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TO CORRESPONDENTS.

CAMPBELL.—We gladly welcome you to the ranks of our solvers. Please compare your solutions with those that are given below. We will be pleased to hear from you again and often.

SOLUTION.

PROBLEM 292.—The position was: black men 2, 3, 5, 17, 20, 28, kings 11, 22, 25; white men 10, 14, 19, 21, 24, 32, kings 1, 27, 29; white to play and win.

14	9	19	15	10	7	29	32
5-14	11-18	3-10	White				
27	23	1	6	23	26	wins	
20-27	2-9	22-31					

Problem 293.—The position was: black men 10, 11, 16, king 9; white men 20, 24, 28, king 4; black to play and win.

9-5	16-19	5-1	1-19
4	8	24	6
8	15	b. wins.	

GAME 182.—"Single Corner." From *American Checker Review*.

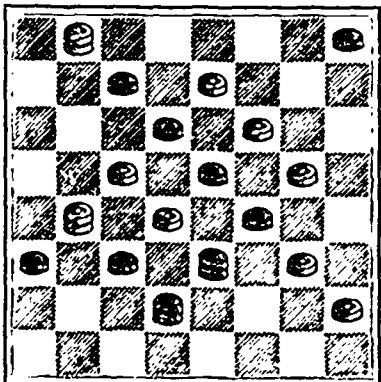
11-15	11-15	3-8	a-11-15
22	18	28	24
15-22	8-11	15-24	6-15
25	18	22	17
9-14	15-18	7-11	1-10
18	9	30	25
5-14	6-9	11-18	10-14
29	25	17	13
8-11	2-6	14-30	white
25	22	33	28
4-8	11-15	8-11	wins.
24	19	26	22

a This loses 6-10 draws.
b If 7 10 then 15-18, 10 17, 18-22 black wins.

PROBLEM 295.

By Percy M. Bradt of Omro, Wisconsin, in *The American Checker Review*.

Black men 4, 6, 10, 15, 19, 21, 22, Kings 23, 26.



White men 7, 11, 14, 16, 18, 24, 28, Kings 1, 17.

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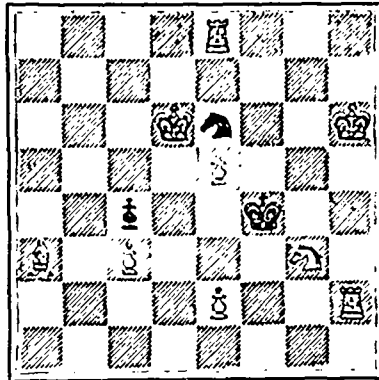
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PROBLEM No. 128. *Manchester Weekly Post*, Black 3 pieces.



White 9 pieces. White to play and mate in two moves.

GAME No. 131.

Another game from the first international correspondence tourney of the *Monde Illustré*—

- | WHITE. | BLACK. |
|----------------|------------|
| M. Mayer. | M. Latzky. |
| 1 P to K4 | P to K4 |
| 2 Kk to B3 | Qk to B3 |
| 3 P to Q4 | P takes P |
| 4 Kt takes P | B to B4 |
| 5 B to K3 | Q to B3 |
| 6 P to QB3 | Kk to K2 |
| 7 Q to Q2 | B takes Kt |
| 8 P takes B | P to Q4 |
| 9 P to K5 | Q to K13 |
| 10 Kt to B3 | B to B4 |
| 11 R to B sq | P to QR3 |
| 12 Kt to K2 | P to B3 |
| 13 P to B4 | Castles KR |
| 14 Kt to K13 | P takes P |
| 15 BP takes P | B to K18 |
| 16 P to QR3 | Kt to B4 |
| 17 Kt to K2 | Kt to R4 |
| 18 Kt to B4 | Q to R3 |
| 19 Kt takes P | Q to R5 ch |
| 20 K to Q sq | Qk to K16 |
| 21 Kt to K7 ch | K to R sq |
| 22 Kt takes Kt | B takes Kt |
| 23 Q to B3 | Kt takes R |
| 24 Q takes Kt | Q to K5 |
| 25 B to K2 | QR to Q sq |
| 26 B to B3 | Q takes KP |

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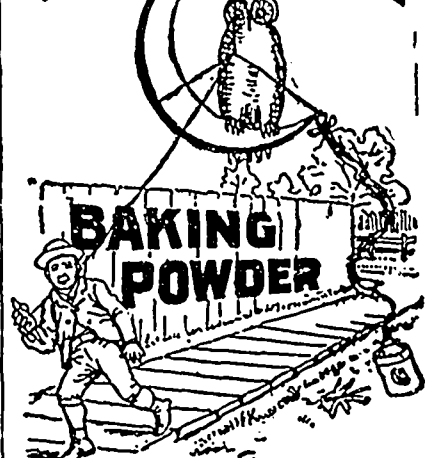
The game down to the 10th move is an instructive form of the opening. Had Black played 10 Kt to K15, White might have replied 11 Kt to K15, and after 11 Kt to B7 ch 12 K to Q sq, Kt takes R, White could continue 13 Kt takes P ch with advantage.

Black's 12th move, P to B3, was necessitated by White's threat to play Kt to B4 and Kt takes QP, etc. Black's play about the sixteenth move and following moves is of a high order. Obviously White could not, without loss, play 18 R takes B on account of Kt takes B, 19 R to B sq, Qk to B5, etc.

The position after Black's 19th move will well repay attentive examination. White's reply of K to Q sq was probably best, although Q to B2 or B to B2 might at first sight seem better. The finishing moves are in good style.

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