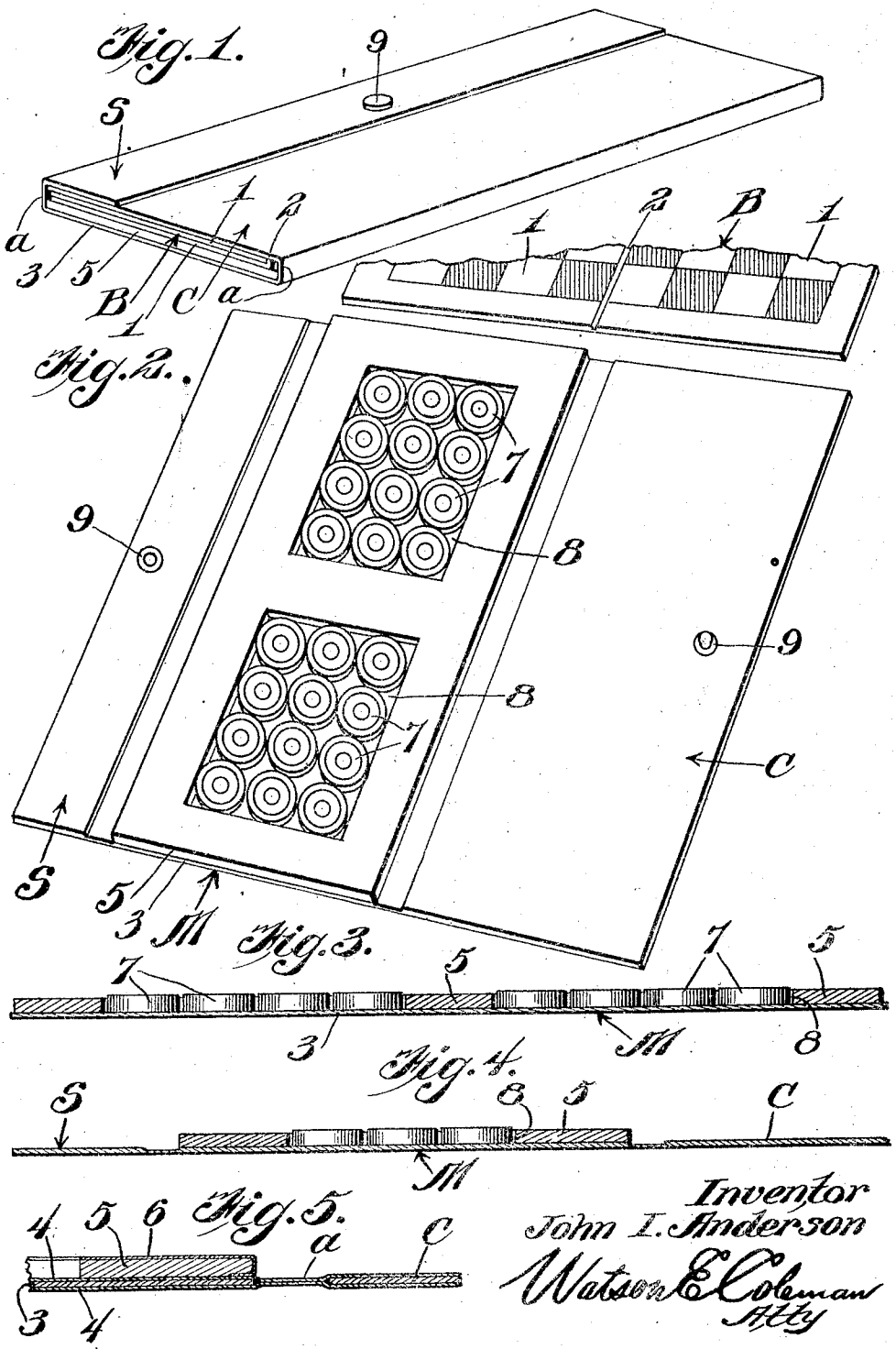
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOHN I. ANDERSON, a citizen of the United States, residing at New York city, in the county of New York and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Game Sets, of which the following is a specification, reference being had to the accompany drawings.

This invention relates to certain improvements in game sets and has relation more particularly to a set of this kind comprising a playing board and surface pieces associated therewith such as comprised in the well-known game of checkers, and it is an object of the invention to provide a set of this general character including an envelope or container which effectively houses or holds the playing pieces and board when not in use and affording a package of comparatively small bulk.

