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Fig. 1.

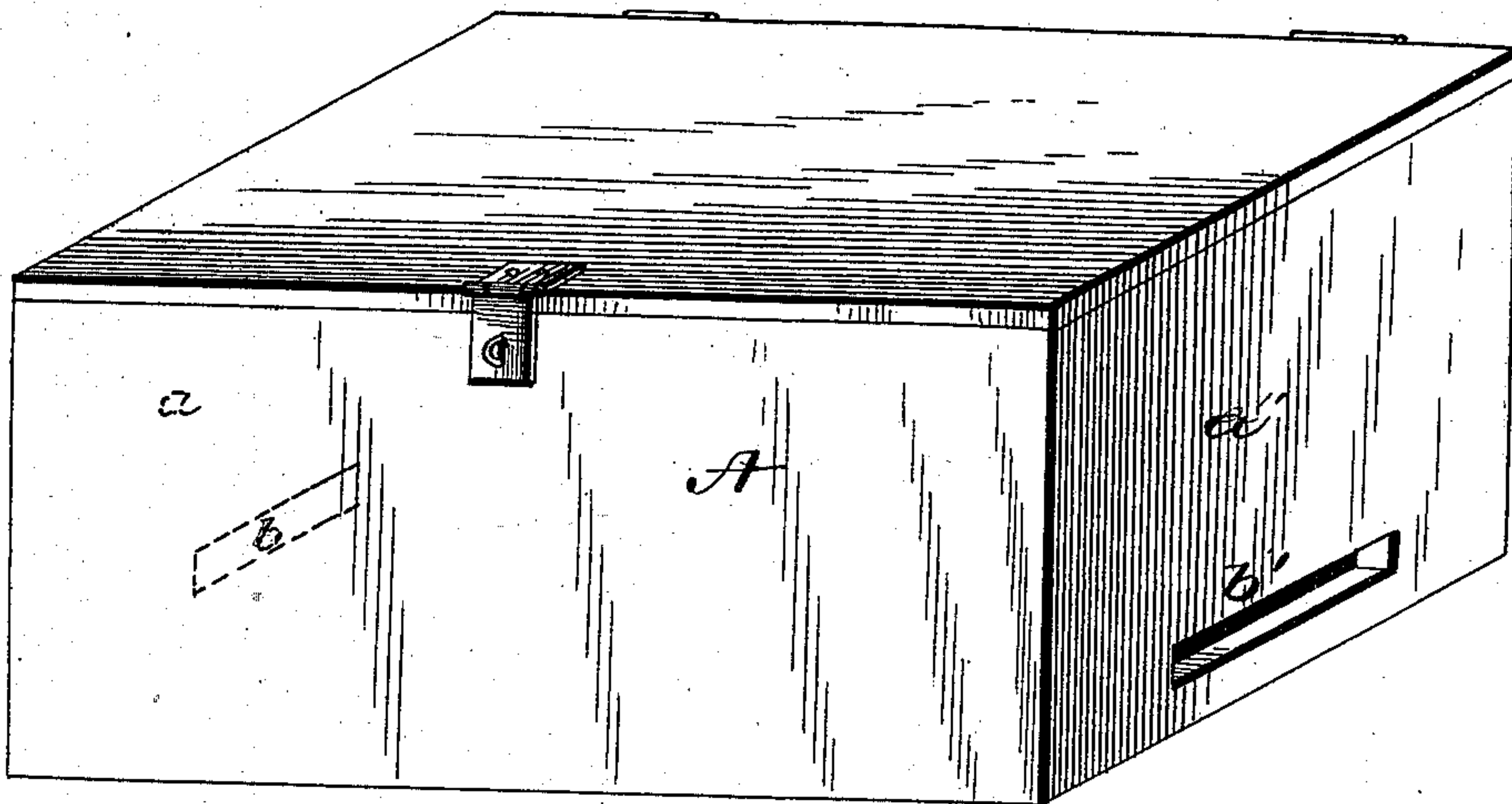


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