

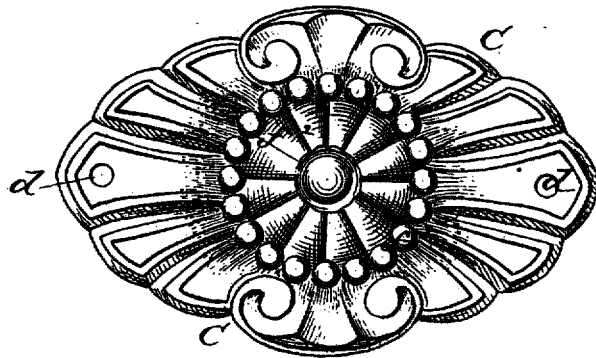
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DESIGN.

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COVERING PLATE FOR BILLIARD TABLE CUSHION RAIL BOLTS.
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DESIGN FOR A COVERING-PLATE FOR BILLIARD-TABLE CUSHION-RAIL BOLTS.

SPECIFICATION forming part of Design No. 23,670, dated October 2, 1894.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, MOSES BENSINGER, a citizen of the United States, residing at Chicago, in the county of Cook and State of Illinois, have invented and produced a new and original Design of Masks or Covering-Plates for Billiard-Table Cushion-Rail Bolts, of which the following is a specification, reference being had to the accompanying drawing, forming part thereof.

In all designs of cushion-rail bolt head masks, heretofore used, the configuration, or shape, of the mask, has been such that its contour was approximately circular; with the extreme base portion of its perimeter an exact circle; the mask being always adapted to be turned on its middle point, in securing it, by a screw, to the center of the cushion-rail bolt head.

My new design of mask, or covering-plate, is designed for securement to the wooden cushion-rail of the billiard table, by small screws, the heads of which have no unsightly appearance where they are exposed to view, and its characteristic feature lies in its oblong contour, or configuration.

In the accompanying drawing, which forms part of this specification, I have shown my new design of mask, or covering plate, which it will be seen is oblong, in contradistinction

to circular, in form; and it will be observed that the mask is formed, or provided with suitable perforations *d, d*, (in the case shown two) for the accommodation of small wood screws, by which it may be secured to the surface of the billiard table cushion-rail to which it is applied, with its middle portion covering over the bolt-head, and perfectly hiding, or masking, the same.

As seen in the drawing, the mask, or covering-plate, is formed with a central superficial ornamentation, or sort of center-piece, *f*², and the perimeter of the plate, while approximately oval in shape, is slightly scalloped.

Having so fully shown and described my new design or configuration of mask or covering-plate that those skilled in the art can make and use the same, what I claim as of my invention, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

The herein shown and described new design of billiard table cushion-rail bolt-head mask, or covering-plate; the characteristic features of which are its oblong shape, or configuration; the sort of center-piece *f*²; and its scalloped perimeter.

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