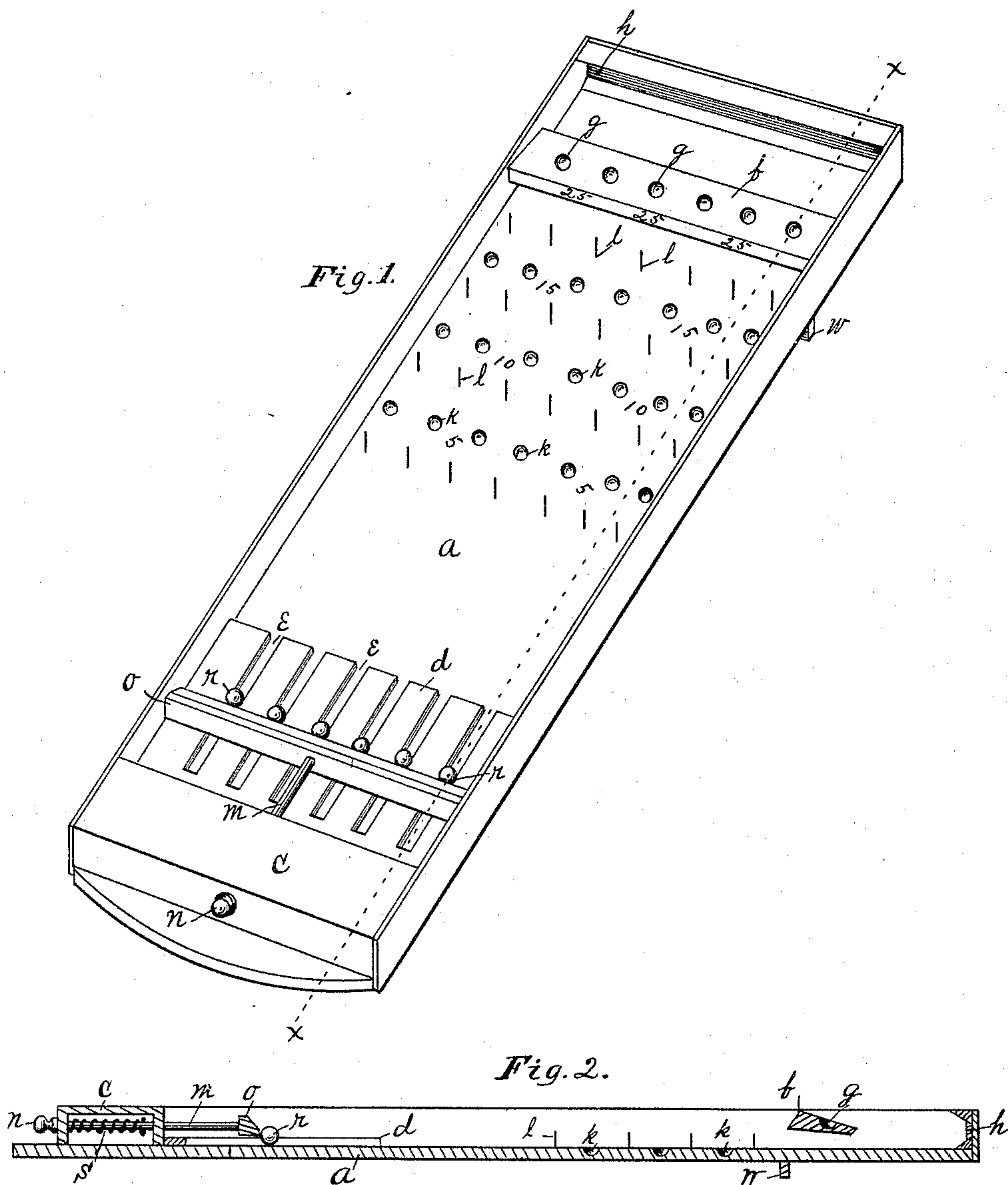


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOHN B. DAVIDS, a citizen of the United States, residing at North Dartmouth, in the county of Bristol and State of Massachusetts, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Game Apparatus, which I call "Bouncetelle," of which the following is a specification, reference being had to the drawings hereto annexed, in which—

Figure 1. is a view in perspective of my improved game apparatus. Fig. 2. is a view in longitudinal section of the same through the line *x, x*.

Similar letters refer to similar parts in both the views.

a, represents a shallow oblong tray, having its upper surface provided with the circular recesses *k*, and the pins *l*, and adapted to rest in an inclined position on the support *w*.

d, represents a board, fixed on the bottom, and at one end of said tray, having the open ended slots or grooves *e*, adapted to serve as guides for the balls *r*.

c, represents a propelling device, adapted to propel the balls *r*, consisting of the rod *m*, having the handle *n*, and head *o*, and the spring *s*.

b, represents a board having the recesses *g*, fixed by its ends to the sides of the tray, and sufficiently above the bottom of the tray, to allow free passage of the balls *r*, beneath it.

h, represents a deflector, fixed in the end of the tray, which deflector may have an elas-

tic surface, or be composed of elastic material. The recesses *k*, are numbered as 5, 10, 15—and the recesses *g*, in the board *b*, as 25.

The game is played by two or more persons. The balls *r*, are placed in the slots *e*, and the handle *n* drawn backward and released. The force of the spring *s*, drives the balls along the bottom of the tray, under the board *b*, and against the deflector *h*, which causes them to be tossed into the air, in the direction of the recesses *g*; the object being, to give the balls such an impetus, as to cause as many of them as possible, to lodge in the recesses *g*; which makes the highest count in the game. If the balls fail to lodge in the recesses *g*, and roll into some of the recesses *k*, it is a count in the game of the number of points, with which the recess is numbered.

I claim—

A game apparatus, consisting of the shallow, oblong tray *a*, adapted to rest in an inclined position, having a series of recesses in parallel rows, sunk in its surface, and a series of pins arranged in parallel and alternate rows with said recesses; the deflector *h*; the board *b*, having the recesses *g*; the board *d*, having the open ended slots or grooves *e*; the propelling device *c*; and the balls *r*; all as shown, and for the purpose described.

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