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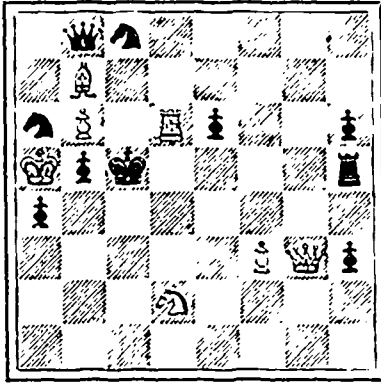
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International Correspondence Tourney.

Present scores, American 8, Canadian 6.

PROBLEM No. 81.

By C. Planck, London, G. B.  
BLACK 10 pieces.



WHITE 7 pieces.  
White to play and mate in 2 moves.

GAME No. 63.

Played in the second round of the Sixth American Chess Congress, being the first game lost by Mr. Max Weiss since the tournament began.

THE CENTRE COUNTER GAMBIT.

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| WHITE           | BLACK             |
| Max Weiss.      | J. H. Blackburne. |
| 1 P to K4       | P to Q4           |
| 2 P takes P     | Kt to KB3         |
| 3 P to Q4       | Q takes P (b)     |
| 4 Kt to QB3     | Q to QR4          |
| 5 Kt to B3      | P to QB3          |
| 6 Kt to K5      | OKt to Q2         |
| 7 Kt to QB4     | Q to Q sq         |
| 8 B to K2       | P to Kk3          |
| 9 P to Q5       | P takes P         |
| 10 Kt takes P   | Kt takes Kt       |
| 11 Q takes Kt   | B to Kt2          |
| 12 P to KR4     | Castles (c)       |
| 13 P to KR5     | Kt to B3          |
| 14 Q takes Q    | R takes Q         |
| 15 P takes P    | RP takes P        |
| 16 B to Q3      | B to K3           |
| 17 B to Q2      | QR to B sq        |
| 18 Kt to K5 (f) | Kt to Q2!         |
| 19 Kt takes Kt  | R takes Kt        |
| 20 B to QB sq   | B to QB5          |
| 21 R to R3      | B takes B         |
| 22 R takes B    | R takes R         |
| 23 P takes R    | R to B7           |
| 24 R to Kt sq   | B to Q5           |
| 25 B to Q2      | R takes P (g)     |
| 26 R takes R    | B takes R         |
| 27 B to K3      | P to R3           |
| 28 K to Q2      | K to B sq         |
| 29 K to B2      | B to K4           |
| 30 K to Kt3     | K to K sq         |
| 31 K to B4      | K to Q2           |
| 32 K to B5      | B to B2           |
| 33 P to B3      | P to K3           |
| 34 P to R4      | P to Kt3 ch       |
| 35 K to B4      | K to B3           |
| 36 B to B2      | P to B3           |
| 37 B to K3      | B to Q3           |
| 38 B to Q4      | P to K4           |
| 39 B to K3      | P to Kt4 ch       |
| 40 P takes P ch | P takes P ch      |
| 41 K to Kt3     | K to Q4           |
| 42 B to B2      | P to B4           |
| 43 K to B3      | P to Kt4          |
| 44 P to Kt4     | P takes P         |
| 45 P takes P    | B to B4           |
| 46 B to K sq    | P to K5           |
| 47 P takes P ch | K takes P         |
| 48 B to Q2      | B to K6           |
| 49 B to K sq    | K to B6           |
| 50 K to Kt4     | K takes P         |

- 51 K takes P K to B6  
 52 K to B4 P to Kt5  
 53 K to Q3 B to B7  
 54 B to R5 P to Kt6  
 55 B to B7 P to Kt7  
 56 B to R2 B to QKt3  
 57 K to Q2 K to Kt5  
 Resigns.

NOTES.

(a) Introduced by Paul Morphy in his match with Anderssen. The only safe course White can adopt to retain the pawn is B to Kt 5ch, &c, as given in the *German Handbuch*, P to QB4 being a weak move which allows Black to develop a splendid game, by P to QB3 etc.

(b) Herr Andersson played here Kt takes P, but Mr. Blackburne apparently considers the move in the text better.

(c) Evidently disregarding the further advance of the white pawn, foreseeing that in such case he could force the exchange of Queens or drive the white one into a weak position.

(f) It is clear that Black's attack on the Queen's side is very powerful; but it is doubtful if this was the best play at White's command to relieve the pressure.

(g) This simplifies matters as white must take the Rook or allow Black two passed pawns; if R to R, R takes B. The balance of the game is a fine study of an extra Pawn ending, with Bishops on the same color.

DRAUGHTS-CHECKERS

All Checker communications and exchanges should be addressed to W. Forsyth, 36 Grafton Street, Halifax.

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TO CORRESPONDENTS.

J. B., St. John's, N. B.—Your letter is received with much pleasure and your remarks are very interesting. We have seen Mr. Forbes and conveyed your message to him. He will communicate with you very shortly. We would much appreciate your kindness if you should send us clippings—especially of problems—that you find in outside papers after you have perused them.

SOLUTIONS.

PROBLEM 110.—Black men 2, 10, 13, 14, kg 31; white men 20, 21, 22, 25, kg 3; black to move and win.  
 \*a 2-7 12 8 16-12 8 4  
 20 16 24-20 8 4 \*15-18  
 b 31-27 8 4 7-11 22 8  
 16 12 20-16 4 8 13-17  
 27-24 4 8 \*10-15 b. wins.

(a) If 10-15, 3 8, 2-6 20 16 draws.

(b) If 31-26, 3 8, 26-17, 8 3 draws.

\*Only moves to win.

