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CIGAR HOLDER.

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FIG. 1.

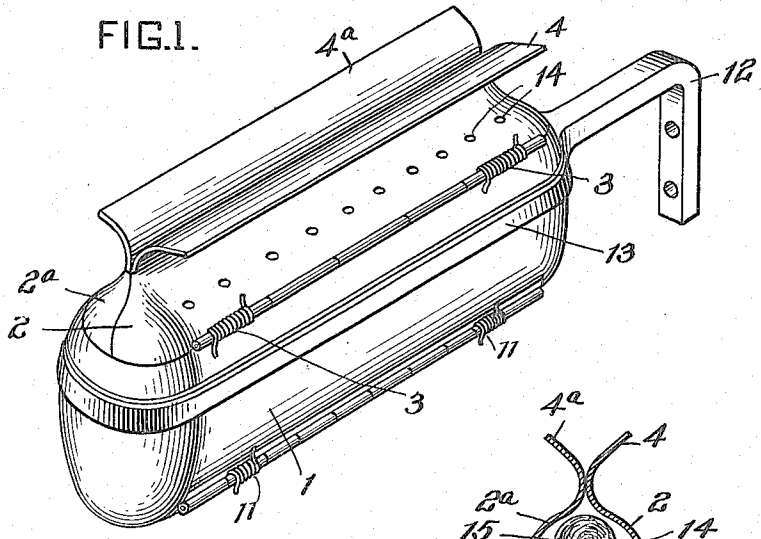


FIG. 2.

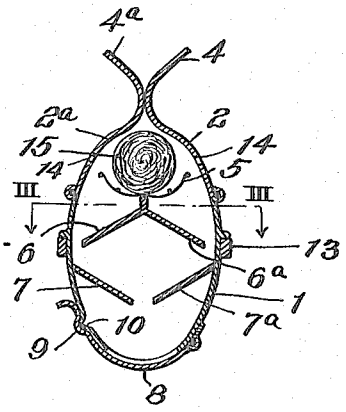


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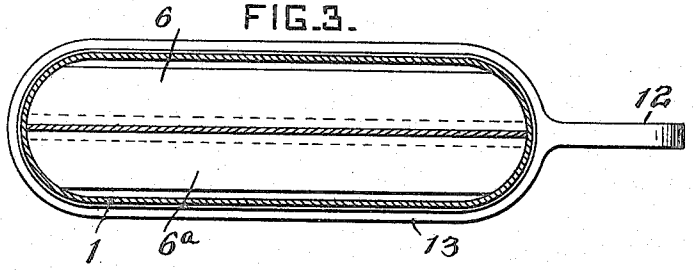
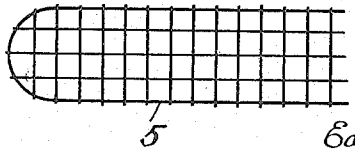


FIG. 4.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, EDWARD W. McCARROLL, residing at Pittsburgh, in the county of Allegheny and State of Pennsylvania, a citizen of the United States, have invented or discovered certain new and useful Improvements in Cigar-Holders, of which improvements the following is a specification.

The object of my invention is to provide a cigar holder, adapted to be attached to automobiles or other vehicles which vibrate when traveling, such holder being so constructed that a cigar may be easily placed within and removed from the holder and will, when therein, be freely supported; and further so constructed that the ashes which may drop from the cigar will be retained within the holder but in such manner that the ash dust, which may be formed by the vibration of the vehicle, will be prevented from settling on the cigar.

In the accompanying sheet of drawings I have illustrated the preferred embodiment of my invention.

Figure 1 is a perspective view of the cigar holder; Fig. 2 a transverse sectional view thereof; Fig. 3 a sectional view taken on the line III—III, Fig. 2; and Fig. 4 a plan view of a portion of the cigar-supporting screen.

In the several figures like numerals are used to designate like parts.

In the practice of my invention in its preferred form I provide a closed casing, having a hinged cover which may be easily opened to place a cigar within or remove it from the casing. Adjacent to the hinged cover there is secured a perforated support on which a cigar, cigarette, stogie or similar smokable article may be laid, and through which the ashes therefrom will filter, and fall to the bottom of the casing. Below the support means are provided to prevent ash dust from rising through the casing and settling on the cigar.

