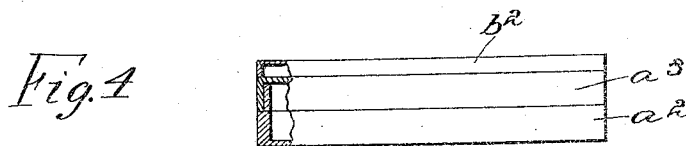
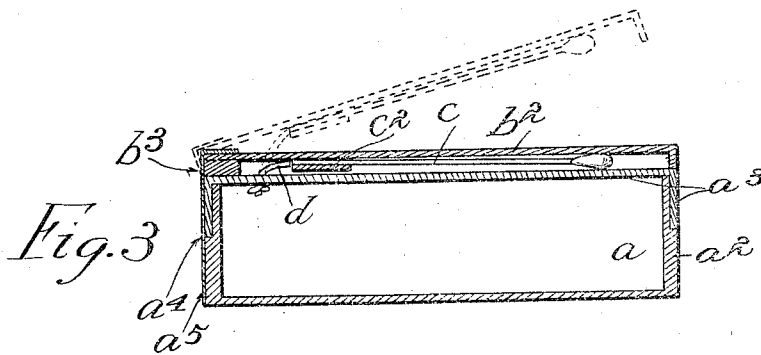
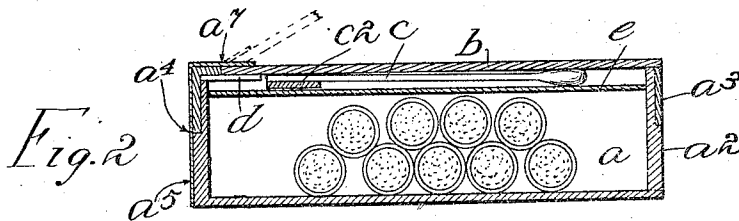
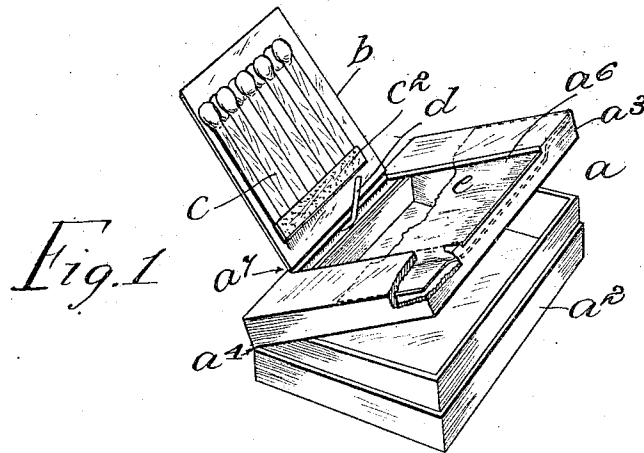


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, SAVERIO A. SPAZIANTE, a citizen of the United States, and residing at New York, in the county of New York and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Cigarette-Boxes, of which the following is a specification, such as will enable those skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same.

This invention relates to cigarette boxes; and the object thereof is to provide an improved device of this class which is also adapted to serve as a match holder or match box; and with this and other objects in view the invention consists in a device of the class specified constructed as hereinafter described and claimed.

The invention is fully disclosed in the following specification, of which the accompanying drawing forms a part, in which the separate parts of my improvement are designated by suitable reference characters in each of the views, and in which:—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of my improved cigarette box showing the same open and with part of the construction broken away, Fig. 2 a transverse section showing the box closed and on an enlarged scale, Fig. 3 a view similar to Fig. 2 but showing a modification, and;—Fig. 4 a front view of a box constructed as shown in Fig. 3.

In the practice of my invention, I provide a cigarette box *a* of the usual form and comprising a bottom or box portion *a*² and a top or cover portion *a*³ which is hinged to the bottom or box portion *a*² at *a*⁴ in the usual or any preferred manner, this hinge connection being preferably made by means of a strip of flexible material secured to the back sides of the parts *a*² and *a*³ as shown at *a*⁵.

The top or cover *a*³ is provided with a large transverse opening *a*⁶, and hinged to the back edge of said top or cover at *a*⁷ is a flap or door *b* adapted to fit in and close the opening *a*⁶ and which is also adapted to support or hold a bunch or package of matches as shown at *c*. The matches *c* are connected at one end by a transverse strip, block or head *c*² in the usual manner, and this may be

permanently secured to the flap or door *b* or may be detachably connected therewith. I also secure to the back top portion of the top or cover *a*³, in the form of construction shown, a flexible and elastic device *d* which is also secured to the under or inner side of the flap or door *b* and which is adapted to hold said flap or door in a closed position and to close said flap or door when open and any suitable flexible or elastic device may be used for this purpose. I also preferably secure to the inner side of the top or cover *a*³ a flexible sheet *e* of paper or any other suitable material which will close the box, or the opening *a*⁶ in the top or cover thereof when the flap or door *b* is raised, but this feature is not an essential one and may or may not be employed.

In Fig. 3 I have shown a modification in which the top or cover *a*³ remains intact, or is not provided with the opening *a*⁶, and a transverse flap *b*² is hinged to the back of the top or cover at *b*³ and the package or bunch *c* of matches is secured to the inner or under side thereof the same as in Fig. 1.

With the construction shown in Fig. 1, the flap or door *b* is flush with the top or cover *a*³ when closed, but with the construction shown in Fig. 3 the flap or door adds to the thickness of the box *a* transversely of the central portion thereof as clearly shown in Fig. 4.

My invention is not limited to any particular size of the box *a*, nor to any particular material used in the construction thereof, nor to the shape thereof, and various changes in and modifications of the construction herein described may be made, within the scope of the appended claims, without departing from the spirit of my invention or sacrificing its advantages.

Having fully described my invention, what I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is:—

1. A cigarette box provided with a hinged top or cover having a transverse opening provided with a hinged flap which closes said opening and also serves as a match holder.

2. A cigarette box provided with a hinged top or cover having a transverse opening

provided with a hinged flap which closes
said opening and also serves as a match
holder, said opening being also closed by a
sheet of flexible material secured within the
5 top or cover.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as
my invention I have signed my name in

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