

CHESS.

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TO CORRESPONDENTS.

J. RENNIE (Toronto).—Kindly forward us Nos. 1, 2, and 5, to complete file.

"VONA"—Thanks. Your poetical effusion was much appreciated.

T. S. R., and L. J.—There is no mate after K to Q4 in your solution of No. 28.

Two-movers do not usually commence with a check.

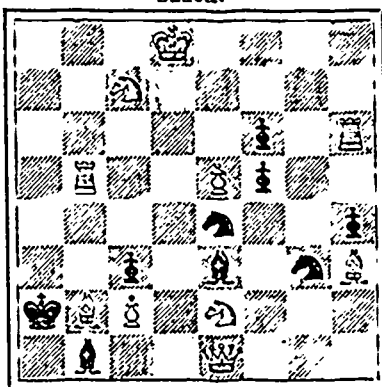
J. W. W., and others.—B to K5 in Problem 22 is met by black playing Q takes Kt.

F. MACKIE, (Eng)—Correct solutions received of Nos. 22, 23, 24, 25.

Correct solutions of Nos. 26 and 27 received from L. M. Wilkins, Dr. L. Johnstone, W. J. Calder, and F. W. Beckman.

Solution to Problem 28.—Q to QR4 (Correct solutions received from Rev. C. E. Willets, J. W. Wallace, H. B. Stairs, L. M. Wilkins, Vona, W. J. Calder, Mrs. H. Moseley, and F. W. Beckman.)

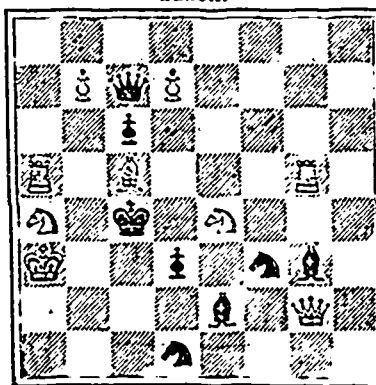
PROBLEM No. 30.
By M. E. Pradignat.
BLACK.



WHITE.

White to play and mate in 2 moves.

PROBLEM No. 31.
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White to play and mate in 2 moves.

Our problems this week are taken from a collection published in 1883, by M. Pradignat, the leading French composer.

Mr. H. J. C. Andrews, the late eminent critic, who reviewed the work in the British Chess Magazine, said:—"With regard to two-movers our author is almost invariably seen to advantage, and the marked individuality of style which characterises his compositions is present throughout, exercising in many instances a power-

ful charm over the most fastidious solver."

Solutions and criticisms of the above problems are invited from all our readers, whether regular solvers or not.

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TO CORRESPONDENTS.

FRANK FORSHAY.—You have made a "bull's-eye" in No 11, and full credit is given you therefor.

C. P. G. H., Halifax.—Your one variation in Problem 11 is sound. You will have credit for it though it is by no means a complete solution.

W., Halifax.—Your solution of Problem 11 is faulty as at your seventh move (7 10) you give an opportunity for black to win by 9—14.

SOLUTIONS.

PROBLEM 21.—Correct solutions have been given by Mrs. H. Moseley and D. Stewart. This problem is the famous "second position," by Anderson, and all players should make themselves familiar therewith, as it is very apt to occur in end games. It is as follows:—black men—1, 3, 6; white men—12, 13, 32; black to move and win.

1—5	3—7	10—15	10—15
32—27	24—27	23—27	23—27
5—9	7—10	15—19	15—19
27—23	27—23	27—32	27—32
9—14	10—15	19—24	19—24
23—19	23—27	32—28	32—28
14—18	15—19	24—27	11—16
19—15	27—32	28—32	28—19
18—23	19—24	27—31	16—23
15—11	32—28	32—28	12—8
23—27	24—27	31—27	23—18
11—8	28—32	28—32	8—3
27—32	27—31	27—23	18—14
8—4	32—28	32—28	3—7
32—27	31—27	23—19	6—1
4—8	28—32	28—32	7—11
27—23	27—23	19—15	14—9
8—11	32—28	32—27	13—6
23—18	23—18	15—10	1—10
11—16	28—24	27—23	bk. wins.
18—15	18—14	10—6	
16—20	24—19	23—19	
15—11	6—10	14—10	
20—24	19—23	19—23	

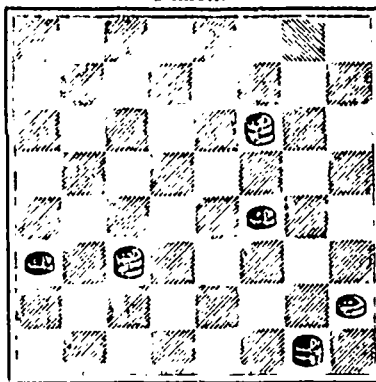
PROBLEM 22.—Solved by Mrs. H. Moseley. Position, black man—9, kgs., 15, 20; white man—6, 11, 16, kg., 8; black to move and draw.

15—10	3—8	15—10	12—8
6—2	15—10	8—4	7—16
9—13	8—12	13—17	8—3
8—3	10—15	16—12	16—19
10—15	12—8	10—7	drawn.

We have received the first number of the American Checker Review, a new fortnightly magazine, which is solely devoted to the science of checkers. It is cleanly printed on good paper, and will doubtless prove a valuable addition to checker literature. Sample copies will be sent on application to the American Checker Review, Chicago, Ills., U. S., A.

PROBLEM 25.

By Charles F. Barker, Champion of America, in No. 1 of American Checker Review, Chicago. **BLACK.**

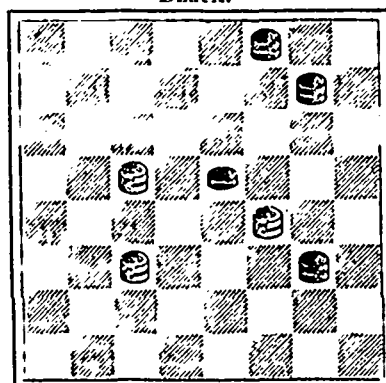


WHITE.

White to move and win.

PROBLEM 26.

By Lyman M. Stearns, Draught Editor "Derry News" in American Checker Review. **BLACK.**



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Black to move and win.

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