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EDITORIAL

By the time this issue is published a full account of the "Dominion Victory Tourney" will no doubt have appeared in various papers. The details are not yet to hand, but will appear in our next issue. We note with sincere regret that neither Mr. J. S. Morrison nor Mr. Joseph Sawyer, both ex-champions, are entered. In their absence and without any western entry, the tourney loses its really Dominion character, but no doubt a worthy upholder of the Canadian Championship will be forthcoming.

GAMES DEPARTMENT

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GAME No. 18.

White.	Black.	White	Black.
R. W. WORSLEY	S. B. WILSON	18. QR-B	18. KtxB
1. P-K4	1. P-K4	19. KtxP	19. KtxR
2. Kt-QB3	2. Kt-KB3	20. KtxQ	20. KtxQ
3. P-B4	3. P-Q4	21. KtxR	21. Kt-K5
4. BPxP	4. KtxP	22. Kt-B7	21. B-QB4 ch
5. Kt-B3	5. B-K Kt5	23. K-B	23. BxRP
6. Q-K2	6. Kt-Kt4	24. B-Q3	24. Kt-Q7 ch
7. Q-Kt5 ch	7. B-Q2 (a)	25. K-K	25. B-Kt5
8. QxQP	8. KtxKt	26. K-K2	26. P-K Kt3
9. QxKt	9. P-QB3	27. Kt-K8 (d)	27. B-K3
10. P-Q3	10. B-K2	28. Kt-B7	28. K-K2
11. B-K3	11. Kt-R3	29. R-B2	29. Kt-Kt6
12. B-K2	12. Q-B2	30. KtxB	30. PxKt
13. P-Q4	13. Kt-Kt5	31. R-B7 ch	31. K-B
14. 0-0	14. B-K3	32. RxKtP	32. P-QR4 (e)
15. Q-Kt3	15. KtxBP (b)	33. B-B4	33. Kt-B4
16. P-Q5	16. PxP	34. Resigns.	
17. B-QKt5 ch (c)	17. K-B		

(a) The position seems quite original. (b) The beginning of the grand attack. (c) 17 If R-B, P-Q5; 18 if BxP, KtxB; 19 if Kt moves, KtxB ch; or 18 if RxKt, PxP; 19 if QxP, B-QB4. (d) White fights gamely in the end game. (e) Making the Queen's side impregnable. (d) On Black's sixth move KtxKt followed by P-QB3 to stop the check, which should have won for White, was correct. White should have played P-Q4 on his tenth move; he is a Pawn up with the better developed game and could well afford the exchange of Queens. He proceeds to waste three moves and also allows the Knight to be developed from which the subsequent trouble comes. He should never have allowed Black's 15th move. Played in Section No. 2 Sixteenth Annual Tournament, Group "B" Division, Correspondence Chess League of America.—Notes by M. Sim. Second note (d) by R. G. S.

GAME No. 10.

Platt vs Wilson.

White.	Black.	White.	Black.
R. E. PLATT	S. B. WILSON	20. Kt—K Kt5 (b)	20. Q—R4
1. P—K4	1. P—K4	21. Q—Kt2	21. P—KR3
2. Kt—KB3	2. Kt—KB3	22. Kt—K6	22. BxKt
3. KtxP	3. P—Q3	23. RxB	23. R—B4
4. Kt—KB3	4. KtxP	24. R—K Kt6	24. P—B6
5. P—Q4	5. P—Q4	25. Q—Kt3	25. RxKt
6. B—Q3	6. B—K2	26. BxR	26. QxB
7. O—O	7. O—O	27. RxK KtP	27. R—KB
8. R—K	8. Kt—KB3	28. R—KB	28. KtxQP
9. B—K Kt5	9. Kt—B3	29. K—R (c)	29. Kt—B4
10. P—B3	10. Kt—K5	30. QxP (B6)	30. QxQ ch.
11. BxB	11. QxB	31. RxR	31. KxR
12. Q Kt—Q2	12. P—KB4	32. K—Kt	32. K—Kt3
13. Q—Kt3	13. Q—B2	33. K—B2	33. R—K
14. Kt—KB	14. Kt—QR4	34. R—B4	34. P—KR4
15. Q—B2	15. Kt—QB3 (a)	35. R—B3	35. R—K5
16. Kt—K3	16. P—B5	36. R—Q3	36. R—K2
17. KtxQP	17. KtxKBP	37. R—Q8	37. Kt—Q3
18. B—QB4	18. Kt—R6 ch	38. P—Kt3	38. Kt—K5 ch
19. PxKt	19. K—R	39. Resigns.	

