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Fig. 2

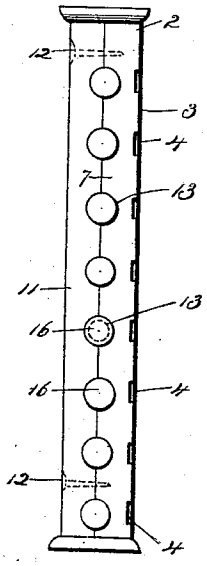


Fig. 1

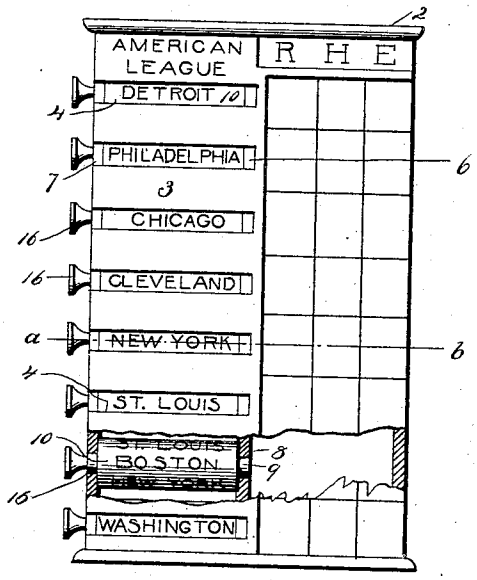


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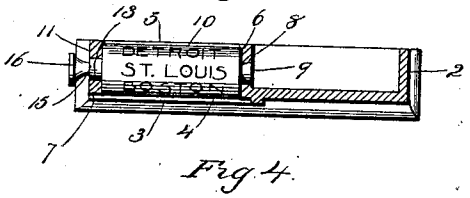
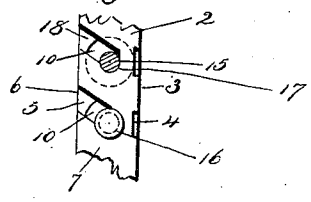


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SCORE-BOARD.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JAMES M. HAMILTON, a citizen of the United States, residing at Meriden, in the county of New Haven and State of Connecticut, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Score-Boards; and I do hereby declare the following, when taken in connection with the accompanying drawings and the letters of reference marked thereon, to be a full, clear, and exact description of the same, and which said drawings constitute part of this specification, and represent, in—

Figure 1 a face view of a score board constructed in accordance with my invention, partially broken away to show one of the rolls in the case. Fig. 2 an edge view of the case. Fig. 3 a sectional view on the line *a*—*b* of Fig. 1.

This invention relates to an improvement in score boards, and while adapted for various purposes, is particularly intended as a score board for recording the final scores of base ball games. In the usual arrangement of score boards for this purpose spaces are arranged for the names of the teams adjacent to blank spaces in which the runs, hits and errors are recorded, and as the games between the various teams of a league change, the names must be arranged daily.

The object of this invention is to provide a score board in which rollers are mounted, each roller bearing the names of all the teams of a certain league, each roller being arranged in line with spaces wherein the runs, hits and errors may be recorded, and so that the record of each team can be kept, and the teams playing together arranged one directly above the other without difficulty; and the invention consists in the construction herein shown and described and particularly recited in the claim.

In carrying out my invention I employ a case 2 of any desired size, the front face 3 of the case being formed with a series of slots 4 opening into the chamber 5 in the back. This chamber has side walls 6 and 7, the wall 6 having perforations 8 to receive the trunnions 9 on the ends of rollers 10. The outer wall 7 is longitudinally divided the outer strip 11 being secured in place by screws 12 or otherwise so that it may be readily removed. In the edge of the wall 7 are a series of semi-circular notches 13 and in the adjacent edge of the strip 11 are corresponding semi-circular bearings for the trunnions 15 of the roll which is thereby mounted in the walls and in line with the slots 4. Projecting from the trunnions 15 are knobs or handles 16 by which the rolls may be conveniently turned. On each roll of the series are the names of all of the teams in any one league, the number of the rolls corresponding to the number of teams in the league.

The face of the board at the right is provided with a blackboard surface and divided off into a series of squares or spaces in line with each of the slots 4 and so that a record of each team may be placed opposite the name. On score boards the final score of runs, hits and errors are usually registered, and as indicated in the drawing the board is lettered to indicate these scores, but other information might be recorded, such, for instance, as a score by innings. It will thus be seen that the names of the various teams of a league may be arranged in position for recording scores by simply turning the rollers to present the proper name and the names of teams playing together may be readily arranged one directly above the other. These score boards may be made of various sizes according to the place they are to occupy. By providing for the convenient removal of the rollers they may be replaced from time to time as changes are made in a league, or the names of an entirely new league may be substituted.

I claim:—

A score board comprising a case having a front wall and side walls, a series of slots formed in the said front wall, one of the side walls formed with trunnion bearings in line with said slots, the outer wall formed with semi-circular notches, and a strip detachably secured to the said outer wall and formed with semi-circular notches corresponding to the notches in the outer wall, a series of rollers mounted in said bearings, and a blackboard surface arranged at one side of said slot, substantially as described.

In testimony whereof, I have signed this specification in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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