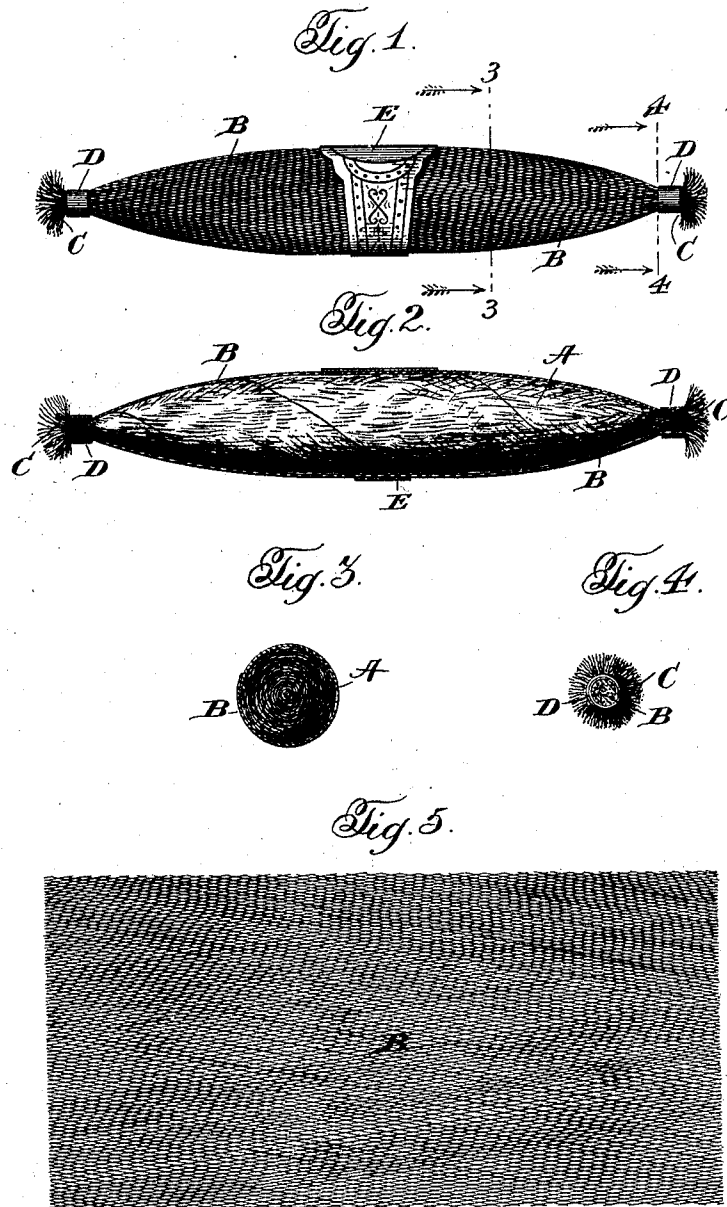


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, SAMUEL HEINEMAN, a citizen of the United States, residing at Baltimore, State of Maryland, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Cigar-Wrappers, of which the following is a specification, reference being had therein to the accompanying drawing.

This invention relates to improvements in cigar wrappers and in the method of applying said wrapper to a cigar, and has for its primary object the provision of an artistic and effective protection for a cigar, preserving the tobacco wrapper of the cigar *per se* from contact with the hands or from being broken incident to packing the same in bundles, boxes, or placing the same in the pockets of the user.

Another object of the invention is to provide a protecting wrapper of the character mentioned which will facilitate a ready removal or slipping off of the usual trade mark band from said wrapper, the latter presenting a smooth surface and preventing catching of the band upon the wrapper during such slipping off operation.

A convenient embodiment of the invention comprises a wrapper conveniently of box wood or similar material, of a size to envelop the cigar, the ends being twisted together and held in place by bands or threads encircling the same, and preferably said bands or threads being prevented from accidental disengagement from said ends by the ends of the wrapper being frayed and spread outwardly over the edges of the securing threads or bands, as will more fully hereinafter appear.

