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CIGAR PROTECTOR.

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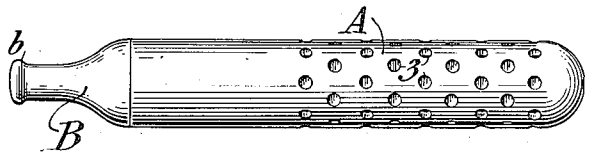


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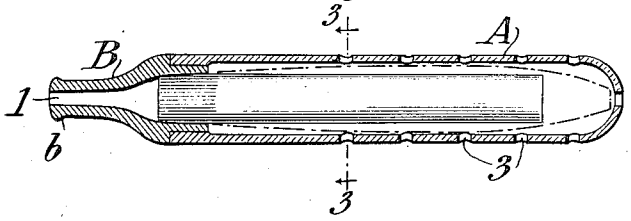


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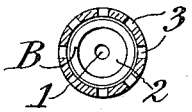


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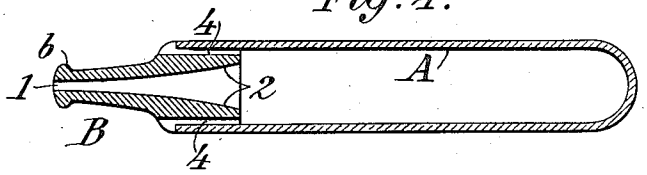


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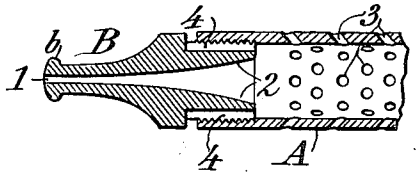
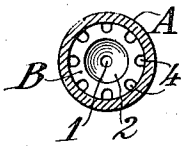


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, VAHAN CHEREKJIAN, an Armenian subject of Turkey, residing in the town of West Hoboken, in the county of Hudson and State of New Jersey, have invented new and useful Improvements in Cigar-Protectors, more fully set out in the specification hereinafter.

The novel feature of my invention relates particularly to caps for cigar or cigarette holders, both as a convenience and as a protection in handling or carrying the lighted cigar or cigarette.

The objects of my improvement are firstly to provide means for preventing the promiscuous scattering of ashes from the burned cigar; and secondly, to facilitate carrying or handling in that the cap on the holder completely incases the lighted cigar or cigarette, and whether carried in the pocket or lying about, danger of fire from the lighted cigar is obviously eliminated at all times, nothwithstanding the fact that smoking may be interrupted or resumed intermittently without relighting.

The drawings illustrate the improvement, *e. g.*, Figure 1 is a side elevation of the holder and cap assembled, showing the radial air passages 3;

Fig. 2 is a longitudinal cross-section of the holder and cap, showing the cigarette in elevation;

Fig. 3 is a transverse section of the cap A on a line 3—3, showing a plan view of the holder B;

Fig. 4 is a modified form of the holder and cap with longitudinal air passages channeled in the holder;

Fig. 5 is a cross-section of the cap and holder with a threaded union, having channeled air passages as in Fig. 4;

Fig. 6 is a transverse section of the cap A and a plan view of the holder B with peripheral air passages channeled therein.

The cap A is represented as a hollow, tubular shell, so as to envelop the cigar or cigarette and to strip over the holder B at the open end having the outer end closed.

B is of the usual type of construction in cigar holders. It is also hollow with an opening 1 therethrough tapering from the outer end designated 2 in Figs. 3, 4, 5 and 6, which is adapted to receive the cigar or cigarette, to the tip or mouth-piece *b*. Peripherally it is smooth and round, being slightly beveled and fitted to the cap A into which it is entered except for the longitudinal grooves or channels, designated 4, Figs. 4 and 6, spaced apart in the circumference of the holder B, serve as air passages to the end that the cap A may be in fact a cap or cover completely inclosing the cigar or cigarette. Thus assembled the combination prevents inflammability in carrying the cigar about in the pocket enabling the smoker so to manipulate his cigar or cigarette that smoking may be interrupted or resumed at leisure without such incidental danger or inconvenience.

My improvement is not limited to the combination or means of uniting the cap A with the holder B, as shown in Figs. 1 and 4, but may be likewise attached by means of threads, (see Fig. 5), which rigidly secure the cap and holder together, the advantage of which is the more readily demonstrated when carried in the pocket.

Also the radial apertures 3 in the cap A, whether diametrically disposed to its longitudinal axis or at an acute angle thereto, and the longitudinal channels or grooves in the holder B, as shown, may be used alternately or in combination with each other, as preferred.

The combination of cap A and holder B is shown diagrammatically in Figs. 5 and 6, in which the radial perforations 3 are diagonally disposed through the body of the cap, so that the currents of air entering the cap by way of the perforations 3 and the longitudinal grooves or channels 4 must circulate within the cap more or less promiscuously before being drawn through the cigar and holder, as stated, thus providing an indirect or so-called "back-draft," which not only retards combustion but in a lesser degree controls free currents of air.

In manufacture my improved article may be made of any suitable material such as is used in making pipes and the like.

Having thus described the operation and combination of my improvement, I claim:

1. The combination of a hollow tubular cap for enveloping a cigar, a cigar holder adapted to enter the cap and longitudinal grooves, spaced apart circumferentially in the body of the cigar holder, serving as air passages leading to the space within the cap.

2. A cigar holder with its outer end screw-threaded to engage a hollow tubular cap,

a hollow cap having radial perforations diagonally disposed through the body of the cap, said cap enveloping the cigar and engaging the cigar holder and longitudinal grooves in the cigar holder, spaced apart, serving as air passages leading to the space within the cap.

Signed at West Hoboken, New Jersey, this 26th day of November, 1917.

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