

have caused many broken bones, and in some cases frightful suffering—men lying in them mangled and almost dead from hunger and thirst before being rescued. Dead bodies and skeletons are to this day not infrequently found in the old shafts out among the hills. Among these are no doubt the remains of not a few of the men advertised as missing and never heard of. (To be continued.)

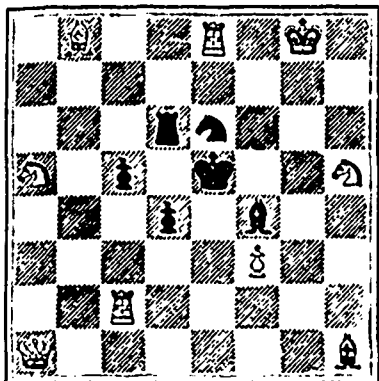
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Solution to Problem 127: 1 B to Kt3, Solved by C. W. L.

PROBLEM No. 129.
Black 6 pieces.



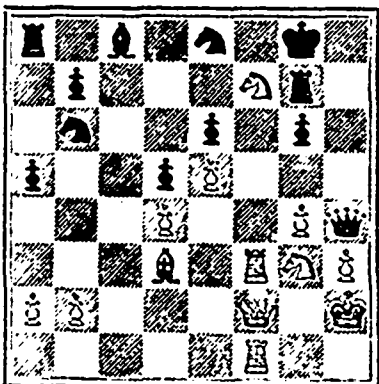
White 9 pieces.
Whites to play and mate in two moves.

GAME No. 132.

The interesting finish of the game which follows will repay examination. The game occurred at Dresden between Dr. Von Gottschall, playing white, and Herr Albin, playing black.

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| WHITE. | BLACK. |
| 1 P to K4 | P to Q3 |
| 2 P to Q4 | P to KK2 |
| 3 P to QB3 | B to Kt2 |
| 4 B to K3 | P to QB3 |
| 5 Kt to Q2 | Kt to B3 |
| 6 P to KR3 | QKt to Q2 |
| 7 B to Q3 | Q to K3 |
| 8 Q to B2 | Q to B2 |
| 9 Kt to K2 | P to K3 |
| 10 Castles | Castles |
| 11 P to KB4 | P to Q4 |
| 12 P to K5 | Kt to Ksq |
| 13 Kt to B3 | B to R3 |
| 14 P to KK4 | K to Rsq |
| 15 Kt to Kt3 | KR to Kt sq |
| 16 QR to Ksq | Kt to Kt3 |
| 17 K to R2 | P to R4 |
| 18 P to B5 | B takes B |
| 19 R takes B | P to B4 |
| 20 P takes Kt P | RP x P |
| 21 Kt to Kt5 | R to Kt2 |
| 22 Q to B2 | P takes P |
| 23 P takes P | K to Kt sq |
| 24 R to B3 | Q to K2 |
| 25 Kt takes BP | Q to R5 |

Black 12 pieces.



White 13 pieces.
25 Kt to R5 Q takes Q ch
27 R (sq) takes Q B to Q2

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| 28 Kt to K5 | Kt to B2 |
| 29 Kt takes R | K takes Kt |
| 30 R to B7 ch | K to Kt sq |
| 31 B takes P | B to Ksq |
| 32 B to R7 ch | K to R sq |
| 33 R to B8ch | Resigns |

Black's moving (on moves 7 and 8) of his Queen wasted time in the development stage of the game; but his first error of substance consisted in his not playing for his 17th move, P to KB4, preparatory to B to Q2, and this was promptly taken advantage of by his opponent.

The combination commenced by White on his 26th move is most interesting. He could also have played with effect 26 P to Kt5. As the game went Black would have suffered mate in two if on his 27th move he played P takes Kt; and in the end he saw that 33 K to Kt 2 was unavailing because of 34 R to Kt S ch and 35 R to B6 ch.

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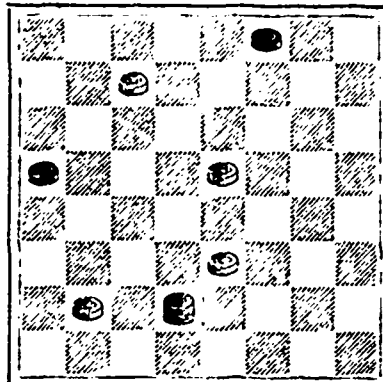
SOLUTION.

PROBLEM 294.—The position was: black men 7, 8; white man 28, king 24; white to play and win.

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| 24 | 19 | 24 | 19 | 10 | 7 | 7 | 10 |
| 8 | 11 | a | 10 | 14 | 22 | 25 | 29 |
| 28 | 24 | 19 | 15 | 7 | 2 | 10 | 15 |
| 7 | 10 | 14 | 17 | 25 | 29 | 25 | 29 |
| 19 | 23 | 15 | 10 | 2 | 7 | 15 | 18 |
| 11 | 15 | 18 | 22 | 29 | 25 | 29 | 25 |
| 23 | 26 | 26 | 30 | 30 | 26 | 26 | 30 |
| 15 | 18 | b | 17 | 21 | 25 | 29 | w. wins |
- a If 18—23 here, white wins by pinning the man on 10.
b This is a well-known ending but white can win with or without the move.

PROBLEM 296.

By J. Wyllie, Toronto Mail.
Black men 3, 13, king 26.



White men 6, 15, 23, 25.
White to play and win.

Many good players would miss this win in actual play. Therefore the student should memorize this position.

GAME 183.—"KELSO."

Played recently at Chicago between Messrs. Reckwell (black) and Bradford (white) as reported by the American Checker Review. By-the-way we would strongly recommend all students of the game of checkers who desire to keep fully abreast with the times and to follow the developments of the science to subscribe to and carefully con this best of checker magazines. Every number teems with fresh, newsy and instructive matter. Being printed on good paper with clear, bold type and of a convenient form for handling by a reader together with the low price of subscription—only \$1.50 per year, it deserves an extended circulation. Address American Checker Review, 137 Blue Island Avenue, Chicago.

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

a Robertson's "Guide" gives 10—15, 23 18, drawn.
b White here sets a neat trap and if black had played 16—19 would have won by 20 16, 11—20, 18 11, 7—16, 14 9, 5—14, 22 17.



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