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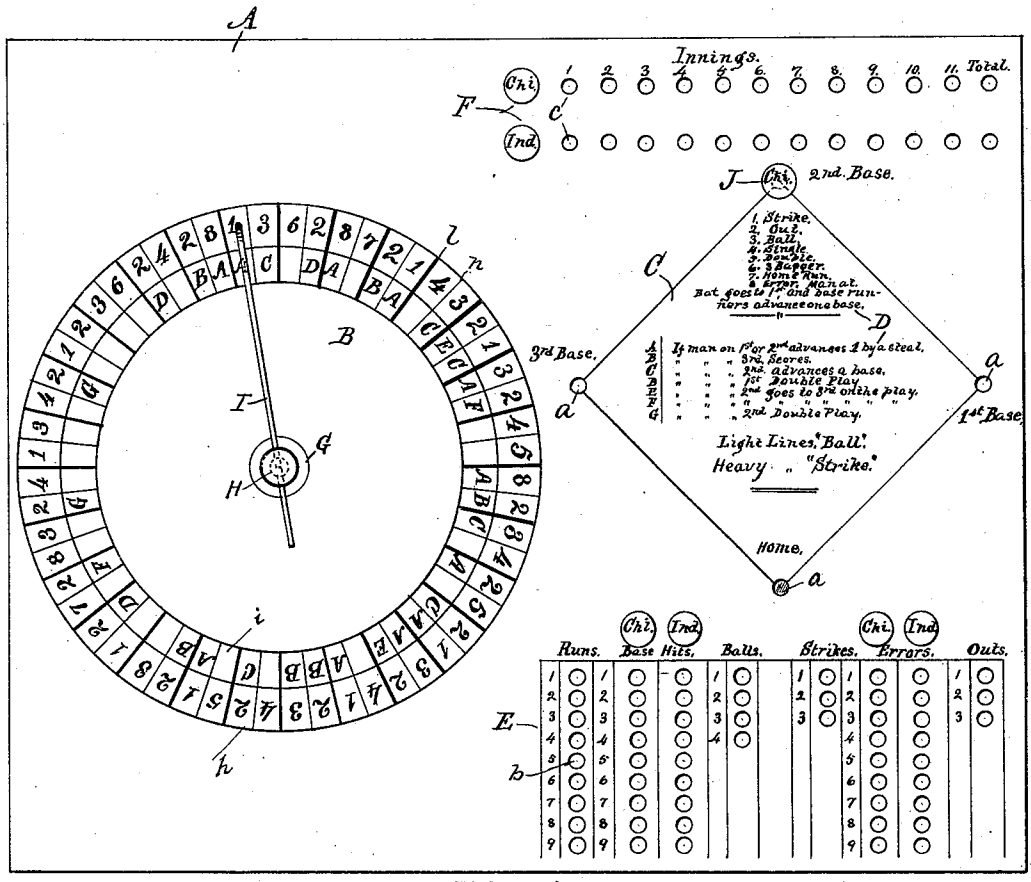


Fig. 1.

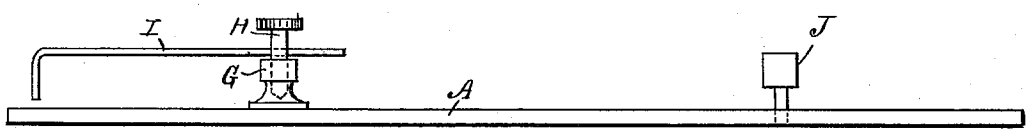


Fig. 2.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, FRANK W. SAMUELS, a citizen of the United States, residing at Indianapolis, in the county of Marion and State of Indiana, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Games, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to an improved game.

The object of my improvement is to provide a game illustrative of the game of base-ball and adapted to be played indoors.

The accompanying drawings illustrate my invention.

Figure 1 represents a plan of the game-board. Fig. 2 represents a side elevation of the same.

A is the game-board, which bears upon its surface a dial B, a representation of a base-ball field C, and index D of the characters on the dial, a "game-tally" E, and an "innings-tally" F. The dial B is provided with a central socket G, in which a small vertical shaft H, having an indicator-arm I, is mounted so as to revolve easily. The face of dial B, near its outer edge, is divided by concentric and radial lines into two concentric lines of spaces *h* and *i*. The outer spaces are each marked with a numeral, and a part of the inner spaces are marked with letters and a part are left blank. The radial lines dividing the spaces of each series are alternately of such a character or color as to distinguish them one from the other. As shown, one line is light and the next is heavy. The symbols in the two series of spaces, and also the radial lines, have each a distinctive value representing a "play" in a game of base-ball, which value is described in the index D, arranged conveniently on the board. The base-ball field C is provided with holes *a* at each corner representing the bases, into which a pin, as at J, or pins, representing runners, are put as the game progresses. The tallies E and F are also provided with holes *b* and *c*, into which pins are put indicating the record of each side as the game progresses.

In playing the game two persons, each representing a base-ball club, take part.

In the drawings the game is supposed to be between the "Chicago" and "Indianapolis" clubs. The first player spins shaft H, with its index-arm over the dial. When the indicator-arm comes to a stop, the symbols indicated thereby, either radial lines or those found in the spaces, are noted. If symbols are found covered by the arm in both the outer and inner spaces, the value of the character found in one space is modified by the value of that found in the other space, as indicated by the index D. If a "run" has been made, it is indicated by changing the position of the pin J, and a corresponding record both of the run and any other value of the characters indicated by index D is made on the tally E. The first player continues to play until his side is out. His record is then transferred from tally E to tally F, and the game is continued by the other and by each alternately until an end is reached, according to the rules of base-ball. The radial lines dividing the spaces having a "play" value, as well as the spaces, prevents false or blank plays, and the use of the explanatory index D, in connection with the characters on the dial, makes it possible to represent all desired "plays" with a few simple and easily understood characters.

I claim as my invention—

1. In a game, the combination of the dial B, having radial lines of differing character alternately arranged, the revoluble indicator-arm mounted on said dial, and the index descriptive of the value of said radial lines.

2. In a game illustrative of the game of base-ball, the combination of the dial B, having radial lines of differing character alternately arranged, the two series of symbols of differing character and interdependent value arranged between said radial lines, the revoluble indicator-arm mounted on the dial, the index D, descriptive of the value of said lines and symbols according to the terms used in a game of base-ball, and the representation of a base-ball field, all being arranged to co-operate to illustrate the game of base-ball, in the manner specified.

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