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CUE REST.

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FIG. 1

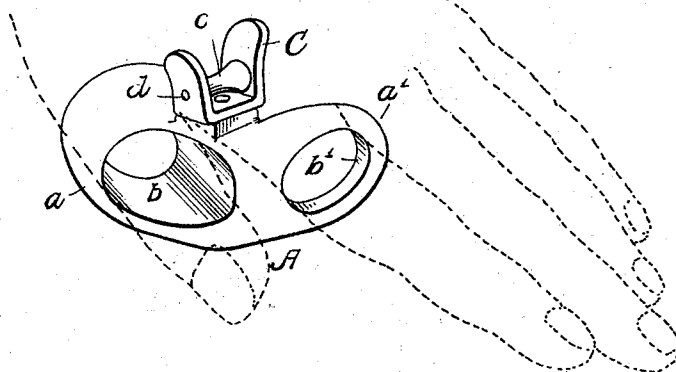


FIG. 3

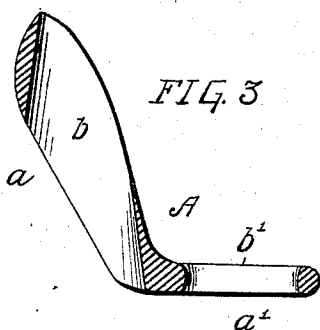


FIG. 2

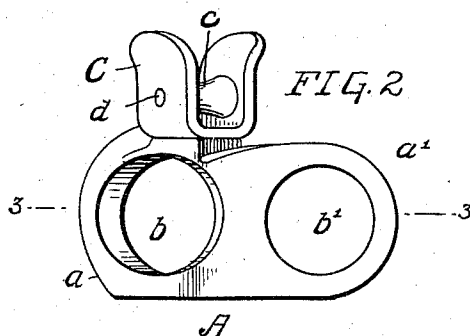
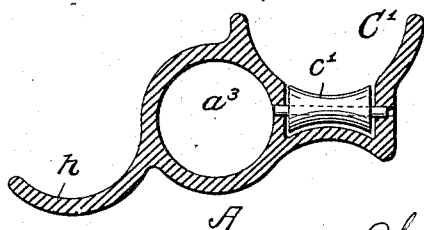


FIG. 4



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CUE-REST.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WILLIAM D. CRONIN, a citizen of the United States, residing at Philadelphia, in the county of Philadelphia and State of Pennsylvania, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Cue-Rests, of which the following is a specification, reference being had therein to the accompanying drawings.

10 The object of my invention is to provide a device to be attached to the hand to serve as a cue-guide in playing billiards, pool, and similar games.

15 In many cases unskilled persons find it difficult to form a suitable "rest" and guide for the cue, and the present device is intended to supply this rest and form a guide which will at all times remain in position and will exert exactly the same friction on the cue, so that the player may regulate his stroke in accordance with the play to be made.

25 In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view of a cue-rest constructed in accordance with my invention. Fig. 2 is an elevation of the same; and Fig. 3 is a sectional plan view on the line 3 3, Fig. 2.

30 Referring to the drawings, A represents the cue-rest, having two arms *a a'* at substantially right angles to each other. The arm *a* has an opening *b* for the passage of the thumb of the left hand, and the arm *a'* has an opening *b'* for the passage of the forefinger. In fact these two arms are substan-

35 tially thumb and finger rings shaped to conform to that portion of the hand to which they are fitted and joined together to form a support for the cue-guide.

Secured to the upper portion of the arm *a* is a bracket C, preferably swiveled so that it 40 may turn freely, or it may be secured to or formed integral with the arms, if desired. This bracket carries a roller *c*, running on pins *d*, adapted to openings in the side arms of the bracket. The cue rests on this roller, 45 and as the latter turns freely there is little or no friction on the cue, so that the stroke may be made with the greatest freedom. The base of the arms is flat, so that a flat level surface is formed which rests directly on the 50 table, the hand being held open, as indicated by dotted lines in Fig. 1.

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

55 The combination of the integral thumb and forefinger rings shaped to conform to the contour of the hand, a flat base on said rings, a bracket C swiveled on top of said rings, and a cue-holding roller *c*, carried by the 60 side arms of said bracket, substantially as specified.

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

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