

DRAUGHTS-CHECKERS

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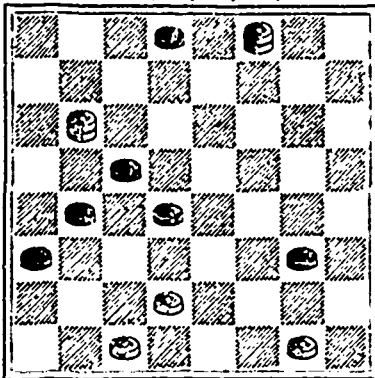
PROBLEM 226.—The position was: Black men 6, 7, 16, 21, 24, king 27; white men 18, 22, 23, 26, 29, 30; white to play and win.
30 25 30—21 18 2 white
21—30 22 17 27—18 wins.
29 25 21—14 2 27

PROBLEM 228.

By E. Harbord, of Ipswich, England.

Liverpool Mercury

Black men 2, 14, 17, 18, 21, 24.

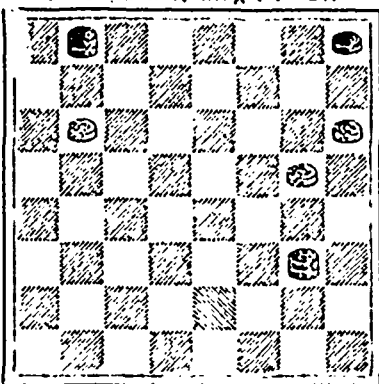


White men 26, 30, 32, kings 3, 9.

Black to play and capture all the opposing pieces on the seventh move. An ideal newspaper problem by a brainless amateur. It contains an elegant bit of draught strategy, and yet so simple as to appeal to the powers of the merest tyro.

Some players have complained that our problems of late have been too easy of solution. Following is one that will bother them:

PROBLEM 229.
Black men 4, kings 1 24.



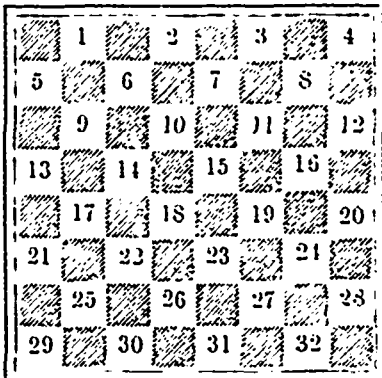
White men 9, 12, 16.

White to play and win.

This is a gem whose sparkle only a few of our solvers are likely to detect.

In order to refresh the memories of our readers and to instruct beginners we reprint this week a numbered diagram below. It will be observed that in starting, the blacks *always* have the small numbers and the first move.

Black.



White.

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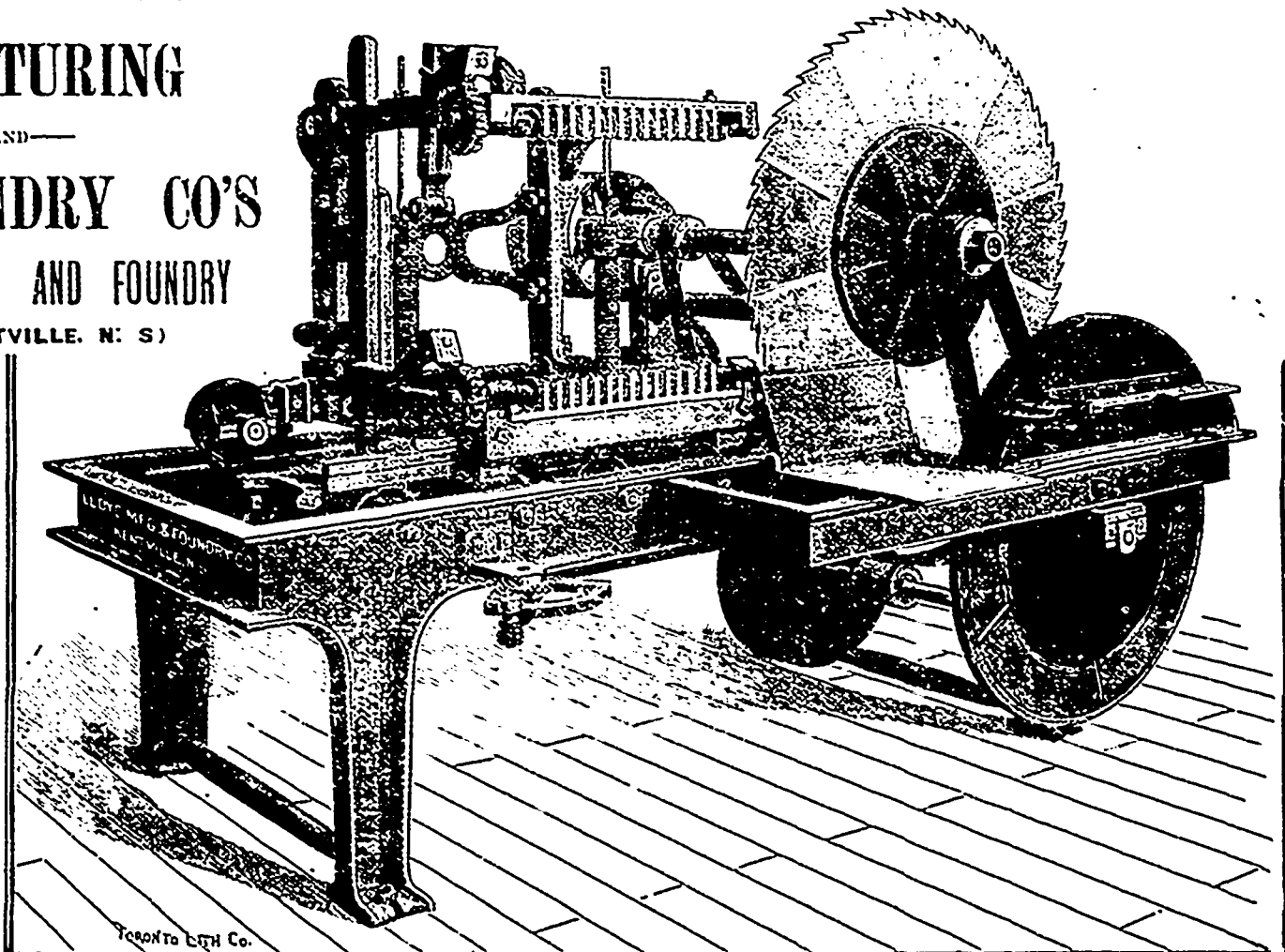
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