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Fig. 1.

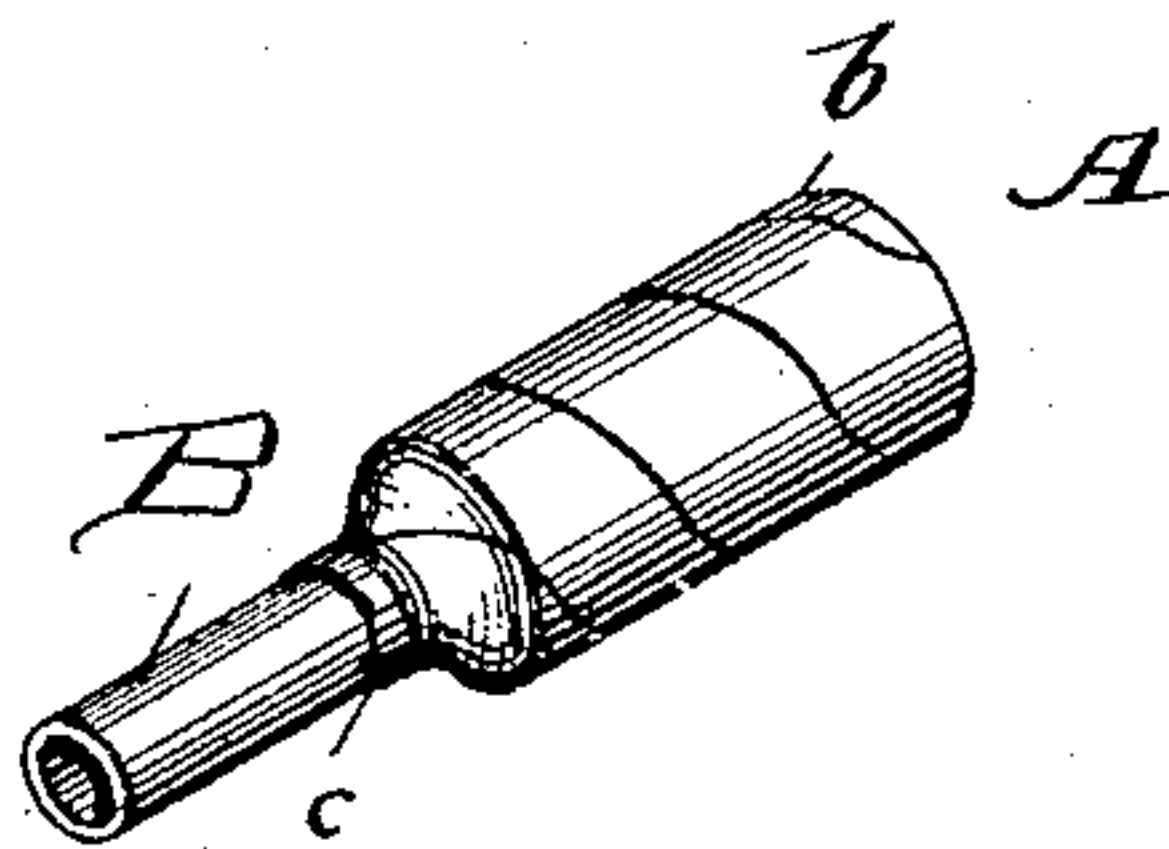


Fig. 2.

