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Fig. 1.

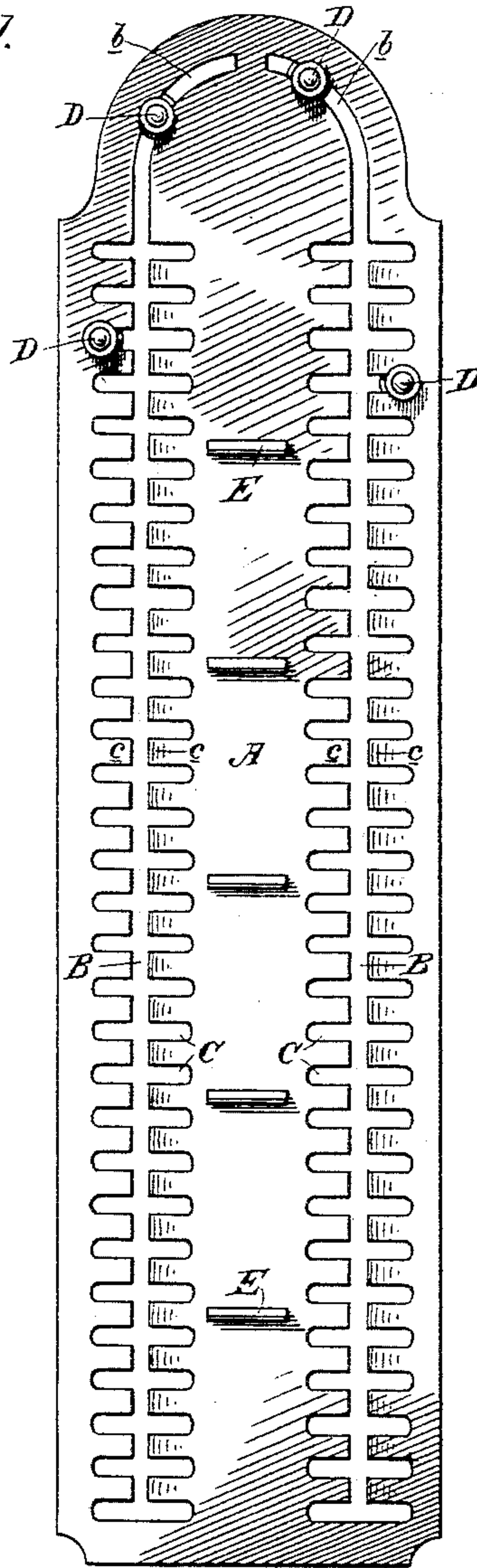
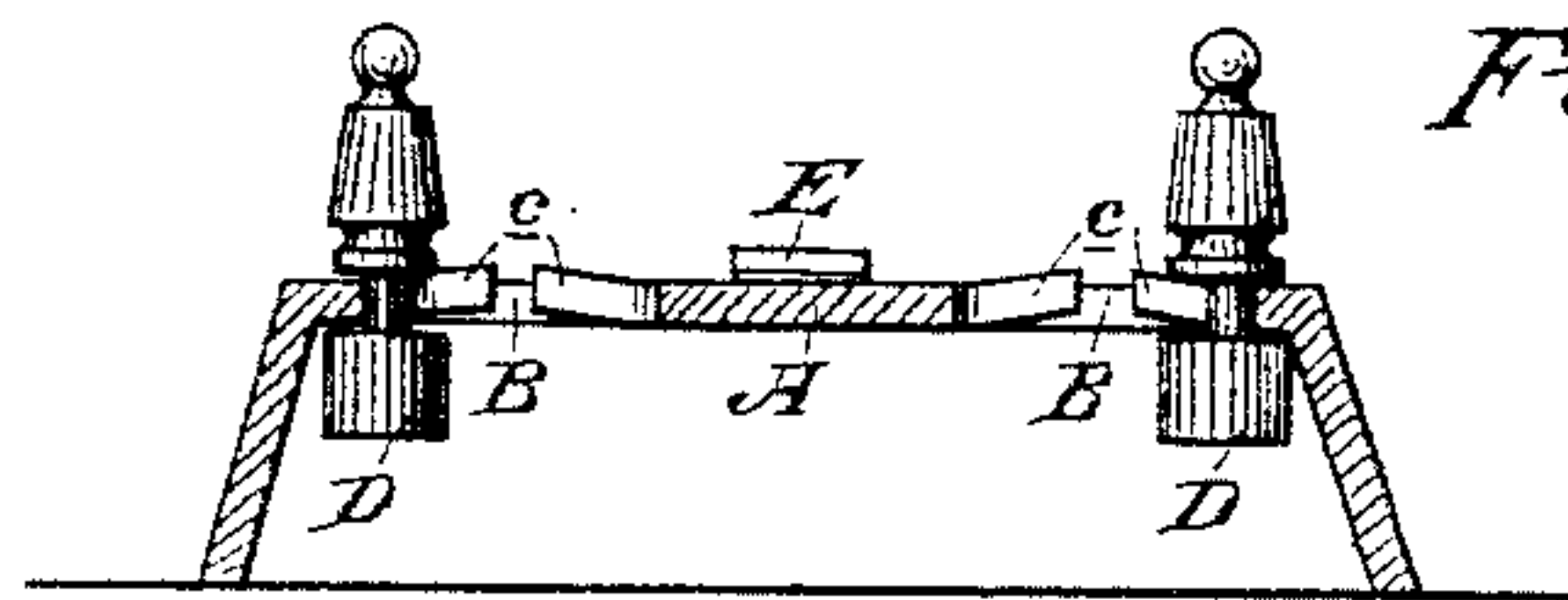


