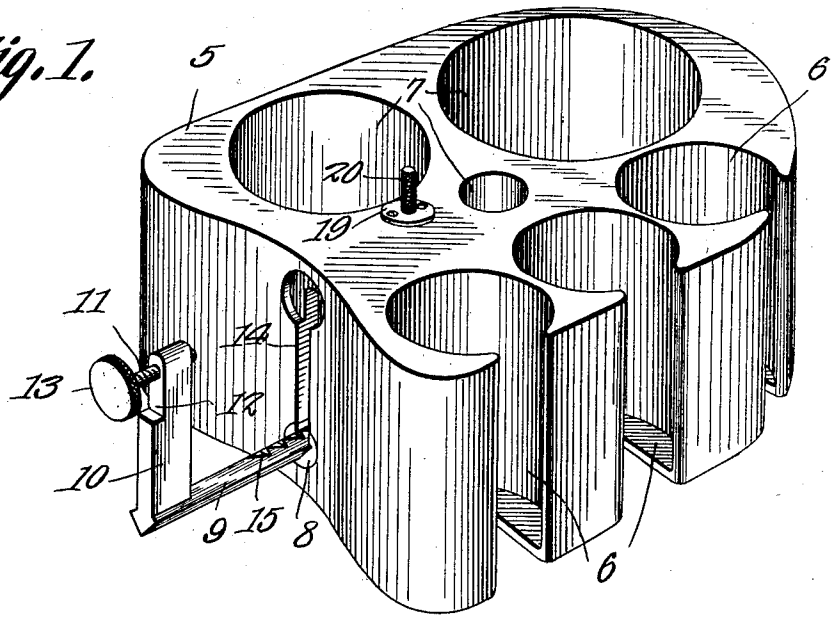
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Fig. 1.



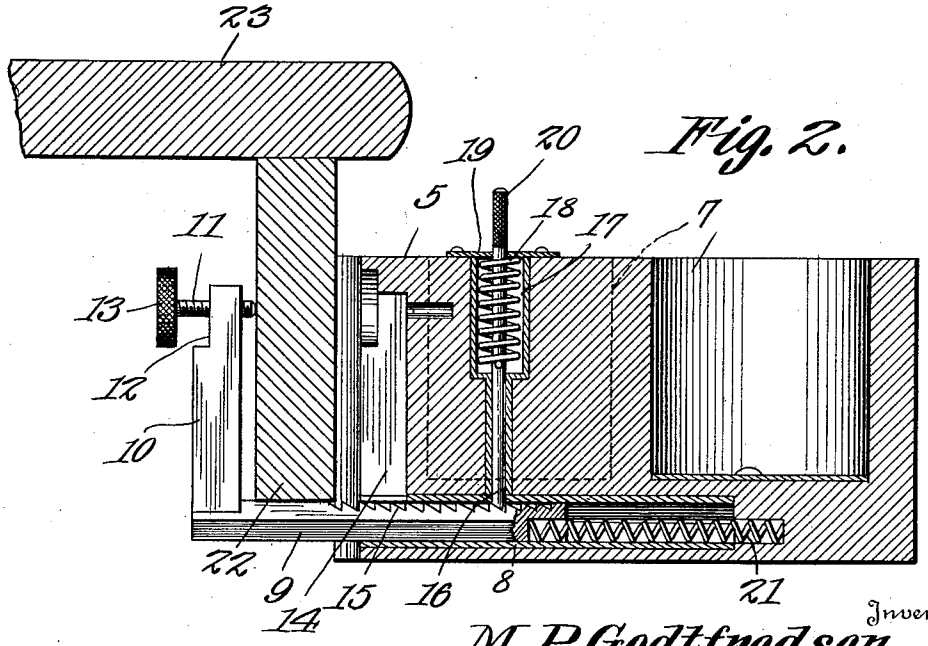


Fig. 2.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, MADS P. GODTFREDSEN, a citizen of the United States, residing at Chicago, in the county of Cook and State of Illinois, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Poker Accessories, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to card-game accessories, and more particularly a holder for poker chips or similar game pieces.

It is the object of the present invention to provide a holder of the kind stated which can be clamped to a table, a clamping device being provided which is adjustable to come flush with the surface of the holder when the same is not in use.

In order that the invention may be better understood, reference is had to the accompanying drawing, in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of the holder, and Fig. 2 is a longitudinal section of the holder showing the same clamped to the table.

Referring specifically to the drawing 5 denotes the holder, the same being a solid block of wood having compartments 6 as usual for holding chips, and also additional compartments 7 designed to hold other articles, such as a bottle, cigars, matches, etc. Ordinarily, a holder of this kind is set on the table, which is thus liable to become scratched and marred from the sharp edges, projections, etc.

It is therefore the object of the present invention to provide a means whereby the holder may be clamped on the depending skirt or flange beneath the table top, which means will now be described.

In the holder, near the bottom thereof, is embedded a tube 8 which opens through one end of the holder. In this tube is slidably mounted a bar 9 having at its outer end an outstanding arm 10 carrying a clamping screw 11, said screw being threaded through the extremity of the arm, the latter being recessed, as indicated at 12, to accommodate the head 13 of the screw. The bar is angular in cross section, and the bore of the tube has a corresponding cross section, in view of which the bar is prevented from turning in the tube. In that end of the holder through which the tube opens is a recess 14 to accommodate the arm 10 and the projecting end of the screw 11.

In the upper part of the bar 9 are rack teeth 15 which are engageable by a sliding bolt 16, for the purpose of holding the bar in retracted position. The tube 8 has an aperture through which the sliding bolt extends into engagement with the rack teeth. In the holder 5 is a housing 17 inclosing the sliding bolt, said housing being set in an aperture made in the holder and extending downward thereinto from the top thereof. The upper end of the housing is enlarged sufficiently to accommodate a coiled spring 18 which serves to urge the bolt downward into engagement with the rack teeth 15. The upper end of the bolt passes through a plate 19 fastened on top of the holder and closing the upper end of the housing, and above said plate the bolt is provided with a knurled finger-piece 20. Against the inner end of the bar 9 presses a coiled spring 21, the same serving to advance the bar when the bolt 16 is disengaged from the rack teeth 15.

The holder 5 is clamped to the depending skirt or flange 22 beneath the table top 23 by placing the holder so that said skirt or flange is between the inner end of the screw and the opposite end of the holder, after which the screw is advanced until the holder is securely clamped to the part 22. To place the clamping means in operative position, the sliding bolt 16 is retracted, whereupon the bar 9 is released and advanced by the spring 21. When the holder is not in use the bar 9 is pushed back until the arm 10 seats in the recess 14, the depth of the latter being such that the arm is flush with the surface of the holder. The upper end of the recess is enlarged and of such depth that the screw 11 may be advanced to come flush with the surface of the holder 5. The recess 12 allows the head 13 of the screw to enter the enlarged top portion of the recess 14.

I claim:

1. The combination with a holder, of a bar slidably mounted therein and having an arm at its outer end carrying a clamping screw, said holder having an end recess lo-

cated and dimensioned to receive the arm and the clamping screw, the arm having a recess to accommodate the head of the screw.

2. The combination with a holder, of a bar slidably mounted therein and having an arm at its outer end carrying a clamping screw, said bar having rack teeth, a sliding bolt carried by the holder and adapted to engage the rack teeth, and a spring engageable with the inner end of the bar for advancing the same.

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

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