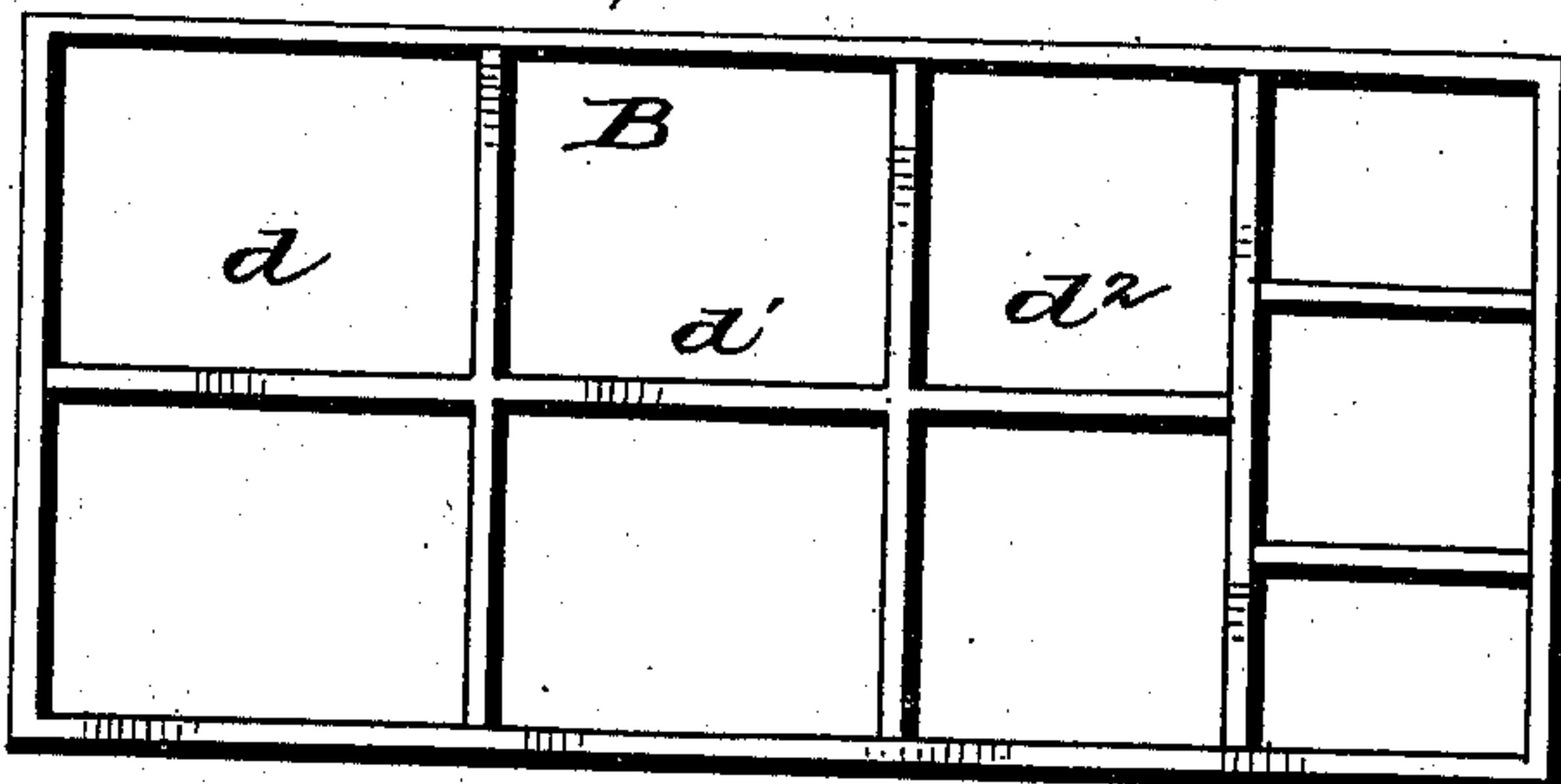
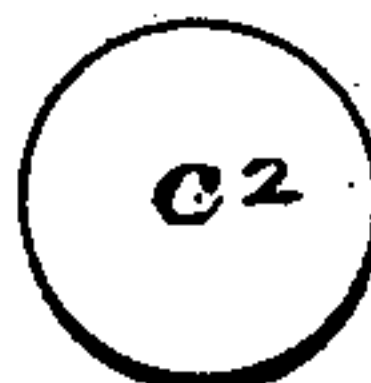
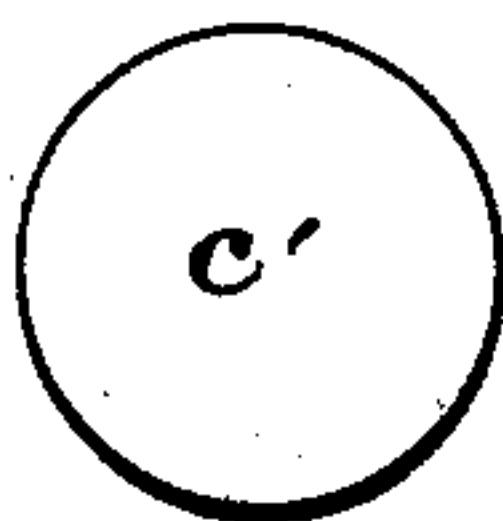


Fig. 3.