Fig. 2.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, FRANK G. NASH, of the city and county of San Francisco, State of California, have invented an Improvement in
5 Counting or Scoring Boards; and I hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the same.

My invention relates to the class of counting devices for scoring games, and particularly
10 to that form adapted for games of cards, such as cribbage, &c.

My invention consists in a plate having one or more longitudinal slots with short cross-slots opening out from each side thereof, and
15 in double-headed pegs fitted and adapted to be moved in the slots, all of which, together with details of construction, I shall hereinafter fully describe.

The object of my invention is to provide a
20 cribbage-board with the pegs so arranged that they cannot be disconnected, so that all danger of misplacement or loss is avoided.

Referring to the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a plan of my board. Fig. 2 is a
25 cross-section of same.

A is the plate, having formed in it the longitudinal slots B, which form the ways for the scoring-pegs, and the cross slots C, opening out from each side of slots B and forming the
30 scoring-slots. At one end the main or way slots have extensions *b* for the pegs to rest in at the beginning of the count. D are the scoring-pegs. They are double-headed—that is to say, their centers are turned down, so as
35 to pass easily along the way-slots and into the scoring-slots—and each end or head is left large enough to prevent the peg from dropping down through the slot or from being drawn up from its place. The pegs are thus
40 held permanently in place to the board and cannot be mislaid or lost.

An important feature of my board is that the tongues *e*, which are formed between the scoring-slots C, are all upwardly inclined to
45 their free ends. The purpose of this is to keep the pegs in place in the scoring-slots by providing an upgrade toward the way-slots, and therefore said pegs are not liable to be disturbed by any jarring of the table on which
50 the board rests.

E are lugs on the center of the plate, which serve to mark off into divisions the scoring-slots, whereby the counting and placing of the pegs may be rapid. In starting, the pegs all rest in the extension-slots *b*. When a count
55 is made, one of the pegs is slid along the extension into the way-slot B, and when opposite to that scoring-slot C which represents the count is slipped into said slot. Upon the next count the second peg is used, and the pegs go
60 down one side and up the other, just as in ordinary cribbage-boards.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—
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1. A counting or scoring board consisting of a plate having a longitudinal slot or slots forming the ways for the scoring-pegs, and cross-slots opening out from each side thereof, and pegs fitted to the plate to move in the
70 way-slots and enter the scoring-slots, substantially as herein described.

2. A counting or scoring board consisting of a plate having longitudinal slots forming ways for the scoring-pegs, and cross-slots opening out from each side thereof, and pegs having turned-down centers fitting and sliding in the slots, and enlarged heads or ends, whereby
75 said pegs are confined in the slots, substantially as herein described.

3. A counting or scoring board consisting of a plate having a plural number of longitudinal slots forming ways for the scoring-pegs, and cross-slots opening out from each side thereof, said cross-slots having an up-
80 grade to the way-slots for preventing the pegs from being jarred from place, and scoring-pegs fitted to the plates to move in the way-slots and enter the scoring-slots, substantially as herein described.

4. A counting or scoring board consisting of a plate having a plural number of longitudinal way-slots, and cross scoring-slots opening out therefrom, said cross-slots having an
90 upgrade to the way-slots, scoring-pegs having turned-down centers fitting and sliding in the slots, and enlarged heads or ends, whereby said pegs are confined in the slots, substantially as herein described.

5. The counting or scoring board consist-
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ing of a plate, A, having the way-slots B, with
extension-slots *b* at one end, and cross scoring-
slots C, opening out from each side of the way-
slots, said cross-slots having an upgrade to
5 the way-slots, and the sliding pegs D, fitted in
the slots and having enlarged heads or ends,
whereby they are confined, substantially as
herein described.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my
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