Played in Section No. 1, Eighteenth Tournament, Leadership Division, "B" Group, Correspondence Chess League of America.

NOTES.

(a) The White Queen on QKt3 had too commanding a position altogether. But Black's Knight is necessary on QB3 to prevent Kt—K5. (b) Mr. Platt said later on, "My 20th move was ill-considered, and I've been in difficulties ever since 20, QxP ch, followed by Kt—Kt5 ch, would have been better." (c) 29, if PxKt, QxP ch; 30, if K—R, QxR; 31, if QxQ, KxQ; or 29, if QxQBP, P—B7 ch; 30, if RxP, Kt—B6 ch; 31, if RxKt, Q—Q8 ch; 32, if K—Kt2, QxR ch; 33, if K—Kt, Q—B8 mate. (M.S.) (d) The link in note (b), followed Kt—K5 instead of Kt5 as played, appears to give white a decisive advantage.—R. G. S.

CHESS NEWS

Items for this column to be in the hands of F. MacLachlan, 213 Hastings Street East, Vancouver, by the 25th of each month.

We wish all our readers a very happy and prosperous New Year. May their chess arms never grow weak.

VICTORY CHESS TOURNAMENT

It is with pleasure that we announce that the entries for the Tournament are numerous and representative, and that the contestants are players who have already received decorations in former Chess battles. The following is a list of the entrants and no charge will be made for picking the winner:—Joseph Sawyer, former Dominion Champion; Dr. William Winfrey and H. Rombach,

all of Montreal; Capt. J. B. Harvey and W. B. Hume, of Toronto University Club; Sidrey E. Gale, former champion of British Guiana; J. S. Morrison, Edmonton, present Dominion champion; Malcolm Sim, Editor of the Problem Department in this magazine and former Toronto champion; Wm. Cawkell, J. Rosen, W. W. Cushing and H. N. Kittson, representing the Hamilton Chess Club; T. Harvey Jones, Bransford; W. W. Robson, G. F. Griffin, Winnipeg.

By the time this is in your hands, dear readers, the Tournament will be under way. At the time of writing we are wishing it the best of luck.

Greater Vancouver Chess League—The games played in January resulted as follows:—

Major Division—Jany. 12th, North Vancouver, 1; Central, 6; Jany. 26th, Kitsilano, 4; Central, 2.

Minor Division—Jany. 5th, Great War Veterans, 4; Vancouver, 2. Jany. 19th, N. Vancouver, 3; B.-C. Electric Ry., 3.

The fixtures for February are as follows:—

Major Division—Monday 9th, Kitsilano v. N. Vancouver.

Minor Division—Monday, 2nd, Vancouver v. B. C. Electric; Tuesday, 3rd, G. W. V. A. v. N. Vancouver; Tuesday, 17th, G. W. V. A. v. Vancouver.

The home team is mentioned first in each case

Vancouver Club—The knockout tournament is nearing the semi-final, and all members with games to play are urged to get together and arrange to have them played as soon as possible. A major and a minor championship is being arranged, and entrants are desired to hand in their names to the secretary. The Vancouver Club has been in communication with the Seattle Club, and it is hoped that the outcome will be a match between these two cities.

North Vancouver Club—The knockout tournament is progressing favorably. The club has been strengthened by one or two new members who joined last month and are playing strong games.