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## MONEY-CHANGE GAME.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, JAMES MCCARDELL, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of St. Petersburg, in the county of Hillsborough and State of Florida, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Money-Change Games; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, which will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same.

My invention relates to games, and has for its object to familiarize children and others with the denominations of coins, to teach the art of making change, and to furnish practice tending to make the players rapid and correct handlers of money. To this end I employ, in connection with the method hereinafter described, the appliances shown in the annexed drawings, in which—

Figure 1 represents the rectangular box forming part of the game. Fig. 2 represents a vertical section of a partitioned frame which fits closely into the box represented in Fig. 1. Fig. 3 represents specimens of the jettons intended to be used.

Like letters of reference denote corresponding parts in all the figures.

The rectangular box A is made of tin or other suitable material, and is of sufficient dimensions to hold a considerable number of jettons. Through the end pieces *a a'* of the box A, and at the bottom of said end pieces, are slots *b b'*. The slot *b* is of sufficient dimensions to allow only the medium and small sized jettons to slip through, while the slot *b'* is large enough to allow the largest jettons to slide out. The frame B is made to fit closely into the box A and close the slots *b b'*. It has no bottom, but is provided with longitudinal and cross partitions, making pockets *d d' d''*, sufficient in number and size to accommodate the various denominations *c c' c''* of jettons intended to be used.

The jettons *c c' c''* are made of card-board or other suitable material, and represent in size and to some extent in appearance the various coins in common use.

Children will find amusement in handling the jettons or representations of money and in sorting and arranging them in the pockets formed by slipping the partitioned frame B

into the box A, and will at the same time become familiar with the appearance of coins of the various denominations; but to add to the usual interest of children in representations of money, and to give both children and others practice that they may acquire facility in making change and in the addition and subtraction incident thereto, a regular game has been provided, which will be played substantially as follows:

Partitioned frame B is removed from the box A, the jettons shuffled or mixed up and dealt out by hand or by shaking them through the slots *b b'* in the end pieces *a a'* of the box A to the various players, designated, for convenience, as C D E, &c., as two or any number of persons may engage in the game at the same time. The first player C puts down one of the larger jettons, and the next player D gives player C in exchange smaller jettons, aggregating in supposed value the exact amount represented by the jetton C has played. If the second player D fails to make change, he forfeits the next larger amount he can make, even though it takes all he has, and the first player C adds this and the jetton he played to his pile and plays again. If but two persons are playing, player C must play a jetton of a different denomination at his second play; but if several persons are engaged in the game he plays the second time to the third player E. Whenever a player can make exact change, it becomes his turn to play, and he throws to the next one beyond him. If at any time a player can neither make change nor aggregate an amount equal to the value of the jetton thrown to him, he forfeits what he has and drops out of the hand. When a player has taken all the jettons, he is said to have won a point. The partition-frame B is then put back into the box A, and the successful player sorts and arranges the jettons in the pockets *d d' d''* as a merchant does in the till of his money-drawer. The partition-frame B is then removed, the jettons shuffled and dealt as before, and this is kept up till some one of the players has won a game, which may consist of three, five, or any desired number of points.

There may be numerous changes in the method of playing to vary the practice and retain the interest of the players. One use-



ful variation would be to supply the players with blocks or checks representing purchases of different values. These blocks or checks could be put down by one player C and another player D pay for them with a jetton of any desired denomination, and then first player C would be obliged to make change, as in actual trade, or forfeit an amount in excess, substantially as hereinbefore set forth. The number and representing value of the jettons may be varied at the will of the players or with reference to the number engaged in the game.

To familiarize the players with certain business forms, the bottom of the box A may be furnished with the more common form of notes and checks.

Having thus described my invention, I claim

and desire to secure by Letters Patent of the United States—

The game of money-change herein shown and described, comprising the following elements: a series of checks or jettons of varying size and denominations, the slotted box adapted for shuffling and dealing the same, and the removable partitioned frame, constructed and combined to co-operate substantially in the manner and for the purpose set forth.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my own I have hereunto affixed my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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