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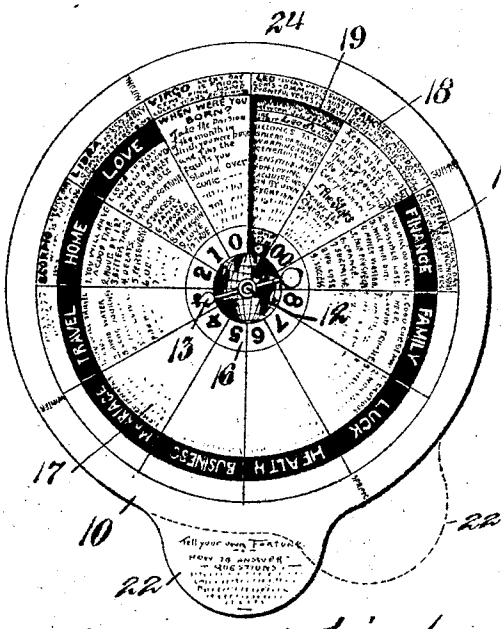


Fig. 1

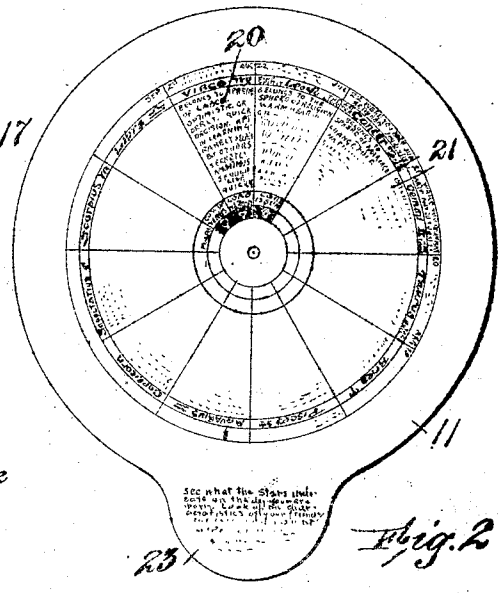


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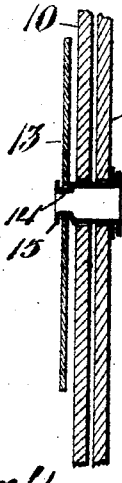


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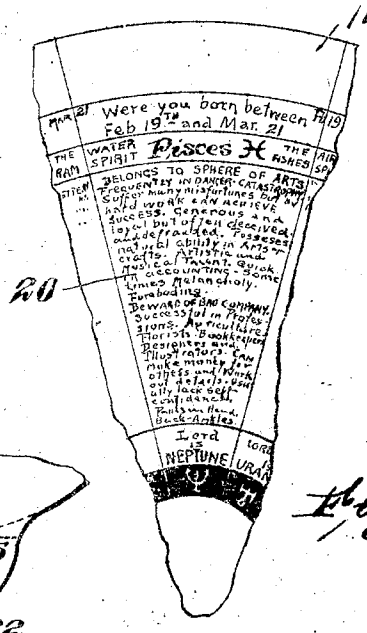


Fig. 3

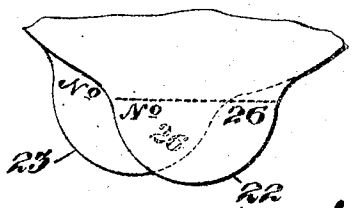


Fig. 5

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, GENE G. BECKHARDT, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of Newark, county of Essex, and State of New Jersey, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Game Devices, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to an improved amusement device which is preferably designed to have arranged, on two pivoted discs, legendary matter, that on the bottom disc being read through an opening in the top disc, whereby only certain matter on the bottom disc can be uncovered and legendary matter being arranged on the top disc which is read in conjunction with indicia, on which registers an arrow which can be spun and which is mounted on the pivot on which the discs themselves, are pivoted.

The device is also adapted for use as a fan, each of the discs having tabs by means of which the discs can be rotated one on the other, and which, when assembled, form a handle so that the device can be used as a fan. Furthermore, one of the tabs can be made easily separable from its disc so that when numbered similarly to the retained tab, acts as a check in lucky number contests and the like.

