

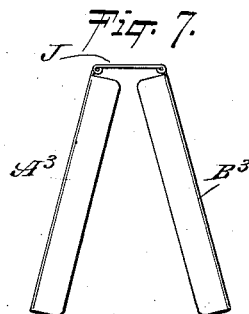
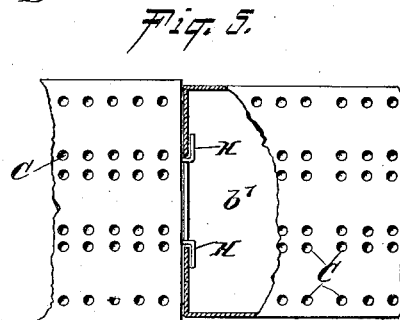
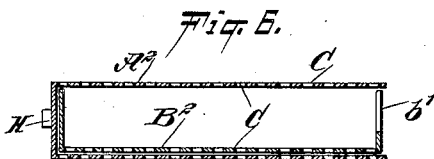
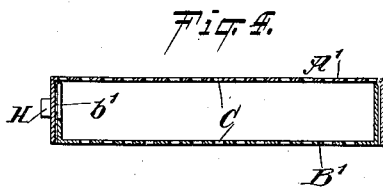
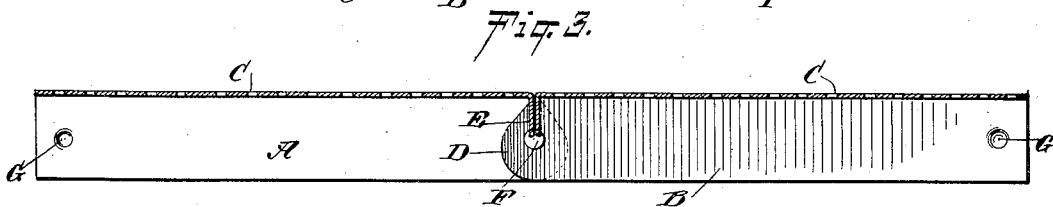
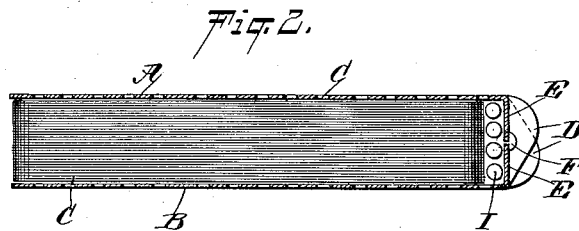
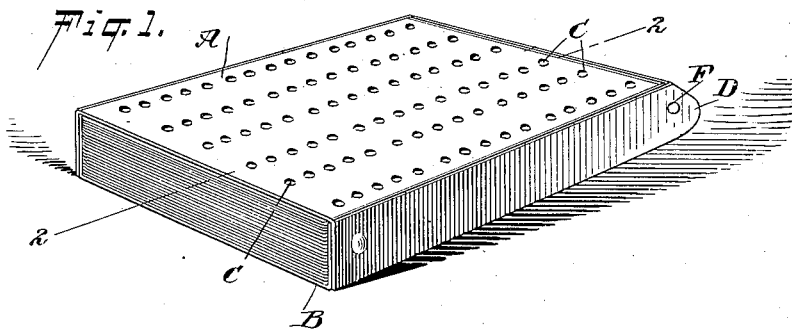
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COMBINED CARD-CASE AND GAME-COUNTER.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WILLIAM TREWARTHA, of Angel's Camp, in the county of Calaveras and State of California, have invented a new and Improved Combined Card-Case and Game-Counter, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

My invention relates to an improvement in card-cases by which they are adapted for use as a game-counter or cribbage-board.

My invention comprises the novel features hereinafter described and claimed.

Reference is to be had to the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification, in which similar characters of reference indicate corresponding parts in all the figures.

