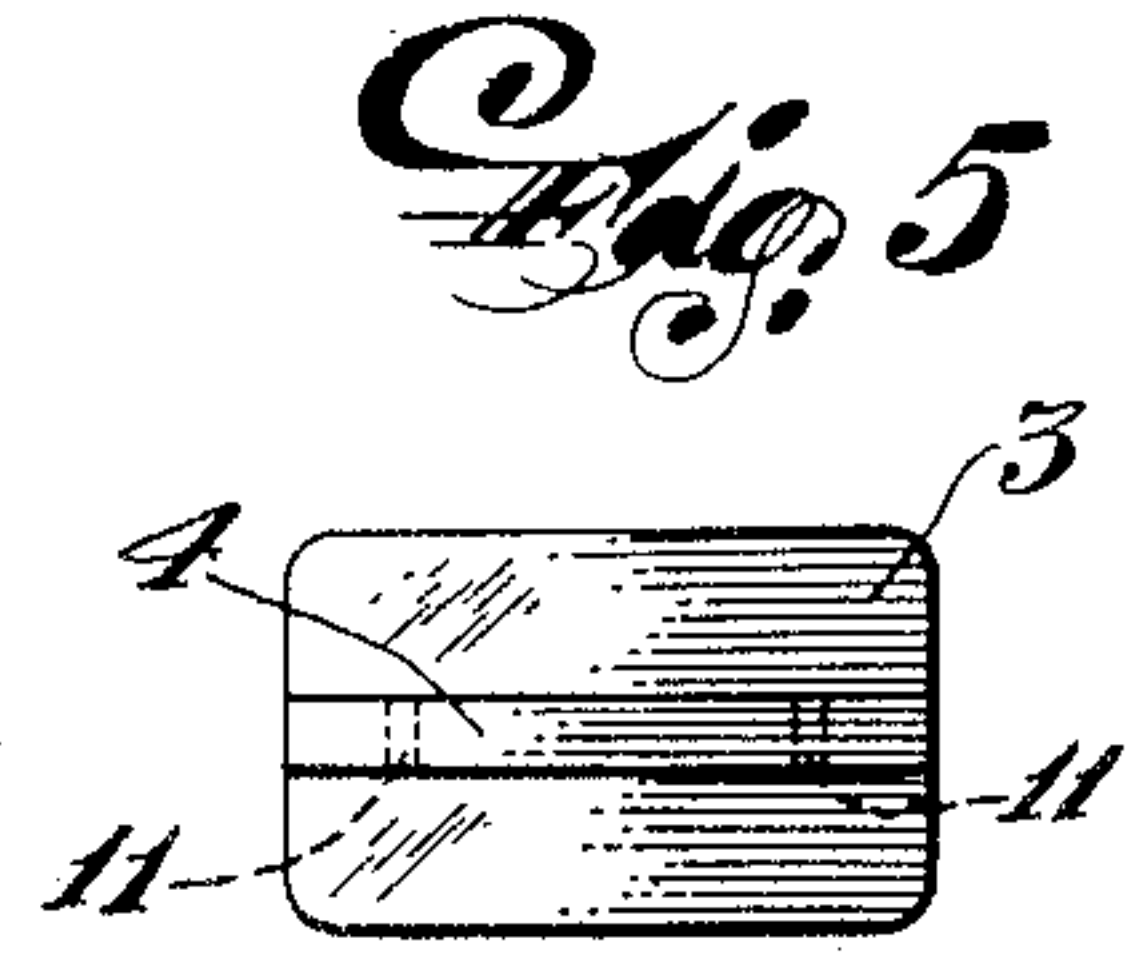
