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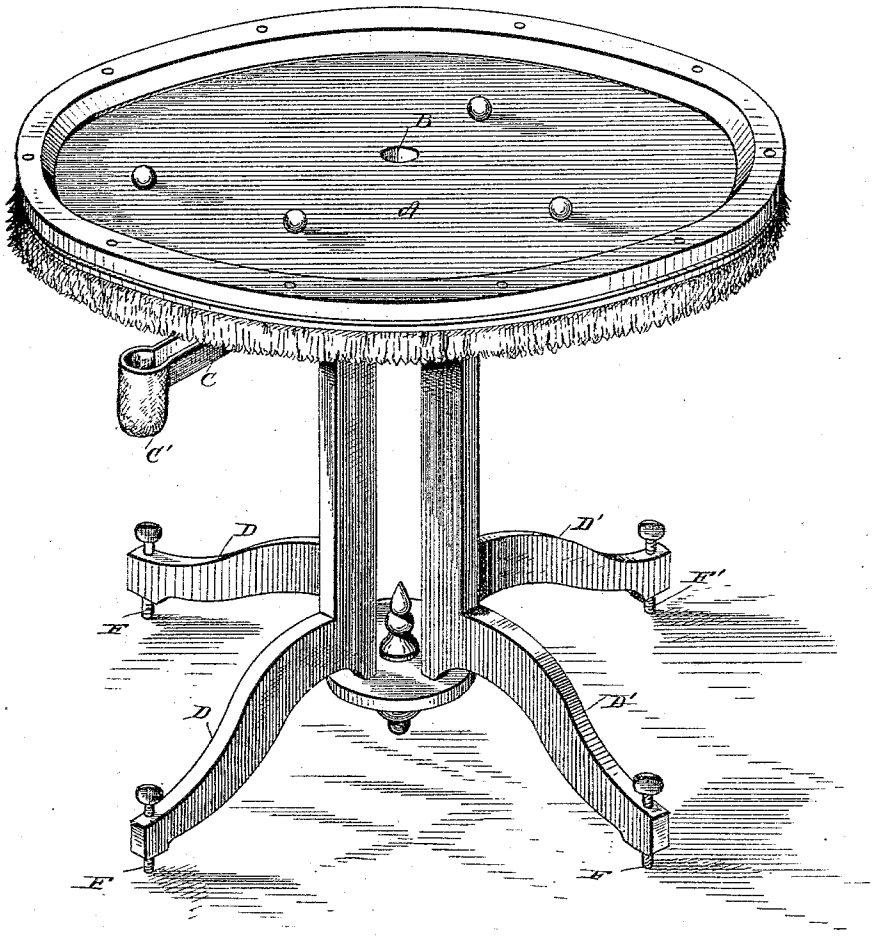
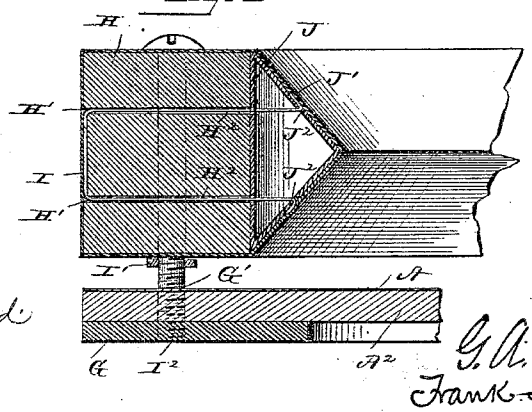


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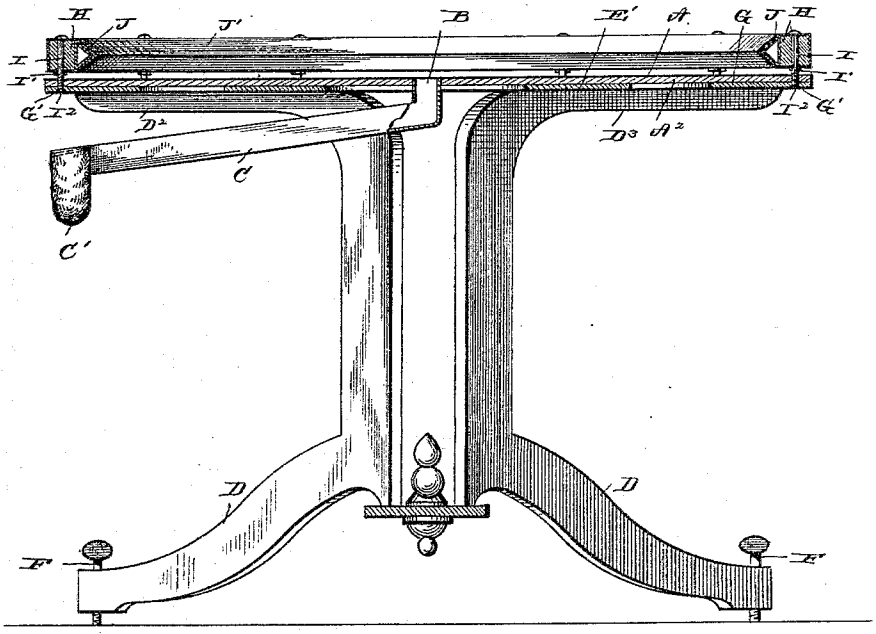
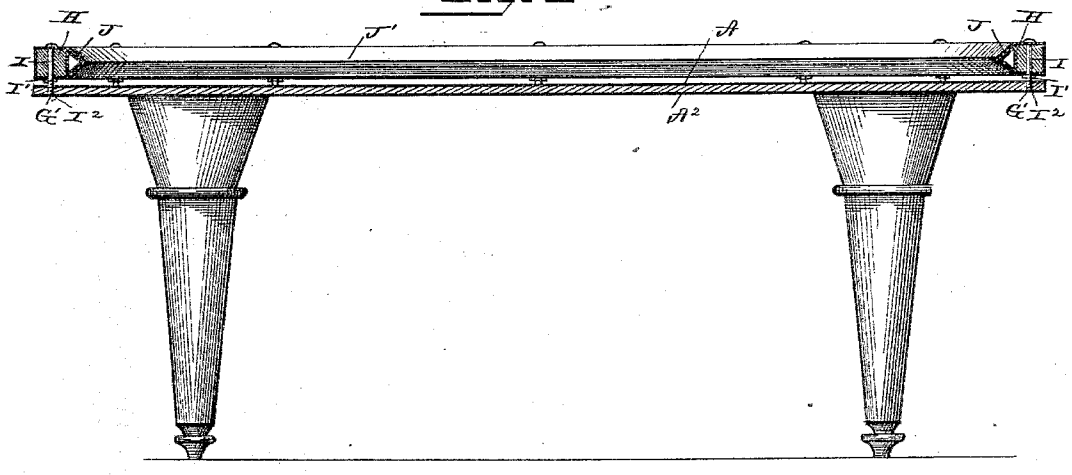