General News—J. H. Blackburn, Britain's Grand Old Man in the Chess World, is still going strong. He gave his fiftieth simultaneous exhibition at the Glasgow Chess Club, which he has visited every year since 1867, with the exception of 1917 and 1918.

His form has not deteriorated, for he won all of his 22 games. The following clubs have entered for the Richardson cup Tournament in Scotland:—Queen's Park Chess Club, Edinburgh, Greenock, Glasgow "Bohemia," Glasgow "Central," Glasgow Chess Club and Falkirk.

In the intercollegiate chess tournament recently held in New York, Columbia took first place with $10\frac{1}{2}$ points, Harvard second, 7; Princeton third, $6\frac{1}{2}$; Yates fourth, 0.

It is with the most sincere regret that we hear that the British Chess Magazine retires from publication. After sixty-one useful years spent in the service of the game, to which it has been an untold benefit, it will be greatly missed. Mr. Brown, its well-known editor, has earned the heartfelt gratitude of all interested in chess, and it is to be hoped that someone will be found to re-start and carry on the magazine maintaining the high standard which he has set.

Kamloops, B. C.—A chess club has been organized in this city under the guidance of Messrs. Gillman and Duggan.

Victoria, B. C.—This club has had a great revival and a very large tourney is in progress. Officers were elected as follows:—Hon. Pres., Chief Justice Hunter; hon. members, T. Piper and C. F. Davie; president, A. Gunnason; vice-president, J. T. L. Meyer and Judge Freeman; hon. secretary-treasurer,

J. W. Barker; members of committee, Messrs. Harvey Hodsal and Miller. The meeting place is the Metropole Hotel, 712 Yates Street.

The following reprinted from the "Chess Amateur," should prove of interest to the many Old Countrymen who owe many a hearty laugh to Dan Leno:—

DAN LENO AS A CHESS PLAYER.

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"The Life of Dan Leno," by J. Hickory Wood, published by Messrs. Methuen, is an interesting and amusing work. From it, it is gathered that at chess Dan Leno was never defeated.

It was at a cafe in Manchester that Dan was challenged to play a game of chess. It came about in this way.

In the smoke-room Dan saw a spectacled youth of earnest and scholarly appearance poring over a chess-board, and occasionally referring to a newspaper spread on the table by his side. From curiosity Dan paused and looked over the young fellow's shoulder, as he had never before seen a man playing a game of chess, with a newspaper as his only apparent opponent.

The youth looked up, and, seeing he was interested, naturally supposed that he knew something about the game.

"It's pretty opening, isn't it?" he remarked, handing the paper to Dan.

Dan accepted the paper, gravely examined the chess-board there portrayed, and agreed that it was as pretty an opening as he had ever met in all his experience. "And it's very well drawn, too," he added as an afterthought.

"Oh, no," corrected the other. "It isn't drawn at all. Can't you see that White wins?"

"Of course," replied Dan. "How stupid of me! Now I come to look at it again I see that White wins. I suppose that White is a very good man."

"I beg your pardon!" said the youth.

"Don't apologize," returned Dan affably. "I don't know the man personally."

"Do you mean Zukertort?" inquired the youth, looking rather puzzled.

"It was Zukertort who played White."

"I see," said Dan. "He played White and lost."

"No, no. If you'll look at the paper you'll see that White won. It was Mason who played Black who lost."

It was on the tip of Dan's tongue to pursue the argument and to point out that if Zukertort played White and White won, then Zukertort must inevitably have lost; and also to inquire what on earth they had to do with Mr. Mason, who had apparently been beaten by Mr. Black.

The whole thing, however, seemed so very complicated that he wisely refrained.

"Would you like to play?" asked the youth.

"Yes; I would like to play chess very much indeed," replied Dan.

"Come along then."

Dan sat down, and, the men having been arranged on the board, the youth opened the proceedings by pushing a pawn forward. That seemed fairly simple, so Dan, imitating him, also pushed a pawn forward.