Figure 1 is a perspective view showing one form of my device closed. Fig. 2 is a section of the same taken upon the line 2 2 of Fig. 1. Fig. 3 shows the case opened out in position for use as a game-counter or cribbage-board. Fig. 4 is a sectional view of a modified construction. Fig. 5 shows the manner of connecting the two parts of such modified construction when used as a counter or game-board. Fig. 6 is a sectional view of another modified construction, and Fig. 7 is an edge view of another modification partially opened.

The object of my invention has been to produce a card-case which may be used as a game-counter or cribbage-board and which will be cheap in first cost, so that it may be supplied with each deck of cards.

It is a very common thing among travelers to use cards as a means for passing the time, and it would therefore be very desirable to be able to provide for the cards a game-counter and cribbage-board which might be used temporarily and which would cost but a small amount.

The case as constructed in accordance with my invention consists of two principal members, each of which is of general box-like form, adapted to have their open faces placed together, so as to include the cards between them. In the form shown in Figs. 1, 2, and 3 the two parts A and B, which form the two box-like members, are hinged to each other by means of pivot-pins F, which pass through ears D at one end of the box. This enables the two parts to be folded together into the position shown in Figs. 1 and 2, in which case

they would be of such a size as to nicely accommodate a deck of cards and at the same time allow a small space at one end thereof to accommodate four pins I, by means of which the count is kept. At said end the box is closed by means of two flanges E, placed one upon each half of the device. These serve to retain the pins and cards in place. The other end of the box may be left open, as shown in Fig. 2, or have similar flanges projecting downward, so as to inclose that end of the cards also. The main faces of the parts A and B are provided with holes C, which preferably are arranged in the same manner as the holes in a cribbage-board.

When the device is spread out into the position shown in Fig. 3, it forms a convenient cribbage-board which may be used a number of times without being damaged.

The case may be constructed of any convenient material, either metal, celluloid, paste-board, or other suitable material, and may thus be made of such slight cost that it may be thrown away after having been used.

In order to secure the outer or swinging ends of the two parts A and B together, raised knobs G are provided by stamping the material, these knobs being engageable, so as to hold the two parts together when closed.

In Fig. 4 a modified construction is shown, in which the two parts of the box telescope after the manner of the ordinary box and its cover. One part A' is provided with two small projecting arms H, which are L-shaped and are adapted to be engaged by the end of the other half B' of the box. The part B' is provided with a notch b' in one end of such width as to pass outside of both of the arms H after the manner shown in Fig. 5, thus locking the two halves of the box together.

The construction shown in Fig. 6 is the same as that described, except that the part A² of the box is provided with two main faces and is opened at one end, the part B² sliding into the same from one end. The inner member B² of the box is provided with a notch b' in one end adapted to engage the arms H upon the other part of the box. This form of cover may be constructed so cheaply as to be sold with each deck of cards without materially increasing the price. It will therefore be found of great convenience for travelers who

wish to pass their time away in games with cards.

The form shown in Fig. 7 has the two halves A^s and B^s connected by a piece J, which is 5 hinged at either end to the outer corners of the two sides. This form when opened out makes a little longer cribbage-board.

Having thus fully described my invention, I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters 10 Patent—

1. A combined card-case and cribbage-board, comprising two box-like members adapted to fit one within the other to form a case of a size to receive a deck of cards, the 15 said members having a series of holes in their faces and provided with means for securing them together, whereby when the members are arranged end to end they form a cribbage-board, substantially as herein shown and described. 20

2. A combined card-case and cribbage-board, comprising two box-like members open at one side and end and hinged together to fit one within the other when closed, the mem-

bers being provided with holes arranged in 25 the same manner as the holes of a cribbage-board, substantially as described.

3. A combined card-case and cribbage-board, comprising two box-like members open at one side and end and provided with flanges 30 at the other end for closing said end, the members being provided with holes in their faces and hinged together to fit one within the other when closed, substantially as described.

4. A combined card-case and cribbage-board, consisting of two box-like members adapted to fit one within the other and provided with ears at one end by which they are 35 hinged together, each member having an open side and end and provided at its hinged end with a flange, the members being provided with rows of holes arranged in the same manner as the holes of a cribbage-board, substantially as described. 40

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