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CANTERBURY NEWS.

	P. W.	L. D.	Pts.
S. Hindin	22 19	1 2	20
H. R. Abbott	22 18	2 2	19
L. J. Darwin	22 15	5 2	16
Mrs. Abbott	22 14	7 1	14½
E. H. Hey	22 13	8 1	13½
W. A. Dobson	22 9	13 0	9
A. O. Gray	22 9	13 0	9
H. Kennedy	22 7	13 2	8
C. W. Gray	22 7	15 0	7
E. Dalton	22 7	15 0	7
Rev. N. Friberg	22 4	16 2	5
W. H. Joyce	22 4	18 0	4

INTERMEDIATE.

	P. W.	L. D.	Pts.
S. Hollander	17 11	6 0	11
J. H. Hobday	18 9	6 3	10½
C. S. Smith	15 10	5 0	10
F. J. Butler	15 9	6 0	9
J. I. Mellish	17 8	8 1	8½
R. J. Penrose	17 7	8 2	8
C. A. Hadler	17 7	9 1	7½
C. A. Hagar	14 6	7 1	6½
G. G. Parkins	14 6	8 0	6
Miss Willard King	16 3	13 0	3

The Intermediate Championship now rests between S. Hollander, C. S. Smith, and F. J. Butler.

JUNIOR.

	P. W.	L. D.	Pts.
A. E. Ault	16 11	4 1	11½
R. W. Smith	16 11	5 0	11
F. Newsome	16 11	5 0	11
L. Anderson	16 9	6 1	9½
H. Alcock	15 9	6 0	9
Miss Wilkinson	16 9	7 0	9
G. H. Atkinson	16 7	7 2	8
E. Harden	14 1	13 0	1
P. G. Bowes	15 0	15 0	0

Mr. A. E. Ault has to be congratulated on winning the Junior Championship for 1938. His performance in such a field is a very creditable performance.

DRUMMOND CUP.

The leaders to date are:—

	P. W.	L. D.	Pts.
R. J. Penrose	22 15	5 2	16
S. Hollander	26 13	12 1	13½
F. Newsome	26 13	13 0	13

CHAMPIONSHIP DECIDED Mr. S. Hindin Retains His Title

In a thrilling finish, Mr. Hindin again annexed the Canterbury Chess Championship. Mr. H. R. Abbott beat Mr. Hindin in the second round, and these two players were level, but Mr. Hindin had one game against Mrs. Abbott to finish, which he won and gained first place from Mr. Abbott, who also had a very fine score. Mr. Hindin and Mr. Abbott have both played very fine chess this season, and congratulations are extended to them.

NEWS FROM NAPIER

Napier Championship Decided.

The Championship of the Napier Chess Club for 1938 was won by L. W. Couch. Scores of the placed men were:—

- 1st: L. W. Couch, 5.
- 2nd: A. T. Scott, 3.
- 2nd: W. R. Aislabie, 3.
- 3rd: E. Bartle, 2.

The Minor Championship is between Messrs. Ewen and Burk.

Mr. A. T. Scott, Acting-Secretary, is retiring from Chess activities for a time and his place is being taken by Mr. L. W. Couch, a young and enthusiastic member who has already done much for the Club.

N.Z. CORRESPONDENCE CHAMPIONSHIP.

A. E. Le Petit shows F. H. Grant that it is unwise to grab pawns.

Q. G. D.

- White: A. E. Le Petit 1. P-Q4 2. P-QB4 3. N-QB3 4. N-B3 5. B-N5 6. P-K3 7. B-R4 8. R-B1 9. P x P 10. B x B 11. B-Q3 12. P x N 13. Q-B2 14. B-K4 15. P-KR4 16. B-Q3 17. K-K2 18. N-K5
Black: F. H. Grant P-Q4 P-K3 N-KB3 B-K2 O-O P-KR3 QN-Q2 P-B3 N x P Q x B N x N P-QB4 P-QN3 R-N1 P-KB4 B-N2 N-B3

This was expected, but black hoped to win the NP, He did, but failed to see what was coming.

