



White on 12, 26.

Black to play and win.

\* For the first correct solution received, to the above position we will give one year's subscription to THE MANITOBA free.

#### Game No. 16, Cross.

Played between Ed. Kelly, Winnipeg, and Harry Norman, Kildonan.

#### NORMAN'S MOVE.

11-15	31-27	15-22	19-15	12-16
23-18	2-6	27-23	11-18	6-2
8-11	17-13	11-16	20-2	11-15
27-23	1-5	27-20	18-22	2-6
4-8	26-23	8-11	2-9	15-19
13-19	14-18	28-24	5-14	24-15
9-14	23-14	22-26	30-26	31-24
18-9	9-18	32-27	3-7	6-9
5-14	21-17	26-31	13-9	22-31
22-17	18-22*	17-14	7-11	9-18
6-9	25-18	10-17	9-6	(drawn)

\*Only move to draw.

The World's Fair checker tournament will not be held. The committee have decided that not enough of the players have shown sufficient interest in the tournament to insure its success, but a World's Checker Congress will be held, however, under the auspices of the World's Congress auxiliary of the World's Columbian Exposition of which the Hon. C. C. Bonney is president, who has duly appointed a committee for holding the checker congress of which Mr. Harvey L. Hopkins is chairman. In this congress will be presented papers by leading exponents of the game on many topics or branches including the following: Historical, political, nomenclature, reminiscences, famous games, notable problems, literature, rules of the

game, notable matches, the move, importance of and how obtained, checkers columns in newspapers as a means of promoting the game and how it should be conducted, miscellaneous.

These papers will be copied into the book of the World's Congress Auxiliary of the World's Columbian Exposition, and will become a recognized authority on the game, which will, for the first time, place this game before the public where it already stands with checker experts and devotees. The congress will be held soon after August 15th, 1893.

N.B.—We have to apologize to readers of our checker column in October number for a few typographical errors in the figures.

#### Literary Notes and Reviews.

*Grip* has issued thirteen almanacs during as many years and his fourteenth reached us to-day. The first one was a good one for thirteen years ago and they have kept on getting better ever since, '93 being handsomer and funnier than any of its predecessors. A very handsome cover, printed in two colors from an original design, contains thirty-two pages of illustrated aphorisms which are guaranteed to knock out the worst case of blues on record. The large cartoon, which as usual, occupies two pages, illustrates Columbus discovering the mossback politicians of this part of America. This gives the artist a splendid opportunity to work in the leading men of both parties, and has done full justice to the occasion. Some of the best talent of Canada and the United States have contributed sketches, and the number is easily worth two or three times the price (10 cents,) which is asked.

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The *Eclectic* magazine for December, contains the usual cream of literature, gleaned from the foreign magazines, and in a regular library of articles gives the reader a table of contents, which ought to satisfy the most fastidious. Among the numerous articles in the Xmas number are "The Boyhood and Youth of Columbus," by Richard Davey; "Cholera and our Protection against it," by Dr. Earnest Hart; "Society in China," by Charles Edwards; "Our Molton Globe," by Alfred R. Wallace; and an excellent article on "The Genius of Tennyson," from the Academy in which the writer asserts, that the greatest poetic artist