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The Chess Editorship of THE CRITIC has passed into new hands, the gentleman who gave us the benefit of his valuable services being unable to continue them. It is, however, gratifying to be able to state that his successor has probably no superior in this Province.

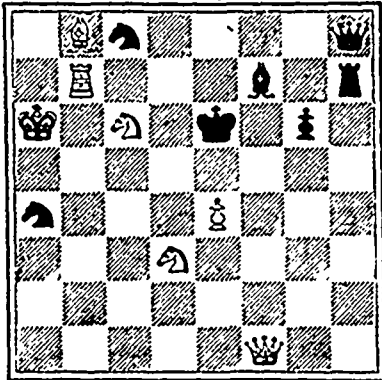
We trust, therefore, to see an even increased interest manifested in our chess column, the prizes offered in which we note above.

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Exchanges will also please change address as above.

PROBLEM No. 72.
BLACK—7 pieces.



WHITE—7 pieces.

White to play and mate in two moves

GAME No. 54.

The following game No. 8, played at Havana between Herr Steinitz and Herr Tchigorin in the late match for the championship of the world, is considered the most brilliant of the series.

WHITE. Steinitz.	BLACK. Tchigorin.
1 Kk1 to B3	Kk1 to B3
2 P to Q4	P to Q4
3 P to B4	P to K3
4 Kt to B3	P to B3
5 P to K3	B to Q3
6 B to Q3	Qk1 to Q2
7 Castles	Castles
8 P to K4	Qp takes Kp
9 Kt takes Kp	Kt takes Kt
10 B takes Kt	P to KR3
11 B to B2	R to Ksq
12 R to Ksq	Q to B3

Indiscreet.
13 B to Q2 Kt to Bsq
14 B to B3 B to Q2
15 P to B5 B to Kt.sq
16 P to Q5 Q home

And now it was better to advance P to K4.

17 P to Q6 P to Qk13	18 P to Qk14 P to KB3	19 Q to Q3 P to QR4	20 P to QR3 P to K4	21 Kt to R4 KtP takes P	22 KtP takes BP B to R2	23 QR to Qsq B takes BP	24 Q to B4 ch Kt to K3	25 Q to K4 Kt to Bsq	26 Q to B4 ch Kt to K3	27 B to K16 Q to K13	28 R to K2
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The best course.

29 R to Qk12 KR to Qk1 sq
30 B to B5 Q to R2
31 R to K2 K to B2
32 Q to Kk14 Q to R3
33 R takes Kp Kt to B5
A fine sacrifice, worthy of Gunsberg.

P takes R
34 QB takes P P to Kk14
35 B to K16 ch K to Bsq
36 Q takes B Q to R2
37 Q to B5 ch K to Kt sq
38 P to Q7 and wins.

DRAUGHTS-CHECKERS

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The number of the problem in our last issue should have been 97—not 70 as published.

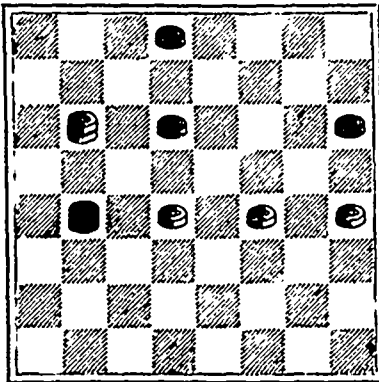
SOLUTION.

PROBLEM 96—The position was as follows:—black men 5, 6, 7, 8, 12, kg. 23; white men 13, 14, 15, 21, 22, 28; black to play and win.

23—19	11—15	14—21	26—31
15 11	6 2	2 9	13 9
8—15	15—18	12—16	16—20
22 17	2 11	9 6	9 6
6—10	18—9	10—14	19—23
13 9	17 13	6 10	6 2
19—16	9—6	14—17	23—26
9 6	21 17	10 14	2 6
15—19	5—9	17—22	26—30
6 2	11 7	14 17	6 9
16—11	9—14	22—26	30—26
2 6	7 2	17 22	w wins.

PROBLEM No. 98

From the New York Clipper.
Black men 2, 10, 12, kg. 17.



White men 18, 19, 20, kg. 9.
Black to play. What result?

GAME No. 20.

Irregular. This is one of the many original games played between Messrs. Forsyth and Gaskin at their recent match. Forsyth's move.

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

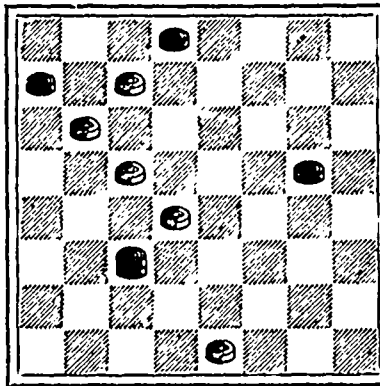
* At this point Mr. Forsyth might have secured a draw by 25—21, but

overlooked the fine win that Mr. Gaskin dashed off in his usual rapid style.

We consider this worthy of a place as a position, and therefore give it as

PROBLEM No. 99.

Black men 2, 5, 16, kg. 22.



White men 6, 9, 14, 18, 31.
White to move and win.

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