- 18. B x P 19. KR-N1 B-R1 20. R-N6! N-N5? 21. R x N! B-B6 ch

Black's only hope. Of course, if P x R 22. B-R7ch! K-R1; 23. N-N6ch. K x B; 24. K x B N x Q dis ch! etc.

- 22. K x B P x R dis ch 23. K x P R-B3 24. B-R7 ch. K-R1 25. N-N6 ch. R x N 26. B x R R-KB1

Black's game is hopeless, but he carries on for another ten painful moves.

- 27. P-KB4 R-B3 28. Q-K4 Q-B1 29. P-B5 Q-B1 30. P-Q5 P-K4 31. K-B3 Q-B2 32. R-Q1 Q-Q3 33. Q-R4 Q-B1 34. Q-K8 R x P ch. 35. K-K4 Q x Q 36. B x Q Resigns.

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Thought for October—Try and make one or more new members for your local chess club.

Chats to our Problem Solvers

The first correct solution of Problem No. 3 in our Solving Competition, opened on September 16th, was sent in by Mr. N. S. Traves, of Timaru, who therefore receives a copy of "The Return of Alekhine. (Good luck, Mr. Traves, now try your skill at the limerick!)

We imagined that all our solvers would find the key moves of our opening problems, but got quite a shock to see so many crash at the first hurdle! This month's fare are easy (we have had the keys before us!) but next month we will select three hard three movers!

J. B. Cumming.—We guess in No. 2 you meant Q-K3, but wrote Q-B3. Hard luck, Jim, but with 1. Q-B3, P x Q ch. and white faints.

A. T. Scott.—No. 3. You tell us is a mate in 4! Well, with B x B we admit it, but we said a mate in 3! (This B x B was used by four others, so cheer up.)

For our five triers of B x B in No. 3 we point out that this allows the N interference by N-B6 dis.ch, and if 2.R-N1 dis.ch by N-K4, and of course if 3.B x Nch P x B.

J. A. Jackson and I. B. Breidecker.—Pleased to see your entires. Regards from N. and F.

Miss F. Collinson.—You are our only lady competitor To solve the three mover and miss on the others—tut tut. No. 2 1.K x N? (sent in by others also) allows the N to N6 or B7 to stop Q-K4 ch. In problem No. 1 quite a few tried 1.R (N5) x R, but B-B3 stops the rooks from mating ;also if 2.N x Pch B x N and if white attempts 2.N-N3ch the black Queen is ready for the fray. This beauty of a two-mover was printed in Alain C. White's "Problems by my Friends," 1931.

G. Moor, L. A. Jones, and D. Robertson.—Welcome in! Did you hear of the writer who points out that cheating at chess is practically unknown? Everything is above board, of course!

Now, a special chat to those who solved 1, 2, and 3! We bet any of you, dollars to doughnuts that we worry you with our next three moves. How pleasant it is to get problems sent in (with the key moves!) And know that others have to go over the 64 squares trying to find the key.

Instructive Errors

(By E. Znosky-Borowsky.)

Translated from L'Echequies by C.A.L. (Continued from last month)

Owing to the strain of tourney games, it is but natural that blunders will occur, as the time factor is a big one.

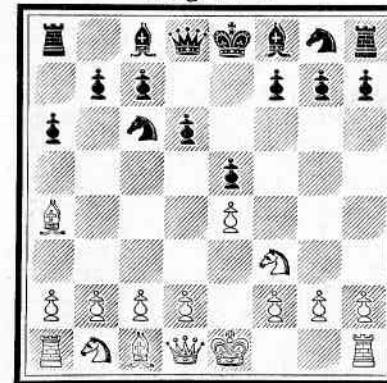
The errors in the manuscripts of the great masters are innumerable, and their correction show infinite pain. In manuscripts, the errors can be rectified, but in a tourney the blunder is irreparable.

The errors in analysis are surprising, seeing that this is generally done in the study, without the strain of a tourney game or time factor.

After all, man is but human, and "despite Senor Capablanca," chess is a difficult game.

