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Fig. 1.

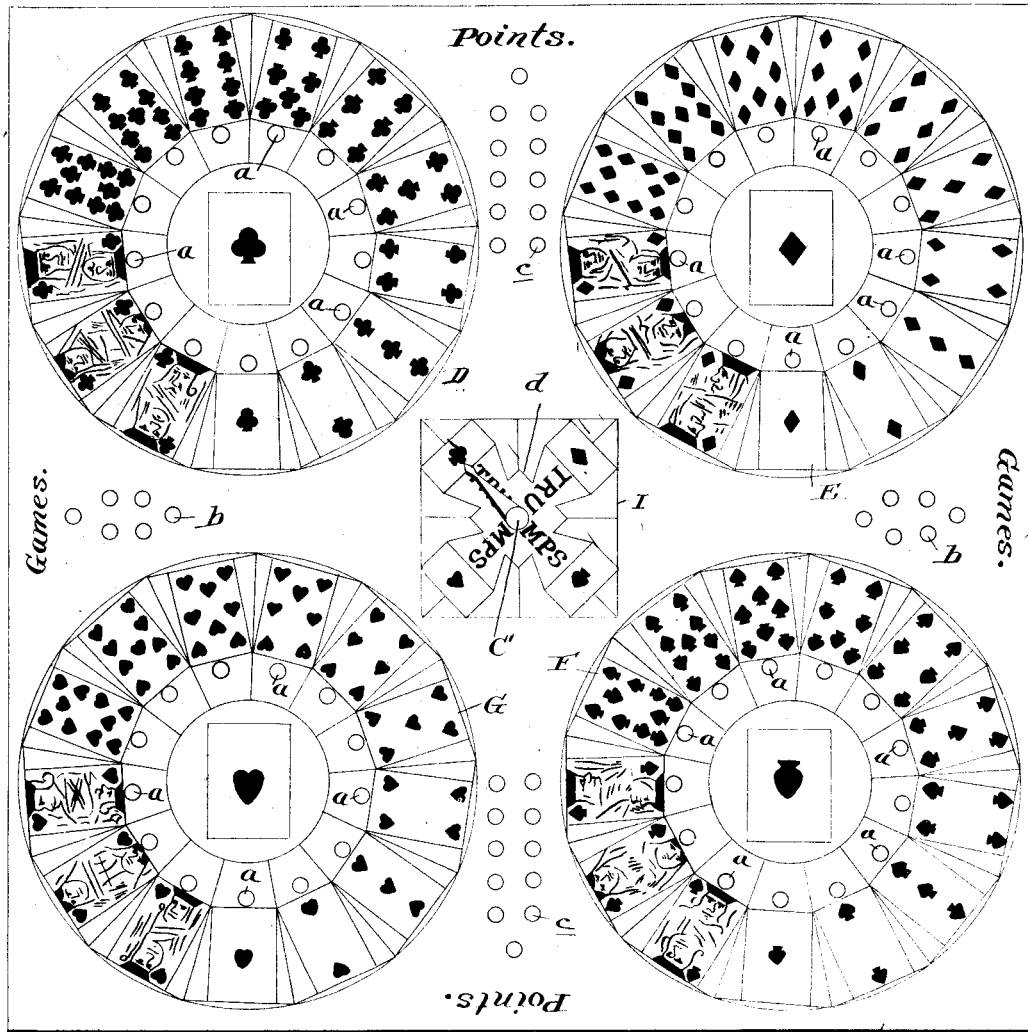
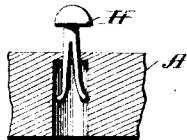


Fig. 2.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WILLIAM A. LOGUE, a citizen of the United States, residing at Sunset, in the county of Deer Lodge and State of Montana, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Whist-Boards; and I do declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same.

This invention relates to a whist-board or device for aiding the beginner as well as the ordinary player by relieving the mind of the strain required in mentally keeping trace of the cards that have been played and allow the mind to be concentrated upon the intricate and delicate points in the philosophy of the game.

