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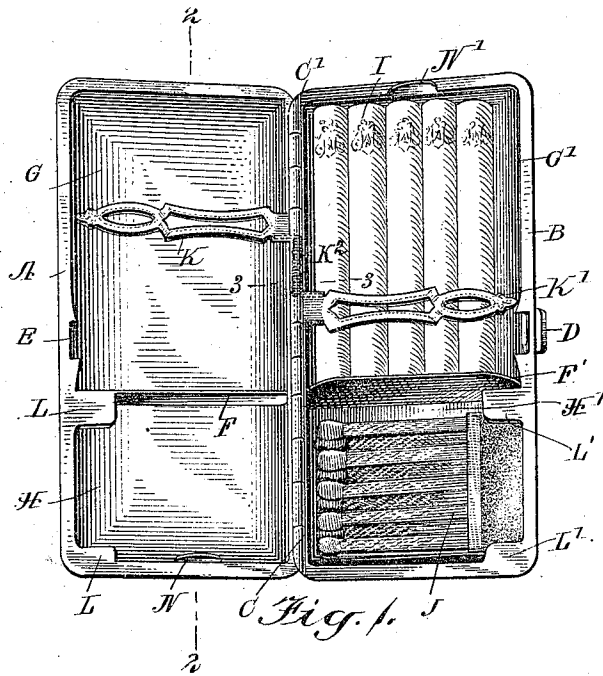
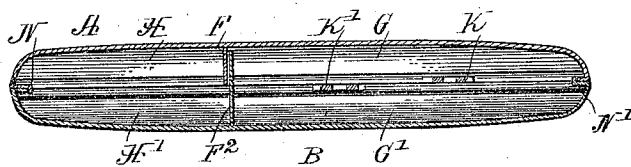
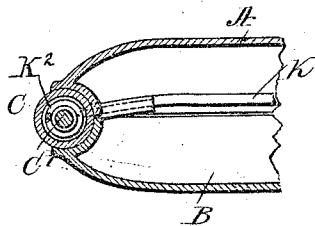


Fig. 2



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ARTHUR Q. WALSH, a subject of the King of Great Britain, 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 Cigarette-Case, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

The object of the invention is to provide a new and improved cigarette case arranged to permit convenient storing of cigarettes, or like smokers' articles, and matches, without danger of the smokers' articles becoming tainted by the matches, and to permit convenient removal of the individual cigarettes and matches as desired by the user. For the purpose mentioned, use is made of a case formed of two sections hinged together, each section having separate compartments, one for the reception of cigarettes and the like, and the other for bunched matches, and a spring-pressed pivoted retaining arm extending across each cigarette compartment to hold the cigarettes in place.

A practical embodiment of the invention is represented in the accompanying drawings forming a part of this specification, in which similar characters of reference indicate corresponding parts in all the views.

Figure 1 is a perspective view of the cigarette case in open position; Fig. 2 is a longitudinal sectional elevation of the same in closed position, the section being on the line 2—2 of Fig. 1; and Fig. 3 is a cross section of the same on the line 3—3 of Fig. 1.

The cigarette case consists essentially of two sections A and B, connected with each other by a hinge C, and adapted to be fastened together when in closed position by a suitable spring catch D held on the section B and adapted to engage a keeper E formed on the other section A. The sections A and B are provided with transverse partitions F and F' for separating the sections into cigarette compartments G, G' and match compartments H, H', of which the compartments G, G' are adapted to receive cigarettes or like smokers' articles I, and the compartments H and H' are adapted to receive matches J, preferably arranged in bunches, and such, for instance, as are shown and described in the Letters Patent of the United States, No. 483,165 and No. 483,166, granted to Joshua Pusey, on September 27, 1892. The partition F has its upper edge

approximately flush with the section A, while the partition F' projects beyond the inner face of the section B, and the partition F' overlaps the partition F when the sections A and B are in closed position, as will be readily understood by reference to Fig. 2, so that the compartments G, G', are completely separated from the match compartments H, H' at the time the sections A and B are in a closed position. Across the inner faces of the compartments G and G' extend pivoted spring-pressed retaining arms K and K' adapted to hold the cigarettes I in position in the corresponding compartment G or G'. The arms K and K' are mounted to swing on the pintle C' of the hinge C, and the arms are pressed on by a spring K², so as to normally hold the said arms K, K' in proper position across the cigarettes I, to hold the same in position in the compartments G, G'. By arranging the arms K and K' in the manner described, they can be readily swung outward into an open position for conveniently filling the corresponding compartments G and G' with cigarettes I, and the arms K and K', on account of being pivoted and spring-pressed, permit convenient removal of the individual cigarettes I as desired by the user. By reference to Figs. 1 and 2, it will be seen that the arms K and K' are spaced apart so as not to contact nor interfere with each other when the sections A and B are in closed position.

The compartments H and H' are provided with retaining lugs L, L', under which are placed the butt ends of matches J, so as to hold the same in place in the compartments H and H', it being understood that for convenience sake the cigarettes I are arranged lengthwise in the case, while the matches J are arranged transversely of the case.

One end of the section A is provided with a projecting lug N at the compartment H, and the section B is provided at one end at the compartment G' with a projecting lug N', and the said lugs N and N' are adapted to fit the opposite ends of the case sections B and A, respectively, at the compartments H' and G, so that the sections A and B are held against longitudinal movement when the sections are in a closed and locked position.

Having thus described my invention, I

claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent:

5 A case of the class described, comprising two case sections hinged together, said sections having transverse partitions dividing the same into separate compartments, and lugs at the ends of said sections for holding the latter against relative endwise movement in one direction, one of said partitions
10 being extended beyond the end of the plane of its respective section and adapted to over-

lap the partition of the other section and prevent relative endwise movement of the case sections in the opposite direction.

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

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