J. BAUMGARTNER.

Toy.

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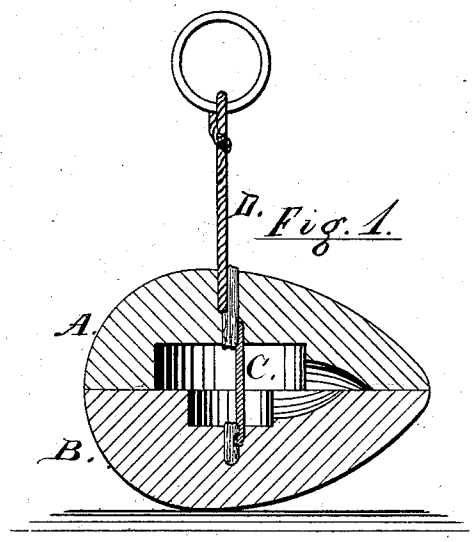
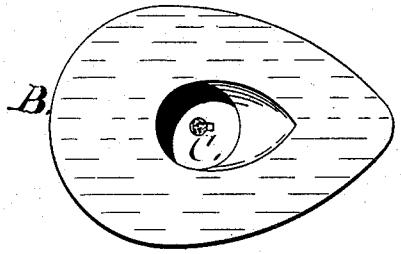


Fig. 1.

Fig. 2.



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IMPROVEMENT IN TOYS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOHN BAUMGARTNER, of Newark, in the county of Essex and State of New Jersey, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Toys called "Noisy Eggs," of which the following is a specification.

In the drawings, Figure 1 is a sectional view of an egg as arranged for a rattling toy. Fig. 2 is a top view of the lower section.

My invention relates to toys for children producing a rapid succession of rattling sounds by the impinging of the parts together; and consists in uniting two or more sections of a divided body—as of a wooden egg—together by an elastic cord, which holds them in contact, and in having a non-elastic cord attached to one of the sections, so that pulling suddenly on this cord will stretch the elastic, when the sections will fly apart, and the release of the strain on the outside cord will allow the rubber cord to contract and cause the sections suddenly to strike together and produce noisy rattling sounds as the operation is repeated for the diversion of the little folks.

Ordinarily I make a wooden egg. I cut it in halves, A B, and between the two sections I place a rubber cord, C, made taut, to hold the sections closely together, but still admitting of being further stretched. To one section I attach a non-elastic cord, D, to be held in the hand of the operator. When a sudden jerk is made on this string it will stretch the rubber and cause the sections A B to separate, which will close together again with a quick sharp sound when the pull on the cord is released.

These sections, in their exterior, may be made in ball or other shape, and may be of any desired material, and other sections may be added between the parts A B, giving an increased number of sounds on one action of the cord D; and between these sections may be placed some device making a ringing or musical sound when the parts open or strike together.

In the place of the rubber, some other elastic may unite the sections and accomplish the same purpose.

I claim—

The toy constructed of two or more sections, having flat inner surfaces closing together, and held in contact by an elastic cord between them, and having a suspending non-elastic cord, substantially as and for the purpose specified.

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