We give a few examples, not with the idea of criticising the authors, but simply as documentary evidence, and in the interest of amateurs who are unable to verify the truth of the statements. In the book of the New York tourney, 1924, in commenting on his game with Yates, Alekhine, in his note to the fourth move in a classic Ruy Lopez, affirms that in the position of diagram.

Diagram 8

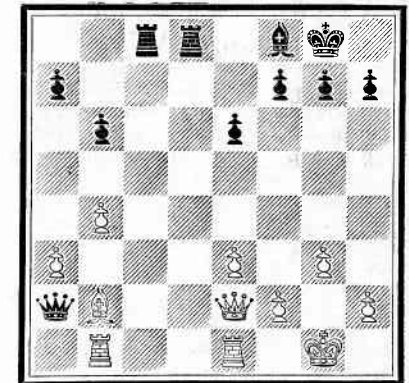


After 5. P-Q4, P-QN4; 6. B-N3, N x QP; 7. N x N, P x N; 8. Q x P, a draw by repetition of moves could be obtained by 8. P-QB4; 9. Q-Q5, B-K3; 10. Q-B6

ch., B-Q2; 11. Q-Q5, etc, but black would win a piece by 11. P-B5.

In the Book of New York tourney, 1927, analysing a game between Nimzowitch Capablanca in the position, see diagram 9.

Diagram 9—Capablanca



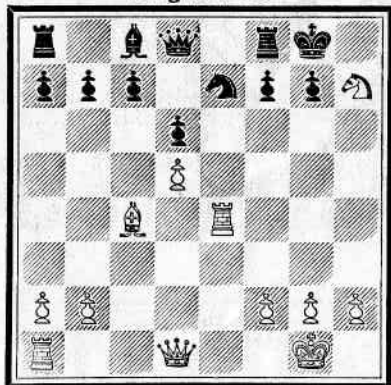
Nimzowitch

Nimzowitch, after the 23rd move, takes Mr. N. to task for his 24th move, R-R1, and affirms that the game could have been continued 24. R(N.)-Q1, and in support of his contention, gives the following variation: 24. R x R; 25. R x R, P-QR4; 26. P x P, P x P; 27. Q-R6, R-B7; 28. R-Q8, Q x B; 29. Q-R8, etc., but black would reply 29. Q x RP, and would be a bishop to the good.

It is but a step from Alekhine to one of his present-day rivals. Bogoljubow, in his book, gave a refutation of the Moller attack in the Guicoc-Piano.

He affirms the sacrifice of the N at the 14th move after 1. P-K4, P-K4; 2. N-KB3; N-QB3, 3. B-B4, B-4; P-B3, N-B3; 5. P-Q4, P x P; 6. P x P, B-N5 ch.; N-B3, N x KP; 8. O-O; B x N; 9. P-Q5, B-B3; 10. R-K1, N-K2; 11. R x N, P-Q3; 12. B-KN5, B x B; 13. N x B, O-O; 14. N x RP, which results in the position in diagram 10.

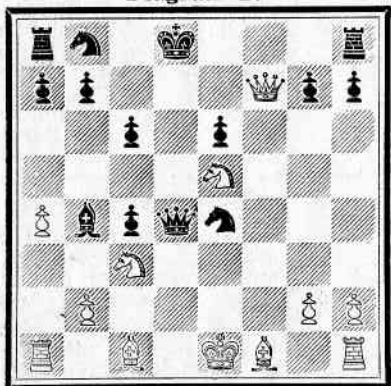
Diagram 10



The sacrifice of the N at move 14 would lead to a draw, says Mr. Bogoljubow; but rectifies that statement by continuing 14 K x N; 15. Q R5 ch., KN1; 16. R—R4, P—B4; 17. Q—R7 ch., K—B2; 18. R—R6, R—N1; 19. R—K1, K—B1; and states that black has appreciatively improved this position and should win, but passes over almost without comment. The best continuation for white, i.e., 17. R—K1, to which he replies with 17 N—N3 without giving any further play. Now, in Modern Chess Openings, Griffiths and Goldstein give two variations on this continuation in favour of white, and there was, and should be upset before he can pretend to a refutation of the Moller attack.

