

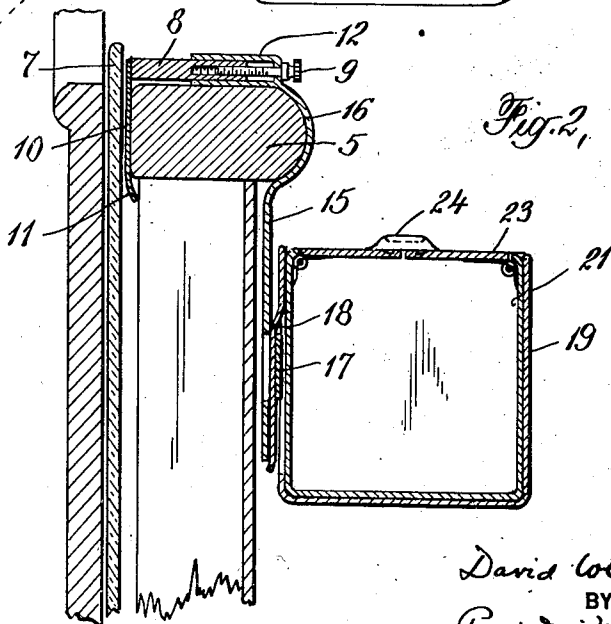
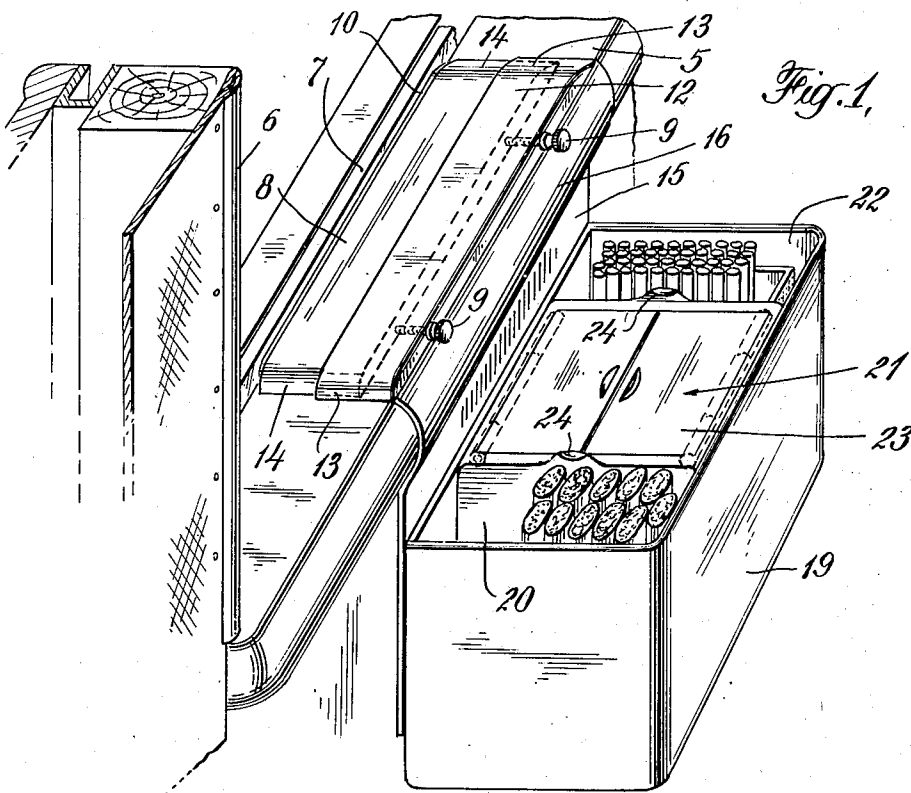
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, DAVID WEISBERGER, a citizen of the United States, residing at New Rochelle, in the county of Westchester, State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Receptacles for Automobiles; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same.

This invention relates to devices intended to afford comfort or convenience in closed motor vehicles. Such devices may include receptacles for smoker's articles such as cigarettes and matches, ash trays, containers for toilet materials, and in fact any desirable facilities which may be placed conveniently in the vehicle.

It has been usual heretofore to provide brackets with screws for attaching devices such as those mentioned to the walls of motor vehicles. Attachment in this manner requires the drilling of holes, and unless it is carefully done this drilling may mar the fine finish of the surface to which the device is attached. Furthermore, when so attached the device becomes a permanent fixture and cannot be removed without leaving a disfiguring mark. If the device is damaged and another exactly like it cannot be found, the unsightly drilling may be exposed when a new device having a different bracket is substituted.

