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BARKER-MARTINS MATCH.

The above match was played at Glasgow, for a stake of £200, and commenced Dec. 26 1887, ending Jan. 11 '88 the young American Champion winning with the score;

Barker....3; Martins....1; Drawn....45
The first and second games were drawn, third game was commenced by Martins forming the "Will o' the Wisp," after an hours play the following position was formed Black, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 13, 15, 18—White, 9, 21, 25, 26, 27, 30, 31, 32,—Barker played—

26..23-a 3.. 7 24..20 30..26 1.. 6 5..14 26..22 6.. 9 22..17 30..25 30..26 7..11 21..17 13..22 6.. 2 4.. 8 28..24 10..30 8..12 5 · · I 32..28 2.. 7 23... 5 and Barker resigned.

(a) Analysis afterward went to show that 25..22 was much stronger.

The fourth to the seventeenth, inclusive, were drawn

Eighteenth game, "Defiance", Barker won, nineteen to twenty-eight drawn.

The twenty-eighth game Barker tried the "Whilter," when the following position came up—Black, 2, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, White, 13, 17, 18, 19, 21, 22, 23, 26, 30

Barker played-

11..16 16..20 20..24 11..22 17..14 19..15 14..10 30..21 Barker 10..17 7..11 9..14 6..15 won 21..14 23..19 18..9-a 19..10

(a) Martins had two ways of taking the man, but took the wrong one. At the close of the game Barker stated he scored a game ten years before from Wyllie by the same mistake of the "Herd Laddie."

Twenty-ninth to the thirty-fourth inclusive were drawn.

Martins tried the 'Alma' in the thirty-fifth game when he got the following position—Black, 2, 6, 7, 10, 11, 12, 20, King, 30, White, 21, 23, 24, 25, 27, 28, 32, King 3

Martins played-

11..15 3.. 9 15..22 24.. 6 9..13 25..22 30..26 8.. 3 7..10 1.. 5 6.. 9 22..18 26..19 6.. 1

Barker won.

This game was analyzed in private by Martins coachers, and the line of play laid out for Barker, which if followed would end in his losing it. When played Barker did follow it, and Martins' friends were highly elated, and were sure of victory, but to their surprise, after studying for a few minutes he played 30..26 instead of 9..13 which led to his losing the game.

The thirty-six to the forty-seventh game was drawn.

Martins opened the forty-seventh with the "Laird and Lady" and got the man ahead and it looked as if he would win, the position was,—Black, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 11, 12, 13,

White, 14, 18, 19, 20, 26, 27, 28, 30, 31, 32,

Black, Martins to play.

7··23 28··24 10..19 26..31 6..10 11:.18 14.. 9 18..14 22..15 32..28 5..23 8..11 12..16 13..17 31..27 27..18 24..19 27..18 25..21 14..10 8..12 3.. 8 2.. 6 17..22 26..22 31..27 30..25 21..17 4.. 8 11..16 19.,23 22...26 20..11

20...11 19...15 18...15 17...13

Barker drew the game amid the applause of the spectators. Subsequent analysis show that Martins should have won the game.

Forty-eighth and forty-ninth games drawn