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## CIGAR.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that we, MORRIS ASHER and GEORGE MINCK, both of the city of New York, county and State of New York, have  
5 invented a new and useful Improvement in Cigars, of which the following specification is a full, clear, and exact description.

This invention has for its object to produce upon the ashes of a cigar the manufacturer's  
10 brand or other design which a cigar-maker may have previously applied to the cigar-wrapper. By our invention such a brand may be applied in a manner so as to be practically invisible on the wrapper, while during  
15 consumption the brand will appear in heavy color upon the ashes. In this way the maker's brand may be directly applied to a cigar without the objectionable use of pasters and bands, as has heretofore been the case.

20 The invention consists, principally, in a cigar having a design applied to its wrapper, which is retained upon the ashes of the consumed cigar; also, in the details of improvement, hereinafter more fully pointed out.

25 The accompanying drawing represents a cigar provided with our improvement.

In carrying our invention into effect we apply, with a brush, stencil-plate, or otherwise, upon the wrapper of a cigar, A, any suitable  
30 design, B, by a coloring composition, which is not destroyed with the consumption of the cigar. We prefer to use for this purpose an earthy pigment—such as sienna or the like—  
35 darkened by the fire. This earthy pigment

should be mixed with about two parts of water and one part of gum, by weight; but other proportions may be used; and, in fact, any coloring material may be employed which is not destroyed by the fire.

The coloring composition will be almost invisible upon the wrapper of the cigar; but while the cigar is being consumed it will appear very distinctly upon the ashes. This arises from the fact that the ashes are much  
45 lighter than the tobacco, and also that if a proper color is used—such as, for instance, the one above described—it is darkened by the fire of the cigar.

The tip *a* of the cigar should be left free of  
50 the coloring composition, so that the latter does not enter the smoker's mouth.

We claim as our invention—

1. As a new article of manufacture, a cigar, A, having a design applied to its wrapper by  
55 a color, which is retained upon the ashes of the consumed cigar, substantially as specified.

2. A cigar, A, having a design, B, formed of an earthy pigment applied to it, substantially as specified.

3. A cigar, A, having a design, B, applied to it, said design being formed of an earthy pigment, water, and gum, substantially as and in the proportions specified.

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