

Chess.

Solutions to problems sent in by Correspondents will be duly acknowledged.

G. E. C. Montreal—Correct solution of Problem No. 83 received.

INTELLIGENCE. We understand that a match of four individual games, by telegraph, is about being arranged between Toronto and Hamilton.

CANADIAN CHESS ASSOCIATION.

THE SECOND CONGRESS. As briefly noted in our last met in Toronto on the 15th inst., and as our readers were made aware, was a complete success, having been the means of bringing together numerous devotees of the noble game, to improve each other's acquaintance, and to regulate their favourite pastime, and to test their skill over the board.

The Congress was opened by an address from the President, Prof. J. B. Cherriman, of Toronto, after which the officers for next year were chosen by ballot, as follows: President, Prof. J. B. Cherriman, of Toronto; Vice-Presidents, Professor H. Aspinwall, Toronto; Prof. Jas. de Mille, Halifax, N.S.; Dr. Allan M. Ring, St. John, N.B.; Sec.-Treasurer, Dr. White, Montreal.

A well-deserved vote of thanks was then passed to the retiring Secretary-Treasurer, Dr. I. Ryall, of Hamilton, to whose energy the Association is largely indebted for its present success; and the services of the chess columns in the Toronto Globe, Canadian Illustrated News, London (Ont.) Advertiser, and Toronto Mail, were also similarly recognized, very general regret being felt and expressed at the discontinuance of the latter.

The Managing Committee elected was composed of Messrs. F. T. Jones, Toronto; J. G. Archer, Montreal; R. H. Ramsey, Cobourg, Ont.; and J. Henderson, St. Liboire, P. Q.

Among other business transacted was the final adoption of the constitution, provisionally set out at the previous Congress in Hamilton, and a few alterations in the code of rules regulating telegraphic matches.

Preliminaries were afterwards arranged for the Tournay. Twenty competitors entering, were paired by lot, winners and losers of the first round being again paired separately, and so on until three games were recorded; the final result of the play we have already noticed.

The contests began the same evening about ten o'clock, and continued during the next three days; the hours for play being appointed at 10 a.m., until about noon, from 2 p.m. until 5, and from 8 p.m. until midnight, the President acting as umpire in accordance with a general request to that effect.

All the proceedings then were marked by silence and order, the only sound to break the stillness prevailing being a subdued "check" from some combatant, and many of the games deservedly attracted much attention and excited considerable interest amongst the spectators, some of whom, while disengaged, otherwise, discussed "problems," "openings," or began a friendly "skirmish" with a hitherto unknown opponent, the greatest cordiality reigning throughout.

Arrangements are being made for the publication of the Tournay games played, and the problems entered, at an early date.

Montreal is selected as the city in which the third and next Congress is to assemble next year; and we are confident that the Managing Committee, assisted as they will be most heartily by our amateurs generally, will not fail to make it, at least, quite equal to either of those preceding.

We append the following score of all the Tournay games played; those marked * have gone by default or absence of one of the players.

FIRST ROUND. Messrs. Young, Toronto, won of Gordon, Toronto. Northcote, " " Vercoe, Seaforth. Smith, Seaforth, " " Wallace, Belleville. Esor, Montreal, " " Salter, Canton. Ryall, Hamilton, " " Russell, Toronto. Coleman, Seaforth, " " Hirschberg, Toronto. Jackson, Seaforth, " " Ramsey, Cobourg. Henderson, St. Liboire, " " Furby, Port Hope. White, Montreal, " " Jones, Toronto. Mackay, Hamilton, " " Hurlburt, Ottawa.

SECOND ROUND. Esor, Montreal, won of Northcote, Toronto. Ryall, Hamilton, " " Young, " " White, Montreal, " " Henderson, St. Liboire. Mackay, Hamilton, " " Coleman, Seaforth. Smith, Seaforth, " " Jackson, Seaforth. Salter, Canton, " " Russell, Toronto. Vercoe, Seaforth, " " Wallace, Belleville. Furby, Port Hope, " " Hirschberg, Toronto. Jones, Toronto, " " Ramsey, Cobourg. Gordon, Toronto, " " Hurlburt, Ottawa.

THIRD ROUND. Esor, Montreal, won of Smith, Seaforth. White, Montreal, " " Mackay, Hamilton. Jackson, Seaforth, " " Ryall, Hamilton. Northcote, Toronto, " " Henderson, St. Liboire. Coleman, Seaforth, drew with Young, Toronto. Gordon, Toronto, won of Salter, Canton.

FOURTH ROUND. Esor, Montreal, won of White, Montreal. (winning the first prize.) Mackay, Hamilton, won of Ryall, Hamilton. Jackson, Seaforth, " " Northcote, Toronto. Jones, Toronto, " " Smith, Seaforth. Gordon, Toronto, " " Vercoe, Seaforth.

FIFTH ROUND. Jones, Toronto, won of Mackay, Hamilton. Jackson, Seaforth, " " Gordon, Toronto.

SIXTH ROUND. Jackson, Seaforth, won of Jones, Toronto, leaving Messrs. Jackson and White to play off for the second and third prizes.

SEVENTH ROUND. Jackson, Seaforth, won of White, Montreal. Mr. Jackson winning the second prize and Mr. White the third.

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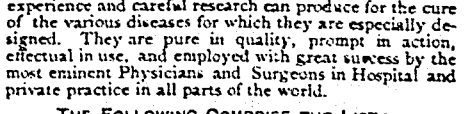
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