Another object of the invention is to provide a novel and improved set of this general character which, when folded or compacted, is substantially flat and occupies a minimum of space and wherein an envelope or container is provided having compartments snugly receiving the playing pieces and also housing the board.

An additional object of the invention is to provide a novel and improved set of this general character comprising an envelope or container adapted to house the board and playing pieces in a manner whereby the playing pieces are held both against indiscriminate displacement and rattling.

The invention consists in the details of construction and in the combination and arrangement of the several parts of my improved game set whereby certain important advantages are attained and the device rendered simpler, less expensive and otherwise more convenient and advantageous for use, as will be hereinafter more fully set forth.

The novel features of my invention will hereinafter be definitely claimed.

In order that my invention may be the better understood, I will now proceed to describe the same with reference to the accompanying drawings, wherein:—

Figure 1 is a view in perspective illustrating a game set constructed in accordance with an embodiment of my invention in closed or compacted form;

Figure 2 is a view in perspective of my improved set with the envelope or container partly open and the game board removed;

Figure 3 is a sectional view taken lengthwise of the body member of the envelope or container;

Figure 4 is a transverse sectional view taken through said body member or housing;

Figure 5 is an enlarged transverse sectional view showing the manner of constructing the envelope container.

As disclosed in the accompanying drawings, my improved set comprises a game board B of a type employed in connection with the well-known game of checkers, comprising the two substantially duplicate sections 1 hingedly connected along the line 2 and adapted, when not in use, to be folded in superimposed relation.

The set also includes the container or envelope comprising a body member or section M, a closing flap C and a sealing flap S. The body member or section M consists of a panel 3 having disposed over its opposite faces the laminations 4 of suitable material, said laminations extending beyond the side margins or edges of said panel 3 and also secured to the opposite faces of the flaps C and S whereby said flaps C and S are hingedly or flexibly connected with the panel 3.

Superimposed upon the panel 3 is a second panel 5, said panel 5 being of a length and width coextensive with the length and width of the panel 3. This panel 5 is adhesively or otherwise held to the panel 3 and has disposed over its outer face and edges the lamination 6 of suitable material.

The panel 5 is of a thickness substantially equal to the thickness of the playing pieces 7 herein disclosed as of a type employed in connection with the well-known game of checkers, said panel 5 adjacent to its opposite portions being provided with the openings 8 which, when the panel 5 is in applied position with respect to the panel 3, provide compartments or pockets to snugly receive or hold the playing pieces 7, it being understood that preferably one series of playing pieces are packed within one of said compartments or pockets while the second series or set is packed within the second compartment or pocket.

The panels 3 and 5 are also of a length and width coextensive to the length and width of a section 1 of the board B and the closing flap C so that the board B when

folded may be superimposed upon the panel 5 and in direct contact therewith and the closing flap C folded over and in direct contact with said applied board B.

The sealing flap S is adapted to be folded over upon the flap C when in its closed position, said flaps C and S being provided with the coacting separable fasteners 9 whereby the set may be effectively maintained in its compacted assembly. In order that the flaps C and S may readily assume the requisite closed position, the inner longitudinal marginal portions thereof are separated a requisite distance from the longitudinal edges of the panel 3, the laminations 4 bridging the spaces therebetween and providing the side walls *a* of the envelope or container when folded or compacted.

These walls *a* are of such length as to assure the flap C being held by the flap S in close contact with the enclosed board B and to maintain said enclosed board B in close contact with the body member or section M, such contact offering sufficient frictional resistance to the enclosed board B to hold the same against accidental displacement while the board B is so held as to substantially eliminate rattling of the playing pieces 7 within the compartments or pockets 8.

My improved set when compacted or folded possesses high esthetic qualities and is also of extremely small bulk.

From the foregoing description it is thought to be obvious that a game set constructed in accordance with my invention is particularly well adapted for use by reason of the convenience and facility with which it may be assembled and operated, and it will also be obvious that my invention is susceptible of some change and modification without departing from the principles and spirit thereof and for this reason I do not wish to be understood as limiting myself to the precise arrangement and formation of the several parts herein shown in carrying out my invention in practice except as hereinafter claimed.

