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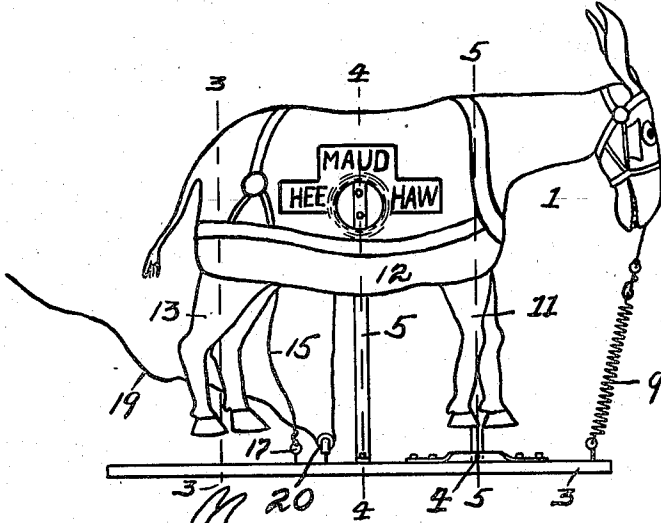


FIG. 1.

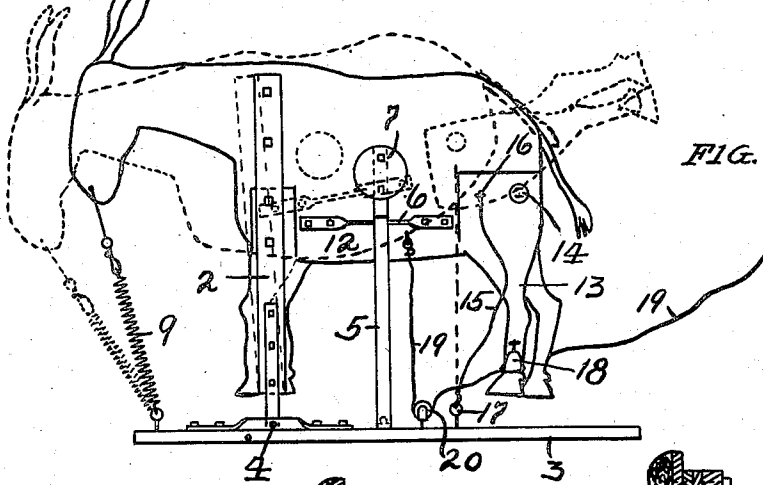


FIG. 2.

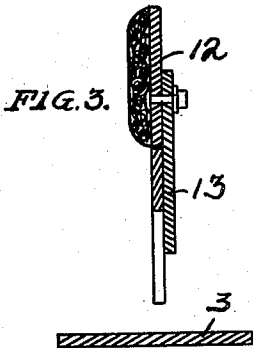


FIG. 3.

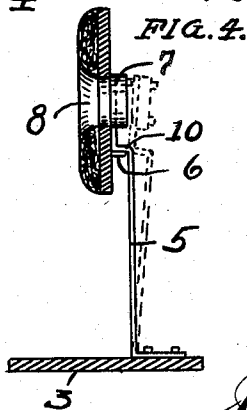


FIG. 4.

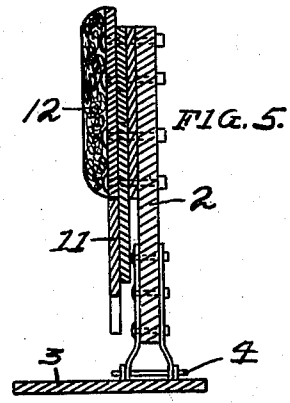


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOSEPH A. ANSLINGER, a citizen of the United States, residing at Cincinnati, in the county of Hamilton and State of Ohio, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Amusement Devices, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to improvements in amusement devices.

The object of my invention is to provide an attractive and interesting figure for target practice.

My invention consists in providing a figure mounted to be capable of movement and having a target opening therein, a target adjacent to the target opening adapted to be moved with relation to the figure when said target is hit whereby said figure is released, and means for automatically moving said figure after it has been released.

