

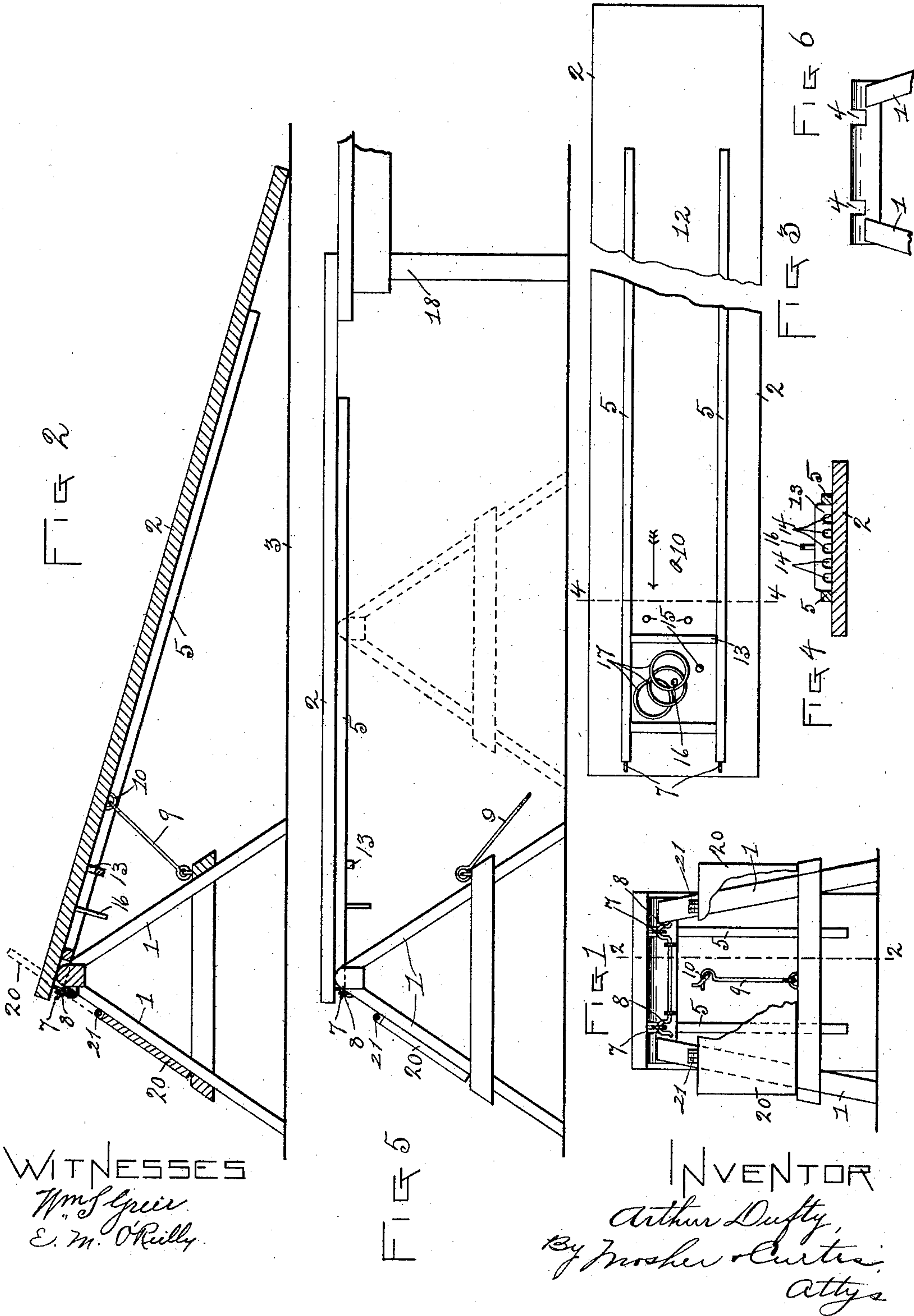
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ARTHUR DUFTY, a citizen of the United States, residing at Troy, county of Rensselaer and State of New York, have
5 invented certain new and useful Improvements in Game and Amusement Apparatus, of which the following is a specification.

The invention relates to such improvements; and it consists of the novel construction and
10 combination of parts hereinafter described and subsequently claimed.

Reference may be had to the accompanying drawings and the reference characters marked thereon, which form a part of this specification.

15 Similar characters refer to similar parts in the several figures.

My invention is particularly adapted for use by children as an amusement apparatus.

