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Fig. 1

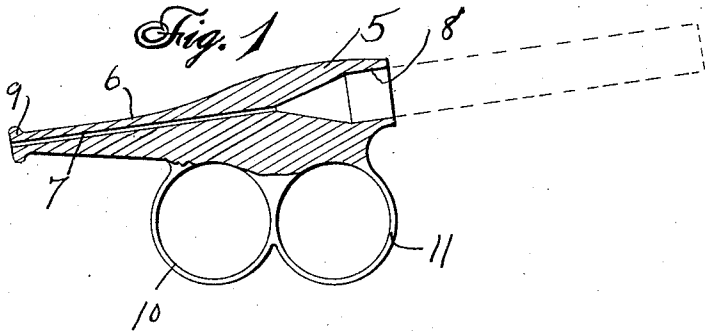


Fig. 2

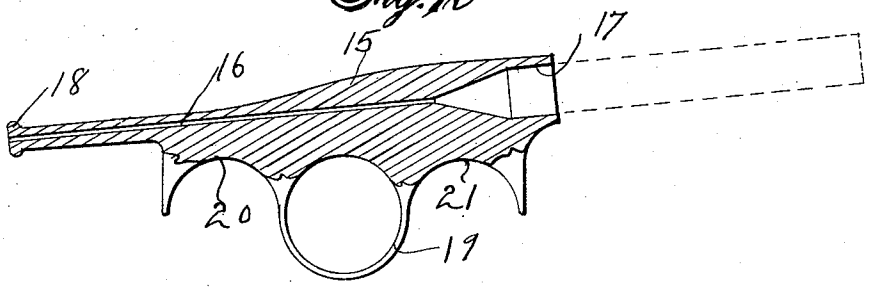
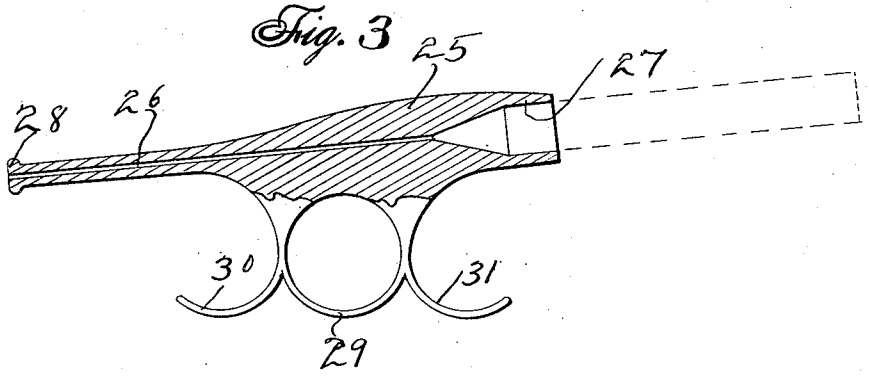


Fig. 3



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This invention appertains to tobacco users' appliances and more particularly to a cigar or cigarette holder.

One of the primary objects of my invention is to provide a holder for cigars and cigarettes having a novel finger grip thereon, whereby the holder can be readily held and manipulated without danger of the holder slipping in the fingers.

Another prime object of my invention is the provision of novel means for forming the grip, whereby the hand will be left free for other purposes, such as writing, steering an automobile, etc., the holder being properly disposed for smoking when the hand is raised for that purpose.

A further object of my invention is the provision of an improved cigar and cigarette holder having formed directly on the lower face thereof, a series of rings or parts of rings for receiving the fingers of the user, whereby the holder can be held in proper position for smoking and the hand still left free for other work, the rings being so arranged as to prevent turning movement of the holder on the fingers.

A still further object of my invention is to provide a cigar or cigarette holder of the above character, which will be durable and efficient in use, one that will be simple and easy to manufacture and one which can be placed upon the market at reasonable cost.

With these and other objects in view, the invention consists in the novel construction, arrangement and formation of parts, as will be hereinafter more specifically described, claimed and illustrated in the accompanying drawing, in which:

Figure 1 is a longitudinal section through a cigarette holder constructed in accordance with my invention;

Figure 2 is a similar view showing a slightly modified form thereof;

Figure 3 is a longitudinal sectional view showing a still further form of my invention.

Referring to the drawing in detail, wherein similar reference characters denote corresponding parts throughout the several views, the numeral 5 generally indicates one form of my invention, and while I have shown the same particularly adapted for smoking cigarettes, it is to be understood that the same is equally susceptible for use as a cigar holder.

