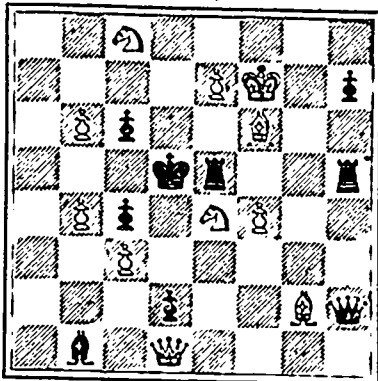


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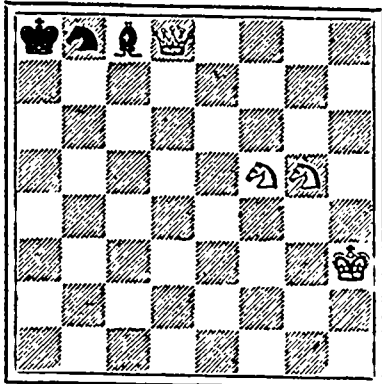
Solution to Problem No. 104.—K to B6. Solved by C. W. L., J. W. Wallace and Mrs. H. Mosley.

PROBLEM No. 106.
Baltimore Sunday News
BLACK 9 pieces.



WHITE 11 pieces.
White to play and mate in 2 moves.

PROBLEM No. 107.
By E. D. Bruce, Shelburne, N. S.
BLACK 3 pieces.



WHITE 4 pieces.
White to play and mate in 3 moves.

GAME No. 87.
Played in the Breslau Tournament.
Queen's Gambit declined.

WHITE	BLACK
J. H. Blackburne.	Herr E Schallopp
1 P to Q4	P to Q4
2 P to QB4	P to QB3
3 P to K3	B to B4
4 Kt to QB3	P to K3
5 Kt to B3	Kt to Q2
6 P takes P	KP takes P
7 B to Q3	B takes B
8 Q takes B	KKt to B3
9 Castles	B to K2
10 Kt to K2	Castles
11 Kt to Kt3	R to K
12 B to Q2	P to QR4
13 B to B3	B to Q3
14 Kt to Q2	P to QKt4
15 P to Kt3	P to R5
16 Kt to B5	B to B

Black retains possession of this diagonal, and White gains nothing by his last move.
17 P to B3

Weakening his centre very much

18 Kt to Kt3	P to Kt3
19 B to Kt2	P to Kt5
20 B to B	P to R6
21 R to Q	P to B4
22 Kt (Q2) to B	R to B
23 P takes P	Q to Kt3
24 K to R	B takes P
25 Q to K2	Kt to K4
26 P takes P	P to Q5
27 B to K3	B takes P
	Kt takes P

Beautifully played, giving Black the best of it both in position and forces.

28 B takes B	Kt takes B
29 Q to KB2	QR to Q
30 R to Q2	Kt to Kt5
31 Q to Kt	Q to KB3
32 QR to Q	K to Kt2
33 P to R3	Kt to K7!
34 R takes Kt (best)	KR takes R
35 R takes R	Kt to B7 ch
36 K to R2	R takes P
37 R to QR8	Q to B5

This renders the White pieces, except the Rook, entirely powerless

38 R to K8	P to R4
39 R to K4	Kt takes R
40 Q to Q4 ch	K to R2
41 P to R4	Q to B6
42 Q takes Kt	R takes P ch
43 K to R3	Q takes Q
44 Kt takes Q	R to QKt7 wins.

Gazette.

DRAUGHTS-CHECKERS

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THE TEAM MATCH—HALIFAX VS. SHUBENACADIE.

