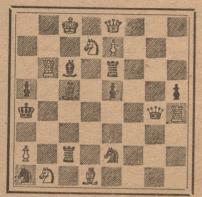
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PROBLEM NO. 156, by D. J. Densmore. (Task.)

Black.—Ten Pieces.



White.-Ten Pieces. White to play and mate in three. SOLUTIONS.

Problem No. 154, by J. Kehtz.

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1. Q—Rsq, PxP; 2. B—Rsq, Kt any; 3. B—Kt6 dis. ch, QxQ mate.

1., PxP; 2. B—Rsq, B—Kt3; 3. R—Kt6 dis. ch, QxB mate.

Note the mutual interference of the white rook and bishop on Kt6.

A DIFFICULT SELF-MATE, J. C. J. Wainwright, Mass.

The following self-mate by J. C. J. Wainwright was submitted as a challenge amongst several United States experts. After baffling them it found its way into our hands via Mr. D. J. Densmore, of Brooklyn. We submitted it to Mr. W. J. Faulkner, of Toronto, who, we believe was the first to solve it. If the reader is sceptical of its difficulty, let him try his skill, before casting his eye to the solution.

White: K at QRsq; Q at Q3; Rs at QR4 and KB6; Bs at QBsq and KBsq; Kts at KB8 and KKt3; Ps at QR2, K2, KKt4, KR3 and KR7. Black: K at KKt2; B at KRsq; Ps at QR3, QB7 and KKt4. Self-mate in seven. 1. R—K4, P—R4; 2. R—K7ch, KxR; 3. R—Q7 dls. ch, K—K4; 4. R—Q4, B—B3; 5. B—B4ch, PxB; 6. Q—B7ch, KxR; 7. Q—B5ch; KxQ mate. If 4. ..., B—Kt2, then white continues Q—K7ch at the 6th.

A CHESS ERILLIANCY.

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	Plano.
White.	Black.
E. Rousseau.	A. de Riviere.
1. P—K4	1. P_K4
2. Kt—KB3	2. Kt—QB3
3. B—B4	3. B—B4
4. P—Q3	4. P-Q3
5. B—K3	5. BxB (a)
6. PxB	6. B-Kt5 (b)
7. QKt—Q2	7. Kt_R3
8. Q—K2	8. Castles
9. P-B3	9. R-Ktsa (c)
10. P—KR3	10. B-Q2
11. Castles QR (d)	8. Castles 9. R—Ktsq (c) 10. B—Q2 11. P—QKt4
12. B—Kt3	12. P—R4
13. P-Kt4	13. K—Rsq (e)
14. P—Q4	14. P-R5
14. P—Q4 15. B—Q5 (f) 16. P—R3	15. Kt—R4 (g)
16. P—R3	16. P—QB3
17. B—R2	16. P—QB3 17. Q—K2
18. PxP (h)	18. PxP
19. Q—R2	19. P—B3 (i) 20. Kt—B2 21. B—K3
20. P-Kt5	20. Kt_B2
21. P—R4	21. B—K3
ZZ. B—RUSQ	22. Kt—Q3
23. P—R5	23. Kt(Q3)—B5
24. PxP	24. QxBP
25. QR—Ktsq	25. R—B2 (j) _
26. Kt—R4	26. K-Ktsq
25. QR—Ktsq 26. Kt—R4 27. R—Kt3 (k) 28. KtxKt (l)	27. Kt-Kt6ch
28. KtxKt (1)	28 O R8ch
29. RxQ	29. RxRch
30. K—B2	30. PxKtch
31. KxP (m) 32. R—Kt2	31. RxB
32. R—Kt2	32. P-B4 (n)
33. K—B2 (o) 34. K—Bsq (p)	29. RxRch 30. PxKtch 31. RxB 32. P—B4 (n) 33. RxPch 34. R—Kt6
00. IV-6104	35. RXRP
36. R—K2 (q)	36. B—Kt5
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Resigns.

