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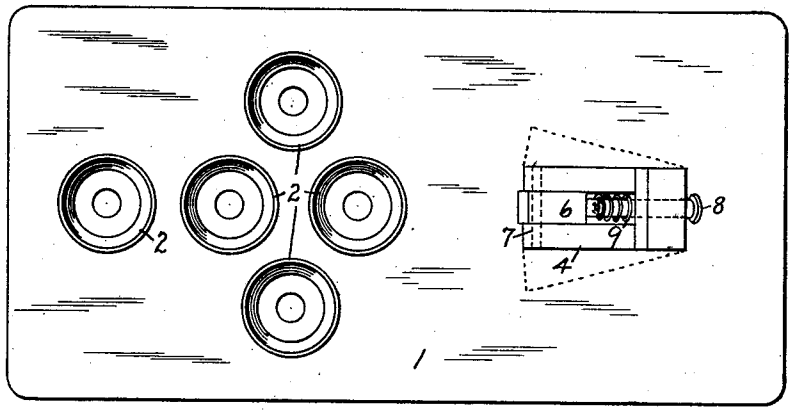


Fig. 1.

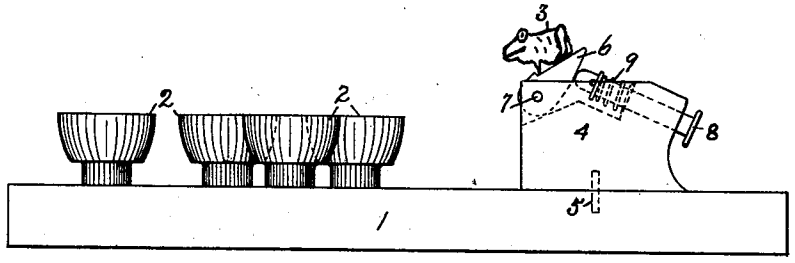


Fig. 2.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CHARLES L. DURBORAW, a citizen of the United States, residing at Baltimore, in the State of Maryland, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Games, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to improvements in games.

The object of the invention is to provide a game for amusement and entertainment which can be played by any number of persons.

In illustrating my invention I have shown a board or base having several cups or pools arranged at varying distances thereon, a bank pivoted to the said base, and a frog which is thrown from the bank into the several cups or pools. One frog may be used, or as many frogs as there are pools. The person shooting a frog from the bank into each pool in the least number of shots wins the game.

Other features of the invention will be fully set forth in the description of the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a plan view of my improved game, and Fig. 2 is a side elevation of same.

Similar reference-numerals designate like parts in the several views.

In the accompanying drawings, forming part of this specification, 1 designates the base, which may be made of wood or other suitable material and may also be of any preferred shape and design. Arranged upon the base 1 and secured thereto by cement, screws, or other suitable means are five cups or pools 2, into which frogs 3 are thrown, one at a time, from the bank 4. These cups or pools 2 may be located at any position on the base 1. In the present instance I have shown five cups or pools 2; but it is obvious any other number may be employed. The bank 4 is located near one end of the base 1 and is pivoted at 5 in order that it may be turned at any angle with respect to the said base to allow it to be brought in line with any of the cups or pools 2. The bank 4 is provided with a rest 6, upon which the frogs 3 are placed when it is desired to shoot them into the several pools 2. This rest 6 is pivoted to the bank 4 at 7, which permits the said rest to be thrown forward when hit by the trigger 8. The trigger 8 passes up through the center of the bank 4 at the rear of and in line with the said rest 6. This trigger 8 is held to its normal position by the spring 9.

The operation of the game is as follows: The rest 6 occupies the position shown in Fig. 2, with a frog 3 thereon. The bank 4 is then turned in line with the cup or pool 2, into which it is desired to shoot the frog. The trigger 8 is now pulled back against the tension of the spring 9 and released, when the said spring 9 will cause the trigger to fly back and strike the rest 6 and throw the frog therefrom. The distance the frog is thrown is determined by the blow of the trigger 8 against the rest 6. After one frog has been shot from the bank the rest 6 is again returned to its normal position and another frog placed thereon and the aforesaid operation repeated. The person shooting a frog in each cup or pool in the least number of chances wins, or it may be arranged that the person shooting the greatest number of frogs in the pools in a given number of chances wins.

It is obvious that any other object may be substituted for the frogs—such as balls, dice, &c.—without departing from the spirit of my present invention.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim is—

A game consisting of a base; a plurality of cups arranged at varying distances on, and projecting above, the said base; a bank pivoted in the center to the said base and adapted to be turned at any angle with respect to said base; a rest pivoted at its front end to the said bank and adapted to support thereon the object to be thrown into the cups; a trigger normally impinging against the rear free end of the rest; and a spring to return the trigger to its normal position, as and for the purpose described.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in the presence of two witnesses.

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