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Fig. 1

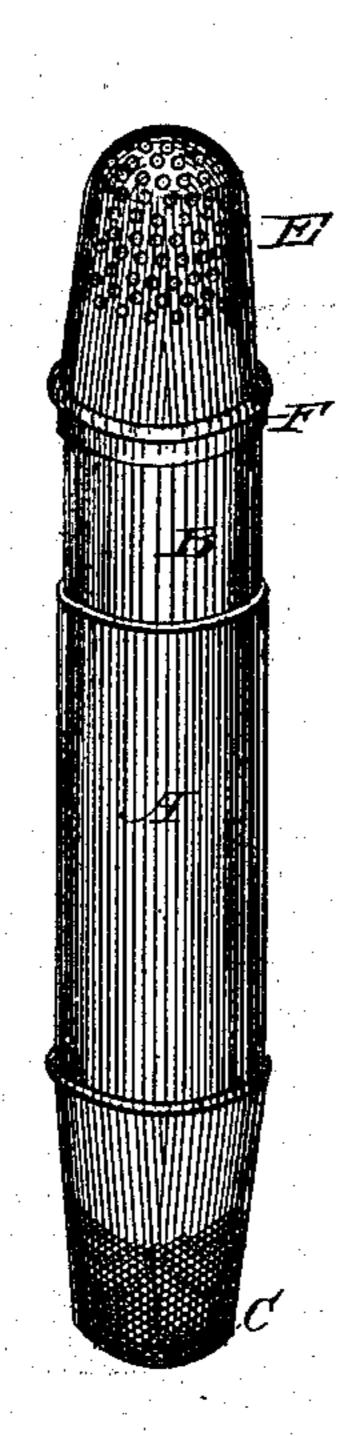


Fig. 2.

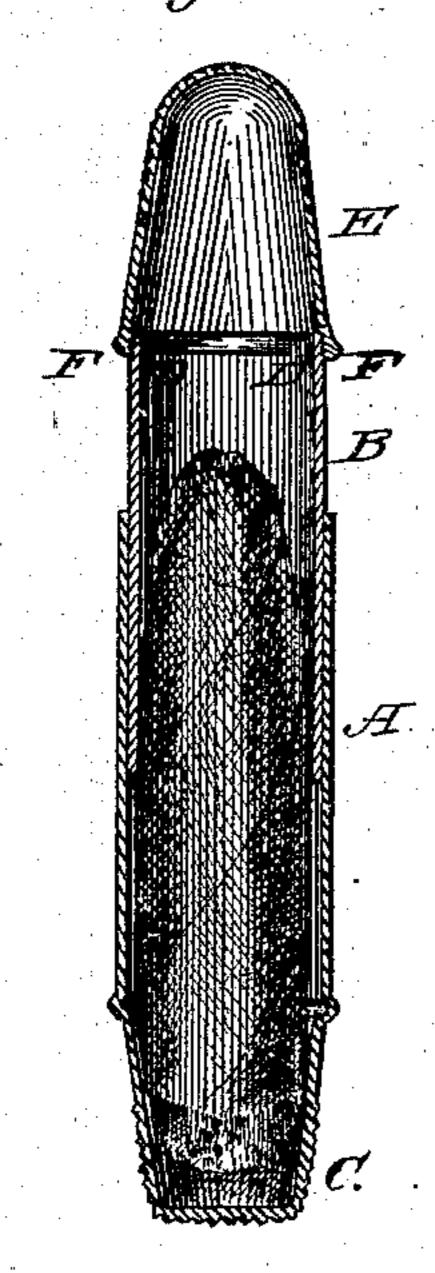
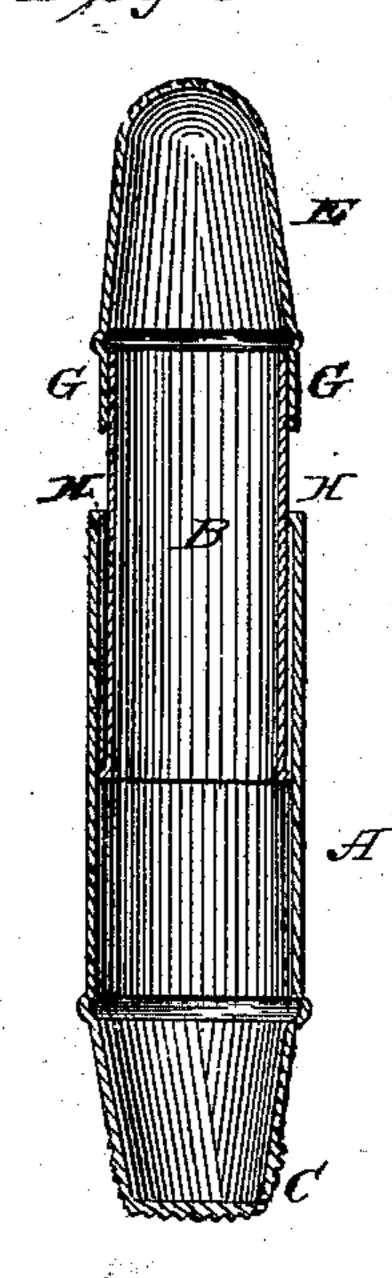


