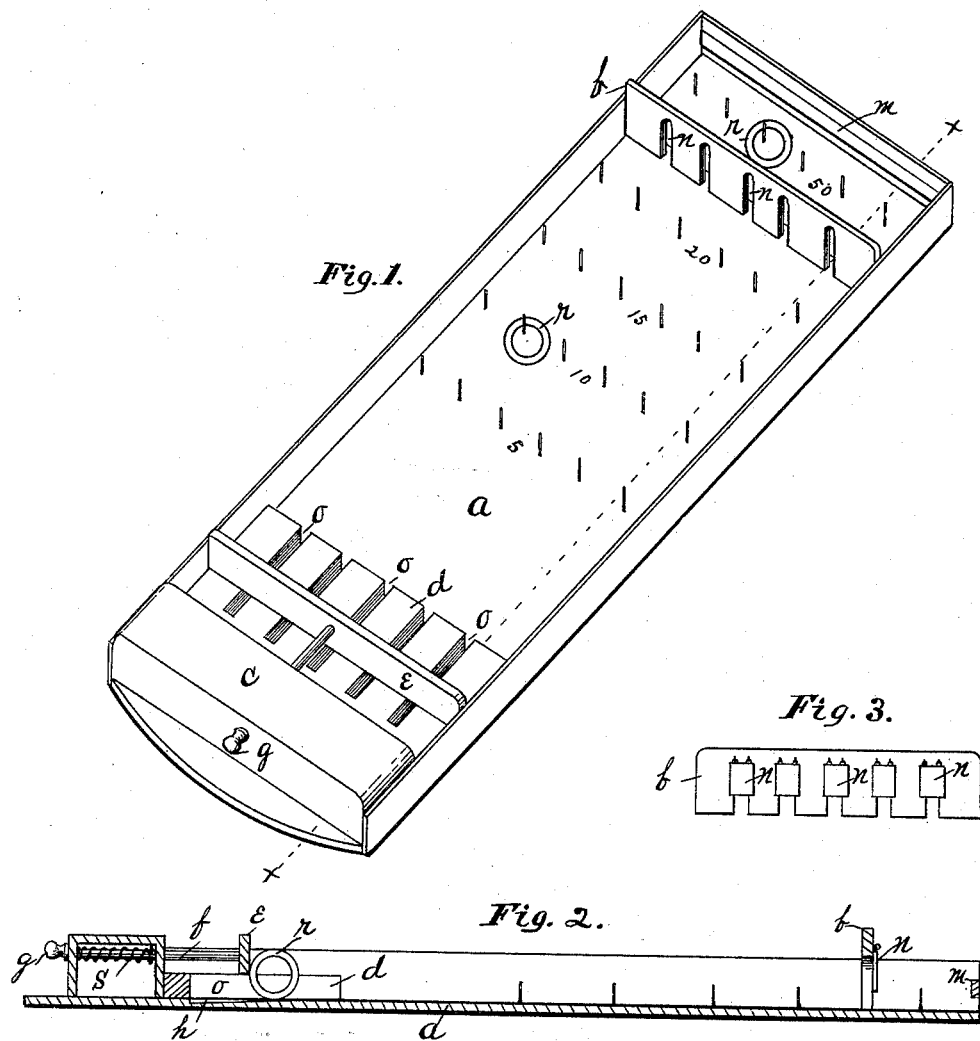


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*To all whom it may concern:*

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, which I call "Wheelette," of which the following is a specification, reference being had to the drawings hereto annexed, in which—

Figure 1. is a view in perspective of my improved game apparatus. Fig. 2. is a view of the same in longitudinal section through the line *x, x.* and Fig. 3. is a view of some of the details.

Similar letters refer to similar parts in the several views.

*a*, represents a shallow, oblong tray, having a series of pins arranged in parallel rows on its upper surface.

*b*, represents a bridge, having a series of arches, which is arranged across, and near one end of the tray, and inclosing between it, and the end of the tray one row of the pins.

*n*, represents doors, hinged by their tops to the bridge *b*, and partly covering the length of the arches. The opposite end of the tray is provided with the block *d*, having open ended slots *o*, of a height and width, to hold in an upright position, the rings *r*.

*c*, represents a propelling device, adapted to propel, or roll the rings *r*, across the bottom of the tray, consisting of the rod *f*, having handle *g*, and head *e*, and the spring *s*. At the bottom of the slots *o*, are the inclines *h*, cut in the bottom of the tray, in order that the rings *r*, when placed in the slots or guides *o*, may roll back against the head *e*.

*m*, represents a strip of rubber, fixed to the end of the tray, as a buffer for the rings.

The game may be played by two or more persons. The rings *r*, are placed in the slots or guides *o*, and as the handle *g*, is drawn back, they roll down the inclines *h*, against the head *e*, and as the handle is released, the rings are rolled across the board; the object being, to cause as many of the rings as possible, to pass through the arches, and rebound from the elastic strip *m*, and encircle the pins beyond the bridge *f*. As the rings roll through the arches, the doors *n*, are lifted and immediately fall, thus preventing the rings from rebounding through the arches.

I claim—

1. A game apparatus, consisting of the shallow oblong tray *a*, having a series of pins arranged in parallel rows on its upper surface, and provided with the inclines *h*; the propelling device *c*; the block *d*, having the open ended slots or guides *o*; the bridge *f*, having a series of arches provided with the doors *n*; and the rings *r*; all as shown, and for the purpose described.

2. A game apparatus, consisting of the shallow, oblong tray *a*, having a series of pins arranged in parallel rows on its upper surface, and provided with the inclines *h*; the propelling device *c*; the block *d*, having the open ended slots or guides *o*; the bridge *f*, having a series of arches; and the rings *r*, all as shown, and for the purpose described.

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