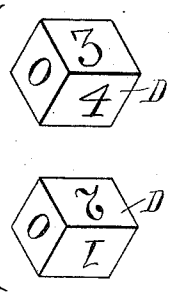
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Fig. 2.



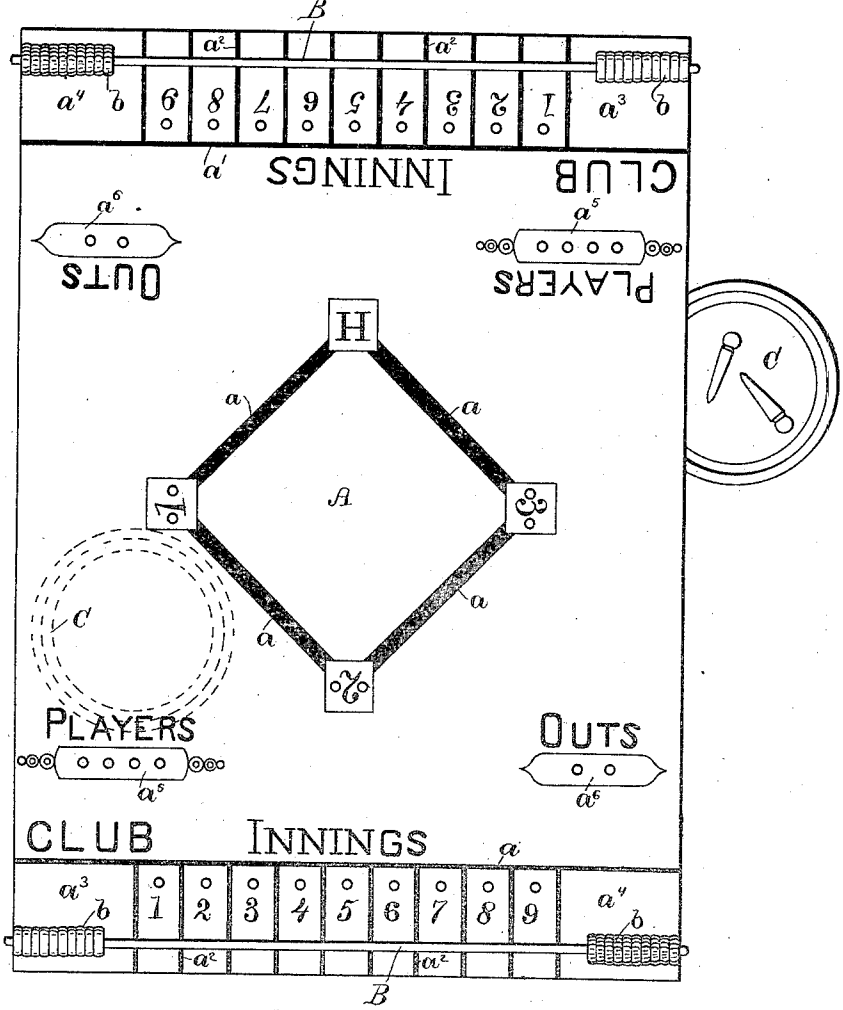


Fig. 1.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, MICHAEL J. LYNCH, of Pawtucket, in the county of Providence and State of Rhode Island, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Game Apparatus, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification.

My invention consists in the provision of a game-board the face of which is arranged to represent a base-ball field and to indicate the positions of the players during the progress of the game, and also in the provision of peculiar score-keepers attached to the board, and dice and pins to be used therewith, all as hereinafter described and claimed.

In order that my invention may be fully understood, I will proceed to describe it with reference to the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 represents a plan view of the board, and Fig. 2 represents the dice used in playing.

In the said drawings, A designates the board, which is preferably of the shape shown, and which may be mounted upon pins or legs for supporting it upon a table or other object. In the center of the board is placed the diamond-shaped field composed of the broad oblique lines *a a a a*. At each point of juncture of these lines *a* is placed a base, of which there are four, H designating the home-base; 1, the first base; 2, the second base, and 3 the third base. At each end portion of the board is drawn a line, *a'*, which extends transversely of the board, so as to form a space between the line and the end of the board. The space formed by the line *a'* is subdivided into nine smaller spaces by ten parallel lines, a^2, extending longitudinally of the board and running from the end thereof to the line *a'*. These nine spaces are designated consecutively by the numerals 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9. Between the first line a^2 and the contiguous side of the board is a large space, a^3, while between the tenth line and the other side of the board is a similar space, a^4. In front of each space a^3 is placed a space, a^5, and in front of each space a^4 is placed a space, a^6. Each space a^5 is for the players, and each space a^6 is for the outs. Each base, excepting the home-base, has two holes, each of the nine spaces within the line *a'* has a single hole, the players' space a^5 has four holes, and the outs' space a^6 has two holes.

B B designate two wires mounted upon the ends of the board and extending transversely thereof. Each of these wires carries eighteen rings or slides, *b*, nine of which are of one color and the remainder of another color.

C C designate pockets for holding the pins with which the various moves are made. There are twenty-four of these pins, which resemble those used in the game of cribbage, one half of the number being of one color and the other half of a different color.

The dice D, of which there are two, (shown on the board,) represent the pitchers. The numbers on the dice are 0, of which there are two on each die, 1 2 3 4, the numbers representing the bases, and the ciphers representing the outs.

The nine spaces at each end of the line indicate the innings, and are so marked above the line *a'*, the spaces a^4 are each indicated by the word "Club," and the players' and outs' spaces are each indicated, respectively, by the words "Players" and "Outs."

In using this game-board each of two players places himself at one end of the board with four of the pins of his color in the holes in the players' space. Each person plays on the die thrown by the other during one inning, each keeping his own score by moving one of the rings or slides at his end of the board for each run. When one throws a cipher with the die, his inning ends, and he scores an inning by placing a pin in the first innings-space. The other player then throws, and the game thus proceeds to the end.

Having thus described my invention, I claim—

1. The game-board A, provided with the lines *a a' a²*, spaces a^3 a^4 a^5 a^6, and bases H 1 2 3, in combination with the wires B B, carrying the rings *b*, all arranged substantially as and for the purposes described.

2. The game-board A, provided with the lines *a a' a²*, spaces a^3 a^4 a^5 a^6, and bases H 1 2 3, in combination with the wires B B, carrying the rings *b*, and the pockets C C, for the purposes specified.

3. The game apparatus herein described, consisting of the board A, having the lines a a' a^2, spaces a^3 a^4 a^5 a^6, bases H 1 2 3, wires B B, carrying rings b, and pockets C C, and the pins, and dice having each two ciphers and the numerals 1 2 3 4, for the purposes described.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand.

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