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, GEORGE A. CHASLEY, a citizen of the United States, residing at Washington, District of Columbia, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Billiard and Pool Tables, of which the following is a specification, reference being had therein to the accompanying drawings.

My invention relates to billiard and pool tables; and it consists in the parts which will be hereinafter described, and pointed out in the claims.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view of one form of my table. Fig. 2 is a central vertical section. Fig. 3 is a detail in section of a part of the bed of the table and the rail having a cushion secured thereto. This view shows means whereby the rail and cushion are elevated above the bed of the table. By the mechanism therein shown the rail and cushion may be elevated above the bed of the table and vertically adjustable in relation thereto. Fig. 4 is a central transverse section of an ordinary billiard-table provided with my improvement.

My invention has two prime objects: First, the rail and cushion secured thereto are rendered vertically adjustable in relation to the bed of the table, whereby the cushion may conform to various sizes of balls; second, the elevated rail above the bed of the table permits the dirt to be brushed from the cloth under the rail and out over the edge of the table. By the arrangement now in use, with which I am familiar, it is necessary in brushing the table to convey the dust and other accumulations on the cloth to one of the pockets or corner openings in carom-tables. This arrangement subjects the cloth to considerable wear, and a great deal of the dirt is brushed into the cloth's fabric. I obviate this difficulty by means of an opening under the rail, whereby the dirt may be brushed through said opening. This permits the dirt to be removed from the table under the closest point of the rail.

The adjustable railing herein shown may be applied to all forms of billiard, pool, and other game tables where balls and cushion are used.

The form of the table shown in Figs. 1 and 2 is a game suitable for parlor pleasure. It consists in a circular rail and cushion secured to the edge of a round table, said rail and cushion being vertically adjustable on said table, as hereinbefore specified. This table is intended for a new game, which I desire to term "Two Best in Three," wherein the balls are suitably spotted, and then forced around the table by a cue, then into a central opening of the table, all of which will be more fully hereinafter specified.

In the accompanying drawings like letters indicate like parts throughout the several views.

A represents the cloth on the top of the table A^2.

B is a central opening in the table, communicating with the inclined trough C and the pocket C'. When the ball goes into the opening B, it passes down the trough C into the pocket C', from which it may be removed by hand and placed on the table when desired.

The legs D and D' are provided with radial arms D^2 and D^3. These arms lie under the table and support the same.

E' represents a circular plate or ring under the body of the table, around the opening B.

G represents a larger circular plate around the under side of the outer edge of the table. The body of the table A^2 has an opening, and the plate G is provided with a threaded opening, for the purpose of receiving the threaded end I^2 of the screw I.

I' is a tap-nut on the screw I, to hold the rail firmly between said nut and the screw-head. The railing is adjustable between the bottom of the tap-nut I' and the face of the table. The rail may be raised up or down by operating the screw.

G' represents a threaded opening in the circular plate G.

H represents the railing, provided with transverse openings H'.

J represents the cushion, and J' a cloth on the face of said cushion. This cloth passes over and under the rail.

J^2 are openings in the cushion, which register with the openings H' in the rail.

H^2 is a wire, which passes through the openings H' and J^2, for the purpose of securing the cushion to the rail. I have shown this means of securing the rails to the cushion; but it is

obvious that there are other means whereby the two may be united without departing from the spirit of my invention.

F represents a threaded bolt passing through a threaded opening in the outer end of the legs D and D'. These bolts are adapted to level the table.

Prior to my invention vertical openings have been made under the rails in billiard-tables which communicated with openings leading to the face of the table. I therefore do not claim such construction, broadly; but

What I do claim, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

1. In a billiard, pool, or other table, a rail having a cushion suitably secured thereto, and means whereby said rail and cushion may be raised or lowered, so as to conform to various sizes of balls, and at the same time to admit accumulated dirt on the surface of the table to be brushed under said cushion, substantially as described and set forth.

2. A rail having a cushion secured thereto, in combination with the bed of the table, and a threaded bolt connecting said rail and bed, whereby the rail and cushion may be vertically adjustable with relation to the bed of the table, substantially as described and set forth.

3. In a billiard, pool, or other table, a rail provided with a cushion and bolt secured thereto, said bolt being provided with a lower threaded end, in combination with the bed of the table provided with an opening adapted to receive the threaded end of the bolt, as set forth.

4. In a billiard, pool, or other table, the combination of the rail H, cushion J, bolt I, tap-nut I', body A^2, and the plate G, the rail, table, and plate G being provided with openings for the reception of the bolt, substantially as described, and for the purposes set forth.

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

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