

Magic Knight's Tours : Update to sources given in *Variant Chess* 57

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The sources given in the catalogue of magic knight's tours in issue 57 of *Variant Chess* relied heavily on manuscript 106 in the H. J. R. Murray papers in the Bodleian Library. George Jelliss has now examined much of the source material personally, and has reported in his "Jeepyjay" blog

<http://jeepyjay.blogspot.co.uk/>

(examine entries back to 4 October 2017). In most cases he cites not merely source document and year of publication but also issue and page or item number. In the light of this, the list of sources on page 51 of *VC* 57 needs correction.

- **115** (Wenzelides): The date should be 1850.
- **6-9** (Shri Krishna Udayar): George has a note that the silk is now in the Crumiller collection.
- **53** (Wenzelides): The date should be 1850.

- **34-35** (author unknown): *Le Siècle* 1879 (Murray gives 1880).
- **54** (Béligne): *Le Siècle* 1880.
- **128** (Béligne): *Le Siècle* 1883 (Murray gives 1881).
- **130** (Francony): *Gil Blas* 1883 (Murray gives 1881).
- **57, 58** (Bouvier): *Le Siècle* 1884 (Murray gives 1882).
- **84** (Bouvier): *Le Télégraphe* cited in *Le Siècle* 1882.
- **59, 60** (Francony): *Gil Blas* 1884 (Murray gives 1882).
- **131** (Francony): *Gil Blas* 1883 (Murray gives 1882), but George has a note that the position appeared simultaneously in *Le Siècle* as by Bouvier.
- **49...51, 55** (Paul de Hijo, pen name of Abbé Jolivald): *Le Siècle* 1882.
- **90, 91** (Ligondès): *Le Siècle* 1883 (Murray gives 1882).
- **38-39** (Bouvier): *Le Siècle* 1884 (Murray gives 1883).
- **40-41** (Francony): *Gil Blas* 1884 (Murray gives 1883).
- **22-25, 26-29, 65, 66** (Ligondès): *Le Siècle* 1883.
- **70, 73, 74, 76** (Ligondès): *Le Siècle* 1884 (Murray gives 1883).
- **77** (Ligondès): *Le Siècle* 1883.
- **78** (Ligondès): *Le Siècle* 1884 (Murray gives 1883).
- **80, 88, 95, 96, 98...105, 108, 109, 112, 136...138** (Ligondès): *Le Siècle* 1883.
- **139, 140** (Ligondès): *Le Siècle* 1884 (Murray gives 1883).
- **14-17, 36-37, 118** (Reuss): *Le Siècle* 1880 (Murray gives 1883). See also **119** below.
- **93** (Feisthamel): *Le Siècle* 1884.
- **107** (Ligondès): *Le Siècle* 1885 (Murray gives 1884).
- **119**: Reuss, *Le Siècle* 1880 (Murray gives M. Wihnyk, *Schachzeitung* 1885, presumably a rediscovery).

- **72, 92**: T. S. Roberts, *The Games and Puzzles Journal* (on-line) 2003.
- **42-43, 44-45, 87, 89, 122**: H. Mackay, J-C. Meyrignac, G. Stertenbrink, <http://magictour.free.fr> 2003.

The sources of **81** (Bouvier), **127, 134, 135** (Exner), **10-13, 83, 129, 85, 86, 106** (Francony), **123...126** (Reuss), **68** (Grossetaite), **30-33, 110, 111** (Ligondès), and **94** (Lehmann) have not been seen by George. In all other cases, "(Murray)" should now be replaced by "(Jelliss)".

The headings of some of the items in the catalogue on pages 52-53 also need to be changed.

14-17, 34-35, 36-37 : 1880.	115 : 1850.
38-39, 40-41 : 1884.	118 : 1880
53 : 1850.	119 : Reuss 1880.
57, 58, 59, 60, 70, 73, 74, 76, 78 : 1884.	128, 130, 131 : 1883.
90, 91 : 1883.	139, 140 : 1884.
107 : 1885.	

Attention is also drawn to the note on the back page of *Variant Chess* 58.