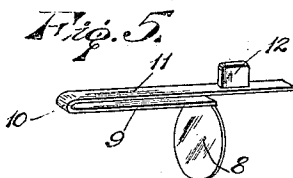
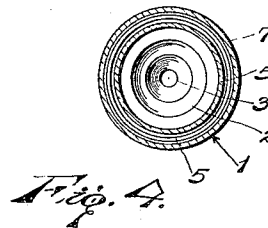
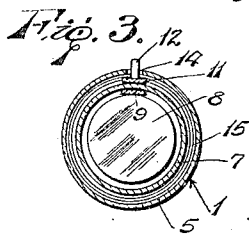
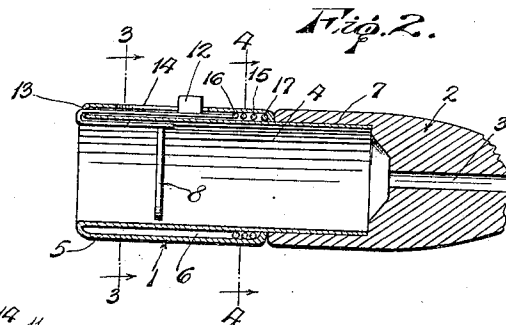
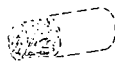
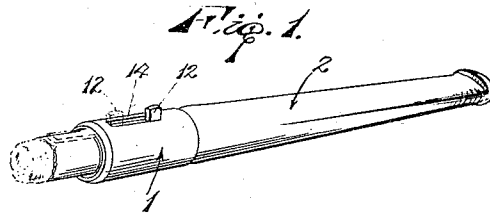


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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, RUDOLPH J. MAREK, a citizen of the United States, residing at Lodgepole, in the county of Cheyenne and State of Nebraska, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Cigar or Cigarette Holders, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to improvements in cigar and cigarette holders and has as its general object to provide means for ejecting from the holder the stump of a consumed or partly consumed cigar or cigarette, whereby to obviate the necessity of using a knife or toothpick for this purpose as is ordinarily done.

Another object of the invention is to provide a cigar or cigarette holder with stump-ejecting means which will not detract from the appearance of the holder and will not interfere with the cigar or cigarette being properly fitted into the holder.

Another object of the invention is to provide an ejector for a cigar or cigarette holder so constructed that after it has been actuated to eject the stump, it will be automatically caused to reassume its normal position without any further attention on the part of the user.

Another object of the invention is to so construct the ejecting means that it will not be liable to get out of order or become inoperative by being clogged with nicotine or ashes.

Another object of the invention is to so construct the ejector that the ejecting head will constitute a means for cleaning the holder tube and removing therefrom all accumulations of ashes, nicotine or tobacco oil, and particles of tobacco.

In the accompanying drawing:

Figure 1 is a perspective view of the holder embodying the invention;

Figure 2 is a detail vertical longitudinal sectional view through the holder;

Figure 3 is a vertical transverse sectional view on the line 3—3 of Figure 2;

Figure 4 is a similar view on the line 4—4 of Figure 2;

Figure 5 is a perspective view of the ejecting member separated from the holder tube.

The body of the holder is indicated in general by the numeral 1 and the mouthpiece by the numeral 2, the latter being provided with the usual smoke duct 3 extend-

ing longitudinally therethrough. The body 1 is in the form of a tube having an inner wall 4 and provided throughout the forward portion of its length with an outer surrounding wall 5 united at its end 60 in any suitable manner to the outer surface of the wall 4 and spaced from the said wall between its ends so as to provide a surrounding chamber 6 in which portions of the ejector means are housed, as will presently be explained. The wall 5 terminates short of the rear end of the wall 4, and the portion of the wall 4 rearwardly of the wall 5 is frictionally or otherwise fitted into a socket 7 formed in the forward end 70 of the mouthpiece 2. At this point it may be stated that the tube comprising the body 1 may be formed from any material suitable for the purpose or from a composition or combination of materials, and, if the same is formed from metal, the inner surface of the wall 4 may be lined or coated with bakelite or any other material usually employed in the manufacture of cigar and cigarette holders. It will also be understood that the tube is open from end to end and that it is designed to have fitted into its forward end the tip of a cigar or cigarette to be held while being smoked, and in order that the consumed or partly consumed tip or stump may be ejected in a convenient manner from the tube, an ejector means is provided which will now be described.

The ejector referred to above is most clearly shown in Figure 5 of the drawings 90 and the same may be formed from sheet metal or any other material found suitable for the purpose and comprises a head 8 which is of substantially circular form and of a diameter slightly less than the interior diameter of the tube 4, the head being received within the tube and being movable backwardly and forwardly therein as will presently be explained. A shank 9 is connected integrally or otherwise with the head 100 8 preferably at its periphery and extends forwardly from the said head and is bent back upon itself as at 10 to provide a portion 11 spaced from the connected portion of the shank and extending at its free end beyond the connected end of the first-described portion of the shank. The portion 11 of the ejector shank is provided with an upstanding finger piece 12 located near its rear end, and in assembling the ejector with 110

the body member 1, the portion 11 of the ejector shank is slidably fitted through a slot 13 formed in the forward end of the said body between the walls 4 and 5, the portion 5 11 of the shank being slidably housed within the annular chamber 6 of the member 1 and the portion 9 of the stem resting slidably against the inner surface of the wall 4 of the said member. The fingerpiece 12 10 projects outwardly through a slot 14 formed longitudinally in the wall 5 and it will be understood that by manipulating this fingerpiece, the ejector may be bodily slid in a forward direction so as to correspondingly 15 move its head 8 in the tube 4 and thus eject from the tube a consumed or partly consumed tip or stump of a cigar or cigarette held therein. When the ejector is retracted to the limit of its rearward movement, the 20 bend 10 will seat against the forward edge of the wall of the tube 4 at the notch 13 and therefore no portion of the ejector except the fingerpiece 12 will protrude beyond the outer surface of the member 1 to render the 25 holder unsightly. When the ejector is so positioned, its head 8 will be spaced inwardly from the forward end of the tube 4 a sufficient distance to permit of the insertion of a requisite length of the cigar or 30 cigarette in order that the same may be firmly held in the holder while being smoked. In order that the ejector may be automatically retracted after it has been projected or slid in a forward direction to 35 eject the stump, a tension spring 15 is coiled about the tube 4 and housed within the chamber 6 and connected at one end, as at

16, to the inner end of the portion 11 of the ejector shank and at its outer end as at 17 to either the wall 4 or the wall 5 or to both of 40 these walls at their rear juncture.

From the foregoing it will be evident that by manipulating the fingerpiece 12, the ejector head 8 may be moved forwardly in the tube 4 so as to eject the stump, and in- 45 asmuch as the periphery of this head lies relatively close to the inner surface of the wall of the tube, it will serve to remove from the wall any ashes, particles of tobacco, or accumulations of tobacco oil adhering to 50 the wall.

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

In a cigar or cigarette holder, a tubular body having an inner and an outer wall 55 defining an annular chamber, the outer wall being provided with a longitudinal slot and the web connecting the forward ends of the walls having a notch in alinement with said slot, an ejector comprising a head located 60 within the body, a shank extending from the head longitudinally within the body and back upon itself through the notch between the walls, a finger-piece carried by the last-mentioned portion of the shank and project- 65 ing through the longitudinal slot in the outer wall, and a retractile spring housed in the annular chamber and connected to the end of the shank and the rear end wall of the chamber to yieldably hold the ejector 70 retracted.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature.

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