The invention will be fully understood from the following description and claims when taken in connection with the annexed drawings, in which:

Figure 1, is a plan view of my improved whist board, and: Fig. 2, is a vertical sectional detail view illustrating one of the pins or pegs partly raised.

Referring by letter to said drawings: A, indicates the frame or board of my improved device. This board may be formed from a block of wood, metal or other suitable material and shaped in a rectangular, circular or other desirable form to receive the design upon its face as will be presently described. This board A, is provided near opposite sides with a series of vertical holes *b*, with the word "Game" beside them and are designed to receive pins or other suitable markers whereby a record of the game won might be kept.

c, indicates a series of similar holes illustrating the points and also carrying pins for marking the same. The word "Points" is printed adjacent to these latter series of holes which are preferably arranged opposite to each other on the remaining two sides of the board.

D, indicates a suit which is here shown as clubs. *E*, a suit of diamonds. *F*, a suit of spades and *G*, a suit of hearts. These suits are shown as arranged one in each corner of the case and are illustrated so as to expose to view the full face of every card in the deck. These cards or representations may be print-

ed or lithographed on paper, card-board or other suitable material and pasted, glued or otherwise secured to the board, although if desired the characters may be engraved, impressed or otherwise fixed to the face of the board.

Each card is provided with a suitable means by which it may be marked and in the present illustration of my invention I have represented the suits as arranged in a circular manner and provided a hole *h*, at the inner end of each card although it is obvious that the cards may be arranged in squares or otherwise displayed so as to suit the fancy of the player or the dictation of the manufacturer. The holes *a*, which in some cases may be placed within the border of a card are designed to receive a marker or pin *H*, as better shown in Fig. 2, of the drawings. These pins or pegs which are desired to mark the cards which have been played, are preferably of a construction as shown, although I do not wish to limit myself to any particular form of marker; it is desirable however that the pins or pegs may remain in a lifted or raised position within the holes without entirely leaving the same.

In the center of the board or at any suitable point as shown at *I*, I have represented a card of each suit which may be placed in a square or circle with the word "Trumps" as shown at *d*.

C', indicates a pointer which is suitably pivoted at one end on a stud or the like so that it may be moved to point at any of the cards in the center of the case so as to indicate what is trumps. I also prefer to arrange within the square or circle of each suit a card of its kind as shown and such may be the ace.

In the starting of a game, after the cards are dealt the pointer is turned on the indicator to show what is trumps. The pegs or pins are then raised in the holes *a*, of each and every suit and as a card has been played the players depress a pin at the card on the case corresponding with the one which has been played so that the pins standing or remaining raised in the holes indicate the cards which are out. As a point is made the party making it may place a suitable pin or marker in one of the holes marked "Points" and

when a game has been made the player may place a pin or other marker in the holes marked "Games."

It will be seen that it will require no care whatever to keep track of the cards which are out and the beginner or ordinary player may keep his mind wholly upon other features of the game.

While I have described specifically a board of the form shown yet I do not wish to confine myself to the particular marking devices nor the arrangement of the suits nor do I confine myself to the employment of the trump indicator.

Having described my invention what I claim and desire to secure by Letters Patent is:

1. A whist board having card faces represented in suits and each card of the suits adapted to receive a marker, substantially as specified.

2. A whist board having upon its face the representation of a deck of cards; said cards being arranged in suits in a circular manner

and each card adapted to receive a marker, substantially as and for the purposes specified.

3. A whist board having its face representing a deck of cards arranged in suits and having a hole at one end of each card, in combination with a pin or a peg arranged in said holes and adapted to be moved up and down therein, substantially as specified.

4. The whist board described, having represented upon its face a deck of cards divided into the four suits and also having a hole at one end of each card to receive a pin or marking peg; said case also having a pointer pivoted so as to indicate trumps which are represented on the face of the case and also having means for representing points and the games, substantially as specified.

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

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