My improved device comprises an elongated substantially tubular body 6 having a longitudinal extending bore 7 for the passage of smoke. The forward end of the bore is enlarged as at 8 to form a socket for receiving the cigarette or cigar as the case may be. The inner end of the body 6 is provided with the mouth piece or bit 9.

In accordance with my invention, I provide a pair of finger rings 10 and 11 which are formed on the lower edge of the body 6. These rings are connected together as shown for the purpose of reinforcement and are located in relative close proximity to the forward end of the body and spaced a considerable distance from the bit 9, as clearly shown in Figure 1.

The body 6 is disposed at an angle to the rings 10 and 11, so that the cigar or cigarette will be disposed at an angle with its forward end slanting upward. This will prevent the heat from the cigar or cigarette affecting the hand of the user.

My device is capable of modification, and in Figure 2, I have illustrated another form thereof. The holder illustrated in Figure 2 comprises the elongated body 15 having a longitudinal bore 16. The bore 16 is enlarged at its forward end to provide a socket 17 for the reception of the cigar or cigarette. The inner end of the body 15 is provided with a bit or mouth piece 18.

Formed on the body 15 at the lower edge thereof, is a finger ring 19 and the lower face of the body on each side of the ring 19 is shaped to provide semi-circular recesses 20 and 21, which in effect form part rings.

The device shown in Figure 2 is used in the same manner as the preferred form shown in Figure 1, and the fingers of the user are placed in the ring 19 and the semi-notches 20 and 21. It is obvious that the holder can be left free within certain limits for doing other work.

In Figure 3 of the drawing, a still further form of my invention is shown, and the same includes the elongated body 25 having a lon-

gitudinal bore 26 which is enlarged at its forward end to provide a socket 27 for the cigar or cigarettes. The rear end of the body is provided with the bit or mouth piece 28.

Depending from the lower edge of the body 25 is the finger ring 29 and branching from the opposite sides of the ring adjacent to the lower end thereof, is a pair of arcuate bows 30 and 31. These arcuate bows, form in effect part rings to be engaged by the fingers of the user.

It is to be noted that in each form of my invention, the holder is disposed at an angle to the finger rings or part rings and with these rings are arranged in relative close proximity to the front of the holder and spaced a comparatively great distance from the rear of the holder.

I prefer in the use of my device to utilize the rings 10 and 11 for the index and middle fingers, with the mouth piece projecting toward the body of the user.

In the forms shown in Figures 2 and 3, the middle finger is placed through the center ring and the index and ring fingers are placed on opposite sides of the middle ring and in engagement with the walls of the part rings.

I am aware that attempts have been made to provide finger rings for cigar and cigarette holders and that patents have been granted on these devices, but none of these devices, to my knowledge have met with approval or success, and none of these devices show the holder body disposed at an angle to the finger rings whereby the lighted end of the cigar or cigarette will be spaced from the users hand.

Further, none of these devices show my novel means of providing a series of connected finger rings or part rings arranged adjacent to the front of the holder and in spaced relation to the rear of the holder, with the rings and part rings forming an effective grip to prevent the turning of the holder while the hand is being used for other work.

Changes in details may be made without departing from the spirit or the scope of this invention.

I claim:

1. A cigar and cigarette holder comprising a body, a series of finger gripping members carried by the lower face of the body and arranged in closer proximity to the forward end of the body than the rear end of the body, the body being arranged at an angle to the finger gripping device whereby the cigar or cigarette held by the body will be disposed at an angle to the hand of the user with the lighted end uppermost.

2. A cigar or cigarette holder comprising a body having a longitudinal bore with its forward end enlarged to provide a cigar or cigarette socket, a mouth piece formed on the inner end of the body, an index finger ring and a middle finger ring integrally connected carried by the lower edge of the holder, said rings being arranged in close proximity to the forward end of the holder than the rear end of the holder, and in longitudinal alignment, the body being disposed at an angle to said rings.

3. A cigar or cigarette holder comprising an elongated body having a longitudinal bore enlarged at one end, a mouth piece on the body at its opposite end, a depending centrally disposed middle finger receiving ring carried by the body, index and finger receiving notches formed on the body on each side of the ring.

4. A cigar and cigarette holder comprising an elongated body having a longitudinal bore enlarged at one end, a mouth piece on the opposite end, a depending middle finger receiving ring carried by the lower edge of the body, and arcuate index finger and ring finger receiving bows formed on the opposite sides of the ring.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing I have hereunto set my hand at Eau Claire, in the county of Eau Claire and State of Wisconsin.

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