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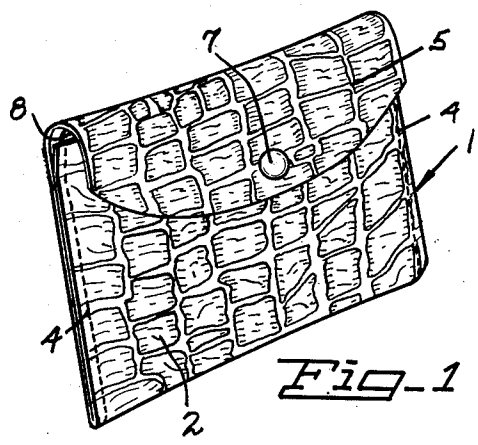


Fig. 1

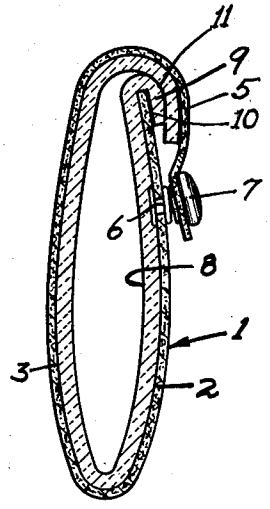


Fig. 2

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This invention relates to a fireproof ash receptacle and it is one object of the invention to provide an ash receptacle which is particularly adapted for use by hunters without risk of setting fire to leaves in a woods and also for use by ladies who do not have access to an ash tray when smoking indoors.

Another object of the invention is to provide an ash receptacle which resembles a purse or pocket book and will be attractive in appearance as well as serving as a receptacle for ashes, cigarettes and cigar butts which it is desired to dispose of without danger of starting a fire or soiling a rug or carpet on a floor of a room.

Another object of the invention is to provide an ash receptacle having a purse-like body open along its upper edge and provided with a closure flap, the body and the closure flap being lined with asbestos or an equivalent fireproof material so that when hot ashes, or the butts of cigarettes or cigars are placed in the receptacle and the flap secured in its closed position, likelihood of a fire being accidently started will be eliminated.

Another object of the invention is to provide an ash receptacle of this character wherein, the fireproof lining is so applied to the receptacle and its closure flap that when the flap is closed and secured, portions of the lining will be disposed in face to face engagement with each other along the upper edge of the front wall of the receptacle and thus form a sealed joint which will exclude air from the interior of the receptacle and cause a lighted cigar or cigarette butt to be extinguished as well as very effectively preventing scorching of leather, or similar material, from which the body of the receptacle is formed.

The invention is illustrated in the accompanying drawings wherein:

Fig. 1 is a perspective view of the improved ash receptacle.

Fig. 2 is a sectional view upon an enlarged scale taken through the receptacle midway the length thereof.

The ash receptacle constituting the subject matter of this invention resembles a purse, hand bag, or the like, and has a body 1 which may be formed from a sheet of leather or other desired pliable material. The sheet of material from which the body is formed is folded intermediate its length to form front and rear walls 2 and 3 for the body, the said walls being integrally united along the lower edge or bottom of the body and secured to each other along their side edges by rows of stitches 4 and the rear wall having a portion extending upwardly beyond the front wall

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and folded downwardly to form a flap 5 by means of which the opening along the top or upper edge of the body is closed when the flap is disposed in its closed position and secured by companion snap fastener members 6 and 7 carried by the front wall and the flap, or by other suitable securing means. The receptacle is neat in appearance and is flat and of such dimensions that it may be conveniently carried in a man's pocket or in a lady's hand bag and it will thus be out of the way when not in use but readily accessible when needed.

The receptacle is to receive hot ashes from a pipe, or butts of cigarettes and cigars and in order to prevent the leather body from being scorched and holes burned therein, there has been provided a lining 8 formed from a sheet of asbestos or other suitable fireproof material. This lining covers inner surfaces of the walls and closure flap of the body and may have its side edge portions secured by the rows of stitches 4 or other means provided for securing the lining flat against the sheet of leather from which the body is formed. One end portion of the sheet of asbestos projects upwardly from the upper edge of the front wall, and this upwardly projecting portion is folded forwardly and downwardly to form a lip or binding 9, which is glued to the outer surface of the upper marginal portion of the front wall by a flexible heat-resisting glue, as shown at 10. This lip or binding 9 is engaged by a portion of the lining covering the inner surface of the closure flap to form a tight fireproof seal, as shown at 11 in Figure 2, and this will serve to prevent air from readily entering the body and smouldering ashes or cigarettes or cigar butts will be extinguished when they have been placed in the receptacle and the flap 5 closed and secured. Referring to Figure 2 it will be seen that the free end portion of the closure flap carrying the snap fastener member 7, projects beyond the corresponding edge of the liner. Therefore, this free end portion of the closure flap will be quite flexible and the fastener member 7 may be easily pressed into gripping engagement with the companion fastener member 6 carried by the front wall of the receptacle and also this portion of the flap may be readily grasped and pulled outwardly to detach the fastener 7 from the fastener 6 and the flap swung upwardly to an opened position allowing access to the interior of the receptacle.

Having thus described the invention, what is claimed is:

A smoker's appliance comprising a receptacle for cigarette ashes consisting of a sheet of flexi-

ble material folded to form a flat body having front and rear walls integrally united along the lower edge of the body and having side edge portions sewed together, said body being open along its top for its full width, the upper portion of the sheet of flexible material being free and constituting an extension of the rear wall forming a closure flap folded forwardly and downwardly to a closed position against the outer surface of the front wall, a lining for said receptacle consisting solely of a sheet of flexible asbestos disposed flat against the inner surface of the said sheet of flexible material and having one end portion folded forwardly and downwardly across the upper edge of the front wall and secured flat against the outer surface of the upper edge portion of the said front wall and forming a fire proof binding for the said upper edge, the other end portion of said asbestos lining extending along the inner surface of the flap beyond the lower edge of said binding and terminating in spaced relation to the lower edge of the flap and thereby provide the flap with a soft and pliable lower end portion, and fastener members carried by the front wall and the soft lower end portion of said flap and detachably engageable with each other to releasably secure the flap closed.

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