The method of applying the wrapper above defined is carried into practical effect by wetting a sheet of box wood of a size to envelop the cigar, applying the sheet to the cigar while wet and twisting the ends thereof, and then securing said twisted ends by a thread or band, the threads or bands being prevented from displacement by fraying outwardly the protruding ends of the wrapper which will maintain their spread relation when dried and prevent the securing threads or bands from slipping from the wrapper. Preferably the sheet is folded about the cigar with the fiber of the box wood extending longitudinally of the cigar to present a smooth surface over which the ordinary or any preferred type of decorative

or trade mark band may be slipped onto and from the wrapper.

The above mentioned convenient embodiment of the invention is illustrated in the accompanying drawings forming a part hereof and the details will be apparent from the specific description hereinafter contained, when read in connection with said drawings.

In the drawings, Figure 1 is an elevation of a cigar wrapped in keeping with the present invention, Fig. 2 is a longitudinal sectional view of the same, Figs. 3 and 4 are transverse sectional views of Fig. 1 respectively on the lines 3—3 and 4—4 thereof, and Fig. 5 is an elevation of a sheet of box wood prior to its application to the cigar.

Referring more specifically to the drawings, wherein like reference characters designate corresponding parts in the several views, A represents an ordinary cigar, and B the wrapper sheet, the latter being preferably formed of box wood of a size to approximately envelop the cigar as shown. The sheet B referred to is moistened prior to its application to the cigar and after being wrapped upon the cigar will retain its new shape upon becoming dry. The sheet is wrapped about the cigar with the fiber thereof extending lengthwise of the cigar, and the ends of the wrapper being somewhat longer than the length of the cigar are crushed or twisted together as at C. The twisted ends are then in turn fastened in place by tubular pieces D of specially treated paper or of a convenient substance to give the desired color and toughness or staying quality, said tubular members being slipped over the twisted ends of the wrapper, as is obvious. The protruding ends of the wrapper are then frayed outwardly, as illustrated, which position the frayed ends will maintain upon becoming dry, thus rendering the general diameter of the said protruding ends considerably greater than the diameter of the securing tubes, whereby to prevent accidental withdrawal of the tubes from the twisted ends of the wrapper while at the same time constitute a readily detachable fastening, it being simply necessary to slip the device off the frayed ends when the wrapper may unfold or open.

By the arrangement stated, the usual decorative or trade mark band represented at

E may be applied to the outside of the wrapper and readily slipped therefrom in a direction in line with the fiber of the sheet which will ordinarily prevent the band being caught in such slipping off movement. The frayed ends of the wrapper may be depressed with the fingers and the retaining tubes slipped therefrom, as will be apparent, when the wrapper, preferably otherwise unsecured, may be opened along the line E and the cigar freed for smoking purposes.

I will not claim herein the method of applying the wrapper to the cigar inasmuch as the same more properly constitutes subject matter for a divisional application.

While I have herein disclosed one specific embodiment of the invention, it will be apparent to those skilled in the art that the invention is capable of being embodied in other forms without departing from the spirit thereof as, for instance, hereinbefore noted, instead of using the retaining tubes, other tying means may be employed, and in some instances the wrapping may be in a manner different from that actually disclosed herein, wherein the fiber of the sheet is parallel to the longitudinal axis of the cigar.

I claim:

1. An article of manufacture comprising a cigar and a protecting folded wrapper therefor having a body part enveloping the cigar, the ends of said wrapper being closed to form reduced portions at the end of the cigar said reduced portions terminating in laterally projecting portions, and encircling members loosely surrounding the reduced

portions of the wrapper, said encircling members being normally held against movement by the laterally projecting portions at the ends of the wrapper and being free to slip thereover to free the wrapper.

2. An article of manufacture comprising a cigar and a protecting wrapper therefor formed of wood with its fiber extending lengthwise of the cigar, the body part of said wrapper enveloping the cigar and the ends of the folded wrapper being closed to form reduced portions at the ends of the cigar said reduced portions terminating in laterally projecting portions, and encircling members loosely engaging the reduced portions of the cigar, said encircling members being normally held against movement by the laterally projecting portions of the wrapper and being free to slip thereover to free the wrapper.

3. An article of manufacture, comprising a cigar and a protecting wrapper therefor having a body part enveloping the cigar, the ends of the folded wrapper being closed to form reduced portions at the ends of the cigar, and encircling members loosely engaging the reduced portions of the wrapper and normally held in place by engagement of the wrapper therewith but free to slip therefrom to free the wrapper.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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