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NO MODEL.

FIG. 3.

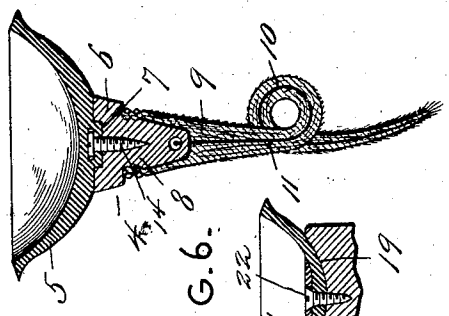


FIG. 6.

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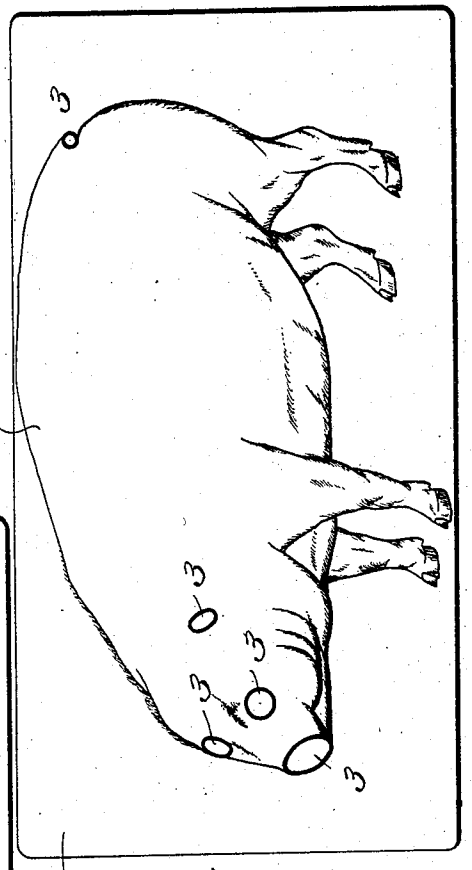


FIG. 1.



FIG. 5.

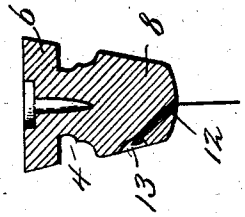
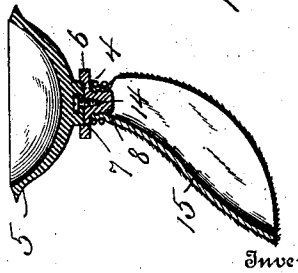


FIG. 4.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JULES CHABOTY, a citizen of France, residing at New York, in the county of New York and State of New York, have invented new and useful Improvements in Games, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to games, and particularly that class wherein the players or those participating therein are blindfolded and required to apply to an object different parts to complete an anatomical structure; and the present improvement refers more particularly to vacuum-pieces for subject composition in the form of organs, members, appendages, &c., which are in relief and employed in pursuing the game, in combination with a support having thereon the configuration or incomplete representation of an animal, man, or the like.

It is evident that the organs of different beings may be made to represent in their varied application and interposition under the condition in which the player applies them different comical transformations and grotesque subjects, even when fixed on a unique blank picture. This same principle of composition may also be employed in comical demonstrations for shop-window attractions, display purposes, and advertising.

The invention consists of a support, such as a card or wood board, on which is pasted or glued a lithographic picture or on which a picture may be otherwise applied representing an incomplete subject having indicating-marks at various points where the organs are to be applied to complete the subject, the said organs embodying a pneumatic attaching-cup or suction device. To render the support bearing the incomplete subject effective in receiving the several organs, the base of the said support is varnished to provide and insure a smooth surface. As an advantageous substitute for a card or wood board from a standpoint of portability the support bearing the picture or representation of the incomplete subject-matter may be made of japanned oil-cloth fully or partly framed, the cloth being that now in general use by coach-builders for vehicle-coverings employed in lieu of japanned leather. This cloth will be rigid enough to prevent the pneumatic cup or suction device depressing the surface and pliable enough to permit the support to be rolled and reduced to compact form when not in use and capable of being quickly prepared and hung on a wall or otherwise held when it is desired to use the same.

In the drawings, Figure 1 shows a support with a subject represented thereon in the form of a hog with the organs embodying the features of the invention applied thereto. Fig. 2 is a plan view of a support, showing a representation of the incomplete subject, as shown completed by Fig. 1, and illustrating the indicating-marks where the organs are to be applied. Fig. 3 is a sectional view through the tail of the subject shown by Figs. 1 and 2. Fig. 4 is a section through the ear of the subject. Fig. 5 is a detail transverse section through the head or body block of the organ shown by Fig. 3. Fig. 6 is a transverse vertical section through a portion of one of the organs, in relief, showing a modification in the manner of securing the pneumatic or suction cup thereto.

