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Fig. 1.

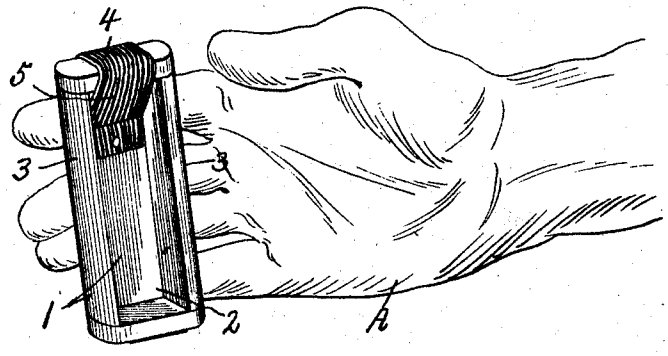
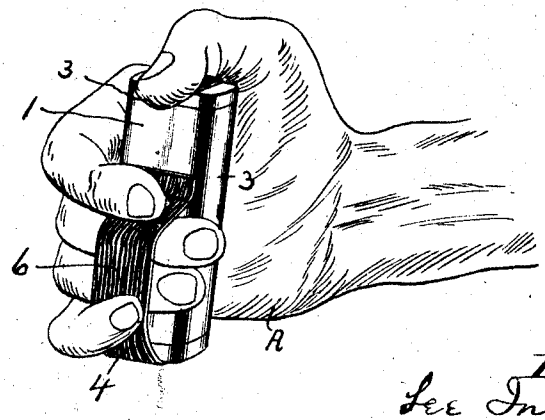


Fig. 2.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, LEE INGRAM, of Syracuse, in the county of Onondaga, in the State of New York, have invented new and useful Improvements in Dice Safety Devices, of which the following, taken in connection with the accompanying drawings, is a full, clear, and exact description.

This invention relates to a dice safety device the main object of which is to prevent fraudulent manipulation of the dice by hand when casting the same.

Another object is to provide the dice box with a resilient buffer adapted to cause the rebound of the dice when casting and also serving as a finger loop by which the dice box may be more efficiently retained in the hand following the casting operation. Other objects and uses will be brought out in the following description.

In the drawings:

Figure 1 is a perspective view of the dice box carried by the fingers of the hand in the act of throwing the dice.

Figure 2 is a perspective view of the same device as closed in the hand of the user preparatory to shaking and casting.

While this device may be used for casting dice it may also be used for other games, such as "jacks", using objects carrying different numbers or characters.

This device comprises a box —1— of any suitable material having a rectangular elongated recess —2— in one side for receiving and temporarily retaining the objects to be cast, the longitudinal sides as —3— of the box being preferably curved for convenience in handling.

An elastic strap —4— has one end drawn over and around one end of the box and fastened to the inner face of the back wall of the recess —2— to form an inclined resilient buffer —5— near that end, the other end of the elastic strap or band being secured to the outer face of the back of the box to form the elastic finger loop —6—.

The dimensions of the box are sufficiently small to be readily grasped in the palm of the hand as —A— with certain of the fingers extended through the loop —6— and engaged with the back of the box so that the box as a whole may be retained upon the finger when casting or throwing the dice or other objects contained in the box.

In operation these objects to be cast are placed in the recess —2— after which the open side of the box is drawn by the fingers against the palm of the hand to temporarily retain the objects therein and to allow the same to be properly shaken without the liability of displacement.

In casting the dice after shaking the fingers with the box thereon are extended and by a forward glancing movement of the hand with the bottom foremost and with the buffer —5— at the top the objects in the recess —2— are thrown against the resilient buffer —5— and thereby caused to rebound across the table or other support to complete the play.

What I claim is:

1. A dice box having an elongated opening in one side and a resilient buffer in one end of the opening.

2. A dice box having an elongated opening in one side and a resilient strap drawn over one end of the box and secured to the inner wall of the opening within the box to form a resilient buffer and its other end secured to the back of the box to form a finger loop by which the box may be retained on the fingers when casting the dice.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand this 10th day of October, 1924.

LEE INGRAM.