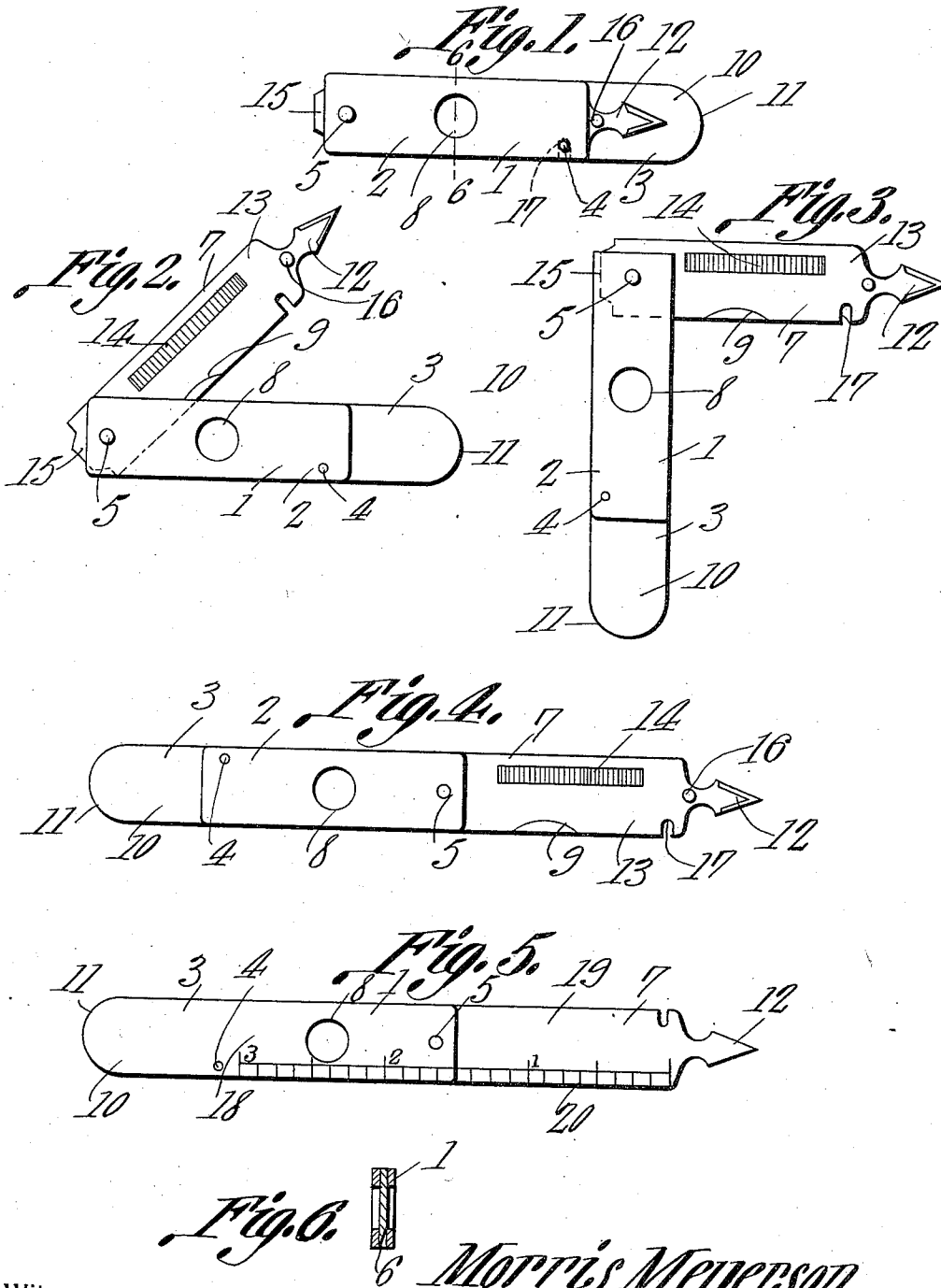


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, MORRIS MEYERSON, a citizen of the United States, residing at Jacksonville, in the county of Duval and State of Florida, have invented a new and useful Cigar-Cutter, of which the following is a specification.

It is the object of the present invention to provide a cigar cutter of novel and improved form, in which the cutting edge of the blade is housed when the blade is closed, one end of the blade being housed behind one portion of the handle, and another portion of the handle being removed so that said end, although inefficient to inflict injury will, nevertheless, be manually accessible, to open the blade out of the handle.

In the drawings, Figure 1 is a plan, showing the device adjusted for use as a watch opener or as a screwdriver. Fig. 2 is a plan of the device, adjusted for use as a cigar cutter. Fig. 3 is a plan of the tool, showing the parts thereof adjusted for use as a square. Fig. 4 is a plan of the tool, with the parts adjusted as a finger nail cleaner and file, or as a watch opener. Fig. 5 is a plan of the tool, showing the blade and handle so adjusted that the tool may be utilized as a straight edge or as a measuring device; Fig. 6 is a sectional view on the line 6—6 of Fig. 1.

As to the annexed drawings, 1 represents the handle, composed of two parts 2 and 3. These two parts 2 and 3 are held together by securing devices 4 and 5, ordinarily rivets, there being a space 6 between the parts, for the reception of the blade 7 (which is pivoted upon the rivet 5.) The two parts 2 and 3 are provided with registering openings 8. The blade 7 is provided with a knife edge 9. By passing the end of a cigar through the openings, and then gradually closing the blade, the end of the cigar will be cut off by said knife edge. The part 3 of the handle is prolonged beyond the part 2 to provide the extension 10, the semi-circular edge 11 of which is slightly beveled for the purpose of opening the cases of watches.

The blade 7 is provided with a V-shaped projection 12, adapted for use as a finger nail cleaner, while the face 13 of the blade is provided with a finger nail file 14. The rear portion of the blade 7 is formed with a

lug 15, which acts as a screwdriver. By closing the blade, this screwdriver may be readily used, as will be clearly understood from Fig. 1. The blade 7 is provided with a laterally extending lug 16, which acts as a finger-piece, for opening and closing the blade. In order that the blade may fully close between the parts of the handle, a recess 17 is formed in the blade, which receives the rivet 4, as will be clearly seen in Fig. 1. The face 18 of the part 3 of the handle and the face 19 of the blade are provided with graduations 20, whereby the tool may be utilized as a measuring device.

The extension 10 serves to house the end of the blade 7 when the blade is in closed position. By fashioning the part 2 shorter than the part 3, the finger of the operator may be kept in contact with the blade 7 until the end of the cigar is entirely cut off. The lug 15 may be engaged to open the blade. Owing to the fact that the parts 2 and 3 are spaced throughout their entire extent, material dislodged from the cigar during the cutting process, will drop from the handle, without necessitating an opening of the blade 7 to clean out the handle. The engagement between the rivet 4 and the blade 7 serves to maintain the end portion of the blade alined with the extension 10.

The invention having been set forth, what is claimed as new and useful is:

In a cigar cutter, a handle consisting of a pair of plates, one of which is longer than the other, the plates having alined openings; a blade pivoted between the plates and adapted to move across the openings, the blade having a pointed end, the cutting edge of the blade being completely housed behind the shorter plate, and the pointed end of the blade protruding beyond one end of the shorter plate, said pointed end of the blade being housed behind the longer plate; and means carried by the handle and engageable by the blade, to hold the pointed end of the blade housed behind the longer plate.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my own, I have hereto affixed my signature in the presence of two witnesses.

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