(a) We prefer to retire the Bishop to Kt3, but it is all a matter of taste. A modern tendency is to leave the Bishop untouched and so restrict White in the centre should he exchange.

(b) Or 6. ..., B—Q2, with a view to 7. ..., Kt—R4 obliterating White's valuable Bishop.

(c) An unusual expedient to advance the Pawns.

37. RxPch 38. R—Rsq (s)

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(c) An unusual expedient to advance the Pawns.

(d) It would be safer to Castle on the other side, rather than play as anticipated by his opponent. Or first P—Q4 to prevent P—QKt4 should be played.

(e) To make a retreat for the Knight. (f) 15 B—B2 would have been better.

(g) Now Black threatens to win the piece, and as a result gets his Knight in a very faucurable position.

(h) White's conduct of the attack is not of the best. P—Kt5 should have been played at once, followed by QR—Ktsq

INDEPENDENT ORDER OF FORESTERS

SUPREME COURT IN SESSION

A Review of The Business Transacted

The whole spirit of the recent convention of the Supreme Court of The Independent Order of Foresters was expressed in the opening paragraph of the Report of the Supreme Chief Ranger.

"This, the Seventeenth Regular Session of the Supreme Court, convenes, under the shadow of the Great War which is being waged on the part of the two great countries in which our Order is established, to the end that freedom and democratic forms of government may not perish from the earth. As the end of the struggle is not yet in sight, it behooves us on this present occasion to take stock, carefully consider and wisely resolve how we can best perform our duty to our members and their dependents and how best we can be useful to our communities whose manhood and material resources are being so sorely tried."

Canadians in khaki returned from the front, British delegates who had braved the perils of submarines to be present, joined with the delegates of our newest ally, the United States, in an effort to devise means of extending the protection of the Society, not only to its present members who have enlisted, but to those who may be called upon to serve in future. It was felt that fraternal societies had an exceptional privilege and duty in this respect, since they contained resources within themselves under their form of government and control, not open to commercial companies. latter are obliged, in order to maintain their solvency, to impose the full financial burden of the war risk upon these who actually fight in defence of those who stay at home. It was decided by the Supreme Court that, while conceding the necessity of such a course by the commercial companies, fraternal principles demanded the distribution of the war burden over all members. Consequently, members who were in the Society at the outbreak of war will be carried for the full amount of insurance, and the beneficiaries of those who entered after that time or who may become members in future will be paid onehalf the sum assured in event of being killed in action, no extra premium being imposed in any case.

The adequacy of the readjustment of the Society in 1913 was strikingly demonstrated in the Report of the Financial Committee, showing the continued growth of the surplus of the Society since that time. Surplus is here used in its true sense, namely, the balance of the assets after providing for all liabilities including reserves. The figures are as follows:

December 31st, 1913 \$491,646 December 31st, 1914 536,138 December 31st, 1915 644,999 December 31st. 1916 716,974

Changes were also made, from an insurance standpoint, were desirable. It has been the practice to collect a monthly premium for the insurance fund and to meet expenses out of various entrance fees and

monthly taxes. This procedure has been replaced by an "inclusive" monthly rate under which the entrance fees are dispensed with and the medical examination fee is paid by the Order instead of the members.

The Supreme Court also gave the Executive Council power to issue new plans of insurance. It is likely that early next year the Society will issue Limited Payment and Endowment policies at attractive monthly rates of premium. They will contain surrender values and will be protected by statutory reserves. They will be used to supplement the existing form of contract which gives sound insurance protection at minimum

Children's insurance was also urged by some of the delegates. "Whole Family" protection has received a great deal of attention in the States, but certain legal matters have to be cleared up before it can be generally

Benevolent Work.