Before leaving the opening, just glance at diagram 11.

Diagram 11

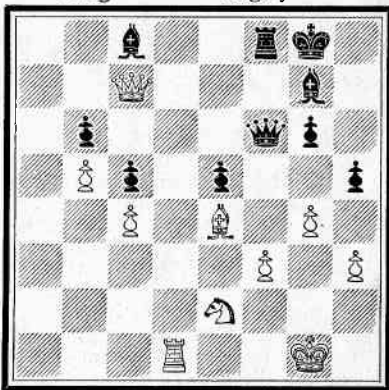


Mr. Sozine, in a Russian review, studying an analysis by Dr. Krause,

affirms that after the following: 1. P—Q4, P—Q4; 2. P—QB4, P—QB3; 3. N—KB3, N—KB3; 4. N—B3, P x P; 5. P—QR4, B—B4; 6. N—K5, P—K3; P—B3, BQN5; 8. P—K4, B x KP; 9. P x B, N x KP; 10. Q B3, Q x QP; 11. Q x B ch. (Przepiaraka Cheron, Hague, 1928) white by playing 12. B—KN5 ch., would equalise, but as was demonstrated, white would lose as follows: 12. K—QB1; 13. Q x KP ch., N—Q2, etc.

In this same Russian review, Dr. Tarakower analysis the game Capablanca-Bogoljubow Carlsbad Tour, 1929. In the critical position, diagram 12.

Diagram 12 - Bogoljubow



Capablanca

After the 26th move instead of 27, R—Q6, as played by Capablanca, advised, Q—B6 and gives an example. the following variation. 27 Q—N4; 28. Q x KNP, Q—K6 ch.; 29. K—B1, etc. But black has a much better continuation in 28 Q x Q; 29. B x Q, R x P; and has at least an equal game. For example: 30. R—Q8 ch., R—B1; 31. R x R, K x R; 32. B x RP, B—K3, etc., or 30. R—Q6, P x P; 31. P x P, B x KNP; 32. R x NP, R—K6, etc.

After all, no one can avoid error. But while one person commits an error of appreciation in analysing a dozen games; another will commit a dozen errors in a single game. According to Dr. Tartakower, it is errors that win games at chess, and certainly it is a fact that one learns by one's errors.

Finis.

THE SCHOOL TEACHER WHO FAILED!

(With apologies to R. Schulze, pronounced "Shools.")

In our Problem Competition we have a School Teacher. A real chess enthusiast, he writes as follows:—

"Solutions to Mr. F. H. Grant's simple problems No. 1. B x N (Editor's Note: As the key move is Q—K6 you are wrong in our first problem, Bob!)

Our solver is very keen and goes on:—

"There is a young chessist named Schulze,

"His spare time a teacher in schools,

"At Fen's probs. he did strain,

"But they busted his brain,

" ? ? ? ? fools (?)

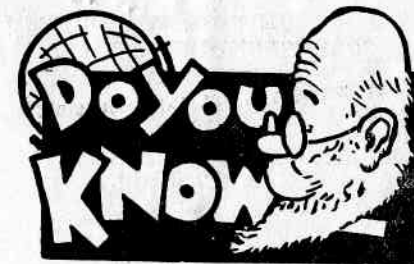
As the young chessist is unable to find a suitable last line for his limerick, we offer a prize of five shillings to the best last line sent to us by October 15th. (Now solvers and others, see how good your brains are!)

SIMULTANEOUS DISPLAY AT TIMARU.

Playing brilliant chess in a simultaneous display on 11 boards, Mr. H. R. Abbott, of Christchurch, immediate past New Zealand champion, was successful in winning ten games and drawing one in a match at Timaru with members of the Timaru South Chess Club on September 6th. The contest was staged at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. O. Stephens, South Schoolhouse.

In gaining a draw, Mr. Stephens played solidly, and entered the endgame stages with a rook and five pawns against a bishop, two Knights, and two pawns on the part of his opponent. A draw offered by Mr. Abott was accepted by Mr. Stephens, the position being very even.

