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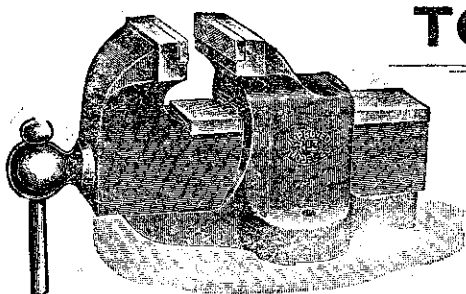
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Kennel Notes.

(By "Spaniel.")

The Wellington Show brought forward nothing out of the ordinary in the way of young dogs, the older brigade seemed to carry off the principal events.

Most interest centred around the judging of the Grand Challenge class.

Mr Graham made his awards quickly and confidently, although his task was one which would have the average judge in trouble.

The winner turned up in a fine specimen of a black cocker named "Evendale Billy," the property of an Auckland exhibitor, Mr H. A. Taylor.

"Billy" also annexed the Lady's Bracelet under Messrs Hutton and Soler.

Mr Taylor was naturally very proud of his win, particularly so seeing that the dog was bred by himself.

To date, this dog was had a straight run in the North Island and has not had his colours lowered.

The second prize-winner was a young Pomeranian of exceptional merit, and was highly spoken of by the judge. Mrs Geo. Lewis has always something pretty good in the way of a Pom.

The third prize-winner was Mr C. E. Spedding's, Millwood Surprise, a dog of exceptional breeding having for his parents an imported pair which had a good show record before coming to N.Z. Surprise is a lemon-roan in colour and greatly takes the eye. He has a couple of faults which make him a second-rater compared with the winner.

Mr Hardie supplied the fourth place dog in Briar Bickford. The little wire-haired terrier is a very fine dog and we are not surprised that he was in the running.

Airedales were a strong class and A. S. Brown's dog was too many for the Christchurch exhibits.

Mrs Bilechiff's Wise Wench was on her best behaviour and was successful in her classes.

Fox terriers made a fair showing and we noticed that some of the older exhibitors were taking a hand in the game, Messrs Wade and Ingram scoring well. The former gentleman knows a terrier and has in the past won a considerable number of prizes all over New Zealand.

In wire fox terriers Mr Burie had a wir with his young dog, but we fail to see much about him to commend him as a good show terrier.

Irish terriers were a disappointing entry and only a few were benched. Blighty, the winner, was severely criticised and was considered a very bad colour.

Paddy's Selection was put down again for his size, being too big. His owner did not approve of the verdict and subsequently acted in a manner which is typical of one who has not learned how to take a beating.

Deer hounds and greyhounds were few in number, but the quality of the former was particularly good.

Mr Hutton was not jubilant over what he saw in the bulldog ring, in fact, it is evident that some fresh blood is badly needed to improve the all round qualities of our N.Z. bulldogs.

Australian terriers were a feature of the show and this breed is making great headway. We would rather see more Yorkshire terriers about for they are certainly a more beautiful dog than the "Aussy."

The N.Z. Kennel Club has again appointed P. C. Smith as secretary, and we hope that he will stir things up this period.

It is time that local exhibitors began to bostir themselves and get their dogs in bloom as the Christchurch Show is again on the horizon.

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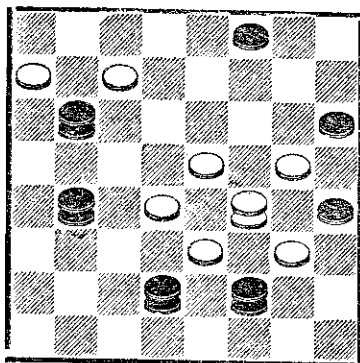
DRAUGHTS.

(Conducted by F. Hutchins).

Draughts Club meets in Athenaeum smoke room on Wednesday and Saturday evenings.

PROBLEM 24.

By P. Thirkell, Bensham-on-Tyne.
BLACK.



WHITE.

White to play and win.

Black 3, 12, 20, Kings 9, 17, 26, 27.
White 5, 6, 15, 16, 18, 23, 24, King 19.
An excellent composition, and one that will tax the ingenuity of our solvers.

MASTERS COMPETING!

The players who lose most games between the moves are those who resent the expenditure of time by their adversaries, and whose nerves consequently get into such an irritable state that it is impossible for them to return to the game in a judgmatic frame of mind. No doubt excitable and impatient amateurs suffer torments when they have some scheme that they are burning to execute, and are kept for a long time on the thorns of uncertainty. It might be thought that masters competing in a great tournament would have cultivated the knack of controlling their sensations, but even they do not always succeed.

The following game is very interesting and instructive as showing another stroke that the amateur should try to avoid.

DENNEYS.

10.14	11.16	14.18	4.8	25.22
23.18	29.25	23.14	31.26A	10.19
7.10	8.11	9.18	18.23	3.10
25.22	18.15	21.17	27.18	6.31
3.7	11.18	16.23	12.16	17.14
24.19	22.15	26.19	19.3	1.6

B. wins.

(A) 17.13 would have been better.

Below is an instructive study of a game played in the thirteenth Scottish tournament taken from the "Draughts World."

SECOND DOUBLE CORNER.

Black—BURNS.	White—BRADLEY.
11.15	7.10c
24.19	32.28
15.24	3.7H
28.19	18.15i
8.11A	9.13j
22.18	19.16M
11.16n	12.19
25.22c	23.16
4.8D	10.19
29.25E	24.15
10.14	7.11K
27.24	16.7
16.20	2.18
31.27F	22.15

(A) Varies from preceding game, and leads to some fine play.

(B) Black at this point has choice of 9.14, 10.14, or 4.8, all forming safe lines.

(C) 26.22 and 18.14 are drawable, the latter being very critical for White.

(D) 16.20 and 10.14 end in draws.

(E) White can vary with 22.17 or 27.24, although some experts are inclined to the belief that 27.24 is a loss.

(F) Best.

(G) 6.10 draws.

(H) 9.13, etc., draws.

(I) White's only move.

(J) The following occurred between Yates and Wylie:—

14.18	19.16	5.9	21.14
23.14	12.19	17.13	11.15
9.18	24.15	9.14	28.24
26.23	6.10	25.21	18.22
7.11	15.6	18.22	14.10
23.7	1.10	26.17	22.26
11.18	21.17	14.18	10.7
22.15	8.11	17.14	26.31
2.18	30.26	10.17	Drawn.

(K) 8.12 draws.

(L) To the finish the game has been played on well-known lines.

(M) 22.18 would lose.

(N) 23.24 leads to an interesting variation, latterly drawing.

(O) 26.23 would be fatal, thus:—

26.23	28.24	22.18	24.19
10.15	11.16	15.22	22.26

B. wins.

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