

## DRAUGHTS-CHECKERS

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## WYLLIE vs. REED.

*Turf, Field and Farm* publishes the following:—"Sydney, N. S. W., January 17, Draft Editor T. F. & F. —In answer to Mr. Hester's letter I deny that I have been the means of delaying the match between Mr. Reed and myself, and I am at a loss to understand how he is so particular now about the time, which is not mentioned in the articles. All that is mentioned about the time is that the match shall commence within 60 days after my arrival in America. I had fully made up my mind to leave here for San Francisco February 18th next; the steamer would arrive about March 14, which would give ample time for the match to commence by the middle of May. In regard to it I am quite satisfied that I have acted in an upright and honorable manner, which I always intend to do. As Mr. Hester is now very doubtful of the match taking place, I cannot afford to go to San Francisco on a 'wild-goose chase,' so will shortly leave here for England. My deposit of \$100 can remain in your hands for the next six months, and should Mr. Reed be inclined to go on with the match by giving me notice, I can leave Scotland within a week's time for New York and call on you to make my final deposit of \$400. If he declines to go on with it I will then play Mr. Freeman, of Providence, an unrestricted match of 32 games, each of us to choose eight different openings for \$500 a side, and \$100 to be allowed me for expenses should he wish the match played at Providence; or I will play him a match of 64 games, each one to choose sixteen different openings. All letters to be directed care of Mr. Robert McCall, Draught Editor of *Weekly Herald*, Glasgow." Signed James Wyllie. The Draught Editor of *Turf* comments:—"Evidently Mr. Wyllie has forgotten the fact that he distinctly stated to us in his letter of June 30, 1890, when accepting Mr. Reed's challenge, that the match 'must commence before or by April 1, 1890.'" The T. F. & F. also publishes the following:—"Chicago, March 6. Draught Ed. T. F. & F.—We have carefully read Mr. Wyllie's letter of Jan. 17, also your appended remarks. Should Mr. Wyllie go to Europe before coming to America to play the match as per articles of agreement and accompanying letters, we demand, on behalf of Mr. Reed, the \$200 forfeit money in your possession, and claim the title of 'Champion Draught Player of the World' for our representative. Signed Chas. Hester, for James P. Reed and the Chicago C. and C. Club." In response the Editor remarks:—"Mr. Reed is entitled to both the title and the forfeit, unless Mr. Wyllie is ready to play at Chicago on or before April 1."

## SOLUTION.

PROBLEM 210.—For the solution of this Problem see Game 96 below.

GAME No. 96—"KELSO."

Played in 1879 between Messrs. Forsyth and Irwin.

10-15 7-16 6-24 22-31  
21 17 20 11 11 7 c-17 14  
7-10 14-18 24-27 d-4-8

17 13 31 27 7 3 29 25  
3-7 9-14 27-32 31-27  
24 20 26 22 3 7 2 30 26  
15-19 12-16 1-6 27-31  
23 16 22 15 7 11 25 22  
12-19 a-1 14-17 32-27 8-11  
22 18 27 24 11 15 26 23  
10-14 16-20 27-23 31-26  
18 15 21 19 25 21 14 9  
11-18 20-24 17-22 26-17  
27 23 15 10 21 17 9 2  
18-27 6-15 23-18 11-15  
32 16 19 10 15 19 black  
8-12 2-6 18-23 wins.  
16 11 28 19 19 26

a—This line of play is given by Mr. J. T. Burgess to show how Mr. Forsyth might have drawn.

b—15 11 would draw here.

c—This forms Problem 210.

d—The play from this point is the solution to Problem 210.

## VAR. II.

25 22 30 25 22 17 25 18  
27-23 23-26 26-22 8-11  
b. wins

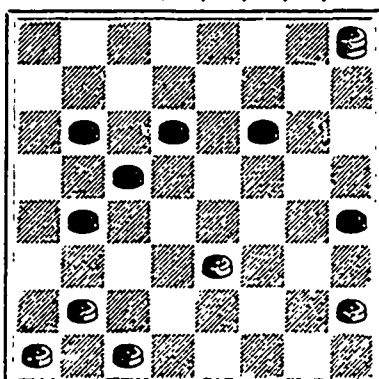
## VAR. I.

16-20 13-17 1-6 4-8  
13 9 10 7 7 3 11 4  
6-13 5-9 6-10 a-2-11  
15 10 27 23 3 7

a This forms the following problem, showing how neatly Mr. Irwin might have won. The play was sent to us by both Mr. J. T. Burgess, of Halifax, and Mr. Jos. E. Cox, of Montreal:—

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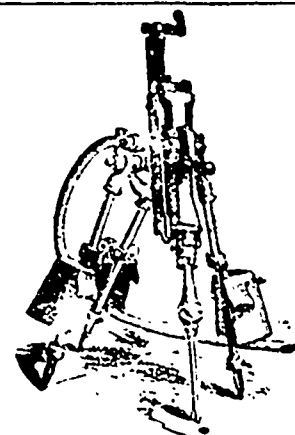
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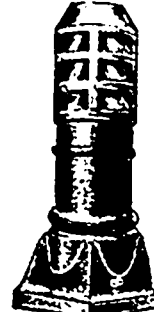
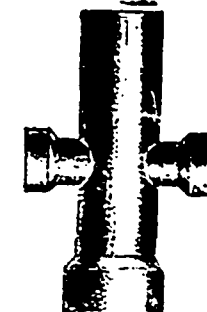
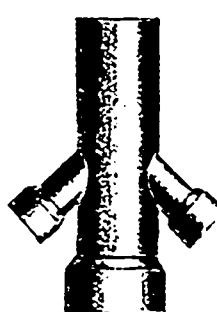
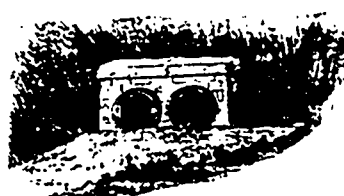
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