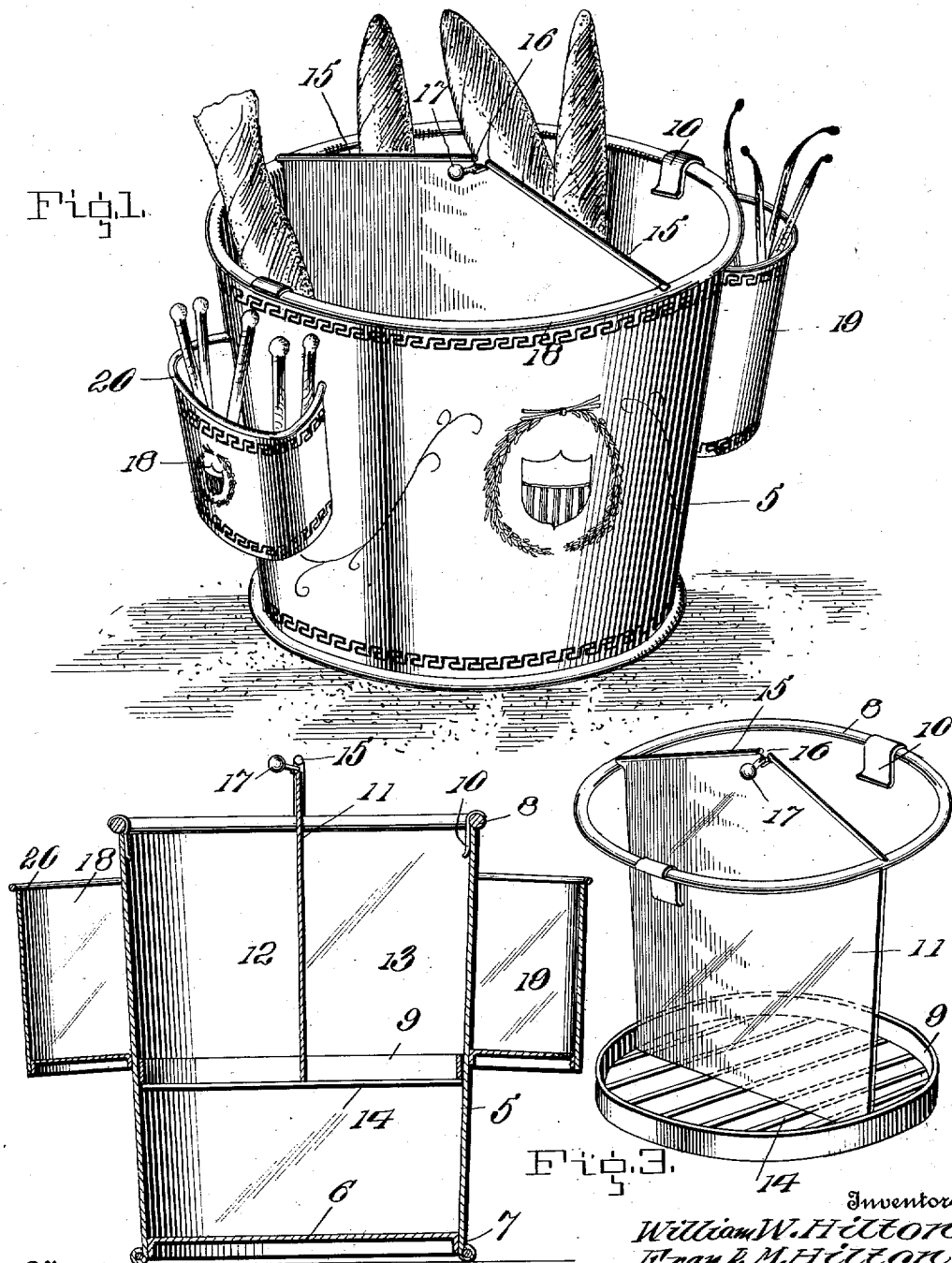


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FIG. 1.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that we, WILLIAM W. HILTON, FRANK M. HILTON, and JOHN S. HILTON, citizens of the United States, residing at Akron, in the county of Summit and State of Ohio, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Combined Cigar-Holders, Ash-Receptacles, and Match-Safes, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to smokers' appliances and more particularly to a device of this character, embodying in its structure a cigar holder, ash receptacle and match safe.

The object of the invention is to provide an ash receptacle having a removable tray suspended therein and provided with a vertical partition defining independent compartments for the reception of lighted and unlighted cigars, respectively, said tray being provided with a perforated bottom so as to permit the ashes from the cigars deposited in said tray to enter the receptacle.

A further object is to provide the ash receptacle with oppositely disposed auxiliary receptacles or pockets adapted to receive burned and unburned matches.

A still further object of the invention is generally to improve this class of devices, so as to increase their utility, durability and efficiency, as well as to reduce the cost of manufacture.

