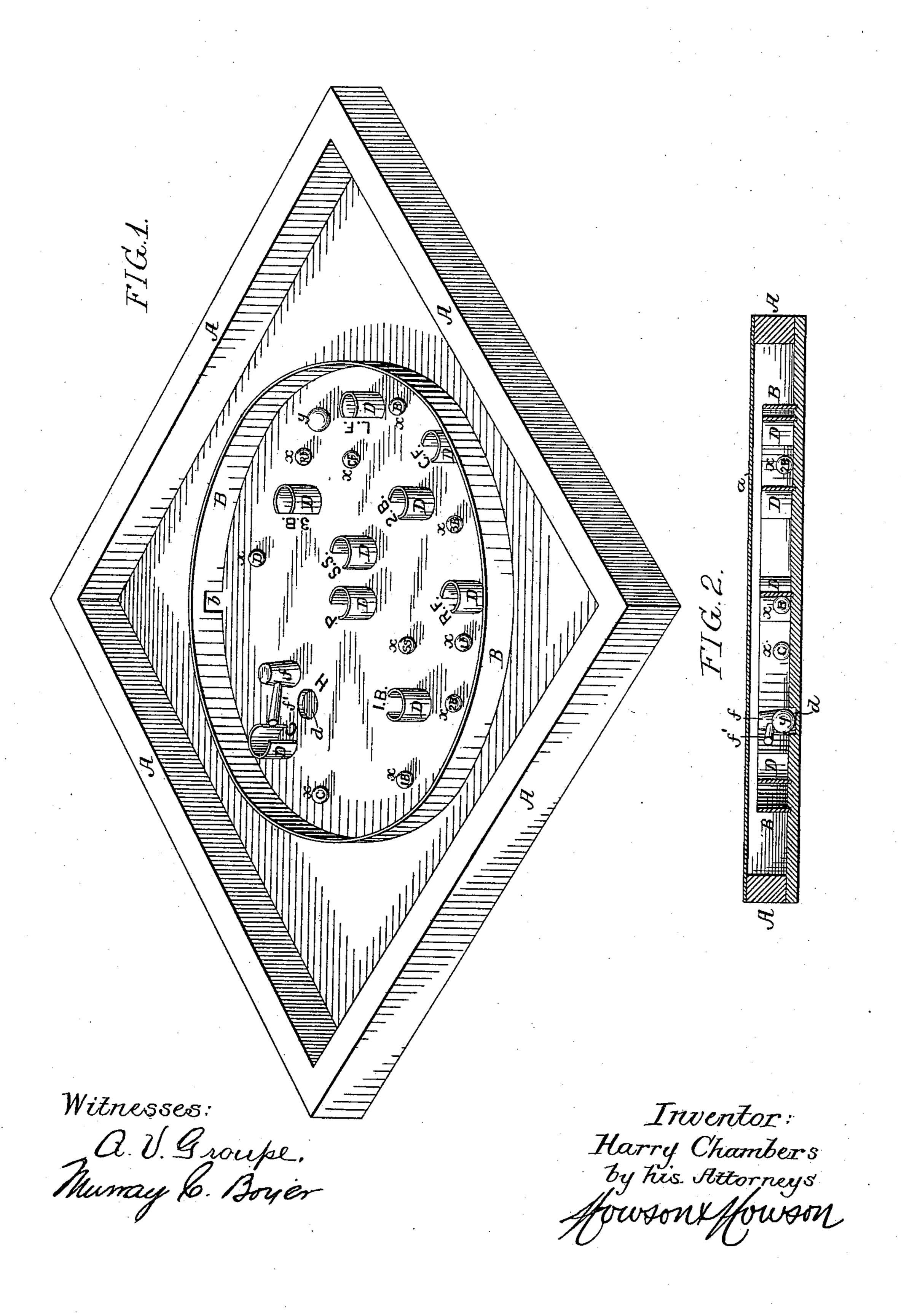
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, HARRY CHAMBERS, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of Moorestown, Burlington county, New Jersey, 5 have invented an Improved Game or Toy, of which the following is a specification.

The object of my invention is to provide an attractive toy of that class in which a box or receptacle to be held in and manipulated by 13 the hand is provided with balls or pellets to be directed into an inclosure within said box or receptacle or into certain special positions therein. This object I attain in the manner hereinafter set forth, reference being had to 15 the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of a toy constructed in accordance with my invention, and Fig. 2 is a longitudinal section of the

same.

The toy consists of a box or receptacle A, which in the present instance is of rectangular form and is provided with a glass top or cover a, although the shape of the box may be varied, as desired, and the top or cover 25 may be dispensed with in some cases. Within the box or receptacle A is a circular rim or inclosure B, in which is an opening b, and within this inclosure are a series of pockets or pouches D, these pockets being nine in 30 number and occupying a relation to each other similar to that of the players of a base-ball nine when the latter are in the field.

At a point corresponding to the home-plate of the base-ball field there is a depression d35 in the bottom of the box A, and at one side of this depression is a post f, having a projecting arm f', so as to represent the batter.

The box A contains nine balls or pellets xand one pellet y somewhat larger in size than 40 the pellets x and considerably less in specific gravity, and in using the toy the small pellets are at the outset collected in the box outside of the limits of the rim or inclosure B, the object being to so manipulate the box that 45 the pellets will be caused to enter the inclosure through the opening b and become lodged in the pockets or pouches D within the same. In order to effect this, the pellet y must be lodged in the depression d in the bottom of 50 the box and caused to remain therein while the pellets x are being directed into the pockets D. Otherwise these small pellets will

have a tendency to roll into the depression d, and thus require such an agitation of the box in order to dislodge them as to dislodge such 55 of the other pellets as may have previously

been directed into the pockets D.

By making the pellet y of less specific gravity than the pellets x the difficulty in properly lodging said small pellets in the pock- 60 ets is increased, as any sudden or violent movement of the box will dislodge said pellet y from the depression d, into which it will be difficult to return the same without dislodging the smaller pellets from the pockets, as 65 the small pellets will have a tendency to run in advance of the large pellet and enter the depression d before said large pellet can gain access thereto.

In order to still further increase the diffi- 70 culty in properly lodging the pellets x in the pockets D, the pockets may be marked so as to indicate the respective players of the nine represented thereby, and the pellets x may be likewise marked, so that each pellet will have 75 to be directed to a special pocket; and, if desired, there may be ten of the small pellets instead of nine, and after the nine pellets have been properly lodged in their respective pockets the pellet y may be dislodged from 80 the depression d and the tenth pellet x caused to enter the same; or the pellets x, instead of being round, may be flat, and may be caused to slide into position on spots or tablets which replace the pockets D, and occupy the same 85 relation as said pockets on the base A.

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

1. The within-described game or toy, in which a box or receptacle having a series of 90 pockets or pouches and a depression in the bottom of the box are combined with a series of pellets, one of which is of less specific gravity than the others, substantially as specified.

2. The within-described game or toy, in 95 which a box or receptacle having an inclosure with opening therein, a series of pockets or pouches within said inclosure, and a depression in the bottom of the box are combined with a series of pellets, one of which differs 100 in size or specific gravity from the others, substantially as specified.

3. The within-described game or toy, in which a box or receptacle adapted to be held and and the second of the seco

in and manipulated by the hand and having a series of pockets or stations to indicate the various positions in a base-ball field are combined with a series of pellets representing the players of a base-ball nine and a supplementary pellet of different specific gravity, substantially as specified.

In testimony whereof I have signed my name to this specification in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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