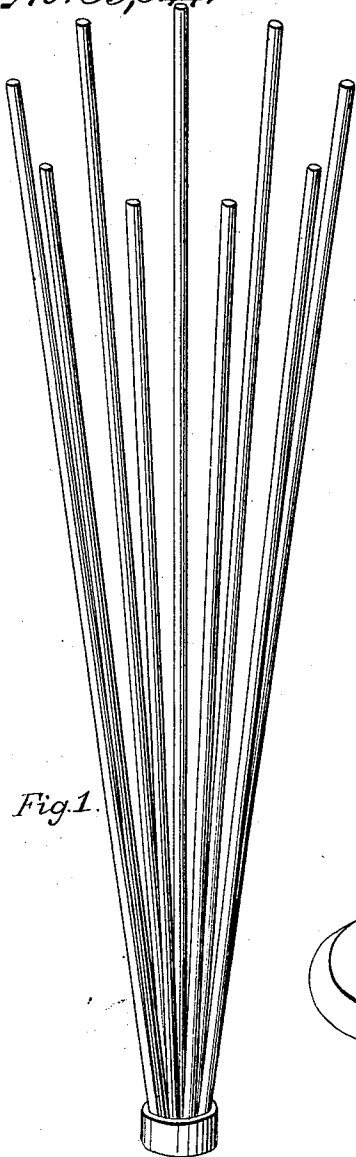


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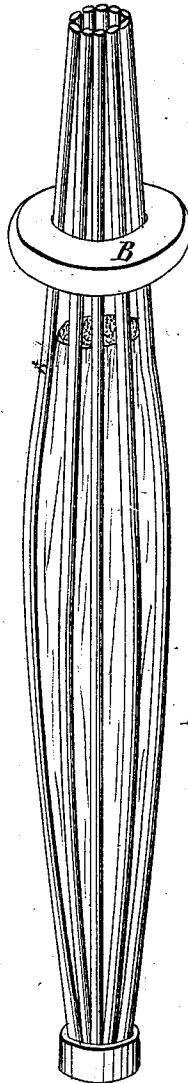
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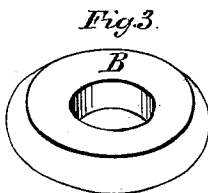
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*Fig. 1.*



*Fig. 2.*



*Fig. 3.*

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**APPARATUS FOR PRESSING CIGARS.**

The Schedule referred to in these Letters Patent and making part of the same.

*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, GEORGE STUDER, of the city of Richmond, and State of Indiana, have invented a new and useful Apparatus for Pressing Cigars; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full and exact description thereof, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, making a part of this specification.

My invention relates to a cigar-pressing apparatus, consisting of a series of rods or wires, arranged in a tubular form, into which a newly-made cigar is placed, and the compression effected by means of a ring, which is slipped over one end of the series, the ends of the wires at the other end of the apparatus being permanently secured together.

The open construction of the apparatus allows the cigars to dry rapidly.

An ornamental appearance is also given to the cigar, by reason of longitudinal corrugations produced by pressure of the rods or wires.

To enable others skilled in the art to make and use my apparatus, I will proceed to describe the same with reference to the drawings.

The diameter of the space within the apparatus, near the connected end, is less than that of the cigar.

The rods or wires are so shaped that when they are

freed at the open end of the apparatus, the latter assumes a funnel-shape, as shown in Figure 1, by means of which the cigar is easily inserted.

When the cigar is placed within the apparatus, the ends of the wires are brought together, and ring B slipped on, as shown in Figure 2.

The apparatus is then placed in some locality favorable to the drying of the cigar, in order that the latter may be removed when sufficiently dried, so that the apparatus may again be ready for use.

In order to prevent the pressure from rendering the cigar too compact for a free circulation of smoke through it, I use, in the manufacture thereof, a wire, embedded longitudinally in said cigar, which, when withdrawn, leaves a passage for the smoke.

Having thus fully described my said invention,

What I claim, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

The combination of the rods or wires, and ring or rings, substantially in the manner described, and for the purpose set forth.

GEORGE STUDER.

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