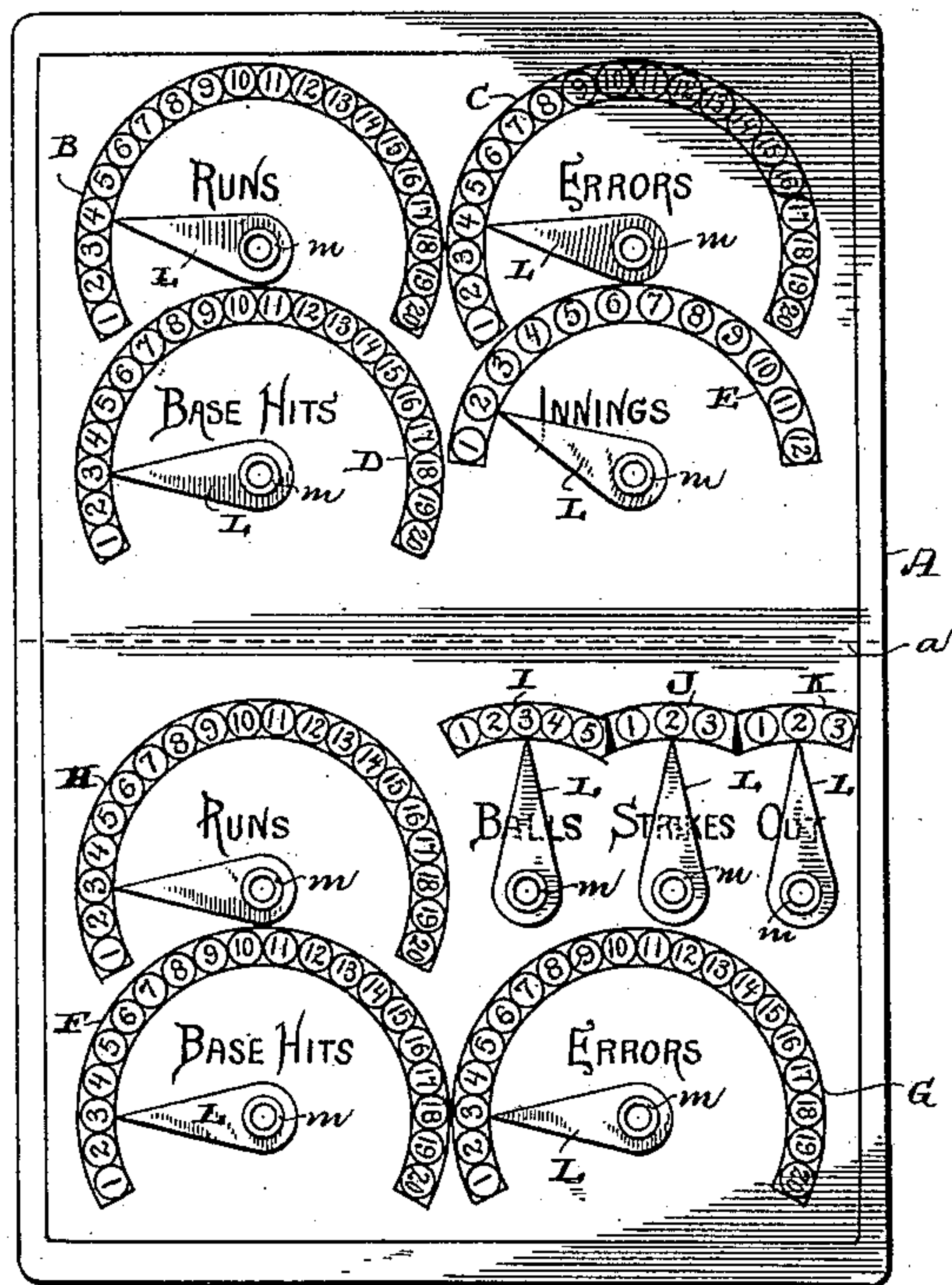


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ANDREW HUNTER, of Milwaukee, in the county of Milwaukee, and in the State of Wisconsin, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Base-Ball Score-Cards; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof.

