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Fig. 1.

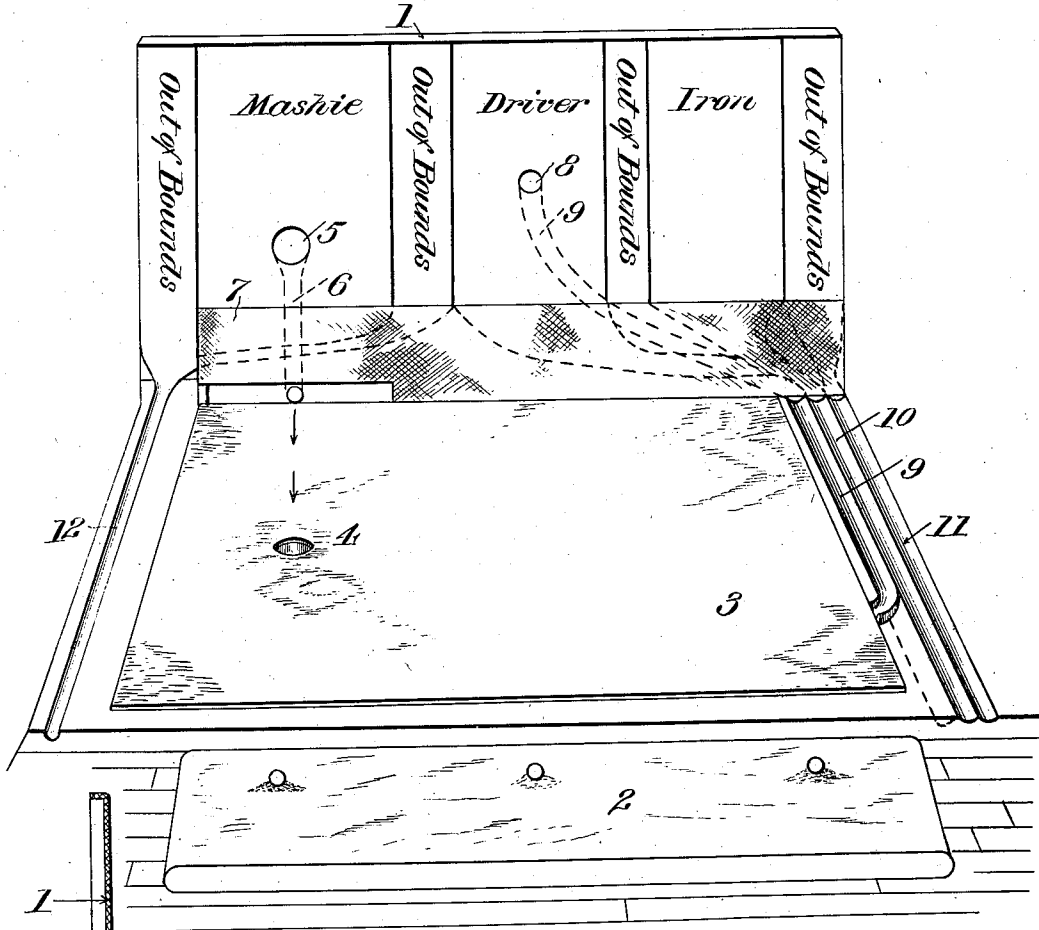
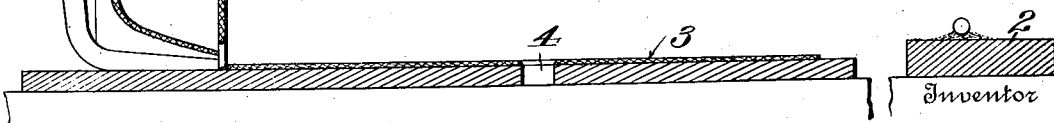


Fig. 2.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CHARLES B. CORY, a citizen of Chicago, residing at 5757 Madison avenue, Chicago, in the county of Cook and State of Illinois, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Golf Games, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to a game apparatus by which a game of golf can be played indoors.

The object of the invention is to provide means by which such a game can be played, the usual clubs and balls being used, and much recreation and valuable practice in the handling of such clubs obtained.

Referring to the drawings:—Figure 1 is a perspective view of the apparatus; and Fig. 2 is a vertical longitudinal section.

The apparatus, to be later described, can be set up in any room or loft of suitable length, say 40 to 50 feet.