This event came off according to arrangement on Thanksgiving Day. The teams were as follows:—Halifax—Frank Hamilton, Wm. Forsyth, Samuel Granville and Peter O'Hearn; Shubenacadie—Mr. Lynch, G. O. Forbes, Mr. Fish and Mr. Wickwire. It was arranged that each player of the Halifax team should play two games with every member of the opposing team. After playing five games Mr. Hamilton was obliged to retire, having to take the train for Halifax to keep an important engagement. Mr. Forsyth of Dartmouth took his place and played the remaining three games of Mr. Hamilton's series. The scores were as below:—

Hamilton 2, Wickwire 0, drawn 0.
Hamilton 2, Fish 0, drawn 0.
Hamilton 1, Lynch 0, drawn 0.
W. Forsyth jr. 0, Forbes 2, drawn 0.
W. Forsyth sr. 0, Fish 0, drawn 2.
W. Forsyth sr. 2, Forbes 0, drawn 0.
W. Forsyth sr. 2, Wickwire 0, drawn 0.
W. Forsyth sr. 0, Lynch 1, drawn 1.
Granville 0, Forbes 1, drawn 1.
Granville 1, Wickwire 0, drawn 1.
Granville 1, Fish 0, drawn 1.
Granville 0, Lynch 0, drawn 2.
O'Hearn 0, Lynch 2, drawn 0.
O'Hearn 0, Forbes 0, drawn 2.
O'Hearn 0, Wickwire 1, drawn 1.
O'Hearn 0, Fish 0, drawn 2.

To summarise, the Halifax team won 11 games; the Shubenacadie team 8; and there were 13 drawn games. The result was a genuine surprise to all parties; Mr. Hamilton taking the lead by winning every game that he played. Mr. Forsyth, though making a creditable score, did not play in his best form. Mr. Granville did exceedingly well, his games being the best contested of the match. Mr. O'Hearn was evidently out of sorts and did not come up to the expectations of his friends. The Halifax players went to Shubenacadie expecting an easy victory, but they found their work well cut out for them. If a return match should be arranged we would be pleased to have it come off in Halifax and suggest the 1st of January as a suitable day for

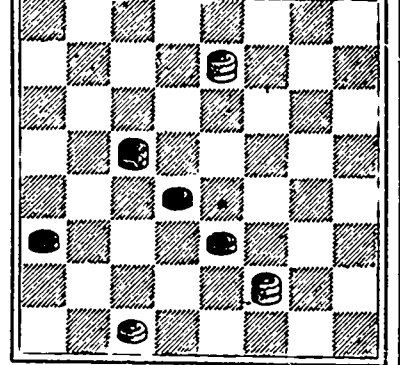
it. All concerned put in a very enjoyable day. This will be a memorable event to Nova Scotia players, as it was the first team match that ever took place in this Province so far as we know.

SOLUTIONS.

PROBLEM 140—The position was:—
Black men 2, 11, 13, 14, 15, 16, 21; white men 20, 22, 23, 24, 25, 30, 31; white to play and win. This is how Mr. Mosley wins game 31.
30 26 26 10 19 12 27 24
21—30 80—25 25—21 w. wins.
22 18 24 19 31 27
15—22 11—15 21—17

PROBLEM No. 142.

By J. A. Kear, Bristol, England.
Black men 18, 21, 23, king 14.



White man 30, king 7, 27.
White to move and draw.

GAME XXXV.
"ALMA."

Played in the recent team match between Messrs. Lynch and Granville, the former moving first.

11—15	6—9	18—25	9—13
23 19	26 22	29 22	4 8
8—11	9—18	6—9	15—24
22 17	24 19	23 18	27 23
3—8	15—24	7—11	24—27
26 23	22 15	15 10	23 19
11—16	4—8	11—16	27—31
17 14	28 19	19 15	22 18
9—18	5—9	16—19	31—27
23 14	25 22	15 11	18 15
16—23	1—6	8—15	27—24
27 11	32 27	18 11	19 16
8—15	9—14	12—16	24—19
31 26	30 26	11 8	16 11
10—17	14—18	16—20	19—16
21 14	26 23	8 4	10 7

drawn.

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