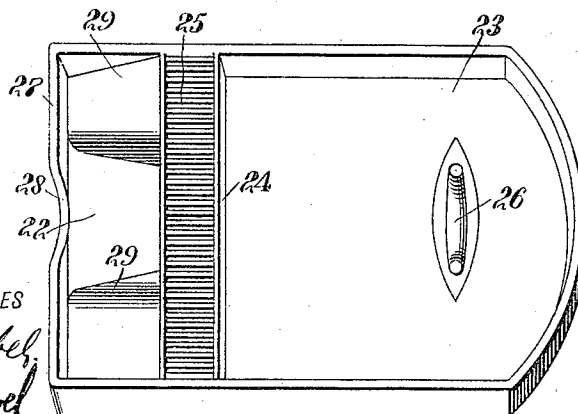
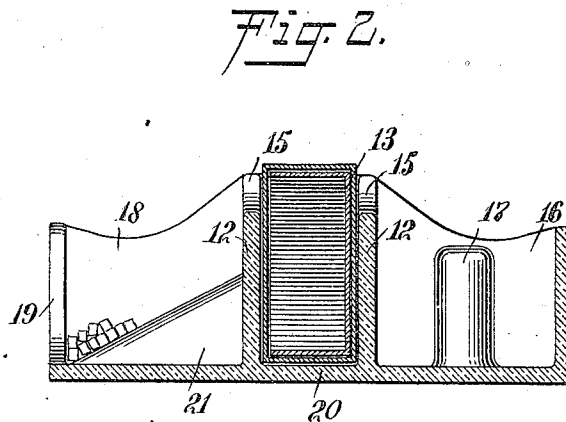
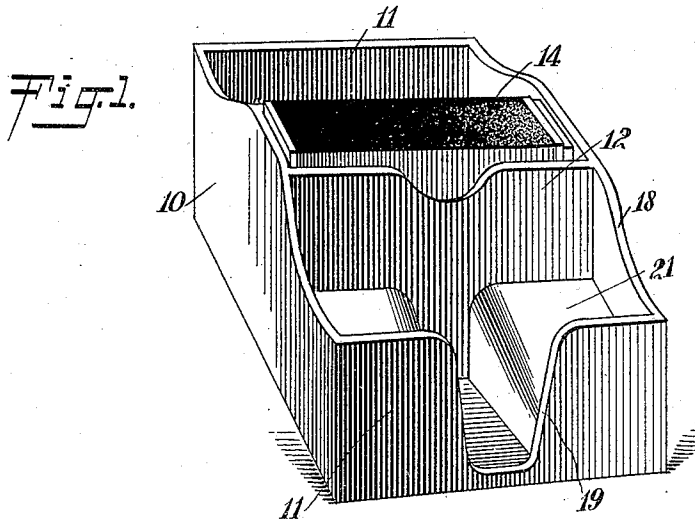


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, HERMANN WARK, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of the city of New York, borough of Manhattan, in the county and State of New York, have invented a new and Improved Match-Receptacle, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

This invention relates to receptacles for matches, and relates more particularly to a device of this kind which comprises a container body having walls, one of which is provided with a gap, and within the body spaced, inclined supports which tend to direct the matches toward said gap.

The object of the invention is to provide a simple, inexpensive and durable match receptacle which is so constructed that it can be advantageously employed with safety matches or with ordinary matches, from which the matches can be taken one at a time without difficulty, which can be easily and expeditiously filled with matches, and which is neat and attractive in appearance. The invention consists in the construction and combination of parts to be more fully described hereinafter and particularly set forth in the claim.

Reference is to be had to the accompanying drawings forming a part of this specification, in which similar characters of reference indicate corresponding parts in all the views, and in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of an embodiment of my invention; Fig. 2 is a longitudinal section of this form of the device; and Fig. 3 is a perspective view showing a modified form of the match receptacle.

Before proceeding to a more detailed explanation of my invention, it should be clearly understood that the same can be fashioned from any material adapted for the purpose, for example porcelain or glass.

I have shown in the accompanying drawings, forms of the receptacle which have associated therewith, ash-receivers for use by smokers, but this part of the device constitutes no feature of my invention and can be eliminated if so desired. It should also be noted that while the forms of the receptacle illustrated are adapted to rest upon a table or like support, other shapes can be used which permit the receptacle to be fastened upon a wall or to be otherwise held in elevated and fixed positions.

Referring more particularly to the draw-

ings, in Fig. 1, I provide a receptacle having side walls 10 and end walls 11. Between the end walls 11 are located spaced partitions 12 adapted to receive therebetween the box 13 in which safety matches are generally packed, so that one of the sides of the safety match-box is uppermost to render the striking surface 14 thereof available for striking the matches. The partitions have edge recesses 15 so that the safety match-box can be easily grasped to withdraw it from between the partitions. At one side of the partitions is formed an ash-receiving compartment 16 of any suitable form and having if so desired, a support 17 upon which can be rested the burning end of a cigar or the like. If so desired, the edges of the ash-receiving compartment can be recessed to permit the burning cigar, cigarette or other object to be positioned therein. At the other side of the partitions 12 is located the match receptacle compartment 18 which, in the end, has a gap 19 extending substantially to the bottom of the body. At each side of the gap within the match-receptacle compartment, are inclined supports 21 spaced apart a distance substantially equal to the width of the gap and inclined downward toward the end wall in which the gap is formed. The matches are located upon these supports 21 as shown most clearly in Fig. 2, and naturally tend to slide into position against the end wall so that they can be easily removed one at a time by inserting the fingers through the gap.

In Fig. 3 I have shown the modified form of the device, which comprises a match compartment 22 and an ash-receiving compartment 23 separated by a wall 24, the upper surface 25 of which is roughened in any suitable manner, for example, by means of corrugations, so that it is adapted to serve as a striking surface for igniting matches of the ordinary type. The ash-receiving compartment may have a support 26 if found desirable, for holding a burning cigar or the like. The end wall 27 of the match compartment has a gap 28, corresponding to the gap 19 of the other form of the device. Within the match compartment are inclined supports 29 corresponding to the supports 21 of the form shown in Figs. 1 and 2 and serving, like these, to position the matches and to cause them to slide toward the gap.

Having thus described my invention, I

claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent:—

5 A match receptacle, comprising a body having a flat bottom and walls and formed to hold matches loosely, one of said walls
10 having a recess extending downwardly from the upper edge thereof, and supports positioned upon said bottom of said body and downwardly inclined to said wall having said recess, said supports having a space

therebetween registering substantially with the gap formed in said wall by said recess.

In testimony whereof I have signed my name to this specification in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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