Fig. 3



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## CIGAR-CASE.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, EDWARD S. MAY, of Detroit, in the county of Wayne and State of Michigan, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Cigar-Cases; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, which will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, which form a part of this specification.

Figure 1 is a perspective view. Fig. 2 is a longitudinal sectional view, and Fig. 3 is a longitudinal sectional view illustrating a modi-

15 fication.

Corresponding parts in the several figures are denoted by like letters of reference.

This invention relates to what might be appropriately termed a "bachelor's companion," consisting of a cylindrical metallic box or case, of such size as to be conveniently carried in a waistcoat-pocket, and adapted to hold the stubend of a partly-consumed cigar, cigar-holder, matches, or any small articles which it may be

desirable to have handy at all times; and my invention consists in the construction of said case, as will be hereinafter fully described, and particularly pointed out in the claim

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The body of my improved case consists of

two cylindrical tubes, A B, of which the latter is nicely fitted to slide in the former. The closed end of tube A is serrated, as at C, to form a convenient place for striking matches. The end of tube B is threaded, as at D, to rescive an ordinary sewing-thimble, E, having an interior thread, F, so that, while it ordinarily serves to close the end of tube B, it may be readily detached and used in its ordinary capacity.

The thimble E is not necessarily screwed onto tube B, but may be secured detachably in any suitable manner, as shown, for instance,

in Fig. 3, where it is provided with a narrow flange, G, fitting upon the outer end of tube B.

The size of the case should be so proportioned that it will conveniently hold a cigar. When the cigar has been partly consumed the tube B may be pushed into tube A, so that the case shall occupy no more space than necessary.

In Fig. 3 of the drawings I have shown the tube A provided with a stop, H, which, while the tube B may be telescoped or slid into it, prevents said tube B from being entirely removed, which is not absolutely necessary, in- samuch as the thimble E is removable, as above stated.

My improved pocket-case is simple, inexpensive, and convenient for holding a cigar, matches, needles and thread, or any of the 60 numerous small articles which it is desirable to preserve or to have ready at hand, but which in the absence of some suitable receptacle are constantly being wasted or lost.

I do not claim a pocket-case the parts of 65 which may be telescoped or slid within one another. Neither do I claim a case or safe having a serrated end, being aware that this is old in match-safes; but,

Having thus described my invention, what I 70 claim, and desire to secure by Letters Patent of the United States. is—

As an article of manufacture, a pocket-case consisting of tubes A B, telescoped together, and the detachable thimble E, substantially 75 as and for the purpose set forth.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my own I have hereunto affixed my signature in presence of two witnesses.

EDWARD S. MAY.

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