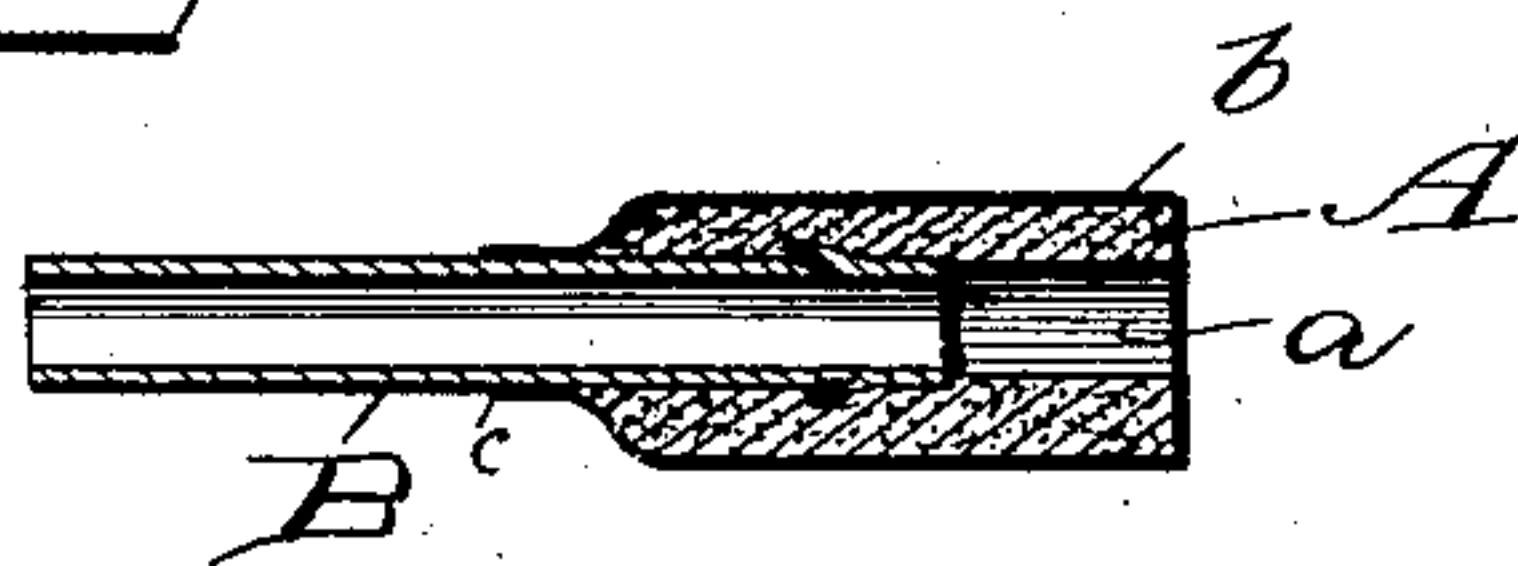
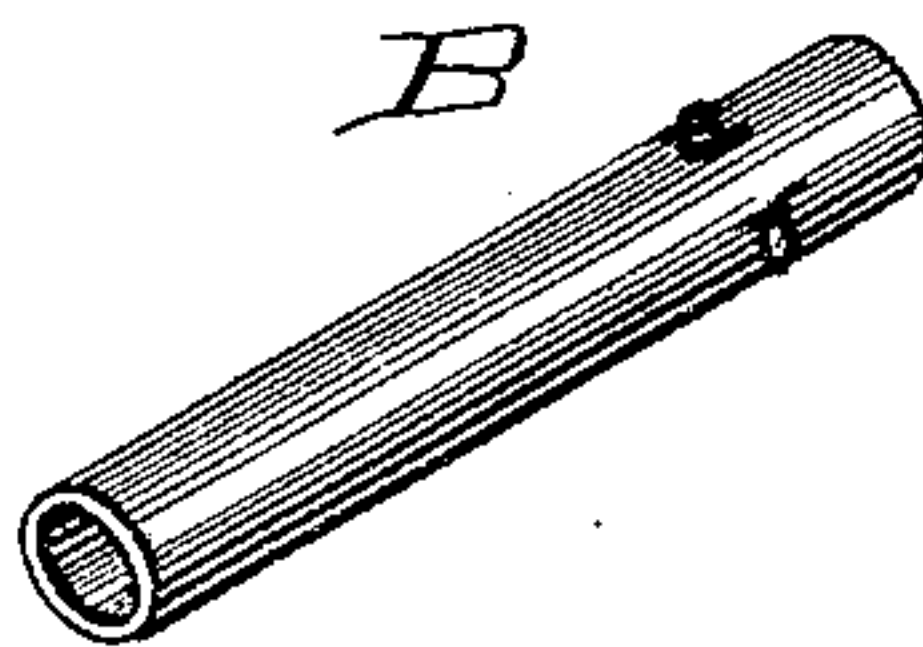


Fig. 3.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, SALLIE P. BRYANT, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of Baltimore, in the State of Maryland, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Cigarette-Holders; and I do declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to letters of reference marked thereon, which form a part of this specification.

Figure 1 of the drawings is a perspective view of the invention complete. Fig. 2 is a longitudinal sectional view. Fig. 3 is a detail view of the mouthpiece.

This invention has relation to certain new and useful improvements in cigarette and cigar holders; and it consists in the novel construction and combination of parts, as hereinafter specified.

In the accompanying drawings the letter A designates the holder portion proper, and B the stem or mouthpiece therefor. The portion A consists of the pith of cornstalk—a fibrous pulpy material—which is compressed to give it the required body and longitudinally bored, as indicated at *a*. One end of the bore serves as the socket or holder for the end of the cigarette, and extending into the other end is the mouthpiece B, which consists of a short hollow section of reed, bamboo, cane, wood, bone, celluloid, or any material suitable for the purpose. This mouthpiece is held in the portion A by means of small spur-like projections, ridges, or corrugations formed thereon, which present their points at such an angle as to permit the piece to be easily inserted, but prevent its removal therefrom. Where reed, bamboo, cane, or similar material is used these projections are usually

formed by cutting small nicks in the surface thereof, as shown in Fig. 3. The portion A is provided with a wrapping *b*, of tissue or other suitable material. This wrapping may be colored brown in imitation of tobacco-leaf or may be otherwise colored to give the holder a neat appearance. It is usually extended and wrapped closely around the stem, as shown at *c*. This serves to prevent any air entering the holder around the stem to destroy the draft, and also by being pasted around the stem serves as an additional means for holding the latter in place.

The porous pith of the holder forms an excellent absorbent for the nicotine and oils of the tobacco, taking them up and preventing their passage through the stem to the mouth.

By making the device slightly larger it is adapted for use as a cigar-holder.

Having described this invention, what I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

1. A cigarette-holder comprising the portion A, formed of compressed pith and provided with a suitable wrapping and longitudinally bored, and a mouthpiece or stem held in said bore and having spurs or nicks thereon and partially covered by an extension of the wrapping, substantially as specified.

2. A cigarette-holder having the holder proper formed of an absorbent material, a stem or mouthpiece having spurs or nicks in one end thereof held in said absorbent material, and a wrapping around the absorbent material and partially surrounding the stem or mouthpiece, substantially as specified.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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