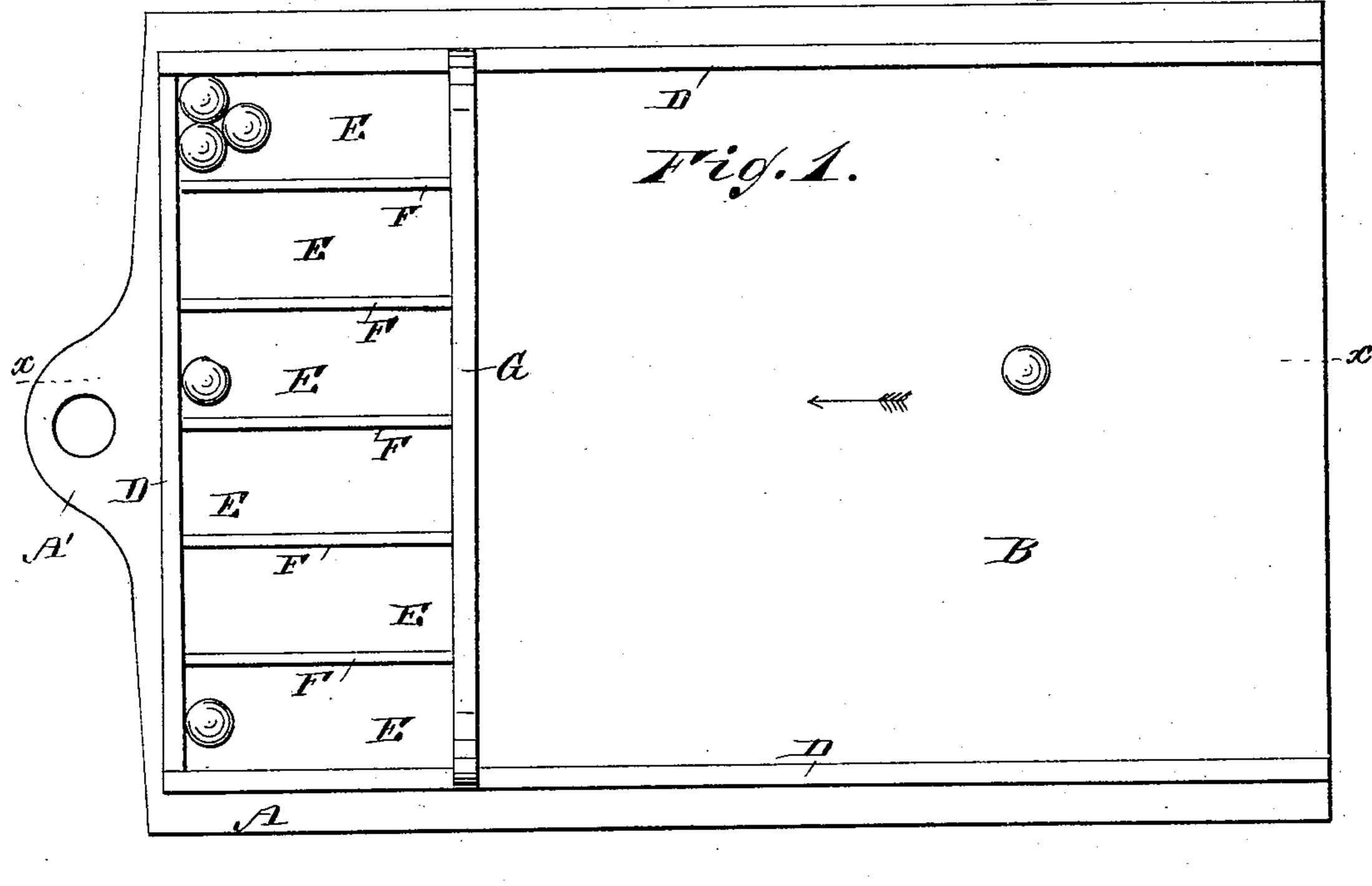
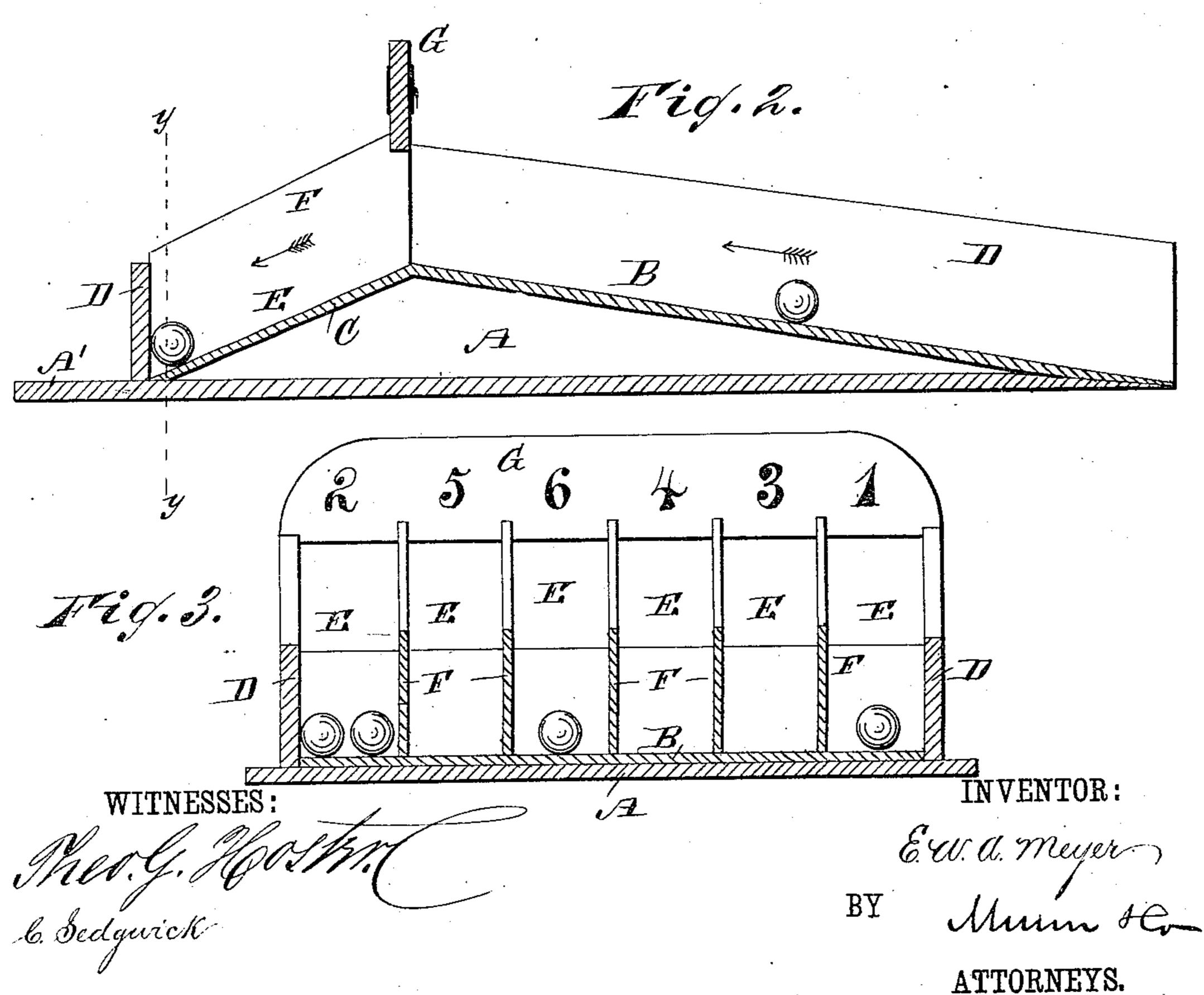
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, EDWARD W. A. MEŸER, of Boston, Suffolk county, Massachusetts, have invented a new and Improved Marble-Playing Board, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