Those who took part in the match were Mrs. A. G. Knowles, Miss E. Donald, Messrs. J. Flett, O. N. Thomson, A. E. Pontifex, C. Munn, L. H. Tozer, C. E. Brunson, J. T. O. Stephens, K. Souter, and H. Hodgson.



Wellington Chess Match, City v Province.

The Annual two-round City v. Province fixture is scheduled to be played in Palmerston North, on Saturday, September 17th. Each side has won one of the two matches played to date. It is expected that this year's contest will provide an exceedingly enjoyable reunion.

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Mr. C. W. Gray, of the Canterbury Chess Club, is now residing in Hastings. Mr. Gray is on the staff of the "Daily Mail." The Hastings champion, Mr. D. Lynch, will be kept busy looking after his title if C. W. joins the local Chess Club!

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That a prominent overseas Chess magazine advertising Chess Sets, contains an error in the diagramed position. Can you find it?

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A well-known Chess personality in Australia has pointed out to us, that the N.Z. Chess Gazette's cover design, in his opinion, is the best in the world. We have conveyed this information to our artist. (Now he takes a larger size in hats!)

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We thank several subscribers for their donations to the upkeep of "Our Gazette."

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Has it ever occurred to you that some of your acquaintances may become chess enthusiasts if approached upon the subject?

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"Dad, what is a traitor in politics?"

"A traitor, my son, is a man who leaves our party and goes over to the other side."

"Well, then, what is a man who leaves his party and comes over to your side?"

"A convert, my boy."

THE N.Z. UNIT OF THE BRITISH
CORRESPONDENCE CHESS
ASSOCIATION.

Tourney Results to 12th September,
1938.

TROPHIES TOURNEY.
CHAMPIONSHIP.

CLASS 1.A.

E. F. Tibbitts 1, E. A. Le Petit 0;
E. A. Le Petit 1, F. H. Grant 0;
E. S. Rutherford 1, Mrs. H. R. Ab-
bott 0; E. S. Rutherford 1, E. A.
Le Petit 0; R. W. Park $\frac{1}{2}$, E. S.
Rutherford $\frac{1}{2}$; W. Lang 1, E. A. Le
Petit 0.

CLASS 1.B.

N. S. Traves 1, W. Jackson 0;
K. W. Campbell 1, H. G. King 0;
H. G. King 1, C. B. Easther 0; J.
A. Cunningham 1, J. Lang 0; H. G.
King $\frac{1}{2}$, N. S. Traves $\frac{1}{2}$; J. A. Cun-
ningham $\frac{1}{2}$, N. S. Traves $\frac{1}{2}$; N. S.
Traves 1, E. C. Cole 0; J. A. Cun-
ningham 1, W. Jackson 0; J. Lang
1, W. Jackson 0; J. Lang 1, C. B.
Easther 0.

CLASS 2.

N. Cromarty $\frac{1}{2}$, W. H. Buckett $\frac{1}{2}$.

CLASS 3.

O. N. Thomson 1, A. T. Scott 0;
M. Wagstaff 1, A. T. Scott 0; F. G.
Stables 1, A. T. Scott 0; A. A.
Sterry 1, A. T. Scott 0; R. G. Wylie
 $\frac{1}{2}$, O. N. Thomson $\frac{1}{2}$.

CLASS 4.B.

A. D. Dickie 1, T. Donovan 0; A.
D. Dickie 1, E. Jackson 0.

HANDICAP TOURNEY.