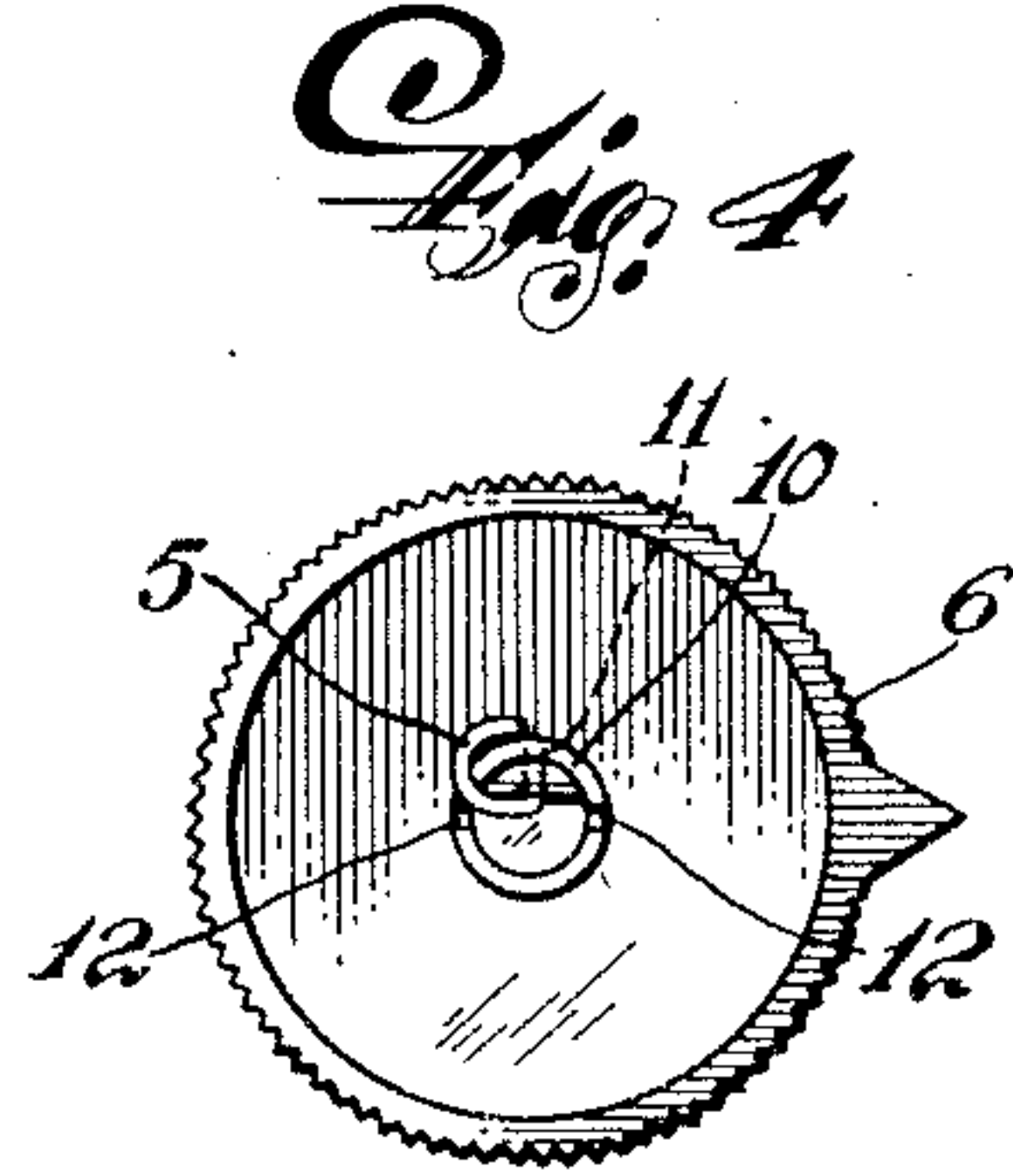
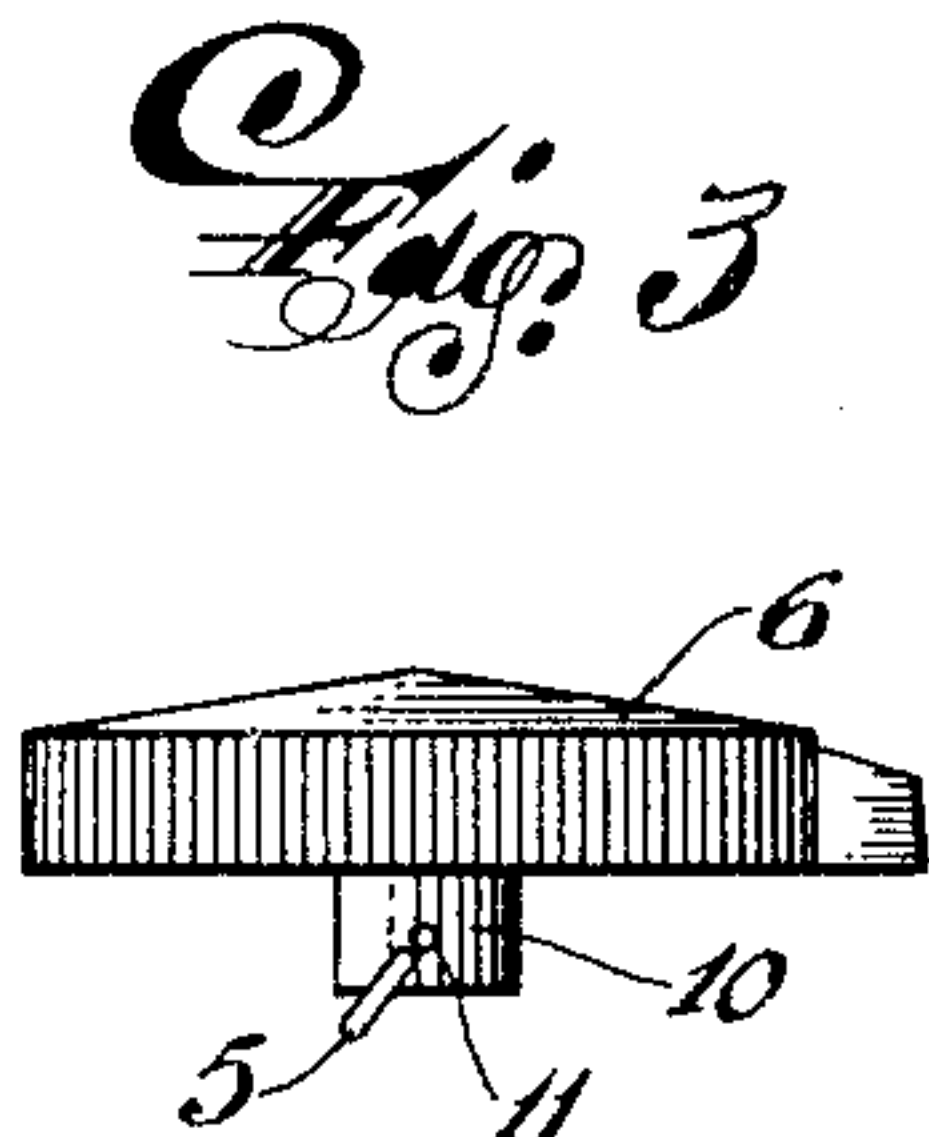