The casing 1 may be of any suitable and preferably ornamental design. As shown herein it is substantially oval in cross section and has rounded ends. The cover is preferably formed in two parts 2 and 2ª, each hinged to one side of the upper open face of the casing, there being suitable springs 3 secured at their opposite ends to the casing body and to the covers to the end that such covers will be held yieldingly in closed position. The outer free edges of the covers are formed into diverging lips 4 and 4ª so proportioned that the downward movement of the thumb and finger or two fingers holding a cigar between them will, without exerting intentional lateral pressure on the inside of the lips 4 and 4ª, cause the covers to open outwardly to receive the cigar thus held. The supporting screen 5, which is suitably secured to the ends of the casing 1, is preferably concave upwardly and formed of a wire mesh as illustrated clearly in Fig. 4, the intervening spaces between the wires being large enough to readily permit ashes to fall through them. The sides of the screen extend toward but not into contact with the cover portions 2 and 2ª. Any suitable means may be employed for causing the ashes to remain in the bottom of the casing. As shown herein such means consist of a series of alternately disposed baffle plates inclined downwardly from below the screen 1. A pair of such plates 6, 6ª are secured centrally to the screen, and project toward the sides of the casing but not into contact therewith, while a second pair of plates 7, 7ª are secured to and extend inwardly toward the center of the casing from points below the lower edges of the plates 6, 6ª. The bottom of the holder preferably consists of a door 8, hinged to one side of the casing 1, and provided at its other side with a spring clasp finger 9 adapted to engage a suitable button 10 formed in the casing as shown. This door is preferably held yieldingly in closed position by coil springs 11, attached at their opposite ends to the casing and door, and extending around a portion of the hinge rod.

The holder may be attached in a convenient position to an automobile or other vehicle in any suitable manner. The attaching means shown herein consist of a bracket 12 having a band 13 extending around the body portion of the casing 1.

When a cigar 15 is placed on the screen 5 in the manner described above, the vibration of the vehicle will cause the ashes to drop upon the screen 5 and to filter through it, falling then upon plate 6, 6ª. These plates being inclined downwardly, the ashes will slide from them to the plate 7, 7ª, and from them to the bottom door 8, from which they may be removed at any desired time by opening such door. The dust created by the jarring and vibration of the vehicle will be caught in the concave pockets of the baffle plates and thus prevented from rising through the casing and settling upon the

cigar. In order to provide an escape for the smoke and to prevent the light from being extinguished, a suitable series of holes 14 are provided in the covers 2 and 2ª.

By the term "cigar" as used in the specification and claims I mean to include other similar smoking articles such as cigarettes, stogies, etc.

I claim as my invention:

1. A cigar holder comprising a casing, a perforate cigar support in the upper portion thereof, and means below said support for preventing ash dust from rising through the casing.

2. A cigar holder comprising a casing, a cigar-supporting screen in the upper portion thereof, a cover hinged to the casing and extending over the support, and means below said support for preventing ash dust from rising through the casing.

3. A cigar holder comprising a casing, a perforate cigar support in the upper portion thereof, and series of downwardly-extending alternately-arranged baffle plates below said support.

4. A cigar holder comprising a casing, a perforate cigar support in the upper portion thereof, means below said support for preventing ash-dust from rising through the casing, and means for removing the ashes from the bottom of the casing.

5. A cigar holder comprising a casing, a perforate cigar support in the upper portion thereof, means below said support for preventing ash dust from rising through the casing, and a hinged-door forming the bottom of the casing and held yieldingly in closed position.

6. A cigar holder comprising a casing, a cigar support therein, a pair of covers for the top of the casing hinged to opposite sides and meeting substantially at the center thereof above said support, said covers being provided with outwardly-diverging lips.

7. A cigar holder comprising an elongate casing, a cigar-supporting screen in the upper portion thereof, a pair of covers for the top of the casing hinged to opposite sides and meeting substantially at the center thereof above said support, said covers being provided with outwardly-diverging lips, a series of downwardly-extending alternately-arranged baffle plates below said support, and a hinged door forming the bottom of the casing and held yieldingly in closed position.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand.

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