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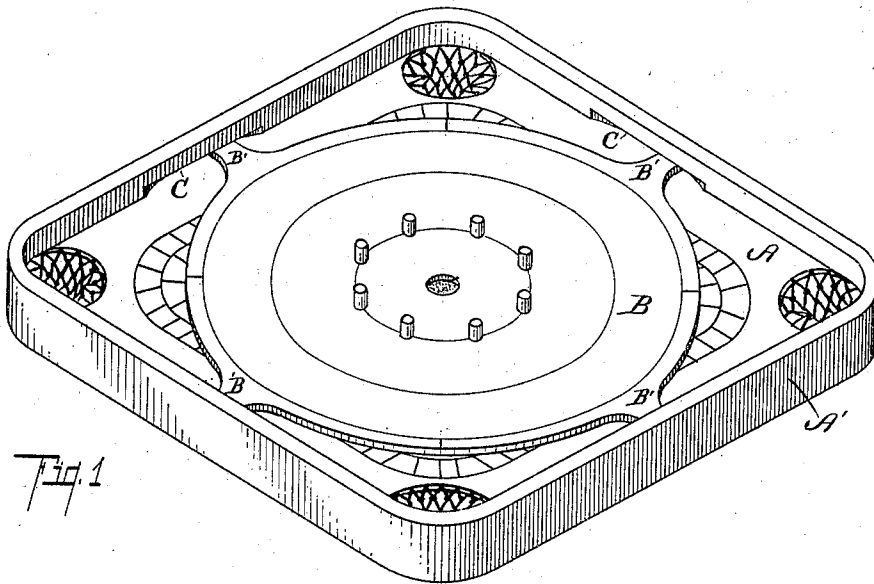


Fig. 1

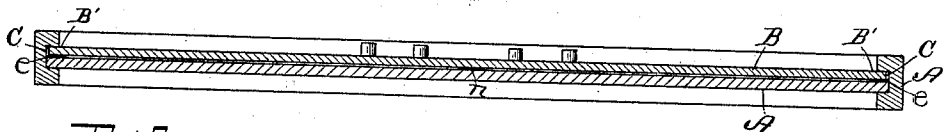


Fig. 2

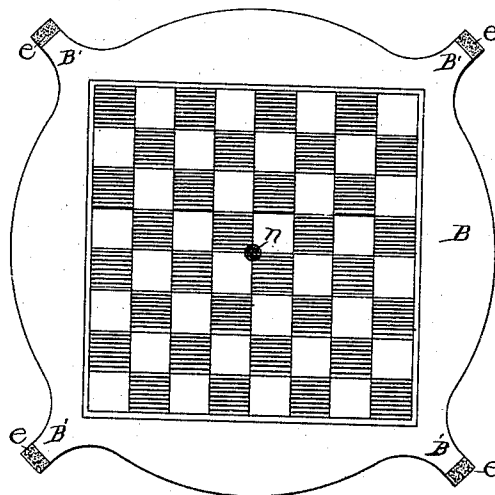


Fig. 3

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## GAME-BOARD.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, HENRY L. HASKELL, a citizen of the United States, residing at the city of Ludington, in the county of Mason and State of Michigan, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Game-Boards, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to improvements in game-boards.

It has for its objects, first, to provide a construction of game-board embodying a crokinole-board, a practical means of detachably attaching a crokinole-board to the face of another game-board, whereby the playing-surfaces of the game-board are increased without a material addition to the expense of manufacture; second, to provide an improved construction of game-board in which the board carrying the field for crokinole is detachable by a means which enables the reverse surface of the crokinole-board to be used for a game and the surface of the main board underneath also to be used for a game.

Still further objects will appear in the detailed description to follow.

I accomplish the objects of my invention by the devices and means described in this specification.

The invention is clearly defined and pointed out in the claims.

The structure embodying my invention is clearly illustrated in the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of my improved game-board from the crokinole side. Fig. 2 is a transverse central detail sectional elevation through the board appearing in Fig. 1. Fig. 3 is a detail inverted plan view of the board carrying the crokinole-field.

In the drawings similar letters of reference refer to similar parts throughout the several views.

