

**CHESS.**

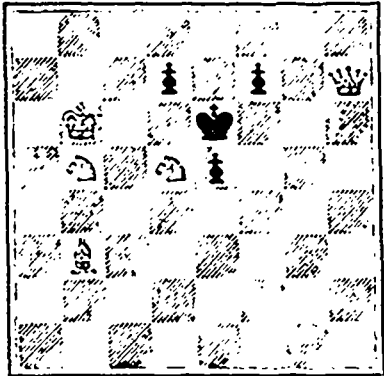
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A. E. BRICE, (Eng.) Problems received with thanks.

Correct solution of No. 36 received from Rev. C. E. Willots.

Solution to Problem 35.—Kt to K6. (Correct solutions received from J. W. Wallace, H. B. Stairs, Mrs. H. Moseley, F. W. Beckman, and "Vona.")

**PROBLEM No. 40.**  
By M. M. Carpenter and Shinkman.  
("An exquisite little stratagem.")  
**BLACK.**



**WHITE.**  
White to play and mate in two moves.

Arms and the men I sing who, called to light,  
Rush from their rest to wage the mimic fight;  
Bedecked with mitre, sceptre, shield and sword,  
Types of the puppets on our world's wide board.  
On either stage, intrigue and craft are seen,  
On each, the proudest heart must own its Queen;  
On both, the simple Pawns are trodden down,  
In cause of might and right—or church and crown.  
Bold cavaliers the paths of peace perplex,  
The schemes of Kings are crossed by adverse checks;  
Castles and crosiers serve as mammon's bait,  
And all is risked in love, to gain—a mate!  
True, every chief in chess supports his brother,  
Ebon and silver only slay each other;  
While on the chequered field of earthly labor,  
The hand of man falls first upon his neighbor!

Our game is done, the lowly and the great  
Lie on one table—levelled in one fate;  
And having played their play of noise and knocks,  
Death packs them up again into the box!

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**SOLUTIONS.**

**PROBLEM 32.**—Correctly solved by Mrs. H. Moseley. Position—black men, 3, 14, king, 23; white men, 10, 16, 29; black to move and win.

|          |       |        |       |
|----------|-------|--------|-------|
| 23-19    | 22-26 | 15-11  | 6-1   |
| 16-12(a) | 29-25 | (2)6-1 | 5-9   |
| 19-15    | 26-30 | 11-7   | 7-10  |
| 10-6     | 25-21 | 1-6    | 9-6   |
| 14-17    | 30-25 | 7-2    | 10-14 |
| (1) 6-2  | 5-1   | 6-1    | 6-2   |
| 15-18    | 25-22 | 14-10  | 14-18 |
| 2-6      | 1-6   | 21-17  | 13-9  |
| 18-14    | 23-18 | 2-7    | 18-14 |
| 6-1      | 6-1   | 1-5    | black |
| 17-22    | 18-15 | 10-6   | wins. |
| 1-5      | 1-6   | 17-13  |       |

(1) White might lengthen the game by remaining on 29 till forced out.

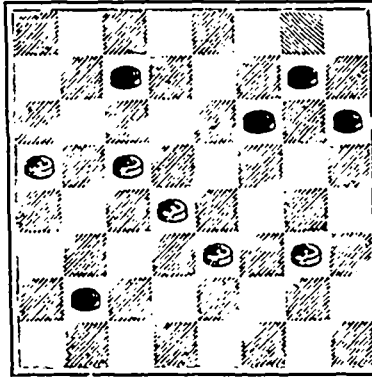
(1) Instead of 6-2 move 29-25, 15-18, 25-21, 3-7, 21-14, 18-2 and black wins.

(2) Instead of 6-1 move:—  
6-2 21-17 17-13 13-6  
14-9 11-15 15-10 10-1  
b. wins.

**PROBLEM 33.**—Correctly solved by Mrs. H. Moseley and "Dixie." Position:—black men, 21, 28, kings, 2, 29; white men, 30, 32, kings, 1, 10; white to play and win.

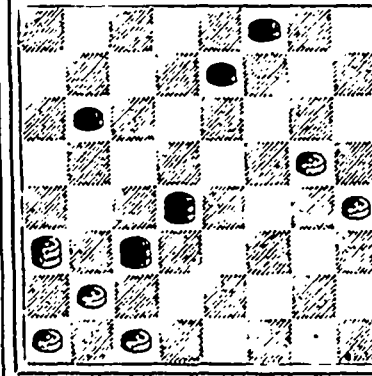
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| 1-5   | 22-18 | 9-5   | 2-9   |
| 29-25 | 30-26 | 26-23 | 5-23  |
| 5-9   | 21-25 | 32-27 | white |
| 25-22 | 13-9  | 23-32 | wins. |
| 9-13  | 25-30 | 10-6  |       |

**PROBLEM 36.**  
By Dr. Schaefer, New York.  
Black men—6, 8, 11, 12, 25.



White men—13, 14, 18, 23, 24.  
White to play and draw.

**PROBLEM 37.**  
By Wm. Muir of Maybole, Scotland.  
Black men—3, 7, 9 ks., 18, 22.



White men—16, 20, 25, 29, 30, k., 21  
White to play and win.

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