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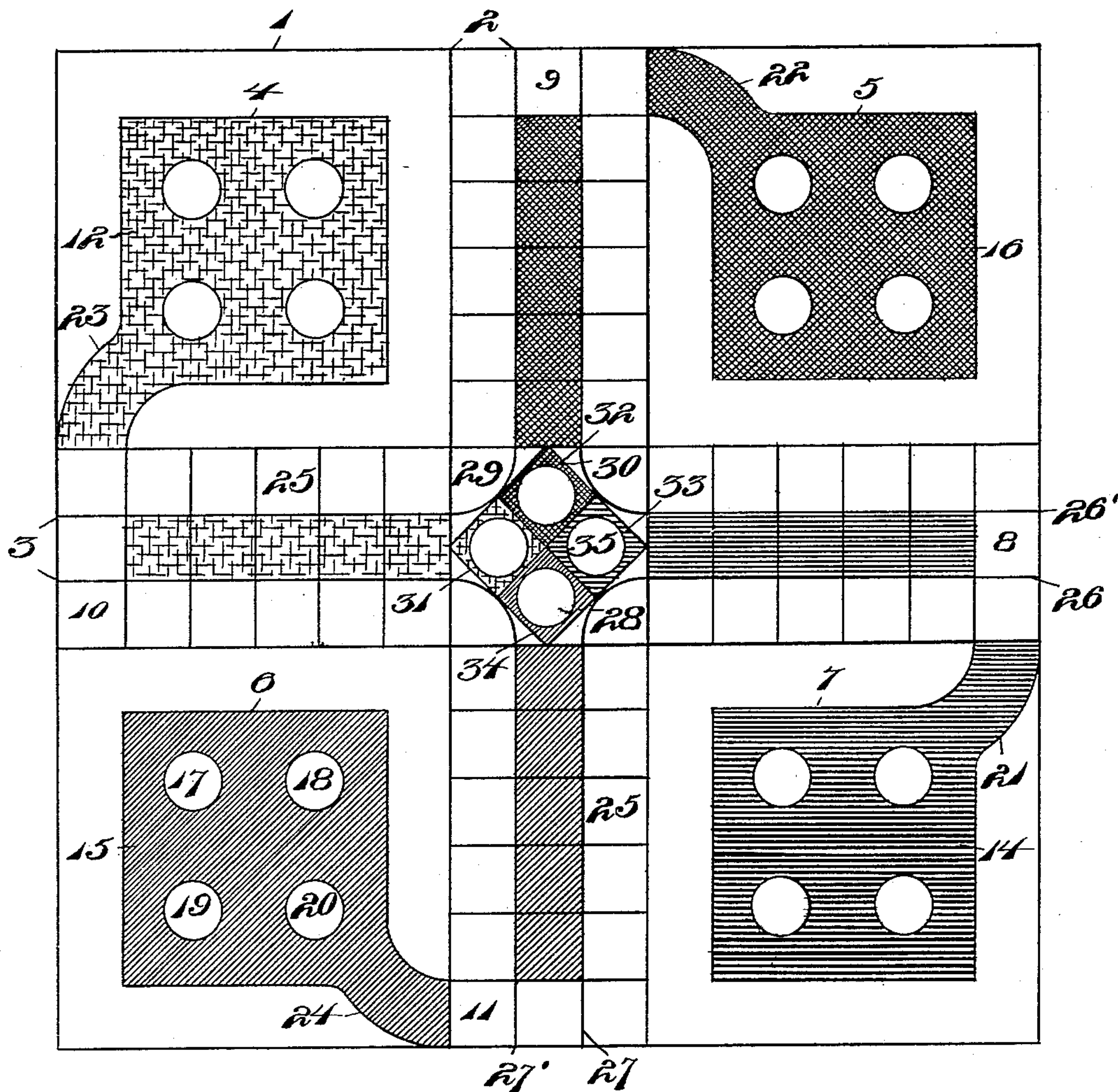
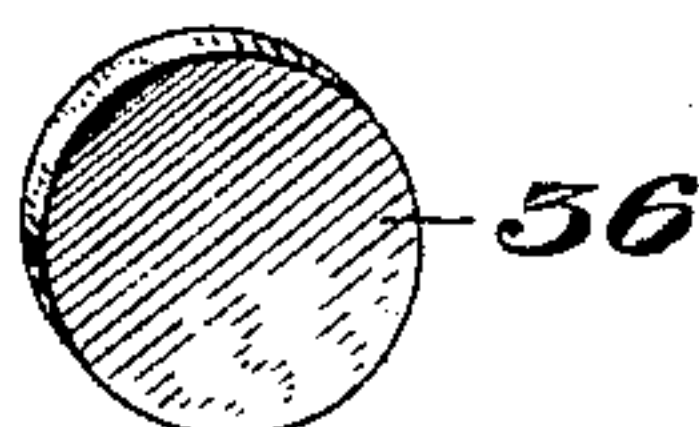


