

DRAUGHTS-CHECKERS

SOLUTIONS.

PROBLEM 174.—The position was: Black men 3, 12, 23; white men 18, 20, 28; black to play and win.
23-26 31-26 22-18 7-10
18 15 28 21 10 6 1 6
26-31 26-22 3-7 18-15
1-15 10 24 19 6 1 b. wins.

VAR. I.

15 11 28 4 28 24 8 7
31-26 23-19 3-7 10-14
11 8 4 8 8 3 7 2
26-23 19-15 7-10 14-18
black wins

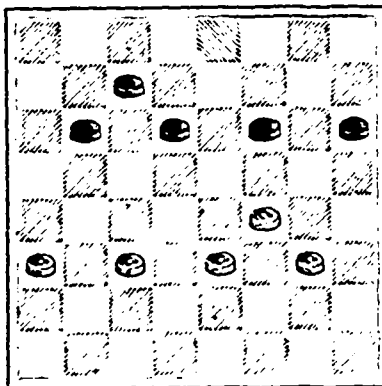
VAR. II.

28 24 27-24 15 10 15-11
23-27 19 15 19-15 8 4
24 19 24-19 10 6 12-16
black wins.

PROBLEM 173.—As we have received no solution to this problem, we reserve it for another week.

PROBLEM No. 176.

Black men (Forsyth) 6, 9, 10, 11, 12



White men (Muir) 19, 21, 22, 23, 24.
White to play and win.
This is a neat little ending which occurred in a game between W. Forsyth and Sergt. Muir.

GAME No. 63—Irregular.

The following game was played between H. Z. Wright and M. F. Clauser at the parlor of the Consolidated Exchange in New York, and occupied one entire session.

Wright and Radcliffe had just finished a game which was "book" all through, and familiar to every one, and drawn of course. To make this game more interesting to the spectators, Clauser suggested to Radcliffe that he take R's chair, promising to either win or lose a game.

Messrs. Wright and Clauser are noted experts. Mr. Clauser owns one of the best checker libraries in the world. He is the checker editor of the New York World. Mr. Wright has been styled the "Wizard of the Board," and has contested forty games simultaneously, and probably plays more than any other man in America.

[This game was first published in the New York World, from which it was copied by the American Checker Review.]

CLAUSER'S FIRST MOVE.

11-15 8-12 22-26 18-23
23 19 31 27 12 8 2 7
a-10-14 16-19 26-31 13-17
19 10 27 24 8 3 21 14
6-15 10-14 31-26 10-17
22 17 18 9 24 20 6 10
7-10 5-14 26-22 15-19
17 13 25 21 3 8 10 15
b-1-6 7-10 7-11 17-22
25 22 22 17 8 3 7 11
3-7 2-7 19-24 22-26
29 25 26 23 28 19 11 16
8-11 19-26 15-24 26-30

27 23 30 23 3 7 16 11
14-17 15-18 11-15 23-26
21 14 d-23 19 7 2 11 16
9-27 11-15 6-9 19-23
32 23 19 16 13 6
4-8 12-19 22-13 Clauser
23 18 20 16 6 1 wins.
12-16 18-22 14-18
c-21 20 e-16 12 1 6

a Wright asked, "can you do that and keep your job?"

b Only move to draw.

c At this point Wright might have won easily as follows:—18 14, 10-17, 24 19, and white wins.

d Some of the spectators became anxious, but Wright calmed them with the statement that his game was all night.

e After this move I announced a win. I had seen that 24 20 or 16 11 would enable white to capture the move on G and thus draw.

[Notes a, b, d and e are by Mr. Clauser, and c by our Checker Editor]

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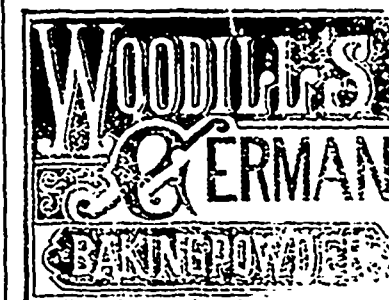
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