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## CIGAR TRAY.

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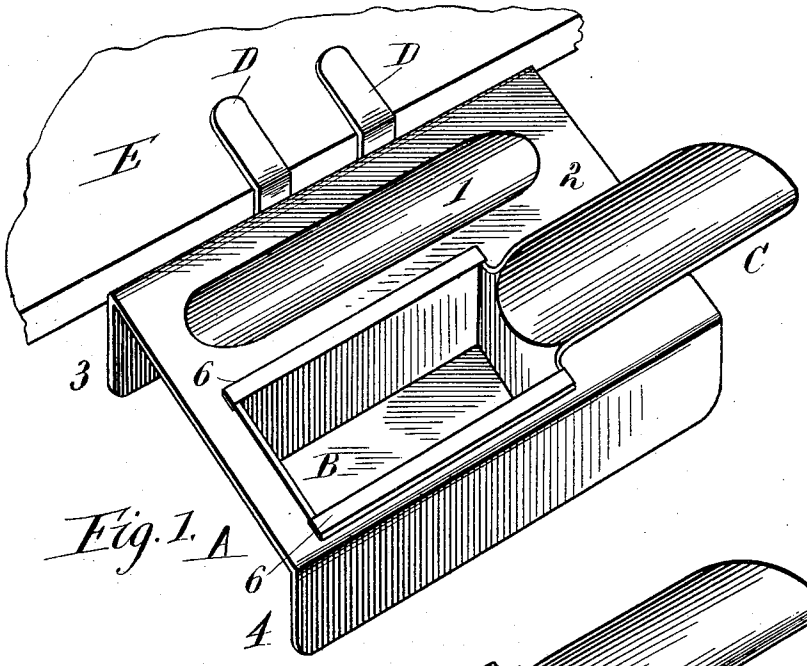



Fig. 1.

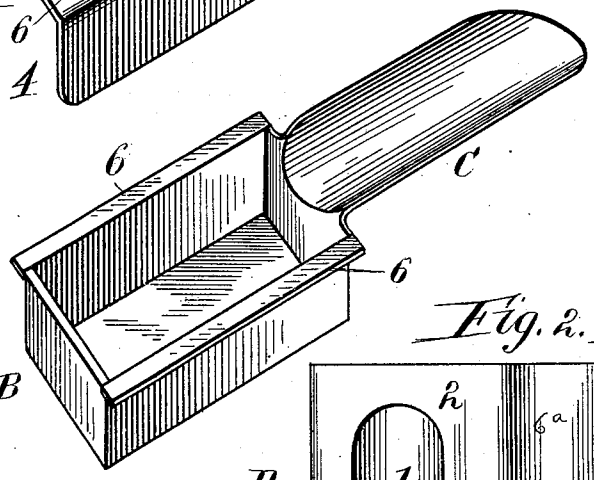



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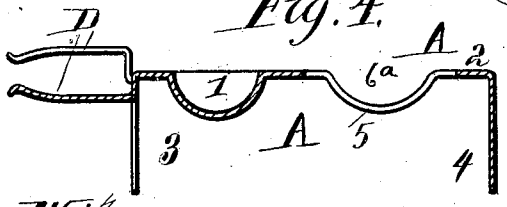



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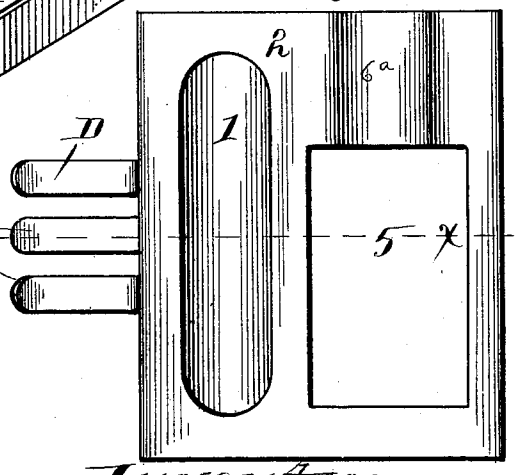



Fig. 2.

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## CIGAR-TRAY.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, HARRY A. TRENHOLM, a citizen of the United States, residing at Chicago, in the county of Cook and State of Illinois, have invented a certain new and useful Improvement in Cigar or Smokers' Trays, of which the following is a specification.

