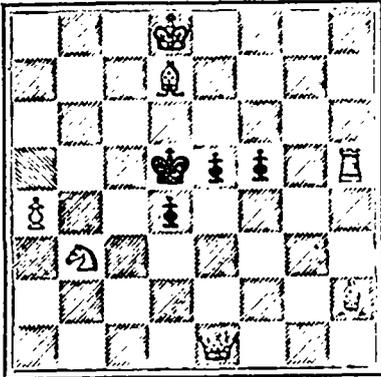


**CHESS.**

Solution of Problem 144: B to Kt3.  
Solved by C. W. L.

**PROBLEM 146.**

Sheffield and Rotherham Independent.  
Black 4 pieces.



White 7 pieces.  
White to play and mate in two moves.

**GAME No. 148**

The second game played between  
Messrs. Lasker and Showalter, at  
Logansport, Ky.

RUY LOPEZ.

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|----------------|------------|
| Showalter.     | Lasker.    |
| WHITE.         | BLACK.     |
| 1 P to K4      | P to K4    |
| 2 Kt to KB3    | Kt to QB3  |
| 3 B to Kt5     | Kt to B3   |
| 4 Castles      | P to Q3 a  |
| 5 P to Q4      | B to Q2    |
| 6 Kt to B3     | B to K2 b  |
| 7 B takes Kt   | B takes B  |
| 8 Q to K2      | P takes P  |
| 9 Kt takes P   | B to Q2    |
| 10 P to QKt3   | Castles    |
| 11 B to Kt2    | R to Ksq   |
| 12 QR to Qsq   | B to KBsq  |
| 13 Q to Q3     | K to Rsq c |
| 14 P to B4     | P to B3    |
| 15 Kt to B3    | B to K5    |
| 16 R to Q2     | Q to B2    |
| 17 P to KR3    | B takes Kt |
| 18 Q takes B   | QR to Qsq  |
| 19 P to Kk14   | K to Ktsq  |
| 20 P to Kt5    | Kt to Q2   |
| 21 Kt to K2    | P to Q4    |
| 22 P to K5 d   | Q to R4 e  |
| 23 B to B3     | B to Kt5 f |
| 24 B takes B   | Q takes B  |
| 25 P to B3     | Q to K3ch  |
| 26 K to R2     | Kt to B4   |
| 27 Kt to Kt3   | R to Q2 g  |
| 28 Kt to R5 h  | Kt to K5   |
| 29 R to Kk12   | K to Rsq   |
| 30 Kt to B6    | P takes Kt |
| 31 KtP takes P | QR to Qsq  |
| 32 R to Kt7    | Resigns i  |

a A better defence is Kt takes P.  
b P takes P would have been preferable.  
c Loss of time at least. P to QB3 should have been played here.  
d Much better than P takes P.  
e A bad move, as will be seen.  
f But this is worse. The Bishop was most important for defensive purposes.  
g Bad again. He ought to have broken the adverse attack by Kt to K5.  
h A beautiful move, which forces a speedy win.  
i Black cannot guard against the threatened R takes Pch, which would lead to mate in a few more moves.  
Notes by E. Lasker in New York Sun.

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**SOLUTION.**

**PROBLEM 311.**—The position was: black men 2, 3, 5, 7, 11, 15, 19, 20, 21, king 25; white men 13, 16, 18, 22, 23, 26, 28, 31; king 32; white to play and win.

22	17	19-26	28	24	29-25
15-22	16	7	20-27	23	26
3	9	2-11	32	16	25-21
5-14	31	22	21-25	26	22
17	10	25-18	16	19	white
7-14	10	7	25-29		wins.
26	10	3-10	1	23	

Mr. W. W. Bond, of Spring Hill Mines, sent us the above solution, which is correct.

**GAME 199—"SINGLE CORNER."**

Recently played between Messrs. J. B. Peyton and A. J. Grant, both of this city.

11-15	4-8	18-23	3-7
22	18	26	22
15-22	2-6	8-11	23-26
25	18	23	19
8-11	15-18	6-29	26-22
29	25	22	15
10-15	11-18	29-25	12-16
26	22	31	26
6-10	7-11	16-19	22-24
30	26	a-19	15
9-14	10-19	25-30	28
18	9	b 24	15
5-14	11-16	30-23	
22	17	17	10

a Mr. Grant thought of playing 24 at this point, but dropped the idea, as he perceived that it would have allowed a black win by 10-15 and also a white win if black had played 11-15.  
b 17 10, 6-15, 27 23 would only draw.

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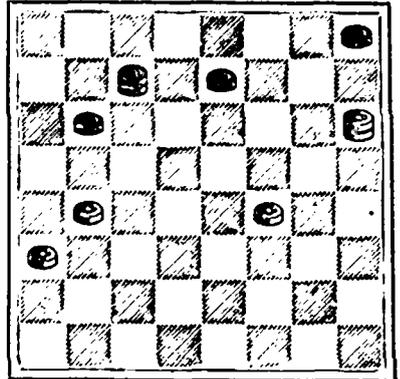
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**PROBLEM No. 313.**  
By Mr. Smith, Motherwell, Scotland, in the Glasgow "Herald."  
Black men 4, 7, 9, king 6.



White men 17, 19, 21, king 12  
Black to play and win.  
We believe that this end game will be interesting and instructive to most of our readers, though some of our best players don't less recognise an old gem in a new setting.

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