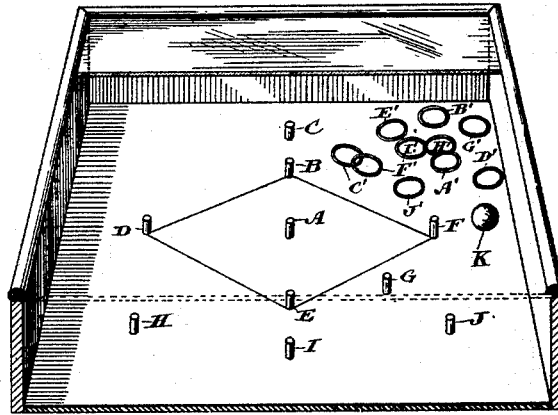


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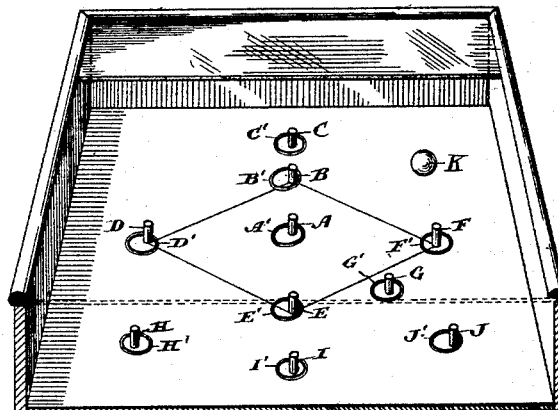
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*Fig. 1.*



*Fig. 2.*

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## PUZZLE.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, MARION LUCY COLE, spinster, of the city of Toronto, in the county of York, in the Province of Ontario, Canada,  
5 have invented a certain new and useful Base-Ball-Game Puzzle, of which the following is a specification.

The object of the invention is to design a puzzle based upon the game of base-ball  
10 which will afford a cheap and interesting amusement; and it consists, essentially, of locating within a box provided with a transparent top and on the bottom of it a series of pegs representing the position of the play-  
15 ers on, within, and around the diamond of the base-ball field, a series of rings being also provided, preferably corresponding to the number of pegs, over which it is desired to place them.

20 Figure 1 is a perspective view of the box, the glass top and side being broken away, as shown, with pegs arranged on the bottom or field according to the position of the players in and about the diamond, and rings in a group  
25 before placing them. Fig. 2 is a similar view showing the rings placed.

In the drawings like letters of reference indicate corresponding parts in each figure.

A represents a pitcher's position; B, that  
30 of the batter; C, catcher; D, E, and F, those of the first, second, and third bases; G, that of the short-stop; and H, I, and J, right, center, and left fields; A', B', C', D', E', F', G', H', I', and J', the rings, which are preferably  
35 colored to correspond with the different colors of each peg.

The game consists of placing the corresponding rings on their corresponding pegs, so that each will remain on its corresponding  
40 peg till all are on, and this is accomplished by shaking, tilting, or otherwise changing the position of the box. This is easier said than done, and it requires great knack to place all the rings on their corresponding  
45 pegs, so that they will remain in position till all the rings are on. Although I preferably

color the pegs and rings to correspond, it will of course be understood that this may be dispensed with, and the puzzle would then consist in getting all the rings on; also, I might  
50 provide a ball K to represent the umpire, which might be placed within the box and still further increase the difficulty of placing the rings in position. As the box is entirely closed in and has a glass top, the position of  
55 the rings as they are being worked about will be readily seen, the top, bottom, and sides forming surfaces on which the rings may rebound. Again, although I show my puzzle arranged according to a base-ball  
60 field, it will be seen that various other positions might be arranged for the pegs and yet produce a most interesting puzzle or game.

What I claim as my invention is—

1. In a base-ball-game puzzle adapted to  
65 be held in and manipulated by the hand, the combination of a plane having a base-ball diamond, pegs inserted at the corners of the diamond and in the other different positions  
70 on the field, and rings corresponding to the number of pegs, substantially as specified.

2. In a base-ball-game puzzle, the combination of a box having a transparent top and a bottom having a base-ball diamond marked  
75 or otherwise indicated on it, having the corners or bases and other positions of the players marked by pegs which have rings corresponding in number located within the box,  
80 substantially as and for the purpose specified.

3. In a base-ball-game puzzle, the combination of a box having a transparent top and a bottom having a base-ball diamond marked  
85 or otherwise indicated on it, having the corners or bases and other positions of the players marked by pegs which have rings corresponding in number located within the box, a ball being also provided, substantially as specified.

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