Then the expert player picked up one of his pieces and executed a manoeuvre with it that Dan afterwards described as being like the zig-zag flight of a snipe.

This was far beyond the powers of understanding of Leno, the novice; so he, following the accepted custom as he had observed it among people who played chess, planked his elbows on the table, buried his head in his hands and gazed steadily and raptly at the chess-board.

This species of passive resistance he prolonged so unduly that his opponent felt himself constrained to remark, in a tentative manner, "Your move, I believe."

"I know," said Dan, briefly.

Another period of inaction ensued, during which the youth waxed mildly sarcastic. "I suppose you wouldn't care to play with a time-limit, would you?" he asked.

"Oh," replied Dan politely, "Don't worry about me. I've plenty of time, thank you."

With which remark he resumed his reverie.

At last his opponent, being able to bear the strain no longer, looked at his watch, rose abruptly, and shortly remarked, "Good afternoon."

"What! Must you go so soon?" asked Dan, looking up in innocent surprise.

"Soon!" echoed the other bitterly. "I'm ten minutes overdue at the warehouse now, and all through you."

"Then it's a drawn game," announced Dan rising from his seat with a sigh of relief.

"I should think you have played a good many drawn games in your time," commented the youth.

"No," returned Dan, "this is the only one."

"There's one thing certain," went on his disappointed adversary, "you'll never be beaten. Life's much too short for that."

"Quite right!" agreed Dan. "I've never lost a game of chess in my life."

"I don't believe it," retorted the other explosively. "No man who could play chess at all would have sat for the best part of an hour worrying over a perfectly simple move as that one was."

"I daresay you're right," returned Dan. "But then, don't you see, I can't play chess at all."

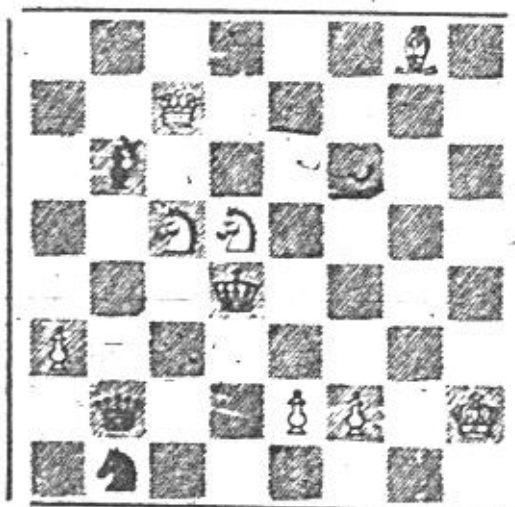
"You—can't—play—chess!!!" exclaimed the youth. "Then why on earth didn't you say so at first?"

"I'm not quite sure," was Dan's reply. "But I think it must have been because it never occurred to you to ask me."

R. J. BUCKLEY, 1906.

PROBLEM DEPARTMENT

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White Mates in Two.

PROBLEM No. 34.

By Frank Janet.

(Specially composed for the C. C. M.)

Frank Janet, of New York, is probably the most systematic of all composers, and directs his great energy solely towards two-move strategems. The annexed composition illustrates an old idea by Fridlizius, reduced to Meredith proportions.

"A. C. W."

Mr. A. C. White's usual Christmas gift book to his circle of chess friends takes the form this season of a reprint of twenty of his miscellaneous sketches

as a Part I. The three chronicles of the mythical Podunk Chess Club, which appeared in the Pittsburgh Gazette-Times in succeeding years for digestion on All-Fool's Day, under the titles of 1. Seventh Annual Meeting, 1915; 2. Unique Minstrel Show, 1916; 3. Circus, Raided by the Police, 1917, together with a series of rather unorthodox problems to illustrate the proceedings, form a Part II. Part III. consists of a selection of twenty-five of Mr. White's compositions from the year 1910 to the present time. The editorial work passed into the hands of the inimitable George Hume of Nottingham, England and his work, together with the contents, reaches the usual high-water mark. We select the following position, composed conjointly with L. H. Jokiseh and C. Hume, and dedicated to the problem composers of Australia: | 6R1 | 2PK1P2 | 1qpSpB1b | 1S1k3B | 1PR4p | 1r2p2r | 1Pp1P1s1 | 2Qb1s2 | mate in three.

