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Fig. 1.

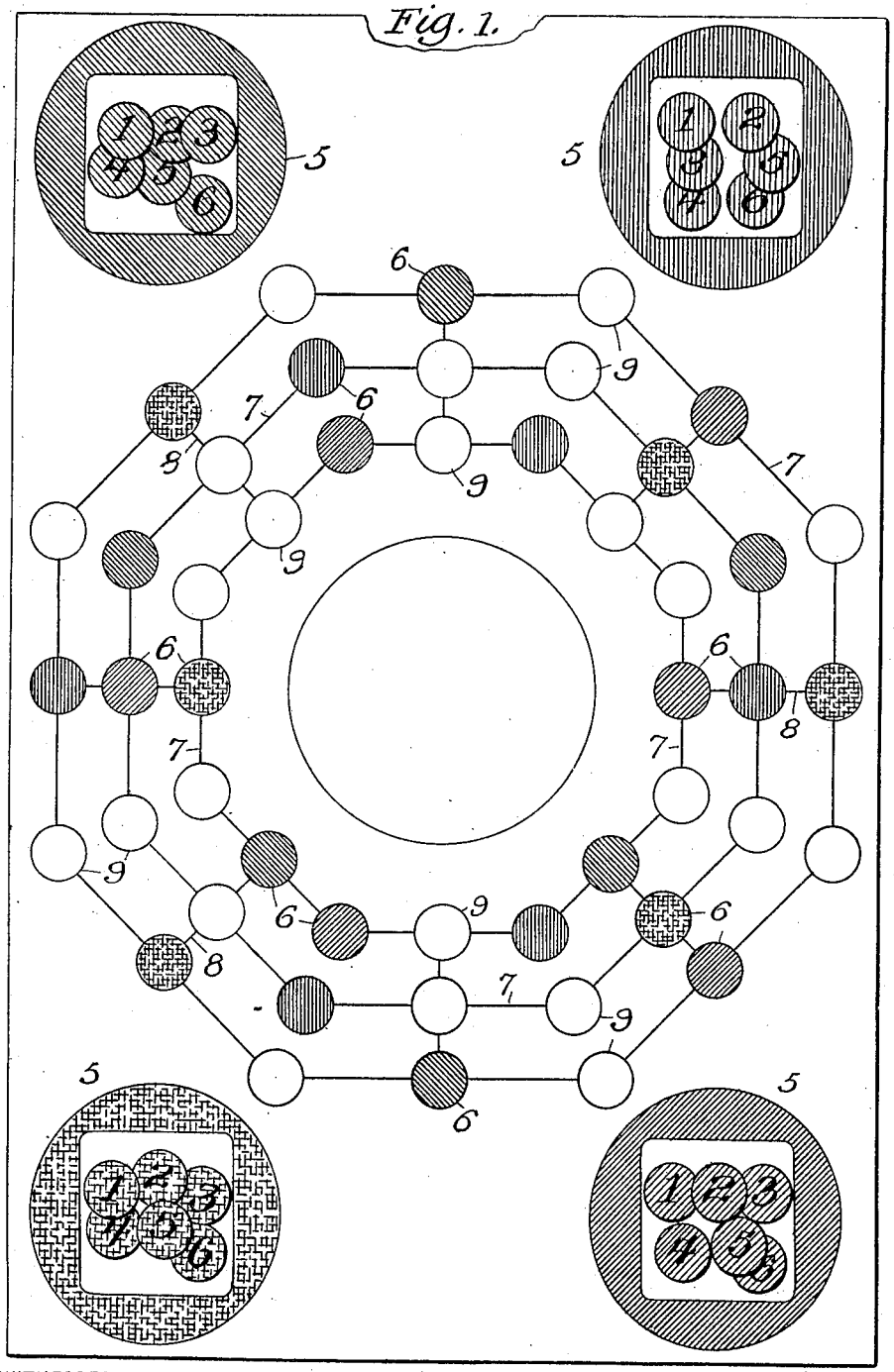


Fig. 2.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, RICHARD DEHLS, a citizen of the United States, residing at Jersey City, in the county of Hudson and State of New Jersey, have invented new and useful Improvements in Game-Boards, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to game boards and more especially to that class in which a board, having thereon a design designating positions and moves, is used together with chips or markers which occupy the positions and whose moves are determined by the throwing of dice or similar means, as will be more fully described in the following specification, set forth in the claims and illustrated in the drawings.

Figure 1 shows the board used in this game. Fig. 2 illustrates a set of chips such as used by each player.

The board has a space 5 allotted to each corner for the reception of the chips of each player and these spaces are designated by different colors; green, red, yellow and purple, being shown and these colors are used for the chips, each player using a different color. The board is arranged for four players but the number may be reduced to three or two and when the play begins the chips are placed on the colored spaces or positions 6, the colors corresponding. Each player is provided with six chips and it will be observed that there are six positions of each of the four colors on the board. These chips are numbered consecutively from "1" to "6" but this number is not considered when the chips are positioned.

The positions it will be seen are arranged on several octagonal paths 7 having paths 8 bisecting the sides of the octagonal paths and a number of blank spaces or positions 9 while the central space may be utilized to throw the dice or otherwise determine the moves.

The method of playing the game is as follows: Each player deposits his respectively colored chips on the same colored positions around the paths of the board, the number of these colored positions and all the chips being identical. By a throw of the dice or otherwise it is determined who will continue to throw them during the game, as but one person throws all the dice for all the players. When this is determined he throws three dice for one of the players, say the one with the yellow chips, and the result of this throw causes the movement of the chips whose denomination is the same as the spots appearing on the dice, but the chips may only be moved along the lines or paths. In case two or three of the same denomination appear on the dice, the equivalent chip is moved two or three spaces, the lowest number moving first. This throw is followed by one for the green chips, then the red and finally for the purple. The throws continuing in regular order until they have caused three of the chips of a certain color to accumulate on one side of an octagonal path or one of the bisecting lines when the player of this color retires the "1" chips of each of the other players. The play continues until three chips of one of the players are positioned on the side of an octagon or a bisecting line when the number "2" chips of the other players are retired. This continues until but one player is left with three or more chips and he wins the game.

The game is not limited to four players, as will be readily seen, as three players may position their respectively colored chips and throw the dice for moves, likewise two players may take each a set of colored chips and play the game. In making the move the colored positions are disregarded and a player is at liberty to move into the adjoining position on one of the lines but in case the positions on each side are occupied by the other chips the one selected for move by the dice must remain stationary and only move in case there is a position opened.

The open space in the middle of the board may be used to cast the dice thereon or any other means may be used to select certain numbers to control the movement of the chips.

When the chips are retired they are placed in the corner spaces of the same color to be used during the next game and it is obvious that these moving members need not be

chips but any objects of a similar nature to bear a number and adapted to be shifted about the board.

What I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent is:

A game board having polygonal figures arranged one within another and having their sides parallel, bisecting lines at right angles to the sides, spaces or positions of different colors at part of the angles of the figures and points of intersection of the bisecting lines with the sides of the figures, and blank or uncolored spaces or positions at the remaining angles and points of intersection of the bisecting lines.

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

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