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Fig. 1.

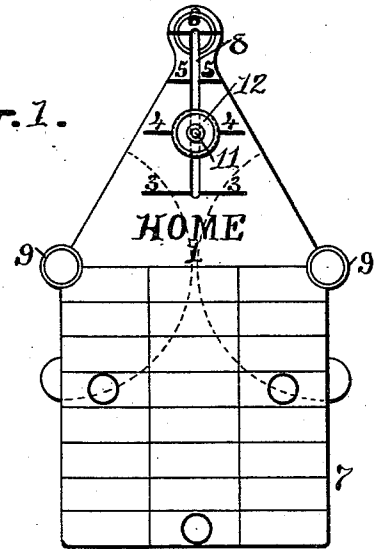
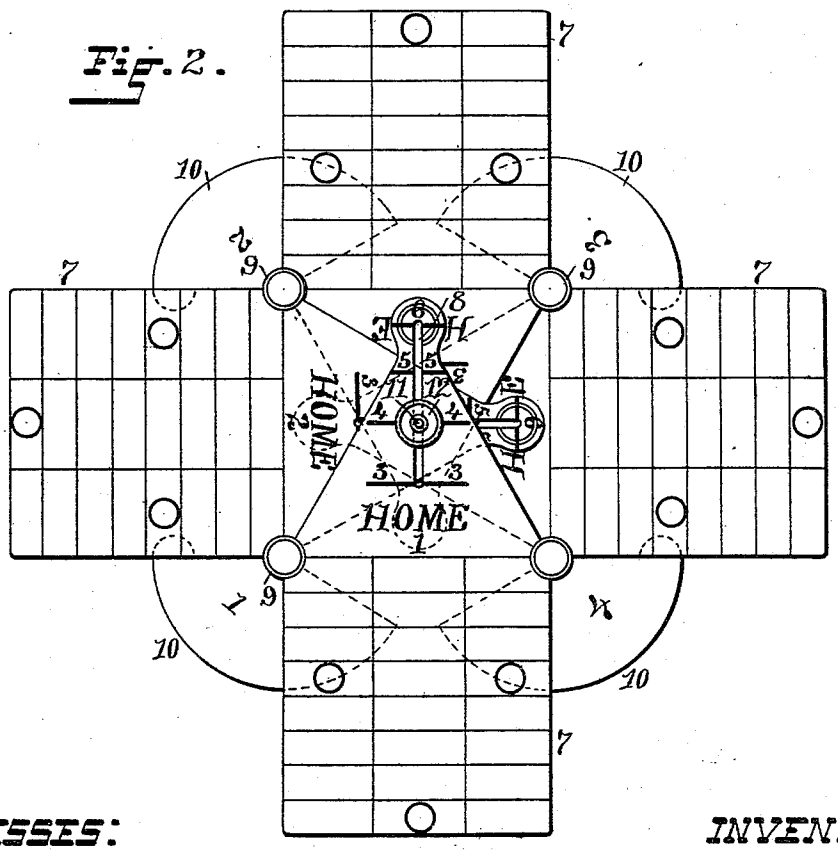


Fig. 2.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, HENRY C. MANNING, of Bristol, in the county of Bristol and State of Rhode Island, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Game-Boards; and I hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, forming part of this specification.

This invention has reference to improvements in game-boards on which various games may be played.

The object of this invention is to produce a game-board which can be adjusted to be used by two or more players.

To attain this end my invention consists in forming the game-board in sections suitably pivoted together and in combining therewith certain novel features, which will be more fully set forth hereinafter, and pointed out in the claims.

Figure 1 is a front view of one section of the improved game-board divided by lines into spaces, as for the game of parcheesi. Fig. 2 is a view of the improved game-board arranged for four players.

Similar numbers of reference indicate corresponding parts throughout.

The improved game-board is composed of two or more sections 7, of the shape shown in Fig. 1, and their surfaces may be divided by lines into variously-shaped spaces applicable to the game for which the board is to be used. Each section is provided with the longitudinal slot 8, across which the transverse lines 3, 4, 5, and 6 are marked. At the corners 9 9 of each section 7 the wings 10 10 are pivotally secured, and may be colored or numbered to correspond with the marker or traveler, which starts from each wing.

The sections 7, of which the board is composed, are secured together by a clamping device having a screw-post 11 moving in the longitudinal slot 8, and a disk 12, which may be screwed to the post 11 to secure the clamping device at any point in the length of the slot 8.

The operation of adjusting the improved game-board for the use of two or more players is extremely simple. The screw-disk 12 is loosened on the post 11, and the post is moved along the longitudinal slot 8 until it reaches the transverse line having the numbers corresponding to the number of players for which the board is to be adjusted. The screw-disk 12 is now screwed down on the post 11, thus pivoting the sections composing the board at the point where the clamping device is secured. The sections of the board are now moved around on the pivot formed by the clamping device until the corners 9 9 of the sections overlap. The wings 10 10 are now moved around on their pivots until they form connections between the sections 7, as shown in Fig. 2.

The improved game-board is also desirable, as the course to be traversed in the game may be changed at will and lengthened or shortened.

Having thus described my invention, I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent—

1. A game-board formed of a plurality of sections, each provided with a longitudinal slot, and a clamping device moving in said slots, which may be adjusted to secure the sections in their adjusted position, as described.

2. In a game-board formed of sections pivotally secured together, the combination, with a clamping device movable in slots cut through the sections, of transverse lines or indicators adapted to indicate the proper position of the clamping device, as described.

3. In a game-board, the combination, with a plurality of sections 7, provided with the slots 8 and indicators, as 3, 4, 5, and 6, of a clamping device moving in the slot 8 and provided with the post 11 and screw-disk 12, as and for the purpose described.

4. In a game-board formed of a plurality of sections secured together by an adjustable pivot, the combination, with such sections, of wings 10, pivotally secured to the sections, as described.

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