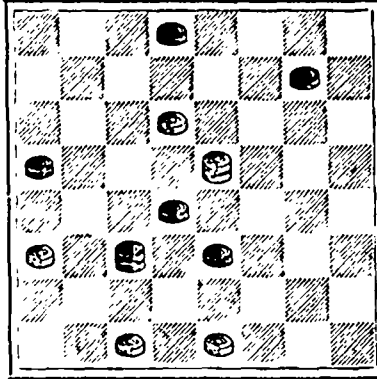
PROBLEM 111.—Black men 3, 5, 6, 11, 12, 17; white men 14, 19, 20, 21, 26, 27. White to move. What result?  
 27 24 21 17 15 8 8 3  
 1-3-7 22-26 31-26 17-21  
 26 23 17 13 24 19 3 8  
 6-10 10-17 26-22 12-16  
 23 18 19 15 18 11 drawn.  
 17-22 26-31 7-11

VAR I.

6-9 9-18 23-30 26-23  
 14 10 10 6 24 19 6 1  
 11-15 18-23 30-26 23-19  
 21 14 19 10 19 15 drawn.

PROBLEM 114.

This position occurred in actual play at the Glasgow Atheneum.  
 Black men 2, 8, 13, 18, 23, kg 22.



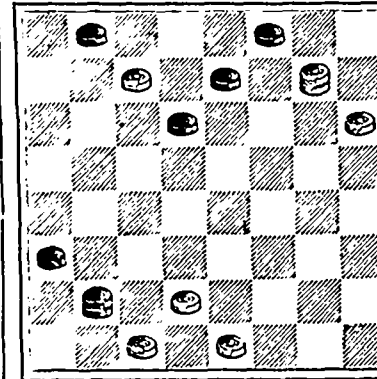
White men 10, 21, 30, 31, kg 15.  
 Black to play and win.

We consider the above a position, that, though rarely reached in actual play, will tax the ingenuity of players to correctly solve.

PROBLEM 115.

Ending between Messrs. Atkins and Horsley, as reported by the *Northern Leader*.

Black men 1, 3, 7, 10, 21, kg 25.



White men 6, 12, 26, 30, 31, kg 8.  
 Black to play and white to draw.

Another very neat position to occur in play.

CHECKERS IN HALIFAX.—During the last week the following games were played:  
 Forbes 1, Forsyth 3, drawn 3; total 7  
 O'Hearn 1, Forsyth 0, drawn 1; total 2  
 Granville 1, Forsyth 3, drawn 0, total 4.

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EXTRAORDINARY LICENSE.

"It seems to me," remarked one of our citizens the other day, "that physicians are allowed extraordinary license in the manner in which they juggle with the welfare of their patients.

Now here is Dr. — who was attending Mr. — up to the time of his death, and if he treated him for one thing he treated him for a dozen different disorders. First the doctor said pneumonia was the trouble; then it was consumption. Then the patient was dosed for heart trouble, and so on until just before he died it was ascertained that disease of the kidneys was the real trouble, and that which had been at first treated as pneumonia, consumption, heart disease, etc., were but the symptoms of kidney disease.

But then it was too late. This is only one case in a hundred, and I am beginning to lose faith in the doctors altogether. In fact I haven't had any need for their services since I began to keep Warner's Safe Cure in my house, a little over three years ago. Whenever I feel a little out of sorts I take a few doses of it, confident that the source of all disease is in the kidneys, which I know Warner's Safe Cure will keep in good order, and will eradicate any disease that may be lurking there. Had Mr. — followed a similar course, I have no doubt that he would be alive to day; but of course all people don't think alike;

One thing is certain, however, and that is the doctors are allowed a little too much freedom in the way they have of pretending to know that which they really know nothing about. If they don't know what is the real trouble with the patient, they should admit it and not go on and experiment at the cost of the patient's life."

A, No. 2829.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

IN THE SUPREME COURT, 1889.  
 In the matter of the petition of Charles J. Stewart for the foreclosure and sale of lands mortgaged by Mortimer Dwyer, now deceased, and Ellen Dwyer, his wife, to James Stewart.

To be sold at public auction, by the Sheriff of the County of Halifax, or his deputy, at the County Court House, at Halifax, on Saturday, the 15th day of June, A. D., 1889, at 12 o'clock, noon, pursuant to an order of foreclosure and sale made herein on the 7th day of May, A. D., 1889, unless before the day of sale the amount due for principal, interest, and costs, be paid to the petitioner, his solicitor, or into court.

All the estate, right, title, interest and equity of redemption of the original mortgagors and of all persons claiming by, through, or under them, of, in, to, upon or out of all that piece or parcel of LAND situated in the north suburbs of Halifax, aforesaid, being parts of lots numbers nine and ten on the plan of division of a certain field of George A. S. Creighton, and which said lots were conveyed along with certain other lots to one William H. Rudolph by the name of William Rudolph by the said George A. S. Creighton and Sarah, his wife, by deed dated the 19th day of September, in the year of our Lord 1843, and duly recorded at Halifax in Liber 77, Folio 166, which said lot begins on the south side of Cornwallis Street at a point distant fifty-five feet from the corner formed by said street with Gottingen Street, thence running southerly fifty-four feet to property now or lately of Donald Sutherland, thence westerly along said property fifty-two feet, thence northerly along property of Patrick Moren fifty-four feet, nine inches, or to Cornwallis Street aforesaid, thence easterly along Cornwallis Street aforesaid fifty-two feet, or to the place of beginning, together with the buildings, easements, hereditaments and appurtenances thereunto belonging or in anywise appertaining.

TERMS:—Ten per cent. deposit; remainder on delivery of deed.  
 DONALD ARCHIBALD,  
 High Sheriff County of Halifax.  
 WALLACE McDONALD, Plaintiff's Solicitor.  
 Dated Halifax, 7th May, 1889.