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RAILWAY GAME APPARATUS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, DANIEL L. WILCOX, of Pawtucket, in the county of Providence and State of Rhode Island, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Railway Game Apparatus, of which the following is a specification.

The accompanying drawing is a view in perspective of a railway game apparatus embodying my invention.

A represents the series of inclined tracks; B, the guards for preventing the balls from running off; and C, the "home-field," provided with variously-numbered "pockets" or depressions D. E E are the supporting-posts. Thus far the apparatus is constructed substantially as usual.

It will be understood that the game consists in allowing the balls, one at a time, to roll down the series of inclined tracks A into the home-field C, the value of the result depending upon which of the numbered pockets D the ball chances to roll into. In this instance the pockets are numbered from "0" to "10," inclusive.

H is a dish, secured to the track or to one of the supporting-posts, for holding the balls in a convenient place, whence they may be removed to play with.

K is a bell suspended from a frame, I, which is placed anywhere over the track, but preferably near the entrance to the home-field, as shown. As the balls pass along the track they strike this bell, (which is hung low enough for that purpose,) causing it to ring and amusing the child. When the bell is hung at the entrance to the field it also serves to notify the child of the arrival of the ball at its destination, and, having a tendency to deflect and check the ball, it affects its ultimate position, rendering it somewhat more uncertain and adding to the interest of the game. As many bells may be hung along the course of the track as may be desired.

I am aware that railway games, Chinese tower games, and similar games consisting essentially of a series of inclined tracks for balls to run over are not new. My invention is an improvement upon these, whereby greater amusement and greater convenience are furnished.

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

1. In a railway game apparatus, the combination, with the series of tracks A, of a bell, K, suspended over the track at such a distance above it that the ball rolling beneath said bell will strike it, thereby causing it to ring, substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

2. In a railway game apparatus, the combination, with the series of tracks A and the home-field C, of a bell, K, placed over the track at the entrance to said field and at such a distance from the track that the ball in its course will strike it, causing it to ring, substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

3. In a railway game apparatus, the combination, with the track A and post E, of the dish H, substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

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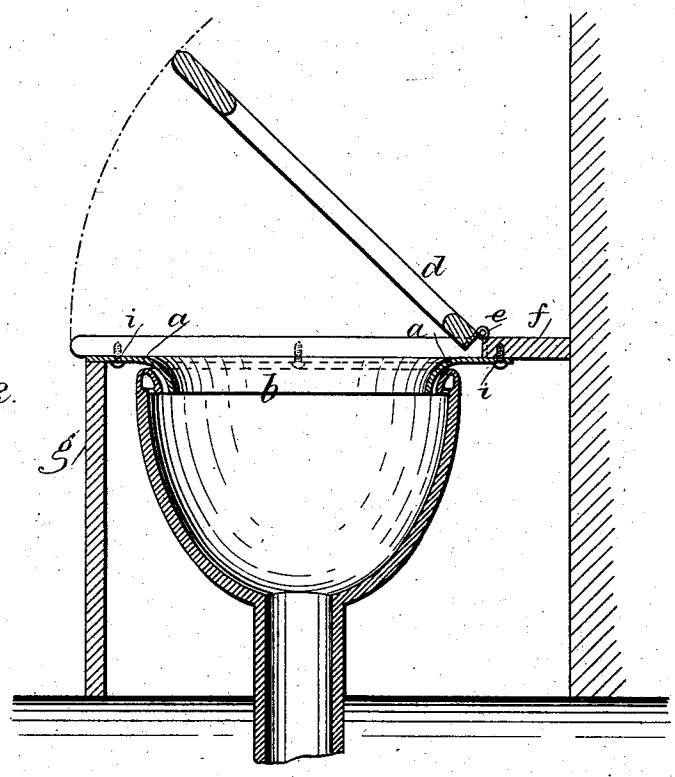
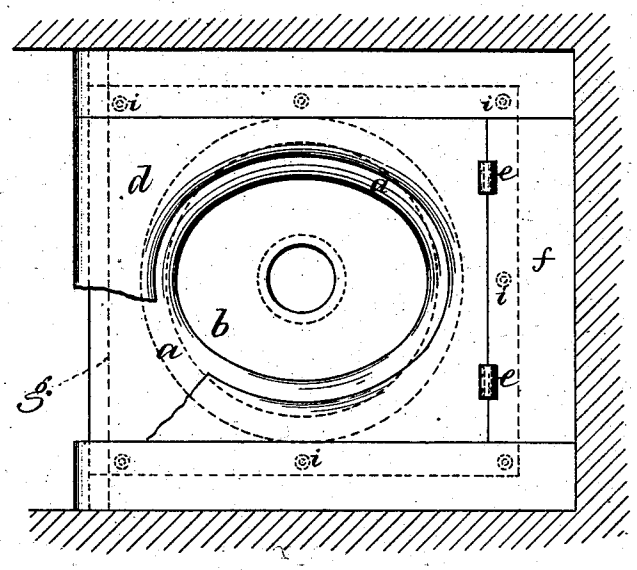


Fig. 2.

Fig. 1.



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