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GAME BOARD.

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Fig. 1.

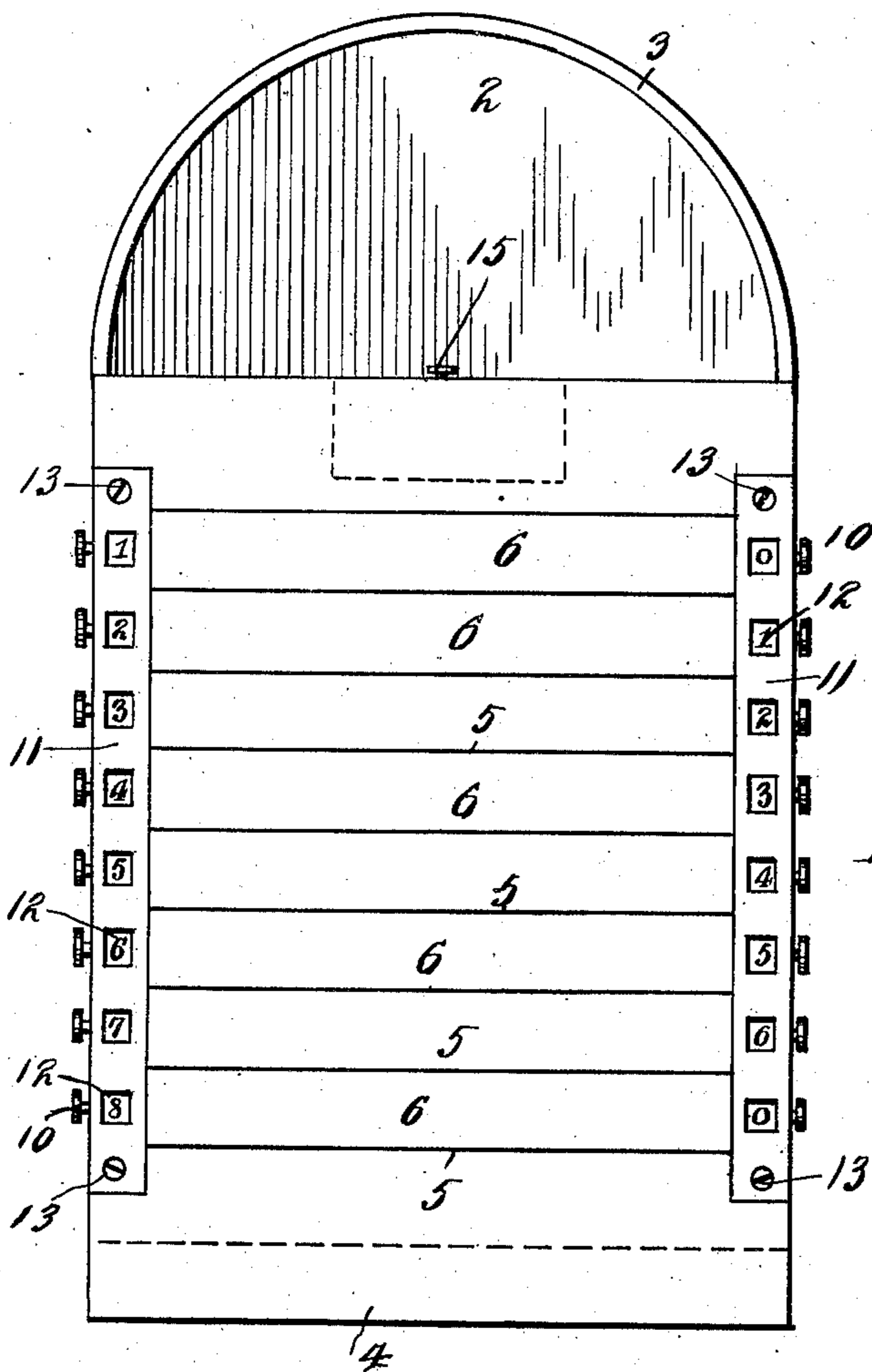


Fig. 2.