D. Robertson (4B) 2, Miss K. Wil-
kinson (4B) 0; E. C. Cole (1B) 2,
W. Jackson (1B) 0; L. U. Cole (2) 1;
J. A. Jackson (3) 0, C. B. Easther
(1B) 1, J. B. Cumming (2) 0; C. B.
Easther (1B) 2, W. Jackson (1B) 0;
R. W. Park (1A) 2, W. Jackson (1B)
0; J. B. Cumming (2) 2, W. Jack-
son (1B) 0; Mrs. P. A. Milburn
(4B) 1, P. A. Mathieson (4A) 0;
E. Jackson (4B) 1, Miss F. Collin-
son (4A) 0; W. Lang (1A) 1, C. B.
Easther (1B) 0; L. U. Cole (2) 2,
H. G. King (1B) 0; A. Howe (1B)
1, W. R. Bradley (3) 0; Dr. L. L.
Burton (2) 2, W. Jackson (1B) 0;
E. C. Cole (1B) 1, R. W. Park (1A)
0; J. H. Boyd (4) 2, P. A. Mathie-
son (4) 0; C. H. Speck (2) 1, E. C.
Cole (1B) 0; F. W. Jessett (4A) 1,
W. Anderson (4B) 0; K. S. Allen
(2) 1, W. Jackson (1B) 0.

WANGANUI CHESS CLUB.

Visit from Palmerston North Players
on September 3rd, 1938.

Representatives of the Palmerston
North Chess Club visited Wanganui
on Saturday to meet members of the
Wanganui Chess Club in the annual
chess tournament. After a compari-
son of the respective ladders of the
clubs, players were paired off, and
play began at 3 p.m. for the first
round, which resulted in a win for
Wanganui by 8 games to 3.

After the visitors had been enter-
tained at tea, the second round was
started, but some of the Wanganui
players were not able to attend, and
slight alterations were made in the
matching; Mr. G. F. Havill replacing
Mr. L. A. Jones and L. A. Jones re-
placing Mr. F. Whitlock, jnr. Mr. J.
McFarlane and Mr. W. B. Smith, two
Wanganui players, tossed to see who
would represent Palmerston North,
Mr. J. McFarlane taking the honour.
In the second round Palmerston
North improved its position, but Wan-
ganui was still leading.

After supper Mr. A. J. Ratcliff, in
bidding farewell to the Palmerston
North representatives, expressed the
hope that they had enjoyed their
visit, and hoped that the combined
clubs would make good showing
against the Wellington Club, when
they meet at Palmerston North on
September 17.

Mr. H. Christensen, president of
the Palmerston North Club, congratu-
lated Wanganui on its win, and, in
returning thanks for the hospitality
of the Wanganui Club, said he was
sure he expressed the thoughts of
the visitors when he said that the
standard of chess in Wanganui had
greatly improved, for they were of
opinion that the result of their pre-
vious visit was not a true indication
of the strength of their club, but on
the result of the two rounds just
finished he was now convinced that
Wanganui was playing very sound
chess. He also congratulated Wan-
ganui on having the Chess Congress
this year, and having played for New
Zealand honours at Auckland, Wel-
lington, and Dunedin, and he offered
advice, which was appreciated by the
Wanganui committee.

A feature of the tournament was
the fact that only four games had
to be adjudged. The result of the
rounds gave Wanganui a win by 15 $\frac{1}{2}$
points to 7 $\frac{1}{2}$. Results of individual
play were (Palmerston North players
mentioned first):

Afternoon Round.

O. Brill 0, R. O. Scott 1; R. Chris-
tensen 0, N. Cromarty 1; H. I. Chris-
tensen 1, A. J. Ratcliff 0; R. N. Yorke
0, F. Whitlock, jnr. 1; R. Williams 1,
S. Smith 0; I. H. Harper 1, B. Beach
0*; L. Christensen 0, K. James 1; J.
B. Fleck 0, N. R. Lythe 1; Miss P.
Christensen 0, W. R. Turner 1; G.
W. Arledge 0, J. B. Harris 1; and
E. D. Bennett 0, L. A. Jones 1.
Totals: Palmerston North, 3; Wan-
ganui, 8.

*Judged by H. Christensen and
R. O. Scott.

Evening Round.

O. Brill 0, R. O. Scott 1; R. Chris-
tensen $\frac{1}{2}$, N. Cromarty $\frac{1}{2}$ *; H. I.
Christensen 1, A. J. Ratcliff 0; R. N.
Yorke 1, L. A. Jones 0; R. Williams
0, S. Smith 1*; I. H. Harper 0, B.
Beach 1; L. Christensen 1, K. James
0; J. B. Fleck 1, N. R. Lythe 0; Miss
P. Christensen 0, W. R. Turner 1;
G. W. Arledge 0, J. B. Harris 1; E.
D. Bennett 0, G. F. Havill 1; and J.
McFarlane 0, W. B. Smith 1. Totals:
Palmerston North, 4 $\frac{1}{2}$; Wanganui, 7 $\frac{1}{2}$.

