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Fig 1.

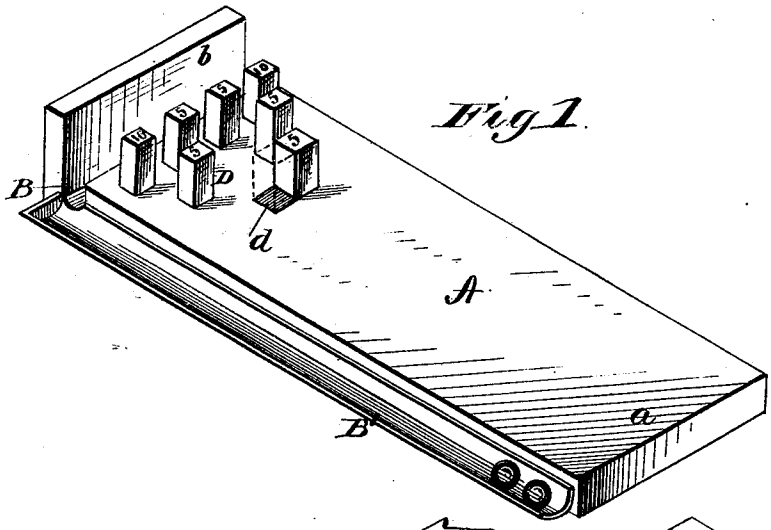
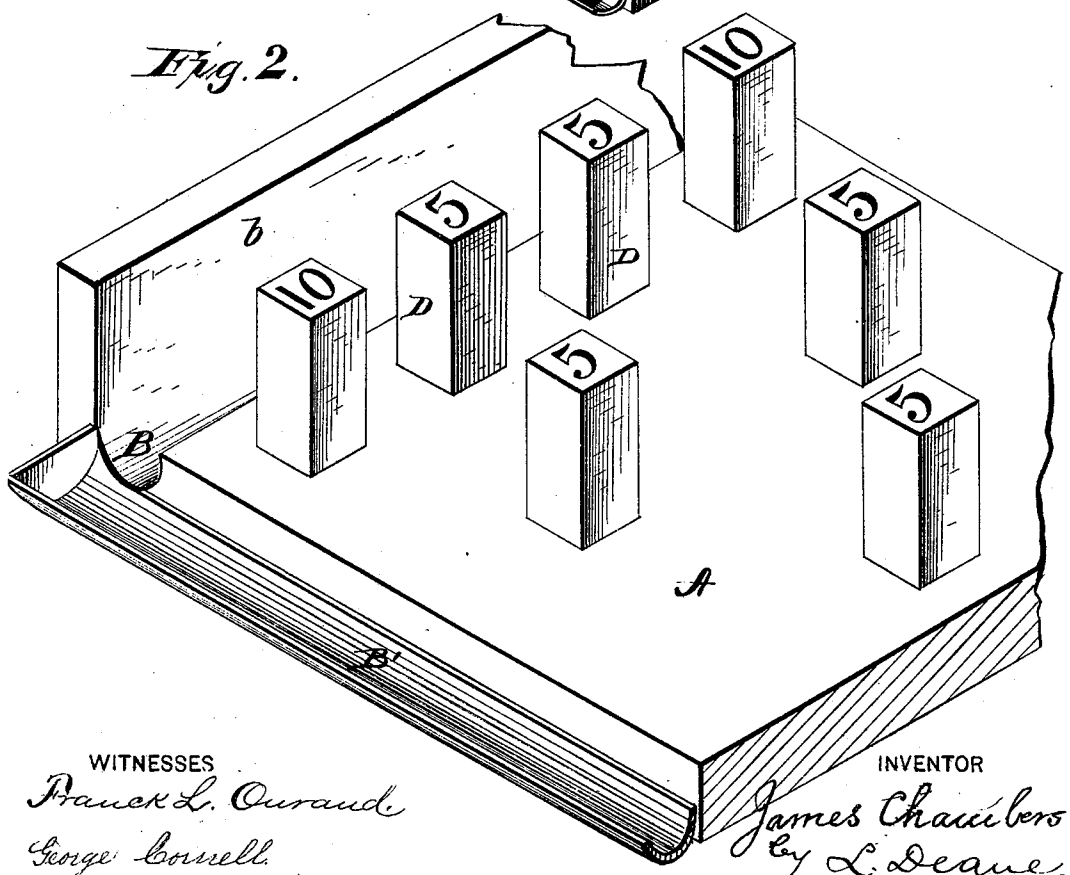


Fig. 2.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JAMES CHAMBERS, a citizen of the United States, residing at Waco, in the county of McLennan and State of Texas, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Games; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to letters or figures of reference marked thereon, which form a part of this specification.

Figure 1 is a perspective view, showing the device or game as in readiness for use. Fig. 2 is a detail enlarged, showing more plainly the arrangement and value of the blocks.

This invention relates to a game which will afford healthful and agreeable recreation if played in the open air or in a building specially made for it, and can also, when the several parts are suitably made, answer as a delightful indoor amusement for the parlor; and the novelty consists in the number of pins or blocks used, the special value assigned to each, and their arrangement on the board, all as will now be more in detail set out and explained.

In the accompanying drawings, A denotes an alley, board, or table, otherwise of any suitable or desired construction, but sufficiently long to afford a track or way to roll, shoot, or otherwise project a ball or any other suitable device over its surface from the player's end *a* down to and upon the pins or blocks D, placed upon spots *d*, which are arranged, in general pyramidal plan or shape, upon the lower end of the alley or board A. These pins or blocks D are seven in number, and may be of any desired size or shape, and so made that each can be easily set on its base upon one of the spots *d* at the lower end of the alley or track, said spots being seven in number, four of which are at the lower end and in a row straight across. The next row consists of two spots for the blocks placed at a suitable distance in advance of and parallel with the aforesaid row, and at a like distance in advance of these is the place for the front pin or block, which comes in the center of the alley. Thus the pins or blocks, when in position to be played upon, are arranged in a pyramidal order. These pins or blocks have each a special value or number marked plainly upon them, the two outer ones on the rear row being the highest, and are now marked 10. Each of the others have the value of five. Thus it will be seen that the game has seven pieces to be played upon, and the aggregate value of said pieces is forty-five; hence the name of the game is "Seven-forty-five," (7.45.) In playing it is not designed so much to knock the pins or blocks over, but to move them from their places, like as is now shown with the head-pin in Fig. 1. The pocket or pit B, at the end of the track or alley, will catch the balls or other projectiles used in playing upon the pieces D, and the base or end board *b* will act as a stop to prevent the said balls or projectiles from falling off, and the trough B′ will afford ready means for returning said balls to the player's end, *a*, of the alley.

Many games can be played with this alley and pins or blocks; but usually it is designed to reckon the values or sum of figures on the displaced pins, and the player having the largest score is the winner.

The arrangement of the blocks or pins is such that the skilled player can easily displace one of the pins of largest value without disturbing the others, or can play for the whole group.

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

The within-described game of seven-forty-five, consisting of a board or alley provided with seven pins or blocks arranged at one end thereof in a pyramidal order, and having figures on them aggregating in number forty-five, to be displaced by any suitable projectile, all substantially as described.

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

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