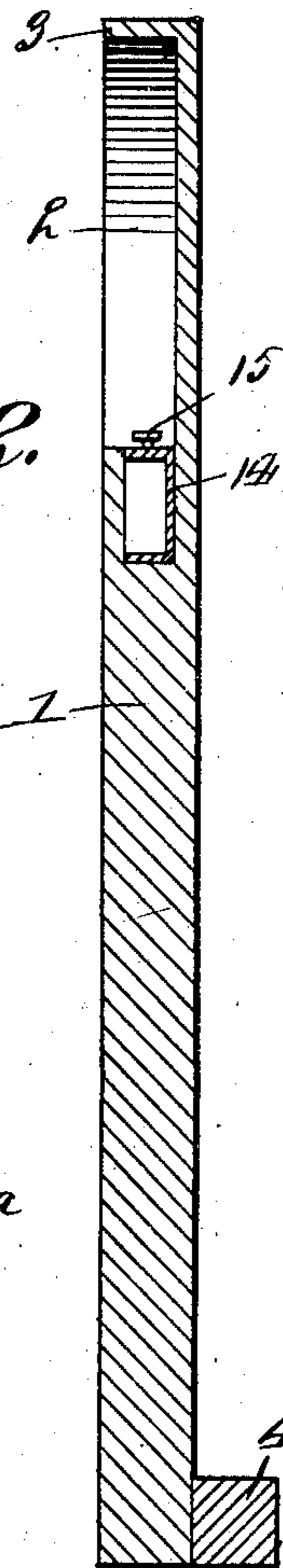
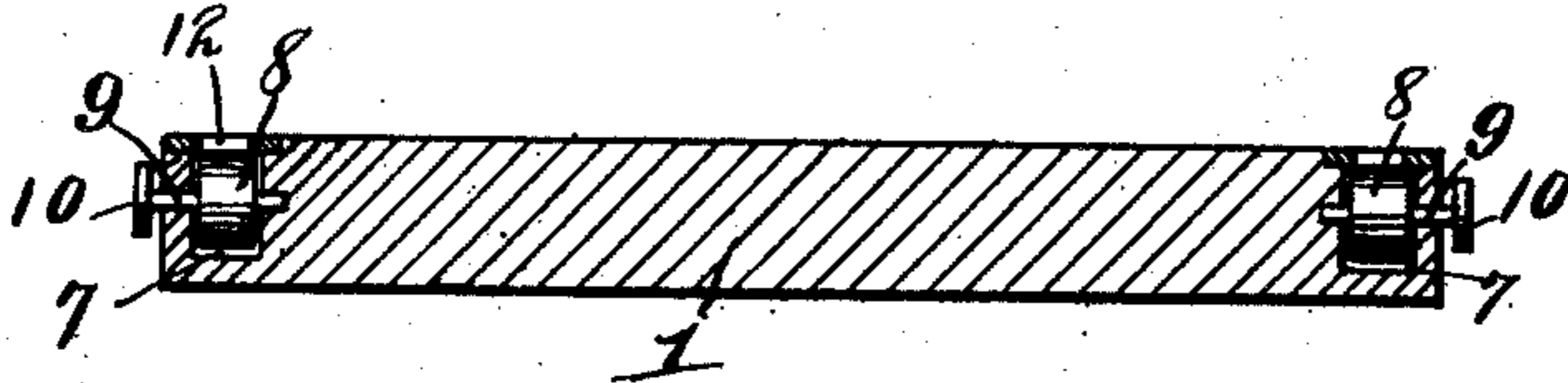


Fig. 4.



Fig. 3.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, PERCIVAL R. COLE, a subject of the King of Great Britain, residing at Littlewood, in the Province of Ontario, Dominion of Canada, have invented new and useful Improvements in Game-Boards, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to game boards and one of the principal objects of the invention is to provide an apparatus for playing a game which will be amusing and interesting to a number of persons and which shall be simple in construction and comparatively easy to acquire proficiency in playing the game.

Another object of the invention is to provide a game of the shuffle board type in which means are provided for keeping count of the different plays, the game board being adapted to rest upon a table and to be provided with a stop for preventing the board from slipping.

These and other objects may be attained by means of the construction illustrated in the accompanying drawing, in which:—

Figure 1 is a plan view of a game board made in accordance with my invention. Fig. 2 is a central longitudinal section of the same. Fig. 3 is a transverse vertical section. Fig. 4 is a perspective view of one of the disks to be used in playing the game.

Referring to the drawing the numeral 1 designates the game board having a recess 2 at its upper end and a curved flange 3 inclosing said recess. Upon the under side of the outer end of the board is a cleat or stop 4 designed to prevent the board from slipping on the table when the game is being played. On the surface of the board 1 a series of transverse black lines 5 are represented, said lines providing spaces 6 between them. At opposite sides of the board are the counters comprising longitudinal recesses 7 in which are mounted rollers 8 said rollers each having upon its outer surface numerals from 1 to 8. The rollers are mounted each upon a short shaft 9 journaled in the board and upon the outer end of each of said shafts is a milled operating wheel or disk 10. The recesses 7 are covered by means of a plate 11 set in flush with the surface of the board and provided with apertures 12 disposed immediately above the

rollers 8 and through which apertures the numeral upon the rollers may be readily seen. The plates 11 are secured to the board by means of countersunk screws 13. At the head of the board 1 is a sliding drawer 14 mounted in an opening in the board 1 and provided with a knob 15 by means of which the drawer may be closed for containing the disks or accessories to the game and also to provide a snare in the playing of the game. Disks of the desired size and made of any suitable material are used as the accessories to the game one of these disks *a* being shown in Fig. 4 of the drawing.

The game may be played in various ways one manner of playing the game being described as follows:—The drawer 14 being withdrawn and the disks *a* removed therefrom the drawer is permitted to remain out in a position at the head of the board. The disks are used as follows:—By placing one of the disks with its edge projecting below the foot of the board it is shot across the board by the thumb or finger of the player. Should the disk stop upon a line it will not count but should it stop in one of the spaces 6 toward the head of the board it would count more than it would if it would stop near the foot of the board. Provided the disk falls into the drawer 14 the play counts for nothing. After the first player has moved the disk over the board the next player may endeavor to remove the first player's disk by a carom. The game is counted after each play by means of the rollers 8 bringing the numbers into sight. The manner of scoring is by counting the number of disks remaining between the lines. After the game has been completed the numbers are added up and the person securing the greatest total wins the game.

From the foregoing it will be obvious that a game board made in accordance with my invention can be produced at low cost, will provide an amusing and interesting game requiring considerable skill and judgment on the part of the players and which will provide an interesting contest.

Having thus described the invention what is claimed as new is:—

1. A game board provided with a recess at the head thereof, a stop cleat at the under surface of the foot thereof, a field provided with a series of transverse lines and inter-

mediate spaces, a drawer at the head of the table within said recess, and a series of counters at the sides of the table.

2. A game board provided with a recess at
5 the head of the table, a drawer mounted in said recess, a field provided with transverse lines and intermediate spaces, counters at the sides of the board, said counters comprising rollers journaled in recesses, means for
10 rotating said rollers, plates covering the roll-

ers, said plates having sight openings therein, said rollers having numerals indicated thereon.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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