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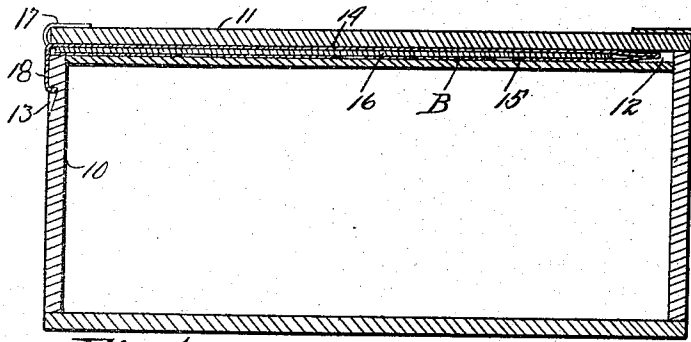


Fig. 1.

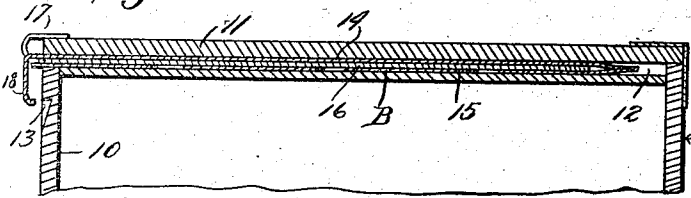


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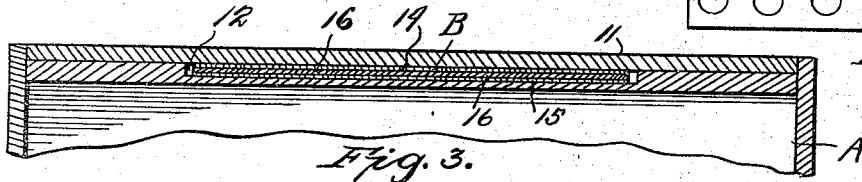


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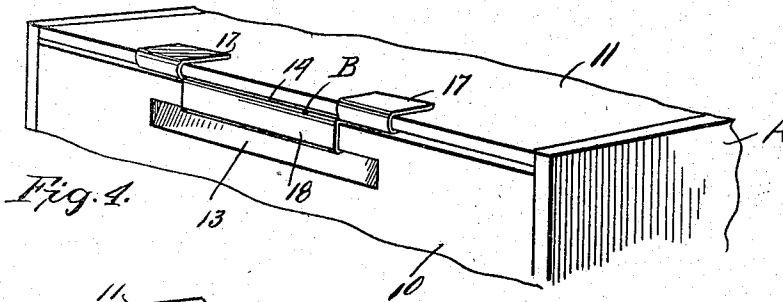


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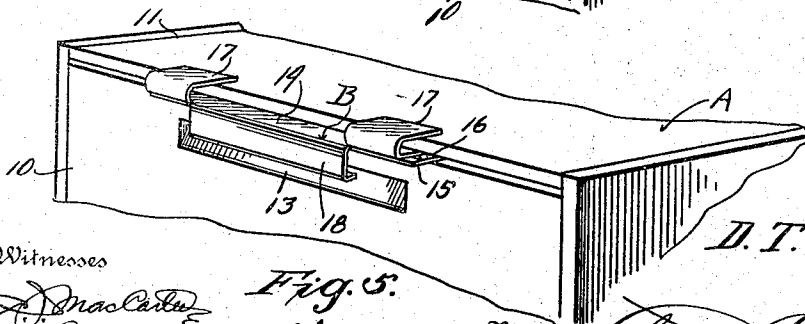


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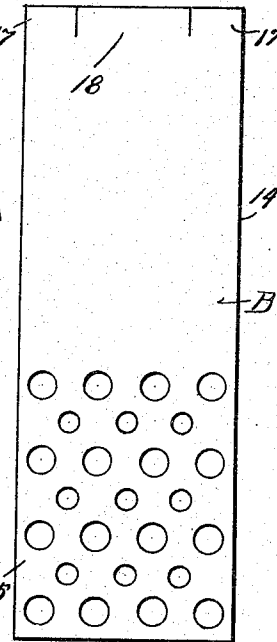


Fig. 6.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, DAVID T. OLIVER, a citizen of the United States, residing at New York city, in the county of New York, State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Humidors; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same.

This invention relates to humidors.

The object of the invention resides in the provision of a humidor in which the moisture carrying element embodies an improved construction whereby same can be associated with an ordinary cigar box with little change in the construction of the latter, and when so associated will serve as a fastening for holding the lid of the box in closed position.

A further object of the invention resides in the provision of a humidor in which the moisture carrying element will be exceedingly simple in construction and cheap of manufacture.

With the above and other objects in view the invention consists in the details of construction and in the arrangement and combination of parts to be hereinafter more fully described and particularly pointed out in the appended claim.

In describing the invention in detail reference will be had to the accompanying drawings wherein like characters of reference denote corresponding parts in the several views, and in which—

Figure 1 is a transverse section of a cigar box embodying the improved humidor construction and with the lid of the box secured in closed position; Fig. 2, a fragment of what is shown in Fig. 1 with the moistening element of the humidor moved to a position to release the top of the box; Fig. 3, a longitudinal section through the lid of the box; Fig. 4, a perspective view of a fragment of the box; Fig. 5, a view similar to Fig. 4 with the moisture carrying element in position to permit opening of the lid of the box, and Fig. 6, a view of the blank from which the moisture carrying element is formed.

Referring to the drawings A indicates generally a cigar box including a front wall 10 and a hinged lid 11. The lid 11 is provided with a recess 12 opening through the

forward edge thereof, while the front wall 10 is provided with a recess 13 for a purpose that will presently appear. The moisture carrying element is indicated at B and is adapted to be removably seated in the recess 12. This moisture carrying element B is formed from a metal blank, same being illustrated in Fig. 6. This blank includes a non-perforated portion 14 and a perforated portion 15, said portions being folded upon each other and an absorbing pad 16 removably inserted between the portions. This pad 16 may be constructed of any suitable material such as blotting paper the only essential being that same is capable of absorbing and holding a relatively large amount of water. The outer end of the portion 14 is provided with terminal tongues 17 and an intermediate tongue 18. The tongues 17 are bent outwardly so as to engage over the lid of the box when the element B is inserted in the recess 12. The tongue 18 is bent hooked shape so as to engage in the recess 13 for the purpose of holding the lid 11 in closed position. After the pad 16 is saturated with water the element B is inserted in the recess 12 and the lid 11 closed. Upon further insertion of the element B in the recess 12 the tongue 18 will engage in the recess 13 and secure the lid in closed position. To release the lid it is only necessary to slightly withdraw the element B from the recess 12. When the lid 11 is closed the moisture in the pad 16 will penetrate the lid 11 and pass into the contents of the box as will be obvious.

What is claimed is:—

The combination with a box including a front wall provided with engaging means, a hinge lid having a recess therein opening through its free edge, of a moisture carrying element removably engaged in said recess, and a tongue on the outer edge of said element forming a hook for engagement with said engaging means on the front wall of the box to secure the lid in closed position.

In testimony whereof, I affix my signature, in the presence of two witnesses.

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