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CIGARETTE AND MATCH BOX.

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Fig. 1.

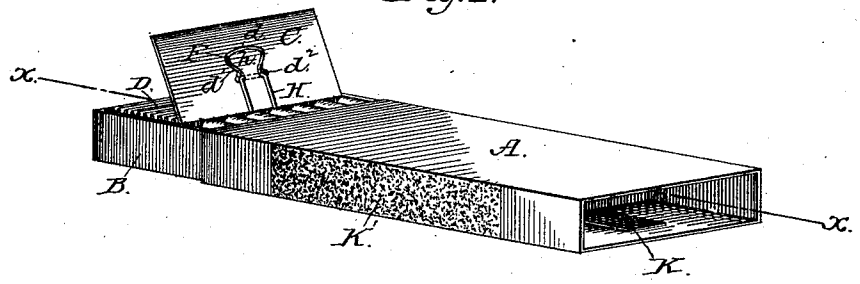


Fig. 2.

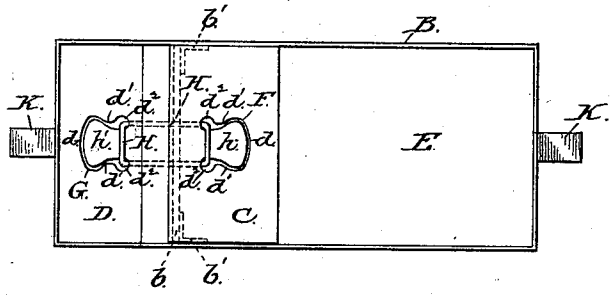


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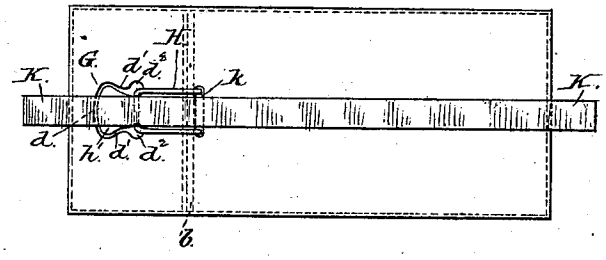
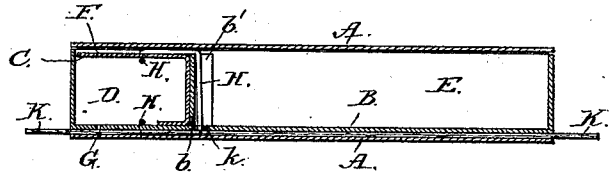


Fig. 4.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, REAVEL SAVAGE, of Baltimore, in the State of Maryland, have invented a new and Improved Combined Cigarette and Match Box, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

My invention relates to a combined cigarette and match box, and has for its object to provide an incased sliding box designed to hold cigarettes, with a compartment for matches at one end, wherein the said match-compartment will be fitted with a spring-actuated lid adapted to open automatically when the said sliding box is pushed out from the casing, and wherein, also, the said casing may be provided with an outer surface upon which to strike the matches.

The invention consists in the construction and combination of the several parts, as will be hereinafter fully set forth, and pointed out in the claim.

Reference is to be had to the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification, in which similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts in all the figures.

Figure 1 is a perspective view of the box with the match-compartment opened, and Fig. 2 a plan view of the interior sliding box with the match-compartment lid opened. Fig. 3 is a bottom view of the same, and Fig. 4 a longitudinal central section through the complete box when closed, taken through line *x x* of Fig. 1.

In carrying out my invention, A represents a box-casing of ordinary construction open at each end, and B an inner box adapted to enter said casing and be slid out at either end thereof.

The interior box, B, is provided at one end with a transverse partition, *b*, which may be held in a vertical position by gluing or otherwise attaching the same at the base, and also by auxiliary strips *b'*, attached to the inner sides of said sliding box and to the back of said partition. The said partition *b* has an upper integral portion, C, adapted to be bent over at right angles thereto in a horizontal position, to constitute a lid for the end compartment, D, formed by the partition, which compartment is designed to hold matches, preferably that style known as "wax matches," as shown in Figs. 1 and 4. The other compartment, E, of the box is purposed to hold cigarettes, to be packed therein in the usual manner.

In the lid C of the match-compartment D, about centrally of the same, a slot, F, is cut having a semicircular upper portion, *d*, inwardly-converging sides *d'*, and outwardly-extending lower portions, d^2, and a similar slot, G, is cut in the same vertical plane with the said slot F, in the bottom of the sliding or inner box, B. As a means for drawing the lid C back to an open position, I provide a spring, H, consisting of a small rubber band or equivalent elastic material, which spring is entered over the flap *h*, formed in the lid by the slot F, to an engagement on each side of said flap with the outwardly-extending lower portion, d^2, of said slot. The spring is now carried perpendicularly down the rear of the partition *b*, through a slot, *k*, cut horizontally in the bottom of the interior box, B, at the base of said partition in the cigarette-compartment E, and from thence under the bottom to a similar engagement with the slot G in said bottom over the flap *h'* formed thereby.

Centrally to the bottom of the interior or sliding box, B, I paste or otherwise attach longitudinally a piece of tape or ribbon, K, to extend beyond the box, which tape or ribbon may be tied in a knot over the top of the casing A, if desired, thereby giving a finished attractive appearance thereto.

In operation, when a cigarette is desired, the tape or ribbon K at that end of the box is drawn out. After the cigarette or cigarettes have been withdrawn the interior box is slid out at the other end by means of the opposite end of the tape. As soon as the match-compartment is wholly exposed the spring H will automatically open the lid. Matches may then be taken therefrom and struck upon the coated surface K' of the casing A. The interior box may be now pushed or, preferably, drawn into the casing, the lid gradually closing over the match-compartment as the said interior box is incased or shut, as shown in Fig. 4.

Thus I provide a very useful and convenient article for smokers' use, furnishing every necessary convenience at hand for utilizing the cigarette in the same inclosure therewith.

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

The combination, with the box-casing A, opened at each end and provided with a roughened surface, K′, of an interior box, B, having attached at the bottom a tape, K, and divided into a small end compartment, D, and a large compartment, E, by a partition, *b*, a lid, C, integral with said partition, having a slot, F, cut therein, together with a slot, G, cut in the bottom of said box, and a spring engaging the tongues in said slots, all arranged to operate substantially as shown and described, and for the purposes herein set forth.

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