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Exchanges received very irregularly. Please forward. They are always interesting and valuable. C. E.

Sorry to find the list of solvers decreasing. Some are throwing away good chances of victory. The prizes are handsome, valuable and full of interesting information to chess-players.

Solution to Problem No. 48.—R to Kt4.

Solution to Problem No. 49.
1 Q to K3 1 K takes B
2 Q to K3 ch &c. If 1 P takes P
2 B to Q6 &c. If 1 P to Kt6
2 Q to R5 &c.

No solution of Problem No. 47 received.

Solutions of Problems Nos. 48 and 49 received from Mrs. H. Moseley and J. W. Wallace.

GAME No. 38.

Played in the 16th round of the Bradford International Tournament.

MUZIO GAMBIT.

WHITE.	BLACK.
J. Taubenhaus.	C. D. Locock.
(Paris.)	(London.)
1 P to K4	P to K4
2 P to KB4	P takes P
3 Kt to KB3	P to Kt4
4 B to B4	P to Kt5
5 Castles	P takes Kt
6 Q takes P	Q to B3
7 P to Q3 (a)	B to R3
8 Kt to B3 (b)	Kt to K2 (c)
9 QB takes P	B takes B
10 Q takes B	Q takes Q
11 R takes Q	Castles (d)
12 QR to KB sq	P to Q4 (e)
13 Kt takes P	Kt takes Kt
14 B takes Kt	P to B3
15 B takes P ch	K to Rsq
16 P to K5	Kt to R3
17 P to K6	Kt to B2 (f)
18 P to K7	R takes B
19 R takes R	B to Q2
20 R to B8 ch	K to Kt2
21 R takes R	Kt takes R
22 R to B3	Kt to B2
23 R to Q8	B to K3 (g)
24 P queens	Kt takes Q
25 R takes Kt	Resigns

NOTES BY D. Y. MILLS.

(a) Recommended by Rosenthal as the only way to continue the Muzio with any chance of success. The variations are all, of course, well known to Mr. Taubenhaus.

(b) Better than taking the pawn at once.

(c) We prefer P to QB3, since, if white then change off, he has to give up his B to gain the KBP. Suppose 8 P to Qh3, 9 QB takes P; B takes B, 10 Q takes B; Q takes Q, 11 R takes Q; P to KB3, 12 B takes Kt, R takes B, 13 R takes P; Kt to R3 and we think black should win, although his game is difficult.

(d) To this move may be traced the loss of the game. He must lose a pawn, and P to Q4 seems the best

way to give it up—e.g., 11 P to Q4, 12 Kt takes P; Kt takes Kt, 13 B takes Kt; P to Qh3, 14 B takes P (ch); K to K2, and though white has three pawns for his piece, black soon gets all his pieces into play with a fair game.

(e) The only way to prevent 13 R takes P, which is fatal.

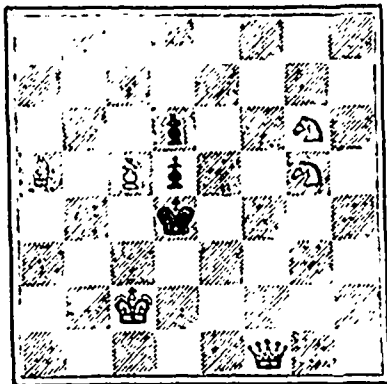
(f) B takes P is the only way for black to prolong the fight

(g) If 23 B to K, then 24 R to QB8, winning a piece. The game is capitally played by Mr. Taubenhaus.

PROBLEM No. 52.

Field.

BLACK—3 pieces.



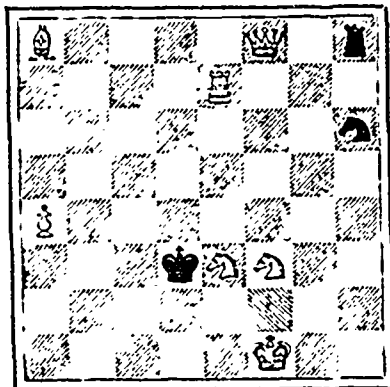
WHITE—6 pieces.

White to move and mate in 2 moves.

PROBLEM No. 53.

"Glasgow Weekly Herald."

BLACK—3 pieces.



WHITE—7 pieces.

White to move and mate in 2 moves.

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TO CORRESPONDENTS.

S. C. H., Yarmouth.—In your solution to problem 62 this position occurs:—black men 15, 16, 19, kg. 26, white man 27, kg. 2, 10; black to play and win. If as follows. 15-18, 10 15 26-23; b. wins You only made a draw of this position. We were, therefore, unable to call your solution correct. In regard to your solution to problem 66 I would point that your third white move is 15 11, which you follow on behalf of black with 7-10 instead of 7-16. To honorable solvers to compare their work

with ours they should keep copies of the solutions that they send us for after reference. Thanks for the position kindly sent. You will find it below.

SOLUTIONS.

PROBLEM 72.—Correctly solved by Mrs. Moseley, "Dixie," A. E. Robinson, and S. C. H. The position was: black men 7, 10, kgs. 16, 22; white men 14, 17, kgs. 8, 13; white to move and black to draw.

8 11 11 2 14 7 black
16-12 12-8 8-3 draws.

PROBLEM 73—Solved by "Dixie," S. C. H., and Mrs. Moseley. The position was: black men, 2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 11, 12, 21, 27; white men 13, 18, 19, 22, 24, 28, 29, 30, kg. 5, white to move and win.

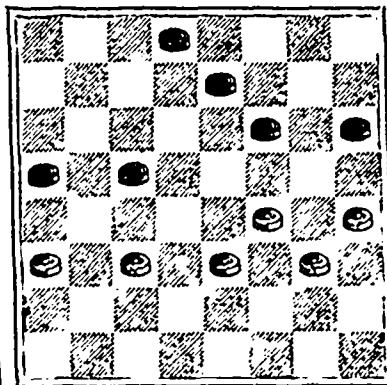
13 9 18 15 24 6 32 27
6-13 11-18 2-9 11-15
22 17 19 16 5 32 27 31
13-22 12-19 8-11 w. wins.

Again we withhold the solution of No 71, not having as yet received a correct one. We think that even if students of the game elsewhere do not solve it, there should be sufficient talent in Shubenacadie, at least, to master even this seemingly tough nut. We repeat the position as follows:—black men 3, 15, 18, 19, 22; white men 21, 27, 32, kg. 6 · black to play and win.

PROBLEM No. 75.

An end game for beginners by S. C. H., Yarmouth.

Black men—2, 7, 11, 12, 13, 14.



White men—19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24.

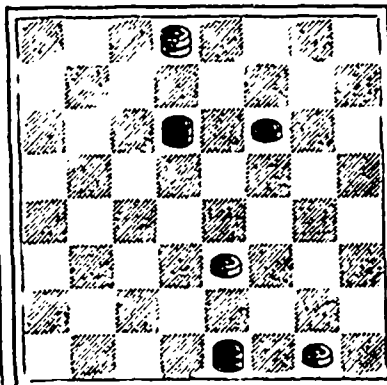
Black to play and win.

Will a score of young players show how many are taking an interest in this column by trying to solve this problem?

PROBLEM No. 76.

By W. Forsyth.

Black man—11, kgs. 10, 31.



White men—23, 32, kg 2.

White to play and draw.

This is another position arising from problem 62. It is very neat, and our solvers would do well to be very careful in their work over it.

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