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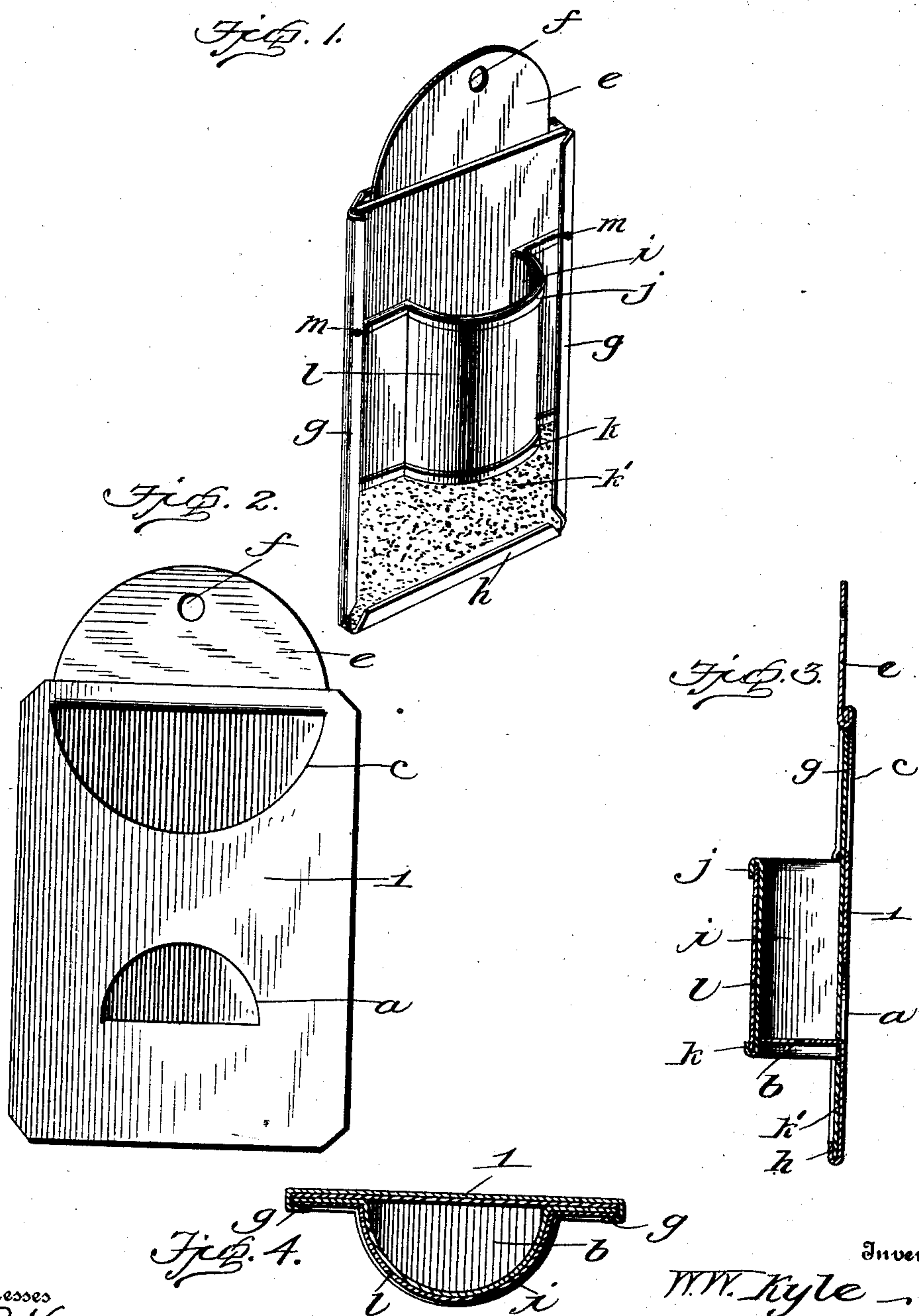
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MATCH-SAFE.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WALLACE W. KYLE, a citizen of the United States, residing at Pulaski, in the county of Lawrence and State of Pennsylvania, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Match-Safes; 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.

The invention relates to match-safes.

The object of the invention is to provide a match-safe which shall be simple of construction, durable in use, and comparatively inexpensive of production.

With this and other objects in view the invention consists of certain novel features of construction, combination, and arrangement of parts, which will be hereinafter more fully described, and particularly pointed out in the appended claims.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a front perspective view of the match-safe. Fig. 2 is a rear elevation. Fig. 3 is a vertical longitudinal sectional view of the match-safe, and Fig. 4 is a horizontal sectional view.

In making the match-safe I take a sheet of metal or other suitable material 1, preferably rectangular in form, and make a semicircular slit *a* and bend the material out therefrom to form a horizontally-extending lip *b*. Then at its upper end I make a large semicircular slit *c* and bend the material out and upwardly parallel with the body portion to form a vertical lip *e*, which may be provided with a hole *f* for hanging it from a nail. I bend the side edges of the body portion to form vertical flanges *g*, and I also bend the lower edge of the body portion to form a horizontal flange *h*. *i* denotes a strip of sheet metal or other suitable material, bowed in its middle and having its upper and lower edges formed with flanges *j* and *k*. The bowed portion, in conjunction with the body portion and with the lip *b*, forms the pocket to receive the matches, and the ends of this strip are inserted between the side flanges of the body portion 1. If desired, I may insert under the lower edge of the strip *i* and between the side flanges and base-flange of the sheet 1 a strip of scratch material *k'*, and, if desired, I may insert between the flanges of the strip *i* an advertising-card *l*. I may also insert an advertising-card downwardly between the side flanges of the sheet

1 to cover or close the holes formed by bending outwardly the lips *b* and *e*. The side flanges and the base-flange of the sheet 1 may now be firmly pressed, so as to hold the parts in their adjusted position, and to augment this fastening I may indent the side flanges of the sheet 1 at the points *m* by a punch.

It will be observed that the device is simple of construction, may be manufactured from two pieces, and may be placed in the market at a greatly-reduced cost.

From the foregoing description, taken in connection with the accompanying drawings, the construction, mode of operation, and advantages of the invention will be readily understood without requiring an extended explanation.

Various changes in the form, proportion, and details of construction may be made within the scope of the invention without departing from the spirit or sacrificing any of the advantages of the invention.

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

1. A match-safe consisting of a body portion composed of a sheet of material formed with a slit from which is bent a horizontally-extending lip, and having marginal side flanges, and a bowed portion having its ends secured in said side flanges, said lip projecting across the lower end of the bowed portion to form a bottom therefor, substantially as set forth.

2. A match-safe consisting of a body portion composed of a sheet of material slitted at two points, said material being bent outwardly at each point, one to form a laterally-projecting lip and the other a vertically-projecting lip, the edges of said body portion being bent to form flanges, a strip having a bowed portion and having its ends confined between the said flanges, said bowed portion surrounding one of the lips which acts as a bottom for the bowed portion to form a pocket, substantially as set forth.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand in presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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