Fig. 2.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, THOMAS A. JACKSON, a citizen of the United States of America, residing at Adelaide, in the county of Fayette and State of Pennsylvania, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Game-Boards, of which the following is a specification, reference being had therein to the accompanying drawings.

My invention relates to certain new and novel improvements in game-boards.

This invention relates to game-boards used for games of skill and amusement controlled by the casting or throwing of dice.

The invention aims to construct a game-board of this character which will be new and novel, and the particular features thereof will be hereinafter more specifically described, illustrated in the accompanying drawings, and particularly pointed out in the claim.

In describing the invention in detail reference is had to the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification, wherein like numerals of reference indicate corresponding parts, and in which—

Figure 1 is a top plan view of my improved game-board. Fig. 2 is a perspective view of an ordinary counter used in games played upon a game-board of this character.

Referring to the drawings by reference-numerals, 1 indicates the board, which is of square formation and is divided by a series of vertical lines 2 and horizontal lines 3, running the entire length of the board, into a series of square portions 4, 5, 6, and 7 and oblong portions 8, 9, 10, and 11. The square portions 4, 5, 6, and 7 have arranged therein smaller square portions 12, 14, 15, and 16, having a series of circular portions 17, 18, 19, and 20 arranged therein. The smaller square portions are connected to the oblong portions by the curved portions 21, 22, 23, and 24. The oblong portions are divided into a series of squares 25 by means of horizontal lines 26 26' and vertical lines 27 27'. The horizontal lines 26 are connected to the vertical lines 27 by the curved lines 28.

Formed at the center of the board by means of the vertical lines 2 and horizontal lines 3 is a square portion 29, having arranged therein a diamond-shaped portion 30. This diamond-shaped portion 30 is divided into a se-

ries of smaller diamond-shaped portions 31, 32, 33, and 34, having a circular portion 35 arranged in each thereof.

I make the square portions 12, 14, 15, and 16 each of different colors and which match with the central portion of the oblong portions and also with one of the smaller diamond-shaped portions and also with the counters 36. (Only one shown.)

The game for which I use my improved game-board is called "Dewey," although other games may be played thereon, and it is preferably played by four players, although, if desirable, may be played by two, and it is played as follows: Each player takes four counters which match the colored square he has selected, and the object is to move the counters around the outer squares of the oblong portions until the central colored portion of the oblong portion which matches the counters is reached and on this colored portion until the counter reaches the smaller diamond-shaped portion which matches the same. The player reaching the smaller diamond first is declared the winner. The moves are regulated by the throwing of dice, each throw counting so much.

It is obvious that various rules may be made to govern the game and the movement of the counters, and it is thought unnecessary to set forth such herein.

It will be noted that various changes may be made in the details of construction without departing from the general spirit of my invention.

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

A game-board comprising in its construction a square base which is divided on its surface by horizontal lines extending from side to side of the board, intersecting each other at right angles and forming a square at each corner of the board, the said board or base having arranged centrally in each of said squares a smaller square which is colored differently from the larger square and each of said smaller squares being of a different color, each of the smaller squares having a number of uncolored circles therein and each being connected to the part of the surface inclosed by the horizontal lines by a curved portion

colored similarly to the smaller square which
it connects, said board having a diamond-
shaped or outlined center with four differ-
ently-colored squares therein and each of said
5 squares having a central circle indicating the
final or home move, substantially as shown
and described.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature
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