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IMPROVEMENT IN COMPOSITIONS FOR COVERING CIGAR-TIPS.

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Specification describing a new and Improved Composition for Covering Cigar-Tips, invented by JOHN H. HARRIS, of Pittsfield, in the county of Berkshire and State of Massachusetts.

The object of this invention is to protect the tips of cigars from contact with the mouth of the smoker, in order to prevent the saliva from absorbing any injurious ingredients of the tobacco and from injuring the tobacco.

The substance which I use for this purpose is "collodion" mixed with any adhesive matter, such as gum shellac or rubber.

This compound or material is formed into a

paste and applied to the point of a cigar to form a protective coating thereto, for the purposes above specified. Being water-proof, the covering separates the saliva and tobacco in an efficient manner.

Having thus described my invention, I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent—

The application of collodion to the tips of cigars, as and for the purpose described.

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