The visit of the representatives to the Orphans' Home at Oakville sent the delegates home impressed with the extent and completeness of this branch of the Order's work. At present upwards of eight hundred orphans are being helped, fifty-one in the Home, over seven hundred in the homes of their widowed mothers, the latter receiving monthly grants until such time as they are able to do for themselves. Four hundred and seventy-three homes in this way are kept unbroken, and the fatherless ones are receiving a mother's care and training. It was an interesting fact that of the boys who have passed through the Home, twelve are participating in the great war.

Equally interesting and worthy of commendation is the work carried on in the two Consumptive Sanatoria, one at Rainbow Lake, New York, and the other in Lopez Canyon, California. All that skill and the fraternal spirit can do to cure incipient cases and to stay the progress of more advanced cases is being done. ninety per cent. of those who seek treatment in the earliest stages of the disease return to their homes, apparently cured.

State of the Order.

The committee dealing with this subject touched on the various tivities and interests of the society, emphasized the value of the work done by officers in subordinate courts, especially the financial secretary: approved of the amalgamation into one strong court of two or more weak ones in the same locality; noted the splendid progress made in many jurisdictions, notwithstanding adverse war conditions.

War Work.

A War Committee, for the first time in the history of the Order, was named to consider how the members, their families and friends, through the Subordinate Courts of the Order, could help win the war. It was decided that a club be organized under the name of "The Independent Order of Foresters' War Aid Club," whereever possible. The purpose of this club will be to organize members throughout the Forestric world to

take up some phase of war work. Literature will be prepared and cir-culated showing what can be under-taken and accomplished. Everything possible will be done to inform our members as to the needs of our gallant soldiers and the magnitude the world's struggle that is goin on, and at every Court meeting, the responsibilities and opportunities of our members in this connection will be emphasized, and expression for in some helpful and tangible way

The delegates as a whole represented a high type of the community many of the speeches were notable efforts of oratory. The frat nal side and the business side of innrance each received its proper spare of attention, and it will no dept prove that the election of Mr. W. H. Hunter to succeed Mr. Stevenson resulted in the acquisition of a leader who thoroughly understands the necessity to fraternal insurance of development of both these factors. We shall watch with interest the work of the Order under his guidance.

Officers for the Next Supreme Court Term.

The following Supreme Court incers were unanimously elected:

Officers Elected.

Supreme Chief Ranger—Will H. Hunter, B.A., Toronto. Past Supreme Chief Ranger—1

tor Morin, K.C., Montreal.

Supreme Vice-Chief Ranger Frank E. Hand, California.

Supreme Secretary - Fred Darch, Toronto.

Supreme Treasurer-Robert M. ison, Toronto.

Supreme Physician—Thomas man, Toronto.

Supreme Counsellor-J. D. Clar Ohio.

Supreme Councilmen-Judge N. Cockburn, New Brunswick William Bent, Connecticut.

Supreme Auditors George Bailey, New York; Alex. Stewa Toronto.

Supreme Medical Board C Dickson, California; C. Day Gla Toronto; W. E. Stevens, San Fr

Appointed Officers.

Supreme Orator Rev. Alex. gillivray, D.D.

Supreme Journal Secretary uel Martin, Toronto.

Supreme Superintendent of Juve ile Courts-R. L. Kinney, P.H.C. New York.

Supreme Organist-Mrs. Jul Haller, Michigan.

Supreme Senior Woodward-Alex Smith, P.H.C.R., Eastern Ontario. Supreme Junior Woodward A.

Goddard, California. Supreme Marshal-J. P. Murph California.

Supreme Conductor-Alex. Con

P.H.C.R., Ontario.

Supreme Standard Bearer Quintin, H.C.R., Montreal; Geo O. Mitchell, H.S., Vermont. Supreme Sword Bearers McNeil, H.C.R., Nova Scotia

F. Lang, High Secretary, New York Supreme Senior Beadle—G Boyden, H.C.R., Michigan. Supreme Junior Beadle Ball, D.S.C.R., Ontario.