The object of my invention is to provide a new and improved apparatus or board for play-

ing the game of marbles.

The invention consists in a game-board inclined from both ends toward a transverse line between the ends which board is provided on one end with a series of partitions placed edgewise, and forming pockets for receiving the marbles that have been rolled over the board. The pockets are each provided with a number.

Reference is to be had to the accompanying drawings, forming part of this specification, in which similar letters of reference indicate cor-

responding parts in all the figures.

Figure 1 is a plan view of my improved marble-playing board. Fig. 2 is a longitudinal sectional elevation of the same on the line x, Fig. 1. Fig. 3 is a cross-sectional elevation of the same on the line y, Fig. 2.

On a base-board, A, two boards, B and C, of different lengths, are fastened in such a manner that they will be inclined to each other—30 that is, the board B, which is the longest, will be inclined from the front of the board A upward toward the joint of the boards B C, and the shorter board, C, will be inclined from the above joint toward the rear end of the board A. Side boards, D, are secured to the side and rear edges of the board A, to prevent the marbles from running off. The inclined board C

is divided into a series of compartments, E, by partitions F, placed edgewise on the said inclined board, and extending from the joint of 45 the two boards B C down to the rear of the board C. A transverse board or strip, G, is secured to the upper edges of the partitions F, at the highest points of the same, and on the said board or strip G the numbers of the sev- 45 eral compartments E are arranged on both sides. The board A is provided at its rear end with an apertured wing or lug, A', through which a spike or nail may be driven to hold the game-board in place. The front ends of 50 the boards A and B are beveled and tapered off, as shown, so that the marbles can run very easily upon the board B.

The marbles run up the inclined board B, then over the ridge into one of the pockets, 55

out of which they cannot roll back.

I am aware that bagatelle-boards, &c., have been constructed with compartments or pockets resembling those of my game-board; but that I do not claim, broadly, for all these boards 60 have been made level, whereas mine is inclined in two planes.

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

A game-board inclined from both ends to 65 a transverse line between the ends, and having on one end a series of partitions arranged edgewise to form marble-pockets, whereby marbles may be rolled over the table and made to reach different pockets, as described.

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