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Fig. 1.

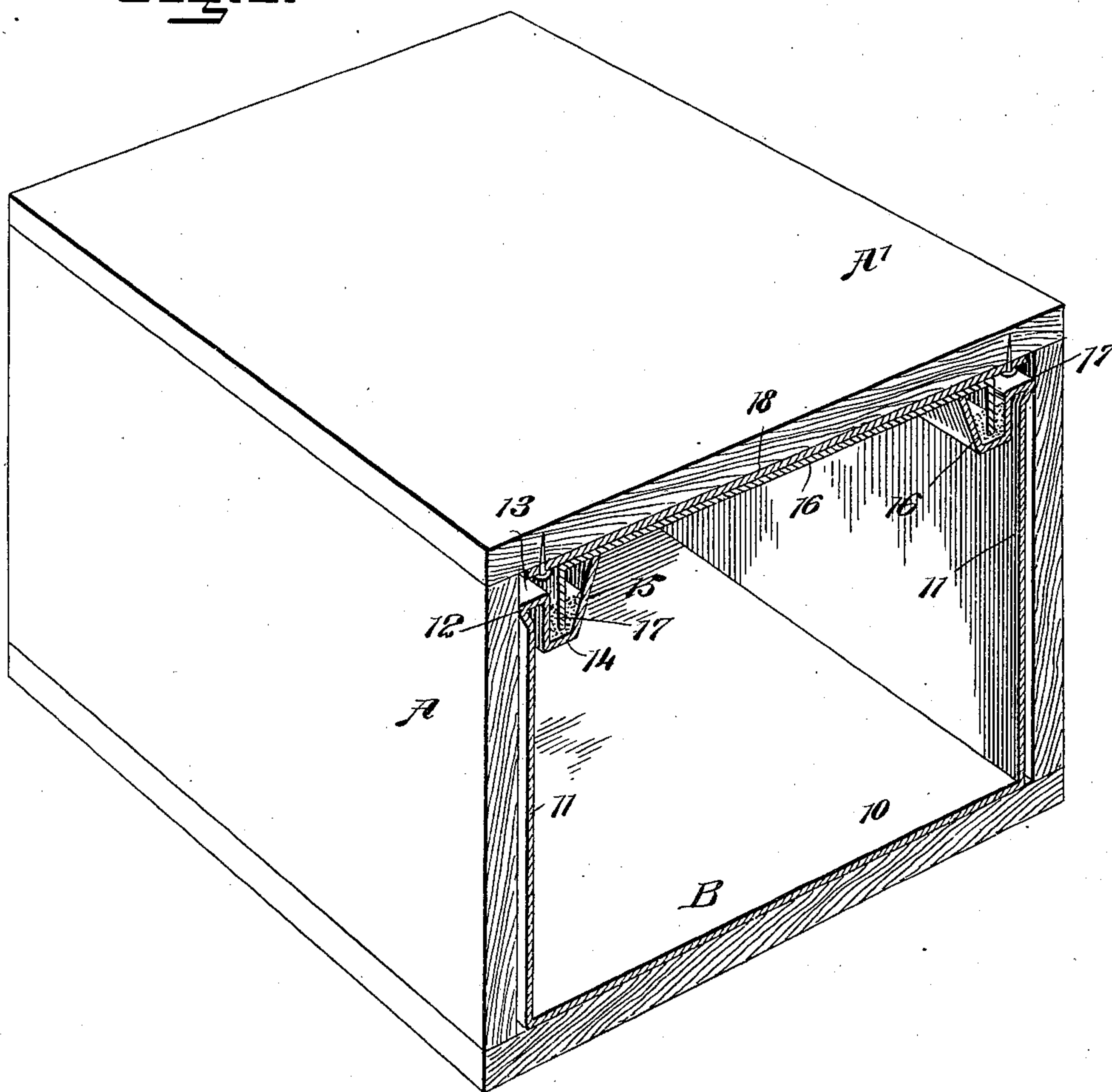
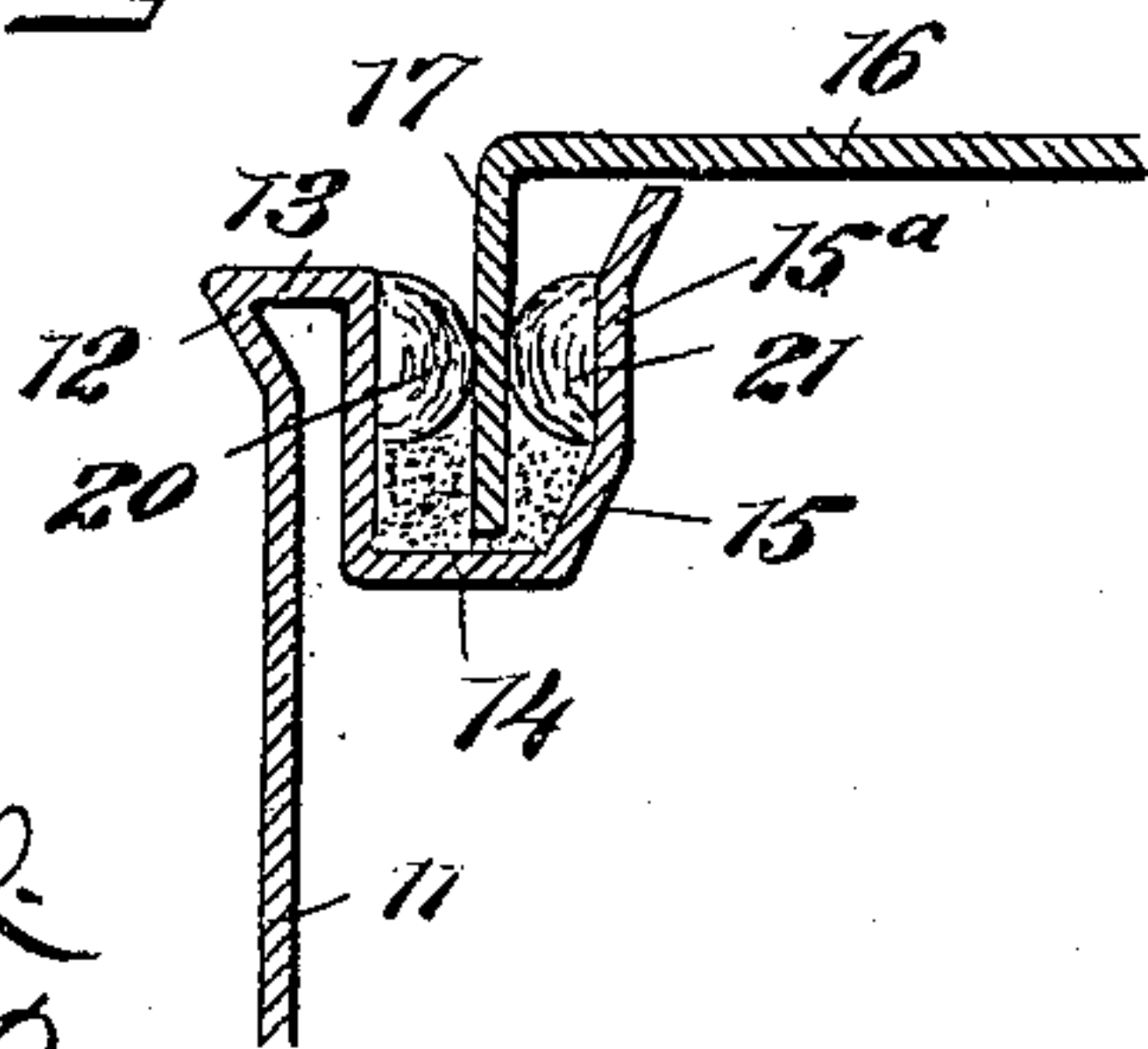


