

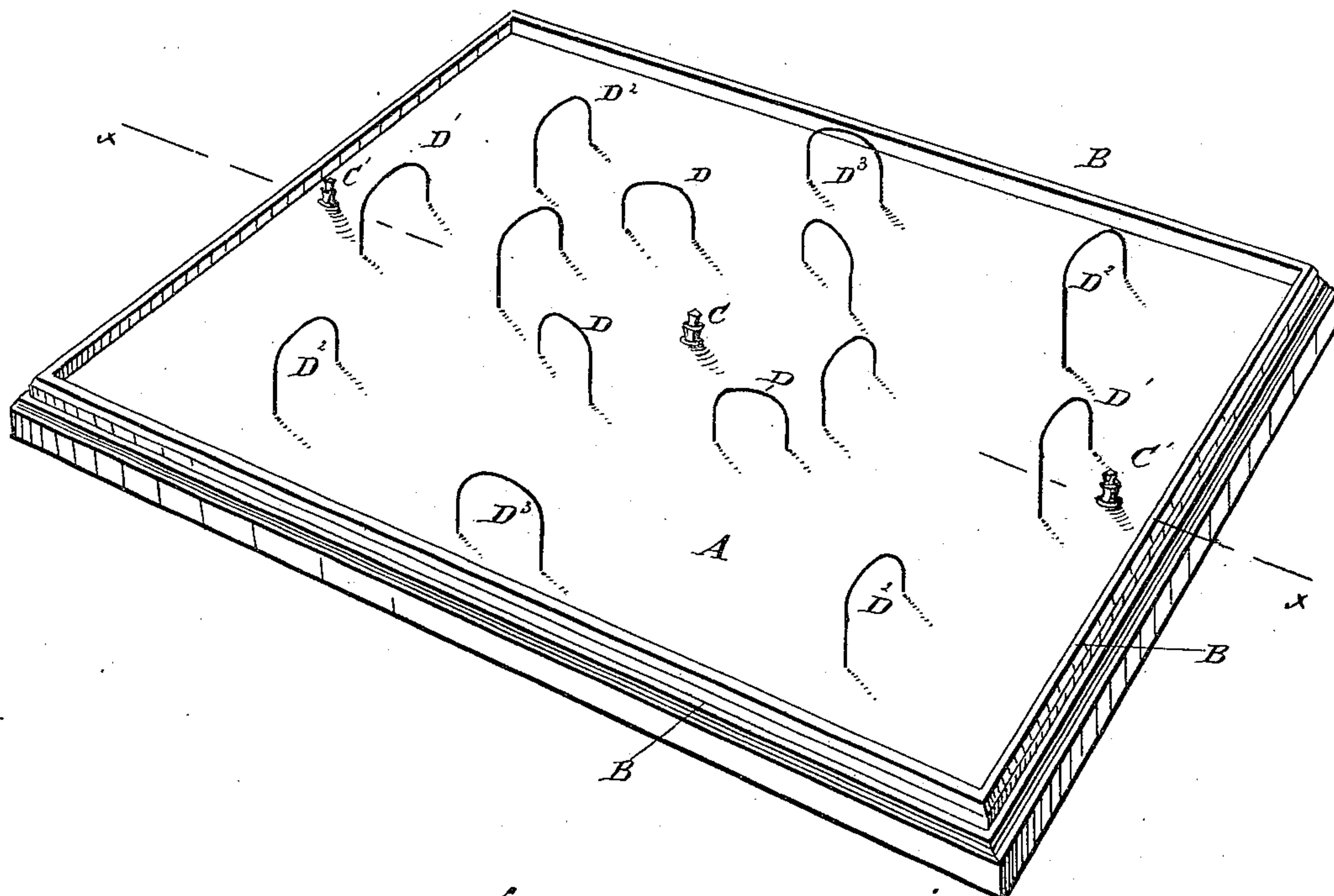
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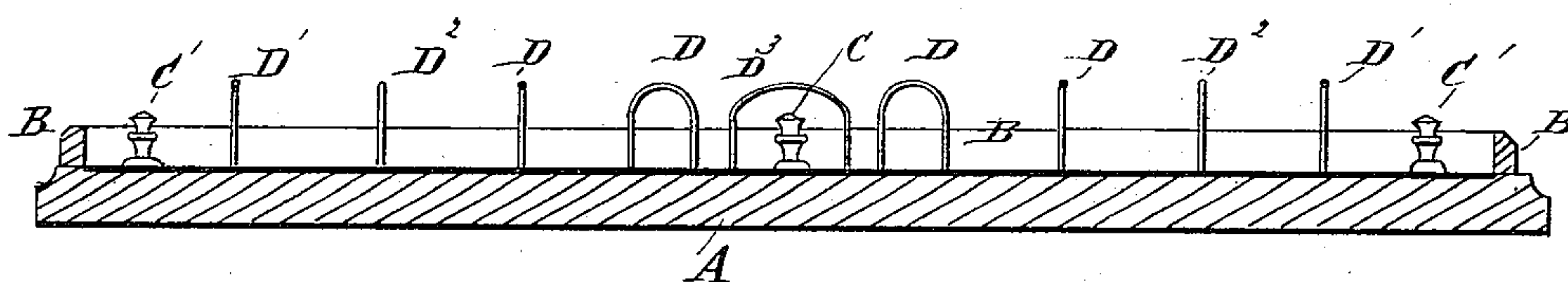
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*Fig: 1.*