My invention also consists in the parts and in the combination and arrangement of parts as herein set forth and claimed.

In the drawings which serve to illustrate my invention: Figure 1 is a side elevation of a figure embodying my invention. Fig. 2 is an elevation of the side opposite to Fig. 1. Fig. 3 is a section on line 3—3 of Fig. 1. Fig. 4 is a section on line 4—4 of Fig. 1. Fig. 5 is a section on line 5—5 of Fig. 1.

The preferable construction of my amusement device is as follows: The figure 1 which may be any object desired but which I preferably represent as an animal as indicated by Fig. 1 of the drawing, is supported by a standard 2 mounted upon a base 3 by pivot 4 and held in position by target support 5 engaging rib 6 on the side of the figure to expose target 7 to view through target opening 8. A spring 9 is attached to the head of the figure 1 and to one end of the base 3 to hold the catch 10 of the target support 5 in engagement with rib 6. The front legs 11 are rigidly secured to the body 12 and the rear legs 13 are secured together and attached to body 12 by pivot 14. A flexible connection 15 is attached to the rear legs 13 at 16 and to a fastening 17 secured to the base. This connection is made slack between its ends as shown to give the proper movement to the rear legs with relation to the body to more correctly imitate the movement of the parts when in the act of kicking. The target support 5 is formed of yielding material so that when the ball strikes target 7 its force will move the target and target support laterally to the position indicated by dotted lines in Fig. 4 thereby releasing catch 10 from rib 6 whereupon the tension of spring 9 will draw the head of the figure downwardly and the body of the figure upwardly so that the flexible connection 15 will be drawn taut and as the rear end of the figure continues to be elevated by the downward pressure of spring 9

the rear legs 13 will be moved upwardly about pivot 14 thereby causing the figure to assume a kicking posture as indicated by dotted lines in Fig. 2. The movement of the figure as described is notice that the target has been hit. An additional notice may be provided by attaching a bell 18 to the rear legs.

In order to bring the figure to position to expose the target 7 through target opening 8 for the next target practice a rope 19 or other suitable means is attached to the body 12 and connected to pulley 20 attached to base 3 whereby the figure may be drawn downwardly whereupon the catch 10 will automatically engage rib 6.

The side of the figure toward the players is made to imitate an animal, as shown in Fig. 1, while the opposite side is plain and provided with the operating mechanism, above described, as shown in Fig. 2.

I claim:

1. In an amusement device, a pivotally mounted and spring actuated figure, a target arranged in connection therewith, legs pivoted to said figure and provided with a connection whereby the movement of the body upwardly will give said legs a kicking movement.

2. In an amusement device, a base, a figure mounted to be capable of movement and having a target opening therein, a target adjacent the target opening and adapted to be moved with relation to the figure when said target is hit whereupon said movement of the figure is produced, pivotally mounted legs on said figure, and a connection attached to said legs and to the base and a spring adapted to automatically move said figure and legs respectively.

3. In an amusement device, a base, a standard pivotally supported thereby, a figure fixed and adapted to move with said standard, a rib upon said figure, a yielding target support mounted on said base, a target on said support, a catch on said support adapted to take over and engage said rib, a spring secured to said base and to one end of said figure and adapted to exert downward pressure thereon to hold said catch and rib in engagement and, when said catch and rib are disengaged by the force of a ball against said target, to move said figure, substantially as set forth.

4. In an amusement device, a base, a standard pivotally mounted thereon, a figure fixed to said standard and having a target opening, a rib on said figure, a target support adapted to engage said rib, a target upon said support adapted to be exposed through said target opening, a spring adapted to automatically move said figure when released from the target support by the force of a ball against said target, and means for returning said figure into position to expose the target.

5. In an amusement device, a figure mounted to be capable of movement and having a target opening therein, a target adjacent the target opening and adapted to be moved with relation to the figure when said target is hit whereupon said movement of the figure is produced, legs pivotally attached to the body of said figure, a bell secured to said legs and a connection adapted to move said legs upon said pivot to produce a kicking movement.

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