

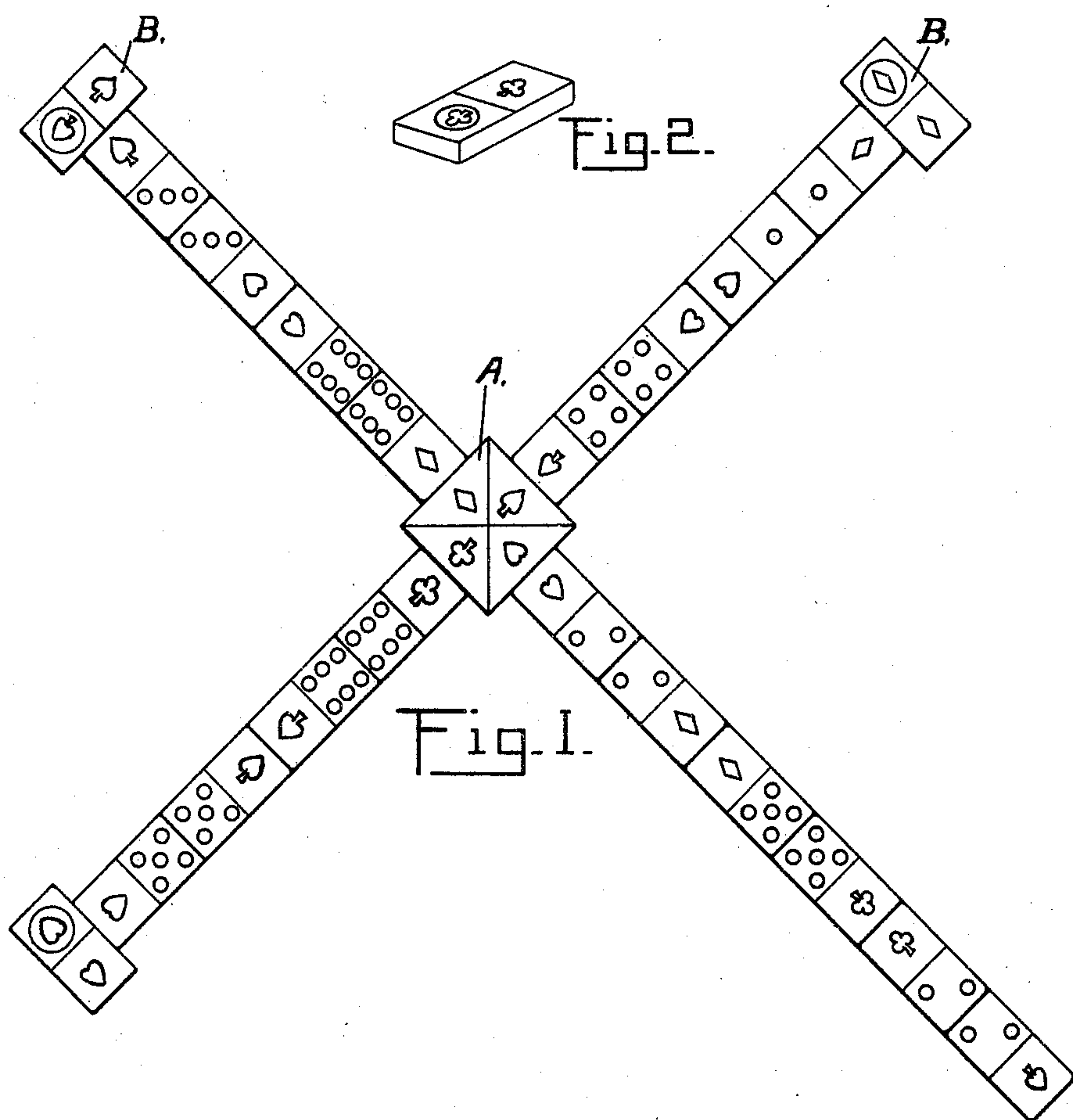
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## GAME-PIECE.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, MYER MANDELBAUM, a citizen of the United States of America, and a resident of the city and county of Albany, State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Game-Pieces, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to game-pieces; and the object of my invention is to provide a game-piece upon which are the characters used on ordinary playing-cards—to wit, hearts, diamonds, spades, and clubs—together with the pits or dots commonly displayed on the ordinary game of dominoes.

I attain this object as shown in the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 shows a number of the blocks in the position they might occupy in playing the game. Fig. 2 shows a double ace.

The blocks are made, preferably, in the form and shape of the ordinary domino and are divided, as is the domino, on the face into two portions, upon one of which I arrange the ace of hearts, diamonds, spades, or clubs. Upon the other portion of the face of said block I place the pits or dots in the same manner as on the domino. Thus I have in my game a series of blocks in each of which the ace of spades will be at one end, the other end being supplied with pits numbering from one to six. Likewise I have a series of blocks in which the ace of clubs is on each block at one end thereof and on the other end a series of pits or dots numbering from one to six. The same way with hearts and diamonds. I also have what I call a "tableau," preferably a rectangular-formed block A, divided into four parts, having on each part one of the aces—to wit, diamonds, spades, hearts, and clubs. I also have a series of double aces B.

One way of playing this game is to place the tableau A on the board and place the blocks face downward on the table. Let each player select at random a number of the blocks, and one of the players begin and play one of his blocks by placing the ace on one of his blocks in contact with that side of the tableau upon which a corresponding ace is displayed. The next player may play either by placing a

block in contact with the tableau or by bringing the block having an equal number of pits or dots in contact with the block played by the first player. When it is possible for one of the players to play a double, he may do so and count ten therefor. All further playing is then stopped on that line. The next double that is played will count the one playing it twenty and the third thirty, &c. When one cannot play, he draws from the table. The one who gets out first has the count of all the blocks in his opponent's hands. If the game is blocked, the one holding the lowest gets the count from the others. In the count doubles count ten and dominoes for their respective numbers.

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

1. A game apparatus comprising a series of blocks; one of said blocks divided into four parts; an ace of each of the suits, hearts, diamonds, spades and clubs, respectively, placed upon each of said parts, respectively; a number of said blocks each divided into two sections; the ace of said suits, respectively, placed on one of the sections of each of said blocks, respectively; one or more dots corresponding to the dots on dominoes placed on the other sections of said blocks, respectively; the others of said blocks, each divided into two sections upon each section, respectively, of which an ace of said suits respectively, is placed, substantially as described.

2. A game apparatus comprising a series of blocks analogous to dominoes; one portion of each block having the ace of diamonds, hearts, spades and clubs, respectively, thereon, the other portion of said blocks having the dots analogous to those used on dominoes thereon; with a "tableau-block" having the aces of the said suits, respectively, thereon, together with blocks upon each of which two aces are placed, one at each end thereof.

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