It is the object of the present invention to provide a simple and inexpensive support for various articles of convenience or utility which may be mounted thereby in closed motor vehicles without necessitating the drilling or cutting of the interior walls.

A further object of the invention is the provision of a support for various articles which is adjustable, adapted to be secured rigidly in the desired position and constructed so as to avoid rattling.

Other objects and advantages of the invention will be apparent as it is better understood by reference to the following specification and accompanying drawing, in which

Fig. 1 is a view in perspective of one form of the invention showing its application to the vehicle; and Fig. 2 is a transverse section through the device and illustrating its structure.

In closed motor vehicles the most con-

venient position for attachments is ordinarily on the side walls adjacent to the windows. The windows are set in frames, the width of which on the inner side is from one half to three quarters of an inch. The sill or lower side of the frame provides ample support, therefore, for attachments, but such attachments must be secured so as not to interfere with the raising and lowering of the window.

In accordance with the present invention the attachment is secured by means of a clamp which is adjustable in size to permit application to window-sills of varying width and is provided with a thin flange or lip of sheet metal which is preferably of a resilient or springy nature such as steel. The lip may have a slight inward curve at its lower edge. The adjustability of the bracket is secured by making it in two parts, one of which carries the metal flange or lip which is adapted to be slipped between the sill and the window glass. The other part, which is held in place by suitable fastenings such as screws, is preferably shaped to engage snugly the edge of the window-sill which has usually a rounded bead. A similar bead on the bracket permits it to grip the window-sill securely when it is adjusted by means of the screws so that it cannot slip upwardly and escape from its position. Any desired form of receptacle can be secured to this part of the bracket and is preferably detachably secured so that it can be removed for cleaning or replacement as desired.

Referring to the drawing, 5 indicates the sill of the window-casing 6 in which a glass 7 is mounted either permanently or movably in accordance with the well known construction employed in closed motor vehicles. In the drawing the glass is shown in its lowered position, it being the intention to indicate that the present invention may be employed in connection with movable windows and will permit raising and lowering thereof without removal of the device.

The clamp consists of a plate 8 of sufficient thickness to permit drilling thereof to receive screws 9. This plate carries a depending lip 10 which preferably has an inturned edge 11. The lip 10 is relatively thin and is constructed of a springy or resilient material and the inturned edge is adapted to rest against the window frame or some other part of the structure and assist thereby in

holding the clamp in the desired position. The other part 12 of the clamp is hollow to receive the part 8 and is also perforated to support the screws 9. When the screws are properly engaged the two parts of the clamp can be drawn together to firmly grip the sill 5. Preferably the two parts 8 and 12 of the clamp are formed with curved edges 13 and 14 which fit closely and help to hold the parts securely in position and to prevent rattling thereof. The part 12 of the clamp carries a depending apron 15 which is formed preferably with a bead 16 to overlie the corresponding bead on the sill 5. Any desired device may be secured to the apron 15 either rigidly or detachably, but in the present modification the apron is provided with a loop 17 struck out from the body thereof and is adapted to receive a hook 18 on the receptacle 19 so that the latter can be removed and replaced as desired.

The receptacle in the present example of the invention is designed to receive smokers' articles and to provide an ash tray. It is formed, therefore, with compartments 20, 21 and 22, the compartment 20 being adapted to receive a supply of cigarettes, for example, while the compartment 22 will hold a box of matches. The central compartment 21 is an ash tray with hinged covers 23 which permit the introduction of ashes and prevent them from escaping when the covers are closed. The ash tray may be a separate

receptacle fitting within the outer container and removable therefrom for the purpose of dumping the ashes. In that case handles 24 are provided at each end to facilitate the removal of the ash tray.

It is to be understood that the particular container as described and illustrated is merely an example of one form of utility which may be secured in place by means of the bracket described herein and that other useful and ornamental devices may be similarly secured in place in the vehicle and either permanently or detachably secured to the clamp.

Various changes may be made in the details of the structure without departing from the invention or sacrificing any of the advantages thereof.

I claim:—

In a device to be attached to a closed body motor vehicle having a window and frame therefor, a bracket comprising telescoping parts, said telescoping parts being relatively wide and covering a relatively large area, whereby marring of the frame is prevented, one of the telescoping parts having a lip adapted to be inserted between the window and frame, and the other part being adapted to grip the frame and provide a support for a receptacle.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature.

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