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THE WEEK

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A Thoroughly Home Enterprise.

Every Canadian must rejoice to see that a periodical so thoroughly a home enterprise as The Week is, appears to be receiving that support which its past record and performances entitle it to ask. While it has been a good paper in the past, its enlargement makes it still more valuable, adding as it does very largely to the amount of matter each number contains, and it is to be hoped that The Week will find such an appreciation of this fact from the people of Canada as will both justify this new evidence of the enterprise of its proprietors, and also disprove the statement that there is not sufficient patriotism in the Dominion to permit of even one Canadian periodical flourishing.—

Daily News-Advertiser, Vancouver.

Will Rank with Similar Publications in the United States.

THE WEEK has entered on its sixth year in an enlarged and improved form. Editorially and typographically it is a credit to the higher type of Canadian Journalism and as such will rank with similar publications in the United States.—Canadian Advance.

Canada's Leading Literary Journal.

THE WEEK, Canada's leading literary journal, entered with its number for December 7th upon its sixth year of publication, enlarged so as to give its readers nearly one-half more reading matter each week than heretofore. Further improvements are foreshadowed in the future.—Educational Journal future. - Educational Journal.

Has Become A Necessity.

There is no Canadian who will not rejoice at the evidences of increased prosperity which The Week shows. This journal although it has not been so very long in existence has become a necessity to everyone wishing to keep himself in touch with the literary and political field of Canada. The paper is filled from cover to cover with the most interesting and important topics of the day written in the best manner.—Bradford Telegram.

It is an ably edited paper and neatly printed .- York Herald.

Commended to Thoughtful Readers.

THE WREK is now one of the largest as well as one of the ablest literary journals published on the continent. We commend it to the attention of thoughtful readers.—Huron News Record.

The Best High Class Journal.

THE WEEK, the best high class literary journal of Canada, has entered its sixth year and been enlarged and improved.—Durham

THE WREE has entered on its sixth year greatly enlarged and improved, and its brilliant list of contributors added too, makes it by all odds the ablest literary and critical weekly journal in Canada. Its very successful publisher, Mr. C. Blackett Robinson, is one of the many Ontario County men who have made their mark at the provincial metropolis.—Oshawa Vindicator.

Long and Brilliant List of Writers.

THE WEEK signalizes its entry upon the sixth year of its existence by an enlargement to sixteen pages and other improvements, as well as adding to its long and brilliant list of writers, making it by far the ablest critical and literary journal in Canada.—Port Perry Standard.

A native of Ontario county, who has made a splendid success of the printing and publishing business in Toronto, is Mr. C. Blackett Robinson, from whose big establishment, amongst other fine periodicals, is issued The Week, the ablest journal of its class in Canada. -Pickering News.

Belongs to the Higher Class of Canadian Journals.

The Week, a Canadian journal of politics, literature, science and arts, published in Toronto, has entered on the sixth year of publication. It has been enlarged and improved in every respect. The Week is a creditable publication in every respect. It belongs to the higher class of Canadian journals, and deserves general support.—Woodstock Sentinel Review.

Strong Corps of Able Writers.

THE WEEK has a strong corps of brilliant writers, whose treatment of the questions of the day are always worthy of attention.—

Picton Times.

Flattering Prospects of Increased Success.

THE WERK enters upon its sixth year of publication with the most flattering prospects of increased success, and we are simply doing a pleasing duty when we recommend it to the favourable consideration of all .- Picton Gazette.

THE WEEK, Canada's leading literary journal, has entered on its ably conducted, and judging from its evident prosperity, as thoroughly appreciated by the public. It has recently been enlarged and improved generally.—Millon Champion.

One of the Ablest Edited Journals.

THE WEEK now appears in an enlarged form. THE WEEK is one of the ablest edited journals in Canada.—Exceter Advocate.

Only Journal of its Kind in Canada.

THE WEEK, with the number for December 7, began a new volume and is considerably enlarged. We are glad to see these evidences of The Werk's prosperity. It is the only journal of its kind in Canada and discharges very fairly its critical work.—St. John Globe.

Always Entitled to Respect.

We draw attention to the advertisement of this ably edited journal, which as a leader of public opinion takes much the sam place as the Saturday Review in England. Though frequently differing from the views expressed in THE WEEK, its arguments are always applied to represent. entitled to respect.—Perth Expositor.