I claim:—

1. A game set comprising, in combination, a body member provided with compartments, a sealing flap hingedly connected with a marginal portion of the body member, a closing flap hingedly connected with the opposite longitudinal margin of a portion of the body member, said closing flap being of a length and width coextensive with the length and width of the body member, a playing board comprising foldable sections adapted to be superimposed, said sections being of a length and width substantially coextensive with the length and width of the body member and closing flap, and playing pieces adapted to be packed within the compartments of the body member, the sealing flap overlying the closing flap when the set is in compacted assembly, said closing flap and sealing flap being provided with coacting locking means, said sealing flap when locked to the closing flap holding the closing flap in close frictional contact with the inserted board and holding said inserted board in close contact with the body member.

2. A game set comprising, in combination, a body member provided with compartments, a sealing flap hingedly connected with a marginal portion of the body member, a closing flap hingedly connected with the opposite longitudinal margin of a portion of the body member, said closing flap being of a length and width coextensive with the length and width of the body member, a playing board comprising foldable sections adapted to be superimposed, said sections being of a length and width substantially coextensive with the length and width of the body member and closing flap, and playing pieces adapted to be packed within the compartments of the body member, the sealing flap overlying the closing flap when the set is in compacted assembly, said closing flap and sealing flap being provided with coacting locking means, said sealing flap when locked to the closing flap holding the closing flap in close frictional contact with the inserted board and holding said inserted board in close contact with the body member, the contact of the inserted playing board with the body member and the closing flap frictionally holding the inserted board against displacement.

3. A game set comprising, in combination, a body member provided with compartments, a sealing flap hingedly connected with a marginal portion of the body member, a closing flap hingedly connected with the opposite longitudinal margin of a portion of the body member, said closing flap being of a length and width coextensive with the length and width of the body member, a playing board comprising foldable sections adapted to be superimposed, said sections being of a length and width substantially coextensive with the length and width of the body member and closing flap, playing pieces adapted to be packed within the compartments of the body member, the sealing flap overlying the closing flap when the set is in compacted assembly, said closing flap and sealing flap being provided with coacting locking means, said sealing flap when locked to the closing flap holding the closing flap in close frictional contact with the inserted board and holding said inserted board in close contact with the body member, and laminations secured to opposite faces of the body member and of the closing and sealing flaps, said laminations providing hinged connections between said flaps and body member.

4. A game set comprising, in combination,

a body member provided with compartments, a sealing flap hingedly connected with a marginal portion of the body member, a closing flap hingedly connected with the opposite longitudinal margin of a portion of the body member, said closing flap being of a length and width coextensive with the length and width of the body member, a playing board comprising foldable sections adapted to be superimposed, said sections being of a length and width substantially coextensive with the length and width of the body member and closing flap, playing pieces adapted to be packed within the compartments of the body member, the sealing flap overlying the closing flap when the set is in compacted assembly, said closing flap and sealing flap being provided with coacting locking means, said sealing flap when locked to the closing flap holding the closing flap in close frictional contact with the inserted board and holding said inserted board in close contact with the body member, and laminations secured to opposite faces of the body member and of the closing and sealing flaps, said laminations providing hinged connections between said flaps and body member, the inner edges of the flaps being spaced from the adjacent edges of the body member distances sufficient to permit folding of the flaps with respect to the body member and the inserted board.

5. A game set comprising, in combination, a body member provided with compartments, a sealing flap hingedly connected with a marginal portion of the body member, a closing flap hingedly connected with the opposite longitudinal margin of a portion of the body member, said closing flap being of a length and width coextensive with the length and width of the body member, a playing board comprising foldable sections adapted to be superimposed, said sections being of a length and width substantially coextensive with the length and width of the body member and closing flap, playing pieces adapted to be packed within the compartments of the body member, the sealing flap overlying the closing flap when the set is in compacted assembly, said closing flap and sealing flap being provided with coacting locking means, said sealing flap when locked to the closing flap holding the closing flap in close frictional contact with the inserted board and holding said inserted board in close contact with the body member, and laminations secured to opposite faces of the body member and of the closing and sealing flaps, said laminations providing hinged connections between said flaps and body member, the inner edges of the flaps being spaced from the adjacent edges of the body member distances sufficient to permit folding of the flaps with respect to the body member and the inserted board, said laminations bridging the spaces between the body member and the flaps and constituting side walls when the set is in compacted relation.

In testimony whereof I hereunto affix my signature.

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