*Fig: 2.*



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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, STEPHEN W. ROE, of Albany, in the county of Albany and State of New York, have invented a new and Improved Game, of which the following is a specification.

The object of my invention is to provide a new and simple game which is played in the same manner as billiards.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view of my new game. Fig. 2 is a longitudinal sectional elevation of the same on the line *x x*, Fig. 1.

The top of the table A is covered with cloth and provided with raised cushion-rails B along the edges, like a billiard-table. A post or peg, C, is arranged in the middle of the table, and a like post, C', is arranged at two opposite ends. Six wickets, D D, are arranged in a circle around the central post, C, the centers of two of which wickets are on a straight line with the end posts, and the other of these wickets are arranged on radial lines inclined toward the line connecting the two end posts, C' C'. A wicket, D', is arranged directly in front of each end post, C', on the side toward the central post, C, and a wicket, D<sup>2</sup>, is arranged a short distance in front of each end wicket, D', parallel to the same, near the longitudinal rails, with its center on the radial line of the corresponding wicket D of the central circle of wickets. A wicket, D<sup>3</sup>, is arranged parallel to the longitudinal end rails, a short distance from the same and on a transverse central line of the table, passing through the central post, C.

The game is played as follows: As many balls are required as there are players, and each ball must be provided with a mark, or must have a different color, so that one can be distinguished from the other. Each player is provided with a cue. The ball is placed in front of one of the end posts, C', and the player must shoot it through the wickets D' and D on the longitudinal central line of the table, and the ball must strike the central post, C. If it fails to do this, the player must await his turn and try a second or third time until he succeeds. If the ball strikes the central post,

it must be shot to the outside of the wicket D<sup>2</sup>, then through the wickets D<sup>2</sup> and the wicket D of the central circle on the radial line, and must strike the central post, C, and then is shot to the outside of the wicket D<sup>3</sup>, and then through this wicket to the central post, C, and in this manner around the entire table until it strikes the beginning post C'. If a player misses the central post, C, or fails to shoot his ball through the proper wickets, he must await his next turn, the other players playing their balls in the meantime; but if a player makes a carrom—that is, strikes two other balls with his ball—he is allowed his wickets—that is, it counts as much as if he had passed through his next two wickets and struck the central post.

The table can be made of any desired size, and can be provided with legs or other suitable supports, if desired.

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

1. In a game to be played with balls and cues, the combination, with the table A, of the raised end rails, B, a central post, C, two opposite end posts, C' C', near the cushion-rails, and a series of wickets, substantially as herein shown and described, and for the purpose set forth.

2. In a game to be played with balls and cues, the combination, with the table A, of the raised end rails, B B, the central post, C, the end posts, C' C', near the cushion-rails, a series of wickets, D, on a circular line around the central post, C, the wickets D' in front of each end post, C', on the central longitudinal line of the table, the wickets D<sup>2</sup> near the longitudinal end rails, and on a radial line of the table and of the wickets D<sup>3</sup> near the longitudinal end rails, and on a transverse central line of the table, substantially as herein shown and described, and for the purpose set forth.

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