Objects of my invention are to provide a simple and comparatively inexpensive receptacle for matches and cigar-ashes, to provide a convenient rest for a lighted cigar when the smoker may desire to temporarily lay the cigar aside, to collect such ashes as may fall from a lighted cigar thus laid down, to permit the ash-collecting receptacle to be easily emptied, to adapt the device for ready and convenient attachment to a desk, and to provide a neat, simple, and generally convenient article, as hereinafter set forth.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view of a cigar or smoker's tray involving my invention and applied to a desk, of which latter a portion only is shown. Fig. 2 is a top plan view of the device with the ash-receptacle and cigar-rest removed. Fig. 3 is a perspective view of the ash-receptacle and cigar-rest. Fig. 4 is a section on line *x x* in Fig. 2.

The cigar or smoker's tray A is constructed with a recess or receptacle 1 for matches and provided with a removable pan or receptacle B for cigar-ashes. I also provide a cigar-rest C, upon which the smoker may place a lighted cigar with the lighted end of the latter over the ash-pan B, so that such ashes as may fall from the cigar will be collected by the ash-pan.

As a matter of further improvement the cigar-rest is formed with or united to the ash-pan and may serve as a handle for conveniently removing and replacing the ash-pan, as may be desired.

With reference to matters of detail involving features of improvement, the body of the article may comprise a top 2 and sides 3 and 4. Said sides and body may be formed by the union of two or more pieces; but as an extremely simple arrangement such sides and top can be formed from a single piece of sheet metal having the depression 1 formed in the part which constitutes the top. The top 2 is formed with an opening 5, Fig. 2, into which the body of the ash-pan can be introduced, and the ash-pan has flanges 6, adapted to rest upon the top 2. The combined ash-pan and cigar-rest may also be composed of two or more parts; but as a simpler arrangement it can be struck up from one piece of sheet metal.

When the combined ash-pan and cigar-rest is in place, as in Fig. 1, the outer end of the cigar-rest will project beyond the top 2, and hence it can be readily taken hold of and used as a handle when it is desired to remove and replace the ash-pan. The body of the article is formed or provided with fastening means, such as clips D D, arranged for clasping the edge portion E of the bottom side of a desk-pigeonhole, it being observed that these clips are shown integral with the body of the article.

Preferably the ash-pan and cigar-rest are nearest the front side 4 of the article, so that a smoker may more conveniently lay a cigar upon the cigar-rest.

The entire device constitutes an extremely simple and economical article of manufacture and can be placed upon a desk, where it will be out of the way and at the same time readily accessible to the user. The said plate or top 2 of the tray is furthermore formed with a depression $6^a$, which extends from the opening 5 to one of the edges of the said top or plate, as in Fig. 2, and the portion C of the ash-pan, which serves as a handle therefor, is made trough-shaped, so as to lie in the depression $6^a$ when the ash-pan is in place, as in Fig. 1.

The device as a whole forms a tray which can be placed upon a table or desk or secured to a projecting edge portion thereof, the sides 3 and 4 when the tray is simply placed upon the flat top of a desk or table serving to provide it with legs which so elevate the apertured top 2 that the bottom of the removable ash-pan will clear the desk or table. By thus providing the body portion of the tray with a removable ash-pan the latter can be removed and emptied without disturbing such matches as the match-receptacle may contain, and by providing the ash-pan with a

combined handle and cigar-rest which projects out from the body of the tray the ash-pan can be conveniently removed. The sides 3 and 4 also serve the purpose when the device is attached to the edge of a table of protecting the ash-pan from beneath and preventing it being accidentally knocked out of the opening 5.

What I claim as my invention is—

1. A cigar-tray constructed with a body portion having an opening 5, an ash-pan removably supported within the opening with its top substantially flush with the top of the body portion, and a trough-shaped cigar-rest projecting from one end of the ash-pan, said rest being supported upon and extending beyond the body portion so as to form a handle.

2. A cigar-tray constructed with a body portion having an opening 5, a depression $6^a$, and an ash-pan removably supported within the opening with its top substantially flush with the top side of the body portion, and having a trough-shaped projection which seats in the depression in the body portion and is adapted to form a combined handle and cigar-rest.

3. A cigar-tray comprising a body portion formed with a top 2, sides 3 and 4, an opening 5, and a depression $6^a$ in said top; and an ash-pan B removably supported in said opening and having flanges 6 which rest upon the top, and a trough-shaped cigar-rest C which fits in said depression and is adapted to serve as a handle for the ash-pan.

4. A cigar-tray comprising a body portion formed with a top 2, sides 3 and 4 and attaching-clips D, and provided with an opening 5 and a depression $6^a$ in the top, an ash-pan B removably supported in said opening, and a trough-shaped cigar-rest C projecting from the ash-pan and fitting in the depression in the top 2 and projecting beyond the edge of the same to form a handle for the ash-pan.

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