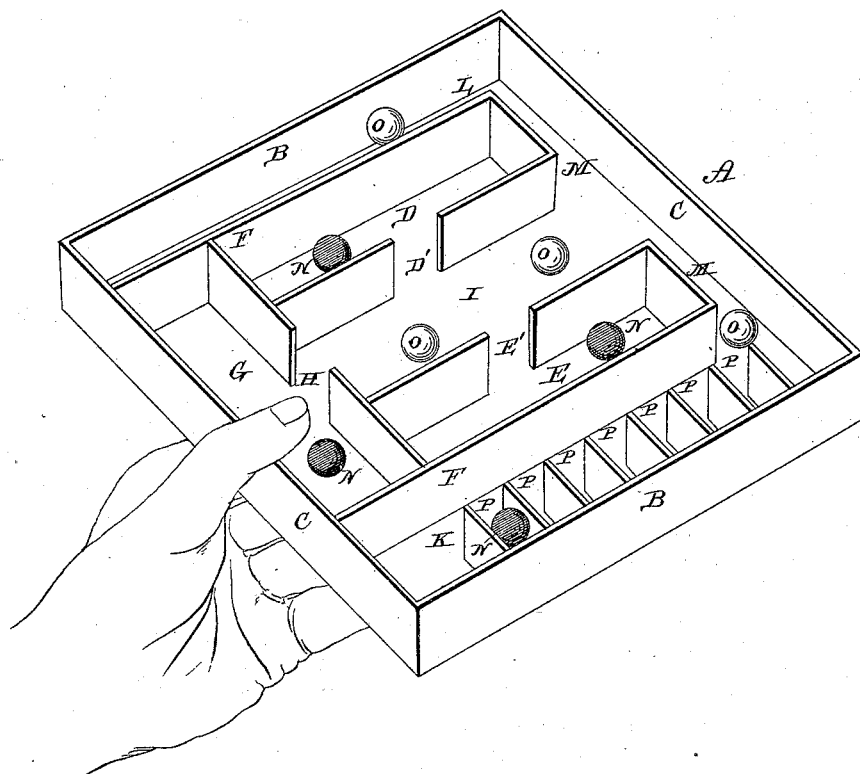


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, EDWARD L. RAWLINGS, a citizen of the United States, residing at Memphis, in the county of Shelby and State of Tennessee, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Game Apparatus; 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, reference being had to the accompanying drawing, and to the letters of reference marked thereon, which form a part of this specification.

My invention relates to an improvement in game apparatus; and it consists in the peculiar construction and arrangement of devices that will be more fully set forth hereinafter, and particularly pointed out in the claim.

The accompanying drawing is a perspective view of a game embodying my improvements.

A rectangular box A is provided with the vertical sides B and the vertical ends C. In the box, at a suitable distance from the sides thereof, are a pair of rectangular inclosures D E, which are called "pens," and are at a suitable distance apart and have openings D' E' in their opposing sides, respectively. The said pens extend to within a suitable distance of the ends of the box, their outer sides F being extended entirely to one of the said ends C, and thereby an elongated rectangular inclosure G is formed, which extends across one end of the pens and nearly across one end of the box, the said inclosure constituting what I prefer for the purposes of the game to style a "pasture." An opening H is made in the inner wall of the pasture or inclosure G at the center thereof and communicates with one end of the range I or alley or lane between the pens.

Ranges or alleys K L are formed between the outer sides of the respective pens and the sides of the box, and a range or alley M is formed across the end of the box opposite the pasture, and communicates at its ends with the ranges or alleys K L and at its center with the range or alley I.

I employ a suitable number—say four—of marbles or other spherical bodies N, which are all of one color, and are termed for the purposes of the game "cows," and a similar number of marbles or spherical bodies O of a different color, which for the purposes of the game are termed "calves."

To play the game, the cows and calves, huddled promiscuously together, are placed in the pasture, and the operator or person playing the game tilts the box first in one direction and then in another, so as to cause the spherical bodies to roll from the pasture and through the ranges or alleys into the pens, the object of the game being to cause all of the spherical bodies of one color to become collected in one of the pens and all of the spherical bodies of the other color to become collected in the other pen.

In order to facilitate the manipulation of the balls, I provide the alley K with a series of stalls P, each of which has a capacity for one ball.

Having thus described my invention, I claim—

The game apparatus comprising the rectangular game-box having the pens or inclosures D E, with openings on their opposing sides communicating with an alley or range I between said pens or inclosures, the pasture or inclosure G at one end of the pens arranged at right angles thereto and having the central opening in its inner wall communicating with one end of the alley or range I, the range or alley also arranged at right angles to the pens extending across the opposite end thereof and having its central portion communicating with the range or alley I, and the ranges or alleys K L on the outer sides of the pens and communicating at one end with opposite ends of the range or alley M, and the two series of spherical bodies distinguished from each other, substantially as described.

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

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