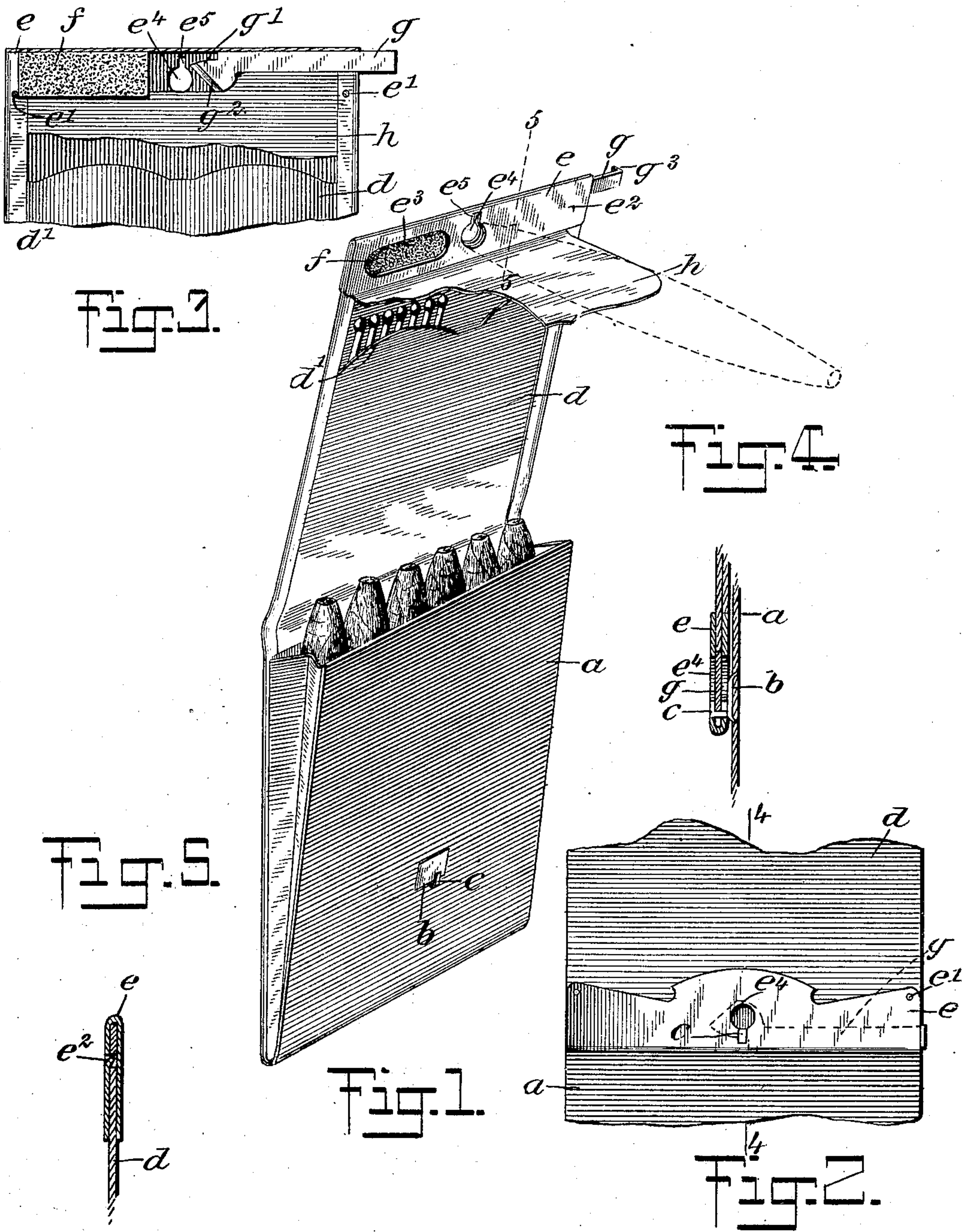


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, MAGNUS NIÉLL, a subject of the King of Sweden, 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-Case, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

My invention relates to a cigar-case or similar receptacle, the principal objects being to provide a combination of lock and cigar cutter and to improve articles of this character in certain respects, as will appear below.

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 all the figures.

Figure 1 is a perspective view of a cigar-case, showing the pinciple of my invention. Fig. 2 is a rear elevation of a portion of the same, showing parts in locking position. Fig. 3 is an interior view showing parts in section, the device being unlocked. Fig. 4 is a sectional view on the line 4 4 of Fig. 2, and Fig. 5 is a sectional view on the line 5 5 of Fig. 1.

I have shown a cigar-case comprising a holder *a* of the usual form and provided with a plate *b*, having an upwardly-turned projection *c* thereon, adapted to be employed in locking the case. With the holder is connected a flap *d*, constituting a cover for the case. This flap is provided with a pocket *d'* for holding matches, and at the outer end of the cover or flap is mounted a doubled strip of metal *e*, serving as means for binding the edges of the cover. This strip of metal is secured to the cover by any convenient means—as, for example, rivets *e'*. Inwardly-extending projections *e²*, formed by stamping the metal, are employed to guide a sliding bar *g*. This binding-strip is provided with an opening *e³*, through which appears a match-striker *f*. It is also provided with an opening *e⁴* of a general circular form, but having a notch *e⁵*. Within the folds of the binding-sheet is placed the sliding bar *g*. This bar is provided with a notch *g'* upon the upper or outer side thereof, which is adapted to slide along the notch *e⁵* when the cover is placed in closed position, as is indicated in Figs. 2 and 4, so as to engage

the projection *c* and lock the cover to the holder. On the lower side of the bar *g*, at its outer end, is an inclined blade *g²*, which is adapted to slide across the opening *e⁴* and serve as a cigar-cutter. At the rear of the bar *g* is a projection *g³* to limit its motion inwardly. A flap *h* is preferably provided for closing the pocket *d'*. It will be obvious that the construction of a cigar-holder in this manner provides the most convenient and effective locking and cigar-cutting operation without the use of a large number of movable elements.

The simplicity and effectiveness of the device will be obvious, as well as the convenient arrangement of the various parts.

Having thus described my invention, I claim—

1. A cigar-case having a cutter provided with a binding-sheet, said binding-sheet having a perforation adapted to receive the end of a cigar, said perforation having a notch for receiving a device to be locked, and a bar located in said binding-sheet and provided with a blade for sliding across said opening, the rear surface of said blade being adapted to simultaneously move across a portion of said notch for locking purposes.

2. A cigar-case comprising a holder having a bent projection and a cover, said cover being provided with a binding element bent over the front and rear sides of its outer edge, said binding element having a circular opening provided with a notch, and a bar slidably mounted within said binding element, said bar having a blade adapted to cross said circular opening, the rear of said blade simultaneously passing through said notch and the blade having a notch at the rear, whereby the blade will engage the projection on the holder and locking case thereto.

3. A cigar-case comprising a holder having a bent projection and a cover, said cover being provided with a binding element bent over the front and rear sides of its outer edge, said binding element having a circular opening provided with a notch, and a bar slidably mounted within said binding element, said bar having a blade adapted to cross said circular opening, the rear of said blade simulta-

neously passing through said notch, said binding element having a longitudinal opening in the front side thereof, a match-striker located within said binding element at the rear of said last-named opening, and a pocket for matches located adjacent to said binding element.

In testimony whereof I have signed my name to this specification in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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