Further objects and advantages will appear in the following description, it being understood that various changes in form, proportions and minor details of construction may be resorted to within the scope of the appended claims.

For a full understanding of the invention and the merits thereof, reference is to be had to the following description and accompanying drawings, in which:

Figure 1 is a perspective view of a combined ash receiver, match tray and cigar holder constructed in accordance with our invention; Fig. 2 is a vertical sectional view of the same; Fig. 3 is a detail perspective view of the tray removed from the ash receptacle.

Corresponding and like parts are referred to in the following description and indicated in all the views of the drawings by the same reference characters.

The device comprises an ash receiving receptacle 5 preferably cylindrical in shape, as shown, and having its bottom 6 spaced from the lower end thereof to form a depending

supporting flange 7. Suspended within the receptacle 5, is a tray including upper and lower rings 8 and 9, one of which is adapted to rest on the upper edge of the receptacle 5 and is provided with depending spring fingers 10 which bear against the interior walls of the receptacle and serve to prevent accidental displacement thereof.

The upper and lower rings of the tray are connected by a transverse partition 11 defining independent compartments 12 and 13, one of which is adapted to receive lighted cigars and the other unlighted cigars. Secured to the bottom of the lower ring 9 are a plurality of spaced rods 14 so as to permit the ashes from the cigars in either compartment to enter the receptacle 5.

The upper end of the partition 11 is preferably inclined in opposite directions toward the center of the tray and is reinforced and strengthened by the provision of rods 15, the inner ends of which are spaced apart at 16 to permit the attachment of a laterally extending knob or finger piece 17 by means of which the tray may be removed from the receptacle 5 when it is desired to clean the latter.

Attention is here called to the fact that the side walls of the main receptacle 5 are slightly tapered so that when the tray is inserted in said receptacle, the lower supporting ring 9 will frictionally engage the interior walls of the receptacle 5, and thus assist in preventing accidental displacement of said tray. Secured to the exterior walls of the receptacle 5 are auxiliary receptacles or pockets 18 and 19, one of which is adapted to receive burned matches and the other unburned matches. Thus it will be seen that when a cigar is deposited, lighted end down in either of the compartments 12 and 13, the ashes on the cigar will fall between the rods 14 into the ash receiver. It will also be noted that by inserting a lighted cigar in either compartment and moving the lighted end thereof over the bars or rods 14, the ashes will be removed therefrom and fall on the bottom 6 of the main receptacle 5.

The partition 11 serves to prevent the lighted cigars in one compartment from coming in contact with the unlighted cigars in the other compartment, while the spring fingers 10, by engagement with the inner walls of the receptacle 5, assist in preventing tilting movement of the supporting tray. The upper edges of the auxiliary re-

ceptacles 18 and 19 are also preferably reinforced and strengthened by curved bars 20. If desired, the bottom as well as the side walls of the supporting tray may be formed of perforated metal and the match receiving receptacles 18 and 19, instead of being rigidly secured to the main receptacle 5, may be detachably secured thereto in any suitable manner, without departing from the spirit of the invention.

Having thus described the invention, what is claimed as new is:

1. A device of the class described comprising an ash receiving receptacle having tapered side walls, a tray suspended within the receptacle and including upper and lower rings, one of which is adapted to bear against the upper edge of the receptacle and the other adapted to frictionally engage the interior walls of said receptacle, a vertically disposed partition connecting the rings and defining independent compartments, and spaced rods extending across the bottom of the lower ring.

2. A device of the class described comprising an ash receiving receptacle, a tray suspended within the receptacle and including upper and lower rings, a vertical partition connecting said rings and defining independent compartments, oppositely disposed reinforcing rods secured to the upper edge of the partition and having their inner ends spaced apart, and a finger piece extending laterally from the partition between the inner ends of the reinforcing rods.

3. A device of the class described comprising an ash receiving receptacle, a tray suspended within the ash receptacle and including upper and lower rings, spring fingers depending from the upper ring for

frictional engagement with the interior walls of the ash receptacle, spaced rods extending transversely across the bottom of the lower ring, a vertically disposed partition connecting said rings, and a finger piece secured to the upper end of the partition.

4. A device of the class described including an ash receiving receptacle, a tray suspended within said receptacle and provided with a perforated bottom, a vertically disposed partition extending across the tray and defining independent compartments, the upper end of the partition being projected vertically above the top of the ash receiving receptacle and tray, and a finger piece secured to the projecting end of said partition.

5. A device of the class described including an ash receiving receptacle, a tray suspended within the receptacle and comprising upper and lower rings, one of which is provided with a perforated bottom, and a vertically disposed partition extending across the tray and connected with the rings to form independent compartments, that portion of the tray on opposite sides of the partition and between the upper and lower rings, being unobstructed, the side walls of the ash receptacle constituting the side walls of the tray when the latter is positioned within said receptacle.

In testimony whereof we affix our signatures in presence of two witnesses.

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