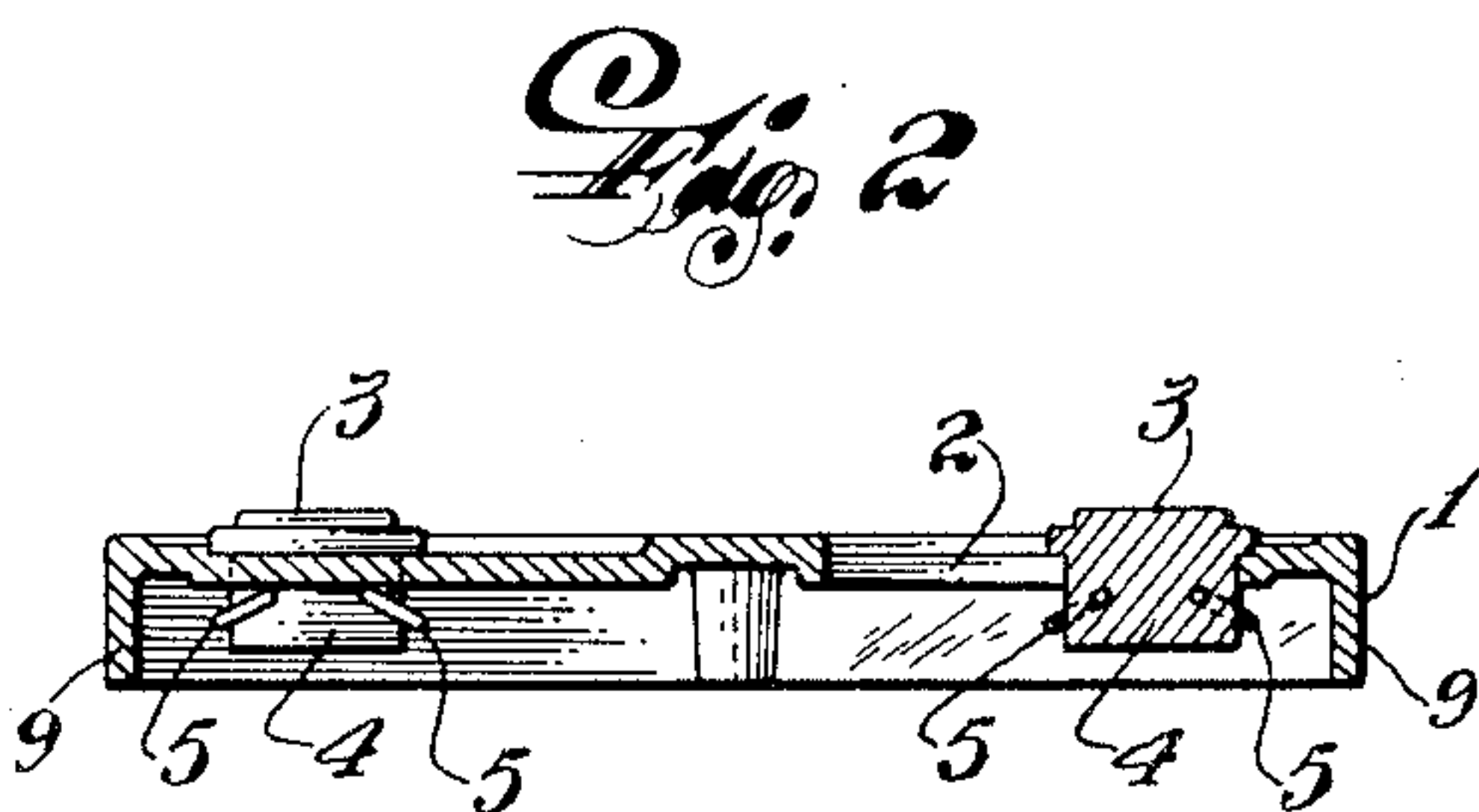
