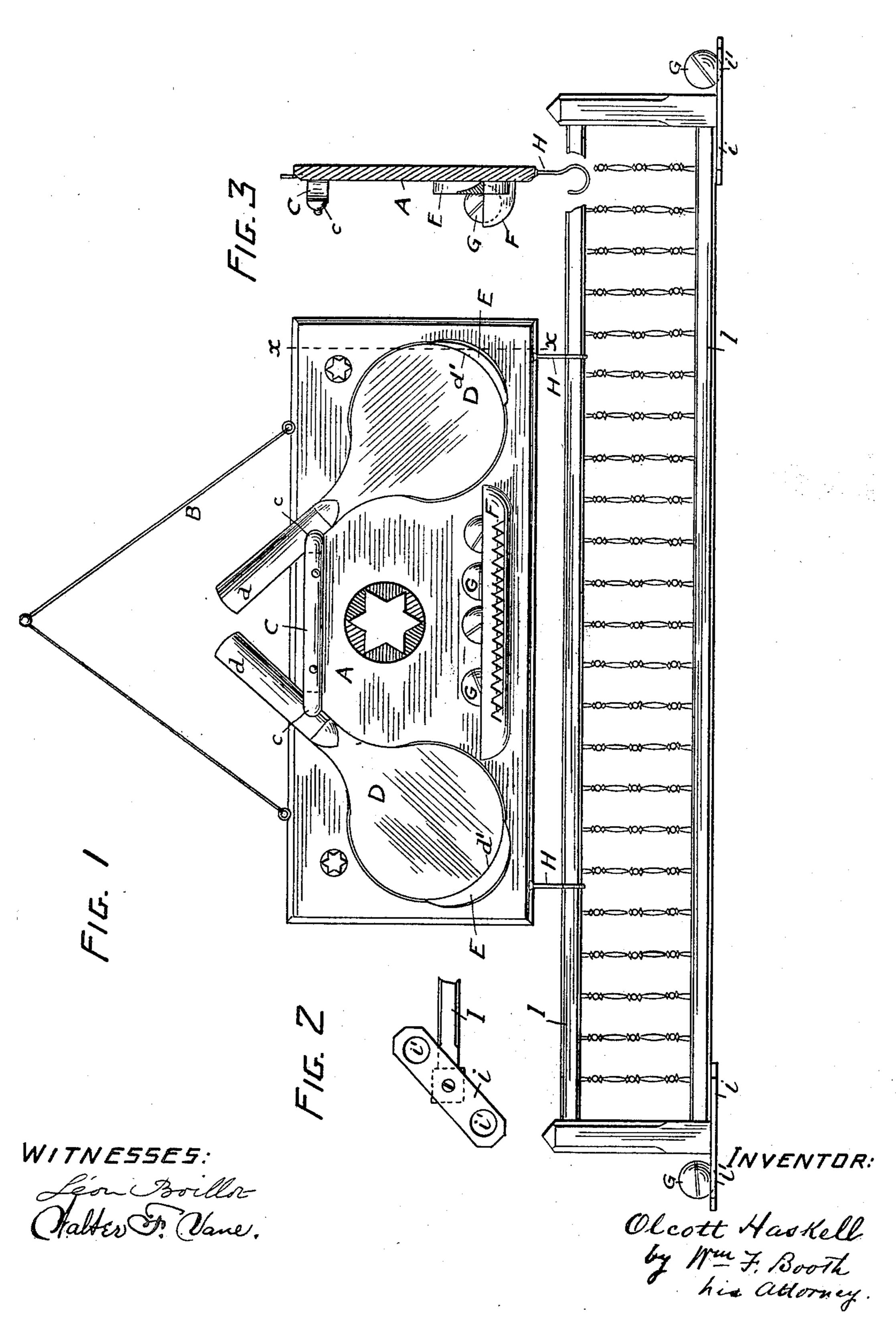
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To all whom it may concern:

Beit known that I, Olcott Haskell, a citizen of the United States, residing at San Rafael, Marin county, State of California, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Holders for Table-Tennis Sets; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the same.

My invention relates to that form of game to known as "table-tennis" or "ping-pong" and to a holder in connection therewith.

My invention consists in the novel construction, arrangement, and combination of parts which I shall hereinafter fully describe and which have for their object the production of a novel and attractive ping-pong set and means for displaying and safely disposing said set when not in use.

Referring to the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a front elevation of my combined table-tennis set and holder. Fig. 2 is a detail of one of the net-posts, showing the turnable footpiece. Fig. 3 is a section on line xx of Fig. 1.

A is a plate of any suitable material adapted to be hung from a wall in any manner, as by screws, hooks, or other fastenings, or, as here shown, by the wire or cord B. Upon the face of the plate near the upper portion of its 30 middle is secured a cleat C, the free ends c of which form, with the surface of the plate, seats for the reception of the handles d of the rackets D. On the face of the plate near each corner of its lower portion are secured 35 the cleats E, which are curved to receive and hold the bows d' of the rackets. Between the cleats E is secured to the face of the plate a trough F to receive the balls G. To the lower edge of plate A are secured hooks H, from 40 which is suspended the net I. This net may be the usual form of flexible net; but in its best form it is a rigid fence, as here shown, made of any suitable material, which rigid

form is better adapted for suspension from the plate than any other and can be more easily manipulated in moving it from the plate, in setting up on the table, and in replacing it on the hooks H. In the present construction the end posts of the net or fence

have pivoted to their lower ends the footpieces i, which can, when the fence is suspended, be turned in line therewith, thereby keeping them from projecting forwardly or against the wall, and when the fence is in use they can be turned at right angles thereto to 55 furnish the necessary stable support. In the projecting ends of feet i are made sockets or holes i' to form a seat for a ball, as is shown, thereby adding to the attraction or display of the game-set.

The cleats for the rackets may receive the latter either with the handles up or down, and said cleats may be of any suitable character to furnish proper support for the part resting therein. In the forms shown the handles d 65 of the rackets can be readily entered and easily removed from the cleat C, and bows d'of the rackets rest securely and easily in the cleats E. The relative positions of cleats C and E upon plate A are such as not only to 70 hold the rackets in a safe position and one adapting them to be readily handled, but also to afford space on the plate for the intervening trough F, which receives and carries the balls G in safe position easily reached. Thus 75 the entire game-set may be attractively displayed in this hanging holder and may be readily and securely hung up and disposed of therein when not in use.

Having thus described my invention, what 80 I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

1. A hanging plate of the character described provided with devices projecting from its front surface arranged to support a tennis-85 racket, said devices comprising one cleat designed to receive the handle of the racket, and a second cleat arranged at an inclination relative to the first-mentioned cleat, said second cleat being curved and designed to re-90 ceive the bow end of the racket, substantially as described.

2. A hanging plate of the character described provided with devices projecting from its front surface arranged to support tensis-rackets, said devices comprising a centrally-located cleat designed to receive the handles of the rackets, curved cleats designed

to receive the bow end of the rackets located beneath and at an inclination relative to the centrally-located cleat, and a holder for balls secured to the plate and located at a point beneath the centrally-located cleat and intermediate of the curved cleats, substantially as described.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand.

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