Fig. 2.



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CIGAR-CONTAINER.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ARTHUR QUINTON WALSH, a subject of the King of England, and a resident of the city of New York, borough of Manhattan, in the county and State of New York, have invented a new and Improved Cigar-Container, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

The purpose of the invention is to provide a receptacle or container for boxes of cigars, said receptacle or container being so constructed that it will be simple, durable, and economic and will effectually serve to keep the cigars moist and in proper condition for satisfactory use.

A further purpose of the invention is to provide a receptacle of the character described of such construction that ready access may be gained to its contents.

The invention consists in the novel construction and combination of the several parts, as will be hereinafter fully set forth, and pointed out in the claims.

Reference is to be had to the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification, in which similar characters of reference indicate corresponding parts in both figures.

Figure 1 is a perspective view of a portion of the improved container and the box or chest in which the same is to be fitted; and Fig. 2 is a vertical section through a portion of the upper part of the container, illustrating a slight difference in construction.

A represents a box or chest, which may be of any suitable size, and A' a cover or lid for the said box or chest.

B represents the body portion of the improved container. The container is constructed entirely of metal, and the body portion of the container is fitted in the body portion of the box or chest A. The body portion of the container consists of a bottom section 10 and suitable end sections and side sections 11, all of which parts are connected in a moisture-proof manner.

At the upper outer marginal portion of the body B of the container an outwardly and upwardly flaring section 12 is produced, which flaring marginal section of the body of said container engages with the inner face of the sides and ends of the box or chest A, thus leaving a space between the ends and sides

of the body of the container and the corresponding portions of the box or chest A for the circulation of air; but the bottom portion of the body of the container rests on the bottom portion of the box or chest A.

An inwardly-extending horizontal flange 13 is formed at the top of the body B of the container, and a gutter 14 is connected or made integral with the said flange 13, the flange 13 and gutter 14 extending around the sides and ends of the body of the container B at the top. In the very simple form of the container the inner member 15 of the gutter 14 is given an upward and inward inclination, as shown in Fig. 1. The cover 16 for the container is in the form of a metal plate provided with downwardly-extending side and end flanges 17, and these flanges are adapted to enter the gutter 14, which gutter is partially filled with sand or a like material, so as to provide a dry seal for the cover. The cover 16 of the container is adapted to be secured to the cover or lid A' of the box or chest A, and to that end an auxiliary plate 18 is soldered or otherwise secured to the top of the cover-plate 16 of the container, extending beyond the margin of the cover-plate, and the extended portions of the said auxiliary plate 18 are secured to the cover or lid A' of the box or chest through the medium of nails, screws, or like fastening devices, as shown in Fig. 1.

In order to prevent the sand or other dry sealing material in the gutter 14 from leaving the gutter when the cover or lid A' of the box or chest is removed, strips 20, of felt or a like material, are secured to the outer wall of the continuous gutter 14, which strips are adapted for engagement with the outer faces of the flanges 17 of the cover-plate 16 for the container, and corresponding and oppositely-located strips 21 are secured to the outer face of the inner member 15 of the gutter, the inner strip or strips 21 engaging with the inner faces of the flanges 17 of the cover of the container, so that when the cover of the box or chest is removed, carrying with it the cover of the container B, the strips 20 and 21 serve as wipers and remove any sand that may adhere to the said flanges. When these wipers are applied to the gutter 14, the inner wall of the trough 14 is provided with a straight section 15^a, to which the inner wiper is attached.

A cigar-container constructed as described may be made to hold a number of boxes of cigars and will effectually prevent the evaporation of moisture from the tobacco, and the
5 cigars when removed from the container will be in practically the same condition as when first placed therein.

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

1. A cigar-container, comprising a body-section provided with a gutter at its top, a cover having a flange arranged to extend into the gutter, and wipers, for the flange, on the
15 gutter.

2. A cigar-container constructed of metal, comprising a box-like body provided with an outwardly and upwardly extending offset at

the upper outer portion of its sides and ends, a horizontal flange extending inward from
20 the said offset, and a gutter carried by said flange; which gutter is adapted to contain a dry seal, a cover for the body provided with a marginal flange adapted to extend within the gutter, and wipers secured to opposite
25 sides of the gutter and adapted for engagement with the flange of the cover for the purpose set forth.

In testimony whereof I have signed my name to this specification in the presence of
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