*Judged by H. Christensen and
R. O. Scott.

TELEGRAPHIC CHESS.

Club Championship of the Dominion.
Win for Otago.

The unfinished games of the recent
telegraphic match between the
Otago and Wellington Chess Clubs
have been adjudicated on in Auck-
land, making the final tally in this
inter-island final Otago Club 11, Wel-
lington Club 9. The Otago Club thus
retains possession of the Bledisloe
Cup for another year. The hearty
congratulations of the Wellington
players have been conveyed to the
winners by Mr. F. K. Kelling, the
local president.

The full score of the match is as
follows:—

Otago. Wellington.
1. J. B. Dunlop $\frac{1}{2}$, E. H. Severne $\frac{1}{2}$.
2. W. Lang $\frac{1}{2}$, A. W. Gyles $\frac{1}{2}$.
3. R. McDermid 0, W. E. Mason 1.
4. R. Watt $\frac{1}{2}$, E. J. Dyer $\frac{1}{2}$.

5. Dr. E. Bennett 1, F. K. Kelling 0.
6. R. Williams $\frac{1}{2}$, W. White $\frac{1}{2}$.
7. L. D. Coombs 1, A. T. Craven 0.
8. J. F. Lang 1, W. J. Fairburn 0.
9. A. McDermott 1, F. Vincent 0.
10. G. H. Seddon 0, J. L. Hardy 1.
11. F. H. R. Neville 1, H. Godtschalk
0.
12. W. H. Allen 1, J. Morton 0.
13. E. F. Evans $\frac{1}{2}$, J. Otto $\frac{1}{2}$.
14. A. E. Ward $\frac{1}{2}$, R. C. Sim $\frac{1}{2}$.
15. K. S. Allen 1, A. E. Jessup 0.
16. J. S. Lawson 0, D. Wild 1.
17. Dr. Merrington $\frac{1}{2}$, R. Kitching-
man $\frac{1}{2}$.
18. W. Herbert 0, A. H. Gilby 1.
19. Dr. Rawnsley $\frac{1}{2}$, J. K. L. Webling
 $\frac{1}{2}$.
20. H. E. Hewitt 0, R. C. Glass 1.

Total 11 Total 9

Twenty-three matches have now
been played between these clubs, of
which the Wellington Club has won
17, lost 4, and drawn 2, as follows:—
1893, Wellington 7 $\frac{1}{2}$, Otago 4 $\frac{1}{2}$; 1896,
Wellington 8 $\frac{1}{2}$, Otago 3 $\frac{1}{2}$; 1909, Wel-
lington 7, Otago 5; 1916, Wellington
7 $\frac{1}{2}$, Otago 6 $\frac{1}{2}$; 1917, Wellington 11,
Otago 3; 1918, Wellington 9, Otago
5; 1919, Wellington 10 $\frac{1}{2}$, Otago 4 $\frac{1}{2}$;
1920, Wellington 8 $\frac{1}{2}$, Otago 5 $\frac{1}{2}$; 1921,
Wellington 10 $\frac{1}{2}$, Otago 6 $\frac{1}{2}$; 1922, Wel-
lington 10, Otago 10; 1923, Wellington
10 $\frac{1}{2}$, Otago 9 $\frac{1}{2}$; 1924, Wellington 12 $\frac{1}{2}$,
Otago 5 $\frac{1}{2}$; 1925, Wellington 12 $\frac{1}{2}$,
Otago 7 $\frac{1}{2}$; 1926, Wellington 11 $\frac{1}{2}$,
Otago 7 $\frac{1}{2}$; 1927, Wellington 9 $\frac{1}{2}$, Otago
10 $\frac{1}{2}$; 1928, Wellington 11, Otago 8;
1929, Wellington 9, Otago 7; 1930,
Wellington 12, Otago 8; 1932, Wel-
lington 9, Otago 11; 1933, Wellington
10, Otago 10; 1934, Wellington 10 $\frac{1}{2}$,
Otago 9 $\frac{1}{2}$; 1937, Wellington 8 $\frac{1}{2}$, Otago
11 $\frac{1}{2}$; 1938, Wellington 9, Otago 11.

