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TRUMP AND BID INDICATOR.

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Fig. 1.

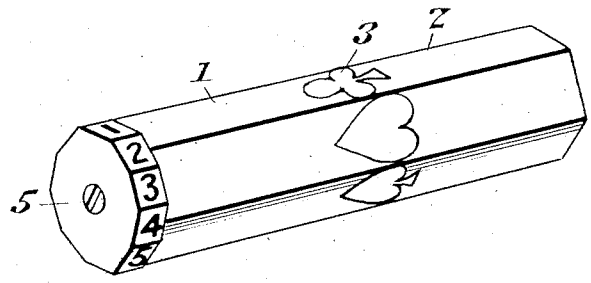


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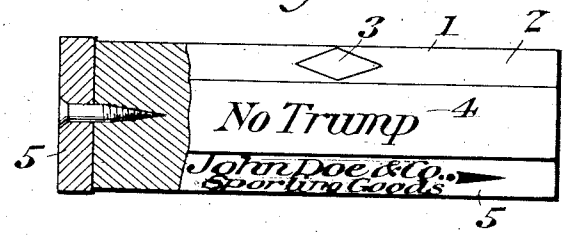
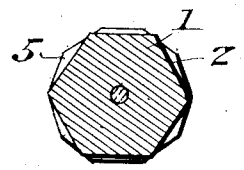


Fig. 3.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CHARLES D. BEST, a citizen of the United States, residing at Lincoln, in the county of Lancaster and State of Nebraska, have invented new and useful Improvements in Trump and Bid Indicators, of which the following is a specification.

This invention is an improved trump and bid indicator for use by card players to indicate the trump and the amount of the bid for each game, the object of my invention being to provide an improved device of this character which is extremely cheap and simple, which may be readily adjusted, and used, and which is also useful as an advertising device.

The invention consists in the features of construction, combination, and arrangement of devices, hereinafter fully described and claimed.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view of a trump and bid indicator constructed and arranged in accordance with my invention and showing the same as arranged in a horizontal position on a table, in use. Fig. 2 is an elevation of the same partly in section. Fig. 3 is a transverse sectional view of the same.

In the embodiment of my invention, I provide a body 1 of polygonal form and which is here shown as hexagonal. Some of the faces 2 of the body are provided with pips 3, indicating trumps and one of the faces is also provided with a "no trump" inscription 4, the other face 5 displaying an advertisement or any desired legend.

On one end of the body is a bid indicating disk 5, which is here shown as polygonal and is provided with faces which are respectively inscribed with numbers from one to ten consecutively and which indicate bids.

In use, the disk is turned to cause its face which has a number corresponding with a bid to aline with the face 2 of the body which displays the trump for any game and the device is then laid on the table with the trump and bid side uppermost to remind the players throughout the game both of the trump and of the bid. When a game of "five hundred" or the like is played, the disk should be turned to cause the appropriate bid number thereon, to aline with the "no trump" face 4 of the body, as will be understood.

My improved trump and bid indicator is extremely useful to card players, preventing the trump and the bid from being forgotten by any of the players during the game, may be readily adjusted for any game and is also extremely useful as an advertising device as it can be very cheaply manufactured and distributed.

Having described the invention, what is claimed is:

2. A trump indicator comprising a polygonal body having its faces inscribed with pips or the like indicating trumps.

1. A trump indicator comprising a polygonal body having its faces inscribed with pips or the like indicating trumps, and provided at one end with a pivotally mounted disk, said disk having faces numbered to indicate bids and any one of which may be turned into alinement with any one of the trump indicating faces of the body.

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

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