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 COMBINED CIGARETTE AND MATCH BOX.
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FIG. 1.

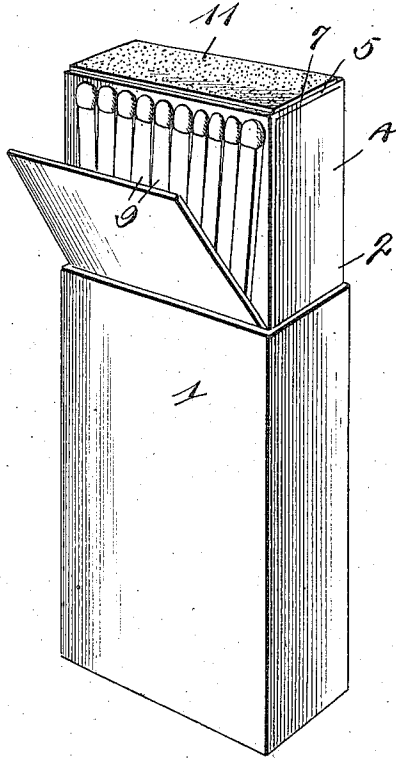


FIG. 2.

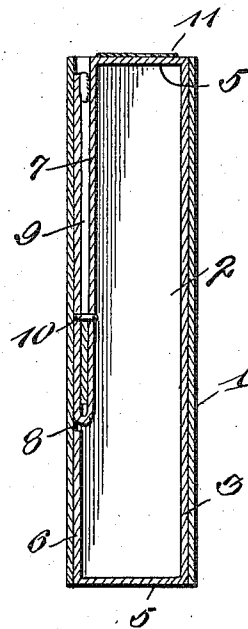


FIG. 3.

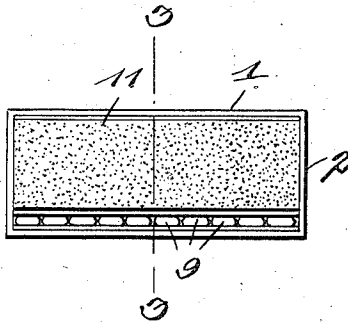
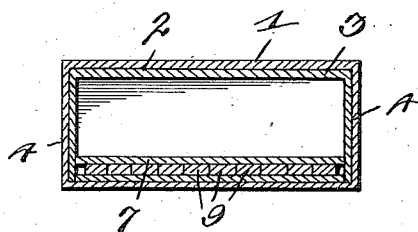


FIG. 4.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WILLIAM LORENZO GLEASON, a citizen of the United States, residing at Newport News, in the county of Warwick and State of Virginia, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Combined Cigarette and Match Boxes, of which the following is a specification, reference being had to the accompanying drawings.

This invention relates to new and useful improvements in cigar and cigarette boxes and more particularly to a combined cigar or cigarette and match box, the object of the invention being to provide a combination box of this character which will save the retail dealers the expense of furnishing matches with each purchase and at the same time will provide the consumer, of the special brand used in these boxes, with matches for their cigarettes or cigars.

Another object of the invention is to provide a device of this character which will possess advantages in points of efficiency and durability, is inexpensive of manufacture and at the same time is simple in construction and operation.

With the above and other objects in view the invention consists in the novel features of construction and the combination and arrangement of parts hereinafter more fully described, pointed out in the claim and shown in the accompanying drawings, in which:—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of a box constructed in accordance with my invention; Fig. 2 is an end elevation; Fig. 3 is a sectional view on the line 3—3 of Fig. 2; and Fig. 4 is a transverse sectional view.

Referring more particularly to the drawings 1 indicates the casing in which is slidably arranged the receptacle 2.

The receptacle 2 is made of a single blank of card-board or other suitable material and folded to form the back 3 and the sides 4 extending from each side of the back, the end portions of said body being folded to form the ends 5 of the receptacle and the upper and lower flaps, 6 and 7 respectively, of the front of the receptacle. These upper and lower flaps 6 and 7 are held in place by means of the casing 1 fitting snugly over the receptacle after it has been folded. The lower flap 7 is to be made of sufficient length to allow the same to be creased intermediate of its ends, as shown at 8, and folded back

upon itself so that the extreme end of the flap is disposed adjacent the end of the receptacle.

A plurality of matches 9 are arranged between the inner and outer sections of the flaps 7, having one of their ends arranged in the intermediate portion of the flaps 7 and secured in any suitable manner, the other or headed ends of the matches 9 are disposed adjacent the lower end of the receptacle and covered by the extreme end of the flap. In the drawings I have shown the matches secured to the flap 7 by the wire fastener 10 passing through the outer and inner sections of the flap and having its ends clenched on the rear side of the inner section to hold the matches securely in place.

It will be fully understood that I do not desire to limit myself to this specific form of fastener but desire to use such means as would be suitable for the purpose.

A scratcher 11 is secured to the lower end of the receptacle so that the matches can be quickly ignited after being removed from between the inner and outer sections of the flap 7. In the drawings I have shown the inner and outer sections of the flap 7 formed integral, but it will be understood that sections may be made in two pieces if so desired. It will be understood that the flap 6 may be changed in proportion so that the matches 9 may be secured thereto instead of to the flap 7 as shown in the drawings. It will also be understood that the outer section of the flap 7 may be eliminated and the matches secured to the end of the flap and arranged between the flap and the casing 1.

A box constructed in accordance with the above description is usually made to contain ten cigarettes or cigars, but not limited to this number, and in the drawings it will be seen that I have provided one match to each cigarette or cigar, more or less may be provided if desired.

While I have shown and described the preferred form of my invention it will be obvious that various changes in the details of construction and in the proportions may be resorted to for successfully carrying my invention into practice without sacrificing any of the novel features or departing from the scope thereof.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim is:—

In a device of the character described, the combination with a casing, a container slid-

ably mounted therein, having upper and lower flaps, said lower flap being folded upon itself to form inner and outer sections, and its extreme end disposed adjacent the lower end of the casing, of a plurality of matches having their stems arranged between the upper ends of said sections and secured thereto, and the headed ends of said matches being disposed adjacent the end of

the container and covered by the extreme end of the flap.

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

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