

CHESS.

All communications for this department should be addressed to CHIEF EDITOR, Windsor, N. S.

Owing to the non-arrival of our chess-type, we were unable to print a problem in this issue of THE CRITIC, but we hope to be able to do so next week.

In coming for the first time before the players of Nova Scotia, the editor would like to say a few words by way of introduction. Chess-play being still in its infancy in this Province, it is obvious that our column, to be successful, must take this fact into account, and hence, for some time, we shall aim principally at interesting elementary rather than advanced players. While, however, the bulk of our space will be devoted to this purpose, we shall at all times endeavor to report matters of general interest to Chess-players at large, and hence we confidently hope to gain the good-will and support of all.—FLORENT CAISSA.

TO CORRESPONDENTS.

A. E. BRICE.—Received your letter with enclosures. Many thanks.

T. B. R. (Dublin.)—Many thanks for your kindness in forwarding slips.

H. WHITE.—Received your end-game. Shall be glad to hear from you again.

W. H. RICHARDSON, (Crowe)—Very pleased to receive your papers. Hope you will continue.

CONSULTATION GAME.

QUEEN'S KNIGHT'S OPENING.

(For the systematic introduction of this opening into modern Chess we are mainly indebted to Herr Hampo and Major Jaenisch.)

Table with chess moves: WHITE (Chess Editor) and BLACK (The Atlas) moves like 1 P to K 4, 2 Kt to Q B 3, etc.

Instead of this move, the "Hand-buch" gives 3 P to Q 4 as best for Black.

Table with chess moves: 4 P to K 5, 5 P to Q 4, 6 B to K 2, etc.

Evidently not foreseeing the next move.

Table with chess moves: 16 Kt takes Kt's P, 17 Q to R 5, 18 B takes Kt, etc.

The annual meeting of the Canadian Chess Association will be held, under the patronage of His Excellency the Governor General, at the rooms of the Quebec Chess Club, on Monday, Jan. 16th, and following days. There will be a tournament open to the whole of the Dominion, in which three valuable prizes will be awarded. A silver medal of the value of \$120

is offered to the player who shall twice in succession take the first prize at this annual meeting. The secretary of the Quebec Chess Club will be glad to furnish any additional particulars.

The Hants County Chess Club, Windsor, N. S., began its first winter session on Dec. 12th. The club meetings are held at present on Tuesday evenings, at the houses of the members in rotation. The Hon. Sec. will be glad to hear from any other clubs, with a view to arranging matches, &c.

We have just received a printed copy of the rules of the Collegiate School Chess Club, Windsor, N. S. Judging both from the present number of members, and from the amount of work accomplished during the past session, in matches, tournaments, &c., this club seems to be in a most vigorous and flourishing condition. We trust that similar clubs will ere long be established in many other schools throughout the Maritime Provinces.

We hear from a reliable source that there is some probability of a Chess Club being established among the undergraduates of Kings College, and a short time ago we received similar information with respect to Acadia College, Wolfville. We wish success to both undertakings.

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