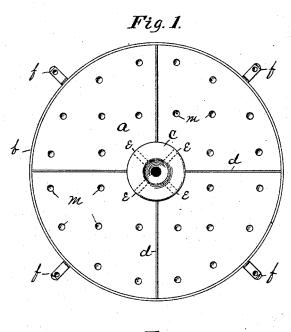
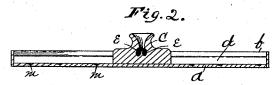
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, John B. Davids, a citizen of the United States, residing at North Dartmouth, in the county of Bristol and State of Massachusetts, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Game Apparatus, of which the following is a specification, reference being had to the drawings hereto annexed, in which—

Figure 1. is a plan view of my improved game apparatus. Fig. 2. is a view in vertical section, of the same. Fig. 3. is a view in vertical section of the crater, and Fig. 4. is a side view of the spring, ball tossing device.

Similar letters refer to similar parts in the several views.

a, represents the base of my game apparatus provided with the raised edge b, and having in its upper surface, a series of recesses m. On
the center of the base a, is secured the crater c, having radial and inclined passage ways e.

c, having radial and inclined passage ways e. d, d, represent partitions, extending from the crater, to the raised edge b, and dividing the upper surface of the base a, into compartments. f. f. represent ball tossing devices, consist-

ing of the lever h, having a recess g, in its outer end, pivoted at l, to the standard i, and having the spring k, interposed between them. The lever h, is provided with a shoulder n, to 30 limit its upward motion, and a cushion, may be placed between said shoulder and standard,

to prevent noise.

The game may be played by two or more persons, the object being, to give the ball such

an impetus as to toss it into the crater c, from 35 whence it issues by chance from one of the passage ways e, which openings are numbered as 20, 30. 40. and 50; the player, counting the number on the opening from which the ball chances to roll, as points in his game. The 40 recesses m, are also numbered as, 5. 10. 15—; and if the ball misses the crater, and rolls into a recess, the number thereof, counts as points in the player's game.

I call this game, "Crater ball."

I claim-

1. In a game apparatus, the combination of the base a, having the raised edge b, and provided with a series of recesses in its upper surface; the part c, centrally arranged on said 50 base, and having radial, inclined and covered passage ways e; and means for tossing a ball into said part c, as and for the purpose set forth.

2. In a game apparatus, the combination of 55 the base a, having the raised edge b, and provided with a series of recesses in its upper surface; the part c, centrally arranged on said base, and having radial, inclined and covered passage ways e; the raised edges d, extending 50 from the part c, to the raised edge b; and spring ball-tossing devices f as and for the purpose set forth.

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