1 is an abutment which may be made of heavy canvas or other suitable material, supported on a frame or otherwise hung in any suitable manner. The face of the abutment may be marked as indicated if desired.

2 is a tee which may be a mat, upon which the ball is driven.

3 is a putting green which may be a sanded carpet and has a hole 4 therein.

5 is a hole in the abutment to which is connected a conduit 6 extending downwardly behind the abutment and having its lower end curved forwardly to deliver the ball forwardly in a line with the hole, as shown by the arrows. 7 is a second sheet of canvas or other suitable material suspended or otherwise secured in position several feet in front of the abutment, and is hereinafter referred to as a "bunker." At one portion of the lower part of the abutment is provided an incline arranged so that as the balls strike the abutment they will fall down and roll over the incline out onto the putting green 3. A second hole 8 may be provided at a separate portion of the abutment to which is connected a like conduit 9 which may be arranged to extend as shown, so as to deliver the ball onto the putting green, or may extend forwardly near to the tee.

10 is a conduit arranged as shown to re-

ceive balls striking a certain portion of the abutment, such conduit being arranged to deliver the ball in proximity to the tee. Similar conduits 11 and 12 may be arranged to receive balls striking other portions of the abutment. The bunker 7 is shown as extending across and in front of the lower portion of the abutment and is at its left-hand side provided near its bottom with an opening through which balls striking that portion of the abutment may roll out onto the putting green. The distance from the tee to the abutment may suitably be from 30 to 40 feet.

With the apparatus thus arranged a very good simulation of an actual golf game can be obtained. By driving the ball from the tee against that portion of the abutment marked "Driver," the ball may go into the hole 8 and will be delivered by the conduit 9 either onto the green or back to the tee. If it should strike the abutment and fall downwardly it will be similarly delivered by the conduit back to the tee. A second shot may then be taken with an iron and driven against that portion of the abutment marked "Iron," the ball being similarly returned from this portion of the abutment. An approach shot may then be made with a mashie against the portion of the abutment marked "Mashie." If it strikes the face of the abutment the ball will drop and fall outwardly onto the putting green. If the ball should happen to go into the hole 5 it will be delivered by the conduit 6 in a line with the hole, and this conduit 6 may be given such an inclination that just enough speed will be imparted to the ball to cause it to roll either into or in close proximity to the hole. Balls striking the portions of the abutment marked "Out of bounds" may be delivered by one or the other of the conduits back to the tee, although these conduits may be omitted if desired and the balls returned by hand.

It will be apparent that exceedingly good practice in accuracy in the use of the clubs may be obtained, and that many variations of the method of play proposed will suggest themselves to those familiar with the game.

I claim:

1. A game apparatus comprising an abutment, a bunker arranged in front of and

separated therefrom, a green, and means for returning the ball used in the game onto the green and in front of the bunker.

5 2. A game apparatus comprising an abutment having an opening therein and a conduit connected to said opening back of the abutment and arranged to deliver a ball in front of said abutment, and a bunker arranged in front of said abutment.

10 3. A game apparatus comprising an abutment having an opening therein and a conduit connected to said opening back of the abutment and arranged to deliver a ball in front of said abutment, a bunker arranged
15 in front of said abutment, and a green having a hole therein.

4. A game apparatus comprising an abutment having an opening therein, a bunker arranged in front of the abutment, a green
20 having a hole therein, a conduit connected back of the abutment to the opening and extending downwardly and arranged to deliver the ball in a line with the hole.

5. A game apparatus comprising an abutment having an opening therein, a bunker
25 arranged in front of the abutment, a conduit connected behind the abutment to the opening and extending downwardly and arranged to deliver the ball in front of the

bunker, said abutment having at its lower portion an inclined surface extending beneath the bunker.

6. A game apparatus comprising an abutment having an opening therein, a green having a hole therein, a bunker arranged in
35 front of the abutment, a conduit connected behind the abutment to the opening and extending downwardly and arranged to deliver the ball in front of the bunker, said abutment having at its lower portion an inclined surface extending beneath the bunker.

7. A game apparatus comprising a green having a hole therein, and an abutment behind said green, said abutment having at its lower portion an inclined ball return
45 arranged to direct the ball onto the green.

8. A game apparatus comprising an abutment having an opening therein, a green having a hole therein, a conduit connected
50 back of the abutment to the opening and extending downwardly and arranged to deliver the ball substantially in a line with the hole.

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

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