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COMBINED CIGAR AND CIGARETTE HOLDER AND ASH RECEIVER.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, SAMUEL LAWRENCE BIGELOW, of Ann Arbor, Michigan, have invented a Combined Cigar and Cigarette Holder and Ash-Receiver, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to certain improvements in ash-receivers and holders for cigars and cigarettes.

Herefore the disagreeable odor emitted from unburnt portions of cigars and cigarettes became very offensive in a room and the ashes from the cigars and cigarettes were often scattered.

The object of my invention is to provide an ash-receiver and cigar and cigarette holder in which the accumulation of unburnt portions of cigars and cigarettes and their ashes can be inclosed in a receptacle. This object I attain in the following manner, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a plan view of my improved ash-receiver and cigar-holder. Fig. 2 is a section on the line 2, 2, Fig. 1; and Figs. 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7 are views of modifications of the invention.

A is the body of the ash-receiver, made circular in form, in the present instance having a removable cap B, which has an opening b, preferably at one side, as shown in Fig. 1. The upper surface of the cap B is corrugated, forming a series of grooves c, of sufficient size to hold the cigar or cigarette. I preferably make the grooves c on one side of the opening shorter than the grooves c on the opposite side, so that short ends or butts of cigars or cigarettes can be placed in the short grooves and the longer cigars or cigarettes placed in the long grooves.

D is a closure for the opening b, which is arranged to slide under the cap B. The cap c is beveled, and projecting through the slot is a button d, which retains the closure in place and also acts as a means for shifting the closure when it is desired to close the opening.

When the ash-receiver is in use, the closure D is moved back and the cigar or cigarette is placed on the receiver. The burn end can be placed over the opening, so that in the event of the ashes falling they will fall directly into the receptacle.

In Fig. 3 I have shown a quadrangular box with a lid or cover B, similar to the lid B, Fig. 1. In this view the slide or closure D may slide on the upper edge of the body A of the box.

In Figs. 4 and 5 I have illustrated my device as applied to a quadrangular box A, having a grooved fixed portion a, which forms a part of the cover of the box. D is a closure having flanges d, which engage the 65 flared ends c of the box A. This closure is grooved at c, the grooves preferably aligning with the grooves in the portion a. In this instance the grooved portion of the closure D takes the place of the grooves c in the cap D, Fig. 1. By moving the closure d on the box the opening b can be entirely closed or any portion of the opening can be exposed. In use the closure D is moved back a sufficient distance to make an opening for the passage of the ashes or butts, and when it is desired to close the receptacle all that is necessary is to move the closure until it contacts with the fixed portion a. In Fig. 5 I have shown, by dotted lines a a, a pen-rack which may be attached to one side of the box when it is desired to use the device on a desk, and the body of the box may be weighted or it may have a match-box or other receptacle attached to it, if desired. Any suitable stop may be used to limit the movement of the closure D.

In Figs. 6 and 7 I have shown another form of the device in which the body portion A is circular, having a circular cap B with openings b and a series of radiating grooves c, terminating at the two openings. A rotating closure D is pivoted to the cover B, the stem d having in the present instance a match-box holder D, although a match-box may be used, if desired, so that when it is wished to use the box all that is necessary is to turn the closure a quarter-turn and the cigars or cigarettes can be placed in the grooves with their burn ends overhanging the opening, so that the ashes may drop into the box. To close the box, all that is necessary is to turn the closure.

I claim—

1. The combination of a body portion open at the top, a cap for the body portion having an opening therein, and provided with a series of grooves terminating at said opening, and means for closing the opening, substantially as described.

2. The combination in a body portion, of a cap having an opening therein and provided
with a series of grooves terminating at the opening, with a sliding closure for the said opening mounted directly under the grooved portion of the cap, substantially as described.

3. The combination of a box, a cap mounted on the box having an opening therein and provided with a series of grooves terminating at the opening, a corrugated closure conforming to the grooves of the cap and arranged to slide under the grooved portion of the cap, said cap being slotted, and a button passing through the slot in the cap and secured to the closure, substantially as described.

4. The combination of a body portion, a cap for said body portion having an opening through one side thereof, and provided with a series of grooves in the said cap on each side of the opening, one set of grooves being shorter than the other, and a closure for the opening, substantially as described.

In testimony whereof I have signed my name to this specification in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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