My invention relates to cards for keeping the score of the game of base-ball; and it consists in certain peculiar and novel features of construction and arrangement, as hereinafter described, and pointed out in the appended claim.

In order that my invention may be fully understood, I will proceed to describe it with reference to the accompanying drawing, which represents a plan view of a base-ball score-card constructed and arranged in accordance with my invention.

The object of my invention is to produce a score-card which can be conveniently held and manipulated and which shall properly indicate at a glance all of the steps or salient features of the game. This result I attain by virtue of the construction which I will now proceed to describe.

In the drawing, A designates a backing or body, which may be of wood, metal, cardboard, or any material possessing sufficient lightness and rigidity for convenient handling. This backing is preferably of oblong rectangular form, as shown, and is also preferably creased transversely midway of its length, as indicated by the dotted line *a*, so as to be folded together to protect the face of the card and to be conveniently carried in the pocket. The upper part of the card is occupied by two inscribed double semicircles B C, within each of which is a consecutive series of numerals, beginning with "1" and running to "20," as shown, or more or less, as preferred. The left-hand segment B is the "runs-score," and is preferably so designated by the inscribed word "Runs," as shown, while the right-hand segment C is the "errors-score," and is preferably so designated by the inscribed word "Errors." Immediately beneath the runs-score B is inscribed a double semicircle D, containing a consecutive series of numerals beginning with "1" and running to "20," or more or less, as preferred. This is the

"base-hits" score, and is preferably so designated by the inscribed words "Base hits." Immediately beneath the errors-score C is inscribed a double semicircle E, containing a consecutive series of numerals "1" and running to "20," or more or less, as preferred. This is the "innings-score," and is preferably so designated by the inscribed word "Innings." The lower end of the backing is occupied by two inscribed double semicircles F G, within each of which is a consecutive series of numerals, beginning with "1" and running to "20," or more or less, as preferred. The left-hand segment F is the base-hits score, and is preferably so designated by the inscribed words "Base hits," as shown, while the right-hand segment G is the errors-score, and is preferably so designated by the inscribed word "Errors." Immediately above the base-hits score F is inscribed a double semicircle H, containing a consecutive series of numerals, beginning with "1" and running to "20," or more or less, as preferred. This is the runs-score, and is preferably so designated by the inscribed word "Runs." To the right of the runs-score H is inscribed a short double segment I, containing a consecutive series of numerals, beginning with "1" and running to "5," or more or less, as preferred. This is the "balls-score," and is preferably so designated by the inscribed word "Balls." To the right of the balls-score I is inscribed a short double segment J, containing a consecutive series of numerals, beginning with "1" and running to "3," or more or less, as preferred. This is the "strikes-score," and is preferably so designated by the inscribed word "Strikes." To the right of the strikes-score J is inscribed a short double segment K, containing a consecutive series of numerals, beginning with "1" and running to "3," or more or less, as preferred. This is the "out-score," and is preferably so indicated by the inscribed word "Out." Within each of these semicircular scores is an index or pointer L, which is pivoted at the center of the radius of each score, preferably by an eyelet *m*, extending through the backing A and through the base of the pointer. These pointers are preferably of celluloid, which does not injure the finish or facing of the backing A.

From the above description it will be seen

that I have produced a score-card which contains all of the score-points of the game of base-ball conveniently arranged for instant reference, and which can be conveniently and
5 accurately manipulated while being held in the user's hand.

My device may obviously be adapted for other games.

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

An improved base-ball score-card comprising a backing-piece divided transversely by a crease or fold located approximately mid-
15 way of its length and having the score-points

indicated by sets of numerals arranged in consecutive series and in semicircular forms above and below the crease or fold, and a number of pivoted indices or pointers, one for each series of numerals, substantially as
20 set forth.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing I have hereunto set my hand, at Chicago, in the county of Cook and State of Illinois, in the presence of two witnesses.

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