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GAME COUNTER FOR CRIBBAGE.

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FIG. 1.

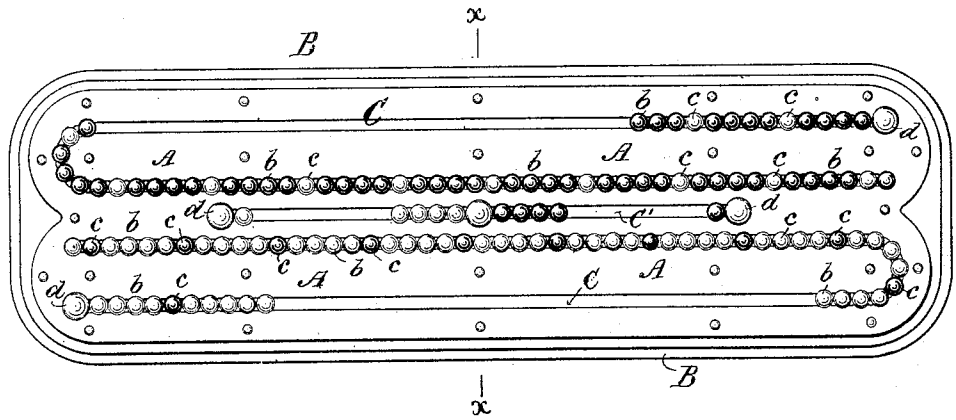


FIG. 2.

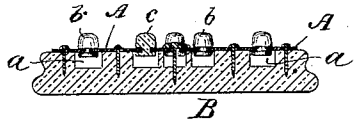
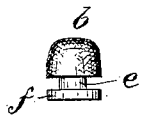


FIG. 3.



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GAME-COUNTER FOR CRIBBAGE.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JAMES F. BOGAN, a citizen of the United States, residing at Boston, in the county of Suffolk and State of Massachusetts, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Cribbage-Boards and Game-Counters, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to an improved cribbage board or game-counter for cards, billiards, &c.

The invention consists of a thin plate of metal in which are several slots extending nearly the whole length of the plate. Each two slots are connected together at one end by a curved portion, so as to make the slot continuous at that end. Within these slots are placed buttons, each having a contracted neck and fitted to slide freely in the slots without danger of escaping from the plate. The said plate is attached to a thin block or backing, preferably of wood, having grooves arranged underneath the slots in the plate.

Referring to the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a plan or top view of my invention. Fig. 2 is a transverse section on the line *x x* of Fig. 1. Fig. 3 represents the button or stud.

A is a thin plate of metal, in which are cut several slots, C C, connected together at one end, so as to make a continuous passage from one to the other, the opposite ends being closed. The plate A is attached to a block, B, made preferably of wood, and having grooves or recesses *a a*, extending underneath the slots C C, to allow of the free passage of the lower portion of the buttons.

b b c c represent buttons or studs constructed as shown in an enlarged view in Fig. 3, and made to slide freely in the slots C C, the shank *e* fitting in said slots and retained therein by the flange *f*. The buttons or studs *b b* are to be of different colors in the two sets of slots. For instance, the two lower slots, or rather the two connected slots at one side of the board, are to contain mostly white studs *b*, evey fifth one, *c*, being of a dark color, and the two connected slots on the opposite sides are to contain mostly dark studs *b*, every fifth one, *c*, being of a light color.

The studs may be made of metal, wood, rubber, or any other suitable material.

It will be seen that by connecting the ends of the slots there will be a continuous passage from one to the other.

At the center of the board, and parallel with the double connected slots, is a single slot, *c'*, containing studs for indicating the number of games played.

What I claim as my invention, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

A cribbage-board and game-counter consisting of a metal plate, A, attached to a suitable back, B, and provided with two or more continuous parallel slots, C, in combination with the movable studs *b c*, substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

In testimony whereof I have signed my name to this specification in the presence of two subscribing witnesses

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