CHESS NOTES

History repeats itself. We have again tied with Hastings. There will consequently be a third match shortly, at Eastbourne, to decide if possible the claims of the rival teams. Score as below: —

Eastbourne.		*Hastings II.*	
Mr. W. Coupe	0	Mr. F.S. Tuddenham	1
Mr. H.S. Bullock	½	Mr. G. Herington	½
Mr. J. Martin	½	Mr. F. Wroblewski	½
Mr. E.A. Crowley	1	Mr. C.M. Wilson	0
Mr. E. Kelsey	½	Rev. W.J. Ayling	½
Mr. F.T. Lloyd	1	Mr. T. Mumford	0
Mr. F.L. Marchant	½	Mr. A. Rusconi	½
Mr. F. Thomas	0	Mr. A.W. Earl	1
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Mr. Blackburn kindly acted as adjudicator.
The following interesting little game was played:

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White.	Black.
P K 4	P K 4
Kt K B 3	Kt Q B 3
B Kt 5	Kt B 3
Castles	B B 4 ?

Very inferior.   White can now safely win the pawn.

B x Kt	Q P x B
Kt x P	Q Q 5
Kt K B 3	B K Kt 5 !
Kt x Q	B x Q
R x B	B x Kt
P B 3	B Kt 3
P K 5 ?	

A premature attack which gives unnecessary trouble afterwards.

| | Kt Kt 5 |
| P Q 4 | Castles (Q R) |

Threatening Kt x P

B B 4	K R K sq
Kt Q 2	P Q B 4
P K R 3 !	Kt R 3
B x Kt	P x B

White has now an advantage in his pawn position.

Rt B 3	P x P
P x P	R Q 4 !
R Q 3 !	P Q B 4
R B 3 !	

Much superior to R B Sq.

	K Q 2
P x P	B x P
Q R Q B Sq	P Kt 3 ? ?

A fatal blunder.   White has a clear won game from this point.

P Q Kt 4 !	B x P
R B 7 ch	K Q 3
Q R B 6 ch	K B 4
R x P ch	K K 5
R Q B 4 ch	K Q 6
R x B	R R 4 ?
R Q 7 ch	K B 6
R Kt 3 ch	K B 5
Kt Q 2 ch	K B 4
R B 7 ch	K Q 4
R Q 3 ch	K K 3
R Q 6 ch	K B 4

R B 7 ch and mate in two more, for if K x P, Kt B 4 ch, and P mates; and if K Kt 4, Kt B 3 ch, and P mates.

A very elegant finish, as Mr. Blackburne, who was watching the game, remarked.

Next week we shall give the positions of solvers.

PROBLEM No. 9.

k r 1 R 4 | 1 kt 6 | 1 B 2 K 3 | 8 | 2 Kt 5 | 3 R 4 | 8 | 7 Q.
White mates in two moves.

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