Largest Weekly of its Kind.

The Toronto literary and critical journal, THE WEEK, founded by Goldwin Smith, has been greatly enlarged and improved, and is now the largest weekly of its kind on the continent.—World, Chatham, N. l.

Western Canada Loan & Savings Company.

THE Annual Meeting of the above Company was held at its offices, No. 70 Church Street, Toronto, the President, Hon. Speaker Allan, in the chair. The Managing Director acted as Secretary, and read the following

TWENTY-SIXTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS.

The Directors have much pleasure in submitting to the Shareholders the Twenty-Sixth Report of the Company's

The profits of the year, after deducting all charges, amount to \$152,430.72, out of which have been paid two half-yearly dividends at the rate of ten per cent. per annum, amounting, with the income tax, to \$141,885.26. The balance remaining, \$10,575.46, has been carried to the Contingent Account.

The rate of interest in the early part of the year ruled low, and the competition for good investments on mortgage security, during the whole year, has been exceedingly keen; nevertheless the Directors have been enabled to invest the funds of the Company at fairly profitable rates.

The amount loaned on Mortgage Security during the year is \$1,303,682.46, and there has been paid back by borrowers \$1,250,666.57, viz.: in Manitoba, \$180,350.59; and in Ontario, \$1,070,316.08.

The amount placed with the Company by investors has been largely increased during the past year, and the Directors are at the same time able to report a very favourable reduction in the rate paid by the Company on money borrowed on its debentures.

Out of \$504,391 of Debentures bearing five per cent. interest, which matured during the year, a large proportion was renewed at four per cent., making with the new Debentures issued at the latter rate, a total for the year of \$803,956, or an increase of \$299,565.

The repayments on the Company's loans during the past year have been satisfactorily met, and in Manitoba, where the Company's branch office is well organized and profitably conducted, the total repayments for the year amounted to fifteen per cent. of the entire amount invested

The Balance Sheet and Profit and Loss Account, together with the Auditors' Report, are submitted herewith.

G. W. ALLAN, President.

STATEMENT OF LIABILITIES AND ASSETS AND PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT OF THE WESTERN CANADA LOAN AND SAVINGS COM-PANY, 31st DECEMBER, 1888.

Capital Stock. \$1,400,000 00 Reserve Fund. 700,000 00 Contingent Account. 77,733 08 Dividend, payable 8th January, 1889. 70,000 00

\$2,247,733 08 To the Public:
Debentures...\$2,885,286 73
Deposits...\$1,246,957 08 \$3,132,243 81 Interest on Debentures and Deposits accrued and due. 63,526 78
Sundry Accounts. 715 54

4,196,486 13 \$6,444,219 21 ASSETS.

 Investments
 \$6,181,269 60

 Office Premises, Winnipeg and Toronto
 120,587 92

 Cash on hand and in banks
 142,361 69

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PROFIT AND LOSS.

152,430 72 \$387,143 18

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FEBRUARY 13, 1889.

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To the Sharcholders of the Western Canada Loan and Savings Company:

Interest on Mortgages, etc....

Gentlemen,—We beg to report that we have completed our examination of the Books of the Western Canada Loan and Savings Company for the year ending on the 31st December, 1888, and certify that the above Statements of Assets and Liabilities and Profit and Loss are correct, and show the true position of the Company's affairs. Every mortgage and debenture or other security, with the exception of those of the Manitoba Branch, which have been inspected by a special officer, have been compared with the books of the Company. They are correct and correspond with the totals, as set forth in the schedules and ledgers. The bank balances are certified as correct.

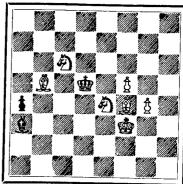
W. R. HARRIS, FRED. J. MENET, Auditors.

Scrutineers having been appointed, a ballot was taken, and the retiring Directors—Messrs. George Gooderham, Geo. W. Lewis, Alfred Gooderham and Walter S. Lee—were re-elected. These gentlemen, together with Messrs. Thos. H. Lee, Hon. G. W. Allan and Sir David Macpherson, K.C.M.G., constitute the full Board. At a subsequent meeting held by the Board the Hon. G. W. Allan and George Gooderham, Esq., were re-elected President and Vice-President respectively.

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PROBLEM No. 333. By M. EHRENSTEIN.

