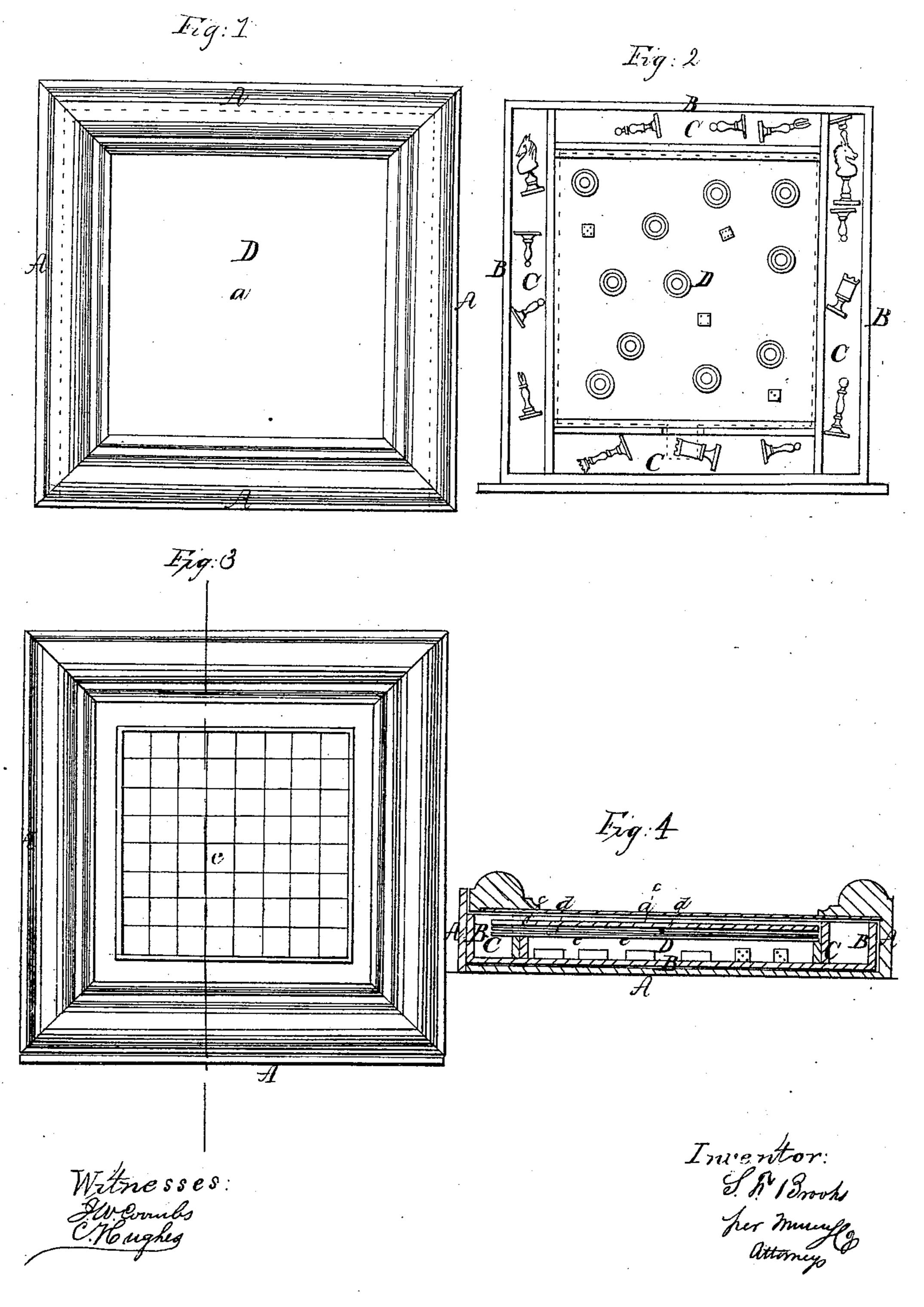
## S. F. BROOKS. GAME BOARD.

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GAME-BOX.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, S. F. Brooks, of Weston, in the county of Middlesex and State of Massachusetts, have invented a new and useful Game-Box; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, reference being had to the accompanying drawings making a part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1, represents a top view of the box with the draw removed. Fig. 2, shows the draw, with its several apartments. Fig. 3, a top view of the box when it is used as a checker-board. Fig. 4, a transverse vertical section taken through Fig. 3, as indicated by the red line x, x, marked thereon.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts in the several figures.

This invention is a novel constructed box for the purpose of holding game boards of a variety of descriptions, and protecting their faces from injury in playing at the games, by a glass plate placed in the frame 25 of the box. The box is to be so constructed that there will be places for the game-boards, and a picture of any description, and also the pieces used in playing the various games, such as dice, checker-pieces, chess-men, &c. 30 The face of the box will have the appearance of a picture frame, and if necessary, the picture before referred to, may be brought in sight and the box hung up against a wall. A draw receives and holds 35 everything in place, and when the whole is complete, a very handy and pretty combination of games may all be inclosed within one box, which may be made very cheap and ornamental, as will be hereinafter described 40 and represented.

To enable those skilled in the art to fully understand my invention, I will proceed to describe its construction and operation.

In the drawings, A, represents a shallow quadrangular box, surrounded with a neat

 $\dagger$  frame, and having a glass plate a, within the frame to form the top of the box, the top, bottom and three sides of the box are thus closed. In this box slides a draw B, which is made to fit nicely in its place and 50 this draw is divided into four side apartments C, C, and one large middle apartment D, which is in size, equal to the space inclosed by the frame, and the side apartments are in width, equal to that of the frame. 55 Around the inside edge of the partition that divides the box into apartments, is a rabbet formed for holding the game boards c, d, e,which are below the surface of the draw, so that the draw may be pushed in the box A, 60 and taken out readily. The space below the boards receives the chess-men and dice, and the side apartments may be filled up with dominoes or chess-men, or any other pieces that are used in the games.

The game boards c, d, e, may have on their back handsome pictures, which may be turned outward when the box is not in use, and by attaching rings to the box, it may be hung up against a wall, and have all the appearance of an ordinary picture frame. The glass face or plate in the top of the box, besides serving to protect the pictures from dust, it makes a very excellent smooth surface to play on, besides, the boards are, by 75 its use, protected from scratching; it also gives a finish to the game box whether in use or not.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim as new, and desire to secure by Let- 80 ters Patent is,

The box A, with its frame and glass plate, in combination with the draw B, and its furniture as set forth, for the purposes specified.

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