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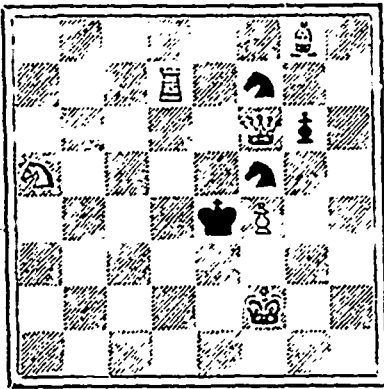
REV. P. H. BROWN.—P takes P steps your No. 18; No. 19 is correct. L. M. WILKINS.—Thanks for your enclosure. W. W. WRIGHT.—Yours received with thanks. We do not intend to publish any 3-movers for some time yet.

SOLUTIONS.

Solution to Problem 20.—R to Kt 8, etc. Solution to Problem 21.—P to B3, etc. (Correct solutions to Nos. 20 and 21 received from Rev. C. E. Willets, H. B. Stairs, L. M. Wilkins, Dr. L. Johnstone, J. W. Wallace, "D," Mrs. H. Mosely, W. J. Calder; and of No. 21 from A. I. and H. E. Borrodale.

PROBLEM No. 24.

By M. Horn from "Brüderschaft." BLACK

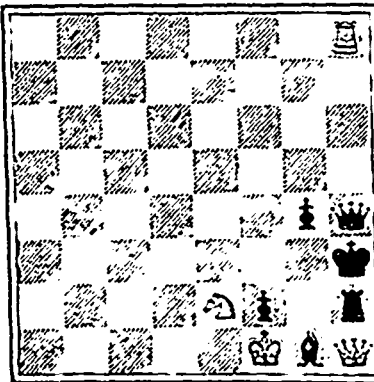


WHITE.

White to play and mate in 2 moves.

PROBLEM No. 25.

By S. Loyd. BLACK.



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White to play and mate in 2 moves.

DRAUGHTS-CHECKERS

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CHESS EDITOR.—Checker clippings from you are received with thanks. I can send you chess cuttings from the New York Clipper and the Montreal Weekly Gazette, if they would be acceptable or useful to you. J. F. HALL.—At your second move in Problem 15 if you ply 10 14 instead of 10 15 white can win

SOLUTION—PROBLEM 15.—The position is as follows:—black men—1, 19, 20, k. 30; white men, 13, 27, 28, k. 10; black to play and draw.

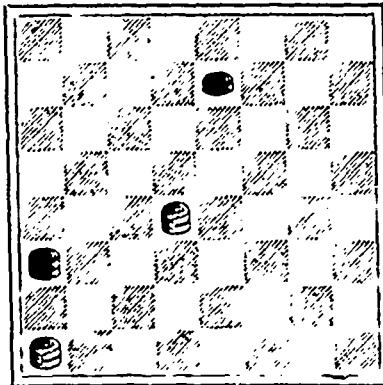
1—6 25—22 (a) 17—22 19—24 10 1 6 9 13 9 28 19 30—25 22—17 22—18 18—15 1 6 9 6 6 10 drawn.

(a) If 17—14, 13 9 white wins.

PROBLEM 16.—As we only gave the terms of this problem last week, we must defer giving the solution till our next issue.

PROBLEM 19.

By Dr. Brown, of Limerick, Ireland. Black—man 7, k. 21.



White—kings, 18, 29.

White to move and win. This problem has two lines of correct solution. We would be pleased to have as full solutions as possible.

"FUN AT CHECKERS."—Under the above caption we find in, and extract from the Checkerist, of Tavares, Florida, U.S.A., the following:—

A correspondent writes:—Your "Fun at Checkers" column is very interesting. There are plenty of such incidents afloat, and we'd enjoy to see some of them recorded. He then relates the following:—Some time ago at the Y. M. C. A. rooms, a fine-looking gentleman had impressed those present as being a marvelously fine player, and I found myself the unanimous nominee for being the vicarious object on which he was to exhibit his skill. Choosing the blacks and being too intimidated to commence 11—15, I decided to rely on native strength, and open irregularly 9—14, 23 19, 5—9, 24 20, 9—13. "My young friend," here spoke my opponent more to the crowd than to me, "you've opened very weakly. I'll make that evident to you in a few more moves," and he moved 26 23! The catastrophe which followed evoked such noisy hilarity that the stranger with drew without much confusion, and we haven't seen him since. Charles Hessler thinks this probably the soonest win on record, but I have, and

doubtless every other player has scooped in a scrub with the well-known "Dunder Cross" scheme:—12—16, 24 19, 16—20, 23 18, 8—12, whereby 'tis evident the win is decided to the whites.

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