The invention is illustrated in the accompanying drawings, in which Figure 1 is a front view of a device made according to my invention. Figure 2 is a face view of the bottom disc thereof. Figure 3 is an enlarged fragmentary view of a column of the legendary matter on the bottom disc. Figure 4 is an enlarged section through the center of the device and Figure 5 is a detail view showing a tab of detachable form.

It will be evident that many different subjects can be covered in the legendary matter placed on the discs and they can be made either educational or can be of what is commonly known as a fortune telling character and for the purpose of illustrating the invention, I have shown and will describe the device as made to present fortune telling and character reading matter.

The article consists of a top disc 10 and a bottom disc 11 which are pivoted at the center and in the construction shown, I illustrate an eyelet 12 which connects the discs and on which they can rotate. An arrow 13 is arranged so that it spins easily and registers on indicia on the top disc. The preferred way of mounting the arrow 13, is to place it on the end of the eyelet or other pivotal connection of the two discs. In the illustration, I show the eyelet having a reduced part 14 around which the hub of the arrow 13 fits loosely and the flange 15 holds the arrow on. The arrow is thus prevented from engaging the top disc when the device is laid on a table and the arrow is spun.

The indicia 16 I show as a series of numbers arranged at the foot of the series of columns 17 which columns in the form shown, relate to certain matters of personal interest, such as health, business and home and in these columns I arrange numbered lines of legendary matter in the form of information so that these lines are read in view of the indicia indicated by the arrow. For instance, if the arrow is spun and stops at 3, and in the game one of the players wished or had referred to Finance, he would read as the answer, the third line under Finance which says "Will win out". This description is simply indicative of the method of using the device.

I prefer to arrange a series of indicating matter 18, at the tops of the columns, each one referring to a constellation and containing commonly accepted information, such as appropriate gems and which are eventful years for persons born under such constellation. One of the columns on the top disc is cut away as at 19, to uncover successive similar columns 20 on the bottom disc 11. For example, I show an enlarged set 20, in the column in Figure 3 which purports to read the character and qualifications of a person born between February 19th and March 21st, indicating also the constellation set forth, also in the lower part thereof what is commonly known as the reader's fortune.

The device is adapted to cover a wide range of information and is subject to many different readings due to the indicia indicated by the arrow which can be read in the columns on the front or top disc and then turning the top disc so that it uncovers the constellation on the bottom disc which is indicated in the column at which the arrow points on the top disc, so that. Gemini, for instance, is indicated by the arrow pointing to the number 9. After the 9th line, under "Success" was read, the top disc would be turned until the opening 19 uncovered the Gemini column shown at 21 on the bottom disc. Other forms of selection can be employed, such as dates of birth and the device

is therefore used to provide much amusement.

I prefer to arrange tabs such as 22 on the top disc and 23 on the bottom disc which, when placed in register, form a handle for the discs so that the device can be used as a fan. When the tabs are separated as shown in dotted outline in Figure 1, they form handles by means of which the discs are rotated and they can also be used for directions, how to use the device or for advertising matter, the space 24 around the outside of the top disc, also being available for advertising matter.

One of the tabs can be made readily detachable as shown in Figure 5 along a perforated or scored line 25 and when the two tabs are similarly numbered, one can be detached as a check and the other retained as identification in drawings or in lucky number contests.

I claim:

1. An amusement device comprising a pair of discs pivoted at the centre, the top disc having an opening to uncover parts of the bottom disc, tabs on the edges of the discs which tabs when in register form a handle to enable the device to be used as a fan and when separated being usable as handles for the relative rotation of the discs.

2. An amusement device comprising a pair of discs pivoted at the centre, the top disc having an opening to uncover parts of the bottom disc, tabs on the edges of the discs which tabs when in register form a handle to enable the device to be used as a fan and when separated being usable as handles for the relative rotation of the discs, one of the tabs being readily detachable so as to form an identifying check.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing, I have hereunto set my hand, this 14th day of September, 1923.

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