It is interesting to recall that the
first match in 1893 was contested on
the Queen's Birthday, May 24, play
commencing at 10.30 a.m. and con-
tinuing till 10.30 p.m., with short in-
tervals for dinner and tea. The local
operator in that pioneer match was
Mr. A. J. McCurdy, the well-known
ex-mayor of Upper Hutt.

"The Dominion," 13 Sept., 1938.

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A Knight by the name of Sir Stinson,
Gave a youngster he played some
hints on

The right way to play;
Then he cried in dismay,
"I'll be darned! It's a mate! You win,
son!"

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CHAMPIONSHIP.

E. S. Rutherford beats Mrs. Abbott in the shortest game ever played in the B.C.C.A.N.Z. Units Championship.

English (Reversed Sicilian)	
White:	Black:
Mrs. H. R. Abbott	E. S. Rutherford
1. P—QB4	P—K4
2. N—QB3	N—KB3
3. P—KN3	P—Q4
4. P x P	N x P
5. B—N2	B—K3

This move was played in the Australian Championship, 1935, by M. Green against C. J. S. Purdy, who states that 5..... N—N3 is preferable, as it prevents White from opening up by P—Q4, and practically equalises.

6. P—K3	N—QB3
7. KN—K2	KN—N5!!
8. P—Q4	P x P
9. N x P	N x N
10. P x N	Q x P!
11. B x P??	N—Q6 ch.
12. K—K2	Q x BP ch.

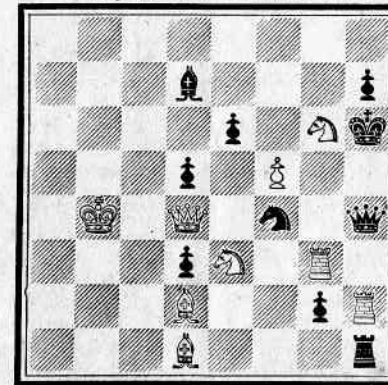
White Resigns.

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We give below three more problems in our Solving Competition. Key moves to be sent to The Editor, 124 Somerfield Street, Christchurch.

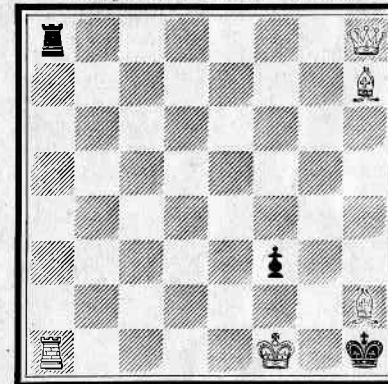
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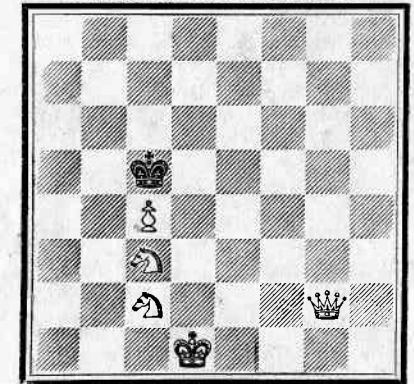
Mate in Two (9 v. 10)

Competition Problem No. 5



Mate in Two (5 v. 3)

Competition Problem No. 6



Mate in Three (5 v. 1)

SOLUTIONS TO SEPTEMBER PROBLEMS.

- No. 1. 1. Q—K6.
 No. 2. 1. Q—K3.
 No. 3. 1. B—B6 B x B; 2. Q x B. 1.....B x Qch; 2. K x B. 1.....if either N moves. the White Rook moves to threaten the Black Rook which checks. This line of play occurs, if black attempts to move either rook.

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