Similar numerals of reference are employed to indicate corresponding parts in the several views.

The numeral 1 designates a support which may be either cardboard, a thin wooden board, or flexible material, such as japanned oil-cloth, and on the front surface thereof is delineated an incomplete subject 2, as shown by Fig. 2, and which in this instance is a hog, though it will be understood that any other animal may be so represented. The incomplete subject 2 and the front side of the support 1, on which it is disposed, will be preferably coated with varnish or other material to produce a surface to which the organs in relief, heretofore described, may be readily and practically applied. The incomplete subject, as shown by Fig. 2, at points where the organs in relief are to be applied is provided with indicating-marks 3, which in the present instance are in the form of circles, though other contours may be adopted at will.

Each of the organs in relief have common structural features, as illustrated by Figs. 3 and 4, and said features consist in a head 4 and a pneumatic or suction cup 5, preferably formed of rubber. The head 4 has an enlarged extremity 6, with a seat 7 in the cen-

ter thereof, and against said extremity is secured the pneumatic or suction cup 5 by means of a screw or other analogous fastening 8, having its head embedded in the base of the cup and its shank projected into the head, a part of the cup being held in the seat 6 to establish a more reliable fastening therefor and prevent loose movement thereof. The heads 3 and 4 each embody the detail structural features just enumerated, and the head (shown by Fig. 3) has a reduced extremity 8, as more clearly shown by Fig. 5, with an outer tapered surface over which is secured by a suitable winding of wire or analogous material the enlarged end of a tail 9, which is curled, as at 10, and maintained in this condition by a wire 11, passed through the tail and curled and terminally held in the reduced extremity 8 by being passed through an opening 12 in said extremity, leading out through the center of the latter at one terminal, and merging into a recess 13 at the side of the extremity, where the wire is twisted or knotted to retain it in a proper applied position. The wire 11 also stiffens the tail 9 to such an extent as to cause the latter to preserve a natural appearance. The head 4 (shown by Fig. 4) also has a reduced extremity 14, around which is secured an ear 15 by a winding of wire or other suitable material. The eye-organ 16 in the present instance will also be provided with a suction-cup similar to that shown by Figs. 3 and 4, and the snout 17 will be in the form of a suction-nipple, which is slipped over a portion of the head of the incomplete subject, as clearly shown by Fig. 1, when a proper application of the snout is made. It is preferred that the snout be formed entirely of rubber or so much thereof be made of rubber as is necessary to create or produce a suction-cup or device, and the tail 9 and ear 15 will be made of material best adapted for the purpose. It is obvious that the limbs of the incomplete subject might also be applied in relief, and this principle of application of different organs will be carried out in connection with other animals or subjects of any nature in view of the fact that the game is not limited to the use of any precise incomplete subject.

In Fig. 6 a different means for securing the cup to the head is shown and consists in providing a head 18 with a curved recess 19 and disposing the convex portion of the cup 20 in said recess and placing a washer 21 within the cup over the part of the latter fitted in said recess. The securing-screw or other fastening is then inserted through the washer or clamping-plate and the cup into the head 18.

In playing the game the support bearing the incomplete subject, as indicated by Fig. 2, is hung against a wall or otherwise placed in convenient position, and one of the organs is given to each player. The players in turn are blindfolded and are moved back a predetermined distance from the incomplete subject and then directed to move forward and properly apply the organ by pressing the pneumatic or suction cup 5 against the support at the proper point, as near as can be guessed in view of the blindfolded condition of the player. It will be obvious that considerable amusement will result from a misapplication of the several organs. It will also be understood that changes in the proportions, dimensions, and minor details of the various components of the game may be resorted to without departing from the spirit of the invention.

Having thus fully described the invention, what is claimed as new is—

1. In a game, the combination of a support having a subject represented thereon with all the external organs removed and supplied with indicating-marks at the points where the various organs are to be applied, and a series of such organs for application to the subject to complete the latter, said organs being in relief and comprising bodies having suction-cups which are pressed against the subject at proper points.

2. The combination of an incomplete subject having circular indicating-marks thereon at points where the external organs are to be properly applied, a series of said organs in relief applicable to the said subject, each organ comprising a body having a suction-cup attached to one side thereof and the organ to the opposite side of the same, the said head being recessed to receive a portion of the suction-cup and reduced for the attachment of the organ.

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

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