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BILLIARD CHALK HOLDER.

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Fig. 1

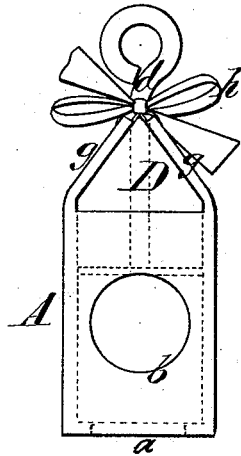
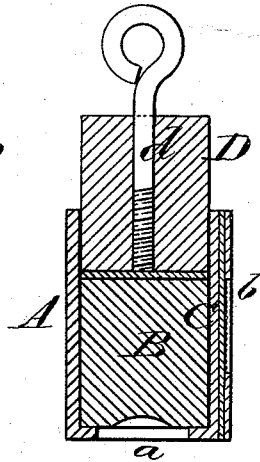


Fig. 2



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IMPROVEMENT IN BILLIARD-CHALK HOLDERS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JACOB SIMONTON, of Clarinda, in the county of Page and State of Iowa, have invented a new and valuable Improvement in Billiard-Chalk Holders; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the construction and operation of the same, reference being had to the annexed drawings making a part of this specification, and to the letters and figures of reference marked thereon.

Figure 1 of the drawings is a representation of a side elevation of my billiard-chalk holder, and Fig. 2 is a vertical central sectional view of the same.

This invention has relation to billiard-chalk holders; and it consists in a novel construction of a case for the chalk, in combination with a plunger and adjusting-screw; also, in combining with the said case sand-paper properly backed to prevent breaking the chalk, as will be hereinafter shown and described.

In the annexed drawings, the letter A designates a square casing, open at one end, made of leather or other material, and which is provided with orifices *a b*, hereinafter described. B designates a square piece of chalk, conforming to the shape of the casing, and arranged in the bottom thereof, the exposed end of which is made concave, for the purpose of fitting the leather tip of a billiard-cue while chalking it. The concave end of the chalk, when in its case A, is exposed at an orifice, *a*, through the case, as shown in Fig. 2, by which means the cue-tip can be easily chalked. C designates a leather backing arranged on the inner side of the casing A, between which and the side of this casing is applied a piece of sand-paper, which is exposed at an orifice, *b*, on said side, and which is preferably made concave, for the purpose of roughening the end of the cue. The object of this backing is to prevent the cue from rubbing against the chalk and breaking it. D

represents a block-plunger applied in casing A on the top of the chalk B, which block is provided with a thumb-screw, *d*, passing through its entire length, for the purpose of moving the chalk down as it wears from the bottom; and, in order that the said screw may not wear the top end of the chalk, a piece of metal, *e*, is interposed between the said chalk and the plunger, against which this screw abuts. In order that the plunger may not be displaced by the pressure of the cue on the under side of the casing, I have provided the casing at its top with two flaps, *g g*, fastened by strings *h*, for the purpose of holding it securely in the case.

The advantages of my improved chalk-holder are mainly in preventing the clothes and hands of the player from being soiled; and another advantage is, that when the chalk wears out it can be readily renewed by untying the strings and removing the plunger; so, in like manner, can the sand-paper be removed and renewed when worn out.

In order that the chalk may be always at hand, I have provided a string, by which it can be hung up in a convenient place.

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

1. In a billiard-chalk holder, the combination of plunger D, adjusting-screw *d*, with open casing A, having flaps *g g*, substantially as described.

2. In combination with a billiard-chalk holder, the sand-paper receptacle *b* and leather backing C, substantially as described.

In testimony that I claim the above I have hereunto subscribed my name in the presence of two witnesses.

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Witnesses:

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