f7 21.♗d3 ♖e8 22.0-0 ♗c6∞ **20.♗xc5 ♗d5 21.♗e5 ♖g8**

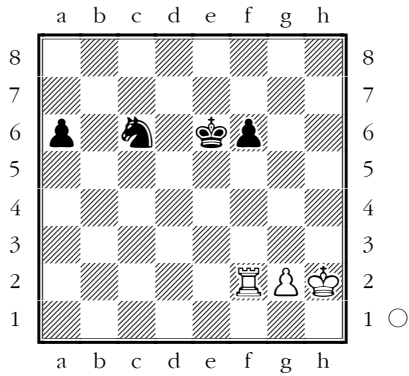


**22.♗dxe6! fxe6 23.♗xe6 ♗xc3+** 23...♗f6! 24.♗g5+ ♖e6 25.♗xe6+ (25.♗xe6? ♖f7+) 25...♗xe6+ 26.♗xe6 ♖f7 27.♗c7 ♖a7 28.0-0 ♖d8 29.♖c5 ♖xd1 30.♖xd1 b6 31.♖xb6 ♖b7 32.♗a8 ♗c6∞ **24.♗xc3 ♗xc3 25.♗c7+ ♖f7 26.♖d3 ♗e4! 26...♖a7! 27.♖xc3 ♖g6 28.0-0 ♖h7 29.♗d5= 27.0-0+ ♖g6 28.♗xa8 ♗c6?! 28...♖d8! 29.♖fd1 ♖f5 30.♖a3 ♖xd3 31.♖xd3 ♗d7= 29.♗b6 ♖d8 30.♗xc8 ♖xc8 31.♖a3± ♖c7 32.♖f4 ♗f6 33.♖b2 ♗e7 34.♖xf6 gxf6**

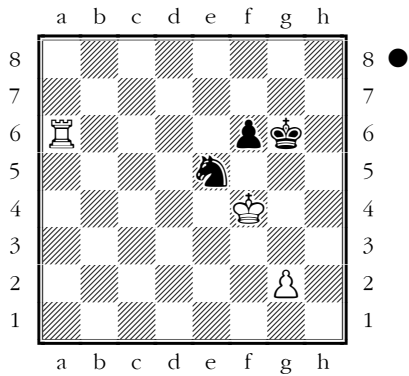


**35.h4?** 35.♖d6 ♗f5 36.♖b6 ♖g5 37.♖f3± **35...h5 36.♖g3+ ♖f7 37.♖g5 ♖c1+ 38.♖h2 ♗g6 39.♖f2 ♗xh4 40.♖xh5 ♗g6 41.♖h7+ ♖e6 42.♖xb7 ♗e5 43.♖b6+ ♖c6 44.♖xc6+**

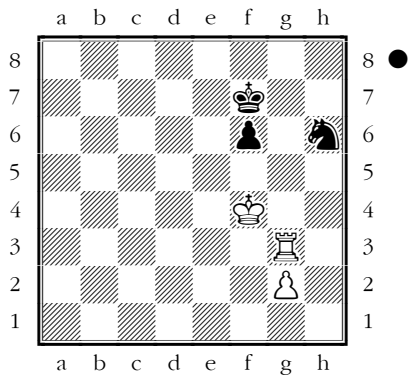
♖xc6±



45.♗g3 ♕f7! 46.♖c2 ♖b4 47.♖d2 ♖c6  
 48.♗f4 ♗g6 49.♖d6 ♖e5 49...♖e7!?=  
 50.♖xa6



50...♖f7 51.♗e4 ♖h6 52.♖a5 ♖f7□ 53.♖a3  
 ♖d6+ 54.♗f4 ♖f5 55.♖d3 ♖h6 55...♖g7!:=;  
 55...♖e7!:= 56.♖g3+! ♗f7 57.♗e4 ♖g8  
 58.♗f5 ♖e7+ 59.♗f4 59.♗e4!+- 59...♖d5+  
 60.♗g4? 60.♗f5! ♖e7+ 61.♗e4!+- 60...♗g6□  
 61.♗f3+ ♗f7□ 62.♗e4 ♖e7? 62...♖c7!:=  
 63.♗f4 ♖d5+ 64.♗f5 ♖e7+ 64...♖c7  
 65.♖d3+- 65.♗e4 ♖g8 66.♖h3 ♗g6 67.♖a3  
 ♗f7 68.♗f4 ♖h6 69.♖g3○



69...♖g8 70.♗g4 ♖e7 71.♗h5 ♖d5 72.♖f3  
 ♗e6 73.g4 ♗e5 74.♗g6 74.♗g6 ♗e6 75.♖f1  
 ♖e7+ 76.♗g7 ♖d5 77.♖e1+ ♗d6 78.♖d1+-  
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