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Fig. 1.

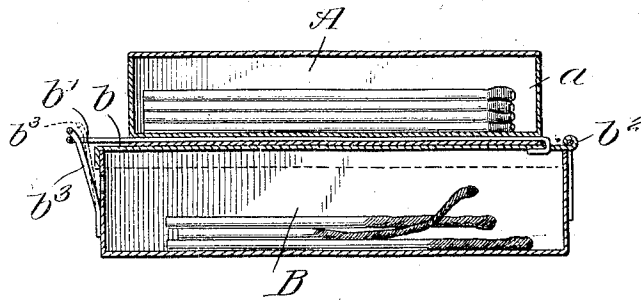
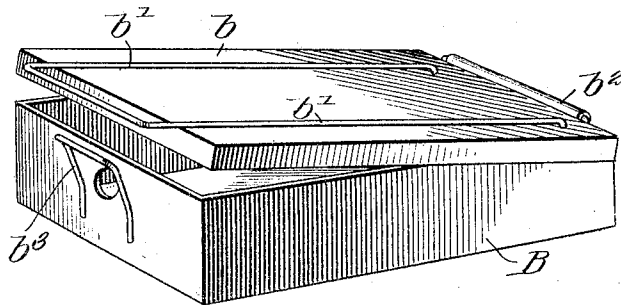


Fig. 2.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ALONZO C. HALL, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of Richmond, in the county of Henrico and State of Virginia, have invented an Improvement in Combined Match-Boxes and Burnt-Match Receptacles, of which the following is a specification.

I have devised a pocket receptacle for burnt matches which forms an attachment of a match-box proper, the latter being of a well known type. The said receptacle is arranged directly under the match-box and provided with a metal fastening which engages the hollow body of the match-box and is fastened detachably at its free end by means of a spring catch. In other words, the latch fastening or latch detachably connects the match-box and the burnt-match receptacle and allows easy application and detachment of the former and at the same time serves as a part of the fastening for the lid or cover.

In the accompanying drawing Figure 1 is a longitudinal section of the combined match-box and burnt-match receptacle secured together in the manner required for use. Fig. 2 is a perspective view of the burnt-match receptacle with the lid or cover partly open.

In Fig. 1, A indicates a common form of paste-board match-box consisting of a hollow body open at each end and a match tray adapted to slide therein. The burnt-match receptacle B is a rectangular sheet metal box having a lid or cover *b* hinged at one end thereof. The means for detachably connecting the boxes A and B consists of a wire loop *b'* which extends longitudinally of the cover *b* and is secured to the end thereof adjacent to the hinge *b*². The latch *b'* is made of sufficient length to project slightly beyond the adjacent end of the cover *b*, whereby it is adapted to engage a spring catch *b*³, the same being preferably formed of spring wire whose looped end projects upward and curves outward from the end of the box B. In order to secure the match-box A to the burnt-match receptacle B, the

latch or wire fastening *b'* is passed through 50 the hollow body of the box A and then pressed down over the projecting end of the spring latch *b*³, until the parts are engaged as shown in Fig. 1. Thus the latch *b'* extends across and presses down upon the 55 lower portion or bottom of the match-box A, so that the latter is secured effectively but detachably to the box B. The latch does not interfere with the sliding movement of the tray *a* of the match-box when it is required 60 to obtain access to the latter. In order to open the burnt-match receptacle B it is only necessary to press lightly against the free end of the latch *b*³, which allows the free end of the cover *b* to be raised, together with the 65 match-box lying thereon.

I desire it understood that while I prefer to construct the part *b*³ as a spring catch, it is practicable to make it entirely rigid and secure the same result by reason of the 70 spring or resiliency of the looped end of the latch *b'*.

What I claim is:—

1. The double receptacle herein described, consisting of a match box proper, a burnt- 75 match receptacle having a hinged cover, a latch extending along the top of the cover and through the hollow body of the match-box, and a fastening applied at the end of the burnt-match receptacle for engaging the 80 latch, as described.

2. A receptacle consisting of a box having a cover hinged at one end and a fastening device secured at one of its ends to such hinged end of the cover and extending over 85 the latter lengthwise and parallel thereto, it being thus free or unattached to the cover save at the hinged end of the latter, whereby it is adapted for engagement with another receptacle for holding the latter in place 90 on the box, and a catch applied to the end of the said box for engaging the free end of the fastening device, as described.

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