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GAME TABLE.

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Fig. 1.

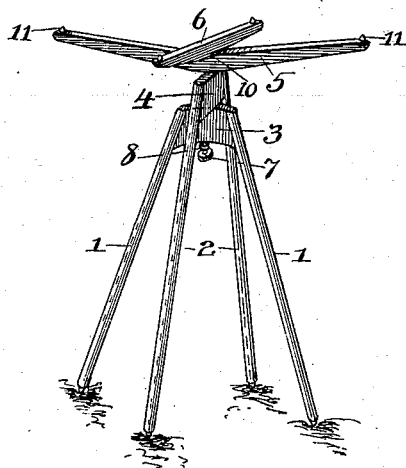


Fig. 2.

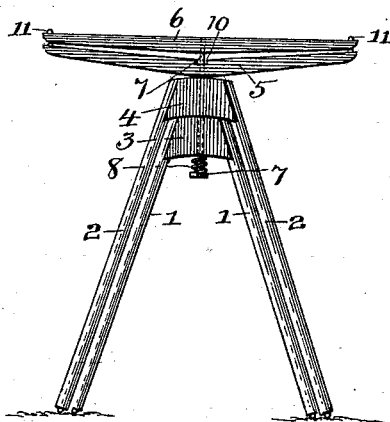
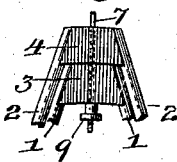


Fig. 3.



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GAME-TABLE.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, HENRY L. HASKELL, a citizen of the United States, residing at Ludington, in the county of Mason and State of Michigan, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Game-Tables; and I do hereby 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.

My invention relates to improvements in tables. Its object is to provide a table especially adapted to be used with my game-boards for playing "caroms" or other disk games, which are the subjects of my Patents Nos. 602,179 and 602,180, dated April 12, 1898, and design Patent No. 27,788, dated October 27, 1897; and it consists of legs or standards, bearings, and revoluble arms relatively adjustable to permit the game-board to be revolved and the table to be folded when not in use.

In the drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view of the table open. Fig. 2 is a similar view of the table closed, and Fig. 3 is a detail illustrating a modified mode of securing the arms to the bearing-blocks.

1 and 2 represent separate sets of legs or standards; 3 and 4, bearing-blocks, to which the sets of legs 1 and 2 are respectively secured in any approved manner; 5 and 6, the revoluble arms to carry the game-board or other article, and 7 the bolt which secures together the several parts named and at the same time serves as an axis for the arms.

8 is a coiled spring between the bolt-head and the adjacent or bottom bearing-block, a modification being shown in Fig. 3 in the form of a thumb-screw 9.

10 is a notch in the lower arm 5, into which the upper arm 6 may play when the arms are placed at relative right angles and which serves to maintain the arms in a fixed relation during use.

11 represents rubber tips to prevent injury to the board and to keep it from slipping.

When the table is not in use, it may be folded, as shown in Fig. 2. To this end I may make the under bearing-block 3 of a size which will permit it and the legs 1 to turn

entirely within the frame made by the legs 2 and the bearing-block 3, though in practice I find it advantageous in maintaining the relations of the legs in use and sufficiently compact when folded to form the bearing-block 3, so that it will bring the legs 1 up against the legs 2, as shown in Fig. 2. When the table is to be used, I may unfold it by drawing out the legs 2, or I may by reason of the attachment of the bolt 7 to the upper arm 6 unfold by turning that arm. The coiled spring permits the turning and the quick engagement of the arms without any adjustment, though, if desired, the positive adjustment (shown in Fig. 3) or a similar form may be used. The lower arm 5 should in practice be somewhat bowed, as shown, to bring its tips into line with those of the upper arm 6.

I may place rollers or rubber tips on the bottom of the legs, as preference may suggest.

It will be observed that the legs and arms are relatively revoluble and that when in position the pairs of legs and the bearing-blocks, as well as the arms, are respectively at right angles to each other, and that each arm lies in the same plane as one bearing-block and one pair of legs. The table therefore, while light and easily and compactly folded, is strong and may be so placed as to not interfere with the freedom and comfort of the players—points which are peculiarly advantageous in using my game-boards, which require to be frequently shifted, so that a player may play two sides at once or may more readily position a disk for a shot.

Having fully described my invention, what I desire to claim is—

1. A folding game-table having in combination relatively-revoluble arms and relatively-revoluble legs.

2. A game-table having in combination, revoluble standards, arms revoluble with relation to the standards and to each other, and means for locking the arms together.

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

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