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Fig. 1.

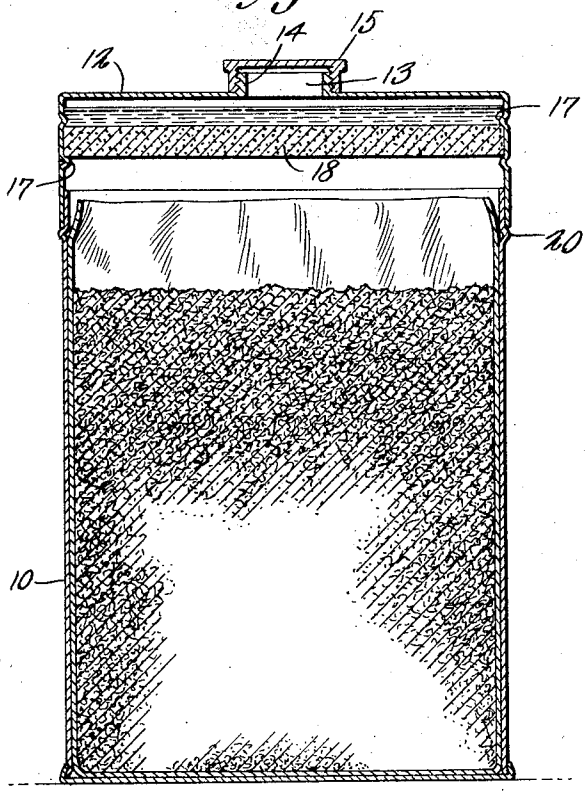
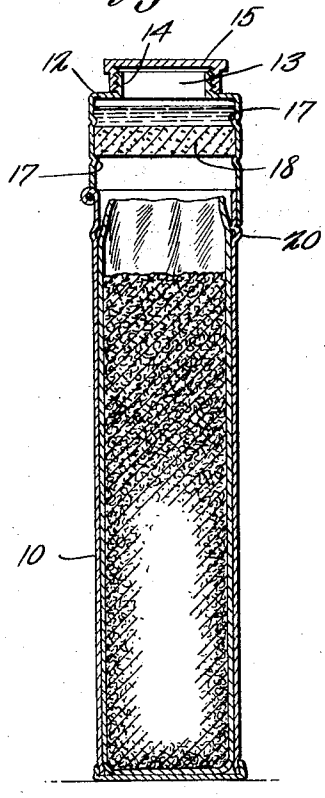


Fig. 2.



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The object of this invention is to provide a humidor proportioned to receive the quantity of tobacco sold in a small tin of popular size, the tobacco receptacle being provided with an air tight cap having a reservoir therein, the bottom wall of which is of porous material, so that if the tobacco is dry a small quantity of water placed in the reservoir will supply the desired moisture.

A further object is to provide a receptacle having a cap with means formed on the wall thereof for retaining a bottom element of porous material, such as soapstone, the upper portion of the cap being provided with a filling opening having a suitable closure.

With the foregoing and other objects in view, the invention consists in the novel construction and arrangement of elements described, illustrated and claimed, it being understood that modifications may be made within the scope of the claims without departing from the spirit of the invention.

In the drawings forming part of this application:—

Figure 1 shows the device in vertical section, and Figure 2 is a vertical section from another angle.

The can 10 is proportioned to receive the quantity of tobacco which the customer obtains in a fifteen cent tin, and the paper container is simply lifted from the can in which the purchase is made and transferred to the present tobacco receptacle, the contents of the paper package being undisturbed. The cover of the ordinary can is not air-tight, but the cover which we propose to use, and which is designated 12, will exclude air, and will include an opening 13 in its upper portion, surrounded by a neck 14, and having a closure 15 threaded onto the neck portion.

The inner wall of cover 12 is provided with spaced beads 17, for retaining a porous bottom or partition 18, which may be of soapstone.

A small quantity of water is introduced, when desired, through filling opening 13, and moisture gradually passes through element 18, for the purpose specified. The edge of the cover abuts a bead 20 formed in the wall of the can, an accurate fit being produced.

The device thus constructed may be manufactured at low cost, and will produce especially satisfactory results as a pocket humidor.

What we claim and desire to secure by Letters Patent is—

1. A device of the class described, comprising a can, a cover therefor including filling means, beads formed in the wall of the cover, and a porous mineral element mounted between the beads and below the top of the cover.

2. A device of the class described, comprising a can, a cover therefor having a filling opening, a threaded closure for said opening, beads formed in the side walls of the cover and below the top of said cover, and a porous mineral element mounted between the beads.

In testimony whereof we affix our signatures.

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