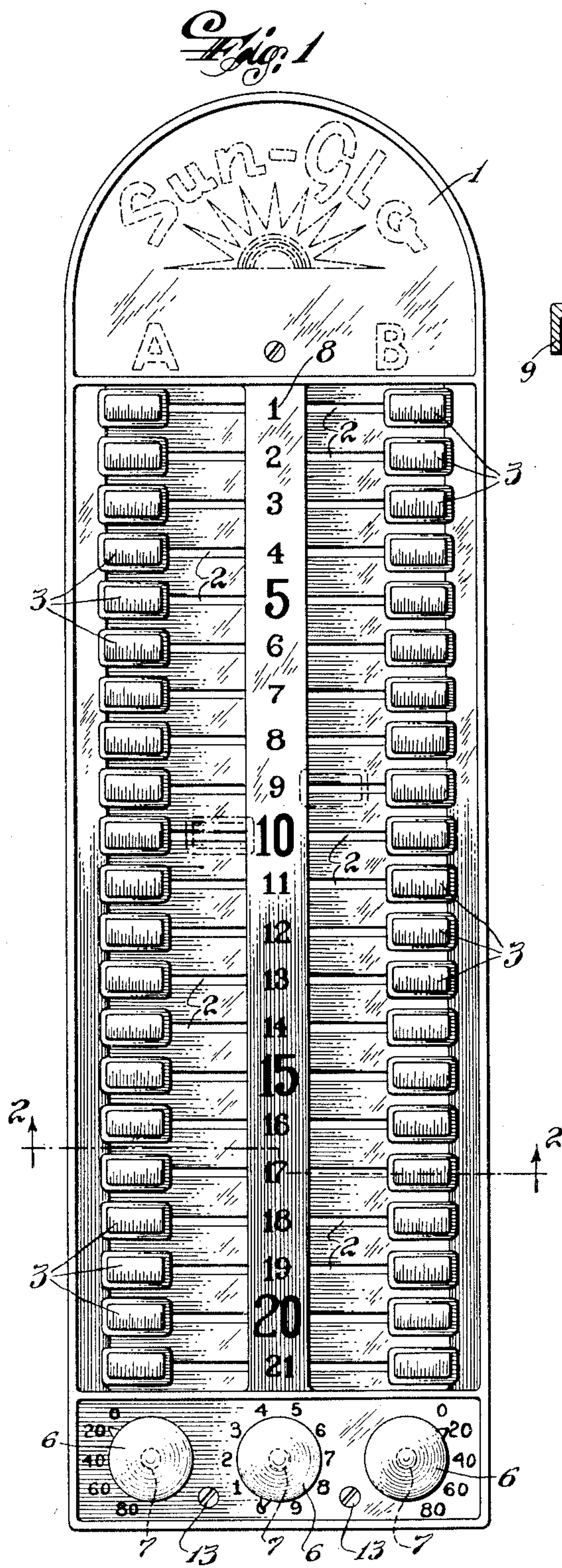