Referring to the lettered parts of the drawings, A is the main board, around which is arranged a suitable rim A', which is grooved to receive the edges of the board A. This board is preferably square in form, with rounded corners, and suitable pockets are supported in the corners for use in playing some of the games on the main board, particularly the game which I call "caroms."

Supported on one face of this board is the board B, which carries the crokinole-field. This is preferably circular in form, with arms, fingers, or other projections B' B' B' B' located at equal intervals around the same. Curved recesses are cut in the rim A' on opposite sides, just above the surface of the main board A, and are adapted to receive the projections B' of the board B. On the under side of the board B are arranged little felt pads, one, *n*, at the center and a pad *e* on the under side of each projection B'. These support the board B a little separated from the main board A, so that it will not mar the same and so that the under side of the board B will not be marred. These little felt pads yield slightly, so that when the board B is placed upon the board A with the projections B' toward each corner of the board B by simply swinging the board B on its center the projections B' will swing into the recesses C and the board will be securely retained there by friction, and yet the board can be easily detached, owing to the yielding character of the felt pads underneath. The under side of the board B can be marked with any suitable game device. I have illustrated a checker-board, so that it will be observed that my improved board provides four playing-surfaces, two on the main board A and two on the crokinole-board B. I have shown markings for a game on the surface of the board A, which appear in the uncovered portion in Fig. 1. The under side of the board A is also suitably laid out for a game, though as this invention does not pertain to the particular games I have not illustrated the same. I preferably construct my improved game-board of a board suitably veneered, the rim being also made of wood; but the material used in the manufacture of my improved board may be anything that is suitable for the purpose.

I have shown my improved board substantially square in form. However, this form can be varied to suit the taste of the user or the requirements of the game. The number of arms or projections B' can be increased or diminished without departing from my invention, and while the felt pads serve a very useful purpose they might be entirely omitted where the surfaces are properly prepared or glazed so that there would be no danger of

marring the same. The felt pads, however, serve a further purpose than the protection of the surfaces, in that they present a yielding material which permits the arms to be swung into and without the recesses with ease and yet secure the proper and necessary friction to hold the same in place.

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

1. In a game device the combination of the main board A, substantially rectangular in form having a raised rim A' surrounding the same, the said rim containing recesses C at each side just above the surface of the board A; an auxiliary board B having projections or arms B', B', B', B', to project and swing within the recesses C; and pads of felt or suitable material on the under side of the board B and on the ends of the projections B' to prevent the boards rubbing upon each other and to permit the arms B' to be swung into and out of the recesses with ease, whereby the auxiliary board is readily attached and detached, for the purpose specified.

2. In a game device the combination of the main board A, substantially rectangular in form having a raised rim A' surrounding the same, the said rim containing recesses C at each side just above the surface of the board A; an auxiliary board B having projections B', B', B', B', to project and swing within the recesses C; and pads of felt or suitable material on the under side of the board B to prevent the boards rubbing upon each other and to permit the arms B' to be swung into and out of the recesses with ease, whereby the auxiliary board is readily attached and detached, for the purpose specified.

3. In a game device, the combination of a main game-board A, substantially rectangular in form, having a raised rim A'; recesses C in said rim just above the surface of the game-board A; an auxiliary game-board B

having projections, or arms, B' adapted to swing into and be engaged by the said recesses, whereby said auxiliary game-board is retained in position and is readily attached and detached from the main board, for the purpose specified.

4. In a game device, the combination of a main game-board having a rim projecting above its surface; inwardly-opening recesses in said rim; an auxiliary game-board having projections adapted to extend into and be engaged by said recesses, whereby said auxiliary game-board is detachably held in position; cushions on the under side surface of said auxiliary board, as specified.

5. In a game device, the combination of a main game-board having a rim projecting above its surface; inwardly-opening recesses in said rim; an auxiliary game-board, adapted to rest on the surface of said main game-board having projections adapted to extend into said recesses, whereby said auxiliary game-board is detachably held in position, as specified.

6. In a game device, the combination of a main game-board; an auxiliary game-board having projecting portions to engage suitable retaining devices on the main game-board; and suitable pads, or cushions, between the main game-board and the auxiliary game-board, as specified.

7. In a game device, the combination of a main game-board; an auxiliary game-board adapted to rest on the surface of said main game-board having projecting portions adapted to engage suitable retaining devices on the main game-board, as specified.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal in the presence of two witnesses.

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