Figure 1 of the drawings is a view in rear elevation of the amusement apparatus arranged for use as a slide-board. Fig. 2 is a vertical longitudinal section of the same, taken on the broken line 2 2 in Fig. 1. Fig. 3 is a plan view of the board detached and inverted for
25 use in playing a marble or ring game. Fig. 4 is a cross-section of the same, taken on the broken line 4 4 in Fig. 3. Fig. 5 is a view in side elevation of the apparatus arranged for use as a table or ironing-board and indicating
30 by dotted lines the arrangement of the horse relatively to the board when the device is used as a seesaw. Fig. 6 is a view in side elevation of the top of the horse.

Referring to the drawings, 1 is a wooden
35 horse, and 2 is a slide-board adapted to be supported with one end elevated resting on the top of the horse and the other end upon the floor 3. The top of the horse is provided with transverse notches 4, and the slide-board is
40 provided on its reverse side with longitudinal ribs 5, adapted to enter the respective notches 4 and prevent lateral displacement of the board relatively to the horse. The elevated end of the board is detachably connected with the
45 horse by means of a hinge connection comprising the hooks 7 on the reverse side of the board which are adapted to interlock with eyes 8 on the upper end of the horse, the parts being so arranged that the hooks can be in-
50 serted in said eyes only when the swinging

end of the board is upwardly inclined, so that accidental displacement of the hooks from the eyes cannot occur while the board is in use as a slide-board, the upper end of the board being thus positively locked to the horse. 55 The board and the horse can be further connected together by means of the hook 9, pivoted upon the cross-bar of the horse and adapted to interlock with an eye 10 on the reverse side of the board. The longitudinal ribs 5 on
60 the reverse side of the board not only serve to materially strengthen the board and prevent its displacement from the horse when used as a slide-board, but are also adapted to form therebetween a runway 12 on the reverse side
65 of the board, which is adapted for use in playing marble games by extending transversely of the runway between said ribs a wall 13, provided with apertures 14, adapted to permit the passage of marbles 15 therethrough in
70 the usual manner of playing marble games. The board may also be provided on its reverse side near one end with a post 16, adapted for use in playing a ring-game, wherein the players endeavor to toss rings 17 from a distance
75 over said post. When the reverse side of the board is to be used for such games, the board is placed in inverted position flat upon the floor. By disconnecting the hooks 7 from the eyes 8, the position of the board upon the
80 horse can be changed until the horse occupies the relative position indicated by dotted lines in Fig. 5, in which the board is approximately balanced thereupon for use as a seesaw or teeter. The ribs 5 extend approximately the
85 whole length of the board, so that when the board is used as a seesaw it is prevented from lateral displacement by the engagement of said ribs with the walls of the notches 4. One end of the board may be hinge-connected
90 with the horse in the manner above described, while the other end is supported by a table or chair 18, adapting the board for use as a table or ironing-board. The obverse side of the board is provided with a smooth or polished
95 surface, down which children can slide without injury when the device is used as a slide-board in the position shown in Figs. 1 and 2.

When desired, the horse may be provided with a slate or blackboard 20, mounted there- 100

upon, the horse serving as a support or easel therefor. The blackboard is preferably connected along its upper edge with the horse by means of hinges 21, whereby the board is adapted to be swung upwardly to a convenient position for use, as indicated by dotted lines in Fig. 2.

What I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

10 1. An amusement apparatus comprising in combination a horse provided with transverse notches in its top; and a slide-board adapted to be supported at one end on said horse with its other end resting upon the floor, having
15 on its underside rib extending longitudinally along the middle of the board adapted to occupy said notches in the top of the horse, when the board is balanced or rocked on the horse as a seesaw; and a detachable connection
20 between the horse and horse-supported end of said board, substantially as described.

2. An amusement apparatus comprising in combination a horse provided with transverse notches in its top; and a slide-board adapted
25 to be supported at one end on said horse with its other end resting upon the floor and provided on its reverse side with game apparatus adapted for use when the board is detached

from the horse and supported in a horizontal position, consisting in part of ribs extending
30 longitudinally of the board along its middle adapted to reinforce the board and to occupy the notches in the top of the horse when the board is used as a seesaw; and a detachable connection between the horse and horse-sup-
35 ported end of said board, substantially as described.

3. In an amusement apparatus, in combination a horse provided with transverse notches in its top; a slide-board having on its reverse
40 side longitudinal reinforcing-ribs extending approximately from one end past the middle of the board adapted to enter said notches when the board is used either as a slide-board or as a seesaw; and a detachable positive
45 hook connection between one end of the board and the horse whereby one end of the board is supported on said horse with said ribs seated in said notches, and the other end of
50 the board adapted to rest upon the floor.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand this 21st day of April, 1903.

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