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This invention relates to score boards, more particularly the type of score board employed in connection with shuffleboard games or the like.

The object of this invention is to provide a score board that may be simply and easily constructed with a minimum number of parts.

A further object is to furnish a score board that is easily used, clearly visible to the players and one that will record the results of a succession of plays as well as a total score at any one time.

Other objects will appear from the description which follows.

In the drawing,

Figure 1 is a front elevational view of a score board embodying this invention.

Figure 2 is a cross section taken along line 2—2 of Figure 1.

Figure 3 is a side elevational view of one of the dials used to record score totals and number of games played.

Figure 4 is a bottom view of the dial of Figure 3.

Figure 5 is a bottom view of one of the markers employed on the board of Figure 1.

Referring to the several figures in which the same numbers refer to the same or similar parts, the score board consists basically of two columns of markers or slide members 3 which may be moved from left to right or vice versa a limited distance in slots 2 and dials 6 arranged along the bottom of the board, all being mounted on face plate 1.

The score board body may be made of a single piece of material and while I do not limit myself to any one type, I find that it may be made to advantage of plastic which gives the resulting board an attractive appearance and makes it light in weight. The dials 6 and slide members 3 may likewise be made of plastic.

Face plate 1 has two vertical columns of slots 2, each column having twenty-one such slots. Between the two columns, numbers or other indicia 8 may be marked on the face plate. The illustration of Figure 1 shows numbers one to twenty-one inclusive, the customary maximum number of plays constituting a complete shuffleboard game when two persons play.

