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Game Apparatus

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Fig. 1.

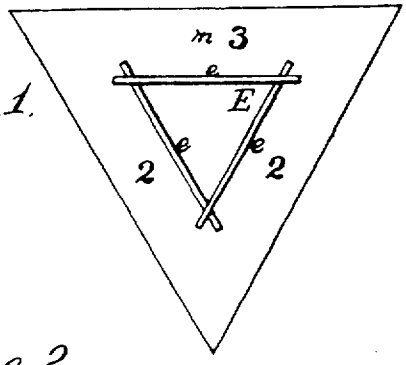


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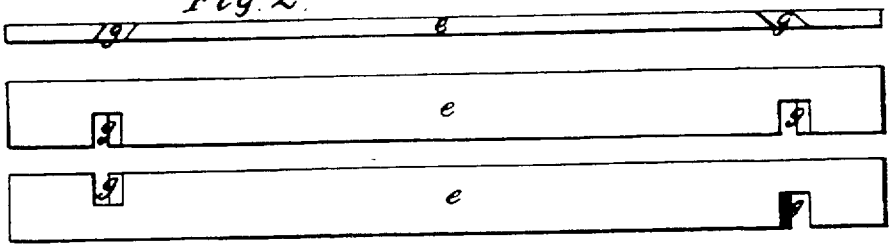


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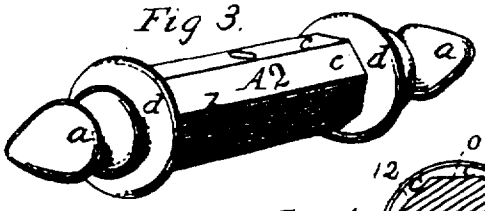


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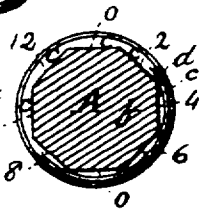
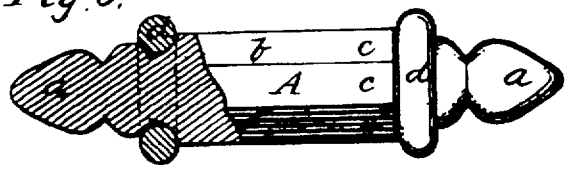


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GAME APPARATUS.

SPECIFICATION forming part of Letters Patent No. 229,791, dated July 6, 1880.

Application filed December 15, 1879.

To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, GENNARO WUNDERLICH, of Philadelphia, in the county of Philadelphia and State of Pennsylvania, have invented a new and valuable Improvement in Game Apparatus; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the construction and operation of the same, reference being had to the annexed drawings, making a part of this specification, and to the letters and figures of reference marked thereon.

Figure 1 of the drawings is a representation of a plan view of the pen and its circumscribed triangle. Figs. 2 are edge and side views of the pen-strips. Fig. 3 is a perspective view of the cat, and Figs. 4 and 5 are sectional views of the same.

This invention has relation to the game of "taddy" or "cat in pen;" and it consists in a prismatic taddy or cat having elastic rings in grooves near its pointed ends and numerals on its sides or faces, in combination with a triangular pen, as hereinafter shown and described.

In the accompanying drawings, the letter A designates the cat, which is made of wood or rubber, or of wood banded with rubber, and is formed with pointed ends *a* and a prismatic body portion, *b*, whereof the sides *c* are numbered with ciphers and numerals, substantially as shown in the drawings. Usually I prefer to apply a rubber or elastic ring, *d*, in a groove near each end of the cat, as the rubber will by its elasticity assist materially the flight of the cat when struck.

E represents the pen, which is triangular in form and constructed of three strips, *e*, having notches *g* near each end, whereby they are connected in such a manner as to rest on their edges. These strips are about as wide as the transverse diameter of the cat, and, being easily detached, may be packed with the cat in a small box.

Any ordinary stick will serve as a bat to strike the cat on one of its pointed ends.

The following rules set forth the game whereby it is designed to bring these articles into use:

Rule 1. To start the game, each player tosses the cat, and the one turning up the highest number takes the bat, the next highest becomes pitcher, and the others go to the field.

Rule 2. Draw a triangle on the ground somewhat larger than the pen, and place the pen in the center of it, leaving around the pen a space, *m*, as indicated in the diagram, Fig. 1. Mark this space with figures, as shown.

Rule 3. If the pitcher throws the cat in the pen it counts him ten, also the number up on the cat. If the cat is thrown in the triangle outside the pen it gives the batter strikes according to the number of that part of the triangle in which it lies, and whatever number is up on the cat after each strike counts for the batter. If a cipher is turned up it puts the batter out, the pitcher takes the bat, and the first fielder takes the pitcher's place.

Rule 4. When the cat is in the pen the batter has one strike, and if he does not get it out the pitcher goes to the bat and the batter to the field.

Rule 5. If the fielder catches the cat when the batter strikes it he takes the bat. If the cat is thrown outside the triangle it gives the batter one strike.

Rule 6. If the cat should lie with one of its corners directly up it will count one.

Having described this invention, what I claim, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

In a game apparatus, a prismatic taddy or cat having elastic rings in grooves near its pointed ends and numerals on its sides or faces, in combination with a triangular pen, substantially as set forth and described.

In testimony that I claim the above I have hereunto subscribed my name in the presence of two witnesses.

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