RECENT PROBLEMS.

No. 35: A. Ellerman | K2R4 | p3Q3 | 3S4 | 1P2p3 | 2Pkp1r1 | r7 | 3P1R2 | 1S4Bb | mate in two.

No. 36: C. Mansfield | 8 | 8 | 2P1Q3 | B2R4 | r1k1s2r | pSs4p | B1qP3K | S1R2b2 | mate in two.

No. 37: P. F. Blake | 3Q2K1 | 8 | 5P1p | 4S1PB | p2Sk3 | r3p3 | PP6 | 8 | mate in three.

SOLUTIONS.

No. 28 (November): 1. P-Q3, R-Rsq; 2. B-K4, Q-K Kt sq! 3. B-QKt2, any; 4. Kt mates.

No. 30: 1. Q-Kt8! K-K5; 2. Q-Q5 ch, etc. 1....., K-Q6; 2. Q-B4 ch, etc. 1....., KxP; 2. Q-Q5, etc. This is a pioneer, the two spots (B4 and Q5) in collective relationship to the Black King, never having previously been the scenes of two White Queen sacrifices.

No. 31: 1. R-R5, RxR; 2. Kt-K5, etc. 1....., BxR; 2. Kt-R3, etc. If 1. Kt-R3? B-Q6! If 1. Kt-K5? R-KB7, not 1....., B-K5? R-R4!.

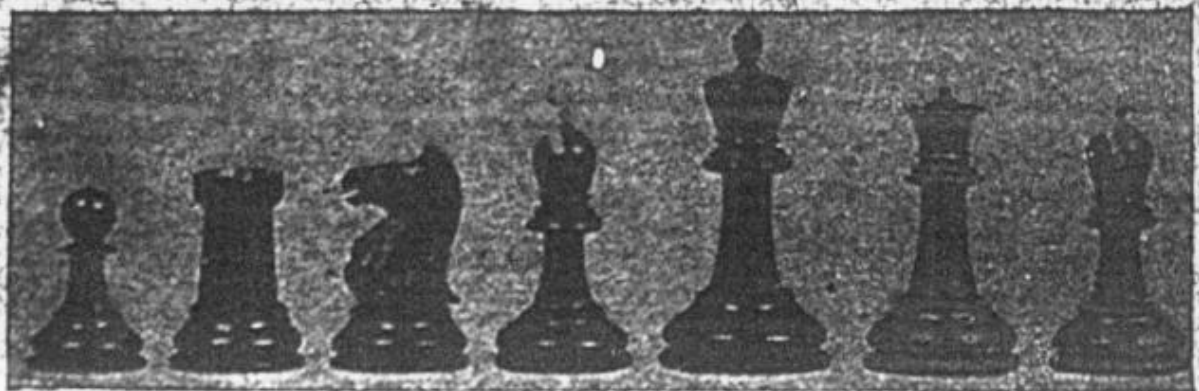
No. 32: 1. Qp2, RpQ; 2. Kt-Q5, etc. 1....., BxQ; 2. Kt (B4)-Kh, etc. 1....., Kt-B3; 2. Q-Kt6, etc.

No. 33: 1. Kt-K8, BxKt; 2. B-B6, etc. 1....., R-KB2; 2. KtPxR, etc.

Correct solutions of Problems Nos. 26 to 28 received from Neil McCallum, Grand Forks, B. C.

We have pleasure in presenting Mr. McCallum with the book prize for November solutions. He also found the White process in No. 29, but overlooked the important Black defence. We make the usual book offer for best set of January solutions with comments.

H. Martyn Jenkins of North Vancouver has been credited with Nos. 22 and 24.



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