Since in a shuffleboard game the weights used are generally given some distinctive marking to indicate the opposing sides and since recently it has become the practice to color such weights for further identification, slide members 3 may be similarly colored so that one column clearly represents the score for one side, the other col-

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umn for the opposing side. Slide members 3, an enlarged view of one shown in Figure 5, have a depending web 4 which fits in slot 2, permitting the slide member to be moved throughout the length of slot 2. Holes 11 in web 4 permit a fastener such as split ring 5 to be inserted therein to prevent slide members 3 from falling out of slots 2.

Along the bottom of face plate 1, dials 6 (Figures 3 and 4 are enlarged views) are provided which are snugly fit by means of shafts 10 into holes 7 of face plate 1 of the score board. The snug fit permits the dial to be turned to and held in position opposite the various indicia disposed about its periphery. A fastener such as split ring 5 through hole 11 in the shaft secures the dial to the score board. To add to the fitting quality of shaft 10 it is split by slots 12 so that at all times a snug close frictional fit will be preserved without preventing the turning of dial 6.

Depending from face plate 1 are flanges 9 of sufficient depth to provide complete enclosure for slide members 3 and dials 6 when the score board is placed against a wall or other flat surface. To mount the score board screws 13 may be used to attach it directly to a wall or other surface. A central flange, not shown, may be added for rigidity for the face plate in holding it a fixed distance away from the surface to which the score board is attached.

It may be readily seen that slide members and dials may be quickly and economically assembled on the score board which may be formed of one piece. Removal and replacement are likewise quickly and simply accomplished.

The use of the score board is as follows. Before a game is started all of the slide members are placed in alignment either on the outer edge of the score board or adjacent its center. Figure 1 shows the outer edge so used. If a player scores on the first play he moves his slide member to the opposite end of slot 2 at the top of his column. The illustration shows by dotted outline the position of slide members to record scores on plays 9 and 10. In like manner each player records his score on each play and at the conclusion of a game of twenty-one plays they may record their total game score by use of the dial immediately beneath their columns of markers. By use of the center dial the number of games played may be recorded. Variations may, of course, be made in the use of the score board appropriate to the number of players and the number of plays involved in the game.

To better indicate whether a marker is in its



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scoring or in its non-scoring position, suitable markings may be incorporated on the face plate beneath the markers when in their extreme positions. For example, a broken vertical band of color might be placed in line with the outer edges of both columns of slots so that when all markers are in non-scoring position the colors are completely covered; when a marker is moved to the other end of its slot to indicate a score it uncovers a colored area.

Construction may also be varied as, for example, in the shape or type of markers or dials and in the design of fastener for holding them to the score board face plate. I do not, therefore, limit myself to the particular embodiment of the invention which is herein described but point out that modifications may be made without departing from the scope of my invention.

What I claim is:

A shuffleboard score board adapted to be attached to a wall or other flat surface comprising a face plate with rearwardly extending flanges adapted to position the same in spaced relationship with such wall or other flat surface; two vertical columns of horizontal slots in such face plate terminating within its borders, with a vertical column of indicia, to indicate a score, between them; a slide member slidably mounted in each horizontal slot and having a web portion extending therethrough with a removable fastener in that portion of the web extending rearward of the face plate; a dial rotatably mounted in the face plate beneath each column of slots and the indicia column with a split shaft extending through the face plate in rotatable frictional engagement therewith with a removable fastener in that portion of the shaft extending rearward of the face plate; and a ring of indicia, to indicate an aggregate score, on the face plate surrounding each dial beneath the column of slots, and a ring of indicia to indicate the number of games played, on the face plate surrounding the dial beneath the indicia column.

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tener in that portion of the web extending rearward of the face plate; a dial rotatably mounted in the face plate beneath each column of slots and the indicia column with a split shaft extending through the face plate in rotatable frictional engagement therewith with a removable fastener in that portion of the shaft extending rearward of the face plate; and a ring of indicia, to indicate an aggregate score, on the face plate surrounding each dial beneath the column of slots, and a ring of indicia to indicate the number of games played, on the face plate surrounding the dial beneath the indicia column.

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