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After the duff way he played the opening I didn't think he was very good. I was wrong. This was an excellent game with a fair result.



**Final position**

**1. P-K4            P-QB4**

**2. B-B4            N-QB3**

<b>3. P-Q3</b>	<b>P-K3</b>
<b>4. B-K3</b>	<b>P-QR3</b>
<b>5. P-QR3</b>	<b>N-B3</b>
<b>6. B-KN5</b>	<b>P-Q3</b>
<b>7. Q-B3</b>	<b>B-K2</b>
<b>8. N-Q2</b>	<b>Q-N3</b>
<b>9. R-N1</b>	<b>N-Q5</b>
<b>10. Q-Q1</b>	<b>B-Q2</b>
<b>11. P-QB3</b>	<b>N-B3</b>
<b>12. N-R3</b>	<b>O-O</b>
<b>13. O-O</b>	<b>Q-B2</b>
<b>14. P-B4</b>	<b>P-N4</b>
<b>15. B-R2</b>	<b>QR-N1</b>
<b>16. Q-K2</b>	<b>P-N5</b>
<b>17. P-B5</b>	<b>PxQBP</b>
<b>18. PxBP</b>	<b>RxR</b>
<b>19. RxR</b>	<b>PxP</b>
<b>20. PxP</b>	<b>BxP</b>
<b>21. N-KB4</b>	<b>R-N1</b>
<b>22. N-Q5</b>	<b>RxRch</b>
<b>23. NxR</b>	<b>NxN</b>
<b>24. BxN</b>	<b>N-K4</b>

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| <b>25. BxB</b>     | <b>QxB</b>    |
| <b>26. B-K4</b>    | <b>N-N5</b>   |
| <b>27. Q-B3</b>    | <b>Q-R5!</b>  |
| <b>28. P-R3</b>    | <b>Q-K8ch</b> |
| <b>29. Q-B1fcd</b> | <b>Q-K6ch</b> |
| <b>30. K-R1</b>    | <b>N-B7ch</b> |
| <b>31. K-R2</b>    | <b>BxB</b>    |
| <b>32. PxB</b>     | <b>NxKP</b>   |
| <b>33. QxP</b>     | <b>Q-N6ch</b> |
| <b>34. K-R1</b>    | <b>Q-K8ch</b> |
| <b>35. K-R2fcd</b> | <b>Q-N6ch</b> |
| <b>36. K-N1</b>    | <b>Q-K8ch</b> |
| <b>37. K-R2fcd</b> | <b>Q-N6ch</b> |

**Drawn by repetition**