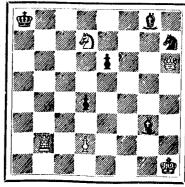
BLACK.



White to play and mate in three moves.

PROBLEM No. 334.

By A. DECKER, Molschleben.



White to play and mate in three moves.

SOLUTIONS TO PROBLEMS.

No. 327.			No.	No. 328,		
	White.	Black.	White.	Black.		
1.	R-K Kt 2	K-B 2		B-B 2		
		K moves	1. Q—Q R 1 2. K x B	PR 3		
3.	Q-Kt 8 mate.		3. Q x P mate.	1 100		
		. B x R	Tr	1. B-R 2		
	Q x B	moves	2. Q x P	PxO		
3.	Q mates.		2. Q x P 3. P—Q Kt 7 n	ate.		
With other variations.			With othe	r variations.		

FIRST GAME OF THE MATCH PLAYED AT HAVANA BETWEEN MESSRS. STEINITZ AND TCHIGORIN, JANUARY 21st, 1889.

(From the Columbia Chess Chronicle.)

15. K Kt-K 4 Q-Kt 3 surrendered at the 58th move.	10. P x P 11. B - K 3 (c) P - Q 4 12. B x P 13. P x Kt 14. Kt - Q B 3 R - K 1 25. P - Q 5 26. R - Q 1 27. Q - K 5 28. R x Kt 29. Q x R, and M	$ \begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	3. B-B4 4. F-Q Kt 4 B x P 5. P-Q B 2 B P 4 19. Q x R 90. Q x Q 3	1. P-K 4 P-K 4 2. Kt-K B 3 Kt-Q B 3 16. B-B 2 P-Q B 3 (e	TONITONIN.	1. P—K 4 2. Kt—K B 3 3. B—B 4 4. F—Q Kt 4 5. P—Q B 3 6. Castles 7. P—Q 4 8. Kt—Kt 5 (b 9. P—K B 4 10. P × P 11. B—K 3 (c) 12. B × P 13. P × Kt 14. Kt—Q B 3	Black. P-K 4 Kt-Q B 3 B-B 4 B x P B-R 4 Q-B 3 (a) K Kt-K 2 Kt-Q 1 P x Q P B-Q Kt 3 P-Q 4 Kt x B Castles R-K 1	White, 16. B—B 2 17. R—K 1 18. Kt—B 5 19. Q x R 20. Q—K 3 21. Kt x B 22. Kt x P 23. Kt x B 24. R—K 1 25. P—Q 5 26. R—Q 1 27. Q—K 5 28. R x Kt 29. Q x R, an	Black, P-Q B 3 (d B-Q 2 R x R + Q-Q 3 P x P Q x Kt Kt-B 3 P x Kt P-R 3 Kt-Kt 5 (e) R x R P (f) R-R 8 + d Mr. Stainia))
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(a) As stated repeatedly Kt—B 3 is the proper move. Mr. Steinitz's innovation is not a good one.

(b) Better we think than B—Kt 5, to which Black would have replied Q—Q 3.

(c) Very weak; with P—K 5 White would have maintained a decided superiority of position, whereas the text move allows Black to break the centre.

(d) Of course he content.

to break the centre.

(d) Of course he cannot win both Knights for his Rook without losing the Queen or being mated.

(e) The beginning of a faulty combination; Black evidently overlooked that his Rook was en prise on the 28th move.

(f) R-R 4 would have saved the piece.

THE rabbits which were introduced into Australia by the Acclimation Society of Australasia some years ago, have become a formidable pest to the land owners in the provinces of Victoria and New South Wales, and on the island of New Zealand. The Australian government pays ten cents a pair for all killed, and offers a large reward for the discovery of a successful method of exterminating them. The skins have become an article of export to European furriers; from New Zealand, it is estimated, have been sent 70,000,000 skins; from Victoria 29,000,-000. Some attempts have been made to put the flesh of the animals in cases for preservation, but the attempts on the part of some settlers to kill the rabbits by poison has led people to keep clear of the food. One of these methods was by scattering apples impregnated with arsenic about the country, but this proved to be too expensive for the good accomplished. The rabbits are said to scour a field of fresh grass or a young crop of almost any description as clean as would a cloud of locusts. Measures have been passed frequently in the Colonial Legislature looking toward relief, but little seems as yet to have been accom-