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*Game Counter.*

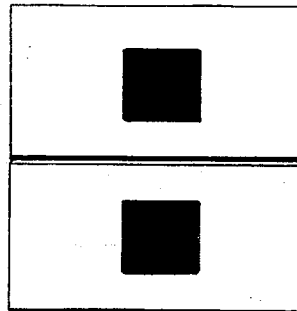
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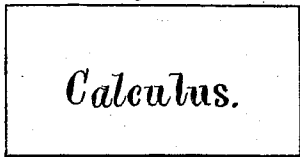
*Fig. 1.*



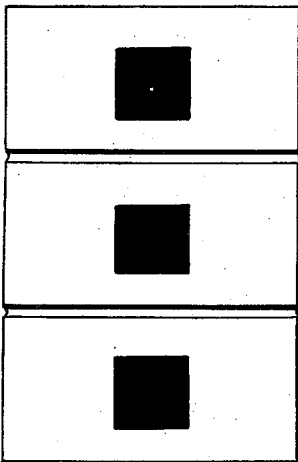
*Fig. 2.*



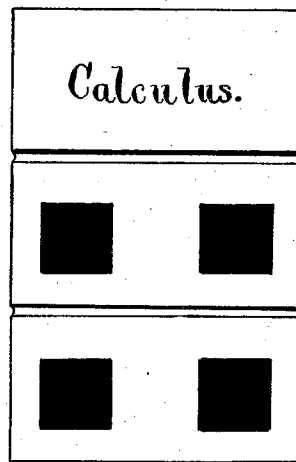
*Fig. 6.*



*Fig. 3.*



*Fig. 4.*



*Fig. 5.*



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**IMPROVEMENT IN GAME-COUNTERS.**

The Schedule referred to in these Letters Patent and making part of the same.

*To all to whom these presents shall come:*

Be it known that I, ABNER A. GRIFFING, of Lexington, in the county of Middlesex, and State of Massachusetts, have invented a new and useful Game-Counter; and do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description thereof, due reference being had to the accompanying drawings, making part of this specification, and in which—

Figure 1 shows the game-counter, arranged to count one;

Figure 2 shows it, arranged to count two;

Figure 3 shows it, arranged to count three; and

Figure 4 shows it, arranged to count four.

Figure 5 is an edge view, and

Figure 6 shows the counter closed.

The object of my invention is to produce a game-counter, which shall be simple, cheap, and convenient.

This invention overcomes many difficulties of counting by cards, or other means. It is not liable to be accidentally shuffled into the pack, or the numbers changed, and can be readily seen from any part of the table.

The invention consists in the use of cloth, with paper attached to one or both sides, in one or more strips, which are suitably marked with numbers or representations.

The counter is made, when open, of the same dimensions as the pack of cards, and is placed in the pack.

In operating the above-described apparatus, the counter is folded, as shown in fig. 6, and placed upon the table, and, as the numbers or points are scored, they are counted, as shown in figs. 1, 2, 3, and 4.

The counter may be made with any number of strips, and to register any required amount.

I claim the game-counter, consisting of the cloth and paper, so marked and constructed, as, by folding and unfolding, to exhibit numbers successively, as hereinbefore set forth and explained.

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