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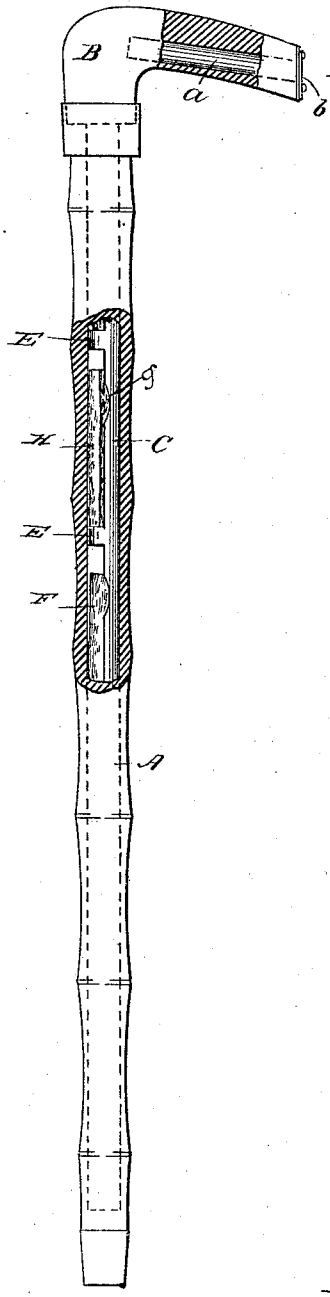


Fig. 1.

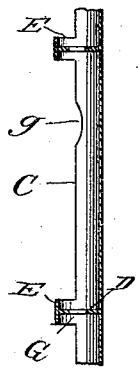


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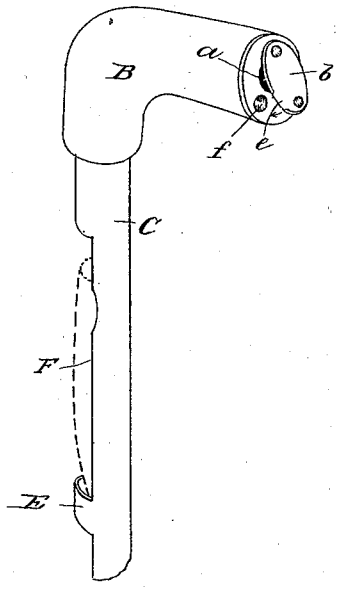


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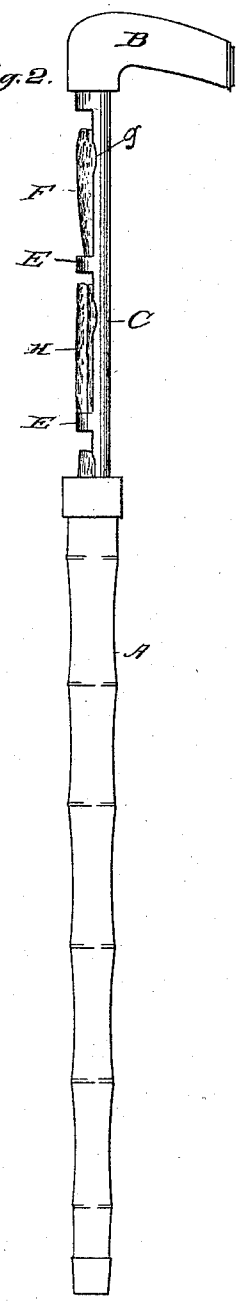


Fig. 2.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, GEORGE B. FOWLER, a citizen of the United States, residing at Brooklyn, in the county of Kings and State of New York, have invented a certain Improved Combination Cane and Cigar and Cigarette Case, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact specification.

The object of my invention is to provide a cane or walking-stick within which can be carried a quantity of cigars and cigarettes; and my improvement consists in making the cane hollow, and providing a receptacle which fits therein and which is withdrawn by means of the handle of the cane, the receptacle being divided into suitable compartments to hold cigars or cigarettes, the said compartments having means whereby the cigars or cigarettes are retained in place, all as will be hereinafter set forth.

In the accompanying drawings, which fully illustrate the novel features of my invention, Figure 1 is a side elevation of a cane or walking-stick made according to my improvement, a portion of the stem being broken away to show the interior, and the handle likewise being partly in section. Fig. 2 is a side view with the cigar-receptacle partially withdrawn from the cane-body. Fig. 3 is a fragmentary view of the cigar-receptacle in section; and Fig. 4 is an enlarged perspective view of the head of the cane and a portion of the cigar-receptacle.

A, in general, represents the body or stem of the cane, and B the handle thereof. The body A is made hollow, and receives the case or receptacle which holds the cigar and cigarettes. This receptacle C is preferably made of metal of a semi-cylindrical shape, so that the cigar lies in it in a partially-exposed position. The case or cigar-receptacle is made long enough to extend nearly to the point of the cane-body, and receives a number of cigars and cigarettes. It is divided into compartments a little longer than a cigar by placing division-pieces D at respective points along the same. These division-plates have a central aperture, G, through which the small end of the cigar is projected, by which means it is held in position. The upper end of the cigar-receptacle is attached to the handle portion B of the cane.

In order to adapt the receptacle to holding cigarettes, as well as cigars, the divisions D have a surrounding annular flange, E, projecting upwardly, (or both upwardly and downwardly, as desired,) so as to form a cup-shaped recess, in which the ends of two or more cigarettes may be held.

The receptacle is drawn out by means of the handle B, and in each compartment is placed a cigar, F, or a number of cigarettes, H, and then the same is inserted into the hollow body of the cane, being made to fit snugly therein, where it will be held by friction.

The handle B is hollowed out to form a receptacle, *a*, for matches.

b is a plate pivoted to the outer end of the handle to serve as a cover for the same.

Combined with the handle is a device for clipping off the tips or ends of cigars. For this purpose I provide at any convenient point on the outer end of the handle a cone-shaped recess, *f*, (see Fig. 4,) in which the tip of the cigar is to be inserted, and on the pivoted lid or cover *b*, I form a cutting-edge, *e*, so that after the tip is placed in the recess the plate or lid *b* is swung round in the direction shown by the arrow, with its cutting-edge in contact with the tip, and a slight pressure will cut it off. In the present instance I have shown the cutting-blade as formed on the cover or lid of the match-receptacle; but this is a matter of convenience only, as the cutting-blade may, if desired, be a separate attachment.

To facilitate the removal of the cigar or cigarette from its receptacle, a recess, *g*, is formed on each side of the same suitable to admit the thumb and one finger, so that the cigar may be more easily lifted out of its compartment.

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

1. The combination, with a hollow case, of a semi-cylindrical receptacle fitting therein, the said receptacle having a number of di-

vision-plates provided with a perforation adapted to receive the end of a cigar, as set forth.

2. The combination, with a hollow case, of a semi-cylindrical receptacle divided into compartments having perforated cylindrical ends, as set forth.

3. The combination, with the cane A, receptacle C, and handle B, of the recess *f* and pivoted plate *b*, having a cutting-edge, as and for the purpose set forth.

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