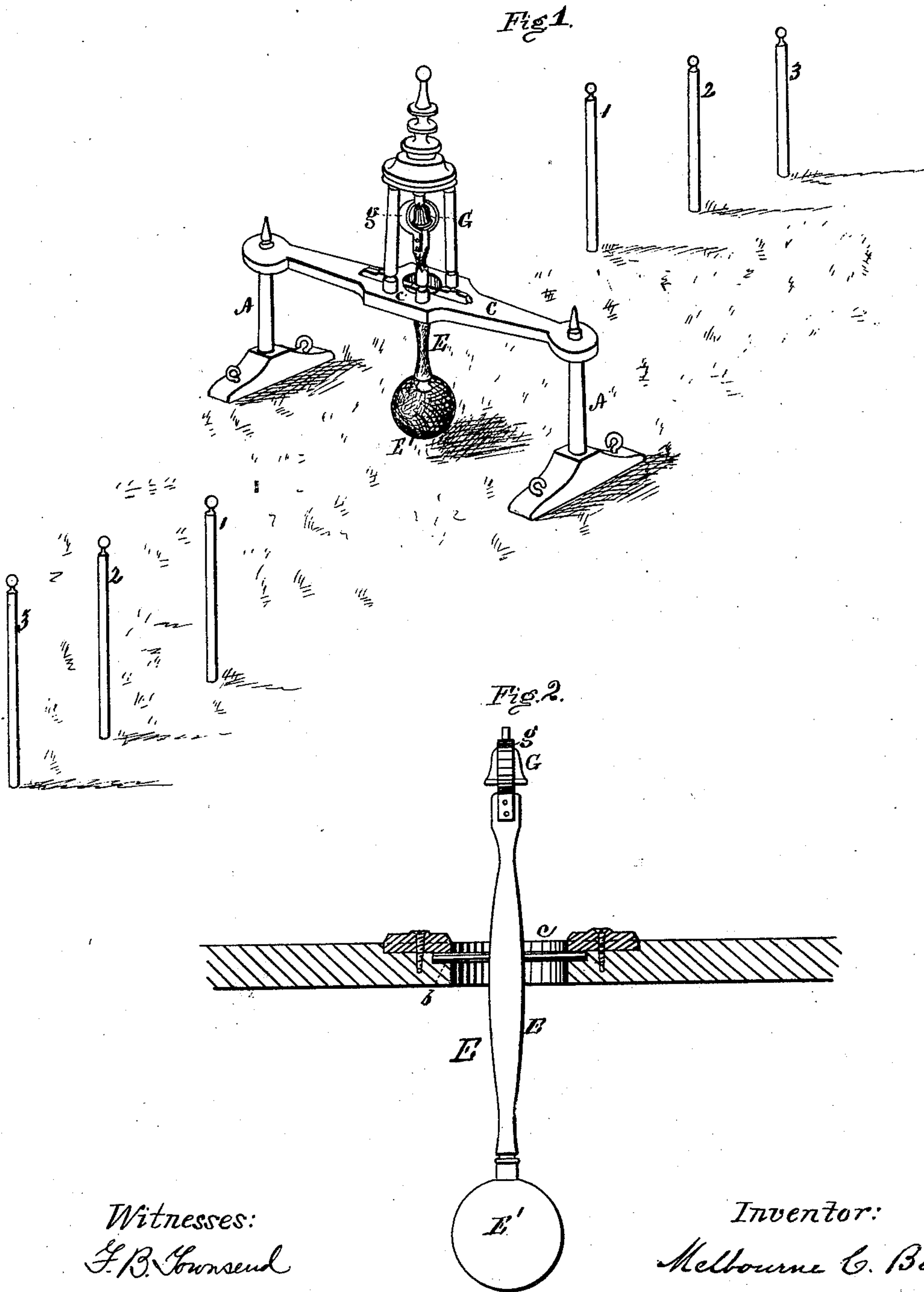


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GAME-APPARATUS.

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IMPROVEMENT IN GAME APPARATUS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, MELBOURNE C. BURR, of Minneapolis, in the State of Minnesota, have invented a new and Improved Game, which I have denominated "Grelot;" and I hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description thereof, reference being had to the accompanying drawings making part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of the apparatus used, (shown in position.) Fig. 2 is a cross-section.

My invention relates to that class of games analogous to croquet, martel, &c.; and it consists in bowling a certain number of balls at a swinging target-ball, the players being at fixed distances from the target-ball, as hereinafter more specifically described.

In order that those skilled in the art may make and use my invention, I will proceed to describe the manner in which I have carried it out.

In the said drawings, A A are two standards properly secured to the lawn. Their tops are connected by a cross-bar, C, having a central opening, *c*, crossed by a bar or rod, *b*. From this rod depends a pivoted swinging support, E, for holding the target-ball E', and a bell, G, on its upper end swung within

a ring, *g*. 1, 2, and 3 are stakes, at different distances from which the player must bowl.

The game consists in bowling eight or more balls at the target-ball E' until one party has, by striking the target-ball and ringing the bell, gained four times as many points as there are balls used in the game—that is, in a game with eight balls, thirty-two counts make the game. The target is placed in between the two series of stakes, so each side can recover the balls used by the others.

I am aware that swinging bells have been before mounted as objects for playing against; but this is not my invention.

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

In a game apparatus, the standards A A and cross-bar C, provided with the pivoted support E, ball E', and bell G, all combined and arranged to operate substantially as described and shown.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing I have hereunto set my hand.

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