

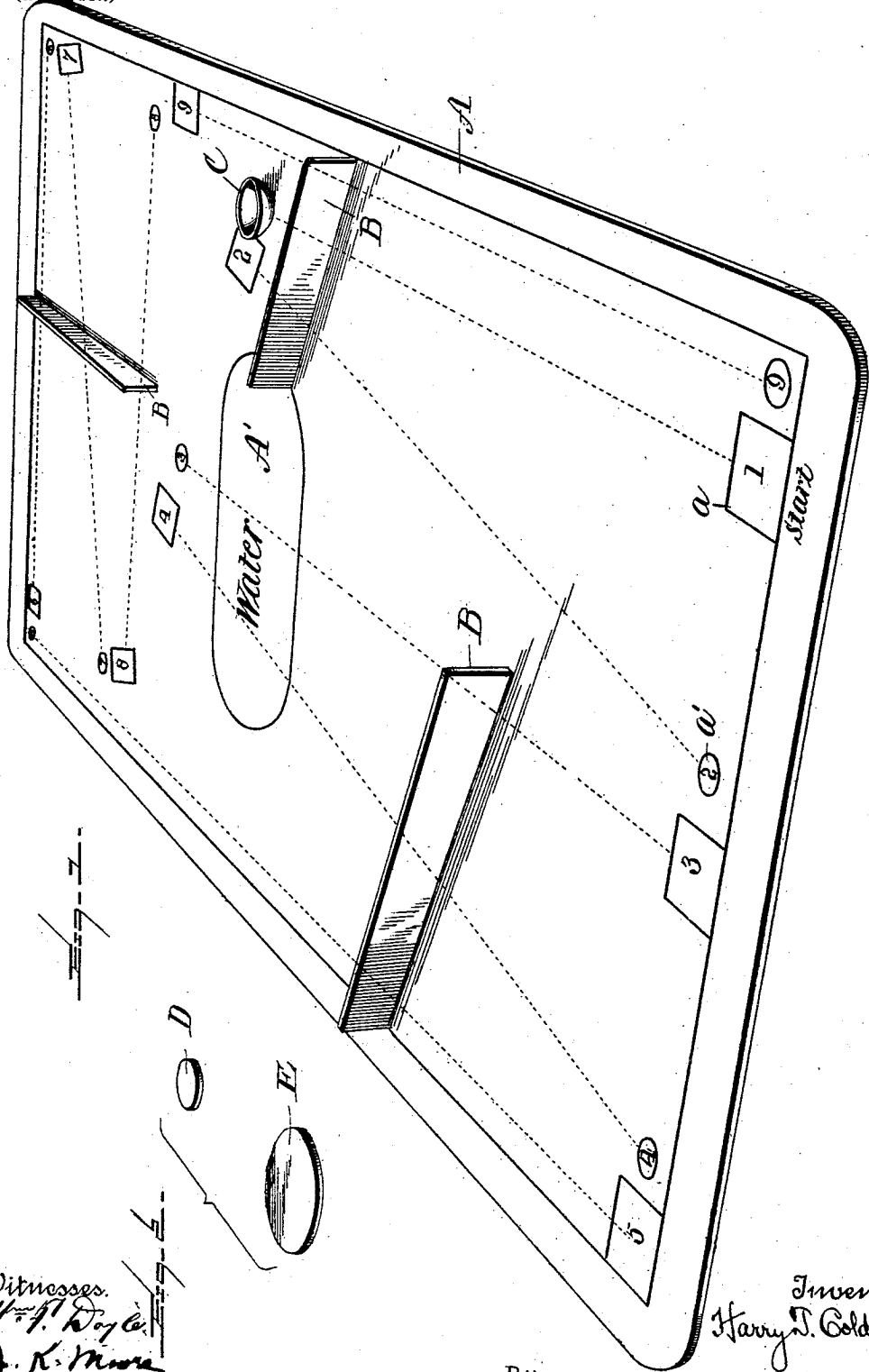
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, HARRY T. COLDWELL, a citizen of the United States, residing at Newburgh, in the county of Orange and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Game Apparatus; 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 consists in the novel features hereinafter fully described, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, which illustrate one form in which I have contemplated embodying my invention, and said invention is fully disclosed in the following description and claims.

In the drawings, Figure 1 represents a perspective view of my game apparatus. Fig. 2 represents in perspective the disks with which the game is played.

The object of my invention is to provide a game apparatus with which a game may be played upon a table somewhat resembling golf and in which the general rules of golf may be followed.

In carrying out my invention I provide a large piece of felt or other suitable yielding material or fabric A, which is placed upon a table or other supporting-surface and which may be rolled up in very compact form when not in use. Upon this piece of felt are suitable indications or marks representing a series of "holes" constituting a golf-course. For example, the felt or other fabric may be marked with squares or rectangles *a*, indicating the "tees," and with circles *a'*, indicating the holes, and the tees and holes may be numbered as indicated in the drawings. I also prefer to provide the felt or other fabric representing the field with suitable "hazards" or obstacles. In the present instance I have shown several strips B, which may be of the same fabric as the field A, glued or otherwise attached to the fabric, so as to stand up perpendicularly thereto and extending across one or more of the courses between respective tees and holes, after the manner of a "bunker" on a golf-course. I do not limit myself to the exact form of the obstacles B, which may be made and attached to the field in any desired way; or said ob-

stacles may be made separate from the field and placed thereon, so that their positions can be changed when desired. I also prefer to provide the field A with a mark or marks indicating a "water hazard or hazards." In the present instance I have shown an ellipse *A'*, marked upon the field A in any suitable way to indicate a pond or lake and disposed across one or more of the courses.

C represents a cup, of glass or other suitable material, which is placed upon the indications representing the holes and is of sufficient size to receive a flat disk D, which takes the place of the ball used in golf. I may provide one of the cups C for each hole marked upon the field A, or I may provide but a single cup C, which may be moved from one hole to another as the game progresses. The disk D is moved upon the field by snapping it by means of a larger disk E, held by the player, in a well-known way, and as many disks D and E may be provided as are required for the various players. The point of starting the game may be indicated, if desired, by the word "Start" or otherwise.

In playing the game the small disk D will be placed upon the first tee *a* and snapped; by means of the disk E, in the direction of the first hole *a'*, upon which the cup C is placed, as shown in Fig. 1 of the drawings. The disk D will be propelled along the course from each tee to the corresponding hole, the object being to land it in the cup C with the least number of strokes or plays. So far as applicable the general rules of the game of golf will apply to and govern the play and prescribe the penalties in regard to hazards, &c.

I do not desire to be limited to the exact details herein shown and described, as they may be varied without departing from the spirit of my invention.

What I claim, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

1. A game apparatus comprising among its members, a game-board composed of flexible fabric provided with an elastic surface, having indications marked thereon representing a golf-course, a cup representing one of the "holes" and extending above the surface of the board, obstructions forming "bunkers" composed of flexible fabric, secured to said board and projecting above the same, the said

board being for use in a game in which the elasticity of the board is material in moving a small body from point to point on the board, and whereby said game-board may be rolled or folded into small compass, when not in use, substantially as described.

2. A game apparatus comprising among its members, a game-board consisting of a piece of felt, having marked permanently thereon indications representing a golf-course, and provided with obstructions representing "bunkers" formed of flexible fabric, having their lower edges permanently secured to said felt board, said obstructions projecting above

the surface of the board, a cup representing one of the "holes" extending above the surface of the board, the same being for use in a game with a disk representing the ball, and a playing-disk for snapping the disk representing the ball over the course, over the said obstructions or bunkers, and into the cup, substantially as described.

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

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